

Sports-Related Eye Injuries by Age – 2021



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Activity	Est. Injuries*	Age 0-6	Age 7-12	Age 13-22	Age 23 +
Non-Powder Guns, Darts, Arrows, Slingshots	4,153	544	923	1,459	1,227
Pools & Water Sports	3,548	1,028	1,030	549	941
Basketball	2,730	16	343	1,574	798
Exercise, Weight-Lifting	2,696	26	16	125	2,528
Bicycles & Accessories	1,972	143	250	353	1,226
Soccer	1,481	74	145	915	347
Baseball/Softball	1,400	20	546	626	208
Other Sports & Recreational Activities	1,131	85	293	342	411
Football	1,103	101	264	536	202
Playground Equipment	1,101	479	590	32	0
Golf	819	0	78	89	652
All-Terrain Vehicles (4 Wheels)	763	6	211	219	328
Boxing, Martial Arts, Wrestling	755	0	153	116	486
Racquet Sports	707	17	90	127	472
Fishing	629	89	5	94	441
Trampolines	562	219	212	6	126
Volleyball	426	0	69	357	0
Ball Sports, Unspecified/ Other	302	5	32	147	118
Sports & Recreational Activities N.E.C.	296	6	10	281	0
Misc. Ball Games	231	17	62	105	47
Winter Sports	122	6	0	48	69
Total*	26,925	2,879	5,320	8,100	10,627

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

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 2021.

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