## SUMMARY REPORT

NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL SPORTS-RELATED INJURY SURVEILLANCE STUDY

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## I. Introduction \& Methodology

### 1.1 Project Overview

To combat the epidemic of obesity among youth in the United States (US), adolescents must be encouraged to get up off the couch and participate in physically active sports, recreation, and leisure activities. Participation in high school sports, one of the most popular physical activities among adolescents, has grown rapidly from an estimated 4.0 million participants in 1971-72 to an estimated 7.9 million in 2016-17. While the health benefits of a physically active lifestyle including participating in sports are undeniable, high school athletes are at risk of sports-related injury because a certain endemic level of injury can be expected among participants of any physical activity. The challenge to injury epidemiologists is to reduce injury rates among high school athletes to the lowest possible level without discouraging adolescents from engaging in this important form of physical activity. This goal can best be accomplished by investigating the etiology of preventable injuries; by developing, implementing, and evaluating protective interventions using such science-based evidence; and by responsibly reporting epidemiologic findings while promoting a physically active lifestyle among adolescents.

### 1.2 Background and Significance

High school sports play an important role in the adoption and maintenance of a physically active lifestyle among millions of US adolescents. Too often injury prevention in this population is overlooked as sports-related injuries are thought to be unavoidable. In reality, sports-related injuries are largely preventable through the application of preventive interventions based on evidence-based science. The morbidity, mortality, and disability caused by high school sportsrelated injuries can be reduced through the development of effective prevention strategies and through programmatic decisions based on injury prevention. However, such efforts rely upon
accurate national estimates of injury incidence, injury rate calculations, and risk and protective factor data. Previously, no injury surveillance system capable of providing researchers with the needed quality of injury and exposure data for high school sports-related injuries existed.

Since the 2005-06 school year, Dr. R. Dawn Comstock has conducted the National High School Sports-Related Injury Surveillance System to monitor injuries among US high school athletes participating in boys' football, boys' and girls' soccer, girls' volleyball, boys' and girls’ basketball, boys' wrestling, boys' baseball, and girls' softball. This surveillance has been conducted using the time- and cost-efficient RIO $^{\text {TM }}$ (Reporting Information Online) surveillance system. Through the generous contributions of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and the National Federation of State High School Associations (NFHS), the National High School Sports-Related Injury Surveillance System was able to be continued during the 2017-18 school year. Previous study years were funded by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), National Federation of State High School Associations (NFHS), the National Operating Committee on Standards for Athletic Equipment (NOCSAE), the Research Institute at Nationwide Children's Hospital, DonJoy Orthotics, EyeBlack, and The Ohio State University.

### 1.3 Specific Aims

The continuing objectives of this study are to maintain the National High School Sports-
Related Injury Surveillance System among a nationally representative sample of US high schools. The specific aims of this study are:
A) To determine the incidence (number) of injuries among US high school boys' football, boys' and girls' soccer, girls' volleyball, boys' and girls' basketball, boys' wrestling, boys' baseball, and girls' softball athletes.
B) To calculate the rate of injuries per 1,000 athlete-competitions, per 1,000 athletepractices, and per 1,000 athlete-exposures for US high school athletes in the 9 sports of interest.
C) To provide detailed information about the injuries sustained by US high school athletes including the type, site, severity, initial and subsequent treatment/care, outcome, etc.
D) To provide detailed information about the injury events including athlete demographics, position played, phase of play/activity, etc.
E) To identify potential risk or protective factors.
F) To compare injury rates and patterns from the 2005-06 through the 2017-18 school years.

### 1.4 Project Design

The National High School Sports-Related Injury Surveillance System defined an injury as:
A) An injury that occurred as a result of participation in an organized high school competition or practice and
B) Required medical attention by a team physician, certified athletic trainer, personal physician, or emergency department/urgent care facility and
C) Resulted in restriction of the high school athlete's participation for one or more days beyond the day of injury and
D) Any fracture, concussion, dental injury, or exertional heat event regardless of whether or not it resulted in restriction of the student-athlete's participation.

An athlete exposure was defined as one athlete participating in one practice or competition where he or she is exposed to the possibility of athletic injury. Exposure was expressed in two parts:
A) Number of athlete-practices $=$ the sum of the number of athletes at each practice during the past week. For example, if 20 athletes practiced on Monday through Thursday and 18 practiced on Friday, the number of athlete-practices would equal 98.
B) Number of athlete-competitions $=$ the sum of the number of athletes at each competition during the past week. For example, if 9 athletes played in a Freshman game, 12 in a JV game, and 14 in a Varsity game, the number of athlete-competitions would equal 35.

### 1.5 Sample Recruitment

All eligible schools (i.e., all US high schools with a National Athletic Trainers'
Association (NATA) affiliated certified athletic trainer (AT) willing to serve as a reporter) were categorized into 8 sampling strata by geographic location (northeast, midwest, south, and west) and high school size (enrollment $\leq 1,000$ or $>1,000$ students). Participant schools were then randomly selected from each substrata to obtain 100 study schools. To maintain a nationally representative sample, if a school dropped out of the study, another school from the same stratum was randomly selected for replacement. Due to lower participation this year, strata were first filled with schools reporting for all 9 sports followed by schools reporting for 5 or more sports. Strata were then filled with schools reporting for any one of the 9 original sports in an attempt to have 100 schools reporting for each of the 9 original sports to ensure equal distribution of schools between the 8 strata. Participating ATs were offered a $\$ 300-\$ 400$ honorarium depending on the number of sports reported along with individualized injury reports following the study's conclusion.

### 1.6 Data Collection

Each AT that enrolled their school in National High School Sports-Related Injury Surveillance System received an email every Monday throughout the study period reminding
them to enter their school's data into the surveillance system. Each participating AT was asked to complete 47 weekly exposure reports: one for each week from July 25, 2017 through June 18, 2018. Exposure reports collected exposure information (number of athlete-competitions and athlete-practices) and the number of reportable injuries sustained by student athletes of each sport that was currently in session at their school. For each reportable injury, the AT was asked to complete an injury report. The injury report collected detailed information about the injured player (e.g., age, year in school, etc.), the injury (e.g. site, type, severity, etc.) and the injury event (e.g., position played, phase of play, etc.). This internet-based surveillance tool provided ATs with the ability to view all their submitted data throughout the study and update reports as needed (e.g., need for surgery, days till resuming play, etc.).

### 1.7 Data Management

In an effort to decrease loss-to follow up, a log of reporters' utilization of the internetbased injury surveillance system was maintained throughout the study period. Reporters who repeatedly failed to $\log$ on to complete the weekly exposure and injury reports or who had errors with their reporting were contacted by the study staff and either reminded to report, asked to correct errors, or assessed for their willingness to continue participating in the study.

### 1.8 Data Analysis

Data were analyzed using SAS software, version 9.4 and SPSS, version 24.0. Although fractures, concussions, and dental injuries resulting in < day time loss were collected, unless otherwise noted, analyses in this report excluded these injuries. With the exception of injury rates, data were weighted for all analyses to produce national estimates. For each sport in each stratum, weights account for the total number of US schools offering the sport and the average number of participating study schools reporting each week for that sport. For example,
following is the algorithm used to calculate football weights for the small (enrollment $\leq 1,000$ ) west stratum:


Injury rates were calculated as the ratio of unweighted case counts per 1,000 athleteexposures, and they were compared using rate ratios (RR) with $95 \%$ confidence intervals (CI). Following is an example of the RR calculation comparing the rate of injury in boys' soccer to the rate of injury in girls' soccer:


Injury proportions were compared using injury proportion ratios (IPR) and corresponding confidence intervals calculated using the Complex Samples module of SPSS in order to account for the sampling weights and the complex sampling design. Following is an example of the IPR calculation comparing the proportion of male soccer concussions to the proportion of female soccer concussions:

$$
\text { IPR = ---------------------------------------------------------------- } \underset{\text { \# girls’ soccer concussions / total \# girls’ soccer injuries }}{\text { \# }}
$$

An RR or IPR $>1.00$ suggests a risk association while an RR or IPR $<1.00$ suggests a protective association. CI not including 1.00 were considered statistically significant. Injury rates over time were compared by running a linear regression and testing for trend.

