



BC CORONERS SERVICE
Accidental Recreational Deaths - 1997 to 2004

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Recreational Activity - All Deaths

	2004	2003	2002	2001	2000	1999	1998	1997
AIR								
Hang Glider	0	0	2	2	2	0	0	0
Other aircraft (AP/03)	3	3	3	1	0	0	0	0
Skydiving/Parachuting	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1
Ultra-light Aircraft	1	0	4	4	2	6	2	2
LAND								
Golf Course	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
Hiking/Climbing	6	5	9	8	6	11	10	12
Horseback Riding/Polo	1	4	1	0	0	1	0	0
Hunting	1	2	1	0	1	1	1	1
Inline Skating ('00)	0	2	0	1	1	0	0	0
Mountain Biking ('99)	1	3	1	0	0	2	0	0
Skateboarding	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	1
Street Bike (No MVA)	1	0	1	0	1	0	0	0
Team Sports	0	1	2	0	0	2	0	2
MOTORIZED								
Dunebuggy	0	0	1	0	0	0	2	0
Motorbike/ATV/Offroad	5	8	1	6	5	4	11	7
Personal Water Craft	0	1	2	0	0	2	1	3
Power Boating	7	5	7	6	9	12	10	18
SNOW								
Heliskiing	0	8	3	1	1	1	0	6
Snowboarding	2	2	4	2	4	3	3	5
Snowmobiling	5	8	5	11	4	4	6	8
Snowskiing	6	11	7	6	2	6	10	0
Tobogganing	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
WATER								
Canoe	5	4	2	6	2	1	7	3
Dinghy (boating)	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
Diving	1	2	1	2	3	1	2	2
Fishing	2	6	6	5	13	16	10	7
Innertube	0	0	1	0	2	1	1	1
Kayak	1	5	2	3	2	1	1	1
Raft	0	1	0	0	1	1	2	2
Rowboat	2	8	2	0	0	1	2	0
Sailboat/Sailboard	0	2	0	0	0	0	2	0
Scuba Diving	3	1	2	2	4	3	2	2
Snorkelling	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	1
Swimming	13	14	15	9	11	13	11	4
White-Water Rafting	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
Windsurfing	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
OTHER								
Gym (health club)	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Hot Tub	1	1	5	0	3	4	0	0
Mowing Lawn (Nov03)	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Public Park	0	1	2	1	1	6	5	5
Recreation Centre	2	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
Recreation:other	1	3	5	10	12	18	3	4
Rifle Range	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Sauna/Steam Bath	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0
Yardwork (Feb04)	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL	74	112	101	89	93	122	106	101

Recreational Activity - Alcohol-Involved Deaths

	2004	2003	2002	2001	2000	1999	1998	1997
LAND								
Hiking/Climbing	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0
Hunting	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
MOTORIZED								
Motorbike/ATV/Offroad	1	0	1	0	4	0	1	3
Power Boating	2	3	0	1	2	2	1	11
SNOW								
Snowmobiling	0	3	1	5	2	0	1	0
Tobogganing	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
WATER								
Canoe	3	1	0	2	0	0	0	2
Diving	1	1	0	2	1	1	0	0
Fishing	0	2	0	3	2	1	1	2
Kayak	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0
Rowboat	0	1	0	0	0	0	2	0
Sailboat/Sailboard	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Swimming	2	4	2	1	2	3	2	1
OTHER								
Hot Tub	0	1	3	0	1	2	0	0
Public Park	0	0	0	0	0	2	1	0
Recreation:other	0	0	0	0	1	4	0	1
Sauna/Steam Bath	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL	10	17	9	15	15	16	10	21

Age Category

	2004	2003	2002	2001	2000	1999	1998	1997
12 and under	0	4	3	2	5	7	5	4
13 - 19	10	18	16	15	14	14	14	16
20 - 29	16	23	18	25	17	26	22	25
30 - 39	9	18	13	10	15	21	25	23
40 - 49	14	23	22	17	18	21	20	10
50 - 59	10	14	18	8	10	13	9	13
60 - 69	10	6	6	9	6	10	6	8
70 - 79	4	5	3	3	6	9	2	2
80 and over	1	1	2	0	2	1	3	0
TOTAL	74	112	101	89	93	122	106	101

