



Flash Flood Deaths

Floods kill more people than any other natural disaster in the world. Flash floods, especially in Clark County, have proven to be deadly when they suddenly bring fast flowing water that can catch motorists by surprise. Most flood deaths occur in vehicles as drivers try to navigate flooded streets. Remember, never cross a flooded street!

- 8/1960** 1 drowned in Henderson flooding
- 8/1972** 1 drowned in Las Vegas valley flooding
- 9/1974** 5 killed at Nelson's Landing in Eldorado Canyon during a flash flood
- 7/1975** 2 drowned in Las Vegas valley floodwaters
- 8/1982** 1 drowned in flooding along the Blue Diamond Wash
- 7/1984** 2 public employees drowned in Blue Diamond Wash - drove into water
- 9/1984** 5 drowned in Blue Diamond Wash - drove into water
- 6/1990** 1 drowned in Rawhide Channel - drove into water and 1 pedestrian fell into an open manhole and drowned in Henderson
- 7/1990** 1 drowned in Flamingo Wash - drove into water
- 2/1992** 1 drowned in the Charleston underpass while it was flooded
- 11/1993** 1 drowned in the Las Vegas Wash
- 8/1995** 1 drowned after being swept into Flamingo Wash - believed to be under Koval Lane bridge
- 8/1997** 1 drowned after walking into flood waters at Skyline Road and Tamarack Drive in Henderson
- 7/1998** 1 presumed dead when flood waters swept his car off Boulder Highway in the vicinity of the Flamingo Wash
- 7/1999** 1 drowned at Flamingo Road and Spencer Street at Flamingo Wash
- 12/2002** 1 drowned at Sandhill Road and Washington Avenue - believed to be in a stormdrain
- 1/2005** 1 drowned at Lake Mead Boulevard west of Interstate 15 - believed to be in a flood channel
- 9/2005** 1 drowned at Lower Las Vegas Wash Wetlands Park
- 8/2012** 1 drowned in Pittman Wash after being swept away during a storm
- 9/2012** 1 drowned in Flamingo Wash after being swept away at the Desert Rose Golf Course
- 6/2016** 2 drowned, 1 body found in the Tropicana Wash, 1 rescued unresponsive from the National Golf course and later died

Total Deaths: 32 directly flood-related deaths (26 in the Las Vegas valley)
21 separate flash flood events