## II. Overall Injury Epidemiology

Table 2.1 Injury Rates by Sport and Type of Exposure, High School Sports-Related Injury Surveillance Study, US, 2017-18 School Year*

|  | \# Injuries | \# Exposures | Injury rate (per 1,000 athleteexposures) | Nationally Estimated \# Injuries |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Overall total | 4,105 | 1,674,494 | 2.45 | 1,367,490 |
| Competition | 2,349 | 481,465 | 4.88 | 798,220 |
| Practice | 1,756 | 1,193,029 | 1.47 | 569,270 |
| Boys' football total | 1,761 | 406,379 | 4.33 | 463,626 |
| Competition | 1,050 | 74,308 | 14.13 | 281,790 |
| Practice | 711 | 332,071 | 2.14 | 181,836 |
| Boys' soccer total | 346 | 178,489 | 1.94 | 180,607 |
| Competition | 218 | 55,583 | 3.92 | 113,655 |
| Practice | 128 | 122,906 | 1.04 | 66,952 |
| Girls' soccer total | 432 | 153,235 | 2.82 | 242,602 |
| Competition | 275 | 47,133 | 5.83 | 152,993 |
| Practice | 157 | 106,102 | 1.48 | 89,609 |
| Girls' volleyball total | 247 | 160,117 | 1.54 | 67,163 |
| Competition | 122 | 55,944 | 2.18 | 33,075 |
| Practice | 125 | 104,173 | 1.20 | 34,088 |
| Boys' basketball total | 324 | 210,119 | 1.54 | 93,773 |
| Competition | 176 | 64,289 | 2.74 | 48,814 |
| Practice | 148 | 145,830 | 1.01 | 44,959 |
| Girls' basketball total | 332 | 154,149 | 2.15 | 90,554 |
| Competition | 199 | 48,258 | 4.12 | 53,834 |
| Practice | 133 | 105,891 | 1.26 | 36,720 |
| Boys' wrestling total | 351 | 132,408 | 2.65 | 103,058 |
| Competition | 153 | 35,553 | 4.30 | 48,770 |
| Practice | 198 | 96,855 | 2.04 | 54,288 |
| Boys' baseball total | 155 | 162,487 | 0.95 | 49,716 |
| Competition | 76 | 59,229 | 1.28 | 26,844 |
| Practice | 79 | 103,258 | 0.77 | 22,872 |


| Girls' softball total | 157 | 117,111 | 1.34 | 76,391 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Competition | 80 | 41,168 | 1.94 | 38,445 |
| Practice | 77 | 75,943 | 1.01 | 37,946 |

*Only includes injuries resulting in $\geq 1$ days' time loss.

Table 2.2 Proportion of Injuries Resulting in Time Loss, High School Sports-Related Injury Surveillance Study, US, 2017-18 School Year*

|  | $\geq 1$ days time loss | $<1$ day time loss | Time loss data missing | Total |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Overall | $93.9 \%$ | $0.9 \%$ | $5.2 \%$ | $\mathbf{1 0 0 \%}$ |
| Boys' football | $93.6 \%$ | $1.1 \%$ | $5.3 \%$ | $\mathbf{1 0 0 \%}$ |
| Boys' soccer | $95.8 \%$ | $0.3 \%$ | $3.9 \%$ | $\mathbf{1 0 0 \%}$ |
| Girls' soccer | $94.9 \%$ | $1.1 \%$ | $4.0 \%$ | $\mathbf{1 0 0 \%}$ |
| Girls' volleyball | $95.7 \%$ | $0.0 \%$ | $4.3 \%$ | $\mathbf{1 0 0 \%}$ |
| Boys' basketball | $91.5 \%$ | $0.8 \%$ | $7.6 \%$ | $\mathbf{1 0 0 \%}$ |
| Girls' basketball | $91.5 \%$ | $1.1 \%$ | $7.4 \%$ | $\mathbf{1 0 0 \%}$ |
| Boys' wrestling | $93.6 \%$ | $0.5 \%$ | $5.9 \%$ | $\mathbf{1 0 0 \%}$ |
| Boys' baseball | $95.1 \%$ | $0.6 \%$ | $4.3 \%$ | $\mathbf{1 0 0 \%}$ |
| Girls' softball | $95.7 \%$ | $2.4 \%$ | $1.8 \%$ | $\mathbf{1 0 0 \%}$ |

*By study definition, non-time loss injuries were fractures, concussions, dental injuries, and exertional heat events that resulted in <1 day time loss. Because they accounted for $<1.0 \%$ of all injuries overall, they are not included in any other analyses

Table 2.3 Demographic Characteristics of Injured Athletes by Sex, High School SportsRelated Injury Surveillance Study, US, 2017-18 School Year*

|  | Male <br> $\mathbf{n}=\mathbf{7 4 0 , 8 1 4}$ | Female <br> $\mathbf{n}=\mathbf{3 5 4 , 4 8 0}$ |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| Year in School |  |  |
| Freshman | $22.0 \%$ | $28.6 \%$ |
| Sophomore | $22.7 \%$ | $27.2 \%$ |
| Junior | $27.4 \%$ | $24.1 \%$ |
| Senior | $27.9 \%$ | $20.2 \%$ |
| Total $^{\dagger}$ | $\mathbf{1 0 0 . 0 \%}$ | $\mathbf{1 0 0 . 0 \%}$ |
|  |  |  |
| Age (years) | 13 | 12 |
| Minimum | 19 | 19 |
| Maximum | $15.9(1.3)$ | $15.7(1.3)$ |
| Mean (St. Dev.) |  |  |
| BMI | 15.2 | 14.8 |
| Minimum | 52.3 | 43.0 |
| Maximum | $24.5(4.7)$ | $22.4(3.4)$ |
| Mean (St. Dev.) |  |  |

*All remaining analyses in this chapter present data weighted to provide national injury estimates.
$\dagger$ Throughout this chapter, totals and n’s represent the total weighted number of injury reports containing a valid response for the particular question. Due to a low level of non-response, these totals are always similar but are not always equal to the total number of injuries.

Figure 2.1 Injury Diagnosis by Type of Exposure, High School Sports-Related Injury Surveillance Study, US, 2017-18 School Year

## Competition $\mathrm{n}=\mathbf{7 9 6 , 9 9 9}$



Table 2.4 Body Site of Injury by Type of Exposure, High School Sports-Related Injury Surveillance Study, US, 2017-18 School Year*

