STATE OF ILLINOIS
DEPARTMENT OF CONSERVATION

BOATING ACCIDENT REPORT - 1981

MONTH

January - 0
February - 0
March - 1
April - 6
May - 18
June - 15
July - 17
August - 29
September - 10
October - 1
November - 0
December - 0

COUNTY

Adams - 1
Bond - 1
Carroll - 1
Christian - 1
Clinton - 2
Coles - 2
Cook - 32
DeWitt - 2
Effingham - 2
Franklin - 3
Gallating - 1
Grundy - 1
Jersey - 1
Kane - 1
Kankakee - 1
Lake - 6
LaSalle - 14
Lee - 1
Macoupin - 1
Madison - 2
McHenry - 6
Monroe - 1
Peoria - 4
Randolph - 1
Rock Island - 3
Sangamon - 1
Shelby - 1
Tazewell - 1
Whiteside - 3

BODY OF WATER

Illinois River - 13
Saline River - 1
Calumet River - 5
Mississippi River - 10
Beck Lake - 1
Channel Lake - 1
Fox River - 6
Waukegan Harbor - 1
Clinton Lake - 1
Rock River - 4
Grass Lake - 2
Lake Charleston - 1
Lake Michigan - 22
Fox Lake - 1
Clinton Lake - 1
Chicago River - 1
Dunlap Lake - 1
Lake Sara - 1
Monroe Harbor -
Kaskaskia River - 1
Lake Sangchris - 1
Embarras River - 1
Rend Lake - 1
Beaubein Woods Lake - 1
Lake Shelbyville - 1
Savana Harbor - 1
Canton Shute - 1
Lake Springfield - 1
Kankakee River - 1
Carlyle Lake - 2
Govenor Bond Lake - 1
Piasa Creek - 1
Quincy Bay - 1
Vermillion River - 4
Eagles Nest Island - 1
Own pond in Staunton, IL - 1
Own pond in Waterloo, IL - 1
Own pond in Christopher, IL - 1

BOATING CODE REPORT

TYPE OF BOAT

1. Open Motorboat - 38
2. Cabin Motorboat - 19
3. Auxiliary Sail - 9
4. Sail (only) - 3
5. Rowboat - 2
6. Canoe - 6
7. Other - 6
8. Unknown - 14

WATER CONDITIONS

1. Calm - 37
2. Choppy - 26
3. Rough - 3
4. Very Rough - 7
5. Strong Current - 6
6. Unknown - 18

VISIBILITY

1. Good - 62
2. Fair - 13
3. Poor - 4
4. Unknown - 18

TYPE OF ACCIDENT

1. Grounding - 2
2. Capsizing - 11
3. Flooding - 2
4. Sinking - 3
5. Fire or Explosion - 6
6. Collision with vessel - 24
7. Collision with fixed object - 21
8. Collision with floating object - 4
9. Falls Overboard - 5
10. Hit by boat or propeller - 9
11. Overturning - 4
12. Other - 5
13. Unknown - 1

WEATHER

1. Clear - 58
2. Cloudy - 13
3. Fog - 2
4. Rain - 5
5. Hazy - 2
6. Unknown - 17

WIND

1. None - 16
2. Light - 34
3. Moderate - 17
4. Strong - 8
5. Stormy - 2
6. Unknown - 20

OPERATION AT TIME OF ACCIDENT

1. Cruising - 38
2. Approaching dock - 7
3. Water Skiing - 6
4. Racing - 3
5. Towing - 3
6. Drifting - 10
7. At anchor - 5
8. Tied to Dock - 4
9. Fishing - 2
10. Skin diving or swimming - 1
11. Other - 8
12. Unknown - 10

AGE AND HOURS EXPERIENCE OF OPERATORS

AGE	LESS THAN 20 HOURS	20 TO 100 HOURS	100 TO 500 HOURS	OVER 500 HOURS	UNKNOWN	TOTAL
Teenage	2	2	1	0	4	9
20-29	2	6	6	7	11	32
30-39	0	4	7	5	3	19
40-49	2	2	4	8	5	21
50-59	0	0	0	1	4	5
Unknown	1	2	0	0	8	11
					GRAND TOTAL	97