



Social Media: Lightning Safety

#LightningSafety

Please help the NWS spread these important safety messages on social media! Everyone is welcome to use the text and images provided below to help the NWS build a Weather-Ready Nation.

Facebook:

Summer is the most dangerous season for lightning. Most lightning fatalities occur in June, July and August. It is NEVER safe to be outside during a thunderstorm. When thunder roars, go indoors! weather.gov/lightning #LightningSafety

Twitter:

Summer is the most dangerous season for lightning. Go inside during a t-storm. weather.gov/lightning #LightningSafety

LIGHTNING SAFETY

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64%

Sixty-four percent of lightning fatalities result from outdoor recreation. A large portion of these are from water activities and sports.

www.weather.gov/lightning

The infographic features a blue background with silhouettes of a person fishing, a sailboat, and a swimmer. A lightning bolt strikes a mountain in the background. Logos for NOAA and "Weather Ready Summer" are also present.

Facebook:

Going fishing? Check the forecast before you go. If thunderstorms are in the forecast and you won't have quick access to a safe shelter, reschedule for another day. Fishing is one of the top activities people are doing when they are struck by lightning. [weather.gov/lightning](https://www.weather.gov/lightning)
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Twitter:

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Facebook:

Lightning is one of the top three storm-related killers in the United States. It is also one of the least understood weather phenomena. Get a more detailed look at the science behind one of nature's most underrated killers. <http://1.usa.gov/1FCBomY> #LightningSafety

Twitter:

Discover the science behind lightning. <http://1.usa.gov/1FCBomY> #LightningSafety
#SummerSafety



Facebook:

Lightning deaths are up this year. Although lightning can strike anywhere, at any time, it's valuable to know where lightning deaths have occurred and what victims were doing when they were struck. Our lightning fatalities statistics page contains all this information. How vulnerable is your area to lightning? Learn more...

<http://www.lightningsafety.noaa.gov/fatalities.shtml> #LightningSafety

Twitter:

Lightning deaths are up this year. Don't be a statistic.

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Facebook:

Whether you're attending a little league baseball game or a professional sporting event, the same rule applies: When Thunder Roars Go Indoors! It is never safe to be outside when lightning is in the area. [weather.gov/lightning/](https://www.weather.gov/lightning/) #LightningSafety

Twitter:

Whether playing or watching, When Thunder Roars Go Indoors! [weather.gov/lightning/](https://www.weather.gov/lightning/) #LightningSafety



Facebook:

Is it true that lightning never strikes the same place twice? Are you safe from lightning if you are under a tree? Do the tires on a car keep you safe from lightning? Learn the answers to these and other lightning questions at: <http://1.usa.gov/1JFSWkB> #LightningSafety

Twitter:

Lightning myths are busted at: <http://1.usa.gov/1JFSWkB> #LightningSafety



Facebook:

Thunderstorms can be a mariners worst nightmare. They can develop quickly and can produce strong wind, pounding rain and deadly lightning. If you see clouds beginning to pile up, thunderstorms are likely beginning to develop. Don't wait until you can hear thunder or see lightning. It is best to head to port or safe shelter at the first sign of a developing storm.

<http://1.usa.gov/1KJXLXa>

Twitter:

Boaters: When thunderstorms start to form, head to port or safe shelter immediately!

<http://1.usa.gov/1KJXLXa>



Facebook:

When it comes to lightning, what's safe? What isn't safe? Find out with Leon the Lion's Lightning Safety Game, a fun online activity for kids of all ages.

<http://1.usa.gov/1uCLrij> #LightningSafety

Twitter:

Learn Lightning safety with Leon the Lion! <http://1.usa.gov/1uCLrij> #LightningSafety



Leon the Lion's Lightning Safety Game



Guide Leon through the following activities by alerting him whether he is **Safe** or **Not Safe** during Lightning.

