

# DROWNING IN SPAIN

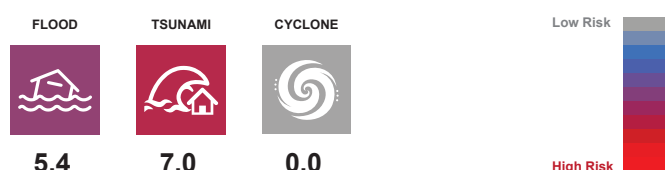
## QUICK FACTS<sup>1-4</sup>

**47.131 millions**  
population (2019)

**0.905**  
Human Development Index (2021)

**GDP 29 350 USD** per capita  
High income (2022)

## NATURAL HAZARD INDEX



Spain is a country with a moderate level of disaster risk, although some regions, such as the Valencian Community, have a higher level of risk than other regions. Overall, floods are the type of disaster that cause the most damage in Spain.

**Area 505 970 sq km**  
**% land below 5 meters 0.8%**  
**Coastline 7 268km**



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

**445 people** fatally drowned  
in Spain in 2019

**9% were**  
under 25 years of age

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

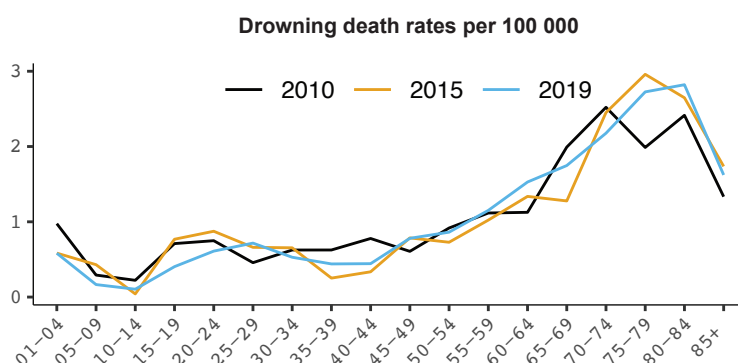
rank	1-4	5-9	10-14	15-19	20-24
1	Congenital anomalies	Brain and nervous system cancers	Brain and nervous system cancers	Road injury	Road injury
2	Leukaemia	Leukaemia	Leukaemia	Self-harm	Self-harm
3	Road injury	Congenital anomalies	Congenital anomalies	Leukaemia	Leukaemia
4	Drowning	Road injury	Road injury	Congenital anomalies	Brain and nervous system cancers
5	Neonatal conditions	Drowning	Self-harm	Drowning	Falls
6	Brain and nervous system cancers	Lower respiratory infections	Interpersonal violence	Brain and nervous system cancers	Drug use disorders
7	Falls	Lymphomas, multiple myeloma	Stroke	Lymphomas, multiple myeloma	Drowning
8	Epilepsy	Interpersonal violence	Lymphomas, multiple myeloma	Drug use disorders	Congenital anomalies
9	Lower respiratory infections	Stroke	Liver cancer	Falls	Interpersonal violence
10	Fire, heat and hot substances	Exposure to mechanical forces	Cardiomyopathy, myocarditis, endocarditis	Cardiomyopathy, myocarditis, endocarditis	Cardiomyopathy, myocarditis, endocarditis

**79% Males** **21% Females**

**24% of drowning deaths are causally associated with alcohol**

**8% decrease alcohol-related deaths from 2000 to 2019**

**14 793 Years of Life Lost**



Sources: 1. UNDESA, Population Division (2022). World Population Prospects 2022, Online Edition 2. World Bank 3. INFORM Risk Index 2023 4. World Resources Institute 5. WHO, Global Health Estimates 2019 6. Burden of Injuries Attributable to Alcohol Use in the European Region of the WHO, Report