

# ABI Fact Sheet

Acquired Brain Injury (ABI) is the leading cause of death and disability in children and young adults worldwide.

Approximately 70% of survivors are between ages 18 and 28. Males are twice as likely as females to acquire a brain injury.

Acquired Brain Injury is the leading cause of seizure disorders.

Half of all brain injuries are the result of motor vehicle collisions.

The remainder are commonly caused by sport injuries (30%), work-related injuries, assault, falls, illness or firearms.

## Canadian Statistics:

- 1 65,000 **new** cases of ABI each year (2,200 in Saskatchewan)
- 36,000 sustain injury severe enough to require hospitalization
- 2,500 will die
- 9,000 injured survivors will require long-term rehabilitation
- 6,000 will live the remainder of their life with disability

## “Brain injury is a pervasive epidemic and it’s preventable”

Every year in Canada and the U.S. there are new diagnoses of serious medical conditions:

