This infographic summarizes the most recent data on water-related fatalities available from the Office of the Chief Coroner for Quebec. With the exception of the first chart, all data refers to the most current five-year period, 2012-2016.

### WHO IS DROWNING?

- **82% male**
- **18% female**

### WHERE?

- **Lake/Pond**: 28%
- **River**: 38%
- **Pool**: 14%
- **Bathtub**: 11%
- **Other**: 9%

### WHEN?

- **74% of drownings occurred from May to Sep**
- **<1% drowning in a lifeguard supervised setting**

**Québec Water-Related Fatalities and Death Rates, 2007-2016**

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

**Age: 0-4**
- 6% (1.0*)

**Age: 50-64**
- 29% (1.2*)

**Age: 65+**
- 23% (1.3*)

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

Aquatic 27%
Boating 24%
Non-aquatic 21%

Why? Risk Factors

Children

87% Supervision Absent or Distracted
Not Wearing a PFD
Alcohol Consumption
Alone
Weak or Non-Swimmer

Young Adults

81% Boating
39% Swimming
34% Near Water

Boating

75% Not Wearing a PFD
31% Alcohol Consumption
39% Alone

Swimming

33% Not Wearing a PFD
35% Alcohol Consumption
26% Alone

Older Adults

73% Boating
27% Swimming
64% Near Water

Boating

75% Not Wearing a PFD
31% Alcohol Consumption
39% Alone

Swimming

33% Not Wearing a PFD
35% Alcohol Consumption
26% Alone

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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