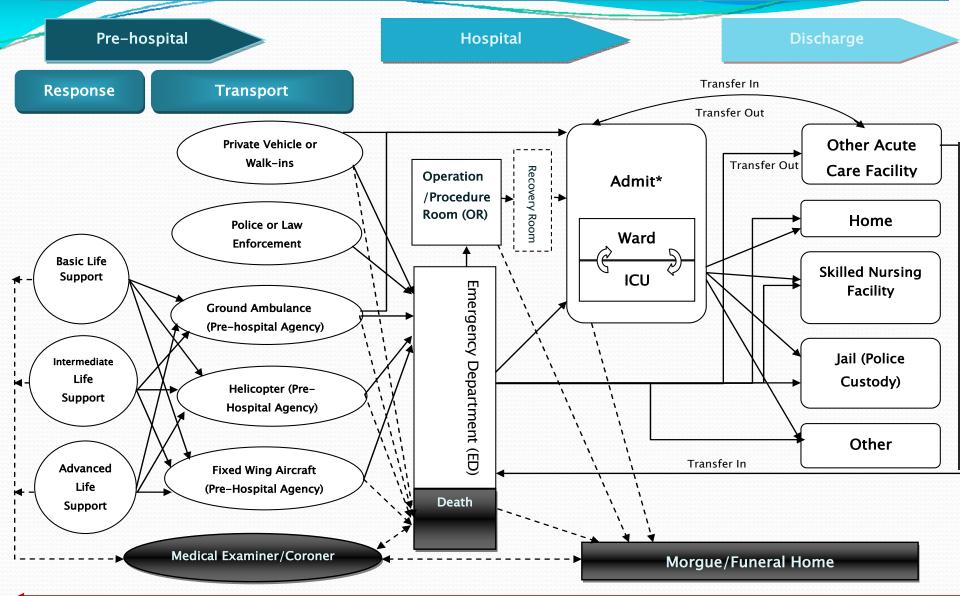
# Patient Flow Through Washington's Trauma System

September, 2010

#### Washington State Trauma System

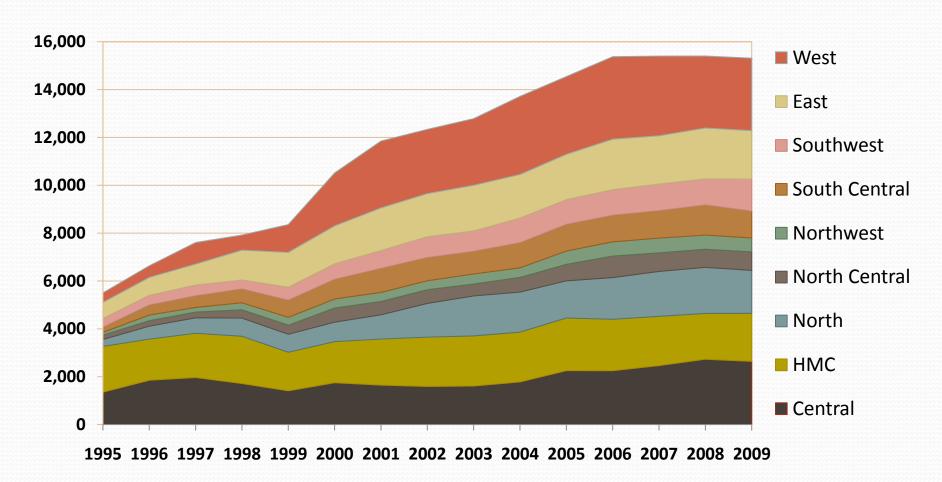


#### Trauma Patient Flow Chart

<sup>\*</sup> Direct admissions to the OR, ICU or hospital ward from the field are recorded in the ED section of the Trauma Registry with zero ED duration. Washington State Department of Health

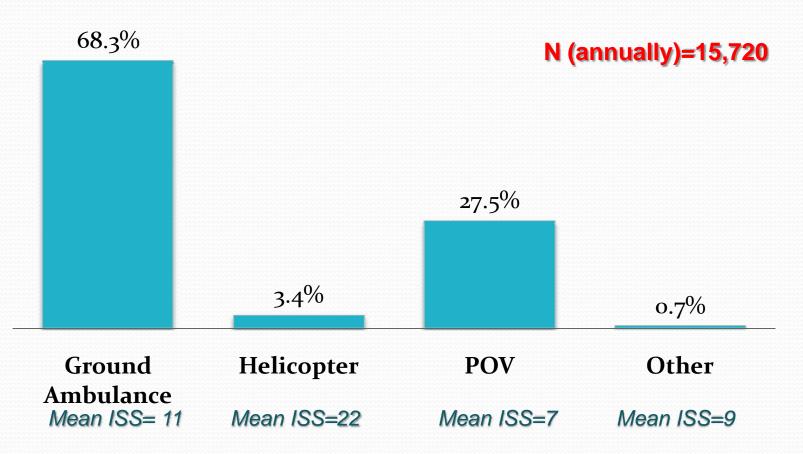
## Trauma Volume Trends by Region

(DOH Criteria, Excluding Transfers-in)