Gender

	2004	2003	2002	2001	2000	1999	1998	1997
Female	11	21	12	12	15	24	16	16
Male	63	91	89	77	77	98	90	85
Not Coded	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
TOTAL	74	112	101	89	93	122	106	101

Month

	2004	2003	2002	2001	2000	1999	1998	1997
January	8	11	10	5	6	8	14	8
February	4	13	5	8	2	9	3	6
March	3	11	13	6	6	5	7	8
April	9	2	6	11	5	5	4	3
May	8	6	2	5	9	8	14	13
June	6	15	21	10	11	12	8	12
July	15	21	13	11	11	20	18	17
August	7	16	18	13	15	29	14	10
September	6	6	5	10	13	12	12	10
October	5	4	6	5	6	3	4	5
November	0	4	1	3	5	6	4	7
December	3	3	1	2	4	5	4	2
TOTAL	74	112	101	89	93	122	106	101

Region

	2004	2003	2002	2001	2000	1999	1998	1997
Fraser	11	16	13	13	15	17	10	10
Interior	24	48	34	29	20	42	38	33
Island	24	15	27	11	26	17	24	11
Metro	6	13	8	12	14	29	14	21
Northern	9	20	19	24	18	17	20	26
TOTAL	74	112	101	89	93	122	106	101

