

10 people die from unintentional drowning every day.

Of these, two are children aged 14 or younger.

Children
ages 1 to 4
have the highest
drowning rates.

Drowning is responsible
for more deaths among
children 1-4 than any other
cause except birth defects.

Children can
drown in
unusual conditions



In as little as one inch of water.

Very quickly and silently.

Lose consciousness in two minutes
after submersion, with irreversible
brain damage occurring within four to six minutes.

Locations where drownings most often occur*



Pool, hot tub,
Jacuzzi



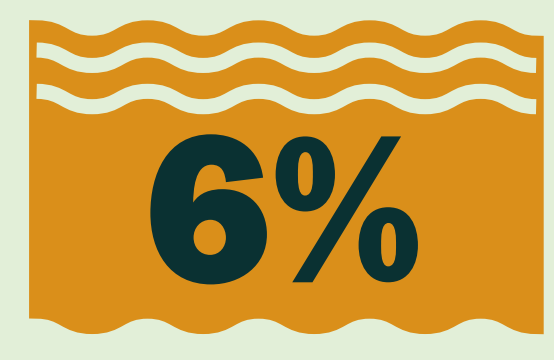
Lake or pond



Bathtub



Bay, beach,
canal



Creek or river

* Based on 2013-2016 data

40 children
have died from drowning in Harris County since 2013

The main factors that affect drowning risk are :

Lack of
swimming
ability



Lack of
barriers
to prevent
unsupervised
water access



Lack of
close
supervision
while
swimming



Location



Failure
to wear
life jackets



Alcohol
use



Seizure
disorders



Sources:

U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention
Children's Memorial Hermann Hospital Injury Prevention team
Texas Department of Family and Protective Services