

STATE OF ILLINOIS  
DEPARTMENT OF CONSERVATION  
BOATING ACCIDENT REPORT - 1982

<u>MONTH</u>	
January - 0	July -24
February - 0	August -24
March - 0	September -19
April - 5	October - 3
May -12	November - 1
June -19	December - 2

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BODY OF WATER

Lake Thunderbird	- 1
Sesser City Lake	- 1
Fox River	- 2
Kankakee River	- 1
Collins Lake	- 1
Lake Michigan	-21
Crystal Lake	- 2
Mississippi River	-14
Cedar Lake	- 1
Carlyle Lake	- 2
Sangchris Lake	- 1
Chicago River	- 3
DesPlaines River	- 2
Diamond Lake	- 1
Bangs Lake	- 1
Catalougha Lake	- 1
Wolf Lake	- 1
Jackson Park Harbor	- 1
Lake Marie	- 1
<del>Chain O Lakes</del>	<del>- 1</del>
Lake Springfield	- 2
Kaskaskia River	- 2
Illinois River	-12
Clinton Lake	- 3
Carlinville Lake	- 1
Roachtown Lake	- 1
Shelbyville Lake	- 6
Rock River	- 7
Lake of Egypt	- 1
Loon Lake	- 1
Quincy Bay	- 1
Lake Carroll	- 1
Round Lake	- 1
Rend Lake	- 2
Lou Yager Lake	- 2
Lake Vermilion	- 2
Wonder Lake	- 2
Cook Co. Forest Preserve	- 2
Lake Sara	- 1

Gross Lake Channel 1

<u>COUNTY</u>	
Adams	- 2
Bureau	- 3
Carroll	- 1
Christian	- 1
Clinton	- 2
Cook	-28
DeWitt	- 3
Effingham	- 2
Franklin	- 2
Greene	- 1
Grundy	- 2
Hancock	- 2
Jefferson	- 1
Jersey	- 3
JoDaviess	- 1
Johnson	- 1
Kankakee	- 1
Lake	- 8
LaSalle	- 3
Lee	- 2
Macoupin	- 2
McHenry	- 5
Monroe	- 1
Montgomery	- 2
Moultrie	- 3
Ogle	- 2
Peoria	- 1
Putnam	- 2
Randolph	- 2
Rock Island	- 5
St. Clair	- 1
Sangamon	- 2
Scott	- 1
Shelby	- 3
Tazewell	- 1
Vermilion	- 2
Whiteside	- 2
Will	- 2
Winnebago	- 1

TIME OF DAY

Midnight to 6:00 A.M.	- 6
6:01 A.M. to 12 Noon	-13
12:01 P.M. to 6:00 P.M.	-59
6:01 P.M. to Midnight	-28
Unknown	- 3

OPERATOR'S EXPERIENCE

Under 20 hours	-10
20-100 hours	-28
100-500 hours	-45
Over 500 hours	-34
Unknown	-22

FORMAL INSTRUCTION

None	-66
U.S. Coast Guard Aux.	-24
U.S. Power Squadron	- 7
Am. Red Cross	- 1
State	- 4
Other	- 9
Unknown	- 32

TYPE OF BOAT

Open Motorboat	- 83
Cabin Motorboat	- 20
Auxiliary Sail	- 3
Sail (Only)	- 8
Rowboat	- 5
Other	- 19
Unknown	- 1

WEATHER

Clear	- 83
Cloudy	- 9
Fog	- 2
Rain	- 1
Snow	- 0
Hazy	- 4
Unknown	- 10

WATER CONDITIONS

Calm	- 53
Choppy	- 24
Rough	- 9
Very Rough	- 2
Strong Current	- 9
Unknown	- 12

WIND

None	- 15
Light	- 53
Moderate	- 25
Strong	- 6
Storm	- 0
Unknown	- 10

WEATHER ENCOUNTERED

Was as forecasted	- 72
Not as forecasted	- 0
No forecast obtained	- 17
Unknown	- 22

VISIBILITY

Good	- 86
Fair	- 7
Poor	- 5
Unknown	- 11

TYPE OF ACCIDENT

Grounding	- 5
Capsizing	- 12
Flooding	- 0
Sinking	- 4
Fire or Explosion (Fuel)	- 6
Fire or Explosion (Non-fuel)	- 0
Collision with vessel	- 43
Collision with fixed object	- 10
Collision with floating object	- 5
Falls overboard	- 11
Falls in boat	- 2
Burns	- 0
Hit by boat or propeller	- 1
Other	- 10

OPERATION AT TIME OF ACCIDENT

Cruising	- 52
Approaching Dock	- 2
Water Skiing	- 23
Racing	- 6
Towing	- 0
Being Towed	- 1
Drifting	- 10
At Anchor	- 8
Tied to Dock	- 8
Fueling	- 0
Fishing	- 13
Hunting	- 1
Skin Diving or Swimming	- 0
Other	- 13
Unknown	- 2

OPERATOR'S OPINION/CAUSE OF ACCIDENT

Weather conditions	- 6
Excessive Speed	- 7
No Proper Lookout	- 17
Overloading	- 1
Improper Loading	- 1
Hazardous Waters	- 7
Fault of Other Person	- 40
Fault of Hull	- 1
Fault of Machinery	- 6
Fault of Equipment	- 5
Other	- 37
Unknown	- 10

FIRE EXTINGUISHER USED

Yes - 2  
 No -62  
 Not applicable -40  
 Unknown -28

Boat Equipped With  
 Coast Guard Approved  
 PFD's

Yes - 117  
 No - 6

Accessible

Yes - 92  
 No - 4  
 Unknown - 15

PROPERTY DAMAGE

\$0-100 - 4  
 \$101-200 - 4  
 \$201-300 - 2  
 \$301-400 - 3  
 \$401-500 - 1  
 \$501-600 - 6  
 \$601-700 - 3  
 \$701-800 - 2  
 \$801-900 - 2  
 \$901-1,000 - 2  
 \$1,000 & over -43  
 None -20  
 Unknown -17

INJURY

71

FATAL

28

<u>Used</u>	<u>Age</u>	<u>Less Than 20 Hours</u>	<u>20 to 100 Hours</u>	<u>100 to 500 Hours</u>	<u>Over 500 Hours</u>	<u>Unknown</u>
Yes - 68	Teenage	1	4	4	0	2
No - 75	20-29	7	10	13	12	10
Unknown - 17	30-39	0	7	13	10	2
	40-49	0	2	6	5	1
	50-59	0	3	3	6	2
	60-69	0	2	4	2	0
	70-79	0	0	0	0	1
	80-89	0	0	0	1	0
	Unknown	2	0	0	0	3

NON-APPROVED PFD'S

Yes - 16  
 No - 75

Accessible

Yes - 16  
 No - 75  
 Unknown - 5

Used

Yes - 2  
 No - 87  
 Unknown - 41