

Lost Person Behavior Research
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(252 Cases, Nova Scotia)

Distance Travelled by Category of Lost Person

CATEGORY	NUMBER	MEDIAN	RANGE	50% ZONE
Hunters	100	2.44 km	.22 - 19.31 km	1.58 - 3.83 km
		1.52 mi	.14 - 12.00 mi	.98 - 2.38 mi
Fishermen	25	1.43 km	.50 - 17.70 km	.95 - 3.49 km
		.89 mi	.31 - 11.00 mi	.59 - 2.17 mi
Hikers	24	2.62 km	.60 - 24.00 km	1.43 - 4.64 km
		1.63 mi	.37 - 14.91 mi	.89 - 2.88 mi
Misc. Adults	26	2.05 km	.10 - 19.00 km	1.21 - 3.60 km
		1.27 mi	.06 - 11.81 mi	.75 - 2.24 mi
Youths (13-16)	20	1.80 km	.40 - 7.00 km	1.00 - 2.86 km
		1.12 mi	.25 - 4.35 mi	.62 - 1.78 mi
Children (7-12)	8	2.10 km	.95 - 8.00km	1.60 - 2.73 km
		1.30 mi	.59 - 4.97 mi	.99 - 1.70 mi
Children (1-6)	11	.95 km	.40 - 2.65 km	.67 - 1.20 km
		.50 mi	.25 - 1.65 mi	.42 - .75 mi
Despondents	16	1.03 km	.10 - 5.63 km	.75 - 1.80 km
		.64 mi	.06 - 3.50 mi	.47 - 1.12 mi
Walkaways	22	1.00 km	.14 - 4.83 km	.55 - 1.80 km
		.62 mi	.09 - 3.00 mi	.34 - 1.19 mi