This infographic summarizes the most recent data on water-related fatalities available from the Office of the Chief Coroner for Ontario. With the exception of the first chart, all data refers to the most current five-year period, 2013-2017.

### WHO IS DROWNING?

- **77% male**
- **23% female**

### WHERE?

- **Lake/Pond**: 43%
- **River**: 21%
- **Other**: 8%
- **Pool**: 16%
- **Bathtub**: 12%
- **Drowning in a Lifeguard Supervised Setting**: 1%

### WHEN?

- **64% of drownings occurred from May to Sep**
**WHAT WERE THEY DOING?**

**AQUATIC**
- 28%

**BOATING**
- 21%
  - Powerboat: 54%
  - Canoe: 24%
  - Kayak: 8%

**NON-AQUATIC**
- 18%

**WATER-RELATED FATALITIES BY MOST COMMON RECREATIONAL ACTIVITY**
- Swimming: 39%
- Power Boating: 11%
- Walking/Running/Playing Near Water: 10%
- Fishing from Boat: 8%
- Canoeing: 7%
- Snowmobiling: 4%

*The person intended to be in the water (e.g. swimming/wading)
**Unintentional fall into water (e.g. walking/biking/working near water and fell in)***

**WHY? RISK FACTORS**

**CHILDREN <5 YEARS**
- 92% Supervision Absent or Distracted

**YOUNG ADULTS 15-34 YEARS**
- 93% of causal factors known
- 41% Not Wearing a PFD
- 35% Alcohol Consumption

**MIDDLE-AGED ADULTS 35-64 YEARS**
- 88% of causal factors known
- 41% Not Wearing a PFD
- 61% Alcohol Consumption

**OLDER ADULTS 65+ YEARS**
- 81% of causal factors known
- 13% Not Wearing a PFD
- 75% Alcohol Consumption

**BOATING**
- 67% of causal factors known
- 36% Alcohol Consumption
- 34% Alone

**SWIMMING**
- 34% of causal factors known
- 23% Alcohol Consumption
- 31% Not Wearing a PFD

**METHODS:**
Water-related death data is extracted from the office of the Chief Coroner or Medical Examiner for each province and territory. Data is collected for all deaths resulting from incidents “in, on or near” water. “Near water” incidents were included if the intent was closely related to water-based recreational, vocational or daily living activity. The data includes only unintentional deaths, not deaths due to natural causes, suicide, or homicide.

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