

# DROWNING IN NORTH MACEDONIA

## QUICK FACTS<sup>1-4</sup>

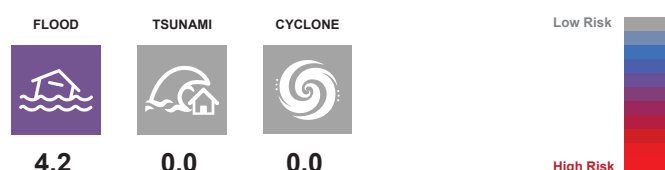
**2.114 millions**  
population (2019)

**0.770**  
Human Development Index (2021)

**GDP 6 591 USD** per capita  
Upper middle income (2022)

**Area 25 710 sq km**  
**% land below 5 meters 0.0%**  
**Coastline 0km**

## NATURAL HAZARD INDEX



Republic of North Macedonia is exposed to several geophysical and climate-related hazards, some of which are increasing in frequency and magnitude. The annual average population affected by flooding in Macedonia is about 70 000 and the annual average affected GDP about \$500 million.



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## DROWNING MORTALITY SNAPSHOT<sup>5,6</sup>

**18 people** fatally drowned  
in North Macedonia in 2019

**15% were**  
under 25 years of age

Leading causes of death by age group 1-24 years, 2019

rank	1-4	5-9	10-14	15-19	20-24
1	Congenital anomalies	Brain and nervous system cancers	Stroke	Road injury	Road injury
2	Lower respiratory infections	Road injury	Leukaemia	Self-harm	Cardiomyopathy, myocarditis, endocarditis
3	Whooping cough	Leukaemia	Cardiomyopathy, myocarditis, endocarditis	Cardiomyopathy, myocarditis, endocarditis	Self-harm
4	Road injury	Cardiomyopathy, myocarditis, endocarditis	Road injury	Congenital anomalies	Ischaemic heart disease
5	Cardiomyopathy, myocarditis, endocarditis	Congenital anomalies	Brain and nervous system cancers	Lower respiratory infections	Stroke
6	Lymphomas, multiple myeloma	Stroke	Self-harm	Stroke	Lower respiratory infections
7	Leukaemia	Lower respiratory infections	Epilepsy	Interpersonal violence	Interpersonal violence
8	Cirrhosis of the liver	Chronic obstructive pulmonary disease	Drowning	Leukaemia	Congenital anomalies
9	Stroke	Alzheimer disease and other dementias	Interpersonal violence	Brain and nervous system cancers	Leukaemia
10	Brain and nervous system cancers	Epilepsy	Congenital anomalies	Chronic obstructive pulmonary disease	Drowning

**67% Males** **33% Females**

**8.3% of drowning deaths are**  
causally associated with alcohol  
**13% decrease alcohol-related**  
deaths from 2000 to 2019

**725 Years of Life Lost**