|  | Competition |  | Practice |  | Overall |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $\mathbf{n}$ | $\%$ | $\mathbf{n}$ | $\%$ | $\mathbf{n}$ | $\%$ |
| Body Site |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Head/face | 215,843 | $27.0 \%$ | 77,553 | $13.6 \%$ | 293,396 | $21.4 \%$ |
| Ankle | 137,507 | $17.2 \%$ | 105,454 | $18.5 \%$ | 242,961 | $17.8 \%$ |
| Knee | 109,736 | $13.7 \%$ | 83,048 | $14.6 \%$ | 192,784 | $14.1 \%$ |
| Hip/thigh/upper leg | 64,581 | $8.1 \%$ | 76,956 | $13.5 \%$ | 141,537 | $10.4 \%$ |
| Hand/wrist | 74,045 | $9.3 \%$ | 51,040 | $9.0 \%$ | 125,085 | $9.1 \%$ |
| Shoulder | 44,551 | $5.6 \%$ | 38,430 | $6.8 \%$ | 82,981 | $6.1 \%$ |
| Lower leg | 35,934 | $4.5 \%$ | 28,206 | $5.0 \%$ | 64,140 | $4.7 \%$ |
| Trunk | 32,538 | $4.1 \%$ | 37,820 | $6.6 \%$ | 70,358 | $5.1 \%$ |
| Arm/elbow | 31,122 | $3.9 \%$ | 30,849 | $5.4 \%$ | 61,971 | $4.5 \%$ |
| Foot | 30,354 | $3.8 \%$ | 22.659 | $4.0 \%$ | 53.013 | $3.9 \%$ |
| Neck | 9,039 | $1.2 \%$ | 3,352 | $0.6 \%$ | 12,391 | $0.9 \%$ |
| Other | 12,969 | $1.6 \%$ | 13,905 | $2.4 \%$ | 26,874 | $2.0 \%$ |
| Total | $\mathbf{7 9 8 , 2 1 9}$ | $\mathbf{1 0 0 . 0 \%}$ | 569,272 | $\mathbf{1 0 0 . 0}$ |  | $\mathbf{1 , 3 6 7}$ |

* Totals and n's are not always equal due to slight rounding of the weighted number of injuries and missing responses. Due to a low level of non-response, these totals are always similar but are not always equal to the total number of injuries.

Table 2.5 Most Commonly Injured Ankle Structures, High School Sports-Related Injury Surveillance Study, US, 2017-18 School Year*

|  | Male |  | Female |  | Total |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $\mathbf{n}$ | \% of <br> Ankle <br> Injuries | $\mathbf{n}$ | \% of <br> Ankle <br> Injuries | $\mathbf{n}$ | \% of <br> Ankle <br> Injuries |
| Ankle Ligament Injuries |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Anterior talofibular ligament | 84,985 | $63.8 \%$ | 74,617 | $74.9 \%$ | 159,602 | $68.6 \%$ |
| Calcaneofibular ligament | 35,420 | $26.6 \%$ | 33,533 | $33.7 \%$ | 68,953 | $29.6 \%$ |
| Anterior tibiofibular ligament | 28,894 | $21.7 \%$ | 16,827 | $16.9 \%$ | 45,721 | $19.6 \%$ |
| Posterior talofibular <br> ligament | 11,906 | $8.9 \%$ | 11,144 | $11.2 \%$ | 23,050 | $9.9 \%$ |
| Deltoid ligament | 11,370 | $8.5 \%$ | 7,293 | $7.3 \%$ | 18,663 | $8.0 \%$ |
| Posterior tibiofibular <br> ligament | 4,593 | $3.4 \%$ | 4,791 | $4.8 \%$ | 9,384 | $4.0 \%$ |
| Total Ankle Injuries | $\mathbf{1 3 3 , 1 9 2}$ |  | 99,562 |  | $\mathbf{2 3 2 , 7 5 4}$ |  |

*Multiple ligament responses allowed per injury report. Totals and n's are not always equal due to slight rounding of the weighted number of injuries and missing responses. Due to a low level of non-response, these totals are always similar but are not always equal to the total number of injuries.

Table 2.6 Most Commonly Injured Knee Structures, High School Sports-Related Injury Surveillance Study, US, 2017-18 School Year*

|  | Male |  | Female |  | Total |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $\mathbf{n}$ | \% of <br> Knee <br> Injuries | $\mathbf{n}$ | \% of <br> Knee <br> Injuries | $\mathbf{n}$ | \% of <br> Knee <br> Injuries |
| Knee Ligament Injuries |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Medial collateral ligament | 35,432 | $29.2 \%$ | 11,545 | $16.9 \%$ | 46,977 | $24.8 \%$ |
| Patella and/or patellar tendon | 22,554 | $18.6 \%$ | 20,871 | $30.5 \%$ | 43,425 | $22.9 \%$ |
| Torn cartilage (meniscus) | 22,150 | $18.3 \%$ | 15,775 | $23.1 \%$ | 37,925 | $20.0 \%$ |
| Anterior cruciate ligament | 21,020 | $17.3 \%$ | 14,263 | $20.9 \%$ | 35,283 | $18.6 \%$ |
| Lateral collateral ligament | 8,878 | $7.3 \%$ | 5,328 | $7.8 \%$ | 14,206 | $7.5 \%$ |
| Posterior cruciate ligament | 2,188 | $1.8 \%$ | 536 | $0.8 \%$ | 2,724 | $1.4 \%$ |
| Total Knee Injuries | $\mathbf{1 2 1 , 3 1 2}$ |  | $\mathbf{6 8 , 3 3 9}$ |  | $\mathbf{1 8 9 , 6 5 1}$ |  |

*Multiple ligament responses allowed per injury report. Totals and n's are not always equal due to slight rounding of the weighted number of injuries and missing responses. Due to a low level of non-response, these totals are always similar but are not always equal to the total number of injuries.

Table 2.7 Ten Most Common Injury Diagnoses by Type of Exposure, High School SportsRelated Injury Surveillance Study, US, 2017-18 School Year*

|  | Competition <br> $\mathbf{n}=\mathbf{7 9 7 , 0 0 0}$ |  | Practice <br> $\mathbf{n}=568,292$ |  | Overall <br> $\mathbf{n}=\mathbf{1 , 3 6 5 , 2 9 2}$ |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $\mathbf{N}$ | $\%$ | $\mathbf{n}$ | $\%$ | $\mathbf{n}$ | $\%$ |
| Diagnosis |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Head/face concussion | 192,507 | $24.2 \%$ | 63,416 | $11.2 \%$ | 255,923 | $18.7 \%$ |
| Ankle strain/sprain | 128,524 | $16.1 \%$ | 95,012 | $16.7 \%$ | 223,536 | $16.4 \%$ |
| Hip/thigh/upper leg strain/sprain | 44,468 | $5.6 \%$ | 66,326 | $11.7 \%$ | 110,794 | $8.1 \%$ |
| Knee strain/sprain | 63,395 | $8.0 \%$ | 27,189 | $4.8 \%$ | 90,584 | $6.6 \%$ |
| Knee other | 25,722 | $3.2 \%$ | 43,788 | $7.7 \%$ | 69,510 | $5.1 \%$ |
| Hand/wrist strain/sprain | 25,344 | $3.2 \%$ | 22,132 | $3.9 \%$ | 47,476 | $3.5 \%$ |
| Hand/wrist fracture | 28,599 | $3.6 \%$ | 18,343 | $3.2 \%$ | 46,942 | $3.4 \%$ |
| Shoulder other | 20,096 | $2.5 \%$ | 19,647 | $3.5 \%$ | 39,743 | $2.9 \%$ |
| Shoulder strain/sprain | 20,597 | $2.6 \%$ | 17,225 | $3.0 \%$ | 37,822 | $2.8 \%$ |
| Trunk strain/sprain | 13,455 | $1.7 \%$ | 21,743 | $3.8 \%$ | 35,198 | $2.6 \%$ |

* Totals and n's are not always equal due to slight rounding of the weighted number of injuries and missing responses. Due to a low level of non-response, these totals are always similar but are not always equal to the total number of injuries.