[Review Safety Rules](#) 

Facebook:

Whether you're spending the day at the beach or an afternoon at the pool, at the first sign of a storm, you should gather your things and seek shelter. By the time you hear thunder or see lightning, you're already in danger. When Thunder Roars, Go Indoors! [weather.gov/lightning/](https://www.weather.gov/lightning/) #LightningSafety

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Facebook:

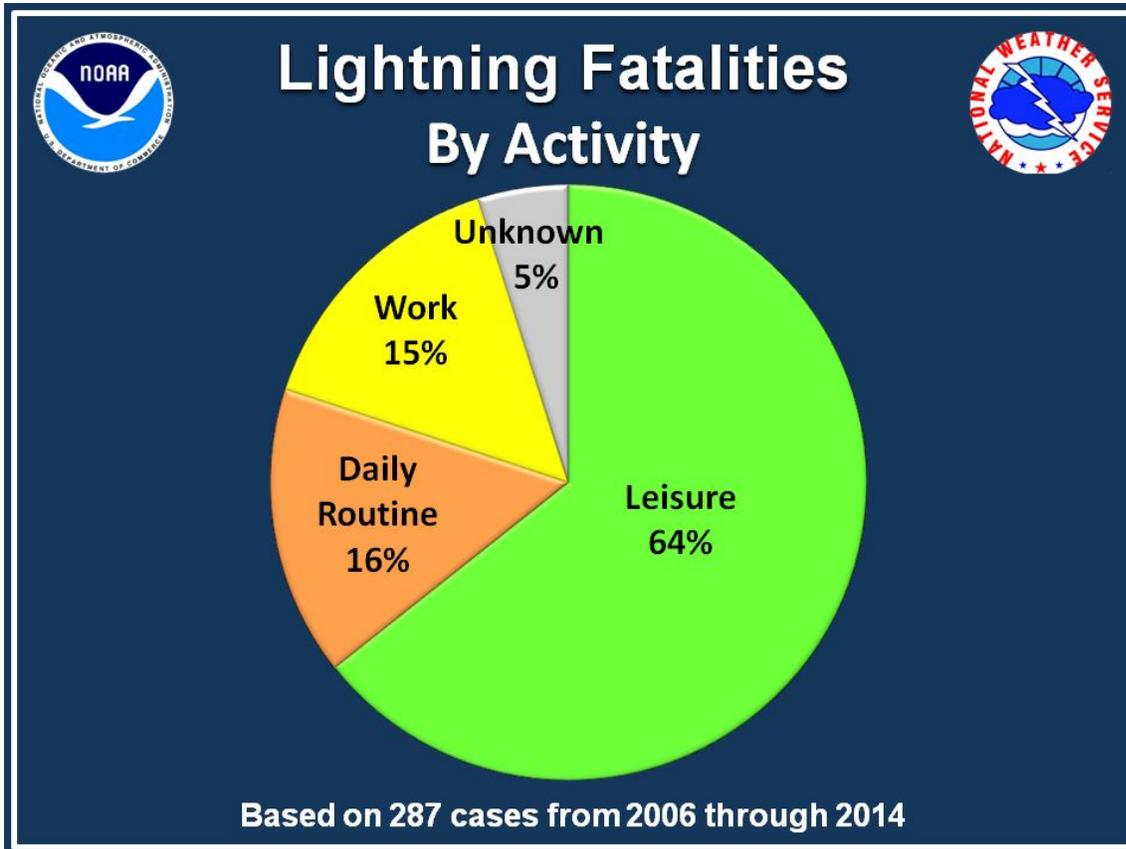
64% of all lightning related deaths occur when people are having fun outside. The number one recreational activity that people are taking part in when they are struck by lightning is fishing.

weather.gov/lightning/ #LightningSafety

Twitter:

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Facebook:

When Thunder Roars, Go Indoors! Thunderstorms can produce deadly lightning capable of striking up to 10 miles away — so, even if you don't see rain you could be in harm's way. Remember this simple message: When Thunder Roars, Go Indoors! [weather.gov/lightning/](https://www.weather.gov/lightning/) #LightningSafety

