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## Sports-related eye injuries by age group – 2022

| Activity                                      | Est.<br>Injuries* | Age<br>0-6 | Age<br>7-12 | Age<br>13-22 | Age<br>23 + |
|---|-------------------|------------|-------------|--------------|-------------|
| Non-Powder Guns, Darts,<br>Arrows, Slingshots | 5,216             | 416        | 1,543       | 1,424        | 1,834       |
| Pools & Water Sports                          | 4,417             | 1,041      | 1,484       | 756          | 1,136       |
| Basketball                                    | 2,478             | 68         | 324         | 1,155        | 930         |
| Baseball/Softball                             | 2,181             | 182        | 839         | 826          | 334         |
| Exercise, Weight-Lifting                      | 2,181             | 169        | 178         | 485          | 1,348       |
| Soccer  | 1,951             | 13         | 421         | 1,078        | 439         |
| Bicycles & Accessories                        | 1,887             | 26         | 217         | 325          | 1,320       |
| Playground Equipment                          | 1,645             | 961        | 265         | 115          | 304         |
| Other Sports & Recreational<br>Activities     | 1,606             | 132        | 458         | 192          | 824         |
| Football                                      | 1,573             | 21         | 627         | 565          | 360         |
| Racquet Sports                                | 1,201             | 148        | 114         | 271          | 668         |
| Golf  | 925               | 7          | 87          | 35           | 795         |
| Boxing, Martial Arts, Wrestling               | 898               | 7          | 61          | 369          | 461         |
| Fishing                                       | 688               | 71         | 166         | 78           | 373         |
| Trampolines                                   | 632               | 199        | 248         | 6            | 179         |
| Ball Sports, Unspecified/Other                | 598               | 78         | 203         | 106          | 212         |
| Sports & Recreational Activity N.E.C.         | 597               | 17         | 303         | 195          | 81          |
| All-Terrain Vehicles (4 Wheels)               | 442               | 0          | 7           | 164          | 271         |
| Volleyball                                    | 349               | 0          | 23          | 226          | 100         |
| Misc. Ball Games                              | 341               | 25         | 24          | 146          | 147         |
| Winter Sports                                 | 241               | 0          | 23          | 95           | 122         |
| Scooters, Skateboards,<br>Skating, Go Carts   | 71                | 0          | 7           | 0            | 65          |
| TOTAL   | 32,118            | 3,581      | 7,622       | 8,611        | 12,304      |

\*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 2022.

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