

# VIET NAM

Population:  
57 790 281

Income group:  
Lower middle

Gross national  
income per capita:  
US\$ 2660 (2020)



## MANAGEMENT AND COORDINATION OF DROWNING PREVENTION

DOES VIET NAM HAVE A NATIONAL COORDINATION MECHANISM FOR DROWNING PREVENTION? **YES**

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

Ministry of Health | Ministry of Education | Police | Disaster risk reduction | Ministry of Transport | Maritime safety | Coastguard/Military | Ministry of Labour, Invalids and Social Affairs | Ministry of Culture, Sports and Tourism

## INTERVENTIONS FOR DROWNING PREVENTION

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

## 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 **-**

## STRATEGY AND TARGETS FOR DROWNING PREVENTION

DOES VIET NAM HAVE A NATIONAL WATER SAFETY STRATEGY? **YES**

Are measurable targets to reduce drowning included? **YES**

If yes, please specify:

**The Program on Child Injury Prevention and Control for the Period of 2021–2030 aims to reduce drowning mortality among children by 10% between 2020 to 2025.**

Do these strategies align with relevant SDGs? **YES**

Are plans underway, or is there interest, to develop a national water strategy? **-**

## LEGISLATION AND REGULATION FOR DROWNING PREVENTION

MARITIME SAFETY		ENFORCEMENT	
		LIMITED	MAXIMUM
Mandated registration of watercraft	YES	8	8
Mandated licensing of watercraft	YES	8	8
Mandated periodic safety inspections of watercraft	YES	8	8
Mandated licensing of the operator	YES	8	8
Individuals responsible for overall safety of watercraft	Owner/Operator		
Law against alcohol consumption and boating	YES	8	8
If yes, specify blood alcohol concentration limit: Alcohol content > 50 mg per 100 ml of blood			
Law against drug use and boating	YES	8	8
Restrictions on watercraft passenger capacity	YES	8	8
Restrictions on watercraft load capacity	YES	8	8
Mandated provision of lifejackets on board watercraft	YES	6	6
Specific standard of lifejacket required	National standard		
Specific number of lifejackets required	YES	6	6

Watercraft often exempt from national maritime legislation:

**None.**

## CHILD SAFETY

Fencing to exclude children from swimming pools	YES	8
Swimming lessons in school curricula	YES	5
Structured adult supervision of preschool children	YES	9
Prosecution of neglect against children	YES	8

## WATER SAFETY COMPETENCIES

Required competencies for swimming instructors	YES	9
Required competencies for lifeguards	YES	9

## DISASTER RISK REDUCTION

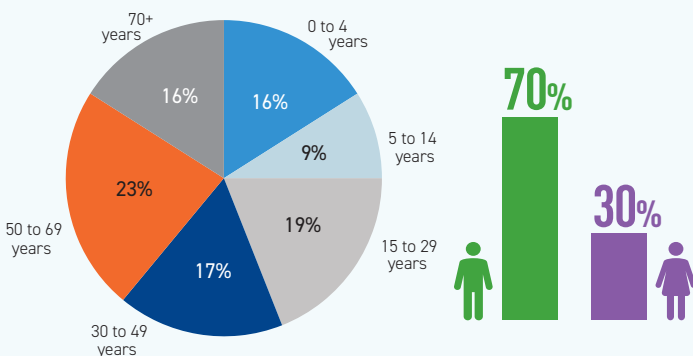
Private communication channels broadcast disaster warnings	YES	9
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## DROWNING DATA

One agency maintains all vital registry statistics	YES	9
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- No response or not applicable

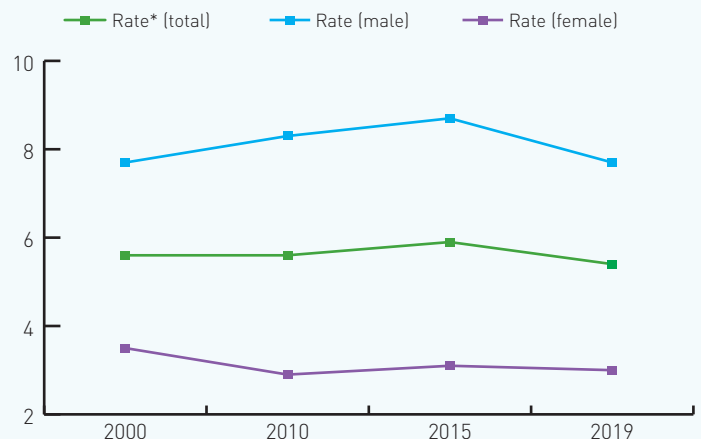
## SHARE OF DROWNING DEATHS BY AGE GROUP<sup>a</sup>



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

<sup>b</sup> GHE data, 2000–2019

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



\* rate = age-standardized death rate