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## FOREWORD

Under the authority of Title 46, United States Code, the Prevention Policy Directorate has been delegated the responsibility to collect, analyze, and annually publish statistical information obtained from recreational vessel numbering and casualty reporting systems. Within the Directorate, the Office of Auxiliary and Boating Safety, Boating Safety Division has the responsibility to administer the National Recreational Boating Safety Program.

Boating Statistics 2007, the 49th annual report, contains statistics on recreational boating accidents and State vessel numbering activities. This publication is a result of the coordinated effort of the Coast Guard and those states and territories that have Federally approved vessel numbering and casualty reporting systems. These include the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, Guam, the Virgin Islands, American Samoa, the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, and all States.

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## 2007 EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

 NATIONAL RECREATIONAL BOATING SAFETY PROGRAM- When comparing 2006 and 2007, the number of deaths dropped from 710 to 685. However, other casualty figures increased: accidents rose from 4967 to 5191, injuries rose from 3474 to 3673 , and damages rose from $\$ 43,670,424$ to $\$ 53,106,496$.
- Over two-thirds of all fatal boating accident victims drowned, and of those, ninety (90) percent were not wearing a life jacket.
- Only fourteen (14) percent of deaths occurred on vessels where the operator had received boating safety instruction.
- Three out of every four boaters who drowned were using vessels less than 21 feet in length.
- Operator inattention, careless/reckless operation, passenger/skier behavior, excessive speed, and alcohol use rank as the top five primary contributing factors in accidents.
- Alcohol use is the leading contributing factor in fatal boating accidents; it was listed as the leading factor in $21 \%$ of the deaths.
- Sixteen (16) children age 12 and under lost their lives while boating in 2007, compared to 29 children in 2006 and 21 children in 2005. Half (8) of the children who died in 2007 died from drowning.
- The most common types of vessels involved in reported accidents were open motorboats (44\%), personal watercraft (24\%), and cabin motorboats (15\%). The number of deaths associated with the use of canoes/kayaks increased to 107 in 2007 as compared with 99 in 2006.
- The $12,875,568$ vessels registered by the States in 2007 represent a one percent increase from last year when $12,746,126$ vessels were registered.



LIFE JACKET WEAR BY CAUSE OF DEATH

| Cause Rank | Cause of Death | Number of Deaths | Life Jacket |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  | Worn | Not Worn |
| 1 | Drowning | 476 | 49 | 427 |
| 2 | Trauma | 137 | 52 | 85 |
| 3 | Other | 11 | 8 | 3 |
| 4 | Hypothermia | 18 | 7 | 11 |
| 5 | Carbon Monoxide Poisoning | 6 | 0 | 6 |
|  | Unknown | 37 | 6 | 31 |

TOP TEN KNOWN PRIMARY CONTRIBUTING FACTORS OF ACCIDENTS

| Accident <br> Rank | Primary Contributing Factor | Number of <br> Accidents |  | Number of <br> Deaths |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 | Operator Inattention | 628 | 47 | Number of <br> Injuries |
| 2 | Careless/reckless operation | 552 | 33 | 436 |
| 3 | Passenger/skier behavior | 492 | 47 | 475 |
| 4 | Excessive Speed | 473 | 31 | 425 |
| 5 | Alcohol use | 391 | 145 | 341 |
| 6 | No Proper lookout | 375 | 20 | 266 |
| 7 | Operator Inexperience | 353 | 42 | 234 |
| 8 | Machinery Failure | 312 | 21 | 146 |
| 9 | Weather | 148 | 36 | 70 |
| 10 | Equipment Failure | 141 | 17 | 40 |

## Introduction

The purpose of the National Recreational Boating Safety (RBS) Program is to improve the safety of recreational boating so that the number of deaths and injuries decrease on the nation's waterways.

## Mission of the National Recreational Boating Safety Program

The mission of the National RBS Program is "to ensure the public has a safe, secure, and enjoyable recreational boating experience by implementing programs that minimize the loss of life, personal injury, and property damage while cooperating with environmental and national security efforts."

## Overview of Statistics

This report contains statistics on recreational registered vessels and boating accidents during calendar year 2007. Data used to compile the recreational boating accident statistics come from three sources:

- Boating Accident Report data forwarded to the Coast Guard by states with an approved casualty reporting system; and
- Reports of Coast Guard investigations of fatal boating accidents that occurred on waters under Federal jurisdiction. Recreational boating accident investigation data are used if submitted to the Coast Guard and are relied on as much as possible to provide accurate accident statistics. In the absence of investigation data, information is collected from the accident reports filed by vessel operators; and
- Reports received from news media sources that the Coast Guard did not receive investigative data on by the state. The following table reflects the number of accidents, deaths, injuries, and losses of vessels that were captured in news media sources for which the Coast Guard did not receive a report:

Table 2 - NEWS MEDIA ACCIDENTS AND CASUALTIES

|  | Accidents | Deaths | Injuries | Losses of vessels |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Nationally | 37 | 8 | 41 | 6 |

## Accident Reporting as Required by Federal Law

Under federal regulations (33 CFR Part 173; Subpart C - Casualty and Accident Reporting) the operator of any numbered vessel that was not required to be inspected or a vessel that was used for recreational purposes is required to file a Boating Accident Report (BAR) when, as a result of an occurrence that involves the vessel or its equipment:

1. A person dies; or
2. A person disappears from the vessel under circumstances that indicate death or injury; or
3. A person is injured and requires medical treatment beyond first aid; or
4. Damage to vessels and other property totals $\$ 2,000$ or more; or

5 . There is a complete loss of any vessel.
If the above conditions are met, the federal regulations state that the operator or owner must report their accident to a reporting authority. The reporting authority can be either in the state where the accident occurred, the state in which the vessel was numbered, or, if the vessel does not have a number, the state where the vessel was principally used. The owner must submit the report if the operator is deceased or unable to make the report.

The regulations also state the acceptable length of time in which the accident report must be submitted to the reporting authority. Vessel operators or owners must submit:

1. Accident reports within 48 hours of an occurrence if:
a. A person dies within 24 hours of the occurrence; or
b. A person requires medical treatment beyond first aid; or
c. A person disappears from the vessel.
2. Accident reports within 10 days of an occurrence if there is damage to the vessel/property only.

The minimum reporting requirements are set by Federal regulation, but states are allowed to have stricter requirements. For example, some states have a lower threshold for reporting damage to vessels and other property.

Federal Regulations (33 CFR 174.121) require accident report data to be forwarded to Coast Guard Headquarters within 30 days of receipt by a reporting authority.

The statistics in this publication cover boating accidents reported on waters of joint Federal and State jurisdiction and exclusive State jurisdiction. Most states use Boating Accident Report forms that are similar to the Coast Guard form. A copy of the Coast Guard BAR form is on pages 65-68 of this report.

## Casualty and Accident Reporting Guidelines

Casualty and accident reporting applies to each "vessel" used by its operator for recreational purposes or vessels that are required to be numbered and are not subject to inspection.

The term "vessel" includes every description of watercraft or other artificial contrivance used, or capable of being used, as a means of transportation on the water. Terms used to describe the various types of watercraft are: airboats, auxiliary sailboat, cabin motorboat, canoe, houseboat, inflatable boat, kayak, open motorboat, personal watercraft, pontoon boat, rowboat, and sailboat. Definitions for these terms can be found in the glossary of this report.

## "Reportable" Boating Accidents

A vessel is considered to be involved in a "Boating Accident" whenever a death, missing person, personal injury, property damage, or total vessel loss results from the vessel's operation, construction, seaworthiness, equipment, or machinery. The Coast Guard believes the types of accidents listed below could be prevented or their effects mitigated by completion of a National Association of State Boating Law Administrators (NASBLA) approved boating safety education course.

The following are examples of accidents types that are used in this report:

- Grounding, capsizing, sinking, flooding or swamping
- Falls within or overboard a vessel
- Persons ejected from a vessel
- Fire or explosion
- Water-skiing or other mishap involving a towable device (tube)
- Collision with another vessel or object
- Striking a submerged object
- A person struck by a vessel, propeller, propulsion unit, or steering machinery
- Carbon monoxide exposure
- Electrocution due to stray current related to a vessel
- Casualties while swimming from a vessel because the unanchored/moored/docked vessel drifts away from the swimmer such that he/she is not able to return to it.
- Casualties while swimming from a vessel in an attempt to retrieve a lost item, another person, or another vessel.


## "Non-Reportable" Boating Accidents

Not every occurrence involving a vessel is considered within the scope of the National Recreational Boating Safety Program. The following occurrences involving a vessel may be required to be reported to the State, but for statistical purposes are excluded from this report and are considered "non-reportable" boating accidents:

- A person dies, is injured, or is missing as a result of self-inflicted wounds, alcohol poisoning, gunshot wounds, or the ingestion of drugs, controlled substances or poison.
- A person dies, is injured, or is missing as a result of assault by another person or persons while aboard a vessel.
- A person dies or is injured from natural causes while aboard a vessel.
- A person dies, is injured, or is missing as a result of jumping, diving, or swimming for pleasure from a vessel - and - the occurrence was not (1) caused by the lack of, or inadequate use of, a vessel's associated equipment or (2) attributed to the operation of the vessel. An example would be a swimmer who dies or is injured while using a swim raft that is moored or anchored for use as a swimming platform.
- A person dies, is injured, or is missing as a result of swimming to retrieve an object or a vessel that is adrift from its mooring or dock, having departed from a place of inherent safety, such as the shore or pier.
- Property damage occurs or a person dies, is injured, or is missing while preparing a vessel for launching or retrieving and the vessel is not on the water and capable / ready for its intended use.
- Property damage occurs or a person dies, is injured, or is missing as a result of a fire on shore or a pier that spreads to a vessel or vessels.
- Property damage occurs to a docked or moored vessel or a person dies, is injured, or is missing from such a vessel as a result of storms, or unusual tidal or sea conditions; or when a vessel gets underway in those conditions in an attempt to rescue persons or vessels.
- Property damage occurs to a docked or moored vessel due to theft or vandalism.
- Property damage occurs to, a person dies or is injured on, or a person is missing from a non-propelled houseboat or other vessel used primarily as a residence when such a vessel is not underway.
- A person dies, is injured, or is missing while snorkeling or scuba diving and a vessel did not contribute to the casualty.

Table 3 - NON-REPORTABLE SCENARIOS WITH THEIR CASUALTY COUNT

| Non-Reportable Scenarios | Deaths | Injuries | Damages |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Natural Causes | 6 | 3 | $\$ 14000$ |
| Commercial | 11 | 28 | $\$ 1,550,067$ |
| Platform | 8 | 2 | $\$ 0$ |
| Vandalism | 0 | 0 | $\$ 52,080$ |
| Suicide | 2 | 0 | $\$ 0$ |
| Rescue operation on non-numbered boat | 0 | 1 | $\$ 0$ |
| Patrol Vessel accidents | 0 | 4 | $\$ 650$ |
| Damage to docked boats due to extreme weather | 0 | 0 | $\$ 135,000$ |
| Damage to docked boats due to repair problems | 0 | 0 | $\$ 150,000$ |
| Fire on shore spreads to vessel | 0 | 0 | $\$ 100,000$ |
| Non-vessel Machinery impact on vessel | 0 | 0 | $\$ 14,100$ |
| Jumping fish | 0 | 3 | $\$ 2,500$ |

## Use of Statistics

Following are some important points that users of these statistics need to be aware of:

1. An approved casualty reporting system does not include every accident involving a vessel that is being used for recreational purposes. Some accidents are not in the system because they are not required to be reported. Other accidents may not be reported because boaters are not aware of the accident reporting regulations or fail to comply with such regulations.

In an attempt to make sure all fatal boating accidents are captured by the casualty reporting system and required data are input into the Boating Accident Report Database (BARD) System, the Coast Guard notifies and provides information from its Marine Information for Safety and Law Enforcement (MISLE) System to State Boating Law Administrators (BLAs) of fatal accidents that occurred in their state. The Coast Guard also sends news media stories to State BLAs on fatal and non-fatal boating accidents that occur in their state to capture accidents that may have been missed.
2. Federal regulations do not require the reporting of accidents on private waters where States have no jurisdiction. Reports of accidents on such waters are included in this report when received by the Coast Guard if they satisfy the other requirements for inclusion.
3. Non-fatal accidents cannot be assumed to have occurred in numbers proportional to the reported statistics because the act of reporting an accident is not a random sampling of accidents in the statistical sense. Rather, selection is based on the ability and willingness of those involved to file a report.
4. The fluctuations in non-fatal accident statistics from year to year may be caused by factors other than the change in the total number of recreational boating accidents. A small change in the low reporting rate may cause a relatively large change in the statistics.

The statistics in this publication are based on accident data submitted by reporting authorities as of March 3, 2008 with subsequent updates as information was reviewed and standardized.

## RECREATIONAL BOATING STATISTICS 2007

# ACCIDENT CAUSES \& CONDITIONS 

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## Explanation of Accident Causes and Conditions Section

The following seventeen tables and figures focus on the causes of accidents with a special focus on alcohol use, the operation and activity at the time of accident, weather and water conditions, vessel information, and the time of accidents.

## Percent of Accidents that are Fatal by Month (Table 4 \& Figure 1, Page 15)

This table provides information about total accidents, fatal accidents, non-fatal accidents, and deaths. The figure focuses on the percent of fatal accidents by month.

As a background note, fatal accidents are accidents that involve at least one death. For example, a fatal accident could be a capsizing that resulted in three deaths. It was an accident that had at least one death.

## Primary Contributing Factor of Accidents \& Casualties (Table 5, Page 16)

The "contributing factors" of an accident are the causes of the accident. In the Coast Guard's national accident reporting database, there are allowances for up to four causes. This table reflects the first cause listed for all accidents, deaths and injuries nationwide.

For the purposes of displaying information in a simplified manner, the Coast Guard divided the contributing factor categories into five larger categories: operation of vessel, loading of passengers or gear, environment, failure of vessel or vessel equipment, and miscellaneous. These five categories are situated in the leftmost column of the table and have the total number of accidents, deaths, and injuries associated with each category under the category name.

## Machinery \& Equipment Primary Contributing Factor of Accidents \& Casualties (Table 6, Page

 17)This table reflects the number of accidents, deaths, and injuries where machinery or equipment failure was listed as a first cause of the accident. The table also delineates the different types of failure that were listed.

## Primary Contributing Factor of Accidents (Figure 2, Page 18)

This figure reflects the first cause of accidents for all accidents nationwide.

## Primary Contributing Factor of Deaths (Figure 3, Page 19)

This table reflects the first cause listed for all deaths.
Primary Contributing Factor of Injuries (Figure 4, Page 20)
This table reflects the first cause listed for all injuries.
Number of Vessels in Accidents by Vessel Type \& Primary Contributing Factor (Table 7, Page 21) This table looks at the number of vessels involved in accidents by vessel type and the primary cause of the accident.

Alcohol Use as a Contributing Factor in Accidents \&Casualties by State 03-07 (Table 8, Page 22) This table reflects a tally of all four causes of accidents listed for all national accidents, deaths and injuries.

This table lists accidents where alcohol use by the vessel's occupants was listed as a direct or indirect cause of the accident. There are other cases in the national database where alcohol use is listed as being involved in the accident but it was not determined to be a cause of the accident.

## Vessel Operation at the Time of Accident (Table 9, Page 23)

This table focuses on the vessel and victim operation at the time of the accident. The table lists information about the number of vessels involved, the resulting number of deaths and the resulting number of
injuries.

## Vessel Activity at the Time of Accident (Table 10, Page 23)

This table examines the vessel and victim activity at the time of the accident. The table provides information about the number of vessels involved, the resulting number of deaths, and the resulting number of injuries. There are a lot of "other" and "unknowns" for activity because the choices available in the national database that have been used historically are limited. For example, there is not a category for "recreational cruising" which a lot of vessel operators were doing.

## Weather \& Water Conditions (Table 11, Page 24)

This table documents some of the environmental characteristics of national accidents. It focuses on accidents, deaths and injuries by type of body of water, water conditions, wind level, visibility, and water temperature.

## Time Related Data (Table 12, Page 25)

These three sections independently examine time-related information for national accidents, deaths and injuries. The top section documents the number of accidents, deaths and injuries that occurred during a time frame. The middle section documents the number of accidents, deaths and injuries that occurred during a given month. Finally, the bottom section documents the number of accidents, deaths and injuries that occurred during a given day of the week.

These sections each examine the national data separately and should not be combined to draw conclusions. For instance, one cannot use them to deduce that the majority of accidents occur from 2:31 pm4:30 pm in July on the weekends. However, you could deduce that 2:31 pm-4:30 pm was the time frame that accidents occurred during calendar year 2007. Furthermore, the month with the highest number of accidents was July. Finally, the two days of the week with the greatest number of accidents were Saturday and Sunday.