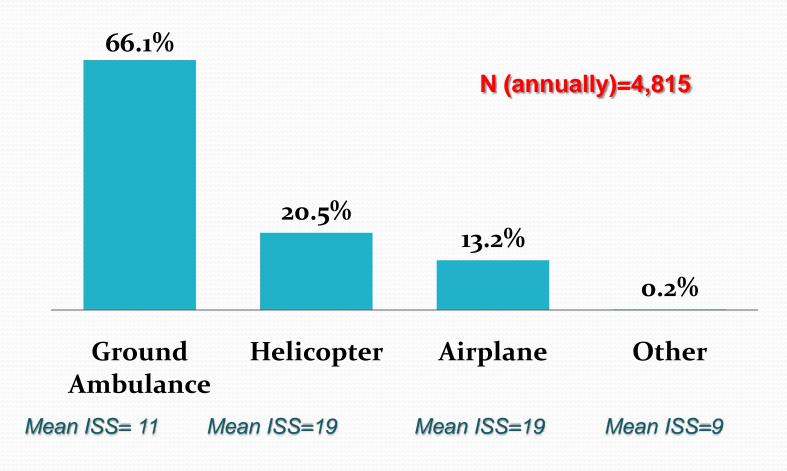


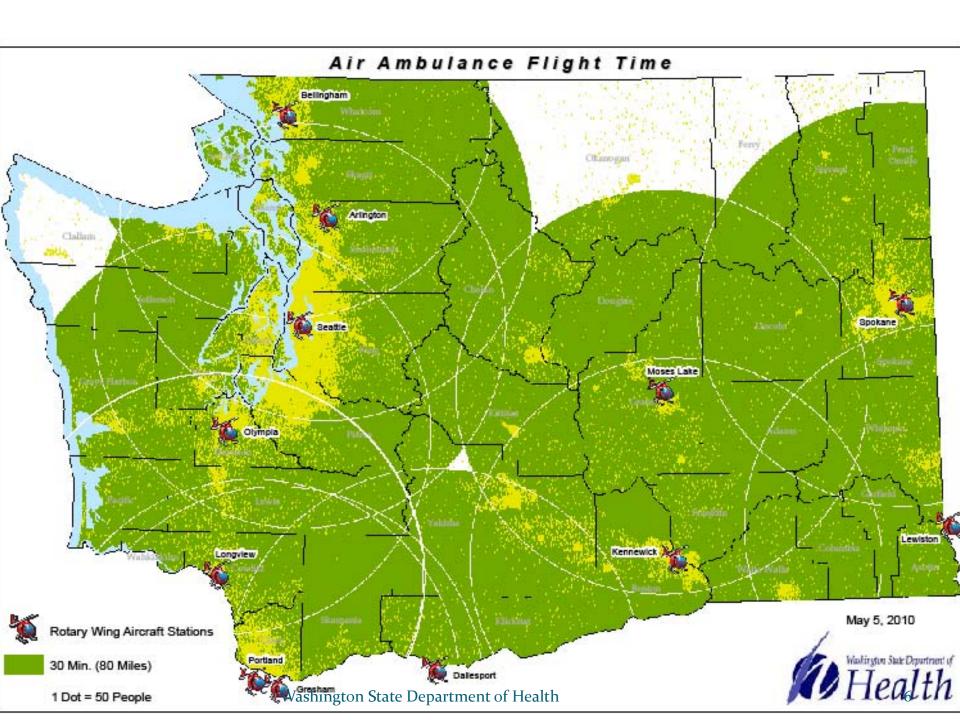
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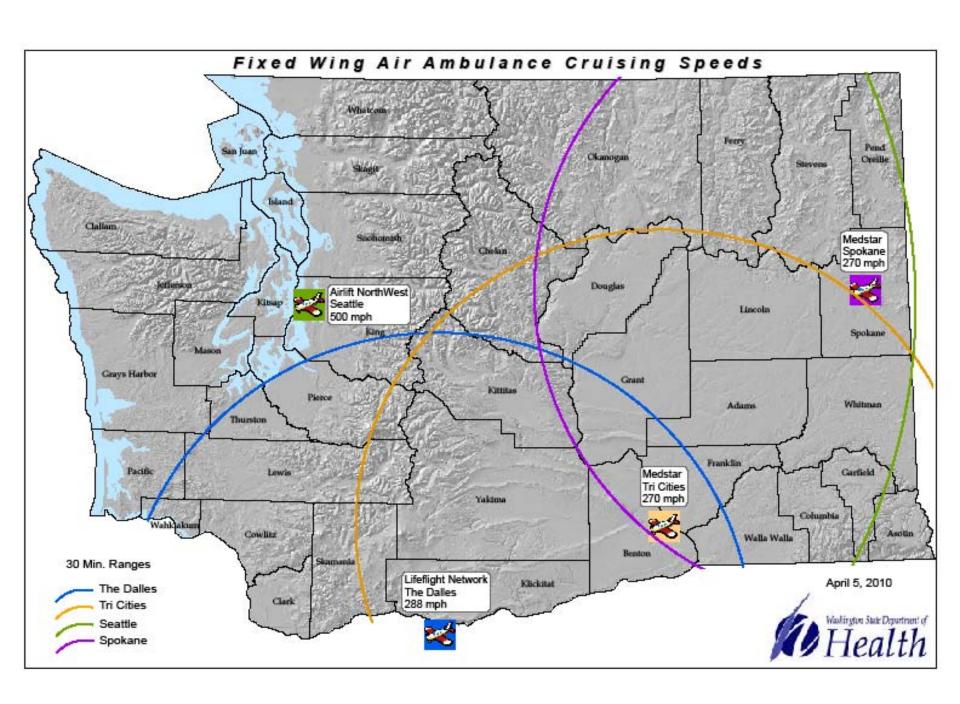
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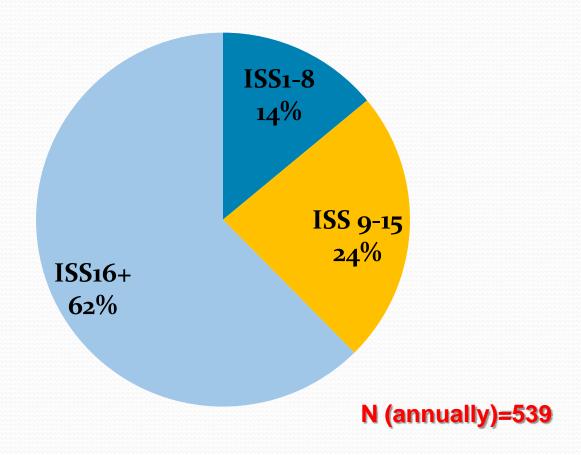






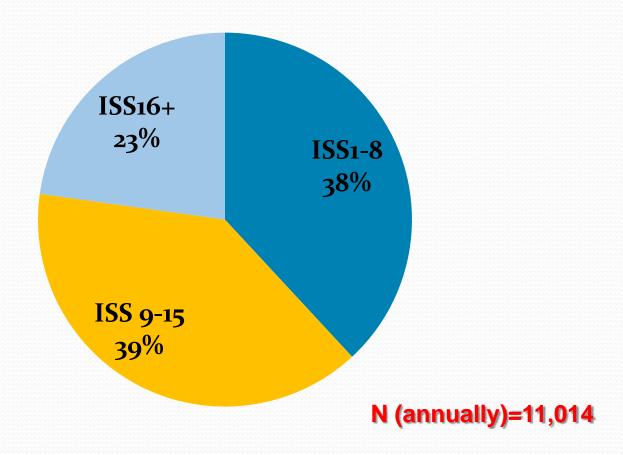
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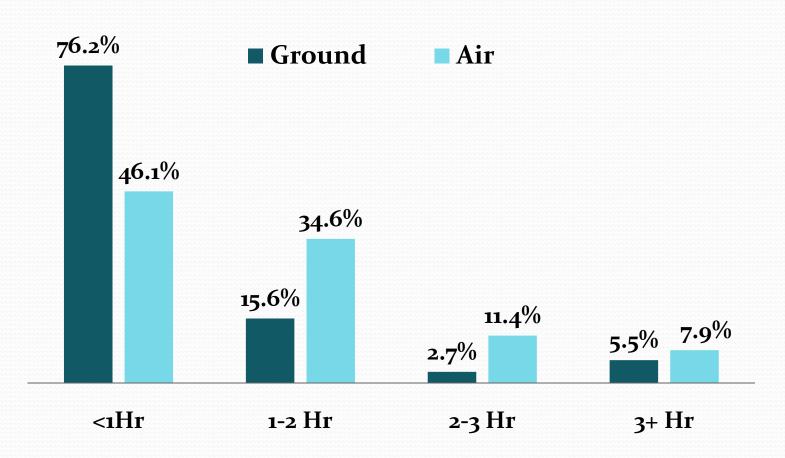


## **Ground Transports from Scene**

(2007 – 2009, DOH criteria, excluding transfers in)



# Time from Injury to 1st Hospital



## **Air Transport from Scene: Outcomes**

- 147 patients died (9.2%) (During FY 01-02, 13.6%) (37 ED, 9 OR, 101 Floor)
- 291 (18%) to OR from ED (During FY 01-02, 31.7%)
- 774 (47.9%) to ICU (During FY 01-02, 35.9%)
- 93 (5.8%) transfer from ED to another ACF (During FY 01-02, 3.4%)
- 47 (3.2%) transferred after admission (During FY 2001-2002, 2.5%)
- 15 (0.9%) discharged from ED.

### **Ground Transport from Scene: Outcomes**

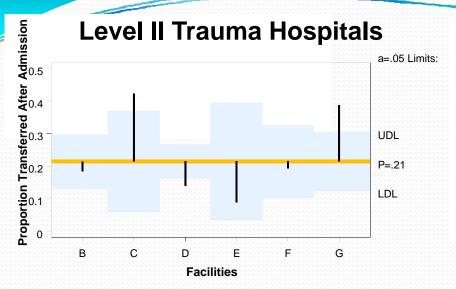
- 1,473 patients died (4.5%) (During FY 01-02, 6.4%)
  (60 DOA, 405 ED, 72 OR, 936 Floor)
- 2,929 (9.2%) to OR from ED
- 4,354(13.5%) to ICU
- 7,202(22.5%) transfer from ED to another ACF (During FY 01-02, 22.3%)
- 622 (2.7%) transferred after admission
- 1,204(3.8%) discharged home from ED.