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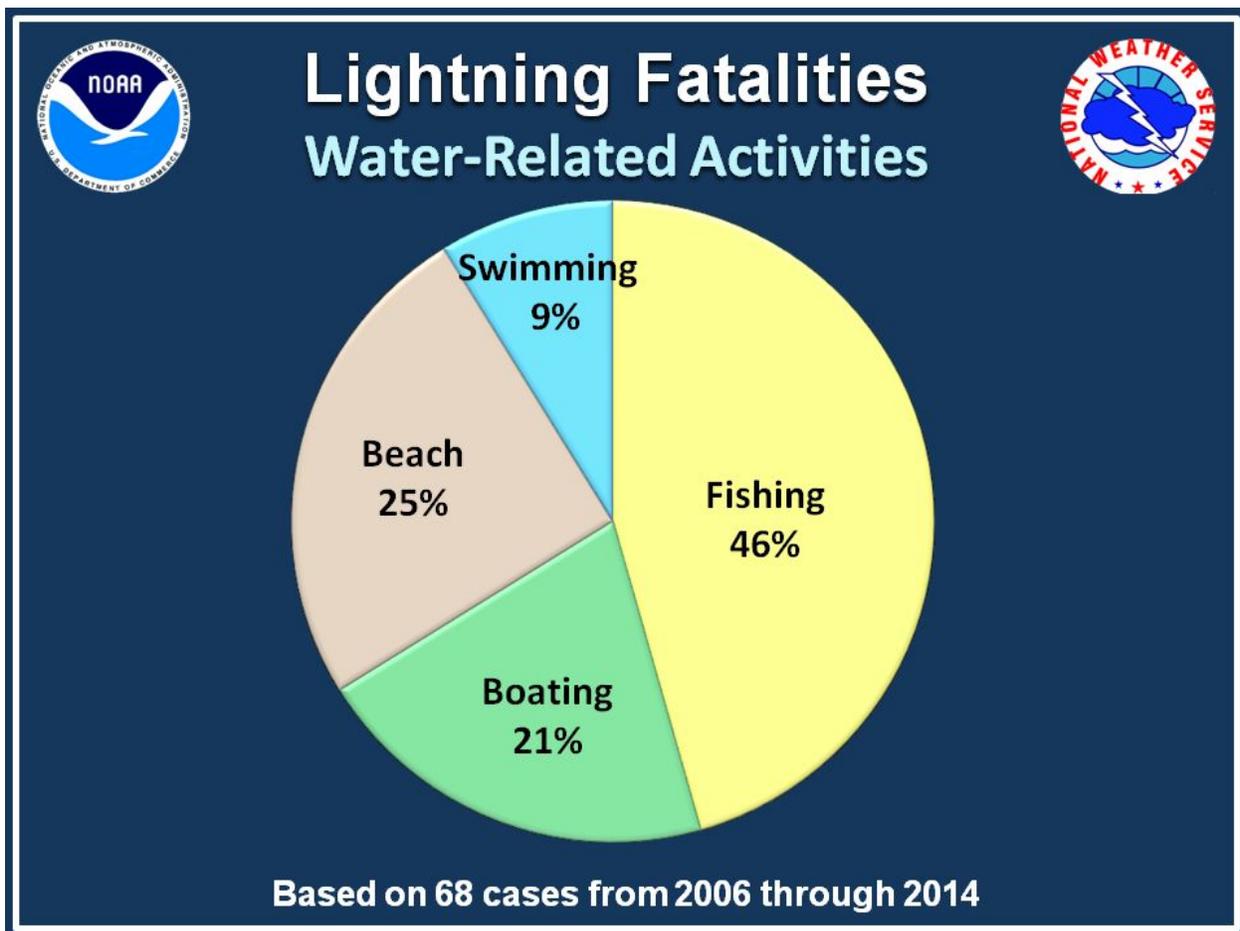


Facebook:

The #1 water related recreational activity for lightning strikes: fishing. When Thunder Roars, Go Indoors! weather.gov/lightning/ #LightningSafety

Twitter:

#1 water related recreational activity for lightning strikes: fishing. www.lightningsafety.noaa.gov/ #LightningSafety



Bonus Tweets:

Which is safer when it is lightning? Your car or the picnic pavilion? Your car! Roll up the windows. #LightningSafety weather.gov/lightning

Are you safe outside during lightning if you're wearing rubber soled shoes? NO!!! Go inside! #LightningSafety weather.gov/lightning

Which is safer when it is lightning? Your car or your tent? Your car! A tent is never safe. weather.gov/lightning #LightningSafety

Do tires on your car keep you safe from lightning? No! Get inside the car with the windows up. www.lightningsafety.noaa.gov #LightningSafety

Find out why lightning is so dangerous: <http://oceanoday.noaa.gov/lightning/> #LightningSafety