## Vessel Information (Table 13, Page 26)

This table documents some of the characteristics of vessels involved in accidents nationwide. It provides information about the number of accidents, deaths and injuries by speed, horsepower, year built, length, and hull material.

## Rental Status of Vessels Involved in Accidents (Table 14, Page 27)

This table examines whether a vessel involved in an accident was rented. It also provides information on whether deaths and injuries occurred on rented vessels.

## Number \& Percentage of Deaths by Vessel Length (Figure 5 \& Table 15, Page 28)

This table focuses on the number of deaths by vessel length. Deaths are categorized into drownings and non-drownings. The table also provides a percentage of all deaths that were caused by drowning.

| Table 4 • PERCENT OF ACCIDENTS THAT ARE FATAL BY MONTH 2007 |  |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Month | Fatal <br> Accidents | Non-Fatal <br> Accidents | Total <br> Accidents | Percent of <br> Accidents <br> Resulting in Deaths | Total Deaths |
| January | 16 | 77 | 93 | $17 \%$ | 21 |
| February | 9 | 53 | 62 | $15 \%$ | 13 |
| March | 43 | 161 | 204 | $21 \%$ | 54 |
| April | 47 | 240 | 287 | $16 \%$ | 56 |
| May | 76 | 567 | 643 | $12 \%$ | 88 |
| June | 94 | 768 | 862 | $11 \%$ | 103 |
| July | 85 | 1,132 | 1,217 | $7 \%$ | 93 |
| August | 84 | 718 | 802 | $10 \%$ | 86 |
| September | 56 | 536 | 592 | $9 \%$ | 64 |
| October | 49 | 188 | 237 | $21 \%$ | 57 |
| November | 29 | 80 | 109 | $27 \%$ | 31 |
| December | 17 | 66 | 83 | $20 \%$ | 19 |
| Total | 605 | 4,586 | 5,191 | $12 \%$ | 685 |

Figure 1 PERCENT OF ACCIDENTS THAT ARE FATAL BY MONTH 2007


|  | Table 5 - PRIMARY CONTRIBUTING FACTOR OF ACCIDENTS \& CASUALTIES 2007 |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Accidents | Deaths | Injuries |
| Operation of Vessel <br> 2986 Accidents 339 Deaths 2317 Injuries | Alcohol Use | 391 | 145 | 341 |
|  | Careless/Reckless Operation | 552 | 33 | 445 |
|  | Drug Use | 5 | 4 | 5 |
|  | Excessive Speed | 473 | 31 | 425 |
|  | Failure to Vent | 17 | 1 | 20 |
|  | Lack of or Improper Vessel Lights | 18 | 1 | 10 |
|  | No Proper Lookout | 375 | 20 | 266 |
|  | Operator Inattention | 628 | 47 | 436 |
|  | Operator Inexperience | 353 | 42 | 234 |
|  | Restricted Vision | 69 | 7 | 49 |
|  | Rules of the Road Infraction | 54 | 2 | 42 |
|  | Sharp Turn | 51 | 6 | 44 |
| Loading of Passengers or Gear | Improper Loading | 49 | 28 | 28 |
| 629 Accidents <br> 95 Deaths <br> 526 Injuries | Improper Anchoring | 43 | 4 | 8 |
|  | Overloading | 33 | 13 | 23 |
|  | Passenger/Skier Behavior | 492 | 47 | 458 |
|  | Standing/Sitting on Gunwales, Bow, Transom | 12 | 3 | 9 |
| Failure of Vessel or Vessel Equipment <br> 513 Accidents <br> 42 Deaths <br> 196 Injuries | Equipment Failure (See Table 5) | 141 | 17 | 40 |
|  | Hull Failure | 60 | 4 | 10 |
|  | Machinery Failure (See Table 5) | 312 | 21 | 146 |
| 480 Accidents 62 Deaths 333 Injuries | Congested Waters | 107 | 1 | 72 |
|  | Dam/Lock | 14 | 13 | 12 |
|  | Force of Wave/ Wake | 128 | 1 | 118 |
|  | Hazardous Waters | 83 | 11 | 61 |
|  | Weather | 148 | 36 | 70 |
| Miscellaneous | Ignition of Spilled Fuel or Vapor | 31 | 0 | 21 |
| 583 Accidents <br> 147 Deaths <br> 301 Injuries | Other | 305 | 61 | 170 |
|  | Unknown | 247 | 86 | 110 |
| All Categories Combined |  | 5191 | 685 | 3673 |


|  | Table 6 - MACHINERY \& EQUIPMENT PRIMARY CONTRIBUTING FACTOR OF ACCIDENTS \& CASUALTIES 2007 |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Accidents | Deaths | Injuries |
| Machinery Failure | Electrical System Failure | 34 | 0 | 7 |
|  | Engine Failure | 111 | 6 | 38 |
|  | Fuel System Failure | 24 | 0 | 15 |
|  | Shift Failure | 12 | 0 | 7 |
|  | Steering System Failure | 29 | 5 | 31 |
|  | Throttle Failure | 11 | 0 | 4 |
|  | Ventilation System Failure | 10 | 3 | 18 |
|  | Not Specified | 81 | 7 | 26 |
| Equipment Failure | Auxiliary Equipment Failure | 50 | 5 | 14 |
|  | Fire Extinguisher Failure | 1 | 0 | 0 |
|  | Sail Demasting | 4 | 1 | 1 |
|  | Seat Broke Loose | 8 | 4 | 1 |
|  | Not Specified | 78 | 7 | 24 |






Table 8 - ALCOHOL USE AS A CONTRIBUTING FACTOR IN ACCIDENTS \& CASUALTIES BY STATE 2003-2007


## Operation and Activity Information



Table 9 - VESSEL OPERATION AT THE TIME OF ACCIDENT 2007

|  | Vessels Involved | Deaths | Injuries |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Totals | 6932 | 685 | 3673 |
| At Anchor | 245 | 36 | 65 |
| Being Towed | 48 | 1 | 22 |
| Changing Direction | 739 | 58 | 409 |
| Changing Speed | 380 | 18 | 211 |
| Cruising | 3248 | 210 | 2048 |
| Docking/Undocking | 321 | 16 | 105 |
| Drifting | 595 | 129 | 337 |
| Launching | 60 | 3 | 25 |
| Rowing/Paddling | 197 | 80 | 128 |
| Sailing | 94 | 13 | 39 |
| Tied to Dock/Moored | 525 | 9 | 79 |
| Towing | 32 | 0 | 8 |
| Other | 37 | 3 | 18 |
| Unknown | 411 | 109 | 179 |


| Table 10 - VESSEL ACTIVITY AT THE TIME OF   <br> ACCIDENT 2007   |  |  |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Vessels Involved | Deaths | Injuries |
| Totals | 6932 | 685 | 3673 |
| Fishing | 508 | 172 | 226 |
| Fueling | 16 | 3 | 19 |
| Hunting | 27 | 7 | 23 |
| Making Repairs | 25 | 5 | 12 |
| Racing | 51 | 7 | 13 |
| Starting Engine | 38 | 2 | 28 |
| Swimming/Snorkling | 45 | 13 | 23 |
| Water Skiing | 605 | 19 | 556 |
| Whitewater Activity | 52 | 16 | 36 |
| Other | 1723 | 138 | 893 |
| Commercial Activity | 23 | 0 | 0 |
| Unknown | 3819 | 303 | 1844 |


|  | Table 11 - WEATHER \& WATER CONDITIONS 2007 |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Accidents | Deaths | Injuries |
|  |  | 5191 | 685 | 3673 |
| TYPE OF BODY OFWATER | Lakes, Ponds, Reservoirs, Dams, Gravel Pits | 2409 | 327 | 1801 |
|  | Rivers, Streams, Creeks | 1088 | 140 | 832 |
|  | Bays, Inlets, Sounds, Harbors | 657 | 62 | 394 |
|  | Ocean/Gulf | 265 | 38 | 136 |
|  | Great Lakes (not tributaries) | 106 | 20 | 50 |
|  | Other/Not Reported | 666 | 98 | 460 |
| WATER CONDITIONS | Calm (waves less than 6") | 2707 | 329 | 1993 |
|  | Choppy (waves 6" to 2') | 1530 | 164 | 1069 |
|  | Rough (waves 2' to 6') | 455 | 71 | 272 |
|  | Strong Current | 126 | 34 | 75 |
|  | Very Rough (waves larger than 6') | 98 | 26 | 55 |
|  | Unknown | 275 | 61 | 209 |
| WIND | None | 559 | 65 | 441 |
|  | Light (0-6 mph) | 2702 | 290 | 2046 |
|  | Moderate ( $7-14 \mathrm{mph}$ ) | 1142 | 153 | 734 |
|  | Strong ( $15-25 \mathrm{mph}$ ) | 398 | 82 | 194 |
|  | Storm (over 25 mph ) | 95 | 30 | 33 |
|  | Unknown | 295 | 65 | 225 |
| VISIBILITY | Poor - Day | 69 | 10 | 30 |
|  | Poor - Night | 131 | 29 | 108 |
|  | Fair - Day | 153 | 27 | 89 |
|  | Fair - Night | 143 | 28 | 100 |
|  | Good - Day | 3827 | 428 | 2731 |
|  | Good - Night | 404 | 82 | 264 |
|  | Good- Unknown if day or night | 2 | 0 | 1 |
|  | Unknown - Day | 351 | 55 | 258 |
|  | Unknown - Night | 100 | 22 | 88 |
|  | Unknown - Unknown if day or night | 11 | 4 | 4 |
| WATER TEMPERATURE | 39 degrees $F$ and below | 36 | 12 | 33 |
|  | 40-49 degrees F | 109 | 48 | 66 |
|  | 50-59 degrees F | 362 | 108 | 194 |
|  | 60-69 degrees $F$ | 869 | 100 | 549 |
|  | 70-79 degrees $F$ | 1692 | 146 | 1179 |
|  | 80-89 degrees $F$ | 1085 | 113 | 872 |
|  | 90 degrees $F$ and above | 27 | 1 | 20 |
|  | Unknown | 1011 | 157 | 760 |



| $\square 1$ | T | Vessels Involved 6932 | Deaths 685 | Injuries 3,673 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Hull Material | Aluminum | 814 | 205 | 444 |
|  | Fiberglass | 5409 | 364 | 2866 |
|  | Plastic | 68 | 23 | 38 |
|  | Rubber, vinyl, canvas | 85 | 19 | 61 |
|  | Steel | 67 | 4 | 30 |
|  | Wood | 103 | 10 | 31 |
|  | Other | 14 | 2 | 5 |
|  | Unknown | 372 | 58 | 198 |
| Speed | Not Moving | 1033 | 130 | 367 |
|  | Under 10 mph | 1406 | 156 | 620 |
|  | 10 to 20 mph | 1082 | 50 | 647 |
|  | 21 to 40 mph | 1088 | 60 | 784 |
|  | Over 40 mph | 200 | 18 | 146 |
|  | Unknown | 2123 | 271 | 1109 |
| Horsepower | No Engine | 320 | 131 | 182 |
|  | 10 hp or less | 111 | 31 | 62 |
|  | 11-25 hp | 169 | 58 | 78 |
|  | 26-75 hp | 582 | 76 | 345 |
|  | 76-150 hp | 1480 | 99 | 828 |
|  | 151-250 hp | 981 | 48 | 537 |
|  | Over 250 hp | 1295 | 46 | 572 |
|  | Unknown | 1994 | 196 | 1069 |
| Year Built | 2007 | 525 | 32 | 278 |
|  | 2006 | 531 | 23 | 283 |
|  | 2004-2005 | 688 | 35 | 393 |
|  | 2002-2003 | 521 | 28 | 276 |
|  | 1999-2001 | 800 | 42 | 448 |
|  | 1994-1998 | 1084 | 87 | 631 |
|  | Prior to 1994 | 1949 | 236 | 910 |
|  | Unknown | 834 | 202 | 454 |
| Length | Less than 16 feet | 2037 | 263 | 1199 |
|  | 16 feet to <26 feet | 2950 | 298 | 1743 |
|  | 26 feet to <40 feet | 876 | 41 | 320 |
|  | 40 feet to 65 feet | 398 | 7 | 88 |
|  | More than 65 feet | 78 | 2 | 7 |
|  | Unknown | 593 | 74 | 316 |


|  | Table 14 - RENTAL STATUS OF VESSELS INVOLVED IN ACCIDENTS |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Vessels |  |  |  | DEATHS |  |  |  | INJURIES |  |  |  |
|  | \# of Vessels | Rented | Not Rented | Unknown if rented | \# of Deaths | Rented | Not Rented | Unknown if rented | \# of Injuries | Rented | Not Rented | Unknown if rented |
| All Vessels | 6932 | 620 | 6223 | 89 | 685 | 32 | 646 | 7 | 3673 | 293 | 3321 | 59 |
| Airboat | 24 | 0 | 24 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 17 | 0 | 17 | 0 |
| Auxiliary Sail | 274 | 20 | 254 | 0 | 18 | 0 | 18 | 0 | 59 | 0 | 59 | 0 |
| Cabin Motorboat | 1004 | 29 | 967 | 8 | 53 | 2 | 51 | 0 | 283 | 13 | 270 | 0 |
| Canoe | 104 | 11 | 89 | 4 | 71 | 3 | 67 | 1 | 59 | 10 | 43 | 6 |
| Houseboat | 101 | 19 | 81 | 1 | 6 | 2 | 4 | 0 | 39 | 7 | 31 | 1 |
| Inflatable | 18 | 2 | 14 | 2 | 6 | 0 | 6 | 0 | 11 | 2 | 9 | 0 |
| Kayak | 73 | 6 | 65 | 2 | 36 | 2 | 34 | 0 | 34 | 5 | 27 | 2 |
| Open Motorboat | 3081 | 127 | 2932 | 22 | 334 | 7 | 327 | 0 | 1886 | 72 | 1804 | 10 |
| Personal Watercraft | 1655 | 332 | 1301 | 22 | 67 | 7 | 59 | 1 | 982 | 139 | 827 | 16 |
| Pontoon Boat | 213 | 44 | 169 | 0 | 15 | 3 | 12 | 0 | 112 | 20 | 92 | 0 |
| Rowboat | 64 | 2 | 62 | 0 | 33 | 0 | 33 | 0 | 35 | 4 | 31 | 0 |
| Sail (only) | 86 | 9 | 75 | 2 | 18 | 4 | 13 | 1 | 39 | 5 | 33 | 1 |
| Other | 115 | 18 | 96 | 1 | 18 | 2 | 16 | 0 | 57 | 15 | 42 | 0 |
| Unknown | 120 | 1 | 94 | 25 | 9 | 0 | 5 | 4 | 60 | 1 | 36 | 23 |

Figure 5 NUMBER OF DEATHS BY VESSEL LENGTH 2007


Table 15 - NUMBER \& PERCENTAGE OF DEATHS BY VESSEL LENGTH

| Length | Drownings | Deaths by Causes <br> other than Drowning | Total Deaths | Percent of Deaths <br> from Drowning |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Less than 16 feet | 192 | 71 | 263 | $73 \%$ |
| 16 feet to less than 26 feet | 204 | 94 | 298 | $68 \%$ |
| 26 feet to less than 40 feet | 20 | 21 | 41 | $49 \%$ |
| 40 feet to 65 feet | 4 | 3 | 7 | $57 \%$ |
| More than 65 feet | 1 | 1 | 2 | $50 \%$ |
| Unknown | 55 | 19 | 74 | $74 \%$ |
| Total | $\mathbf{4 7 6}$ | $\mathbf{2 0 9}$ | $\mathbf{6 8 5}$ | $\mathbf{6 9 \%}$ |

## RECREATIONAL BOATING STATISTICS 2007

## ACCIDENT TYPES

## Explanation of Accident Types Section

The following section contains seven tables that examine data related to the events, called accident types, in accidents. The tables focus on these events and break down information by state, vessel type, vessel length, engine type, and propulsion.

In the Coast Guard's national database, there are four fields that can be used to define the series of events in an accident. By events, we mean the series of occurrences that passed during an accident. If a wave broke over a vessel causing it to take on water, capsize, and eject its occupant, USCG would categorize this accident by three events. First, there was a flooding/swamping. Then, there was a capsizing. Third, there was an "ejected from vessel."

With the exception of one table, the tables and figures in this report focus only on the first event in the sequence. The rational for providing only the first accident type is to keep the tables simplistic; if we had added the second, third, and fourth events in the boating sequence, our accident, casualty, and damage totals would not match up because they would be double-counting the accidents, casualties, and damages for cases that had more than one event.

Accident, Vessel \& Casualty Numbers by Accident Type (Table 16, Page 32)
This table focuses on the first event in a boating accident and provides information on the number of accidents, vessels, and casualties attributed to that first event. The deaths section is also separated by the categories drownings and non-drownings.

## Five-year Summary of Accident Types (Table 17, Page 33-35)

These five tables provide the number of accidents, deaths, injuries, and property damage by accident type and by year.

## Frequency of Accident Types in Accidents \& Casualties Nationwide (Table 18, Page 36)

As mentioned in the introductory paragraph, there are four fields that can be used to define the series of events in an accident. This table focuses on the first three events in an accident and the number of casualties associated with each event. USCG leaves out the fourth because it is not a standardized field.

Using the example in the opening paragraphs, the flooding/swamping would fall under the intersection of the column "Primary Accident Type" and the row "Flooding/swamping". The capsizing would be marked under the column "Secondary Accident Type" and the row "Capsizing". Finally, the ejection would be marked under the column "Tertiary Accident Type" and the row "Ejected from Vessel".

This table focuses on the frequency that these events occurred nationally and the total number of deaths that were associated with each accident type. If we turn back to our example and focus on flooding/ swamping, we see that there were 286 accidents where flooding/swamping was the first event in the boating accident. There were 35 deaths associated with this first event type. However, there were other accidents that involved a flooding/swamping as a second or third occurrence. There were 18 deaths associated with flooding/swamping as a second event and 9 deaths associated with flooding/swamping as a third event. All combined, you get the last column of the table that looks at how many deaths were associated with an event that occurred either as the first, second, or third occurrences in an accident. In the example, there were 62 deaths associated with flooding/swamping as a first, second, or third event.

This table can be difficult to understand, especially when the reader is under the expectation that the tallies of the final columns will equal the numbers published at the front of this report that mention the number of reportable accidents and deaths.

Number of Vessels in Accidents by Vessel Length \& Primary Accident Type (Table 19, Page 37) This table displays the types of accidents by the length of vessel. The table lists vessel length by foot for vessels of lengths $4 \mathrm{ft}-39 \mathrm{ft}$. After 39 ft , information is categorized in ranges. This table also provides
information about the number of casualties and vessels associated by length of vessel.
Number of Vessels in Accidents by Vessel Type \& Primary Accident Type (Table 20, Page 38) This table examines the first event of a boating accident for all vessels involved in an accident. It also provides information about the casualties associated with each vessel type.

Number of Vessels in Accidents by Primary Accident Type \& Propulsion Type (Table 21, Page 39) This table provides information about the number of vessels involved in accidents by primary accident type, propulsion, and engine type.

Number of Vessels in Accidents by Primary Accident Type \& Engine Type (Table 22, Page 39) This table provides information about the number of casualties and vessels associated by propulsion, engine and primary accident type.


Table 17 • FIVE-YEAR SUMMARY OF ACCIDENT TYPES


| Primary Accident Type | Accidents | Deaths | Injuries | Property Damage |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Total | 5191 | 685 | 3673 | \$53,106,495.78 |
| Capsizing | 398 | 204 | 284 | \$1,762,802.00 |
| Carbon Monoxide Exposure | 14 | 7 | 40 | \$0.00 |
| Collision with Fixed Object | 558 | 35 | 389 | \$9,206,067.12 |
| Collision with Floating Object | 143 | 4 | 97 | \$2,663,282.59 |
| Collision with Vessel | 1329 | 66 | 953 | \$11,498,216.24 |
| Departed Vessel | 69 | 33 | 35 | \$161,900.00 |
| Ejected from Vessel | 120 | 25 | 107 | \$483,410.55 |
| Electrocution | 0 | 0 | 0 | \$0.00 |
| Falls in Vessel | 211 | 1 | 229 | \$69,878.00 |
| Falls on Vessel | 10 | 0 | 10 | \$85,000.00 |
| Falls Overboard | 485 | 208 | 312 | \$257,181.00 |
| Fire/Explosion (Fuel) | 113 | 3 | 63 | \$2,962,406.00 |
| Fire/Explosion (Other than Fuel) | 93 | 0 | 19 | \$7,164,222.01 |
| Fire/Explosion (unknown origin) | 16 | 0 | 12 | \$337,850.00 |
| Flooding/Swamping | 285 | 35 | 71 | \$3,749,039.00 |
| Grounding | 324 | 4 | 228 | \$4,618,245.88 |
| Sinking | 84 | 7 | 9 | \$863,903.00 |
| Skier Mishap | 492 | 11 | 502 | \$9,915.00 |
| Struck by Vessel | 83 | 9 | 78 | \$41,540.00 |
| Struck by Propeller/Propulsion Unit | 80 | 7 | 75 | \$8,950.00 |
| Struck Submerged Object | 157 | 4 | 58 | \$6,893,544.39 |
| Other | 111 | 15 | 98 | \$204,743.00 |
| Unknown | 16 | 7 | 4 | \$64,400.00 |
| Primary Accident Type | Accidents | Deaths | Injuries | Property Damage |
| Total | 4967 | 710 | 3474 | \$43,670,424 |
| Capsizing | 455 | 215 | 237 | \$1,744,198 |
| Carbon Monoxide Exposure | 18 | 12 | 51 | \$99,500 |
| Collision with Fixed Object | 517 | 47 | 391 | \$5,073,039 |
| Collision with Floating Object | 142 | 8 | 86 | \$1,252,054 |
| Collision with Vessel | 1360 | 75 | 1001 | \$9,527,059 |
| Departed Vessel | 3 | 1 | 2 | \$0 |
| Departed Vessel - Retrieval | 4 | 3 | 1 | \$0 |
| Departed Vessel - Swimming | 36 | 31 | 6 | \$0 |
| Ejected from Vessel | 40 | 13 | 33 | \$463,573 |
| Fall In Boat | 199 | 4 | 221 | \$88,225 |
| Fall On Boat | 29 | 1 | 29 | \$7,050 |
| Falls Overboard | 485 | 202 | 306 | \$363,915 |
| Fire or Explosion of Fuel | 141 | 1 | 66 | \$6,022,964 |
| Fire or Explosion - Other | 63 | 1 | 14 | \$10,693,811 |



| Flooding/Swamping | 216 | 26 | 54 | \$2,095,852 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Grounding | 252 | 12 | 165 | \$2,797,198 |
| Sinking | 114 | 13 | 21 | \$2,657,135 |
| Skier Mishap | 510 | 12 | 514 | \$1,803 |
| Struck by Boat | 66 | 1 | 68 | \$21,402 |
| Struck by Motor/Propeller | 107 | 8 | 98 | \$19,300 |
| Struck Submerged Object | 86 | 2 | 30 | \$552,459 |
| Other | 99 | 9 | 69 | \$168,337 |
| Unknown | 23 | 12 | 8 | \$21,550 |
| 2005 Primary Accident Type | Accidents | Deaths | Injuries | Property Damage |
| Total | 4969 | 697 | 3451 | \$38,721,088 |
| Capsizing | 442 | 199 | 264 | \$2,937,562 |
| Carbon Monoxide Exposure | 14 | 9 | 14 | \$0 |
| Collision with Fixed Object | 497 | 41 | 369 | \$4,534,455 |
| Collision with Floating Object | 128 | 12 | 71 | \$1,262,255 |
| Collision with Vessel | 1378 | 79 | 1024 | \$10,559,219 |
| Departed Vessel | 22 | 15 | 7 | \$0 |
| Departed Vessel - Making Repairs | 2 | 2 | 0 | \$400 |
| Departed Vessel - Retrieval | 4 | 4 | 0 | \$0 |
| Departed Vessel - Swimming | 23 | 19 | 6 | \$0 |
| Ejected from Vessel | 16 | 0 | 18 | \$75,000 |
| Fall/Impact on Boat | 47 | 1 | 44 | \$10,600 |
| Falls In Boat | 210 | 4 | 237 | \$110,200 |
| Falls Overboard | 498 | 213 | 305 | \$487,895 |
| Fire or Explosion of Fuel | 141 | 0 | 90 | \$7,811,354 |
| Fire or Explosion (Other than Fuel) | 57 | 0 | 10 | \$2,115,731 |
| Flooding/Swamping | 224 | 33 | 45 | \$2,063,350 |
| Grounding | 291 | 14 | 201 | \$2,778,913 |
| Sinking | 125 | 11 | 17 | \$1,500,542 |
| Skier Mishap | 464 | 10 | 469 | \$6,550 |
| Struck by Boat | 68 | 6 | 67 | \$64,625 |
| Struck by Motor/Propeller | 100 | 6 | 97 | \$13,390 |
| Struck Submerged Object | 141 | 3 | 45 | \$1,609,891 |
| Other | 40 | 6 | 35 | \$155,205 |
| Unknown | 37 | 10 | 16 | \$623,951 |
| 2004 Primary Accident Type | Accidents | Deaths | Injuries | Property Damage |
| Total | 4904 | 676 | 3363 | \$35,038,306 |
| Capsizing | 393 | 184 | 229 | \$2,267,043 |
| Carbon Monoxide Exposure | 12 | 3 | 28 | \$0 |
| Collision with Fixed Object | 525 | 46 | 382 | \$4,271,785 |
| Collision with Floating Object | 95 | 6 | 62 | \$499,692 |


|  | Table 17 Continued - FIVE-YEAR SUMMARY OF BOATING ACCIDENT TYPES |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Collision with Vessel | 1479 | 68 | 999 | \$8,037,552 |
|  | Departed Vessel | 19 | 9 | 10 | \$85 |
|  | Departed Vessel - Making Repairs | 2 | 2 | 0 | \$0 |
|  | Departed Vessel - Retrieval | 5 | 5 | 0 | \$0 |
|  | Departed Vessel - Swimming | 21 | 20 | 3 | \$1,000 |
|  | Ejected from Vessel | 45 | 16 | 32 | \$244,500 |
|  | Electrocution | 4 | 2 | 5 | \$12,000 |
|  | Falls In Boat | 176 | 3 | 189 | \$106,496 |
|  | Falls On Vessel | 50 | 2 | 49 | \$27,443 |
|  | Falls Overboard | 488 | 199 | 339 | \$288,205 |
|  | Fire or Explosion of Fuel | 162 | 4 | 89 | \$8,297,780 |
|  | Fire or Explosion (Other than Fuel) | 56 | 1 | 14 | \$2,462,181 |
|  | Flooding/Swamping | 257 | 52 | 81 | \$1,853,848 |
|  | Grounding | 215 | 5 | 159 | \$2,488,744 |
|  | Sinking | 131 | 10 | 30 | \$2,507,989 |
|  | Skier Mishap | 380 | 7 | 388 | \$25,050 |
|  | Struck by Boat | 108 | 6 | 96 | \$158,719 |
|  | Struck by Motor/Propeller | 64 | 5 | 61 | \$500 |
|  | Struck Submerged Object | 102 | 8 | 32 | \$974,112 |
|  | Other | 69 | 3 | 56 | \$93,200 |
|  | Unknown | 46 | 10 | 30 | \$420,378 |
| Se\% | 2003 Primary Accident Type | Accidents | Deaths | Injuries | Property Damage |
| $\otimes^{\circ} \times 1{ }^{\circ}$ | Total | 5438 | 703 | 3888 | \$40,422,374 |
|  | Capsizing | 514 | 206 | 330 | \$3,167,989 |
| T | Carbon Monoxide Exposure | 20 | 7 | 30 | \$0 |
|  | Collision with Fixed Object | 558 | 50 | 491 | \$4,751,034 |
| 2003 | Collision with Floating Object | 152 | 3 | 104 | \$1,123,884 |
| 2003 | Collision with Another Vessel | 1469 | 70 | 1063 | \$7,474,678 |
|  | Departed Vessel | 45 | 39 | 6 | \$0 |
|  | Ejected from Vessel | 7 | 5 | 4 | \$0 |
|  | Falls Within Boat | 233 | 6 | 253 | \$183,400 |
|  | Falls on PWC | 15 | 1 | 14 | \$0 |
|  | Falls Overboard | 509 | 201 | 354 | \$141,018 |
|  | Fire or Explosion of Fuel | 142 | 7 | 68 | \$2,921,295 |
|  | Fire or Explosion (Other than Fuel) | 68 | 2 | 10 | \$9,189,282 |
|  | Flooding/Swamping | 274 | 41 | 61 | \$2,383,566 |
|  | Grounding | 291 | 8 | 193 | \$4,282,148 |
|  | Sinking | 128 | 8 | 23 | \$2,021,308 |
|  | Skier Mishap | 451 | 6 | 466 | \$13,001 |
|  | Struck by Boat | 89 | 9 | 82 | \$116,350 |
|  | Struck by Motor/Propeller | 107 | 6 | 103 | \$350 |
|  | Struck Submerged Object | 128 | 4 | 49 | \$1,446,179 |
|  | Other | 80 | 4 | 58 | \$177,900 |
|  | Unknown | 158 | 20 | 126 | \$1,028,992 |


| Table 18 • FREQUENCY OF ACCIDENT TYPES IN ACCIDENTS \& CASUALTIES NATIONWIDE 2007 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :---: |

Table - 19 NUMBER OF VESSELS IN ACCIDENTS BY VESSEL LENGTH \& PRIMARY ACCIDENT TYPE

|  | PRIMARY ACCIDENT TYPE |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | $\begin{aligned} & 0 \\ & \stackrel{0}{0} \\ & 0 . \\ & N . \\ & 0 \end{aligned}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 17 0 0 0. 0 0 0 0 0 3 0 0 |  |  |  |  |  |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { O} \\ & \stackrel{\text { § }}{\top} \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & C \\ & \stackrel{\rightharpoonup}{\hat{a}} \\ & \stackrel{0}{0} \\ & \underset{3}{2} \end{aligned}$ |  |  |  |  |
| All lengths | 6932 | 428 | 14 | 662 | 185 | 2701 | 81 | 136 | 0 | 221 | 10 | 501 | 125 | 107 | 18 | 293 | 331 | 86 | 509 | 126 | 88 | 158 | 134 | 18 | 476 | 209 | 685 | 3673 |
| 4 feet | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 5 feet | 4 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 2 |
| 6 feet | 20 | 2 | 0 | 4 | 0 | 9 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | O | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 1 | 4 | 10 |
| 7 feet | 34 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 20 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 5 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 3 | 6 | 9 | 23 |
| 8 feet | 221 | 5 | 0 | 10 | 7 | 115 | 2 | 12 | 0 | 7 | 0 | 34 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 3 | 1 | 5 | 11 | 0 | 1 | 4 | 0 | 11 | 7 | 18 | 143 |
| 9 feet | 250 | 8 | 0 | 18 | 5 | 156 | 2 | 6 | 0 | 5 | 1 | 29 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 4 | 0 | 4 | 6 | 0 | 1 | 4 | , | 7 | 5 | 12 | 152 |
| 10 feet | 751 | 24 | 0 | 39 | 20 | 471 | 6 | 32 | 0 | 12 | 3 | 63 | 4 | 1 | 1 | 5 | 9 | 2 | 27 | 21 | 1 | 4 | 4 | 2 | 29 | 21 | 50 | 428 |
| 11 feet | 289 | 11 | 0 | 12 | 3 | 186 | 4 | 10 | 0 | 5 | 3 | 28 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 7 | 1 | 8 | 6 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 8 | 7 | 15 | 163 |
| 12 feet | 106 | 28 | 0 | 5 | 2 | 40 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 15 | - | 0 | 1 | 5 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 2 | - | 0 | 33 | 4 | 37 | 58 |
| 13 feet | 40 | 12 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 10 | 0 |  | 0 | 0 | 0 | 6 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 1 |  | 0 | 11 | 2 | 13 | 22 |
| 14 feet | 173 | 42 | 0 | 12 | 2 | 33 | 1 | 4 | 0 | 5 | 0 | 36 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 14 | 1 | 3 | 7 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 5 |  | 55 | 12 | 67 | 115 |
| 15 feet | 149 | 28 | 0 | 21 | 4 | 29 | 2 | 2 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 20 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 21 | 2 | 3 | 6 | 0 | 1 | 5 | 2 | 0 | 31 | 6 | 37 | 83 |
| Under 16 ft | 2037 | 165 | 0 | 124 | 43 | 1069 | 19 | 70 | 0 | 39 | 8 | 237 | 7 | 3 | 2 | 50 | 29 | 12 | 61 | 49 | 5 | 18 | 23 | 4 | 192 | 71 | 263 | 1199 |
| 16 feet | 294 | 38 | 0 | 27 | 7 | 72 | 5 | 8 | 0 | 9 | 0 | 37 | 4 | 3 | 1 | 29 | 10 | 6 | 15 | 2 | 4 | 9 | 7 | 1 | 54 | 17 | 71 | 179 |
| 17 feet | 299 | 28 | 0 | 28 | 8 | 74 | 4 | 6 | 0 | 15 | 2 | 24 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 23 | 17 | 6 | 36 | 5 | 7 | 7 | 5 | 1 | 33 | 15 | 48 | 192 |
| 18 feet | 406 | 14 | 0 | 37 | 18 | 119 | 5 | 9 | 0 | 11 | 0 | 26 | 8 | 7 | 1 | 30 | 23 | 9 | 53 | 7 | 5 | 11 | 12 | 1 | 30 | 12 | 42 | 241 |
| 19 feet | 377 | 16 | 0 | 30 | 15 | 110 | 2 | 4 | 0 | 14 | 0 | 19 | 9 | 3 | 1 | 15 | 29 | 3 | 68 |  | 13 | 13 | 7 | 1 | 21 | 11 | 32 | 238 |
| 20 feet | 444 | 28 | 1 | 47 | 14 | 117 | 15 | 4 | 0 | 13 | 0 | 19 | 10 | 2 | 0 | 25 | 25 | 6 | 73 |  | 10 | 17 | 11 | 0 | 28 | 10 | 38 | 266 |
| 21 feet | 354 | 11 | 2 | 33 | 11 | 96 | 4 | 3 | 0 | 12 | 0 | 15 | 9 | 5 | 2 | 18 | 26 | 6 | 72 |  | 10 | 7 | 6 | 1 | 9 | 13 | 22 | 220 |
| 22 feet | 263 | 6 | 0 | 28 | 9 | 90 | 1 | 3 | 0 | 10 | 0 | 12 | 6 | 5 |  | 13 | 14 | 4 | 38 | 3 | 3 | 14 | 3 | 1 | 9 | 8 | 17 | 146 |
| 23 feet | 157 | 6 | 1 | 16 | 4 | 51 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 6 | 0 | 5 | 5 | 1 | 0 | 8 | 10 | 4 | 22 | 2 | 5 | 6 | 3 | 0 | 9 | 2 | 11 | 78 |
| 24 feet | 223 | 7 | 0 | 20 | 8 | 82 | 3 | 2 | 0 | 12 | 0 | 15 | 7 | 4 | 0 | 6 | 12 | 4 | 18 | 3 | 7 | 6 | 6 | 1 | 9 | 6 | 15 | 115 |
| 25 feet | 133 | 5 | 1 | 15 | 5 | 54 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 7 | 0 | 8 | 2 | 3 | 0 | 7 | , | 2 | 10 | 2 | 0 | 3 | 2 | , | 2 | 0 | 2 | 68 |
| 16 ft to less than 26 ft | 2950 | 159 | 5 | 281 | 99 | 865 | 41 | 42 | 0 | 109 | 2 | 180 | 62 | 34 | 5 | 174 | 170 | 50 | 405 | 41 | 64 | 93 | 62 | 7 | 204 | 94 | 298 | 1743 |
| 26 feet | 116 | 6 | 0 | 17 | 3 | 40 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 5 | 0 | 6 | 8 | 4 | 2 | 3 | 7 | 0 | 2 | 4 | 1 | 5 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 3 | , | 52 |
| 27 feet | 93 | 4 | 0 | 10 | 2 | 34 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 6 | 0 | 4 | 3 | 2 | , | 4 | 8 | 3 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 5 | 2 | 0 | 3 | 1 | 4 | 48 |
| 28 feet | 84 | 1 | 0 | 13 | 3 | 38 | 0 |  | 0 | 4 | 0 | 4 | 0 | 3 | 2 | 4 | 2 | 3 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 29 |
| 29 feet | 58 | 1 | 0 | 8 | 1 | 21 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 5 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 4 | 5 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 0 |  | , | 0 | 3 | 3 | 19 |
| 30 feet | 79 | 1 | 0 | 9 | 2 | 36 | 3 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 2 | 3 | 0 | 4 | 11 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 1 | , | 2 | 0 | 2 | 23 |
| 31 feet | 51 | 4 | 0 | 6 | 2 | 19 | 1 | - | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 4 | 0 | 6 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 3 | 18 |
| 32 feet | 61 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 25 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 5 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 2 | 2 | 3 | 8 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 4 | 4 | 24 |
| 33 feet | 54 | 1 | 1 | 6 | 0 | 25 | o | 0 | o | 3 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 4 | 0 | 2 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 3 | 2 | , | 1 | 8 | 9 | 14 |
| 34 feet | 59 | 2 | 0 | 9 | 0 | 18 | 1 | , | 0 | 3 | 0 | 1 | 6 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 7 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 3 | 4 | , |  | 0 | 1 | 22 |
| 35 feet | 47 | 0 | 0 | 8 | 0 | 18 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 3 | 2 |  | 1 | 6 |  | 0 | 0 | 0 | , | - | , | 5 | 0 | , | 16 |
| 36 feet | 60 | 3 | 0 | 8 | 0 | 17 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 4 | 3 | 6 | 0 | 4 | 8 | 4 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 | - | 0 | 0 | 2 | 2 | 25 |
| 37 feet | 42 | 0 | 1 | 8 | 1 | 16 | 0 | 1 | O | 3 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 3 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 9 |
| 38 feet | 49 | 1 | 0 | 12 | 1 | 25 | 0 | O | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 |  | 0 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | - | 0 | 0 | 0 | O | 8 |
| 39 feet | 23 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 9 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 5 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |  | 1 | 0 | 1 | 13 |
| 26 ft to less than 40 ft | 876 | 25 | 4 | 119 | 20 | 341 | 7 | 8 | 0 | 39 | 0 | 30 | 32 | 41 | 6 | 37 | 78 | 15 | 7 | 11 | 7 | 29 | 20 | 0 | 20 | 21 | 41 | 320 |
| 40 ft to 65 ft | 398 | 3 | 4 | 78 | 6 | 180 | 3 | 1 | 0 | 14 | 0 | 1 | 11 | 18 | 3 | 14 | 36 | 5 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 6 | 11 | 1 | 4 | 3 | 7 | 88 |
| Over 65 ft | 78 | 1 | 0 | 17 | 2 | 37 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 2 | 3 | 5 | 0 | 3 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 7 |
| Unknown | 593 | 75 | 1 | 43 | 15 | 209 | 11 | 15 | 0 | 18 | 0 | 51 | 10 | 6 | 2 | 15 | 17 | 3 | 35 | 23 | 12 | 9 | 17 | 6 | 55 | 19 | 74 | 316 |


|  | Injuries | N | $\stackrel{ }{*}$ | 18 | $\begin{array}{\|c} \infty \\ \infty \\ \sim \end{array}$ | 10 | ¢ | $\stackrel{F}{\square}$ | － | $\begin{aligned} & 0 \\ & \infty \\ & \infty \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | $$ | $\stackrel{N}{\div}$ | $\stackrel{1}{0}$ | ¢ | ¢ | 0 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Total Deaths | $\begin{array}{\|l\|} \hline \infty \\ \infty \\ \hline \end{array}$ | － | $\cdots$ | $\bigcirc$ | ন | $\bigcirc$ | 0 | 0 | $\underset{\substack{\text { N } \\ \hline}}{ }$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\stackrel{10}{\sim}$ | m | $\cdots$ | $\stackrel{\infty}{\sim}$ | の |
|  | Deaths by Causes other than Drowning | $\begin{array}{\|l\|} \hline \stackrel{\rightharpoonup}{N} \\ \hline \end{array}$ | － | $\bigcirc$ | 아 | 10 | N | － | 10 | O | $\stackrel{\sim}{0}$ | ल | m | N | － | － |
|  | Drownings | $\begin{aligned} & 0 \\ & \hline 8 \end{aligned}$ | － | $\stackrel{ }{\sim}$ | ल | $\bigcirc$ | $\checkmark$ | 10 | ¢ | N্N্N | $\stackrel{\square}{\sim}$ | $\stackrel{ }{\sim}$ | ¢ | $\bigcirc$ | $\stackrel{ }{*}$ | $\bigcirc$ |
|  | Unknown | $\stackrel{\infty}{\sim}$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\sim$ | N | $\checkmark$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\checkmark$ | N | ल | 10 | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | － | $\bigcirc$ | $\checkmark$ |
|  | Other | － | $\bigcirc$ | の | $\stackrel{\square}{\square}$ | $\bigcirc$ | m | $\bigcirc$ | $\checkmark$ | 0 | $\stackrel{\square}{\square}$ | 0 | $\checkmark$ | 10 | の | $\infty$ |
|  | Struck Submerged Object | － | m | $\checkmark$ | ल | － | $\checkmark$ | － | $\bigcirc$ | 단 | 은 | $\checkmark$ | $\checkmark$ | $\checkmark$ | N | － |
| $\begin{gathered} \infty \text { ๒ } \\ \boldsymbol{\square} \end{gathered}$ | Struck by Motor／Propeller | $\infty$ | $\bigcirc$ | － | の | 0 | 0 | － | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\checkmark$ | N | $\bigcirc$ | 0 | $\bigcirc$ | $\infty$ |
| $\stackrel{\omega}{\wedge}$ | Struck by Vessel | $\stackrel{\bigcirc}{\stackrel{+}{\mathrm{N}}}$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\checkmark$ | 10 | 0 | ल | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | 18 | $\bar{\sim}$ | 10 | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | － | 은 |
| $\begin{array}{r} \vdash \infty \\ \vdash \\ \boxed{4} \end{array}$ | Skier Mishap | $\begin{array}{\|l\|} \hline 0 \\ \hline 0 \\ \hline \end{array}$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\stackrel{\square}{\square}$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\checkmark$ | O | $\bigcirc$ | O্প | N | $\sim$ | N | O | 0 | $\bigcirc$ |
|  | Skiing | $\bigcirc$ | O | $\checkmark$ | $\stackrel{ }{-}$ | O | ๑ | O | $\bigcirc$ | 5 | m | $\checkmark$ | － | $\bigcirc$ | N | m |
|  | Grounding | $\underset{\sim}{\mathbf{m}}$ | m | N | $\infty$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\checkmark$ | O | $\bigcirc$ | 찿 | $\stackrel{\sim}{\sim}$ | 10 | $\checkmark$ | $\checkmark$ | N | － |
| $\stackrel{\leftrightarrow}{\llcorner }$ | Flooding or Swamping | N্N | － | 入 | $\stackrel{10}{8}$ | $\checkmark$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | N | $\begin{aligned} & \mathrm{N} \\ & \mathrm{~N} \end{aligned}$ | ＊ | $\cdots$ | $\infty$ | $\checkmark$ | $\checkmark$ | $\bigcirc$ |
| $\stackrel{\leftrightarrow}{\mathbf{\omega}}$ | Fire／Explosion（unknown origin） | $\cdots$ | 0 | $\bigcirc$ | 10 | 0 | $\checkmark$ | － | $\bigcirc$ | $\infty$ | $\bigcirc$ | － | $\bigcirc$ | $\checkmark$ | O | $m$ |
|  | Fire／Explosion（Non－fuel） | 운 | $\bigcirc$ | の | \％ | 0 | $\stackrel{\square}{\square}$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | ¢ | $\checkmark$ | $\checkmark$ | － | $\bigcirc$ | － | $\checkmark$ |
| $\begin{aligned} & 4 \infty \\ & \text { z } \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | Fire／Explosion（Fuel） | $\stackrel{\sim}{\sim}$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\cdots$ | $\stackrel{7}{*}$ | $\bigcirc$ | N | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | ¢ | F | m | $\bigcirc$ | 0 | 0 | $\checkmark$ |
|  | Falls Overboard | $\begin{array}{\|c} \hline \overline{0} \\ \hline \end{array}$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\stackrel{\sim}{\bullet}$ | ন | 入 | N | $\bigcirc$ | の | $\begin{aligned} & \hline 0 \\ & \mathrm{~N} \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | $\stackrel{\infty}{\sim}$ | $\stackrel{\sim}{\sim}$ | $\stackrel{\sim}{\sim}$ | F | N | $\checkmark$ |
|  | Falls on Vessel | 은 | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | O | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | N | $\infty$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ |
|  | Falls in Vessel | $\bar{N}$ | － | の | N | － | $\checkmark$ | O | $\bigcirc$ | $\stackrel{\sim}{\sim}$ | へ | $\checkmark$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\checkmark$ | $\bigcirc$ | ＋ |
| ミ0 | Electrocution | $\bigcirc$ | － | － | － | 0 | － | O | $\bigcirc$ | 0 | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | － | － | $\bigcirc$ |
| $\underset{\sim}{\boldsymbol{\omega}}$ | Ejected from Vessel | $\stackrel{0}{0}$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | N | $\checkmark$ | 0 | O | $\bigcirc$ | 10 | N | m | $\checkmark$ | $\bigcirc$ | － | $\checkmark$ |
| $\stackrel{\rightharpoonup}{>}$ | Departed Vessel | $\bar{\infty}$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\checkmark$ | 10 | N | N | 0 | $\checkmark$ | O | $\sim$ | N | $\checkmark$ | N | ＊ | － |
| ロミ | Collision with Vessel | $\begin{array}{\|c} \stackrel{\rightharpoonup}{\mathrm{N}} \\ \hline \end{array}$ | の | $\stackrel{\Gamma}{n}$ | প্প্লি | $\infty$ | $\stackrel{\sim}{\sim}$ | N | 10 | $\begin{aligned} & \mathrm{N} \\ & \mathbb{O} \end{aligned}$ | $\stackrel{\sim}{0}$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\infty$ | ¢ | N | ¢ |
|  | Collision with Floating Object | $\stackrel{\sim}{\infty}$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\checkmark$ | ন | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | 0 | $\bigcirc$ | 응 | ¢ | 10 | $\checkmark$ | $\checkmark$ | $\infty$ | m |
| $\begin{aligned} & \mathbf{Z} \\ & 0 \end{aligned}$ | Collision with Fixed Object | $\begin{array}{\|l\|} \hline \mathrm{N} \\ \hline \end{array}$ | m | へ | $\stackrel{m}{\sim}$ | N | 은 | ल | N | － | － | $\stackrel{ \pm}{\text { N }}$ | 10 | $\bigcirc$ | $\stackrel{\infty}{\sim}$ | の |
|  | Carbon Monoxide Exposure | $\pm$ | O | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | O | N | O | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | O | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | O | O | O |
| $\frac{0}{\frac{0}{0}}$ | Capsizing | $\stackrel{\sim}{\sim}$ | $\checkmark$ | F | N | － | N | $\bigcirc$ | $\overline{5}$ | $\stackrel{\text { N }}{\sim}$ | $\stackrel{\square}{\square}$ | 入 | $\stackrel{N}{N}$ | ন | $\infty$ | の |
|  | All Accident Types | N | N | $\sqrt{N}$ | $\stackrel{+}{O}$ | 안 | 듬 | $\cdots$ | $\cdots$ | － | ¢ | $\stackrel{m}{\sim}$ | ¢ | $\bigcirc$ | $\stackrel{1}{\square}$ | $\stackrel{\text { O}}{\sim}$ |
|  |  | 号 | 莿 |  |  | $\begin{aligned} & \otimes \\ & 0 \\ & \stackrel{\rightharpoonup}{\Pi} \\ & 0 \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ |  |  |  | Open Motorboat |  |  | $\begin{aligned} & \stackrel{\rightharpoonup}{\pi} \\ & 0 \\ & \frac{0}{3} \\ & 0 \\ & \underline{q} \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \frac{\lambda}{\bar{c}} \\ & \overline{\mathrm{O}} \\ & \overline{\overline{\mathrm{~N}}} \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | － | ［ |




## RECREATIONAL B OATING STATISTICS 2007

# OPERATOR/ PASSENGER NFORMATION 

## Explanation of Operator/Passenger Information Section

The following section contains eight tables and figures that examine data relating to the operators and passengers in accidents. Information is displayed by age, boating safety instruction, type of injury, and cause of death.

## Operator Information (Table 23, Page 42)

This table provides information about the operator. Information covers a variety of topics including age, boating hours experience, number of people onboard the vessel, and the boating safety instruction level of the operator.

## Life Jacket Availability on Vessels \& Use by Cause of Death (Table 24, Page 43)

This table examines the availability and accessibility of life jackets on vessels. It also provides information regarding the use of life jackets by deceased victims.

Number of Deaths by Type of Operator Boating Instruction (Table 25 \& Figure 6, Page 44)
This table and accompanying figure focus on boating safety instruction for those operators who had one person die on their vessel. The table and figure both focus on instruction provided by the U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary, U.S. Power Squadrons, American Red Cross, and State sources. The figure examines only deaths where the operator instruction was known.

## Number of Deaths by Vessel Type (Table 26 \& Figure 7, Page 45)

This table documents the cause of death by vessel type and life jacket wear. It also provides the total number of deaths by type of vessel.

Number of Injured Victims by Age \& Vessel Type (Table 27, Page 46)
This table documents the age of injured victims by vessel type.
Number of Deceased Victims by Age \& Vessel Type (Table 28, Page 47)
This table documents the age of fatal victims by vessel type. It also delineates the number of drownings, non-drownings, and total deaths by age.



| OPE 25 - NUMBER OF DEATHS BY TYPE OF |  |
| :--- | ---: |
| OPATOR BOATING INSTRUCTION 2007 |  |
| - American Red Cross | Deaths |
| - U.S. Power Squadrons | 376 |
| - U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary | 2 |
| - State | 1 |
| - Informal | 12 |
| - Other | 24 |
| - None | 21 |
| Unknown Operator Instruction | 34 |
| Total Known and Unknown Operator Instruction | 282 |

Figure 6 PERCENT OF DEATHS BY KNOWN BOAT OPERATOR INSTRUCTION 2007





| 1 | Table 27 • NUMBER OF INJURED VICTIMS BY AGE \& VESSEL TYPE 2007 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { 》 } \\ & \stackrel{\rightharpoonup}{\circ} \\ & \stackrel{2}{0} \end{aligned}$ |  |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { N} \\ & \stackrel{\rightharpoonup}{0} \\ & 0 \end{aligned}$ |  |  |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { O} \\ & \stackrel{0}{0} \\ & 3 \\ & \text { 으 } \\ & \text { 우 } \\ & \stackrel{0}{0} \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ |  | $\begin{aligned} & 0 \\ & 0 \\ & 0 \\ & \stackrel{\rightharpoonup}{0} \\ & 0 \\ & 0 \\ & 0 \\ & 0 \\ & \hline 0 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { D } \\ & 0 \\ & \sum_{0}^{2} \\ & 0 \\ & 0 \sim \end{aligned}$ |  | $\begin{aligned} & \mathrm{O} \\ & \underset{\sim}{\mathbf{D}} \\ & \text { n } \end{aligned}$ |  |
| All Ages | 3673 | 17 | 59 | 283 | 59 | 39 | 11 | 34 | 1886 | 982 | 112 | 35 | 39 | 57 | 60 |
| 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 1 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 2 | 5 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| 3 | 10 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 7 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 4 | 11 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 7 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| 5 | 11 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 10 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 6 | 22 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 16 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 7 | 22 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 9 | 10 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| 8 | 24 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 16 | 7 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 9 | 17 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 7 | 8 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 10 | 32 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 21 | 9 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 11 | 31 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 15 | 12 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 |
| 12 | 36 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 20 | 13 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| 0-12 | 226 | 3 | 0 | 7 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 133 | 70 | 5 | 1 |  | 0 | 2 |
| 13-19 | 609 | 0 | 0 | 17 | 10 | 3 | 2 | 5 | 262 | 267 | 12 | 4 | 7 | 10 | 10 |
| 20-29 | 820 | 3 | 7 | 36 | 20 | 3 | 0 | 10 | 402 | 284 | 19 | 12 | 8 | 12 | 4 |
| 30-39 | 488 | 2 | 3 | 33 | 6 | 1 | 0 | 5 | 277 | 132 | 14 | 3 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| 40-49 | 514 | 3 | 6 | 66 | 9 | 6 | 2 | 5 | 276 | 109 | 20 | 2 | 0 | 6 | 4 |
| 50-59 | 303 | 4 | 10 | 41 | 4 | 0 | 3 | 1 | 167 | 46 | 15 | 2 | 4 | 3 | 3 |
| 60-69 | 141 | 0 | 10 | 19 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 79 | 11 | 8 | 2 | 3 | 1 | 3 |
| 70-79 | 50 | 0 | 4 | 8 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 28 | 1 | 6 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 |
| 80 and Over | 16 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 11 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Unknown | 506 | 2 | 19 | 55 | 9 | 23 | 2 | 7 | 251 | 61 | 11 | 8 | 9 | 21 | 28 |


|  | Table 28 - NUMBER OF DECEASED VICTIMS BY AGE \& VESSEL TYPE 2007 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Vessel Type |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { D } \\ & \stackrel{\rightharpoonup}{7} \\ & 0 \\ & \end{aligned}$ |  |  | $\begin{aligned} & 0 \\ & \stackrel{0}{0} \\ & 0 \end{aligned}$ |  | $\begin{aligned} & \overline{\overline{⿳ ㇒}} \\ & \stackrel{\rightharpoonup}{\mathbf{W}} \\ & \stackrel{\rightharpoonup}{\bar{\sigma}} \end{aligned}$ |  |  |  | 0 <br> 0 <br> $\vdots$ <br> $\vdots$ <br> 0 <br> 0 <br> 0 <br> 0 <br> 0 |  |  | $\begin{aligned} & \mathrm{O} \\ & \underset{\sim}{\underset{\rightharpoonup}{7}} \end{aligned}$ |  |  |  |  |
| All Ages | 1 | 18 | 53 | 71 | 6 | 6 | 36 | 334 | 67 | 15 | 33 | 18 | 18 | 9 | 476 | 209 | 685 |
| 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 |
| 2 | 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 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 |
| 4 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 2 |
| 5 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 |
| 6 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 |
| 7 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 3 |
| 8 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 3 |
| 9 | 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 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| 11 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 12 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 |
| 0-12 | 0 | 0 | 5 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 7 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 8 | 8 | 16 |
| 13-19 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 12 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 12 | 18 | 1 | 3 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 29 | 21 | 50 |
| 20-29 | 0 | 1 | 3 | 12 | 1 | 1 | 8 | 47 | 15 | 6 | 5 | 2 | 4 | 0 | 73 | 32 | 105 |
| 30-39 | 0 | 1 | 15 | 8 | 1 | 3 | 7 | 49 | 10 | 3 | 8 | 2 | 2 | 0 | 77 | 32 | 109 |
| 40-49 | 0 | 2 | 14 | 13 | 1 | 0 | 6 | 65 | 8 | 1 | 6 | 3 | 4 | 1 | 86 | 38 | 124 |
| 50-59 | 0 | 5 | 4 | 9 | 2 | 1 | 6 | 58 | 8 | 0 | 3 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 71 | 29 | 100 |
| 60-69 | 1 | 4 | 11 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 38 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 0 | 49 | 15 | 64 |
| 70-79 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 3 | 23 | 1 | 3 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 28 | 9 | 37 |
| 80 and Over | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 9 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 11 | 3 | 14 |
| Unknown | 0 | 4 | 1 | 8 | 0 | 1 | 4 | 26 | 6 | 0 | 3 | 5 | 1 | 7 | 44 | 22 | 66 |

## RECREATIONAL BOATING STATISTICS 2007

## C ASUALTY DATA

## Explanation of Casualty Data Section

This section contains eleven tables and figures that examine data relating to the victims in boating accidents. The following pages focus on historical casualty information, casualty-vessel information, and state-specific casualty information.

Accidents \& Casualties by Year, 1996-2007 (Figure 8 \& Table 29, Page 50)
This figure and table document the number of accidents and casualties from 1996-2007.

## Accident, Casualty \& Damage Data by State (Table 30, Page 51)

This table provides accident, casualty, and damage information by state for the year 2007. Accidents are broken down into three levels of severity- fatal accidents, non-fatal injury accidents, and property damage only accidents. This table also provides the number of casualties and property damage by state.

## Distribution of Recreational Boating Deaths by State (Figure 9, Page 52)

This figure provides the percentage that each state contributed to the national death count. So, for instance, Texas had 46 deaths. Out of the total national death count of 685 , Texas contributed $6.7 \%$ $((46 / 685)$ * 100$)$ of deaths to the national count.

## Annual Recreational Boating Fatality Rates 1996-2007 (Figure 10 \& Table 31, Page 53)

This table provides the fatality rates from 1996-2007. The fatality rate is calculated by dividing the number of fatalities by the total national vessel registration. USCG then multiplied by a factor of 100,000 to arrive at the number of deaths per 100,000 registered vessels. The accompanying figure shows the trend of fatality rates from 1996-2007.

## States Coded by their 2007 Fatality Rate (Figure 11, Page 54)

This figure displays states that are color-coded depending on their fatality rate which is expressed as the number of deaths that occurred in that state per 100,000 vessels that that state registered. It is important to note that not all states register the same types of vessels which could skew the fatality rates provided. Please see Table 38, Recreational Registration Data by State 2006-2007 to view the Scope of each state's registration system.

Five-year Summary of Selected Accident Data by State (Table 32, Page 55)
This table examines the number of accidents, fatal accidents, and fatalities by state for years 20032007.

Number of Accidents by Primary Accident Type \& State (Table 33, Page 56-57)
This table documents the first accident event by state. It also provides information about the total number of accidents and casualties by state.

## Number of Injured Victims by Primary Injury \& Vessel Type (Table 34, Page 58)

This table displays the number of injured victims by primary injury and vessel type.
Number of Fatal Victims by Life Jacket Wear, Cause of Death, \& Vessel Type (Table 35, Page 58) This table displays the number of fatal victims by vessel type and cause of death. The table also provides information on whether the deceased victim was wearing a life jacket.


Table 29 - DEATHS, INJURIES \& ACCIDENTS BY YEAR 1996-2007

| Year | Deaths | Injuries | Accidents |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1996 | 709 | 4442 | 8026 |
| 1997 | 821 | 4555 | 8047 |
| 1998 | 815 | 4612 | 8061 |
| 1999 | 734 | 4315 | 7931 |
| 2000 | 701 | 4355 | 7740 |
| $2001^{*}$ | 681 | 4274 | 6419 |
| 2002 | 750 | 4062 | 5705 |
| 2003 | 703 | 3888 | 5438 |
| 2004 | 676 | 3363 | 4904 |
| 2005 | 697 | 3451 | 4969 |
| 2006 | 710 | 3474 | 4967 |
| 2007 | 685 | 3673 | 5191 |

* On July 2, 2001, the Federal threshold of property damage for reports of accidents involving recreational vessels changed from $\$ 500$ to $\$ 2000$.


## Casualty Data

| State or Jurisdiction | Table 30 - ACCIDENT, CASUALTY \& DAMAGE DATA BY STATE 2007 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Number of Accidents |  |  |  | Persons Involved |  | Property Damage** |
|  | Total Accidents | Fatal Accidents | Non-Fatal Injury Accidents | Property Damage Accidents | Deaths | Injured |  |
| Totals | 5191 | 605 | 2576 | 2010 | 685 | 3673 | \$53,106,495.78 |
| Alabama | 96 | 10 | 41 | 45 | 11 | 50 | \$1,745,440 |
| Alaska | 48 | 11 | 8 | 29 | 17 | 24 | \$830,750 |
| Arizona | 167 | 8 | 96 | 63 | 8 | 118 | \$760,282 |
| Arkansas | 81 | 15 | 30 | 36 | 18 | 55 | \$540,039 |
| California | 601 | 48 | 345 | 208 | 55 | 482 | \$10,464,400 |
| Colorado | 54 | 7 | 34 | 13 | 7 | 41 | \$84,400 |
| Connecticut | 61 | 7 | 24 | 30 | 8 | 38 | \$365,353 |
| Delaware | 15 | 2 | 2 | 11 | 2 | 2 | \$316,185 |
| Dist. of Columbia | 4 | 0 | 0 | 4 | 0 | 0 | \$19,070 |
| Florida | 663 | 67 | 279 | 317 | 75 | 387 | \$9,039,610 |
| Georgia | 139 | 14 | 68 | 57 | 18 | 101 | \$2,673,389 |
| Hawaii | 10 | 2 | 2 | 6 | 2 | 6 | \$93,578 |
| Idaho | 63 | 7 | 21 | 35 | 8 | 23 | \$322,200 |
| Illinois | 107 | 11 | 48 | 48 | 13 | 60 | \$166,471 |
| Indiana | 32 | 5 | 12 | 15 | 7 | 18 | \$270,800 |
| lowa | 47 | 7 | 24 | 16 | 9 | 31 | \$149,369 |
| Kansas | 24 | 5 | 10 | 9 | 6 | 14 | \$80,900 |
| Kentucky | 59 | 13 | 27 | 19 | 13 | 45 | \$405,860 |
| Louisiana | 119 | 28 | 57 | 34 | 30 | 99 | \$345,130 |
| Maine | 90 | 13 | 44 | 33 | 15 | 56 | \$937,970.21 |
| Maryland | 170 | 8 | 95 | 67 | 10 | 120 | \$838,774 |
| Massachusetts | 36 | 9 | 19 | 8 | 9 | 32 | \$251,000 |
| Michigan | 185 | 30 | 86 | 69 | 34 | 111 | \$591,691 |
| Minnesota | 123 | 12 | 84 | 27 | 15 | 105 | \$439,695 |
| Mississippi | 31 | 7 | 23 | - 1 | 7 | 32 | \$25,000 |
| Missouri | 168 | -7 | 107 | 54 | 7 | 148 | \$482,669 |
| Montana | 24 | 4 | 13 | 7 | 4 | 16 | \$61,118 |
| Nebraska | 31 | 6 | 23 | 2 | 7 | 46 | \$103,750 |
| Nevada | 76 | 5 | 44 | 27 | 5 | 53 | \$342,021 |
| New Hampshire | 54 | 5 | 22 | 27 | 6 | 27 | \$473,940 |
| New Jersey* | 136 | 8 | 40 | 88 | 8 | 52 | \$178,900 |
| New Mexico | 38 | 1 | 19 | 18 | 1 | 23 | \$82,200 |
| New York | 180 | 18 | 78 | 84 | 21 | 133 | \$2,118,141 |
| North Carolina | 158 | 19 | 92 | 47 | 19 | 129 | \$5,209,561 |
| North Dakota | 10 | 0 | 6 | 4 | 0 | 9 | \$48,700 |
| Ohio | 121 | 11 | 60 | 50 | 14 | 79 | \$2,364,975 |
| Oklahoma | 56 | 11 | 29 | 16 | 12 | 71 | \$250,450 |
| Oregon | 60 | 9 | 26 | 25 | 9 | 33 | \$349,596.8 |
| Pennsylvania | 64 | 10 | 41 | 13 | 11 | 59 | \$207,748 |
| Rhode Island | 44 | 4 | 12 | 28 | 4 | 22 | \$1,344,314 |
| South Carolina | 104 | 15 | 52 | 37 | 16 | 72 | \$2,657,905 |
| South Dakota | 12 | 2 | 7 | 3 | 2 | 10 | \$68,900 |
| Tennessee | 146 | 16 | 81 | 49 | 17 | 100 | \$929,362 |
| Texas | 197 | 40 | 94 | 63 | 46 | 164 | \$1,133,779 |
| Utah | 71 | 5 | 50 | 16 | 5 | 80 | \$230,400 |
| Vermont | 3 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 0 | \$225,000 |
| Virginia | 145 | 11 | 81 | 53 | 12 | 108 | \$1,021,170 |
| Washington | 97 | 22 | 47 | 28 | 26 | 74 | \$499,895 |
| West Virginia | 26 | 5 | 16 | 5 | 7 | 23 | \$57,550 |
| Wisconsin | 119 | 18 | 50 | 51 | 18 | 77 | \$687,399 |
| Wyoming | 8 | 3 | 2 |  | 4 | 5 | \$29,697 |
| Guam | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | \$3,000 |
| Puerto Rico | 7 | 1 | , | 5 | 2 | 3 | \$77,000 |
| Virgin Islands | 3 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 3 | \$105,000 |
| Am. Samoa | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | \$0 |
| N. Marianas | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | \$0 |
| Atlantic Ocean | 2 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 3 | 0 | \$0 |
| Gulf | 5 | , | 3 | 1 | 1 | 4 | \$5,000 |
| Pacific Ocean | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | \$0 |

${ }^{*} \mathrm{NJ}$ did not submit property damage estimates to boats in 2007. However, NJ noted that accidents submitted to the Coast Guard that did not have an injury or death were considered to have $\$ 2000$ or more in damages. The Coast Guard adjusted NJ's property damages to boats such that each accident without an injury or death had $\$ 2000$ damages. **Property damage for states is rounded to the nearest dollar


Figure 10 Annual Recreational Boating Fatality Rates 1996-2007 Number of Deaths per 100,000 Registered Recreational Vessels


| Table 31 - ANNUAL RECREATIONAL BOATING FATALITY RATES 1996-2007 |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Year | Total Deaths | Total Registered Vessels | Number of Deaths Per 100,000 <br> Registered Vessels |
| 1996 | 709 | 11,877,938 | 6.0 |
| 1997 | 821 | 12,312,982 | 6.7 |
| 1998 | 815 | 12,565,930 | 6.5 |
| 1999 | 734 | 12,738,271 | 5.8 |
| 2000 | 701 | 12,782,143 | 5.5 |
| 2001 | 681 | 12,876,346 | 5.3 |
| 2002 | 750 | 12,854,054 | 5.8 |
| 2003 | 703 | 12,794,616 | 5.5 |
| 2004 | 676 | 12,781,476 | 5.3 |
| 2005 | 697 | 12,942,414 | 5.4 |
| 2006 | 710 | 12,746,126 | 5.6 |
| 2007 | 685 | 12,875,568 | 5.3 |


Note: This fatality rate is calculated using the number deaths in each state and the number of registered boats in each state.

