

2016 Drowning Toll Regional Breakdown – Bay of Plenty



Drowning data is sourced from Water Safety New Zealand's DrownBase™ and the figures provided are provisional as at 9 January 2017.

- 8 people died in preventable drowning incidents in the Bay of Plenty region in 2016.

Preventable fatalities include recreational and non-recreational drowning deaths. They do not include those fatalities classified as 'other' (arising as a result of road or air vehicle accidents, homicide, suicide or of unknown origin) as these are not considered applicable to the prevention and rescue efforts of the water safety sector.

- 10% of the national total of 81 preventable drowning fatalities occurred in Bay of Plenty.
- The number of preventable drowning fatalities in Bay of Plenty is up from 6 in 2015.
- Bay of Plenty's preventable drowning fatalities occurred while the victims were:

Activity	Total preventable
Immersion Incident	4
Swimming	4
Total	8

- The location of preventable drowning fatalities were:

Environment	Total preventable
Beaches	3
Public Pools	1
Rivers	4
Total	8

- The gender of the victims were:

Gender	Total preventable
Female	1
Male	7
Total	8

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- The age groups of the victims were:

Age Group	Total preventable
00-04	-
05-14	1
15-24	2
25-34	1
35-44	1
45-54	1
55-64	-
65+	2
Total	8

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