



# Injury

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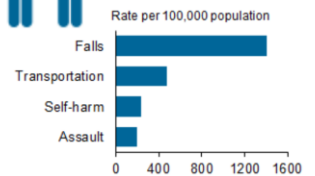
Injury causes a range of physical, cognitive and psychological disabilities that seriously affect the quality of life of individuals, people and their families.

- 454,031 people were injured severely enough to be admitted to hospital during 2011–12. Males comprised 57% of these cases.

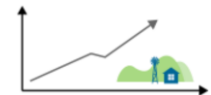
- 1 in 4 people hospitalised for an injury in 2011–12 were over the age of 65.



- 2 of the main causes of injury in Australia are falls and transport accidents.



- Remoteness rates of hospitalised injury rise steeply with distance from a major city with the highest rates of hospitalised injury among people who live in very remote regions.



- 2 x Indigenous Australians were twice as likely to be admitted to hospital for an injury than were other Australians. This finding is influenced by the high proportion of Indigenous people living in remote and very remote regions in Australia.



- 1 in 10 of all hospital admissions for older Australians were for injuries sustained in a fall.



- 96,385 older Australians were hospitalised in 2011–12 as the result of a fall, most of them women (68%).

- Declining rates of injury due to poisoning by pharmaceuticals, poisoning by other substances, and drowning and submersion have fallen since 1999–00.