Table 32 - FIVE YEAR SUMMARY OF SELECTED ACCIDENT DATA BY STATE 2003-2007

|  | Total Number of Accidents |  |  |  |  | Fatal Accidents |  |  |  |  | Deaths |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 2003 | 2004 | 2005 | 2006 | 2007 | 2003 | 2004 | 2005 | 2006 | 2007 | 2003 | 2004 | 2005 | 2006 | 2007 |
| Totals | 5438 | 4904 | 4969 | 4967 | 5191 | 621 | 612 | 626 | 633 | 605 | 703 | 676 | 697 | 710 | 685 |
| Alabama | 83 | 70 | 69 | 87 | 96 | 15 | 17 | 15 | 19 | 10 | 15 | 20 | 16 | 24 | 11 |
| Alaska | 48 | 52 | 54 | 48 | 48 | 16 | 14 | 14 | 11 | 11 | 21 | 16 | 20 | 13 | 17 |
| Arizona | 188 | 174 | 194 | 209 | 167 | 5 | 10 | 5 | 14 | 8 | 7 | 11 | 5 | 14 | 8 |
| Arkansas | 50 | 55 | 68 | 55 | 81 | 6 | 5 | 12 | 6 | 15 | 6 | 8 | 13 | 8 | 18 |
| California | 797 | 603 | 630 | 569 | 601 | 56 | 35 | 55 | 39 | 48 | 61 | 43 | 58 | 42 | 55 |
| Colorado | 54 | 38 | 45 | 44 | 54 | 6 | 6 | 10 | 11 | 7 | 7 | 6 | 11 | 11 | 7 |
| Connecticut | 55 | 58 | 49 | 42 | 61 | 2 | 3 | 5 | 5 | 7 | 3 | 3 | 5 | 5 | 8 |
| Delaware | 5 | 16 | 18 | 9 | 15 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 2 |
| Dist. of Columbia | 3 | 3 | 1 | 1 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 3 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| Florida | 752 | 713 | 603 | 633 | 663 | 58 | 60 | 67 | 60 | 67 | 64 | 66 | 78 | 68 | 75 |
| Georgia | 141 | 118 | 111 | 149 | 139 | 13 | 21 | 13 | 18 | 14 | 13 | 24 | 16 | 18 | 18 |
| Hawaii | 3 | 8 | 10 | 4 | 10 | 0 | 1 | 5 | 4 | 2 | 0 | 2 | 5 | 4 | 2 |
| Idaho | 54 | 70 | 54 | 74 | 63 | 7 | 9 | 5 | 7 | 7 | 7 | 10 | 6 | 10 | 8 |
| Illinois | 82 | 72 | 101 | 70 | 107 | 10 | 17 | 16 | 15 | 11 | 13 | 18 | 16 | 18 | 13 |
| Indiana | 56 | 51 | 41 | 51 | 32 | 6 | 7 | 3 | 6 | 5 | 7 | 7 | 4 | 6 | 7 |
| lowa | 25 | 32 | 53 | 40 | 47 | 0 | 2 | 8 | 4 | 7 | 0 | 2 | 9 | 5 | 9 |
| Kansas | 35 | 36 | 24 | 39 | 24 | 3 | 2 | 4 | 5 | 5 | 3 | 2 | 4 | 5 | 6 |
| Kentucky | 55 | 46 | 58 | 65 | 59 | 8 | 9 | 14 | 13 | 13 | 9 | 9 | 20 | 15 | 13 |
| Louisiana | 130 | 156 | 126 | 119 | 119 | 34 | 35 | 33 | 21 | 28 | 40 | 44 | 35 | 24 | 30 |
| Maine | 55 | 41 | 46 | 56 | 90 | 7 | 6 | 13 | 12 | 13 | 7 | 6 | 16 | 12 | 15 |
| Maryland | 146 | 178 | 183 | 138 | 170 | 10 | 12 | 14 | 8 | 8 | 13 | 16 | 15 | 8 | 10 |
| Massachusetts | 43 | 55 | 45 | 46 | 36 | 7 | 9 | 8 | 9 | 9 | 8 | 9 | 9 | 10 | 9 |
| Michigan | 218 | 143 | 161 | 185 | 185 | 25 | 26 | 26 | 24 | 30 | 29 | 27 | 28 | 30 | 34 |
| Minnesota | 106 | 88 | 114 | 113 | 123 | 14 | 15 | 21 | 11 | 12 | 17 | 15 | 24 | 14 | 15 |
| Mississippi | 41 | 35 | 23 | 31 | 31 | 7 | 11 | 6 | 7 | 7 | 8 | 11 | 6 | 7 | 7 |
| Missouri | 201 | 172 | 202 | 175 | 168 | 15 | 15 | 22 | 16 | 7 | 17 | 15 | 24 | 17 | 7 |
| Montana | 11 | 12 | 12 | 16 | 24 | 3 | 5 | 5 | 6 | 4 | 4 | 5 | 7 | 6 | 4 |
| Nebraska | 39 | 36 | 28 | 33 | 31 | 4 | 6 | 2 | 4 | 6 | 5 | 6 | 2 | 6 | 7 |
| Nevada | 89 | 65 | 93 | 82 | 76 | 8 | 6 | 5 | 4 | 5 | 9 | 6 | 5 | 4 | 5 |
| New Hampshire | 49 | 35 | 45 | 79 | 54 | 5 | 2 | 1 | 5 | 5 | 6 | 2 | 1 | 5 | 6 |
| New Jersey | 85 | 124 | 100 | 84 | 136 | 17 | 8 | 4 | 10 | 8 | 17 | 8 | 4 | 11 | 8 |
| New Mexico | 31 | 21 | 31 | 34 | 38 | 2 | 0 | 5 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 5 | 0 |  |
| New York | 224 | 178 | 190 | 152 | 180 | 23 | 17 | 15 | 14 | 18 | 34 | 18 | 15 | 14 | 21 |
| North Carolina | 144 | 140 | 164 | 175 | 158 | 17 | 19 | 16 | 20 | 19 | 18 | 20 | 17 | 24 | 19 |
| North Dakota | 10 | 7 | 9 | 7 | 10 | 2 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Ohio | 122 | 105 | 132 | 111 | 121 | 17 | 7 | 11 | 12 | 11 | 19 | 7 | 12 | 12 | 14 |
| Oklahoma | 72 | 55 | 62 | 71 | 56 | 13 | 13 | 10 | 13 | 11 | 14 | 13 | 13 | 17 | 12 |
| Oregon | 73 | 50 | 51 | 47 | 60 | 15 | 9 | 14 | 17 | 9 | 18 | 9 | 15 | 20 | 9 |
| Pennsylvania | 79 | 58 | 61 | 56 | 64 | 9 | 11 | 9 | 19 | 10 | 11 | 11 | 12 | 25 | 11 |
| Rhode Island | 30 | 41 | 38 | 37 | 44 | 4 | 4 | 0 | 3 | 4 | 4 | 7 | 0 | 5 | 4 |
| South Carolina | 108 | 83 | 83 | 93 | 104 | 27 | 12 | 12 | 13 | 15 | 30 | 13 | 13 | 14 | 16 |
| South Dakota | 24 | 8 | 18 | 16 | 12 | 3 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 2 | 4 | 2 | 2 | 3 | 2 |
| Tennessee | 155 | 173 | 114 | 149 | 146 | 16 | 28 | 10 | 15 | 16 | 17 | 32 | 10 | 16 | 17 |
| Texas | 198 | 159 | 144 | 195 | 197 | 34 | 30 | 30 | 44 | 40 | 36 | 32 | 32 | 45 | 46 |
| Utah | 58 | 56 | 79 | 85 | 71 | 6 | 3 | 9 | 11 | 5 | 6 | 3 | 9 | 12 | 5 |
| Vermont | 2 | 5 | 2 | 1 | 3 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 |  |
| Virginia | 115 | 136 | 127 | 137 | 145 | 18 | 20 | 12 | 20 | 11 | 20 | 20 | 14 | 23 | 12 |
| Washington | 126 | 134 | 128 | 96 | 97 | 14 | 20 | 24 | 20 | 22 | 16 | 22 | 25 | 21 | 26 |
| West Virginia | 14 | 9 | 14 | 21 | 26 | 3 | 2 | 6 | 8 | 5 | 3 | 3 | 6 | 8 | 7 |
| Wisconsin | 126 | 107 | 127 | 99 | 119 | 19 | 24 | 17 | 10 | 18 | 20 | 24 | 20 | 10 | 18 |
| Wyoming | 10 | 3 | 10 | 19 | 8 | 2 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 3 | 3 | 4 |
| Guam | 2 | 2 | 5 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 6 | 2 | 1 | 0 |
| Puerto Rico | 11 | 8 | 7 | 10 | 7 | 1 | 3 | 1 | 4 | 1 | 1 | 3 | 1 | 5 | 2 |
| Virgin Islands | 3 | 5 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Am. Samoa | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| N. Marianas | 0 | 3 | 4 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Atlantic Ocean | 2 | 1 | 3 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 3 | 5 | 3 |
| Gulf | 0 | 1 | 3 | 1 | 5 | 0 | 1 | 3 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 4 | 1 |  |
| Pacific Ocean | 0 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 2 |  |



| $\begin{aligned} & \text { N} \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | Injuries |  |  |  | $\underset{\sim}{n}$ | $\underset{\sim}{2} \underset{\sim}{\sim}$ | $i^{\infty}$ |  | $\bar{\lambda}$ |  | ¢ |  |  |  | $\bigcirc$ | － |  |  | $\stackrel{\infty}{\circ}$ | $\frac{\pi}{N}$ |  |  | 5 | 0 | m | m |  | 0 |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Total Deaths | $\bigcirc$ | $\infty$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bar{\sim}$ | － |  | $\stackrel{+}{\square}$ | $\stackrel{\sim}{\sim}$ | क | $\stackrel{\rightharpoonup}{\square}$ |  |  | N | $\stackrel{ }{-}$ | ¢ | 5 |  | $\stackrel{\sim}{\sim}$ | $\stackrel{O}{\text { N }}$ | N | $\stackrel{\infty}{\sim}$ | － | 0 | $\sim$ | 0 | 0 | 0 | m |  | $\bigcirc$ |
|  | Other Deaths | N | $\infty$ | 0 | $\bigcirc$ | ल | 0 | N | $\checkmark$ | 0 | m | $\cdots$ | － | 0 | $\bigcirc$ | $\infty$ | m | 0 | － | $\bigcirc$ | － | 10 | N | O | N | 0 | － | 0 | 0 | 0 | － |
| $\stackrel{N}{\mathbf{N}} \underset{\sim}{2}$ | Drownings | － | m | $\bigcirc$ | $\stackrel{6}{\square}$ | $\bigcirc$ | O | $\stackrel{\sim}{\sim}$ | $\infty$ | の | $\infty$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\stackrel{ }{\sim}$ | N | $\stackrel{\square}{F}$ | － | N | $\bigcirc$ | $\infty$ | 안 | ल | $\stackrel{-}{-}$ | N | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | ल | $\checkmark$ | － |
| $\mathbb{E}$ | Unknown | N | ल | 0 | 0 | O | O | O | O | 0 | － | 0 | O | 0 | $\bigcirc$ | O | 0 | 0 | － | 0 | $\bigcirc$ | － | 0 | 0 | 0 | $\bigcirc$ | 0 | 0 | 0 | $\bigcirc$ | 0 |
| $19$ | Struck Submerged Object | － | － | $\checkmark$ | $\stackrel{10}{2}$ | ${ }^{\sim}$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | － | ल | $\bigcirc$ | ल | － | － | － | － | $\checkmark$ | 0 | $\stackrel{\sim}{\sim}$ | N | － | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | － | － | － | － | － | － | 0 | 0 |
| $\begin{aligned} & \mathbb{4} \\ & \mathbf{~} \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | Struck by Motor and／or Propeller | 0 | 0 | 0 | － | － | 0 | ल | $\checkmark$ | － | N | N | $\sim$ | － | ल | N | $\sim$ | 0 | O | 0 | － | － | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | O | 0 | － | $\bigcirc$ |
|  | Struck by Vessel | $\bigcirc$ | 0 | 0 | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | 0 | 0 |  | 0 | $\bigcirc$ | － | 0 | $\bigcirc$ | N | $\bigcirc$ | N | 0 | N |  | 0 | $\cdots$ | $\bigcirc$ | 0 | 0 | 0 | $\bigcirc$ | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| $\underset{\mathbf{u}}{\mathbf{Z}}$ | U Skier Mishap | $\stackrel{\square}{\square}$ | 0 | － | F | $\bigcirc$ |  | 안 | $\infty$ | － | $\stackrel{-}{-}$ | $\bigcirc$ | － |  | $\stackrel{ }{ }$ | F | N | O | O | $\bigcirc$ | 0 |  | O | O | 0 | － | $\bigcirc$ | 0 | 0 | 0 | － |
| $\|\bar{J}\|$ | Sinking |  | N | N | － | ल | 0 |  | N | $\checkmark$ | $\bigcirc$ | 0 | － | 0 | 0 | － | $\bigcirc$ | 0 | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | 0 | N | $\bigcirc$ | 0 | 0 | 0 | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\checkmark$ | 0 | $\bigcirc$ |
| $\stackrel{U}{\mathbb{4}}$ | －Other | 0 | N | ， | m | 0 | O | N | 0 | N | N | ल |  | $\bigcirc$ | 0 | － | － | － | $\sim$ | N | － | m | $\bigcirc$ | 0 | 0 | 0 | $\bigcirc$ | 0 | 0 | 0 | － |
| $\frac{\alpha}{\alpha}$ | Grounding | 0 | $\stackrel{ }{\sim}$ | ， | $\sim$ | $\cdots$ | $\bigcirc$ | N | $\checkmark$ | $\sim$ | ద | － | $\checkmark$ | $\bigcirc$ | の | $\stackrel{ }{\sim}$ | N | $\bigcirc$ | $\infty$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | 안 | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | 0 | $\bigcirc$ | 0 | 0 | 0 | $\bigcirc$ |
| $\overline{\bar{\alpha}}$ | Flooding／Swamping |  |  | － | － | N |  | N | 0 | い | m | N | N | m | － | $\stackrel{10}{\square}$ | m | $\bigcirc$ | $\infty$ |  | $\bigcirc$ | $\infty$ | $\bigcirc$ | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | N | － |
| $\tau$ | Fire／Explosion（Unknown） | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | $\bigcirc$ | 0 | 0 | 0 | $\bigcirc$ | 0 | 0 | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | － | 0 | 0 | － | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | $\bigcirc$ | 0 | 0 | 0 | $\bigcirc$ | 0 | $\checkmark$ |  |
|  | ค Fire／Explosion（Non－fuel） | $\checkmark$ | $\infty$ | ल | $\bigcirc$ |  | － | m | 0 |  | O | N | m | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | － | 0 | 0 | － | － | － | O | － | 0 | － | 0 | O | － | 0 | 0 | $\bigcirc$ |
| $\sum_{\mathbf{z}}$ | Z Fire／Explosion（Fuel） | $\bigcirc$ | N |  | $\infty$ | 0 | O | － | m | $\sim$ |  | 0 | $\sim$ | $\bigcirc$ | － | N | $\bigcirc$ | 0 | $\bigcirc$ |  | 0 | $\bigcirc$ | － | 0 | 0 | 0 | $\bigcirc$ | O | 0 | 0 | － |
| $\overline{0}$ | Falls Overboard | 0 | क |  | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ |  | － | $\infty$ | $\cdots$ | の | $\sim$ | $\infty$ | m | \％ | N | － | $\bigcirc$ | － | 은 | $\sigma$ | $\stackrel{\square}{-}$ |  | 0 | $\checkmark$ | 0 | $\bigcirc$ | 0 | 0 | － | 0 |
| 4 | Fall on Vessel | 0 | 0 | N | $\bigcirc$ | O | 0 | $\bigcirc$ | 0 | 0 |  | 0 | 0 | $\bigcirc$ | $\cdots$ | $\checkmark$ | 0 | 0 | $\bigcirc$ | 0 | 0 | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | 0 | 0 | 0 | O | 0 | 0 | 0 | $\bigcirc$ |
| $\|\mathbf{0}\|$ | Fall in Vessel | 5 | 1 | $\bigcirc$ | $\infty$ | 入 |  | N | － | 0 | N | N | m | $\bigcirc$ | $\sim$ | $\bigcirc$ | － | O | ल | 0 | $\bigcirc$ | － | $\checkmark$ | 0 | $\checkmark$ | － | O | O | － | － | － |
|  | Electrocution | $\bigcirc$ | 0 | 0 | $\bigcirc$ | O | O | 0 | $\bigcirc$ | 0 | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | 0 | $\bigcirc$ | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | $\bigcirc$ | 0 | 0 | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | 0 | 0 | 0 | $\bigcirc$ | 0 | 0 | 0 | $\bigcirc$ |
| $\overline{\mathbf{m}}$ | $\sum$ Ejected From Vessel | $\bigcirc$ | N | O | 은 | － | － | $\stackrel{\mathrm{m}}{\sim}$ | N | － | － | O | $\cdots$ | $\bigcirc$ | － | $\bigcirc$ | N | O | m | $\cdots$ | $\bigcirc$ | － | － | 0 | － | N | － | － | － | 0 | 0 |
| $\geq$ | $\geq$ Departed Vessel | $\bigcirc$ |  |  | 0 |  | $\bigcirc$ | － | 0 | 0 |  | 0 |  | $\bigcirc$ |  | 은 |  |  | N | $\bigcirc$ | － | N |  |  | 0 | 0 | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| \％ | O Collision w／Vessel | $\bigcirc$ | $\infty$ | N |  | $\stackrel{\infty}{4}$ | ＋ | $\stackrel{ }{*}$ | － | क | の | $\stackrel{10}{5}$ | \％ | $\sim$ | $\infty$ | へ | 안 | $\sim$ | $\overline{\text { F }}$ | $\infty$ | 万 | ल | N | O | $\sim$ |  | $\bigcirc$ | － | 0 | 0 | 0 |
|  | Collision w／Floating Object | 0 | － | － | － | ＋ | 0 | $\checkmark$ | N | $\sim$ | N | $\bigcirc$ | $\checkmark$ | 0 | $F$ | N | 0 | 0 | $\sim$ | $\infty$ | $\checkmark$ | $\cdots$ | $\bigcirc$ | 0 | 0 | 0 | O | 0 | 0 | 0 | $\bigcirc$ |
| $\begin{aligned} & \mathrm{u} \\ & \mathrm{~m} \end{aligned}$ | Collision w／Fixed Object | $\checkmark$ | $\stackrel{\infty}{\sim}$ | 0 | － | － | O | $\stackrel{\infty}{\sim}$ | － | $\stackrel{\sim}{\sim}$ | m | ल |  | N |  | Nㅏㄴ | － | $\bigcirc$ | $\cdots$ | － | $\checkmark$ | N |  | $\bigcirc$ | m | 0 | $\bigcirc$ | － | 0 | 0 | － |
| © | d Carbon Monoxide | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | 0 |  | $\bigcirc$ | 0 | 0 |  | 0 |  |  |  | － |  | 0 | ल | $\bigcirc$ |  | 0 |  | 0 |  | 0 | 0 | 0 | － | 0 | 0 | O | 0 |
| $\begin{aligned} & \overline{0} \\ & \stackrel{0}{\square} \end{aligned}$ | Capsizing | $\cdots$ | क | N | $\stackrel{\sim}{\sim}$ |  |  | $5$ |  | क | $\bigcirc$ | ल | $\infty$ | $\bigcirc$ |  | $\mathbb{N}$ |  | $\bigcirc$ |  | $\stackrel{\square}{\square}$ | $\cdots$ | क | $\sim$ | － | 0 | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | 0 | － | － | － |
|  | Total Accidents | 5 | $\begin{aligned} & 0 \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | $0$ | $\begin{aligned} & \hline 0 \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{array}{\|l\|l\|} \hline 0 \\ \hline 0 \\ \hline \end{array}$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\underset{\sim}{N}$ | $\bigcirc$ | 0 | \％ | 㧊 | $\stackrel{+}{\square}$ | $\stackrel{\sim}{\sim}$ | $\frac{0}{4}$ | $\stackrel{\uparrow}{\circ}$ | 「 | $\cdots$ | $\frac{5}{5}$ | へু | $\stackrel{\bigcirc}{\sim}$ | $\frac{\square}{5}$ | $\infty$ | $\leftharpoondown$ | N | ल | 0 | 0 | N | 5 | 0 |
|  |  | $\frac{I}{Z}$ | Z | $3 \sum$ | そ | $\begin{array}{l\|l} \mathbf{z} \\ \mathbf{z} \\ \hline \end{array}$ | $\stackrel{9}{2}$ | $\mathrm{I}$ | Y |  | $\boxed{\Omega}$ | $\overline{\underline{I}}$ |  | $0$ | $\underset{1}{2}$ | $\stackrel{x}{x}$ | $\stackrel{\vdash}{\square}$ | $5$ | $\$$ | $\frac{\$}{3}$ |  | $\equiv$ | $\vdots$ | $\stackrel{\rightharpoonup}{0}$ | $\frac{\mathrm{x}}{\mathrm{a}}$ | $5$ | $\underset{\sim}{\circ}$ | $\sum_{0}$ | $\stackrel{\vdash}{<}$ | － | O |


