

Trauma Cause of Injury

National EMS Database Report Specification

Purpose

This report provides national information regarding the frequency injury or trauma-related EMS encounters by cause of injury.

Definitions

1. **Cause of Injury:** Reported (or suspected) external cause of injury recorded by the EMS provider. Injury cause categories are based upon broad groupings of The International Classification of Diseases, 9th Revision, Clinical Modification (ICD-9-CM) E-Codes.
2. **Percentage:** The number of items with a certain characteristic divided by the total number of items in the sample and multiplied by 100. For example, the percentage that represents five out of 20 complaints is 5 divided by 20 x 100, which is 25%.

Required Data Elements

- * E05_04: Unit Notified by Dispatch Date/Time
- * E09_04: Possible Injury
- * E10_01: Cause of Injury

1. The Unit Notified Date (E05_04) is used to select the records for the Date Range
2. Select only records with E09_04 = Yes

Formulas

None

Exclusions/Limitations

Null values reported for cause of injury are not included in the national charts or tables. The actual number of excluded cases will vary based upon the date range specified for each chart (see specific chart footer for number of excluded cases).