Emergency Medical Services for Children

IDAHO EMSC FACT SHEET – 2005

DATA REPRESENTS CHILDREN <18

In 2005, there were 241 deaths in Idaho for children under 18.

Of these, 80 were caused by either intentional and unintentional injury.

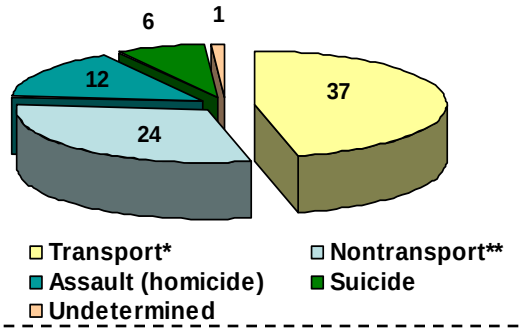
Estimated Cost of Unintentional Injury

Based on formulas derived by the National Safety Council[1], the 2005 Idaho specific economic impact[2] of death due to unintentional injury for residents age less than 18 was:

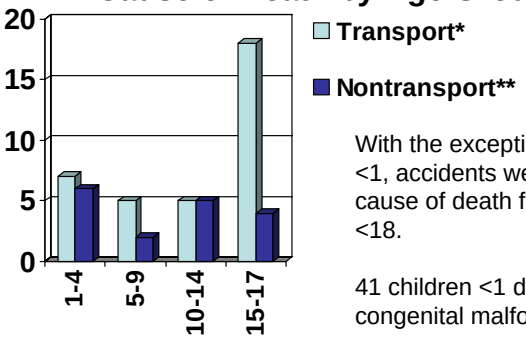
UNINTENTIONAL INJURY	DEATHS[3]	COST
Motor Vehicle Injuries	36	$ 180,000,000
Home Injuries – Nonmotor	10	$ 38,000,000
Public Injuries – Nonmotor	12	$ 42,000,000
Unknown Place of Death	3	$ 10,000,000
TOTAL	**61**	**$ 270,000,000**

[1] National Safety Council: Estimating the Cost of Unintentional Injuries, 2005, http://www.nsc.org/lrs/statinfo/estcost.htm, (4/26/07).
[2] Economic impact is a measure of the dollars spent and income not received due to accidents, injuries, and fatalities: ibid
[3] Accidental Deaths to Idaho Residents, Decedent age <18, 2005: Bureau of Health Policy and Vital Statistics: Idaho Department of Health and Welfare.

Cause of Injury Death



Cause of Death by Age Group



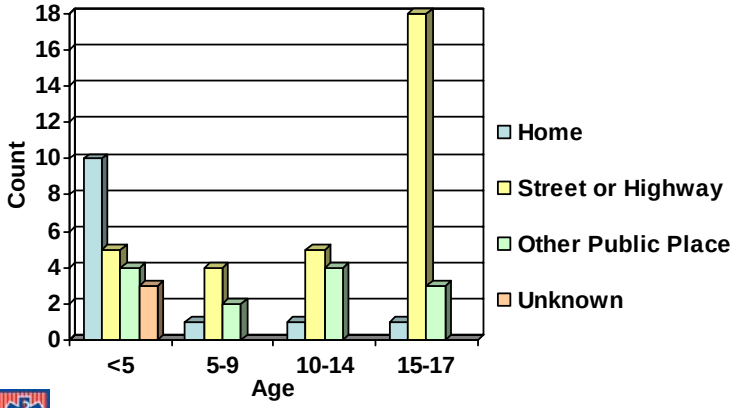
With the exception of children <1, accidents were the #1 cause of death for children <18.

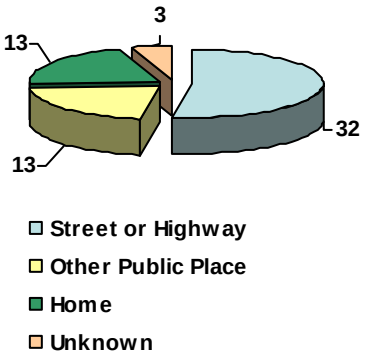
41 children <1 died from congenital malformations.

* Transport: includes accidents involving motor vehicles, watercraft, trains, airplanes, and other transport craft.

** Nontransport: includes a variety of causes such as firearms, poisonings, suffocation, falls, fires, and drowning.

Place of Unintentional Injury Death





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