| Table 34 －NUMBER OF INJURED VICTIMS BY PRIMARY INJURY \＆VESSEL TYPE |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  |  | $\begin{aligned} & 0 \\ & \stackrel{0}{0} \\ & 0 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \mathrm{I} \\ & \stackrel{O}{0} \\ & \stackrel{\rightharpoonup}{0} \\ & \stackrel{\rightharpoonup}{0} \end{aligned}$ |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { त⿳亠丷厂彡} \\ & \text { Na } \end{aligned}$ |  |  | 0 <br> 0 <br> 0 <br> 0 <br> 0 <br> 0 <br> 0 <br> 0 <br> 0 <br> 1 | $\begin{aligned} & 0,0 \\ & 0 \\ & \frac{1}{0} \\ & 0 \\ & \end{aligned}$ |  | $\begin{aligned} & \stackrel{\text { O}}{\stackrel{\rightharpoonup}{\widehat{p}}} \end{aligned}$ |  |
| Totals | 3673 | 17 | 59 | 283 | 59 | 39 | 11 | 34 | 1886 | 982 | 112 | 35 | 39 | 57 | 60 |
| Abrasion | 9 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 4 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Amputation | 47 | 0 | 2 | 2 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 28 | 5 | 6 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| Back Injury | 244 | 0 | 2 | 16 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 156 | 56 | 7 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 2 |
| Broken Bones | 665 | 2 | 7 | 45 | 2 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 294 | 274 | 16 | 1 | 3 | 14 | 5 |
| Burns | 86 | 0 | 1 | 29 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 28 | 16 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 8 |
| Carbon Monoxide | 34 | 0 | 0 | 10 | 0 | 22 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Contusion | 447 | 6 | 6 | 30 | 10 | 3 | 0 | 1 | 217 | 143 | 12 | 4 | 4 | 6 | 5 |
| Dislocation | 93 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 1 | 53 | 22 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 6 | 1 |
| Head Injury | 443 | 0 | 4 | 32 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 238 | 131 | 19 | 1 | 6 | 3 | 6 |
| Hypothermia | 263 | 2 | 15 | 21 | 35 | 0 | 0 | 29 | 108 | 6 | 2 | 20 | 14 | 2 | 9 |
| Internal Injuries | 116 | 0 | 2 | 5 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 61 | 40 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 1 |
| Laceration | 710 | 4 | 9 | 61 | 1 | 4 | 2 | 0 | 407 | 175 | 21 | 3 | 6 | 12 | 5 |
| Neck Injury | 92 | 0 | 2 | 6 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 62 | 15 | 4 | 0 |  | 1 | 0 |
| Shock | 76 | 0 | 2 | 8 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 37 | 20 | 5 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 2 |
| Spinal Injury | 35 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 23 | 6 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 |
| Sprain／Strain | 108 | 2 | 2 | 7 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 55 | 27 | 5 | 1 | 1 | 5 | 2 |
| Teeth and Jaw | 20 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 9 | 8 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Other | 159 | 1 | 2 | 7 | 6 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 89 | 29 | 4 | 1 | 1 | 3 | 13 |
| Unknown | 26 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 17 | 5 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |


| Table 35 －NUMBER OF FATAL VICTIMS BY LIFE JACKET WEAR，CAUSE OF DEATH \＆VESSEL TYPE 2007 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { D } \\ & \overline{\text { B }} \\ & \text { D } \end{aligned}$ |  |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { O} \\ & \stackrel{3}{0} \\ & \hline 0 \end{aligned}$ |  |  |  |  |  | 0 0 $\stackrel{0}{0}$ 0 0 0 0 0 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { DO } \\ & \sum_{0}^{2} \\ & 0 . \\ & \end{aligned}$ |  | $\begin{aligned} & \mathrm{O} \\ & \stackrel{\mathrm{O}}{\mathbf{W}} \end{aligned}$ |  |
| All Causes of Death |  | 685 | 1 | 18 | 53 | 71 | 6 | 6 | 36 | 334 | 67 | 15 | 33 | 18 | 18 | 9 |
| Carbon Monoxide | No | 6 | 0 | 0 | 6 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Drowning | Yes | 49 | 0 | 1 | 4 | 3 | 0 | 1 | 10 | 19 | 4 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 4 | 0 |
| Drowning | No | 427 | 1 | 11 | 29 | 63 | 4 | 4 | 421 | 211 | 10 | 11 | 30 | 14 | 13 | 5 |
| Hypothermia | Yes | 7 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Hypothermia | No | 11 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 1 |  | 0 |  |  |  | 0 | 0 |
| Other | Yes | 8 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 4 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Other | No | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Trauma | Yes | 52 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 12 | 38 |  | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Trauma | No | 85 |  | 2 | 8 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 58 | 8 | 2 | 0 | 1 |  | 3 |
| Unknown | Yes | 6 | 0 | 0 |  | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |  |
| Unknown | No | 31 | 0 | 3 | 4 | － | 0 | 0 | － 3 | 15 | 3 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 |

## RECREATIONALBOATING STATISTICS 2007

# REGISTRATION DATA 

## Explanation of Registration Data Section

The following section contains fives tables and figures that examine boat registration information. Registered vessels are those vessels that are required to be recorded by a state, which includes numbered vessels and other forms of registration. Without a record, a vessel cannot be legally operated. Not all states have the same registration requirements. While some states may only register vessels with a motor, others may register sailboats, canoes, kayaks, and rowboats in addition to those vessels with a motor.

Recreational Vessel Registration by Year, 1980-2007 (Table 36 \& Figure 12, Page 61)
This table provides information about recreational vessel registration for each year from 1980-2007. The accompanying figure displays a trend line from 1980-2007.

## Recreational Vessel Registration by Length \& Means of Propulsion (Table 37, Page 62)

The top section of the table provides tallies for the number of mechanically-propelled vessels, the number of manually-propelled vessels, and a summation of these two categories. The middle section of the table documents mechanically-propelled vessel registration by length category and engine type. The bottom section of the table focuses on mechanically propelled vessels.

## Registration Data by State (Table 38, Page 63)

This table examines recreational vessel registration by state. It provides a ranking of states by vessel registration, specifies the scope of the state's registration program, and provides a two-year comparison of registration information.

## Distribution of 2007 Recreational Vessel Registration by State (Figure 13, Page 64)

This figure provides the percentage that each state contributed to national registration. So, for instance, California registered 964,881 vessels. Out of the total national registration of 12,875,568, California contributed $7.5 \%((964,881 / 12,875,568)$ * 100) of registered vessels to the national count.


|  | Table 37 • RECREATIONAL VESSEL REGISTRATION BY LENGTH \& MEANS OF PROPULSION 2007 |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\begin{array}{r} \text { Mechanically-Pro } \\ 11,966,627 \end{array}$ | pelled | Manually-Propelled 908,941 |  |  | $\begin{gathered} \text { Total Registration } \\ 12,875,568 \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ |  |
| STATE REGISTERED MECHANICALLY-PROPELLED VESSELS |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | Means of Mechanical Propulsion |  |  | Auxiliary Sail |  | Total |
|  | Inboard | Outboard | Sterndrive | Inboard | Outboard |  |
| Under 16 feet | 1,338,689 | 3,488,401 | 254,723 | 5,185 | 11,639 | 5,098,637 |
| 16 to less than 26 feet | 752,742 | 4,108,595 | 1,314,572 | 18,590 | 38,627 | 6,233,126 |
| 26 to less than 40 feet | 172,593 | 149,922 | 181,274 | 40,395 | 11,524 | 555,708 |
| 40 to 65 feet | 41,731 | 7,384 | 12,562 | 5,466 | 769 | 67,912 |
| Over 65 feet | 5,853 | 2,441 | 2,822 | 101 | 27 | 11,244 |
| Total | 2,311,608 | 7,756,743 | 1,765,953 | 69,737 | 62,586 | 11,966,627 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| STATE REGISTERED MANUALLY-PROPELLED VESSELS |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Rowboats | Sailboats |  | Canoes/Kayaks |  | Other Boats | Total |
| 102,748 | 140,427 |  | 336,176 |  | 329,590 | 908,941 |

Table 38 - RECREATIONAL REGISTRATION DATA BY STATE 2006-2007

| State/Jurisdiction | Rank | 2007 | 2006 | Scope of Current Vessel Registration System |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Total |  | 12,875,568 | 12,746,126 |  |
| Alabama | 17 | 274,176 | 271,658 | All motorboats, sailboats and vessels for hire |
| Alaska | 46 | 47,548 | 49,533 | All undocumented motorboats |
| American Samoa | 56 | 106 |  | All watercraft |
| Arizona | 30 | 144,570 | 145,023 | All watercraft |
| Arkansas | 23 | 206,195 | 199,189 | All motorboats and sailboats |
| California | 2 | 964,881 | 893,828 | All motorboats and sailboats over 8 feet in length |
| Colorado | 34 | 98,055 | 98,067 | All watercraft powered by motor or sail |
| Connecticut | 32 | 108,539 | 108,701 | All motorboats; sailboats 19.5 feet or more in length |
| Delaware | 42 | 61,569 | 59,192 | All motorboats |
| District of Columbia | 54 | 2,866 | 2,425 | All watercraft |
| Florida | 1 | 991,680 | 988,652 | All motorboats |
| Georgia | 12 | 344,597 | 336,579 | All motorboats; sailboats 12 feet or more in length |
| Guam | 53 | 3,278 | 3,061 | All watercraft (estimated) |
| Hawaii | 51 | 15,094 | 15,109 | All motorboats; sailboats over 8 feet in length |
| Idaho | 36 | 91,612 | 88,464 | All motorboats and sailboats; motorized float tubes exempt |
| Illinois | 10 | 379,454 | 383,615 | All watercraft, except non-profit org. owned canoes and kayaks |
| Indiana | 20 | 241,474 | 164,678 | All motorboats |
| lowa | 22 | 213,767 | 234,335 | All watercraft with exceptions (a) |
| Kansas | 35 | 93,900 | 95,677 | All motorboats, sailboats, and sailboards |
| Kentucky | 28 | 176,716 | 177,951 | All motorboats |
| Louisiana | 15 | 301,249 | 306,366 | All motorboats; sailboats more than 12 feet in length |
| Maine | 31 | 112,818 | 113,276 | All motorboats |
| Maryland | 24 | 202,892 | 204,277 | All motorboats |
| Massachusetts | 29 | 145,496 | 148,640 | All motorboats |
| Michigan | 4 | 830,743 | 828,529 | All watercraft with exceptions (b) |
| Minnesota | 3 | 866,496 | 862,937 | All watercraft with exceptions (c) |
| Mississippi | 27 | 180,356 | 179,433 | All motorboats |
| Missouri | 14 | 321,782 | 324,826 | All motorboats; sailboats over 12 feet in length |
| Montana | 38 | 79,651 | 81,935 | All motorboats; sailboats 12 feet or more in length |
| Nebraska | 37 | 83,722 | 83,313 | All motorboats |
| Nevada | 43 | 59,895 | 59,957 | All motorboats |
| New Hampshire | 33 | 100,261 | 101,297 | All motorboats |
| New Jersey | 26 | 183,147 | 205,967 | All watercraft with exceptions (d) |
| New Mexico | 48 | 38,100 | 38,794 | All motorboats |
| New York | 7 | 494,020 | 497,975 | All motorboats |
| North Carolina | 11 | 375,815 | 370,291 | All motorboats; sailboats more than 14 feet in length |
| North Dakota | 45 | 53,519 | 49,638 | All motorboats |
| Northern Mariana Islands | 55 | 380 |  | All motorboats |
| Ohio | 9 | 415,228 | 412,256 | All watercraft |
| Oklahoma | 21 | 223,758 | 216,556 | All watercraft |
| Oregon | 25 | 184,147 | 186,497 | All motorboats; sailboats 12 feet or more in length |
| Pennsylvania | 13 | 342,427 | 344,190 | All motorboats and certain non-powered craft (e) |
| Puerto Rico | 41 | 62,360 | 61,462 | All motorboats; vessels adapted to hold a motor |
| Rhode Island | 47 | 43,665 | 43,375 | All motorboats; non-motorized vessels >12 ft |
| South Carolina | 8 | 442,040 | 436,075 | All motorboats |
| South Dakota | 44 | 53,570 | 53,430 | All motorboats; all other boats over 12 feet in length |
| Tennessee | 16 | 274,914 | 271,687 | All motorboats and sailboats |
| Texas | 6 | 599,567 | 595,934 | All motorboats and sailboats 14 feet or more in length |
| Utah | 39 | 76,921 | 76,481 | All motorboats and sailboats |
| Vermont | 49 | 31,482 | 32,090 | All motorboats |
| Virgin Islands | 52 | 5,455 | 4,302 | All watercraft |
| Virginia | 19 | 251,440 | 248,091 | All motorboats |
| Washington | 18 | 270,789 | 270,627 | All motorboats with exceptions (f); sailboats >15 ft in length |
| West Virginia | 40 | 63,064 | 57,422 | All motorboats |
| Wisconsin | 5 | 617,366 | 635,751 | All motorboats; sailboats over 12 feet in length |
| Wyoming | 50 | 26,956 | 26,296 | All watercraft |

(a) lowa excludes inflatables under 7 feet in length and canoes/kayaks under 13 feet in length.
(b) Michigan excludes manually propelled private boats16 feet or less in length (canoes, kayaks, and rowboats).
(c) Minnesota excludes non-motorized boats 9 feet or less in length, duckboats during duckhunting season, riceboats during harvest season and seaplanes.
(d) New Jersey excludes non-motorized boats 12 feet or less in length and canoes, kayaks, racing shells and rowing sculls.
(e) Pennsylvania registers non-powered craft using lakes or access areas owned by the State Fish \& Boat Commission.
(f) Washington excludes motorboats < 16 feet with motors 10 horsepower or less used solely on exclusive State waters.