Figure 2.2 Time Loss by Type of Exposure, High School Sports-Related Injury Surveillance Study, US, 2017-18 School Year

## Competition $\mathrm{n}=798,220$



Practice $\mathrm{n}=569,270$

*Other category is made up of medical disqualification for season, medical disqualification for career, athlete chooses not to continue, and season ended before athlete returned to play

Table 2.8 Injuries Requiring Surgery by Type of Exposure, High School Sports-Related Injury Surveillance Study, US, 2017-18 School Year*

|  | Competition |  | Practice |  | Overall |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $\mathbf{n}$ | $\%$ | $\mathbf{n}$ | $\%$ | $\mathbf{n}$ | $\%$ |
| Need for surgery |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Required surgery | 49,440 | $6.3 \%$ | 28,181 | $5.0 \%$ | 77,621 | $5.7 \%$ |
| Did not require surgery | 741,012 | $93.7 \%$ | 536,362 | $95.0 \%$ | $1,277,374$ | $94.3 \%$ |
| Total $^{\star}$ | $\mathbf{7 9 0 , 4 5 2}$ | $\mathbf{1 0 0 . 0} \%$ | $\mathbf{5 6 4 , 5 4 3}$ | $\mathbf{1 0 0 . 0 \%}$ | $\mathbf{1 , 3 5 4 , 9 9 5}$ | $\mathbf{1 0 0 . 0} \%$ |
| *T |  |  |  |  |  |  |

* Totals and n's are not always equal due to slight rounding of the weighted number of injuries and missing responses. Due to a low level of non-response, these totals are always similar but are not always equal to the total number of injuries.

Figure 2.3 New and Recurring Injuries by Type of Exposure, High School Sports-Related Injury Surveillance Study, US, 2017-18 School Year

Competition $\mathrm{n}=796,586$


Practice $\mathrm{n}=567,874$
-New injury
aRecurrence (this
academic year)
Recurrence (previous
academic year)


Table 2.9 Time during Season of Injury, High School Sports-Related Injury Surveillance Study, US, 2017-18 School Year*

|  | $\mathbf{n}$ | $\%$ |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| Time in Season |  |  |
| Preseason | 273,198 | $\mathbf{2 0 . 0 \%}$ |
| Regular season | $1,034,060$ | $75.7 \%$ |
| Post season | 57,959 | $4.2 \%$ |
| Unknown | 740 | $0.1 \%$ |
| Total | $\mathbf{1 , 3 6 5 , 9 5 7}$ | $\mathbf{1 0 0 \%}$ |

* Totals and n's are not always equal due to slight rounding of the weighted number of injuries and missing responses. Due to a low level of non-response, these totals are always similar but are not always equal to the total number of injuries. Unknown was selected in $0.3 \%$ of injuries.

Table 2.10 Practice-Related Variables, High School Sports-Related Injury Surveillance Study, US, 2017-18 School Year*

|  | $\mathbf{n}$ | $\%$ |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| Time in Practice |  |  |
| First $1 / 2$ hour | 41,025 | $7.3 \%$ |
| Second $1 / 2$ hour | 74,061 | $13.1 \%$ |
| $1-2$ hours into practice | 285,910 | $50.8 \%$ |
| >2 hours into practice | 38,347 | $6.8 \%$ |
| Unknown | 124,024 | $22.0 \%$ |
| Total | $\mathbf{5 6 3 , 3 6 6}$ | $\mathbf{1 0 0 . 0 \%}$ |

[^0]Table 2.11 Methods for Injury Evaluation and Assessment, High School Sports-Related Injury Surveillance Study, US, 2017-18 School Year

|  | n | $\%$ |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| Injuries Evaluated by:* |  |  |
| Certified athletic trainer | $1,266,719$ | $92.6 \%$ |
| General physician | 229,860 | $16.8 \%$ |
| Orthopedic physician | 225,073 | $16.5 \%$ |
| Physician's assistant | 14,532 | $1.1 \%$ |
| Nurse practitioner | 5,834 | $0.4 \%$ |
| Chiropractor | 4,727 | $0.3 \%$ |
| Neurologist/neuropsychologist | 4,128 | $0.3 \%$ |
| Dentist/oral surgeon | 486 | $<0.1 \%$ |
| Other | 40,385 | $3.0 \%$ |
| Total | $\mathbf{1 , 3 6 7 , 4 9 0}$ |  |
|  |  |  |
| Injuries Assessed by:* |  |  |
| Evaluation | $1,317,925$ | $96.4 \%$ |
| X-ray | 449,564 | $32.9 \%$ |
| MRI | 135,073 | $9.9 \%$ |
| CT-scan | 28,714 | $2.1 \%$ |
| Blood work/lab test | 6,170 | $0.5 \%$ |
| Other | 9,689 | $0.7 \%$ |
| Total | $\mathbf{1 , 3 6 7 , 4 9 0}$ |  |

*Multiple responses allowed per injury report.
III. Boys' Football Injury Epidemiology

Table 3.1 Football Injury Rates by Type of Exposure, High School Sports-Related Injury Surveillance Study, US, 2017-18 School Year

|  | \# Injuries | \# Exposures | Injury rate <br> (per 1,000 athlete- <br> exposures) | Nationally <br> Estimated <br> \# Injuries |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Total | $\mathbf{1 , 7 6 1}$ | 406,379 | 4.33 | 463,626 |
| Competition | 1,050 | 74,308 | 14.13 | 281,790 |
| Practice | 711 | 332,071 | 2.14 | 181,836 |

Table 3.2 Demographic Characteristics of Injured Football Athletes, High School SportsRelated Injury Surveillance Study, US, 2017-18 School Year*

| Year in School | $\mathrm{n}=\mathbf{4 5 2 , 9 9 3}$ |
| :--- | :---: |
| Freshman | $20.7 \%$ |
| Sophomore | $23.5 \%$ |
| Junior | $26.5 \%$ |
| Senior | $29.2 \%$ |
| Total $^{\dagger}$ | $\mathbf{1 0 0 . 0 \%}$ |
|  |  |
| Age (years) | 13 |
| Minimum | 19 |
| Maximum | $15.9(1.2)$ |
| Mean (St. Dev.) |  |
| BMI | 15.6 |
| Minimum | 52.3 |
| Maximum | $26.8(5.9)$ |
| Mean (St. Dev.) |  |

*All remaining analyses in this chapter present data weighted to provide national injury estimates. $\dagger$ Throughout this chapter, totals and n's represent the total weighted number of injury reports containing a valid response for the particular question. Due to a low level of non-response, these totals are always similar but are not always equal to the total number of injuries.

Figure 3.1 Diagnosis of Football Injuries by Type of Exposure, High School Sports-Related Injury Surveillance Study, US, 2017-18 School Year

Competition $\mathrm{n}=\mathbf{2 8 0 , 5 7 0}$


Practice $\mathbf{n = 1 8 1 , 5 8 9}$


Table 3.3 Body Site of Football Injuries by Type of Exposure, High School Sports-Related Injury Surveillance Study, US, 2017-18 School Year*

|  | Competition |  | Practice |  | Overall |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | n | \% | n | \% | n | \% |
| Body Site |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Head/face | 76,228 | 27.1\% | 31,803 | 17.5\% | 108,031 | 23.3\% |
| Knee | 39,261 | 13.9\% | 29,709 | 16.3\% | 68,970 | 14.9\% |
| Ankle | 37,224 | 13.2\% | 21,626 | 11.9\% | 58,850 | 12.7\% |
| Hand/wrist | 29,497 | 10.5\% | 21,944 | 12.1\% | 51,441 | 11.1\% |
| Shoulder | 26,539 | 9.4\% | 16,093 | 8.9\% | 42,632 | 9.2\% |
| Hip/thigh/upper leg | 18,427 | 6.5\% | 20,093 | 11.0\% | 38,520 | 8.3\% |
| Trunk | 12,393 | 4.4\% | 11,283 | 6.2\% | 23,676 | 5.1\% |
| Lower leg | 13,262 | 4.7\% | 7,450 | 4.1\% | 20,712 | 4.5\% |
| Arm/elbow | 9,972 | 3.5\% | 7,873 | 4.3\% | 17,845 | 3.8\% |
| Foot | 6,612 | 2.3\% | 7,240 | 4.0\% | 13,852 | 3.0\% |
| Neck | 4,128 | 1.5\% | 675 | 0.4\% | 4,803 | 1.0\% |
| Other | 8,248 | 2.9\% | 6,049 | 3.3\% | 14,297 | 3.1\% |
| Total | 281,791 | 100.0\% | 181,838 | 100.0\% | 463,629 | 100.0\% |

[^1]Table 3.4 Ten Most Common Football Injury Diagnoses by Type of Exposure, High School Sports-Related Injury Surveillance Study, US, 2017-18 School Year*

|  | Competition <br> $\mathbf{n}=\mathbf{2 8 0 , 5 6 6}$ |  | Practice <br> $\mathbf{n}=\mathbf{1 8 1 , 5 8 9}$ |  | Total <br> $\mathbf{n}=\mathbf{4 6 2 , 1 5 5}$ |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $\mathbf{n}$ | $\%$ | $\mathbf{n}$ | $\%$ | $\mathbf{n}$ | $\%$ |
| Diagnosis |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Head/face concussion | 73,673 | $26.3 \%$ | 30,157 | $16.6 \%$ | 103,830 | $22.5 \%$ |
| Ankle strain/sprain | 34,494 | $12.3 \%$ | 18,933 | $10.4 \%$ | 53,427 | $11.6 \%$ |
| Knee strain/sprain | 26,108 | $9.3 \%$ | 12,005 | $6.6 \%$ | 38,113 | $8.2 \%$ |
| Hip/thigh/upper leg strain/sprain | 10,751 | $3.8 \%$ | 15,411 | $8.5 \%$ | 26,162 | $5.7 \%$ |
| Hand/wrist fracture | 14,069 | $5.0 \%$ | 8,932 | $4.9 \%$ | 23,001 | $5.0 \%$ |
| Shoulder other | 11,086 | $4.0 \%$ | 9,740 | $5.4 \%$ | 20,826 | $4.5 \%$ |
| Knee other | 5,714 | $2.0 \%$ | 12,382 | $6.8 \%$ | 18,096 | $3.9 \%$ |
| Shoulder sprain/strain | 12,404 | $4.4 \%$ | 4,796 | $2.6 \%$ | 17,200 | $3.7 \%$ |
| Hand/wrist strain/sprain | 6,644 | $2.4 \%$ | 8,988 | $4.9 \%$ | 15,632 | $3.4 \%$ |
| Knee contusion | 7,218 | $2.6 \%$ | 4,552 | $2.5 \%$ | 11,770 | $2.5 \%$ |
| * Tota |  |  |  |  |  |  |

* Totals and n's are not always equal due to slight rounding of the weighted number of injuries and missing responses. Due to a low level of non-response, these totals are always similar but are not always equal to the total number of injuries.

Figure 3.2 Time Loss of Football Injuries by Type of Exposure, High School Sports-Related Injury Surveillance Study, US, 2017-18 School Year

Competition $\mathrm{n}=\mathbf{2 8 1 , 7 9 0}$


Practice $\mathrm{n}=181,837$

*Other category is made up of medical disqualification for season, medical disqualification for career, athlete chooses not to continue, and season ended before athlete returned to play

Table 3.5 Football Injuries Requiring Surgery by Type of Exposure, High School SportsRelated Injury Surveillance Study, US, 2017-18 School Year*

|  | Competition |  | Practice |  | Overall |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $\mathbf{n}$ | $\%$ | $\mathbf{n}$ | $\%$ | $\mathbf{n}$ | $\%$ |
| Need for surgery |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Required surgery | 18,452 | $6.6 \%$ | 10,536 | $5.8 \%$ | 28,988 | $6.3 \%$ |
| Did not require surgery | 259,662 | $93.4 \%$ | 170,268 | $94.2 \%$ | 429,930 | $93.7 \%$ |
| Total | $\mathbf{2 7 8 , 1 1 4}$ | $\mathbf{1 0 0 . 0} \%$ | $\mathbf{1 8 0 , 8 0 4}$ | $\mathbf{1 0 0 . 0 \%}$ | $\mathbf{4 5 8 , 9 1 8}$ | $\mathbf{1 0 0 . 0} \%$ |

* Totals and n's are not always equal due to slight rounding of the weighted number of injuries and missing responses. Due to a low level of non-response, these totals are always similar but are not always equal to the total number of injuries.

Figure 3.3 History of Football Injuries by Type of Exposure, High School Sports-Related Injury Surveillance Study, US, 2017-18 School Year

Competition $\mathrm{n}=\mathbf{2 8 1}, \mathbf{1 6 4}$


Practice $\mathrm{n}=\mathbf{1 8 1 , 4 3 2}$


Table 3.6 Time during Season of Football Injuries, High School Sports-Related Injury Surveillance Study, US, 2017-18 School Year*

|  | $\mathbf{n}$ | $\%$ |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| Time in Season |  |  |
| Preseason | 96,752 | $20.9 \%$ |
| Regular season | 349,016 | $75.4 \%$ |
| Post season | 17,203 | $3.7 \%$ |
| Unknown | 118 | $0.03 \%$ |
| Total | $\mathbf{4 6 3 , 0 8 9}$ | $\mathbf{1 0 0 . 0 \%}$ |

* Totals and n's are not always equal due to slight rounding of the weighted number of injuries and missing responses. Due to a low level of non-response, these totals are always similar but are not always equal to the total number of injuries.

Table 3.7 Competition-Related Variables for Football Injuries, High School Sports-Related Injury Surveillance Study, US, 2017-18 School Year*

|  | $\mathbf{n}$ | $\%$ |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| Time in Competition |  |  |
| Pre-competition/warm-ups | 2,809 | $1.1 \%$ |
| First quarter | 29,191 | $11.5 \%$ |
| Second quarter | 77,345 | $30.5 \%$ |
| Third quarter | 82,758 | $32.6 \%$ |
| Fourth quarter | 61,118 | $24.1 \%$ |
| Overtime | 745 | $0.3 \%$ |
| Total | $\mathbf{2 5 3 , 9 6 5}$ | $\mathbf{1 0 0 . 0} \%$ |
|  |  |  |
| Field Location | 162,131 | $61.9 \%$ |
| Between the 20 yard lines | 40,908 | $15.6 \%$ |
| Red zone (20 yard line to goal line) | 3,011 | $1.1 \%$ |
| End zone | 1,766 | $0.7 \%$ |
| Off the field | 54,132 | $20.7 \%$ |
| Unknown | $\mathbf{2 6 1 , 9 4 8}$ | $\mathbf{1 0 0 . 0}$ |
| Total |  |  |

[^2]Table 3.8 Practice-Related Variables for Football Injuries, High School Sports-Related Injury Surveillance Study, US, 2017-18 School Year*

|  | $\mathbf{n}$ | $\%$ |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| Time in Practice |  |  |
| First 1/2 hour | 13,422 | $7.5 \%$ |
| Second 1/2 hour | 22,514 | $12.5 \%$ |
| $1-2$ hours into practice | 93,321 | $51.9 \%$ |
| $>2$ hours into practice | 18,481 | $10.3 \%$ |
| Unknown | 32,073 | $17.8 \%$ |
| Total | $\mathbf{1 7 9 , 8 1 1}$ | $\mathbf{1 0 0 . 0 \%}$ |

* Totals and n's are not always equal due to slight rounding of the weighted number of injuries and missing responses. Due to a low level of non-response, these totals are always similar but are not always equal to the total number of injuries.

