

Sports-Related Eye Injuries by Age

Activity	Estimated Injuries*	Ages 0-14	Ages 15+
Water & Pool Activities	6,351	2,686	3,665
Basketball	5,751	1,693	4,058
Guns, Darts, Arrows, Slingshots	2,946	1,936	1,010
Baseball, Softball	2,473	1,467	1,006
Bicycle	2,195	777	1,418
Soccer	1,745	447	1,298
Health Club – Exercise, Weight-lifting	1,556	134	1,422
Other Sports & Recreational Activities	1,271	500	771
Football	1,250	504	746
Racquet sports	1,166	284	882
Table or Air Hockey	1,107	870	237
Playground Equipment	1,098	1,030	68
All-terrain Vehicles (4 wheels)	934	112	822
Golf	918	99	819
Boxing, Martial Arts, Wrestling	732	9	723
Ball Sports, Unspecified	683	536	147
Fishing	628	144	484
Sports & Recreational Activity, Not Elsewhere Classified	548	350	198
Scooters, Skateboards, Go-Carts	503	77	426
Trampoline	427	398	29
Volleyball	265	24	241
Winter Sports	199	101	98
Totals Top 22 Categories	34,746	14,178	20,568

Table source: Prevent Blindness.

Based on statistics provided by the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission, Directorate for Epidemiology; National Injury Information Clearinghouse; National Electronic Injury Surveillance System (NEISS). Product Summary Report—Eye Injuries Only—Calendar Year 2016.

* Totals may not equal because the injuries are not mutually exclusive.



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