

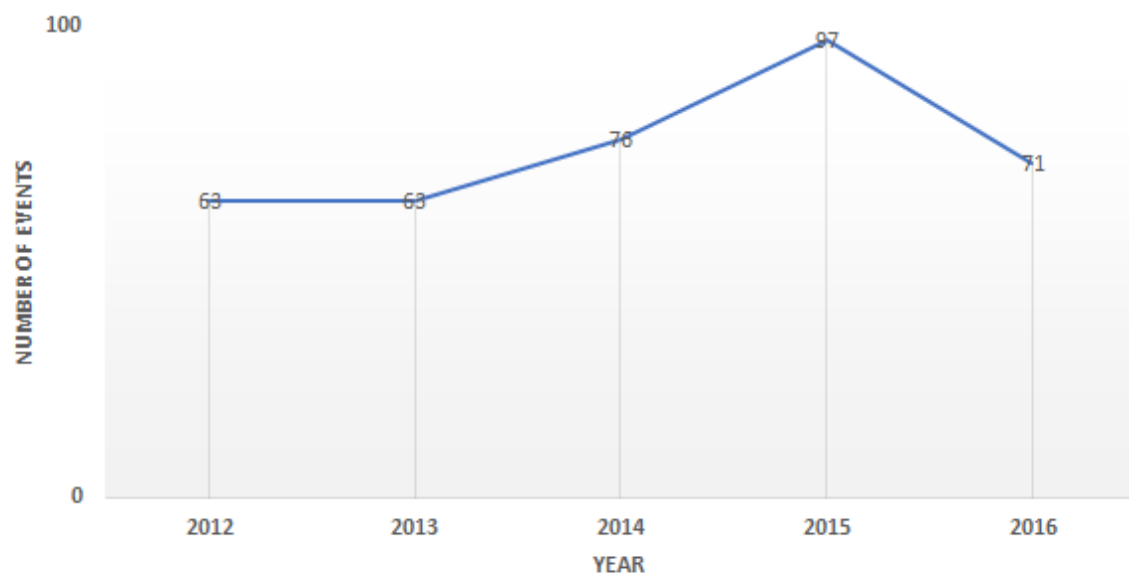
HOUSTON HEALTH HIGHLIGHTS

DROWNING: A PUBLIC HEALTH PROBLEM

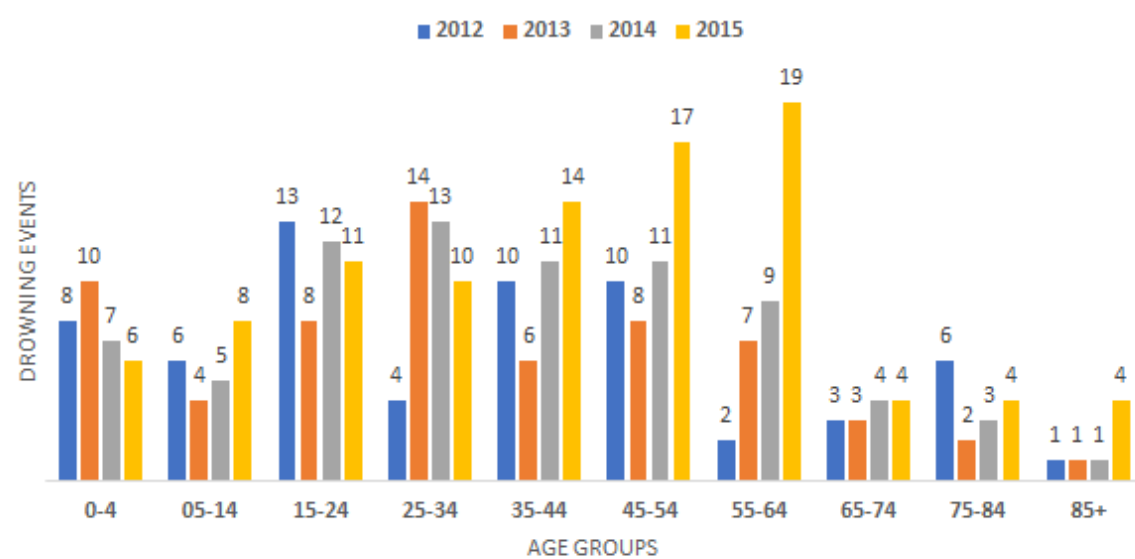
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IN 2016, 71 DROWNING DEATHS WERE REPORTED IN HARRIS COUNTY, OF THESE 20% WERE CHILDREN LESS THAN 4 YEARS OLD

FATAL DROWNING EVENTS IN HOUSTON/HARRIS COUNTY, 2012-2015



FATAL DROWNING EVENTS IN HOUSTON/HARRIS COUNTY BY AGE GROUPS



Source: Vital Statistics, Texas Department of State Health Services (DSHS)



Participation in formal swimming lessons could reduce the likelihood of childhood drowning by 88%.

Strategies and stakeholders

Public Health
(Risk Assessments, Awareness, research, program implementation)

Family and Community involvement
(Participation in swimming lessons, Community Champions)

Other sector
(Facilities, parks, protected areas for entertainment, policies, enforcement)

Source: Harris County Aquatics Program

The USA Swimming Foundation research study revealed 70% of African-American and 60% Hispanic kids can't swim.

More Information on:
Harris County Adult Aquatics Program (2731 El Camino
Houston TX, 77054
713-748-7333
Learn to Swim/Water Aerobics