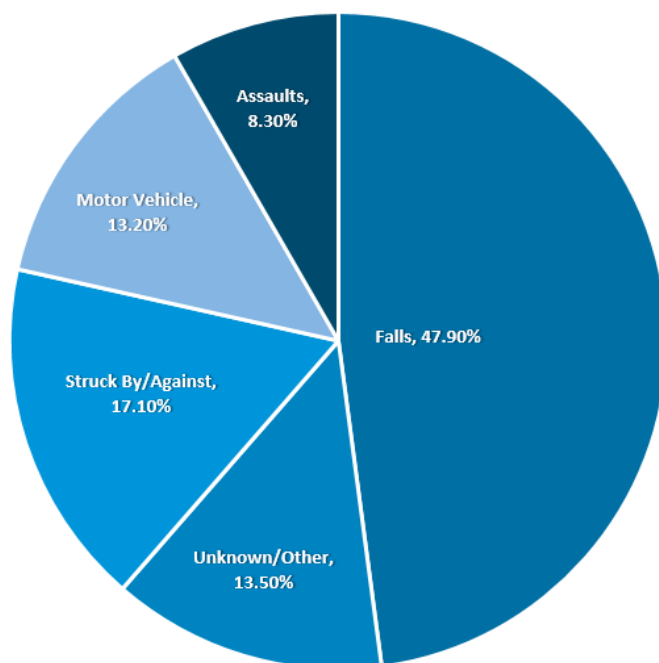


# BRAIN INJURY FACTS & STATISTICS



- Every 9 seconds, someone in the United States sustains a brain injury.
- An acquired brain injury (ABI) is any injury to the brain that is not hereditary, congenital, degenerative, or induced by birth trauma.
- More than 3.5 million children and adults sustain an ABI each year, but the total incidence is unknown.
- Typical causes of ABI include:
  - Electric Shock
  - Infectious Disease
  - Lightning Strike
  - Near Drowning
  - Oxygen Deprivation (Hypoxia/Anoxia)
  - Stroke
  - Seizure Disorder
  - Substance Abuse/Overdose
  - Toxic Exposure
  - Tumor
- Traumatic brain injury (TBI) is type of ABI. A TBI is caused by trauma to the brain from an external force.
- The number of people who sustain TBIs and do not seek treatment is unknown.
- One of every 60 people in the U.S. lives with a TBI-related disability. The annual impact of TBI in the U.S. is significant:
  - At least 2.5 million people sustain a TBI
  - 2.2 million are treated for TBI in Emergency Departments and Trauma Centers
  - 280,000 are hospitalized
  - 50,000 die

## Leading Causes of TBI



- Every day, 137 people die in the United States because of a TBI-related injury.
- At least 5.3 million Americans live with a TBI-related disability.
- When someone sustains a brain injury, many people are affected:
  - Survivors and their parents, spouses, siblings, extended families, and friends
  - Healthcare providers
  - Insurance companies
  - Attorneys
  - Educators
  - Government agencies
  - Employers of all types