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YEAR
TREND

NORTHWEST TERRITORIES

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WATER-RELATED INJURY ANALYSIS

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THE PROBLEM

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WATER-RELATED
EMERGENCY
DEPARTMENT
VISITS

100%

of emergency department
visits were males

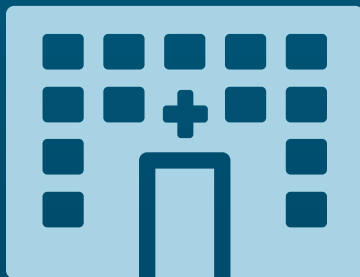


THOSE
BETWEEN
AGES 20-64:



Accounted for

2/3 of the
population



18%

of water-related injury
**EMERGENCY
DEPARTMENT VISITS**
were for non-fatal drowning

Accounted for

82% 

of water-related
emergency
department visits.

TOP 3

WATER-RELATED INJURIES
treated in the emergency department:



Soft
tissue



Concussion



Fracture

Averaged

8

emergency
department
visits per
year.

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3/4

of all drownings happened
between **June – August**.

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water-related
injuries
occurred in
August.



*People are
irreplaceable.*

*Every drowning has
a profound social
impact to families and
communities that can
never be measured.*

Highest risk boating activities
for water-related injury:



Powered boat



Jet ski



Almost

80%

of all emergency department visits for
water-related injuries were related to
WATER TRANSPORT

HOW TO PREVENT DROWNING?



Watch
young
children



Wear a
lifejacket



Learn
to swim

Water transport includes: watercraft incidents in the course of recreational activities. Includes drowning, submersion, and injuries while in/on or as a result of a watercraft. Watercrafts include: merchant ship, passenger ship, fishing boat, hovercraft, jet ski, sailboat, canoe or kayak, inflatable craft, while water skiing, wakeboarding, surfboarding, windsurfing.

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