



## MANAGEMENT AND COORDINATION OF DROWNING PREVENTION

**DOES SAMOA HAVE A NATIONAL COORDINATION MECHANISM FOR DROWNING PREVENTION?** NO

### SELECTED SECTORS AND AGENCIES INVOLVED IN DROWNING PREVENTION:

Ministry of Health | Ministry of Education | Police | Ministry of Natural Resources and Environment | Fire and Emergency Services Authority | Ministry of Works and Transport Infrastructure | Bureau of Statistics | Samoa Shipping Services | Ministry of Women and Community development | Attorney General's Office | Accident Compensation Corporation | Red Cross | Samoa Tourism Authority | Samoa Shipping Corporation

## INTERVENTIONS FOR DROWNING PREVENTION

	AVAILABLE	COVERAGE	EVALUATED
Physical barriers	-	-	-
Swim skills training	-	-	-
Childcare	-	-	-
Public awareness on drowning	-	-	-
Manage flood risks	●	MED	-
Disaster warning systems	●	MED	-
Public awareness on alcohol and swimming/boating	●	MED	-
Rescue and resuscitation	●	MED	-
Lifeguards	-	-	-
Search and rescue	●	MED	-
Maritime safety	●	MED	-
Media	●	MED	-

## SOURCES OF DROWNING DATA

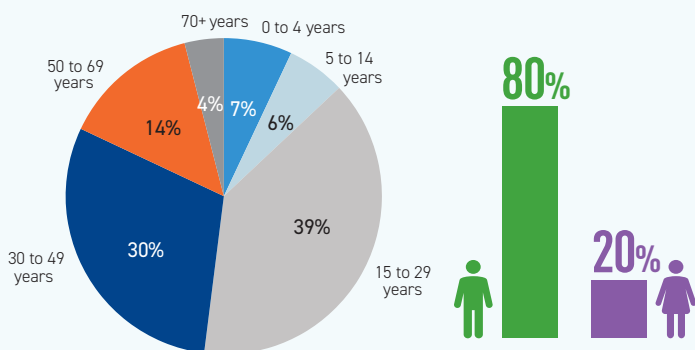
SOURCE OF DATA	TYPE OF DROWNING CAPTURED			
	FATAL	INFORMATION COLLECTED*	NON-FATAL	INFORMATION COLLECTED*
Vital registry	●	■ ■ ■ ■	N/A	-
Verbal autopsy	-	-	N/A	-
Hospital admission data	●	■ ■ ■ ■	●	■ ■ ■ ■
Hospital emergency department data	●	■ ■ ■ ■	●	■ ■ ■ ■
Police	●	■ ■ ■ ■ ■ ■ ■ ■	●	■ ■ ■ ■
Transport sector	-	-	-	-
Education sector	-	-	-	-
Maritime safety	-	-	-	-
Coastguard	-	-	-	-
Tourism sector	-	-	-	-
National community survey	-	-	-	-
Media	-	-	-	-

■ Age ■ Sex ■ Type of drowning event ■ Activity ■ Water body

Drowning deaths in community settings are captured YES  
 Persons missing at sea are assumed to have died NO  
 Persons missing at sea are assumed to have drowned NO

**PROPORTION OF DROWNING DEATHS ASSOCIATED WITH ALCOHOL** -

## SHARE OF DROWNING DEATHS BY AGE GROUP<sup>a</sup>



<sup>a</sup> Global Health Estimates (GHE) data, 2019

<sup>b</sup> GHE data, 2000-2019

## STRATEGY AND TARGETS FOR DROWNING PREVENTION

**DOES SAMOA HAVE A NATIONAL WATER SAFETY STRATEGY?** NO

Are measurable targets to reduce drowning included? -

If yes, please specify: -

Do these strategies align with relevant SDGs? -

Are plans underway, or is there interest, to develop a national water strategy? NO

## LEGISLATION AND REGULATION FOR DROWNING PREVENTION

MARITIME SAFETY		ENFORCEMENT	
		LIMITED	MAXIMUM
Mandated registration of watercraft	YES	5	
Mandated licensing of watercraft	YES	5	
Mandated periodic safety inspections of watercraft	YES	5	
Mandated licensing of the operator	YES	5	
Individuals responsible for overall safety of watercraft	Owner/Operator/Crew		
Law against alcohol consumption and boating	YES	5	
If yes, specify blood alcohol concentration limit:	Not specified		
Law against drug use and boating	YES	5	
Restrictions on watercraft passenger capacity	YES	5	
Restrictions on watercraft load capacity	YES	5	
Mandated provision of lifejackets on board watercraft	YES	5	
Specific standard of lifejacket required	EN ISO 12402, USCG		
Specific number of lifejackets required	YES	5	

Watercraft often exempt from national maritime legislation:

**Vessels less than 15 metres in length (including small recreational crafts and canoes) and warships.**

### CHILD SAFETY

Fencing to exclude children from swimming pools	NO	-
Swimming lessons in school curricula	NO	-
Structured adult supervision of preschool children	NO	-
Prosecution of neglect against children	YES	5

### WATER SAFETY COMPETENCIES

Required competencies for swimming instructors	NO	-
Required competencies for lifeguards	NO	-

### DISASTER RISK REDUCTION

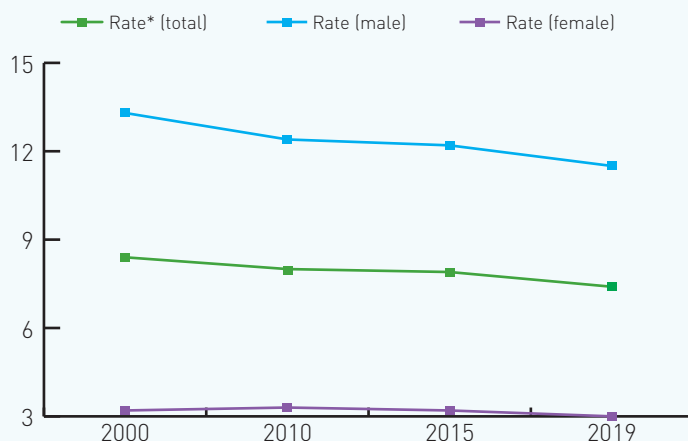
Private communication channels broadcast disaster warnings	YES	5
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### DROWNING DATA

One agency maintains all vital registry statistics	NO	-
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- No response or not applicable

## RATE OF DROWNING DEATHS<sup>b</sup>



\* rate = age-standardized death rate