

Pediatric Vehicular Heatstroke by the Numbers

Updated through 4/30/2023

100% of heatstroke deaths of children in cars are preventable

TOTAL SINCE 1998

942 DEATHS

AVERAGE PER YEAR

38  During summer that's almost **2** per week

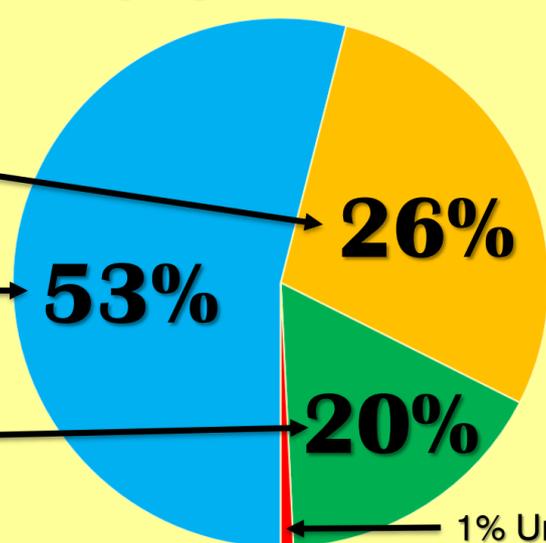
CIRCUMSTANCES

Gained Access

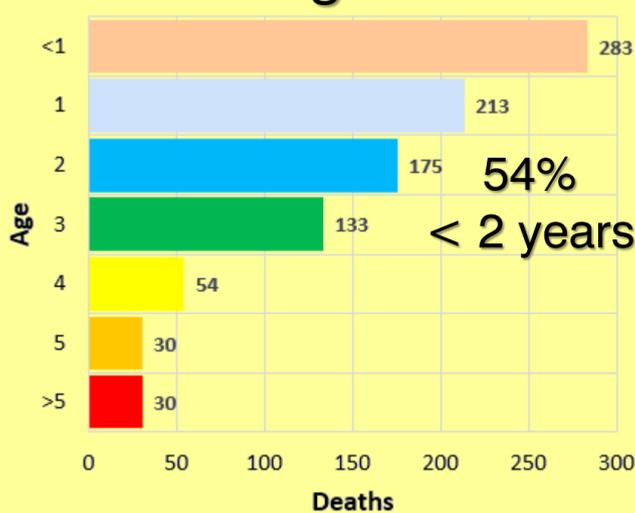
Forgotten

Nearly half not dropped at childcare

Knowingly Left



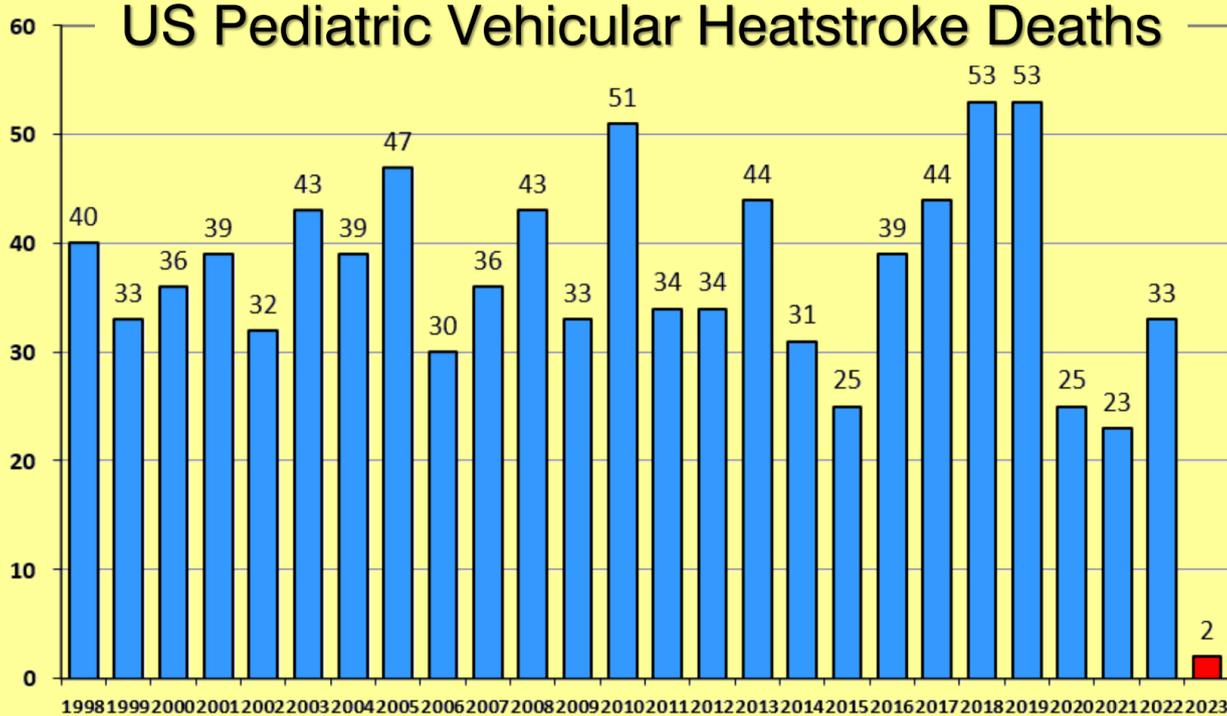
Ages



Forgetting Can Happen to Anyone

Mom, Dad, Grandparent, Sitter, Teacher, Administrator, Police, Dentist, Social Worker, Military, Physician, Judge, Barber, Principal, Lawyer, Waiter, Engineer, Coach, Accountant, Secretary, Firefighter, Researcher, Clergy, Childcare Provider, Barista, Tradesman, Student, Anyone.

US Pediatric Vehicular Heatstroke Deaths



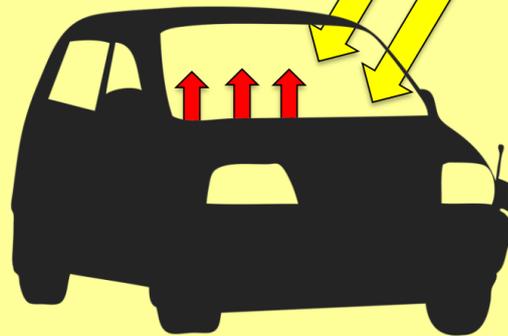
HOW HOT? HOW FAST?

80%

of total heat rise occurs in the 1st 30 min.

Max temps can exceed: **140°**

Interior temperatures can be **50°** higher than outside.



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.