

# UNINTENTIONAL INJURIES AND CHILDREN

A critical health issue

Unintentional injuries are the leading cause of death and a leading cause of hospitalization for children in Canada. **Each month:**



What is the cost of preventable injury in Canada?



- \$380 million/year for on-the-road children's injuries
- \$1.3 billion/year for children's falls
- long-term or permanent disability
- social & mental well-being
- individual & family stress

In Atlantic Canada, the child unintentional injury hospitalization rate is significantly higher than the national rate.



Where do serious injuries occur?



**At Home**



**On the Road**



**At Play**



Falls are the #1 cause of injury hospitalization



**We all have a role in preventing children's injuries.**

**What's your role?**

<http://childsafetylink.ca/library/atlantic-canada-injury-reports/decision-makers-guide/>

