

# Senate Interim Study: Child Deaths in Oklahoma

Oklahoma Child Death Review Board  
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**OKLAHOMA  
COMMISSION ON  
CHILDREN AND YOUTH**

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## Mission Statement:

The mission of the Oklahoma Child Death Review Board is to reduce the number of preventable deaths through a multidisciplinary approach to case review. Through case review, the Child Death Review Board *collects statistical data and system failure information* to develop recommendations to improve policies, procedures, and practices within and between the agencies that protect and serve the children of Oklahoma.

## Review Process

- Death certificate
- Report of Investigation from the Office of the Chief Medical Examiner
- Law Enforcement scene investigation report
- Child Welfare history
  
- Collect data via specific question in the Case Reporting System, National Center for Fatality Review and Prevention

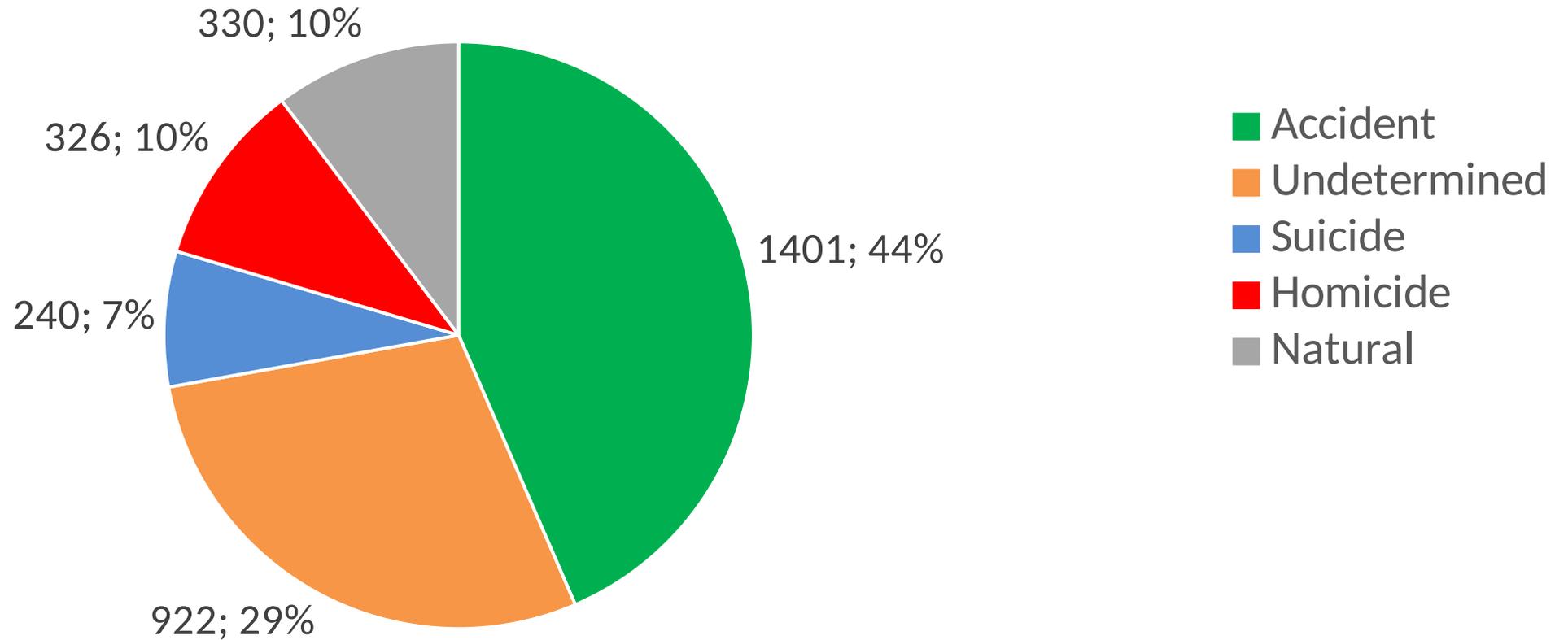
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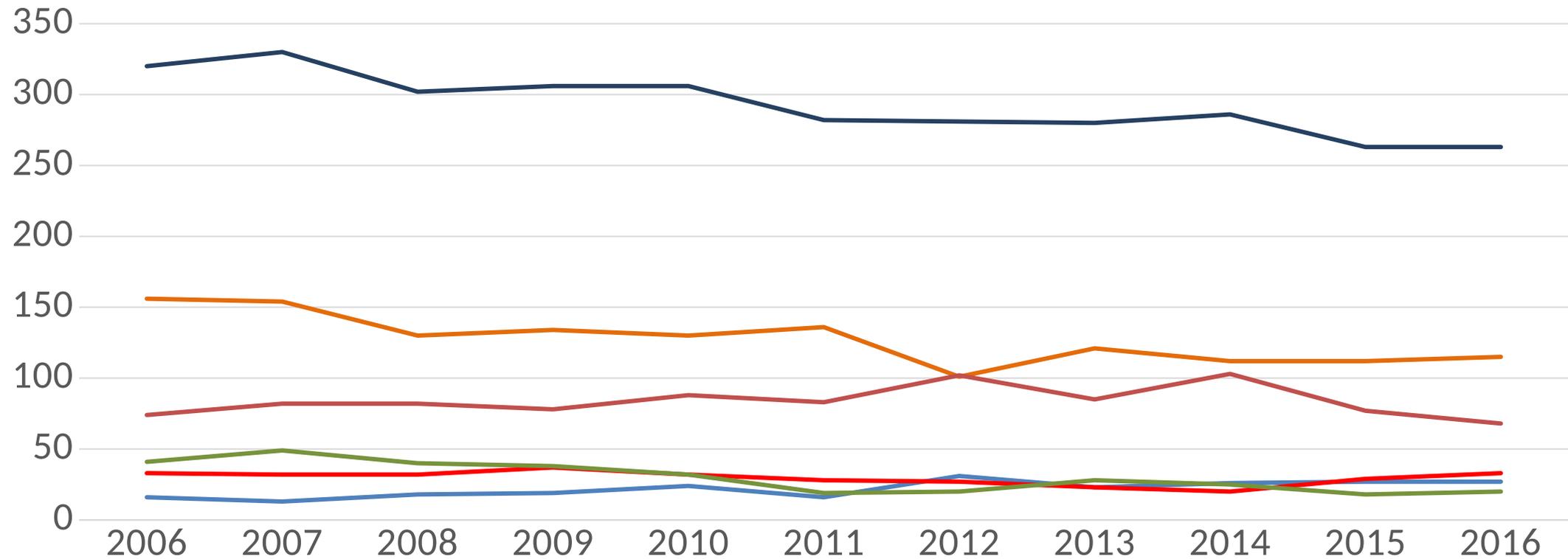
Child Deaths 2006 - 2016  
N = 3219