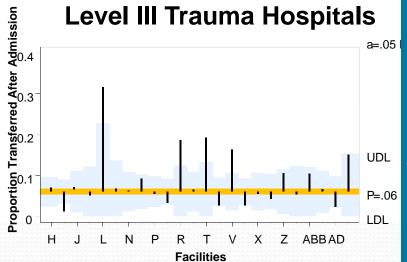
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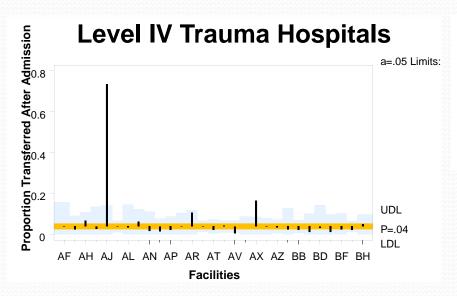
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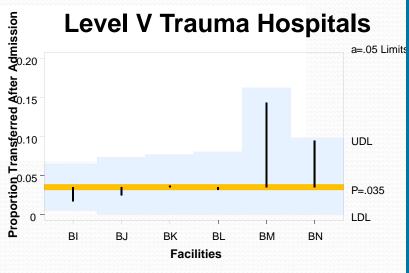
846 patients were admitted and subsequently transferred (30% with ISS 16-75)

- 21% (n=173) had a surgery prior to the transfer
- 33% (n=270) had ICU stays without surgery
- 956 patients had ED stays longer than 6 hours before they were transferred out (16% with ISS 16-75)



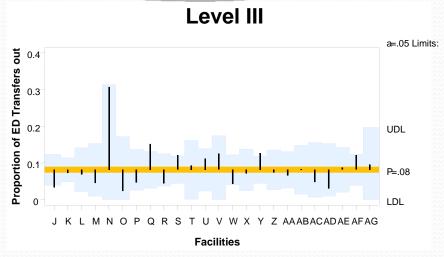


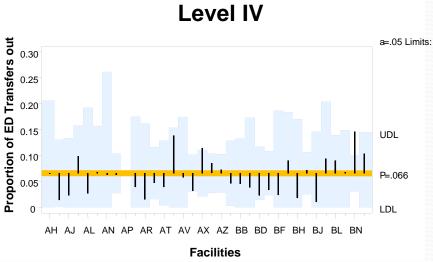


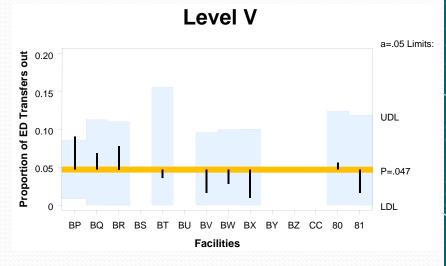


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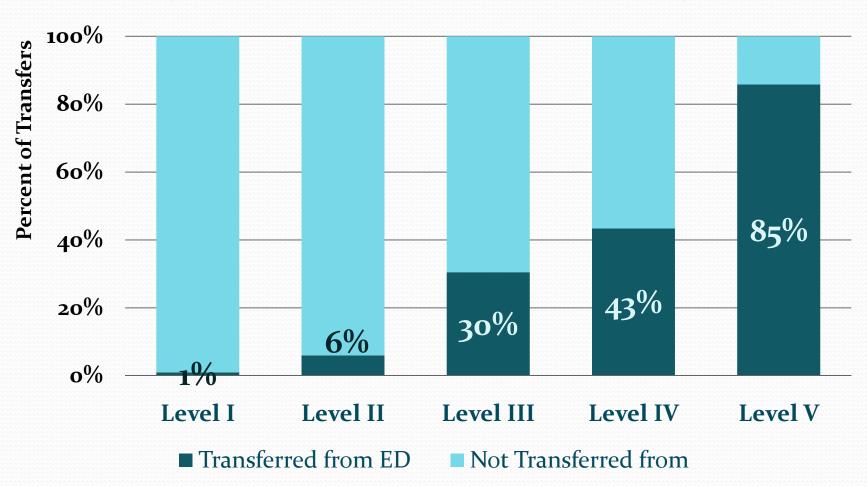