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USCG Boating Accident Report Form

## U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY U. S. COAST GUARD CG-3865 (Rev. 12-06)

BOATING ACCIDENT REPORT

## FORM APPROVED

OMB NO. 1625-0003
EXPIRATION DATE

THE OPERATOR OF A VESSEL IS REQUIRED TO SUENIT A REPORT IN WRTING TO THE STATE REPORTING AUTHORITY WHEN AS A RESULT OF AN OCCURRENCE THAT INVOLVES THE VESSEL OR ITS EQUIPMENT: (1) A PERSON DIES; OR (2) A PERSON IS INJURED AND REQUIRES MEDICAL TREATMENT BEYOND FIRST AID; OR (3) DAMAGE TO THE VESSEL AND OTHER PROPERTY TOTAL $\$ \$ 2,300$ OR MORE OR THERE IS A COMPLETE LOSS OF THE VESSEL: OR (4) A PERSON DISAPPEARS FROM THE VESSEL UNDER CIRCUMSTANCES THAT INDICATE DEATH CR INJURY. REPORTING AUTHCRITIES MAY REQUIRE REPORTS OF PROPERTY DAMAGE LESS THAN $\$ 2,000$. THIS REPORT MUST BE SUBMITTED WITHIN 48 HOURS OF THE OCCURRENCE IF A PERSON DIES, IS INUUED, OR DISAPPEARS FROM THE VESSEL. THE RERCRT MUST BE SUBMITTED WITHN 10 DAYS OF THE OCCURRENCE IF THERE IS ONLY DAMAGE TO THE VESSEL. AND OTHER PROPERTY.
THE OWNER OF THE VESSEL SHALL SUBMIT THIS REPORT TO THE STATE REPORTING AUTHORITY IF TME OPERATOR CANNOT.
OVERALL ACCIDENT INFORMATION - TO BE COMPLETED BY THE OPERATOR OF THIS VESSEL (VESSEL A)

| STATE | DATE OF ACCIDENT | TIME $\quad \square$ AM $\square \mathrm{PM}$ | NLIWBER OF VESSELS INVOLVED |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| county |  | LOCATION ON THE WATER |  |  |
| NEAREST CITY OR TOWN |  | NALE OF BODY OF WATER |  |  |
| WEATHER FORECASTS / REPORTS AVAILABLE TO AND USED BY THE OPERATOR BEFORE AND DURENG USE OF THE VLSSEL. |  |  |  | $\square$ YES $\square$ NO |
| WEATHER <br> (CHECK ALL THAT APPL'Y) CLEAR TAN | WATER CONDITIONS CALM (AMVES LESS THAN 6) CHORPY (VAVES I-TO2) | WND NONE LuGit ip - 12 UP10 | Vsibe.ty DAY NIGHT 6000 $\square$ | ESTMATED TEMPERATURE (DEGMEES FAHREMHEI) <br> AIR <br> WATER |
| CLDUDY 3NOW FOG HAZY | ROUGै (WHVES Z TO \%) VERY RQUEH (GREATER THAN 5) | MODERATE $\langle 13-24 \mathrm{MPH}\rangle$ STACNG (25-54 MPHI) STORM (55 MPN ANO OVER? | FAR $\square$ poof | STROMG CURRENT YES NO |

OPERATOR INFORMATION - TO BE COMPLETED BY THE OPERATOR OF VESSEL A


OPERATOR WEARINO A USCC APPROVED LIFE JACKET AT TME
TIME OF THE ACCIDENT
Yes
No
OPLRATOR WEARMG A SAFETY LANYARD (ENGINE SHUT OFF DEVICE) AT THE TME OF TME ACCIDENT $\square$ YES $\square$ NO INFORMATION ASSOCIATED WITH VESSEL A - TO BE COMPLETED BY THE OPERATOR OF VESSEL A

| NUWEER OF PERSGCNS WHO DIED | MUMBER OF PERSONS D | IISAPPEARED | WAS VESSEL A TOTAL L | \$8 $\square$ YES $\square \mathrm{NO}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| NUWEER OF PERSCNS INJURED REQURING MEDICAL TREATMENT BEYOND FIRST AID |  |  | A MOUNT OF DAMAEE TO THIS VESSELS |  |
| AMOUNT OF DAMAGE TO OTHER PROFERTY 5 |  | TOTAL PROPERTY DAMAGE AMOUNT \$ |  |  |
| DESCRIBE VESSEL DAMAGE |  | DESCRIBE OTHER PROPERTY DAMAGE |  |  |
| VESSEL REGISTRA TICN NUMBER |  | HULL IDENTIFICATION MUMBER (MEH |  |  |
| VESSEL NAME |  | NAME OF VESSEL NANUPACTURER |  |  |
| VESSEL MODEL |  | YEAR BUILT | VEBSEL LENGTH [FEET AND INCHES] |  |
| VESSEL BEAM WIDTH AT WIDEST POINT (PIITT AND INCHES) |  | DEPTH FROM TRANSOM [STERN) TO KEFL (BOTTONMOST POWT] OF VESSEL |  |  |
| VESSEL DOCUMENTATON NUMBER |  |  | MUMBER OF PERSONS ON BOARD VESSEL. |  |
| RENTED VEsSEL $\square$ YES $\square$ NO | GURRENT VESSEL SAFETY CHECK (VSC) DECAL $\square$ YES $\square$ NO |  | NUMBRR OF PERSONS BEING TOWED |  |
| USCG APPACNEO LIFE JACKETS ON BOARO THE VESSEL $\square$ YES $\square$ NO LIFE JACKETS ACCESSIBLE ICAPABLE OF BEING REACHEDT $\square$ YES $\square$ NO NULABER OF VESSEL OCCUPANTS (OPERATOA AND PASSENGERS) WEARING LIFE JACIGETS AT TME TINE OF THE ACCIDENT |  | $\square$ YES $\square$ NO <br> OPERATOR BLOOD ALCOHOL CONCENTRATION [BAC] LEVEL |  | FIRE EXTINGUISHERS <br> ON BOARD $\square$ YES NO UsED $\square$ YES $\square$ NC |

VESSEL INFORMATION - TO BE COMPLETED BY THE OPERATOR OF VESSEL A



## ACCIDENT DESCRIPTION

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OPERATOR OR OWNER OF THE OTHER VESSEL (VESSEL B) INVOLVED IN THE ACCIDENT
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## Glossary

Airboat - A boat propelled by an engine producing air thrust. This type of boat does not include ground effect vessels or air cushion vehicles (hovercraft).

At anchor - Held in place in the water by an anchor; includes "moored" to a buoy or anchored vessel and "dragging anchor".

Auxiliary Sail - A sailboat also equipped with an engine.
Cabin motorboat - A motorboat equipped with accommodation spaces, i.e., bunks or berths.
Canoe - A small narrow boat, propelled by paddles. Canoes usually are pointed at both bow and stern and are normally open on top, but can be covered.

Capsizing - Overturning of a vessel.
Carbon Monoxide Poisoning - Death or injury resulting from an odorless, colorless gas generated from auxiliary boat equipment (stoves, heaters, refrigerators, generators, hot water heaters, etc.), another boat's exhaust, or the exhaust of the vessel on which persons were either aboard or in close proximity.

Careless/Reckless Operation - A vessel is being operated carelessly or negligently when it endangers the life, limb or property of persons onboard or other vessels.

Collision with fixed object - The striking of any fixed object, above or below the surface of the water.
Collision with floating object - Collision with any waterborne object above or below the surface that is free to move with the tide, current, or wind, except another vessel.

Collision with vessel - Any striking together of two or more vessels, regardless of operation at time of the accident, is a collision.

Congested Waters - Where the body of water is either too small or narrow to safely accommodate the number of boats on it.

Cruising - Proceeding normally, unrestricted, with an absence of drastic rudder or engine changes.
Documented vessel - A vessel of five or more net tons owned by a citizen of the United States and used exclusively for pleasure with a valid marine document issued by the Coast Guard. Documented vessels are not numbered.

Drifting - Underway, but proceeding over the bottom without use of engines, oars or sails; being carried along only by the tide, current, or wind.

Electrocution - Death or injury resulting from an electrical current that comes in contact with water causing electrocution of the victim.

Excessive Speed - Speed above that which a reasonable and prudent person would have operated under the conditions that existed. It is not necessarily a speed in excess of a posted limit.

Failure to vent - Prior to starting the engine, failure to turn on the powered ventilation system that brings in "fresh air" and expels gasoline vapors from the engine compartment.

Fall in Boat - Any operator or passenger who slips, trips, or falls on board or within the vessel.

Falls on Boat - Any operator or passenger who impacts the vessel.
Falls Overboard - Any operator or passenger who falls off of the vessel.
Fiberglass (plastic) hull - Hulls of fiber-reinforced plastic. The laminate consists of two basic components, the reinforcing material (glass filaments) and the plastic or resin in which it is embedded.

Fire/explosion (fuel) - Accidental combustion of vessel fuel, liquids, including their vapors, or other substances such as wood.

Fire/explosion (other) - Accidental burning or explosion of any material onboard except vessel fuels or their vapors.

Flooding/Swamping - Filling with water, regardless of method of ingress, but retaining sufficient buoyancy to remain on the surface.

Fueling - Any stage of the fueling operation; primarily concerned with introduction of explosive or combustible vapors or liquids on board.

Grounding - Running aground of a vessel, striking or pounding on rocks, reefs, or shoals; stranding.
Hazardous Waters - Rapid tidal flows (the vertical movement of water) and/or currents (the horizontal flow of water) resulting in hazardous conditions in which to operate a boat.

Houseboat - A motorized vessel designed primarily with accommodation spaces with little or no foredeck or cockpit, with low freeboard and with a low length to beam ratio.

Hull Failure - Defect or failure of the structural body of a vessel (i.e., hull material, design, or construction) not including superstructure, masts, or rigging.

Ignition of Spilled Fuel or Vapor - Accidental combustion of vessel fuel, liquids, and/or their vapors.
Improper anchoring - Where a boat is either in the process of being anchored incorrectly or incorrectly held in place in the water by an anchor.

Improper loading - Loading, including weight shifting, of the vessel causing instability, limited maneuverability, or dangerously reduced freeboard.

Improper lookout - No proper watch; the failure of the operator to perceive danger because no one was serving as lookout, or the person so serving failed in that regard. Every vessel shall at all times maintain a proper look-out by sight and hearing as well as by all available means appropriate in the prevailing circumstances and conditions so as to make a full appraisal of the situation and of the risk of collision.

Inflatable - A vessel constructed with its sides and bow made of flexible tubes containing pressurized gas. On smaller inflatables, the floor and hull beneath it is often flexible. On larger inflatables, the boat often has a rigid floor and solid hull capable of supporting a more powerful transom mounted outboard engine or even an inboard engine.

Kayak - A small boat with a cockpit that is propelled by a double-bladed paddle by a sitting paddler.
Lack of or improper boat lights - Insufficient and/or improper lights shown by a boat that indicate course, position, and occupation, such as fishing or towing.

Machinery Failure - Defect and/or failure in the machinery or material, design or construction, or com-
ponents installed by the manufacturer involved in the mechanical propulsion of the boat (e.g., engine, transmission, fuel system, electric system, and steering system).

Maneuvering - Changing of course, speed, or similar boat handling action during which a high degree of alertness is required or the boat is imperiled because of the operation, i.e. docking, mooring, undocking, etc.

Motorboat - Any vessel equipped with propulsion machinery.
Numbered vessel - An undocumented vessel numbered by a state with an approved numbering system under Chapter 123 of title 46, U.S.C.

Open Motorboat - Craft of open construction specifically built for operating with a motor, including boats canopied or fitted with temporary partial shelters.

Operator Inattention - Failure on the part of the operator to pay attention to the vessel, its occupants, or the environment in which the vessel is operating.

Operator Inexperience - Lack of practical experience or knowledge in operating a vessel or, more particularly, the vessel involved in the accident.

Outboard - An engine not permanently affixed to the structure of the craft, regardless of the method or location used to mount the engine, e.g., motor wells, "kicker pits", motor pockets, etc.

Overloading - Excessive loading of the vessel causing instability, limited maneuverability, dangerously reduced freeboard, etc.

Passenger/Skier Behavior - Behavior by any of the boats passengers as well as those being towed that interferes with the safe operation of a vessel.

Personal Watercraft - Craft designed to be operated by a person or persons sitting, standing or kneeling on the craft rather than within the confines of a hull.

Pontoon Boat - A boat consisting of a rigid structure connecting at least two parallel fore (front) and aft (back) rigid sealed buoyancy chambers.

Restricted Vision - A vessel operator's vision is said to be restricted when it is limited by a vessel's bow high trim, or by glare, sunlight, bright lights, a dirty windshield, spray, a canopy top, etc.

Rowboat - A open boat propelled by one or more persons using oars.
Rules of the Road Infraction - Violation of the statutory and regulatory rules governing the navigation of vessels.

Sail (only) - Any boat whose sole source of propulsion is the natural element (i.e., wind) or a boat designed or intended to be propelled primarily by sail, regardless of size or type.

Sharp Turn - An immediate or abrupt change in the boat's course of direction.
Sinking - Losing enough buoyancy to settle below the surface of the water.
Skier Mishap - Skier mishap is defined by persons (1) falling off their water-skis, (2) striking a fixed or submerged object, or by (3) becoming entangled or struck by the tow line. Also includes mishaps involving inner-tubes and other devices on which a person can be towed behind a boat.

Standing/Sitting on gunwales, bow, and transom - Standing/Sitting on the upper edge of the side of a boat, usually on a small projection above the deck; and/or standing/sitting on the most forward part of the boat; and/or standing/sitting on the back of the boat.

Starting in Gear - The boat's engine is started with the transmission in forward or reverse.
Steel hull - Hulls of sheet steel or steel alloy, not those with steel ribs and wood, canvas, or plastic hull coverings.

Sterndrive - An inboard/outboard engine system, with the engine inside the hull connected to an external lower unit containing a propeller. Steering is achieved by turning the lower unit.

Struck by Boat - A person is struck by a boat.
Struck by Propeller/Propulsion Unit - A person is struck by the propeller, propulsion unit, or steering machinery.

Struck Submerged Object - A boat's collision with any waterborne or fixed object that is below the surface of the water.

Towing - Engaged in towing any vessel or object, other than a person.
Wake - The track in the water of a moving boat; commonly used for the disturbance of the water (waves) resulting from the passage of the boat's hull.

Weather - As a contributing factor of an accident, "Weather" is supposed to signify a stormy or windy condition, usually connoting rough or high seas and dangerous operating conditions.

Wood hull - Hulls of plywood, molded plywood, wood planking, or any other wood fiber in its natural consistency, including those of wooden construction that have been "sheathed" with fiberglass or sheet metal.

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