

Hidden Hazards Around the Home for 65+

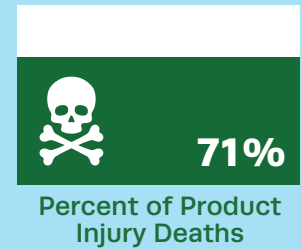
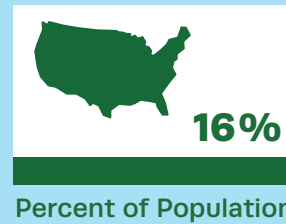
Take Steps Toward Safety



3 Million 

ER Visits for Americans over age 65 estimated each year from product-related injuries

Americans Over 65 are at Higher Risk for Product Injury Related Death



Falls

HAZARDS

SAFETY STEPS



Falls are the most common cause of injuries and deaths to older Americans.

 **1800** Estimated Deaths Per Year

 **1.5M** Estimated ER-treated injuries



Install handrails on both sides of any stairs in your home.



Keep stairs well-lit and free of clutter.



Remove loose carpets, cords, and other items you could trip over.



Install grab bars and slip-resistant surfaces in your bathroom.

Fires



 **3.5X** more likely to die in fires

 **14X** higher clothing fire death rate



Install smoke alarms on every level of the home outside sleeping areas and inside each bedroom.



Do not wear loose clothing while cooking on the stove.

Drowning



Most deaths associated with swimming pools, bathtubs and spas.

 **300** Estimated Deaths Per Year



Don't swim alone.



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