

# Immediate dangers during floods



## Loss of life

Drowning is the greatest danger in flash and coastal floods. The fast-moving waters can sweep away anything in their path.



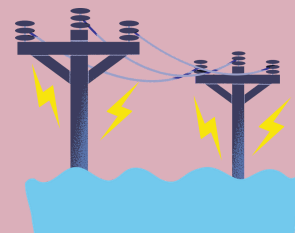
## Injuries

People can sustain injuries during floods, evacuation and cleanup efforts. The risks and types of injuries can vary significantly based on individual factors such as pregnancy, disability and age.



## Electrocution

Floodwater can conduct electricity, leading to increased risk of shocks.



## Displacement

Floods can force people to relocate to shelters or temporary accommodation.



## Loss of property, services and livestock

It can lead to food and health insecurity.



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