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## POOL AND SPA SUBMERSION INJURY AND FATALITY INCIDENTS OF CHILDREN LESS THAN FIFTEEN YEARS OF AGE

- There were, on average, **6,600** pool or spa related emergency department (ED)-treated submersion injuries **each year** from 2016 to 2018 and **363** pool or spa related fatalities **each year** from 2014-2016 involving children younger than fifteen years of age.

- **74 percent of the reported drownings** (2014-2016) and an annual average of **73 percent of reported non-fatal drownings** (2016-2018) were to **children younger than five years of age**.

- **Summer months** of May to August had the **highest number** of fatalities for **all age groups.**

- Children between the ages of one and three (12 to 47 months) represented 60 percent of estimated injuries (2015-2017) and 63 percent of reported fatalities (2013-2015) for children younger than fifteen.

- **Residential locations** dominated reported incidents (2014-2016):

    - The most reported deaths (72% for pools and spas) occurred at **residences** (victim's home, family or friend's house, or neighbors house)

    - The largest percentage, 46 percent, of **fatalities** for all locations for victims under fifteen was the **child's home**.

*Source: Pool and Spa Submersion: Estimated Non-Fatal Drowning Injuries and Reported Drownings, 2019 Report (CPSC, May 2019)