Town / City

	2004	2003	2002	2001	2000	1999	1998	1997									
100 Mile House	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	Kitwancool	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
Abbotsford	0	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	Kuper Island	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
Adams Lake	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	Kyuquot	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Agassiz	0	1	3	0	0	0	0	1	Lac La Hache	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
Alert Bay	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	Ladysmith	0	0	1	0	0	1	1	0
Alexis Creek	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	Lake Country	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Alkali Lake	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	Lake Cowichan	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0
Anahim Lake	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	Langley	0	1	3	0	2	2	0	1
Anderson Lake	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	Lillooet	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	1
Ashcroft	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	Lions Bay	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
Atlin	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	2	Logan Lake	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
Balfour	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	Lone Butte	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
Bamfield	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	Loon Lake	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
Barriere	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	Lower Post	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
Beaton	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	Lytton	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
Belcarra	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	Mabel Lake	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
Bella Bella	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	MacGregor	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
Bella Coola	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	Mackenzie	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
Big Bar	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	Maple Ridge	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0
Big Bay	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	Masset	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0
Big Lake	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	McBride	0	1	0	2	0	1	0	1
Blue River	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	2	Merritt	0	0	0	0	2	0	2	1
Boston Bar	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	Mica Creek	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
Bowen Island	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	Mission	0	2	0	2	0	1	1	0
Bralorne	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	Moberly Lake	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Bridal Falls	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	Monte Lake	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Brisco	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	Montney	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
Buffalo Creek	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	Mount Currie	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0
Burnaby	1	1	1	2	0	1	0	1	Mount Robson	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0
Burns Lake	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	Moyie	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0
Burton	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	Nakusp	0	2	2	0	0	0	0	0
Cache Creek	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	Nanaimo	3	3	4	0	4	0	3	1
Campbell River	1	2	3	1	3	2	3	1	Nelson	0	1	1	0	0	3	2	0
Canim Lake	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	New Denver	0	1	0	0	0	0	2	0
Carp Lake	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	New Westminster	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
Castlegar	1	0	1	0	0	3	0	0	Nimpo Lake	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0
Cedar	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	Nitinat	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
Celista	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	Nootka Sound	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0
Chetwynd	0	1	1	0	0	0	2	1	North Vancouver	0	1	2	1	1	6	3	4
Chilliwack	4	2	0	1	5	1	3	1	Not Specified	0	0	0	0	0	1	6	0
Christina Lake	0	1	0	0	0	2	0	0	Okanagan Falls	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0
Chute Lake	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	Okanagan Lake	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
Clearwater	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	5	Oliver	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Clinton	0	1	0	0	0	3	0	0	Osoyoos	0	0	1	1	1	0	0	1
Comox	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	Oyama	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
Coquitlam	0	1	0	0	0	1	1	1	Parksville	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0
Courtenay	1	0	2	4	1	0	1	1	Pass Creek	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
Cranbrook	0	0	0	2	0	1	0	0	Pemberton	1	1	1	0	4	1	1	3
Creston	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	Penticton	2	1	0	1	1	4	0	0
Cultus Lake	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	Pinantan Lake	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0
Cumberland	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	Port Alberni	2	1	2	3	0	1	0	0
Dease Lake	0	1	0	2	0	0	1	0	Port Hardy	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
Delta	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	Port McNeill	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1
Dog Creek	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	Port Moody	0	0	0	0	0	2	1	0
Duncan	2	1	0	0	2	1	0	0	Port Renfrew	0	2	1	0	0	0	2	0
Elko	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	Powell River	3	0	1	1	1	0	0	1
Enderby	0	0	1	0	2	1	1	0	Prince George	0	1	4	3	1	2	2	0
Erickson	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	Prince Rupert	0	0	1	5	3	1	0	1
Errington	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	Princeton	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Fairmont Hot Springs	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	Prophet River	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0
Falkland	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	Qualicum Beach	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
Fauquier	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	Queen Charlotte Islands	0	0	0	0	0	1	2	0
Ferguson	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	Quesnel	2	1	0	0	1	0	1	3
Fernie	1	4	1	2	0	2	0	0	Radium	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Field	2	0	1	0	0	0	1	1	Radium Hot Springs	0	2	1	1	0	2	0	0
Forest Grove	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	Revelstoke	2	14	2	1	0	1	1	2
Fort Fraser	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	Richmond	0	1	1	1	0	1	0	0
Fort Nelson	0	0	0	2	0	0	2	3	Ridge Meadows	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1
Fort St James	0	1	0	4	0	0	1	3	Rivers Inlet	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Fort St John	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	1	Rock Bay	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
Fort Ware (Kwadacha)	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	Rosland	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0
Francois Lake	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	Salmo	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0
Fraser Lake	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	Salmon Arm	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
Gibsons	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	Saltspring Island	0	1	0	0	1	0	1	0
Gold Bridge	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	Sandy Lake	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
Gold River	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	Saturna Island	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
Golden	1	1	3	1	1	2	1	2	Savary Island	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Grand Forks	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	Sayward	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
Grasmere	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	Sechelt	1	0	0	1	1	1	1	1
Grindrod	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	Shuswap	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
Harrison Hot Springs	2	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	Sicamous	1	1	0	0	0	1	1	0
Harrison Mills	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	Sidney	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
Hartley Bay	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	Skookumchuck	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
Hazelton	0	2	0	0	1	1	0	0	Slocan	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
Heffley Creek	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	Smithers	0	0	2	1	0	0	0	3
Hills	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	Sooke	1	0	2	0	0	0	0	0
Honeymoon Bay	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	Sparwood	0	0	0	2	0	0	1	0
Hope	1	3	1	1	1	0	1	0	Spences Bridge	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
Horne Lake	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	Spuzzum	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0
Horsefly	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	Squamish	1	3	1	4	2	10	1	1
Houston	0	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	Stewart	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	1
Hudsons Hope	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	Sunshine Valley	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
Invermere	0	0	3	1	0	3	0	0	Surrey	2	2	2	1	2	6	2	0
Jaffray	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	Swartz Bay	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
Kamloops	1	0	1	0	3	0	0	1	Tachie	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Kaslo	1	0	4	0	2	1	1	1	Takla Landing	0	1	0	0	2	0	0	0
Kelowna	4	0	0	2	1	2	0	2	Taylor	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
Keremeos	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	Telegraph Creek	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
Kimberley	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	Telkwa	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
Kincolith	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	Terrace	1	0	1	0	1	0	0	1
Kitimat	0	0	3	0	0	0	2	0	Thetis Island	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
									Tofino	1	0	0	0	1	0	3	1
									Trail	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	2

Tulameen	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
Tumbler Ridge	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
Valemount	2	1	1	2	0	0	0	2
Vancouver	1	2	0	3	1	2	2	3
Vanderhoof	0	1	1	0	0	1	0	0
Vavenby	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
Vernon	0	2	2	3	1	0	1	1
Victoria	5	3	6	0	3	4	2	3
Wasa	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
Watson Lake	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
Wells	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0
West Vancouver	0	0	1	0	3	4	2	3
Westbank	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
Westbridge	0	0	0	0	2	0	1	0
Whistler	1	3	2	3	2	4	2	2
White Rock	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0
Williams Lake	0	1	1	0	0	2	0	0
Willow River	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Willowbrook	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
Winfield	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
Winlaw	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
Yahk	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
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