Figure 3.4 Player Position of Football Injuries by Type of Exposure, High School SportsRelated Injury Surveillance Study, US, 2017-18 School Year


Table 3.9 Activities Leading to Football Injuries by Type of Exposure, High School SportsRelated Injury Surveillance Study, US, 2017-18 School Year*

|  | Competition |  | Practice |  | Overall |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | n | \% | n | \% | n | \% |
| Activity |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Being tackled | 88,847 | 33.5\% | 27,038 | 16.2\% | 115,885 | 26.8\% |
| Tackling | 69,578 | 26.2\% | 27,574 | 16.5\% | 97,152 | 22.5\% |
| Blocking | 36,255 | 13.7\% | 26,139 | 15.7\% | 62,394 | 14.4\% |
| Being blocked | 18,218 | 6.9\% | 9,902 | 5.9\% | 28,120 | 6.5\% |
| N/a (e.g., overuse, heat illness, conditioning, etc.) | 1,853 | 0.7\% | 18,507 | 11.1\% | 20,360 | 4.7\% |
| Stepped on/fell on/kicked | 10,646 | 4.0\% | 8,774 | 5.3\% | 19,420 | 4.5\% |
| Rotation around a planted foot/inversion | 6,920 | 2.6\% | 6,320 | 3.8\% | 13,240 | 3.1\% |
| Contact with blocking sled/dummy | 0 | 0.0\% | 3,846 | 2.3\% | 3,846 | 0.9\% |
| Uneven playing surface | 988 | 0.4\% | 2,368 | 1.4\% | 3,356 | 0.8\% |
| Contact with ball | 1,006 | 0.4\% | 1,044 | 0.6\% | 2,050 | 0.5\% |
| Other | 6,714 | 2.5\% | 11,728 | 7.0\% | 18,442 | 4.3\% |
| Unknown | 24,260 | 9.1\% | 23,769 | 14.2\% | 48,029 | 11.1\% |
| Total | 265,285 | 100.0\% | 167,009 | 100.0\% | 432,294 | 100.0\% |

* Totals and n's are not always equal due to slight rounding of the weighted number of injuries and missing responses. Due to a low level of non-response, these totals are always similar but are not always equal to the total number of injuries.

Table 3.10 Activity Resulting in Football Injuries by Injury Diagnosis, High School SportsRelated Injury Surveillance Study, US, 2017-18 School Year

| Diagnosis |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Strain/Sprain |  | Contusion |  | Fracture |  | Concussion |  | Other |  |
|  | n | \% | n | \% | n | \% | n | \% | n | \% |
| Activity |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Being tackled | 38,707 | 23.5\% | 21,669 | 40.5\% | 11,840 | 26.6\% | 30,952 | 31.4\% | 12,339 | 17.7\% |
| Tackling | 31,465 | 19.1\% | 10,261 | 19.2\% | 11,025 | 24.8\% | 27,535 | 28.0\% | 16,866 | 24.2\% |
| Blocking | 23,767 | 14.4\% | 7,387 | 13.8\% | 7,811 | 17.5\% | 13,686 | 13.9\% | 9,429 | 13.5\% |
| Being blocked | 9,333 | 5.7\% | 4,998 | 9.3\% | 1,434 | 3.2\% | 9,291 | 9.4\% | 3,065 | 4.4\% |
| No contact (overuse/illness) | 7,507 | 4.6\% | 527 | 1.0\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 379 | 0.4\% | 11,946 | 17.1\% |
| Other | 32,129 | 19.5\% | 5,392 | 10.1\% | 9,029 | 20.3\% | 3,901 | 4.0\% | 9,129 | 13.1\% |
| Unknown | 21,676 | 13.2\% | 3,335 | 6.2\% | 3,383 | 7.6\% | 12,687 | 12.9\% | 6,949 | 10.0\% |
| Total | 164,584 | 100.0\% | 53,569 | 100.0\% | 44,522 | 100.0\% | 98,431 | 100.0\% | 69,723 | 100.0\% |

## IV. Boys' Soccer Injury Epidemiology

Table 4.1 Boys' Soccer Injury Rates by Type of Exposure, High School Sports-Related Injury Surveillance Study, US, 2017-18 School Year

|  | \# Injuries | \# Exposures | Injury rate <br> (per 1,000 athlete- <br> exposures) | Nationally <br> Estimated <br> \# Injuries |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Total | $\mathbf{3 4 6}$ | $\mathbf{1 7 8 , 4 8 9}$ | $\mathbf{1 . 9 4}$ | $\mathbf{1 8 0 , 6 0 7}$ |
| Competition | 218 | 55,583 | 3.92 | 113,655 |
| Practice | 128 | 122,906 | 1.04 | 66,952 |

Table 4.2 Demographic Characteristics of Injured Boys' Soccer Athletes, High School Sports-Related Injury Surveillance Study, US, 2017-18 School Year*

| Year in School | $\mathbf{n = 1 7 1 , 0 7 7}$ |
| :--- | :---: |
| Freshman | $21.8 \%$ |
| Sophomore | $18.1 \%$ |
| Junior | $32.5 \%$ |
| Senior | $27.7 \%$ |
| Total $^{\dagger}$ | $\mathbf{1 0 0 . 0 \%}$ |
|  |  |
| Age (years) | 13 |
| Minimum | 18 |
| Maximum | $15.8(1.3)$ |
| Mean (St. Dev.) |  |
|  |  |
| BMI | 15.2 |
| Minimum | 32.1 |
| Maximum | $22.3(3.2)$ |

*All remaining analyses in this chapter present data weighted to provide national injury estimates. $\dagger$ Throughout this chapter, totals and n's represent the total weighted number of injury reports containing a valid response for the particular question. Due to a low level of non-response, these totals are always similar but are not always equal to the total number of injuries.

Figure 4.1 Diagnosis of Boys' Soccer Injuries by Type of Exposure, High School SportsRelated Injury Surveillance Study, US, 2017-18 School Year

## Competition $n=113,655$

Practice $\mathrm{n}=\mathbf{6 6 , 3 7 1}$


Table 4.3 Body Site of Boys' Soccer Injuries by Type of Exposure, High School SportsRelated Injury Surveillance Study, US, 2017-18 School Year*

|  | Competition |  | Practice |  | Overall |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $\mathbf{n}$ | $\%$ | $\mathbf{n}$ | $\%$ | $\mathbf{n}$ | $\%$ |
| Body Site |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Hip/thigh/upper leg | 19,980 | $17.6 \%$ | 18,752 | $28.0 \%$ | 38,732 | $21.4 \%$ |
| Head/face | 31,276 | $27.5 \%$ | 5,233 | $7.8 \%$ | 36,509 | $20.2 \%$ |
| Ankle | 20,952 | $18.4 \%$ | 12,001 | $17.9 \%$ | 32,953 | $18.2 \%$ |
| Knee | 14,199 | $12.5 \%$ | 11,904 | $17.8 \%$ | 26,103 | $14.5 \%$ |
| Lower leg | 7,752 | $6.8 \%$ | 4,765 | $7.1 \%$ | 12,517 | $6.9 \%$ |
| Foot | 5,826 | $5.1 \%$ | 4,177 | $6.2 \%$ | 10,003 | $5.5 \%$ |
| Hand/wrist | 6,350 | $5.6 \%$ | 1,261 | $1.9 \%$ | 7,611 | $4.2 \%$ |
| Trunk | 3,386 | $3.0 \%$ | 3,999 | $6.0 \%$ | 7,385 | $4.1 \%$ |
| Arm/elbow | 1,348 | $1.2 \%$ | 2,447 | $3.7 \%$ | 3,795 | $2.1 \%$ |
| Shoulder | 968 | $0.9 \%$ | 1,287 | $1.9 \%$ | 2,255 | $1.2 \%$ |
| Other | 1,619 | $1.4 \%$ | 1,127 | $1.7 \%$ | 2,746 | $1.5 \%$ |
| Total | $\mathbf{1 1 3 , 6 5 6}$ | $\mathbf{1 0 0 . 0} \%$ | $\mathbf{6 6 , 9 5 3}$ | $\mathbf{1 0 0 . 0 \%}$ | $\mathbf{1 8 0 , 6 0 9}$ | $\mathbf{1 0 0 . 0 \%}$ |