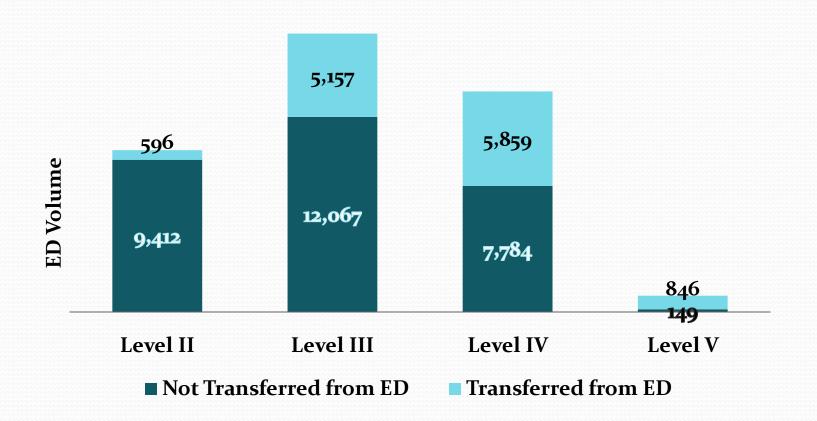


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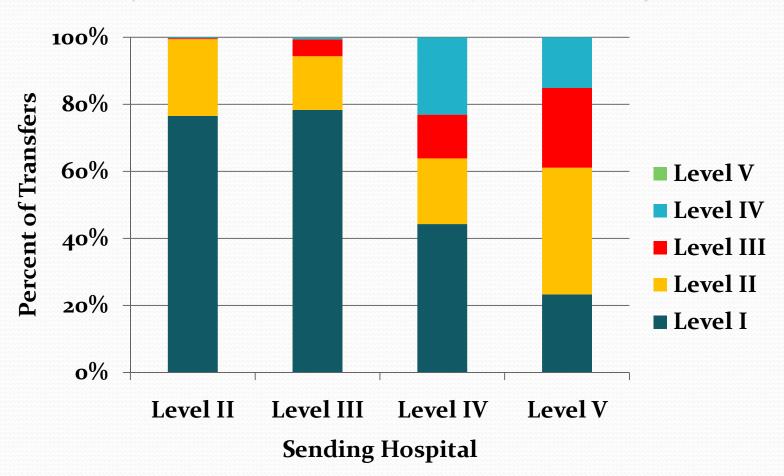
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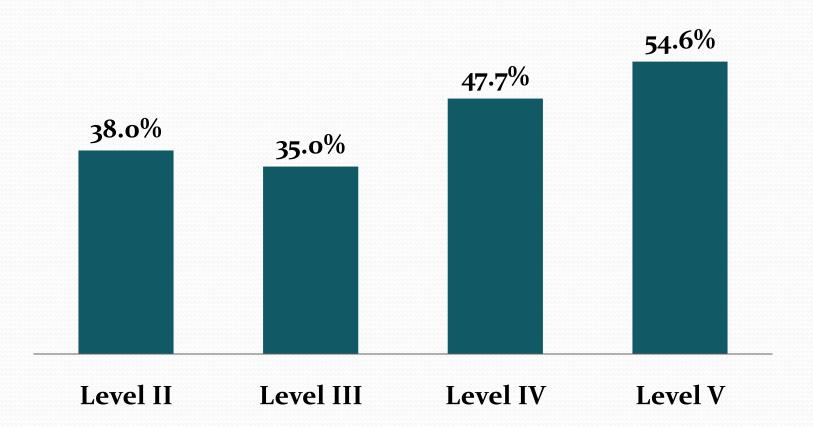
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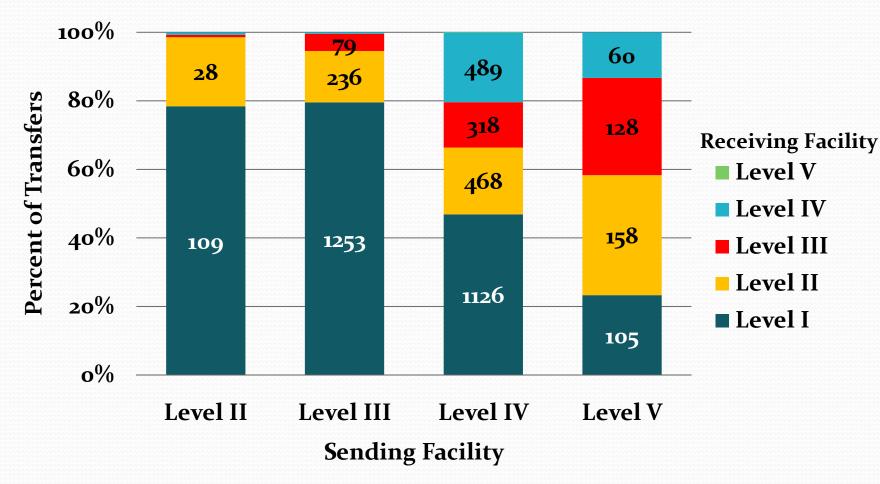
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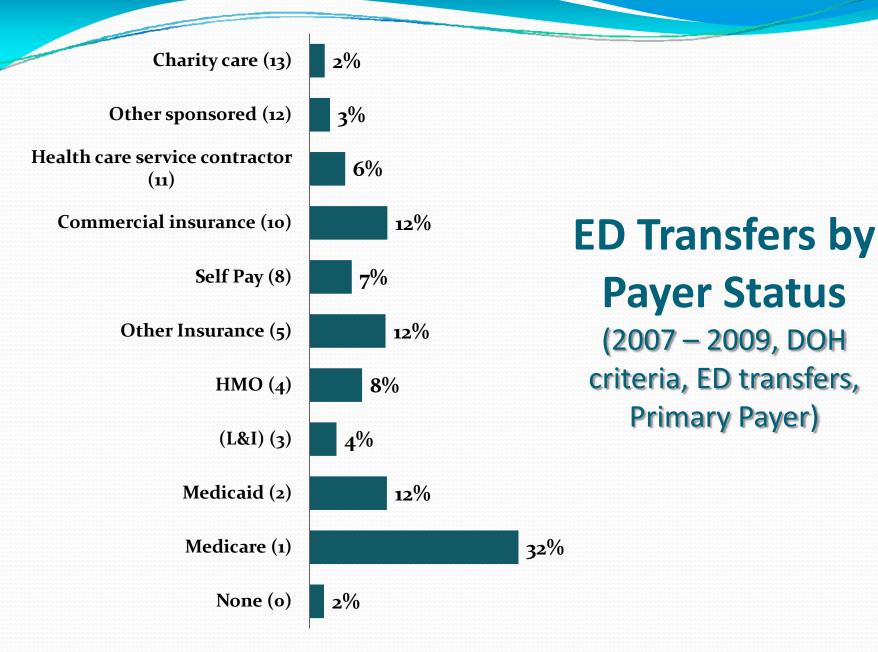
- From Level II: N=2
- From Level III: N=27
- From Level IV: N=1

#### **ISS<9** Transfers from ED



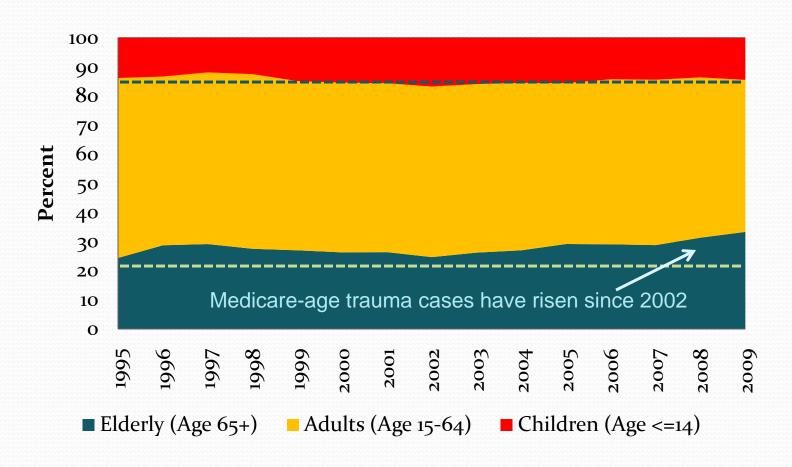
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## **Age Trends of Trauma Patients**

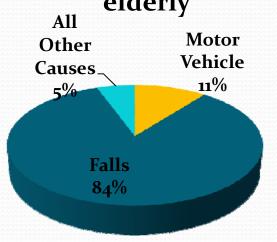
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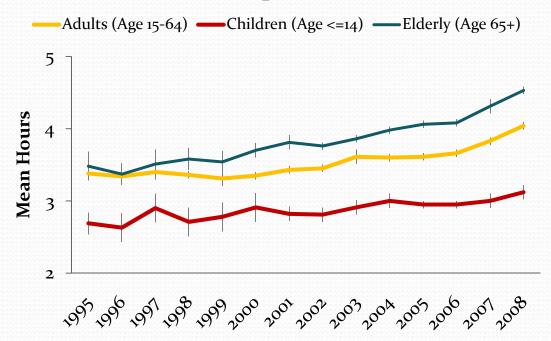
# Trauma among Medicare-Age Population

(2006 – 2008, DOH criteria, Excluding Transfers)

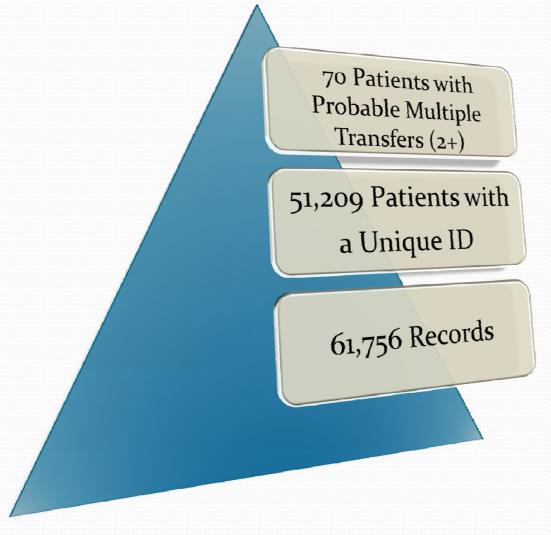
Falls are the major cause of trauma among the elderly



Starting with year 2000, elderly trauma patients have had longer ED stays than adult patients



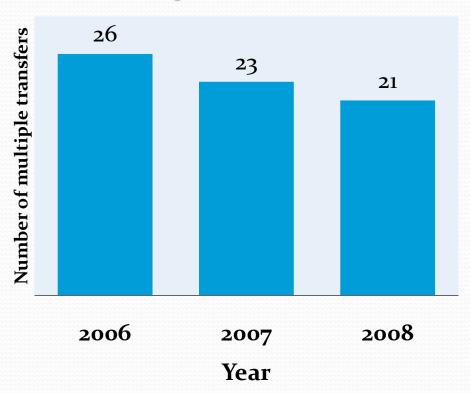
## Multiple Patient Transfers, 2006-2008



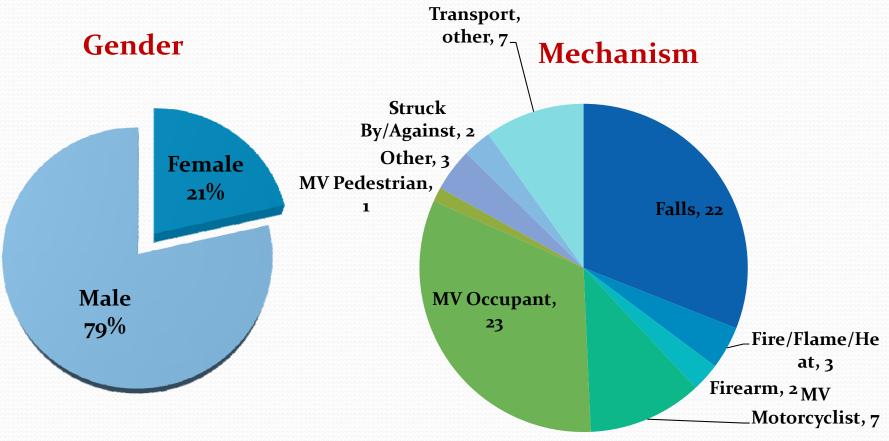
#### **Total N = 70 during 2006-2008**

- 6 Deaths
- All blunt injuries
- Min. Age=3 Years
- Max Age=91 Years
- Median Age= 43

