WHAT TYPES OF CRASHES CAUSE WHAT TYPES OF INJURIES?

The severity of a vehicle crash often relates to the degree of the injuries sustained by the people involved, though it can be the case that a major crash causes minor injuries or that a relatively minor collision causes a person very serious injury.

The deadliest times on our roads are weekend overnight hours.

SOME OF THE DEADLIEST TYPES OF VEHICLE CRASHES ARE:

Head-On Collisions
Rollover Accidents
High-Impact Collisions
Collisions at High Speeds
Side-impact (or T-bone) Collisions

56% of road fatalities, in 2014, occurred in single-vehicle crashes.

Those who wear seatbelts have significantly lower fatality rates in vehicle crashes than those who do not.

EJECTIONS

Ejections from a vehicle often result from rollovers, impact with a stationary object or side-impact collisions that cause a vehicle to rotate.

People who are ejected from a vehicle experience high rates of fatality and catastrophic injuries, such as brain injuries, spinal cord injuries and organ damage.

Ejection occurs at a rate seven times higher among those who do not wear seatbelts compared to those who do wear seatbelts.

PEDESTRIANS AND CYCLISTS

In pedestrian accidents that occur at lower speeds, the bumper of a vehicle will typically hit the leg of the pedestrian, causing hip or shoulder impact against the hood. "Bumper injuries" to the legs are common pedestrian injuries.

Cyclists who collide with a vehicle are more likely to suffer head injuries, neck injuries and death than those involved in other types of bicycle accidents.

EXAMPLES OF SPECIFIC INJURIES CAUSED BY CERTAIN TYPES OF CRASHES

01 **Whiplash** is typically caused when a person's vehicle is struck from behind, which is referred to as a **rear-end collision**.

02 **High-speed collisions** can cause some of the most serious injuries, such as **spinal cord injuries and traumatic brain injuries.**

03 When one vehicle impacts another from the side (often called a **T-bone accident**), those sitting on the impacted side of the vehicle have a higher risk of serious injuries of all types, including **spinal cord injuries, brain injuries and organ damage.**

04 **Front-end collisions** might be more likely to result in injuries to an occupant's **knees or hips.**

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Resources:

http://www.spine-health.com/conditions/neck-pain/how-does-whiplash-occur

http://www.iihs.org/iihs/topics/t/general-statistics/fatalityfacts/state-by-state-overview

http://emedicine.medscape.com/article/1765532-overview#a5

http://www.aafp.org/afp/2001/0515/p2007.html

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