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# **Heat rises fast—never leave kids in cars.**



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# A preventable tragedy. Hot cars can kill in minutes:

Over the past 25 years, more than 1,000 kids have died from pediatric vehicular heatstroke, a silent but deadly risk.

Understanding the lethal danger of leaving children in hot cars:

Source: NoHeatstroke.org

**3–5x faster**



*Kids overheat 3–5x faster than adults.*

**1,010+ deaths**



*1,010+ kids have died in hot cars since 1998.*

**10 minutes**



*Car temps rise 20°F in 10 minutes.*

According to NoHeatstroke.org, as of June 2025, 1,016 children have died in hot cars due to pediatric vehicular heatstroke since 1998.

# The greenhouse effect: cars trap heat fast:

A car traps heat like a greenhouse. Cracking a window or parking in the shade won't stop deadly temperature spikes.

How fast a parked car heats up:

● Car interior temperature   ● Outside temperature



National Highway Traffic Safety Administration. "Heatstroke Deaths of Children in Vehicles." NHTSA.gov.

# **Forgotten Baby Syndrome: How it happens:**

**Over half of all deaths happen when a loving, otherwise attentive caregiver **forgets** a child in the car—aka *Forgotten Baby Syndrome*.**

**Primary circumstances of pediatric vehicular heatstroke:**

- Forgotten
- Left on purpose
- Unsupervised entry



*Over 50% of hot car deaths are tragic accidents, not neglect.*

NoHeatstroke.org reports that, as of 2025, roughly 53% of child hot car deaths in the U.S. since 1998 occurred because the child was “forgotten” by a caregiver.

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# June safety month: always check the back seat:

Every year, dozens of children lose their lives to **heatstroke** after being left in parked cars. Most cases are heartbreakng accidents.

Even on mild days, a car can become deadly within minutes. **Always check the back seat.** Stay alert. Prevent tragedy.

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