[^3]Table 4.4 Ten Most Common Boys' Soccer Injury Diagnoses by Type of Exposure, High School Sports-Related Injury Surveillance Study, US, 2017-18 School Year*

|  | Competition <br> $\mathbf{n}=\mathbf{1 1 3 , 6 5 5}$ |  | Practice <br> $\mathbf{n}=66,372$ |  | Total <br> $\mathbf{n}=\mathbf{1 8 0 , 0 2 7}$ |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $\mathbf{n}$ | $\%$ | $\mathbf{n}$ | $\%$ | $\mathbf{n}$ | $\%$ |
| Diagnosis |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Hip/thigh/upper leg strain/sprain | 15,528 | $13.7 \%$ | 16,971 | $25.6 \%$ | 32,499 | $18.1 \%$ |
| Ankle strain/sprain | 19,705 | $17.3 \%$ | 11,078 | $16.7 \%$ | 30,783 | $17.1 \%$ |
| Head/face concussion | 25,071 | $22.1 \%$ | 4,193 | $6.3 \%$ | 29,264 | $16.3 \%$ |
| Knee other | 3,301 | $2.9 \%$ | 6,953 | $10.5 \%$ | 10,254 | $5.7 \%$ |
| Knee sprain/strain | 8,727 | $7.7 \%$ | 1,441 | $2.2 \%$ | 10,168 | $5.6 \%$ |
| Knee contusion | 1,950 | $1.7 \%$ | 3,510 | $5.3 \%$ | 5,460 | $3.0 \%$ |
| Hand/wrist fracture | 4,488 | $3.9 \%$ | 520 | $0.8 \%$ | 5,008 | $2.8 \%$ |
| Lower leg other | 1,382 | $1.2 \%$ | 3,516 | $5.3 \%$ | 4,898 | $2.7 \%$ |
| Trunk strain/sprain | 2,166 | $1.9 \%$ | 2,612 | $3.9 \%$ | 4,778 | $2.7 \%$ |
| Lower leg strain/sprain | 3,314 | $2.9 \%$ | 1,188 | $1.8 \%$ | 4,502 | $2.5 \%$ |

* Totals and n's are not always equal due to slight rounding of the weighted number of injuries and missing responses. Due to a low level of non-response, these totals are always similar but are not always equal to the total number of injuries.

Figure 4.2 Time Loss of Boys' Soccer Injuries by Type of Exposure, High School SportsRelated Injury Surveillance Study, US, 2017-18 School Year

Competition $\mathrm{n}=113,654$


Practice $n=66,953$

*Other category is made up of medical disqualification for season, medical disqualification for career, athlete chooses not to continue, and season ended before athlete returned to play

Table 4.5 Boys' Soccer Injuries Requiring Surgery by Type of Exposure, High School Sports-Related Injury Surveillance Study, US, 2017-18 School Year*

|  | Competition |  | Practice |  | Overall |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $\mathbf{n}$ | $\%$ | $\mathbf{n}$ | $\%$ | $\mathbf{n}$ | $\%$ |
| Need for surgery |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Required surgery | 5,511 | $4.9 \%$ | 1,083 | $1.7 \%$ | 6,594 | $3.7 \%$ |
| Did not require surgery | 106,918 | $95.1 \%$ | 64,106 | $98.3 \%$ | 171,024 | $96.3 \%$ |
| Total | $\mathbf{1 1 2 , 4 2 9}$ | $\mathbf{1 0 0 . 0 \%}$ | $\mathbf{6 5 , 1 8 9}$ | $\mathbf{1 0 0 . 0 \%}$ | $\mathbf{1 7 7 , 6 1 8}$ | $\mathbf{1 0 0 . 0 \%}$ |

* Totals and n's are not always equal due to slight rounding of the weighted number of injuries and missing responses. Due to a low level of non-response, these totals are always similar but are not always equal to the total number of injuries.

Figure 4.3 History of Boys' Soccer Injuries by Type of Exposure, High School SportsRelated Injury Surveillance Study, US, 2017-18 School Year


Table 4.6 Time during Season of Boys' Soccer Injuries, High School Sports-Related Injury Surveillance Study, US, 2017-18 School Year*

|  | $\mathbf{n}$ | $\%$ |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| Time in Season |  |  |
| Preseason | 38,555 | $21.3 \%$ |
| Regular season | 132,651 | $73.4 \%$ |
| Post season | 9,043 | $5.0 \%$ |
| Unknown | 358 | $0.2 \%$ |
| Total | $\mathbf{1 8 0 , 6 0 7}$ | $\mathbf{1 0 0 . 0} \%$ |

* Totals and n's are not always equal due to slight rounding of the weighted number of injuries and missing responses. Due to a low level of non-response, these totals are always similar but are not always equal to the total number of injuries.

Table 4.7 Competition-Related Variables for Boys' Soccer Injuries, High School SportsRelated Injury Surveillance Study, US, 2017-18 School Year*

|  | $\mathbf{n}$ | \% |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| Time in Competition |  |  |
| Pre-competition/warm-ups | 2,550 | $2.5 \%$ |
| First half | 21,490 | $20.9 \%$ |
| Second half | 56,057 | $54.4 \%$ |
| Overtime | 1,165 | $1.1 \%$ |
| Unknown | 21,755 | $21.1 \%$ |
| Total | 103,018 | $100.0 \%$ |
| Field Location |  |  |
| Top of goal box extended to center line (defense) | 19,209 | $19.0 \%$ |
| Top of goal box extended to center line (offense) | 16,869 | $16.7 \%$ |
| Goal box (defense) | 15,580 | $15.4 \%$ |
| Goal box (offense) | 11,647 | $11.5 \%$ |
| Side of goal box (defense) | 3,861 | $3.8 \%$ |
| Side of goal box (offense) | 2,962 | $2.9 \%$ |
| Off the field | 1,229 | $1.2 \%$ |
| Unknown | 29,709 | $29.4 \%$ |
| Total | 101,067 | $100.0 \%$ |

* Totals and n's are not always equal due to slight rounding of the weighted number of injuries and missing responses. Due to a low level of non-response, these totals are always similar but are not always equal to the total number of injuries.

Table 4.8 Practice-Related Variables for Boys' Soccer Injuries, High School Sports-Related Injury Surveillance Study, US, 2017-18 School Year*

|  | $\mathbf{n}$ | $\%$ |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| Time in Practice |  |  |
| First 1/2 hour | 3,906 | $5.9 \%$ |
| Second 1/2 hour | 8,510 | $12.8 \%$ |
| $1-2$ hours into practice | 35,955 | $54.3 \%$ |
| $>2$ hours into practice | 1,943 | $2.9 \%$ |
| Unknown | 15,935 | $24.1 \%$ |
| Total | $\mathbf{6 6 , 2 4 9}$ | $\mathbf{1 0 0 . 0 \%}$ |

* Totals and n's are not always equal due to slight rounding of the weighted number of injuries and missing responses. Due to a low level of non-response, these totals are always similar but are not always equal to the total number of injuries

Figure 4.4 Player Position of Boys' Soccer Injuries by Type of Exposure, High School Sports-Related Injury Surveillance Study, US, 2017-18 School Year

