There were 285 hospitalizations for non-fatal drowning. Children ages 1-4 accounted for 14.0% of those who died and 38.3% percent of those hospitalized.

In 2013, 448 Florida residents died from drowning.

EVERYONE IN THE FAMILY SHOULD KNOW HOW TO SWIM.

USE BARRIERS Make your home pool safer with a 4-sided fence that includes alarms, gates and locks.

WATCH When children are around or in the pool—children should never swim alone.

EDUCATE Teach children how to swim. Not every child is ready to swim at the same age so ask your family doctor.

BE READY Learn CPR and get re-certified every 2 years. Keep a phone and safety equipment near the pool.

LEARN MORE: www.waterprooffl.com
www.poolsafely.gov
www.ndpa.org
www.safekids.org
Most infant drownings occur in bathtubs and buckets. Children 5+ are most likely to drown in natural bodies of water. Children ages 1–4 had the highest rates of drowning fatalities and non-fatal hospitalization. For this age group, drowning is the leading cause of death in Florida. This rate is the highest in the U.S.

### Child Drowning Rates per 100,000

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### Deaths & Non-Fatal Hospitalizations Combined

- **Deaths**
  - Females: 106
  - Males: 342
  - Whites: 353
  - Blacks: 74
  - Others & Non-Whites: 21
  - Both Sexes, All Races: 448
- **Non-Fatal Hospitalizations**
  - Females: 95
  - Males: 190
  - Whites: 167
  - Blacks: 69
  - Others & Non-Whites: 39
  - Both Sexes, All Races: 285

### Other Information

- **Median Admission Charge**: $15,218
- **Total Charges**: $12 million
- **Length of Stay**: 2 days

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