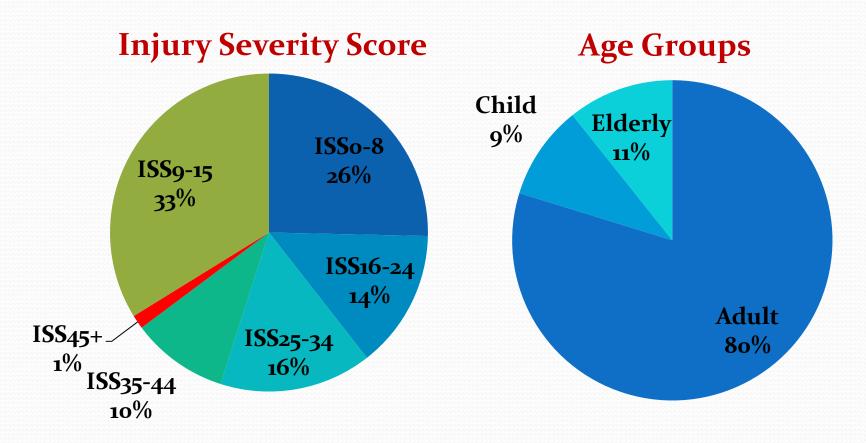
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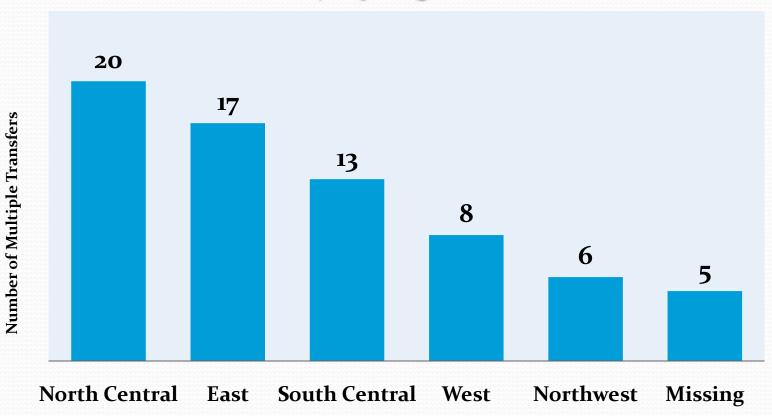


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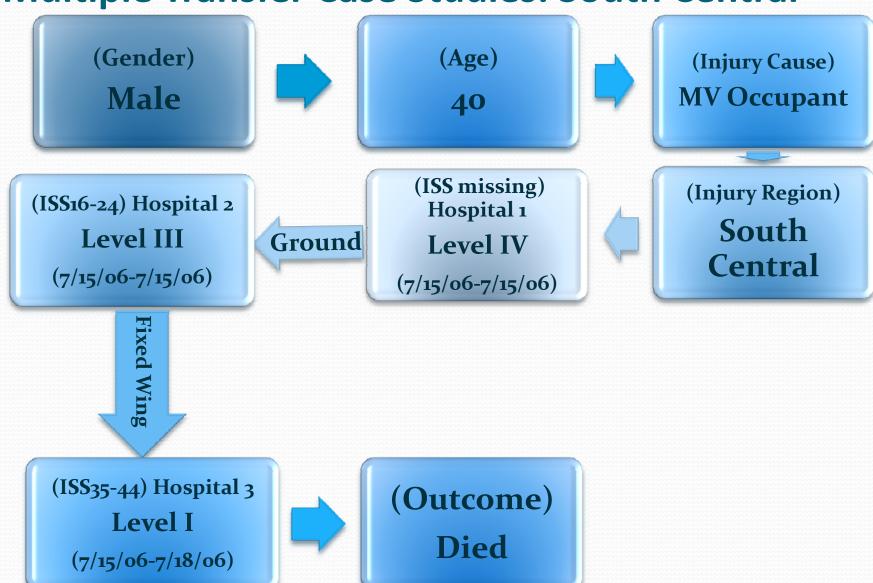


