100% of heatstroke deaths of children in cars are preventable

TOTAL SINCE 1998: 968
AVERAGE PER YEAR: 37

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CIRCUMSTANCES

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AGES

- <1: 56
- 1-2: 163
- 2-4: 125
- 4-5: 84
- >5: 5

55% are < 2 years old

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HOW HOT? HOW FAST?

- 80% of total heat rise occurs in the 1st 30 min.
- Max temps can exceed 140°F

SAFETY TIPS

- Never leave children unattended in a vehicle. NOT EVEN FOR A MINUTE!
- Always check the backseat. Leave your wallet or purse as a reminder.
- Always keep vehicle locked and keys out of reach.
- Make arrangements with your childcare provider to call if child is absent.
- CALL 9-1-1 if you see a child alone in a vehicle.

US Pediatric Vehicular Heatstroke Deaths

- Ages: 0-2 years: 100, 2-4 years: 90, 4-6 years: 80, 6-8 years: 70, 8-10 years: 60, 10-12 years: 50, 12-14 years: 40

Interior temperatures can be 50° higher than outside.

Pediatric Vehicular Heatstroke by the Numbers

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