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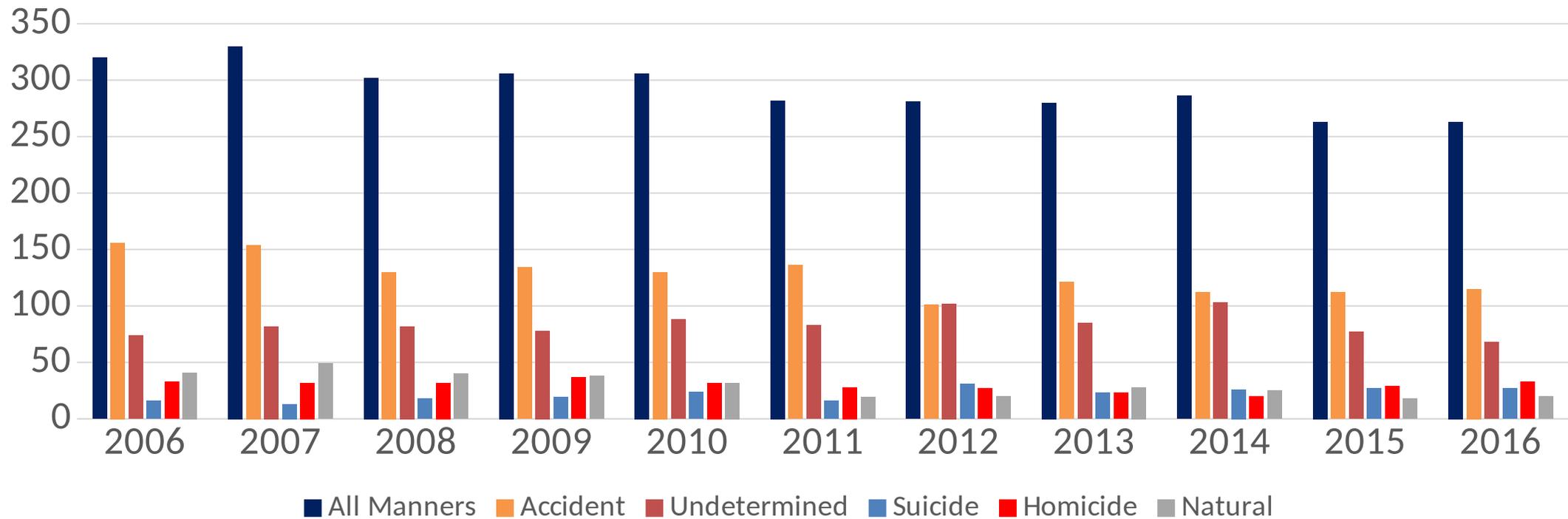


