

Source: Media reports, gathered from sources including AP, Google, MSN, Alta Vista and local newspapers.  
 Information gathered by Mick Nelson, Facilities Development Director, USA Swimming. Snapshot prepared by the National Drowning Prevention Alliance ([www.ndpa.org](http://www.ndpa.org)) in conjunction with the CPSC's Pool Safety Campaign ([www.poolsafely.gov](http://www.poolsafely.gov)).  
 Statistics reflect media reports, and may not include all drownings in the time period.

Between 5/1/11 and 8/26/11, a total of 1,592 drowning were reported by the media. Key findings:

- There were 416 child (12 and under) drownings reported nationwide during this time period
- Of these, 286 were ages 5 and under
- 204 were in the 13 – 19 age bracket
- For drownings in the 5 and under age group, 70% were male.
- Of all those who drowned, including all ages, 83.5% were male.

**National Trouble Spots:** (30 or more drownings reported in the media 5/1/11 – 8/26/11). Per the National Drowning Prevention Alliance, states with high numbers of pool drownings should focus on improving barrier laws and enforcement, and promoting supervision and swimming lessons. States with high numbers of open water drownings can reduce these numbers by focusing on promoting and/or providing access to swimming lessons, and through providing lifeguards at lakes and oceans.

STATE	Total	Pools	Open water	Tubs & other		STATE	Total	Pools	Open water	Tubs & other
Alabama	34	7	25	1		Missouri	39	13	26	
Arizona	35	26	8	1		No. Carolina	43	10	33	
California	115*	34	77	4		New York	67	9	58	
Florida	90	41	47	2		Ohio	56	17	36	3
Georgia	55	16	38	1		Oklahoma	37	4	32	1
Illinois	49	10	38	1		Pennsylvania	63	20	42	1
Indiana	54	17	36	1		Tennessee	49	9	40	
Massachusetts	31	10	21			Texas	140	42	97	1
Maryland	30	7	21	2		Washington	35	4	30	1
Michigan	79	9	64	6		Wisconsin	37	4	32	1
Minnesota	39	9	30			*excluding murder/suicides				

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