STATE OF ILLINOIS
DEPARTMENT OF CONSERVATION
BOATING ACCIDENT REPORT - 1982

MONTH

January	- 0	July	-24
February	- 0	August	-24
March	- 0	September	-19
April	- 5	October	- 3
May	-12	November	- 1
June	-19	December	- 2

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BODY OF WATER

Lake Thunderbird	- 1
Sesser City Lake	- 1
Fox River	- 2
Kankakee River	- 1
Collins Lake	- 1
Lake Michigan	-21
Crystal Lake	- 2
Mississippi River	-14
Cedar Lake	- 1
Carlyle Lake	- 2
Sangchris Lake	- 1
Chicago River	- 3
DesPlaines River	- 2
Diamond Lake	- 1
Bangs Lake	- 1
Catalougha Lake	- 1
Wolf Lake	- 1
Jackson Park Harbor	- 1
Lake Marie	- 1
~~Chain O-Lakes~~	~~- 1~~
Lake Springfield	- 2
Kaskaskia River	- 2
Illinois River	-12
Clinton Lake	- 3
Carlinville Lake	- 1
Roachtown Lake	- 1
Shelbyville Lake	- 6
Rock River	- 7
Lake of Egypt	- 1
Loon Lake	- 1
Quincy Bay	- 1
Lake Carroll	- 1
Round Lake	- 1
Rend Lake	- 2
Lou Yager Lake	- 2
Lake Vermilion	- 2
Wonder Lake	- 2
Cook Co. Forest Preserve	- 2
Lake Sara	- 1

Cross Lake Channel 1

COUNTY

Adams	- 2	Macoupin	- 2
Bureau	- 3	McHenry	- 5
Carroll	- 1	Monroe	- 1
Christian	- 1	Montgomery	- 2
Clinton	- 2	Moultrie	- 3
Cook	-28	Ogle	- 2
DeWitt	- 3	Peoria	- 1
Effingham	- 2	Putnam	- 2
Franklin	- 2	Randolph	- 2
Greene	- 1	Rock Island	- 5
Grundy	- 2	St. Clair	- 1
Hancock	- 2	Sangamon	- 2
Jefferson	- 1	Scott	- 1
Jersey	- 3	Shelby	- 3
JoDaviess	- 1	Tazewell	- 1
Johnson	- 1	Vermilion	- 2
Kankakee	- 1	Whiteside	- 2
Lake	- 8	Will	- 2
LaSalle	- 3	Winnebago	- 1
Lee	- 2		

TIME OF DAY

Midnight to 6:00 A.M.	- 6
6:01 A.M. to 12 Noon	-13
12:01 P.M. to 6:00 P.M.	-59
6:01 P.M. to Midnight	-28
Unknown	- 3

OPERATOR'S EXPERIENCE

Under 20 hours	-10
20-100 hours	-28
100-500 hours	-45
Over 500 hours	-34
Unknown	-22

FORMAL INSTRUCTION

None	-66
U.S. Coast Guard Aux.	-24
U.S. Power Squadron	- 7
Am. Red Cross	- 1
State	- 4
Other	- 9
Unknown	- 32

TYPE OF BOAT

Open Motorboat	- 83
Cabin Motorboat	- 20
Auxiliary Sail	- 3
Sail (Only)	- 8
Rowboat	- 5
Other	- 19
Unknown	- 1

WEATHER

Clear	- 83
Cloudy	- 9
Fog	- 2
Rain	- 1
Snow	- 0
Hazy	- 4
Unknown	- 10

WATER CONDITIONS

Calm	- 53
Choppy	- 24
Rough	- 9
Very Rough	- 2
Strong Current	- 9
Unknown	- 12

WIND

None	- 15
Light	- 53
Moderate	- 25
Strong	- 6
Storm	- 0
Unknown	- 10

WEATHER ENCOUNTERED

Was as forecasted	- 72
Not as forecasted	- 0
No forecast obtained	-17
Unknown	- 22

VISIBILITY

Good	- 86
Fair	- 7
Poor	- 5
Unknown	- 11

TYPE OF ACCIDENT

Grounding	- 5
Capsizing	-12
Flooding	- 0
Sinking	- 4
Fire or Explosion (Fuel)	- 6
Fire or Explosion (Non-fuel)	- 0
Collision with vessel	-43
Collision with fixed object	-10
Collision with floating object	- 5
Falls overboard	-11
Falls in boat	- 2
Burns	- 0
Hit by boat or propeller	- 1
Other	-10

OPERATION AT TIME OF ACCIDENT

Cruising	-52
Approaching Dock	- 2
Water Skiing	-23
Racing	- 6
Towing	- 0
Being Towed	- 1
Drifting	-10
At Anchor	- 8
Tied to Dock	- 8
Fueling	- 0
Fishing	-13
Hunting	- 1
Skin Diving or Swimming	- 0
Other	-13
Unknown	- 2

OPERATOR'S OPINION/CAUSE OF ACCIDENT

Weather conditions	- 6
Excessive Speed	- 7
No Proper Lookout	-17
Overloading	- 1
Improper Loading	- 1
Hazardous Waters	- 7
Fault of Other Person	-40
Fault of Hull	- 1
Fault of Machinery	- 6
Fault of Equipment	- 5
Other	-37
Unknown	-10

FIRE EXTINGUISHER USED

Yes - 2
No -62
Not applicable -40
Unknown -28

Boat Equipped With Coast Guard Approved PFD's

Yes - 117
No - 6

Accessible

Yes - 92
No - 4
Unknown - 15

Used

Yes - 68
No - 75
Unknown - 17

NON-APPROVED PFD'S

Yes - 16
No - 75

Accessible

Yes - 16
No - 75
Unknown - 5

Used

Yes - 2
No - 87
Unknown - 41

PROPERTY DAMAGE		INJURY	FATAL
$0-100	- 4	71	28
$101-200	- 4		
$201-300	- 2		
$301-400	- 3		
$401-500	- 1		
$501-600	- 6		
$601-700	- 3		
$701-800	- 2		
$801-900	- 2		
$901-1,000	- 2		
$1,000 & over	-43		
None	-20		
Unknown	-17		

Age	Less Than 20 Hours	20 to 100 Hours	100 to 500 Hours	Over 500 Hours	Unknown
Teenage	1	4	4	0	2
20-29	7	10	13	12	10
30-39	0	7	13	10	2
40-49	0	2	6	5	1
50-59	0	3	3	6	2
60-69	0	2	4	2	0
70-79	0	0	0	0	1
80-89	0	0	0	1	0
Unknown	2	0	0	0	3