— All Manners — Accident — Undetermined  
— Suicide — Homicide — Natural

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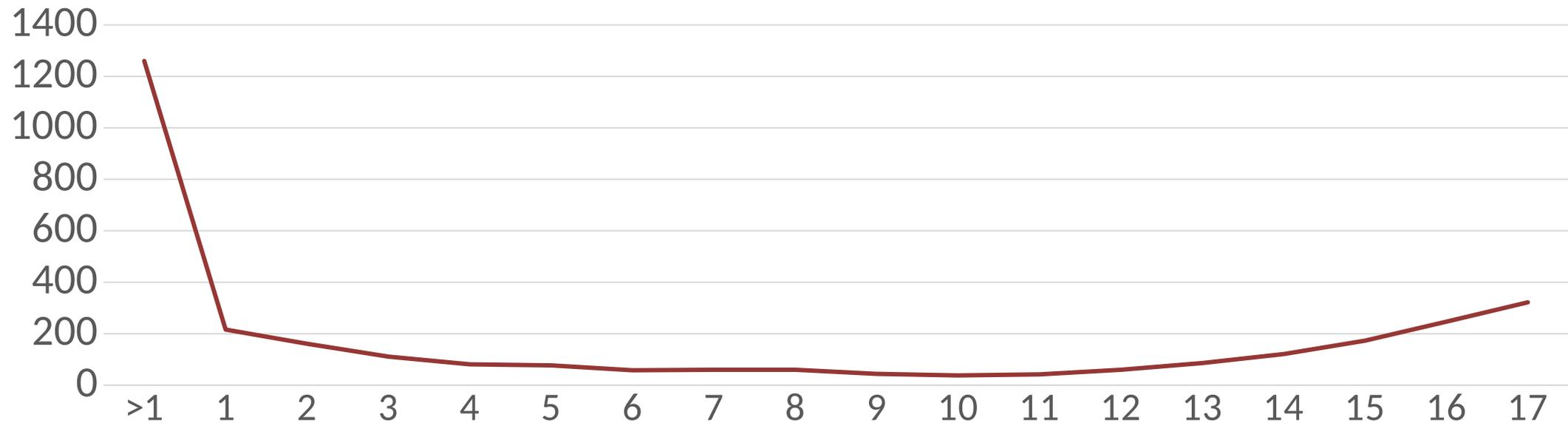


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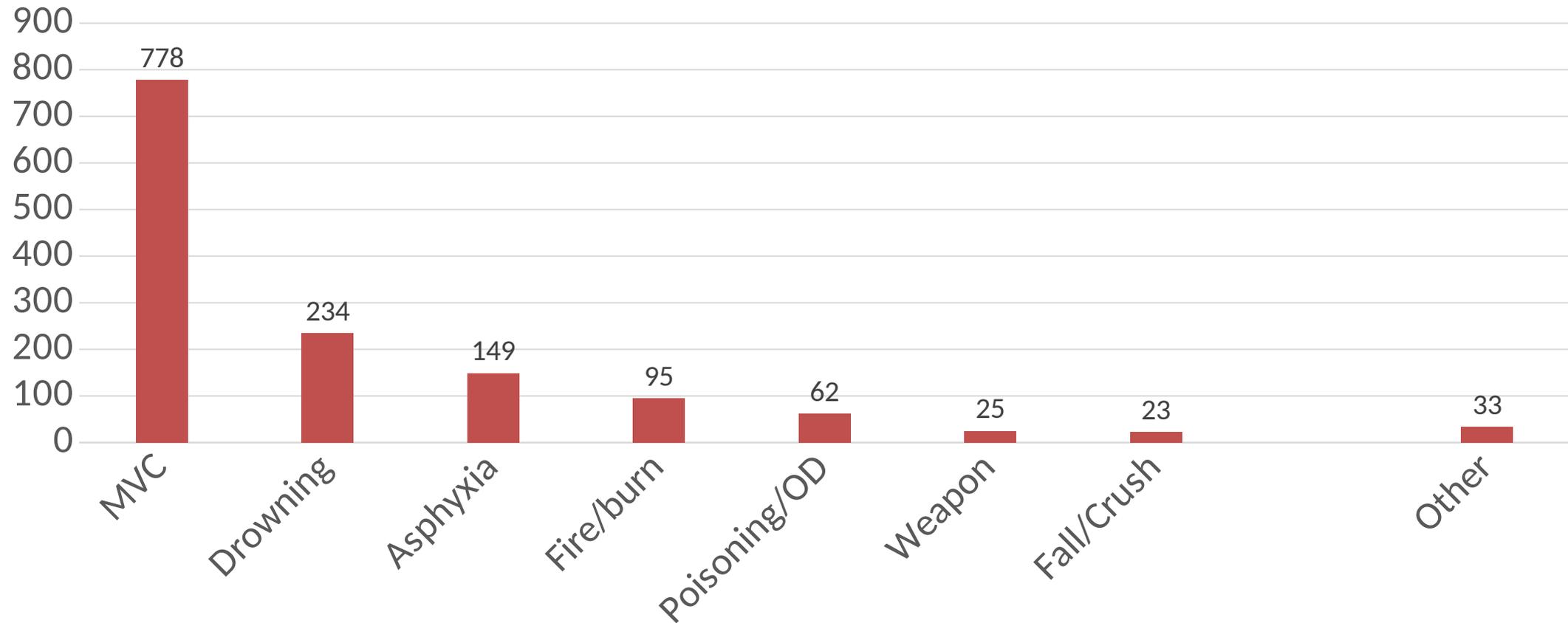
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Child Deaths 2006 - 2016  
Age in Years  
N = 3219



