



GLOBAL REPORT ON DROWNING

KEY FACTS

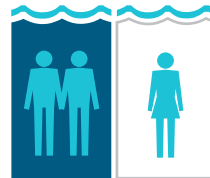
372 000
people die
from drowning
EVERY YEAR



OVER HALF
of all drowning
deaths are among
those aged
UNDER 25
YEARS



MALES
ARE TWICE
AS LIKELY
to drown
as females

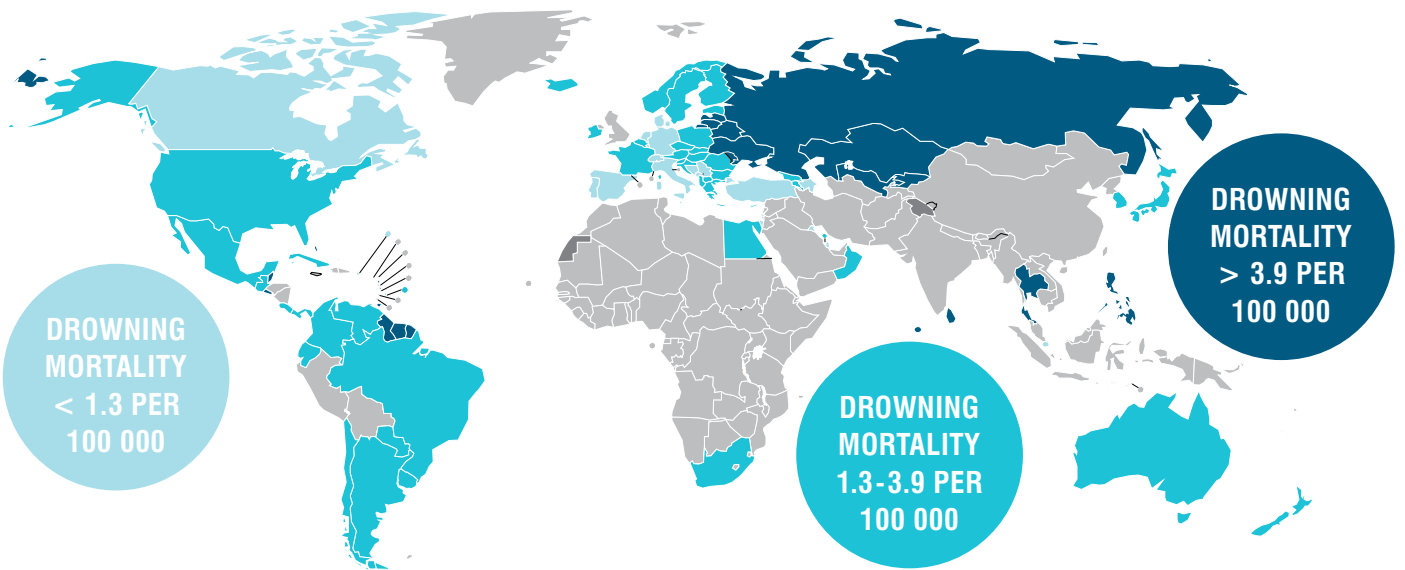


Drowning is
one of the
10 LEADING
CAUSES OF
DEATH
for people aged
1-24 years



DROWNING RATES

● Data not available ● Not applicable



A LEADING KILLER OF CHILDREN

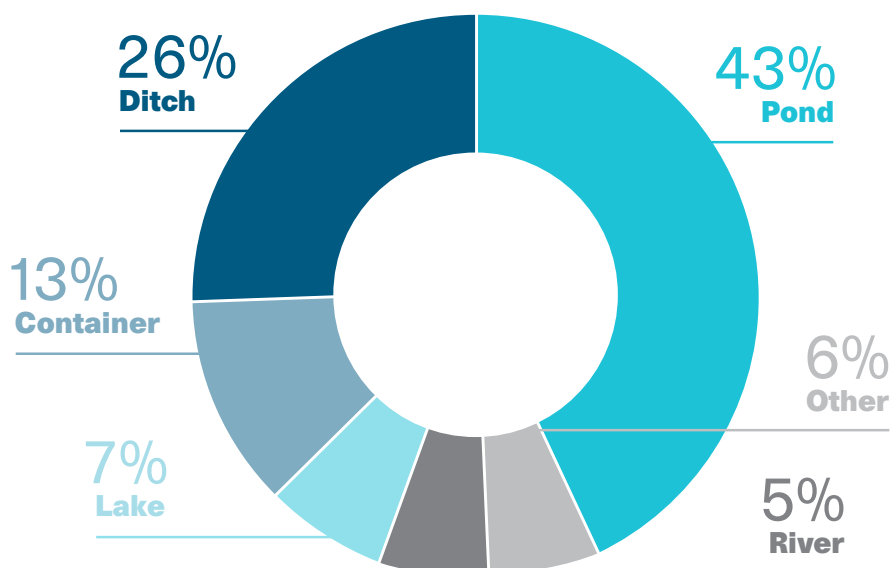
Number of deaths for children under 15 years

TUBERCULOSIS	69 648
MEASLES	125 813
DROWNING	140 219
HIV	199 071
MENINGITIS	217 580

RISK FACTORS

LIVING AROUND WATER

Wherever there is water, there is the threat of drowning



Place of drowning of Bangladeshi children under 5 years

YOUNG CHILDREN

The highest drowning rates are among children aged 1-4 years



FLOOD DISASTERS

Extreme rain fall, storm surges, tsunamis or cyclones



TRANSPORT ON WATER

Especially on overcrowded or poorly maintained vessels



PREVENTIVE ACTIONS

Install

BARRIERS

controlling access to water



Provide

SAFE PLACES

(for example, a crèche) away from water for pre-school children, with capable child care



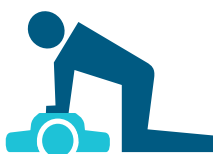
TEACH

school-age children basic SWIMMING, WATER SAFETY AND SAFE RESCUE SKILLS



TRAIN

bystanders in SAFE RESCUE AND RESUSCITATION



Set and enforce safe

BOATING, SHIPPING AND FERRY REGULATIONS



IMPROVE FLOOD

RISK MANAGEMENT locally and nationally



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