This infographic summarizes the most recent data on water-related fatalities available from the Office of the Coroner for Québec. With the exception of the first chart, all data refers to the most current five-year period, 2011-2015.

WHO IS DROWNING?

83% male
17% female

WHERE?

LAKE/POND 28%
RIVER 41%
POOL 13%
BATHTUB 10%
OTHER 8%

DROWNING IN A LIFEGUARD SUPERVISED SETTING <1%

WHEN?

73% of drownings occurred from May to September.

QUÉBEC WATER-RELATED FATALITIES AND DEATH RATES, 2006-2015

Number of Deaths / Year
Death Rate per 100,000 / Year

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* Death Rate per 100,000 / Year
WHAT WERE THEY DOING?

AQUATIC 26%
BOATING 25%
NON-AQUATIC 21%

WATER-RELATED FATALITIES BY MOST COMMON RECREATIONAL ACTIVITY

- Swimming 28%
- Walking/Running/Playing Near Water 16%
- Fishing from Boat 15%
- Power Boating 9%
- Canoeing 6%

WHY? RISK FACTORS

CHILDREN
91% Supervision Absent or Distracted
- Not Wearing a PFD
- Alcohol Consumption
- Alone
- Weak or Non-Swimmer

YOUNG ADULTS
83% 41% 32%
- Boating
- Swimming
- Non-aquatic

OLDER ADULTS
76% 31% 60%
- Boating
- Swimming
- Non-aquatic

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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