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Manner of Death = Accident  
N = 1401



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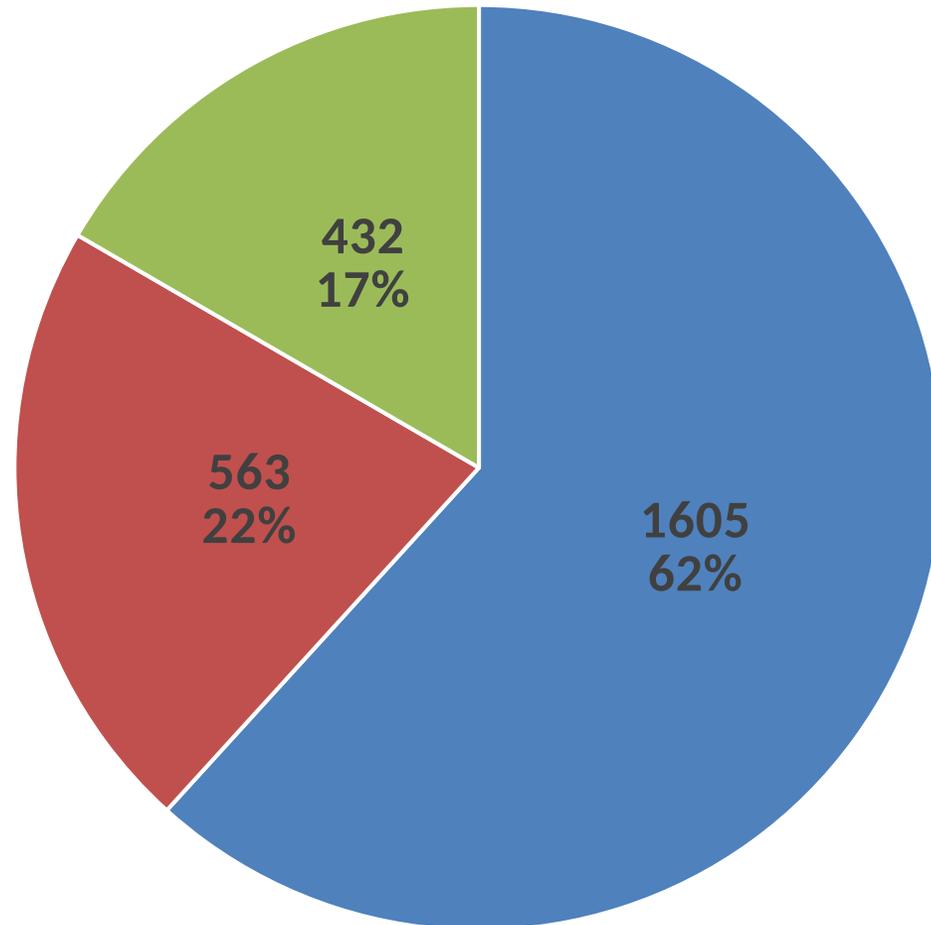


## Preventable:

A child's death is considered to be preventable if an individual or the community could reasonably have done something that would have changed the circumstances that led to the child's death.

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Preventable?



- Yes
- Unable to Determine
- No

## Recommendations

## 2021 Annual Recommendations

- Abusive Head Trauma
- Unsafe Sleep
- Suicide

## QUESTIONS?

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