 **ATV SAFETY TWITTER POSTS**

**Tweets to Use with Toolkit Graphics:**

*(Research shows that tweets with images are more likely to attract attention and engagement. We recommend using these tweets with the ATV safety graphics available on the* [*toolkit page*](http://www.preventchildinjury.org/toolkits/atv-safety) *and on* [*Flickr*](https://www.flickr.com/photos/141879303@N06/albums/72157698129929305)*.)*

June, July, and August are peak months for ATV injuries and deaths. Think twice before allowing kids on ATVs, and if you do, insist on safety. #ATVsafety

ATVs: as fast as a car without the protections of doors, seat belts, and airbags. If you let your child use an ATV, follow these tips to keep them a little safer. #ATVsafety

Go solo: Allow only one person at a time on an ATV. Even if the ATV is designed to carry two people, carrying or riding as a passenger is not safe. #ATVsafety

Choose a youth model ATV designed for your child’s age (adult models are not safe for children younger than 16 years). Enroll your child in a hands-on #ATVsafety course.

Check the sticker: Before you ride, make sure ATV helmets are certified by the Department of Transportation, ANSI, or the Snell Foundation. #ATVsafety

Not actually ALL terrain: ATVs aren’t designed for paved surfaces or roads of any type. Stick to off-road terrain only. #ATVsafety

Children younger than 6 years should NEVER drive ATVs. Period. #ATVsafety

Just because it’s legal to ride an ATV on a public road does not mean it’s safe. Only use ATVs on designated trails or off-road terrain. #ATVsafety

**Tweets with Links to Existing Resources**

It’s not just the traffic. Staying off paved surfaces and public roads of any type will keep your ATV where it was meant to go: off-road. #ATVsafety http://bit.ly/2yl84Wz

Check out the work these #ATVsafety experts are doing to keep people safe: @ConsumerFed, Injury Prevention Center at @archildrens, and ATV Injury Prevention Task Force at @UIchildrens. http://bit.ly/2leKcKG

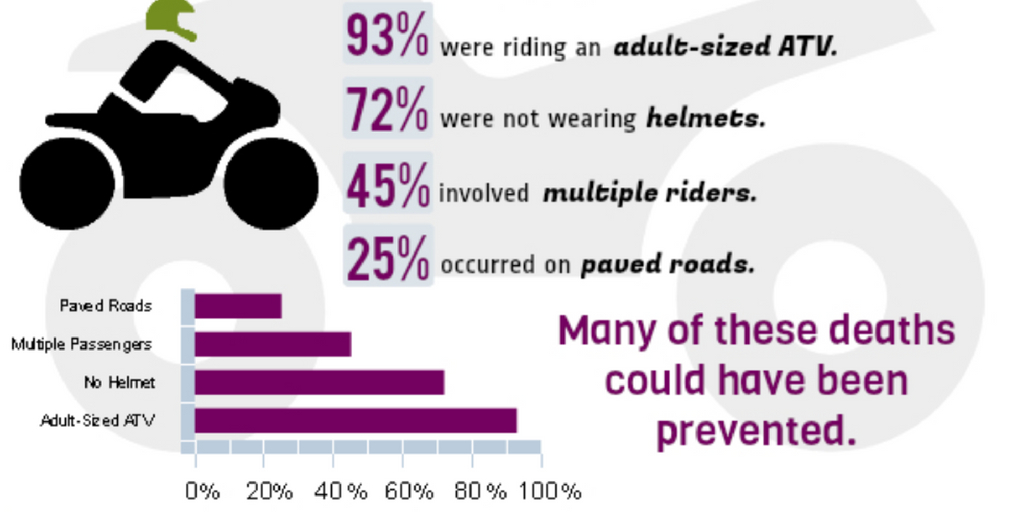
@USCPSC has been tracking ATV deaths and injuries for years. Check out its #ATVsafety center for resources, data, and ATV recalls. www.atvsafety.gov

Kate was a bright young girl who loved softball. In between tournament games one day, she went to a friend’s house, hopped onto an ATV, and didn’t come home. Read how Kate’s family is helping other families avoid the same tragedy. #ATVsafety http://bit.ly/2lfM6Ld

Whether you’re new to ATVs or have had them around for years, brush up on #ATVsafety basics from Stead Family Children’s Hospital: http://bit.ly/2lgy5wJ @UIchildrens



Ask questions before allowing a child to use an ATV. Is the model right for the child’s age? Do you have a certified helmet? Can the child follow rules like staying off-road? If not, say no to ATVs. #ATVsafety http://bit.ly/2lggCog  


Know your child: if your child has trouble controlling impulses, following rules, or understanding risk, do not let them use ATVs. See the rest of the #ATVsafety infographic from @ChildrensSafety: http://bit.ly/2lfP0Q3  


ATVs can weigh hundreds of pounds and roll over easily. Find a training course for your children before allowing them to use ATVs. #ATVsafety  