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#### **Injury Region**

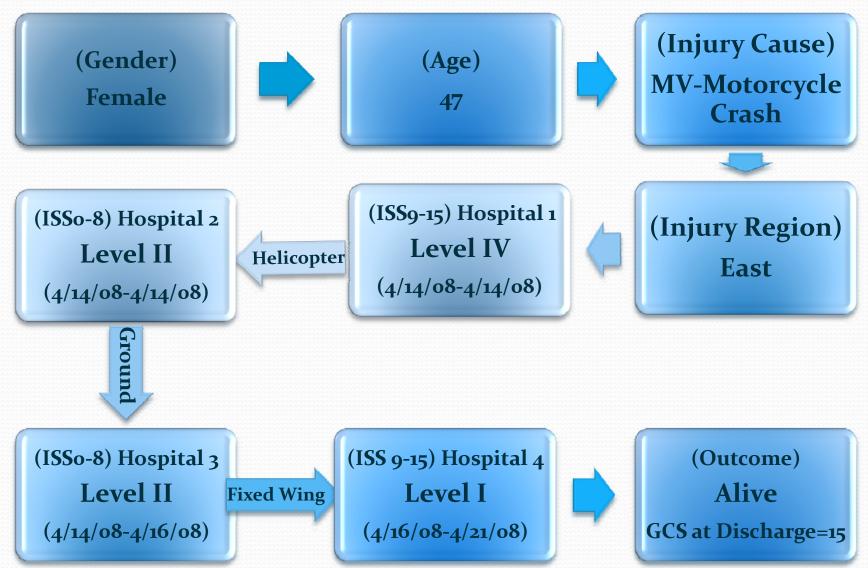


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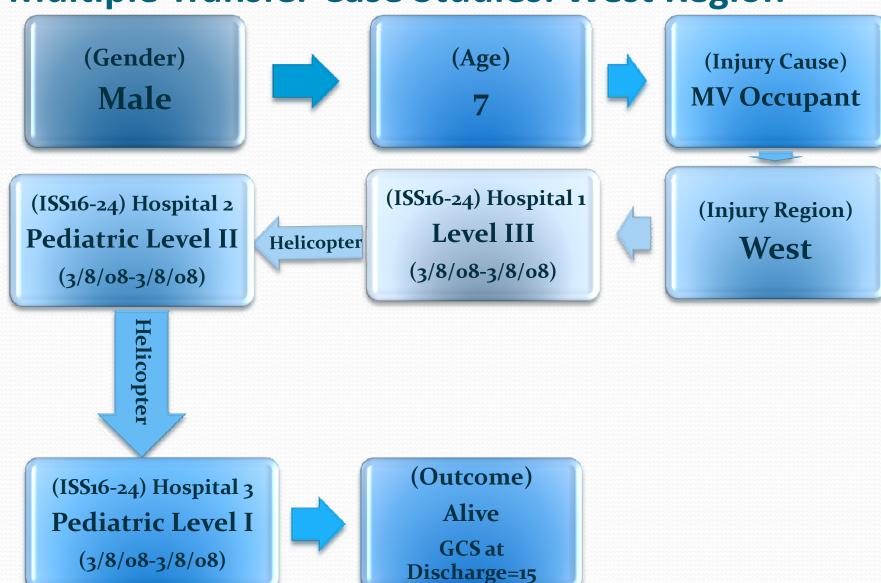


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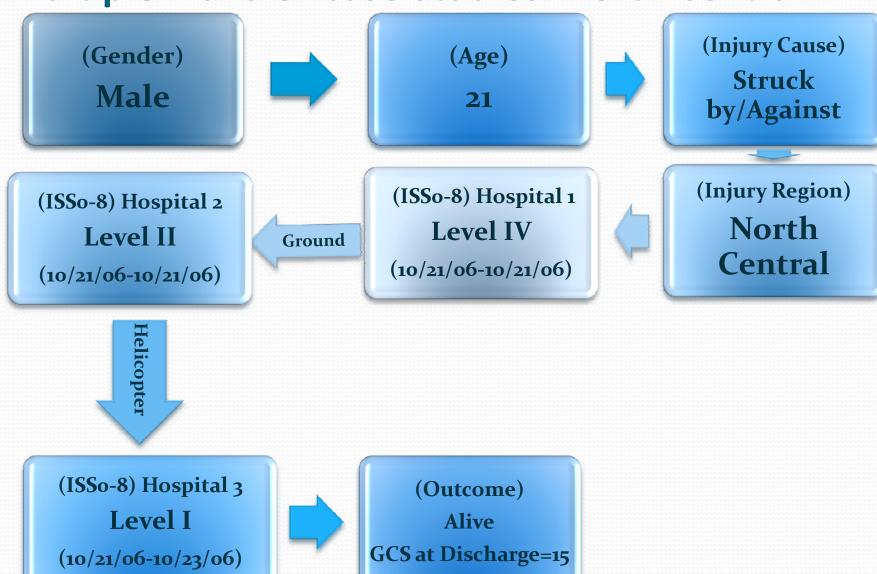


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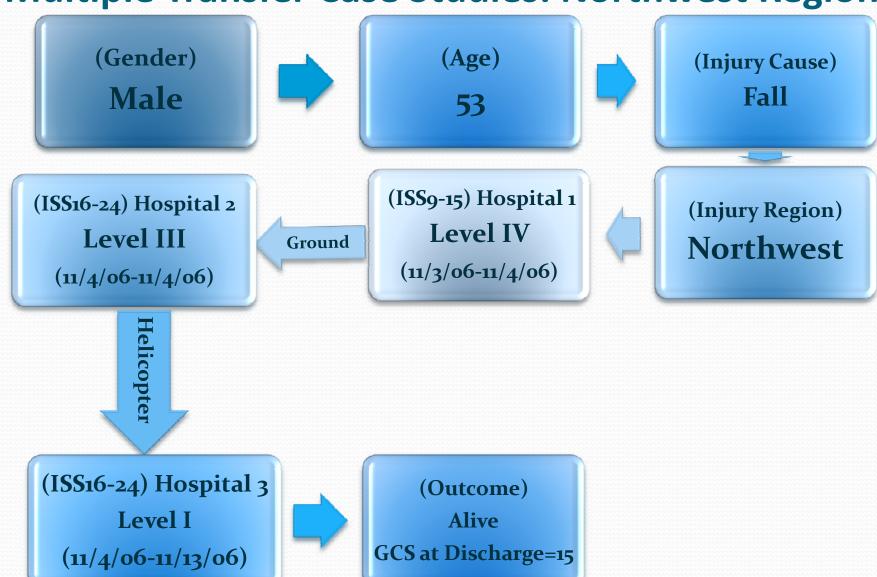
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## Multiple Transfer Case Studies: North Central



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## Thanks so Much!

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