

Table 25 • PERCENT OF DEATHS BY VESSEL TYPE, 2009-2023

	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
Airboat	0%	0%	0%	0%	1%	0%	0%	0%	1%	1%	0%	0%	0%	1%	1%
Auxiliary sailboat	1%	2%	2%	2%	1%	3%	3%	2%	1%	2%	2%	0%	2%	1%	2%
Cabin motorboat	6%	5%	6%	8%	4%	6%	6%	6%	5%	5%	6%	4%	5%	4%	4%
Canoe/kayak	18%	21%	18%	16%	19%	22%	22%	22%	21%	20%	20%	20%	22%	21%	24%
Houseboat	0%	1%	0%	1%	1%	0%	0%	0%	1%	0%	0%	0%	1%	0%	0%
Inflatable	4%	3%	3%	5%	3%	3%	4%	3%	3%	3%	2%	2%	1%	2%	4%
Open motorboat	53%	48%	49%	44%	49%	46%	46%	46%	46%	49%	47%	49%	44%	46%	44%
Personal watercraft	6%	6%	6%	9%	6%	6%	5%	7%	7%	7%	8%	9%	8%	8%	8%
Pontoon	2%	4%	4%	7%	6%	3%	7%	7%	5%	6%	7%	9%	10%	8%	7%
Rowboat	6%	5%	7%	4%	5%	5%	3%	2%	3%	3%	3%	3%	3%	2%	2%
Sailboat (only)	1%	1%	1%	2%	1%	1%	0%	0%	2%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%
Sailboat (unknown)	0%	0%	0%	1%	1%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
Standup paddleboard	0%	0%	0%	0%	1%	0%	1%	2%	2%	1%	2%	1%	3%	3%	2%
Other	1%	2%	1%	1%	0%	0%	0%	1%	1%	1%	1%	0%	0%	1%	1%
Unknown	1%	1%	2%	2%	1%	2%	1%	2%	2%	1%	1%	1%	1%	2%	1%

Table 37 • RECREATIONAL VESSEL REGISTRATION BY LENGTH AND MEANS OF PROPULSION 2023

MECHANICALLY PROPELLED	10,728,774
Under 16 feet	3,715,813
16 to less than 26 feet	6,398,097
26 to less than 40 feet	531,328
40 to 65 feet	72,772
Over 65 feet	10,764
NOT MECHANICALLY PROPELLED	817,738
Rowboats	35,376
Sailboats	82,516
Paddlecraft	606,221
Other	93,625
TOTAL	11,546,512

Table 24 • NUMBER OF DEATHS BY VESSEL TYPE 2023

Vessel type	Drownings	Deaths by Causes other than Drowning	Total Deaths	Percentage of Deaths from Drowning
Airboat	3	0	3	100%
Auxiliary Sailboat	6	3	9	67%
Cabin Motorboat	12	8	20	60%
Canoe	36	7	43	84%
Houseboat	1	0	1	100%
Inflatable	21	2	23	91%
Kayak	72	23	95	76%
Open Motorboat	149	98	247	60%
Personal Watercraft	15	32	47	32%
Pontoon	35	6	41	85%
Rowboat	8	3	11	73%
Sailboat (only)	1	2	3	33%
Sailboat (unknown)	0	0	0	0%
Standup paddleboard	10	1	11	91%
Other	5	0	5	100%
Unknown	5	2	7	71%
Total	377	187	564	67%

Table 26 • NUMBER OF DECEASED VICTIMS BY AGE AND VESSEL TYPE 2023

Age of Deceased Victim	Type of Vessel													Drownings	Other deaths	Total deaths			
	Airboat	Auxiliary sailboat	Cabin motorboat	Canoe	Houseboat	Inflatable	Kayak	Personal watercraft	Pontoon	Rowboat	Sailboat (only)	Sailboat (unknown)	Standup paddleboard				Other	Unknown	
Total	3	9	20	43	1	23	95	27	41	11	3	0	11	3	7	377	187	564	
1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
7	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
8	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	2
9	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
10	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
11	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	2	3
12	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3
0-12	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	2	9
13 - 19	0	2	0	2	0	0	5	0	13	4	3	0	0	0	0	0	28	16	44
20 - 29	0	0	4	10	0	3	26	0	8	3	1	0	0	0	1	61	21	82	
30 - 39	1	0	3	4	1	3	18	0	6	8	1	0	0	1	2	60	16	76	
40 - 49	0	1	0	7	0	3	15	0	5	7	2	1	0	4	1	57	29	86	
50 - 59	0	4	4	3	0	2	9	0	8	8	0	0	0	2	0	48	30	78	
60 - 69	1	1	6	9	0	9	15	0	5	7	2	2	0	1	0	71	35	106	
70 - 79	1	1	3	6	0	1	4	0	0	4	0	0	0	1	2	39	24	63	
80 and Over	0	0	2	0	1	1	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	11	4	15	
Unknown	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	3

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