

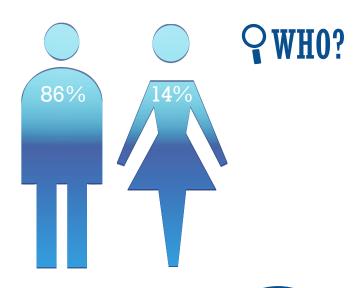
NATIONAL
PRELIMINARY
DROWNING
REPORT
2020-2021

Prepared for the Lifesaving Society by the Drowning Prevention Research Centre Canada

In 2020 and 2021, approximately

265

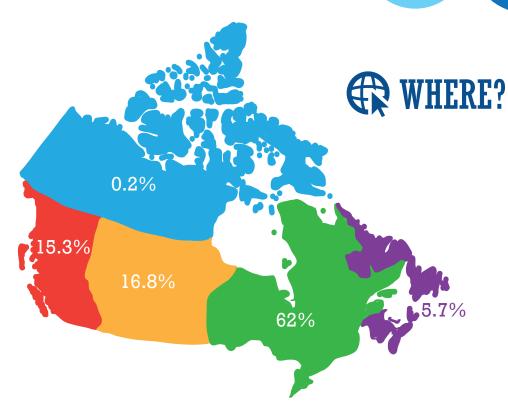
people drowned in Canada each year



**Age: 35-49** 19%

**Age: 50-64** 20%

Age: 20-34 30%





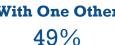






# **⚠ WHY?**







**Alone** 31%

## ? WHAT?



#### TYPE OF ACTIVITY

Aquatic 36%

Boating 31%

Non-Aquatic

#### **CHILDREN UNDER 5 YEARS**



Absent or Distracted Supervision 95%

## RECREATIONAL ACTIVITY



Swimming 35%



Powerboating 18%



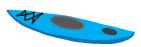
### **VESSEL TYPE**



Powerboat 51%



Canoe 16%



Kayak 12%

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#### **METHODS:**

Preliminary data offers a glimpse into the drowning mortality rate of any given year. Preliminary data on fatal drownings is collected from media reports across Canada. This data is later compared to findings reported by Coroners and Medical Examiners' reports to identify duplication. Annually, it provides information on approximately half of all drowning fatalities in Canada.