Competition $\mathrm{n}=103,117$


Practice $\mathrm{n}=62,082$


Table 4.9 Activities Leading to Boys' Soccer Injuries by Type of Exposure, High School Sports-Related Injury Surveillance Study, US, 2017-18 School Year*

|  | Competition |  | Practice |  | Overall |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $\mathbf{n}$ | $\%$ | $\mathbf{n}$ | $\%$ | $\mathbf{n}$ | $\%$ |
| Activity |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| General play | 17,532 | $16.5 \%$ | 23,124 | $37.2 \%$ | 40,656 | $24.2 \%$ |
| Defending | 20,196 | $19.0 \%$ | 4,635 | $7.5 \%$ | 24,831 | $14.8 \%$ |
| Chasing loose ball | 12,181 | $11.5 \%$ | 4,537 | $7.3 \%$ | 16,718 | $9.9 \%$ |
| Goaltending | 9,305 | $8.8 \%$ | 6,401 | $10.3 \%$ | 15,706 | $9.3 \%$ |
| Ball handling/dribbling | 11,175 | $10.5 \%$ | 4,145 | $6.7 \%$ | 15,320 | $9.1 \%$ |
| Shooting (foot) | 7,123 | $6.7 \%$ | 3,116 | $5.0 \%$ | 10,239 | $6.1 \%$ |
| Heading ball | 6,268 | $5.9 \%$ | 0 | $0.0 \%$ | 6,268 | $3.7 \%$ |
| Conditioning | 0 | $0.0 \%$ | 5,113 | $8.2 \%$ | 5,113 | $3.0 \%$ |
| Passing (foot) | 4,798 | $4.5 \%$ | 222 | $0.4 \%$ | 5,020 | $3.0 \%$ |
| Receiving pass | 3,597 | $3.4 \%$ | 741 | $1.2 \%$ | 4,338 | $2.6 \%$ |
| Blocking shot | 2,831 | $2.7 \%$ | 520 | $0.8 \%$ | 3,351 | $2.0 \%$ |
| Attempting a slide tackle | 1,083 | $1.0 \%$ | 1,243 | $2.0 \%$ | 2,326 | $1.4 \%$ |
| Receiving a slide tackle | 1,951 | $1.8 \%$ | 0 | $0.0 \%$ | 1,951 | $1.2 \%$ |
| Other | 61 | $0.1 \%$ | 2,229 | $3.6 \%$ | 2,290 | $1.4 \%$ |
| Unknown | 8,010 | $7.5 \%$ | 6,057 | $9.8 \%$ | 14,067 | $8.4 \%$ |
| Total | $\mathbf{1 0 6 , 1 1 1}$ | $\mathbf{1 0 0 . 0 \%}$ | $\mathbf{6 2 , 0 8 3}$ | $\mathbf{1 0 0 . 0 \%}$ | $\mathbf{1 6 8 , 1 9 4}$ | $\mathbf{1 0 0 . 0 \%}$ |

* Totals and n's are not always equal due to slight rounding of the weighted number of injuries and missing responses. Due to a low level of non-response, these totals are always similar but are not always equal to the total number of injuries.

Table 4.10 Activity Resulting in Boys' Soccer Injuries by Injury Diagnosis, High School Sports-Related Injury Surveillance Study, US, 2017-18 School Year

|  | Diagnosis |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Strain/Sprain |  | Contusion |  | Fracture |  | Concussion |  | Other |  |
|  | n | \% | n | \% | n | \% | n | \% | n | \% |
| Activity |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| General play | 22,624 | 27.0\% | 1,443 | 9.5\% | 1,969 | 14.9\% | 3,622 | 13.2\% | 10,418 | 37.5\% |
| Defending | 13,154 | 15.7\% | 2,569 | 16.9\% | 3,338 | 25.2\% | 4,601 | 16.7\% | 1,168 | 4.2\% |
| Chasing loose ball | 10,244 | 12.2\% | 303 | 2.0\% | 61 | 0.5\% | 4,944 | 18.0\% | 1,165 | 4.2\% |
| Goaltending | 5,003 | 6.0\% | 2,246 | 14.8\% | 1,585 | 12.0\% | 4,699 | 17.1\% | 2,173 | 7.8\% |
| Ball handling/dribbling | 8,331 | 9.9\% | 1,950 | 12.8\% | 1,287 | 9.7\% | 1,585 | 5.8\% | 2,167 | 7.8\% |
| Shooting (foot) | 6,845 | 8.2\% | 823 | 5.4\% | 1,189 | 9.0\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 1,382 | 5.0\% |
| Heading ball | 0 | 0.0\% | 520 | 3.4\% | 2,110 | 15.9\% | 2,815 | 10.2\% | 823 | 3.0\% |
| Conditioning | 2,921 | 3.5\% | 1,065 | 7.0\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 1,127 | 4.1\% |
| passing (foot) | 3,548 | 4.2\% | 303 | 2.0\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 283 | 1.0\% | 886 | 3.2\% |
| Receiving pass | 1,348 | 1.6\% | 222 | 1.5\% | 222 | 1.7\% | 1,724 | 6.3\% | 823 | 3.0\% |
| Blocking shot | 886 | 1.1\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 1,083 | 3.9\% | 1,382 | 5.0\% |
| Attempting a slide tackle | 1,441 | 1.7\% | 886 | 5.8\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 0 | 0.0\% |
| Receiving a slide tackle | 0 | 0.0\% | 1,065 | 7.0\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 886 | 3.2\% | 0 | 0.0\% |
| Other | 1,405 | 1.7\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 520 | 1.9\% | 364 | 1.3\% |
| Unknown | 6,086 | 7.3\% | 1,781 | 11.7\% | 1,484 | 11.2\% | 777 | 2.8\% | 3,939 | 14.2\% |
| Total | 83,836 | 100.0\% | 15,176 | 100.0\% | 13,245 | 100.0\% | 27,539 | 100.0\% | 27,817 | 100.0\% |

## V. Girls' Soccer Injury Epidemiology

Table 5.1 Girls' Soccer Injury Rates by Type of Exposure, High School Sports-Related Injury Surveillance Study, US, 2017-18 School Year

|  | \# Injuries | \# Exposures | Injury rate <br> (per 1,000 athlete- <br> exposures) | Nationally <br> Estimated <br> \# Injuries |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Total | $\mathbf{4 3 2}$ | $\mathbf{1 5 3 , 2 3 5}$ | $\mathbf{2 . 8 2}$ | $\mathbf{2 4 2 , 6 0 2}$ |
| Competition | 275 | 47,133 | 5.83 | $\mathbf{1 5 2 , 9 9 3}$ |
| Practice | 157 | 106,102 | 1.48 | 89,609 |

Table 5.2 Demographic Characteristics of Injured Girls' Soccer Athletes, High School Sports-Related Injury Surveillance Study, US, 2017-18 School Year*

| Year in School | $\mathbf{n = 2 3 2 , 5 2 8}$ |
| :--- | :---: |
| Freshman | $31.3 \%$ |
| Sophomore | $25.9 \%$ |
| Junior | $23.3 \%$ |
| Senior | $18.5 \%$ |
| Total $^{\dagger}$ | $\mathbf{1 0 0 . 0 \%}$ |
|  |  |
| Age (years) | 13 |
| Minimum | 18 |
| Maximum | $15.7(1.2)$ |
| Mean (St. Dev.) |  |
|  |  |
| BMI | 16.3 |
| Minimum | 40.7 |
| Maximum | $22.7(3.8)$ |

*All remaining analyses in this chapter present data weighted to provide national injury estimates. $\dagger$ Throughout this chapter, totals and n's represent the total weighted number of injury reports containing a valid response for the particular question. Due to a low level of non-response, these totals are always similar but are not always equal to the total number of injuries.

Figure 5.1 Diagnosis of Girls' Soccer Injuries by Type of Exposure, High School SportsRelated Injury Surveillance Study, US, 2017-18 School Year

Competition $\mathrm{n}=152,993$


Practice $\mathrm{n}=\mathbf{8 9 , 6 0 9}$


Table 5.3 Body Site of Girls' Soccer Injuries by Type of Exposure, High School SportsRelated Injury Surveillance Study, US, 2017-18 School Year*

|  | Competition |  | Practice |  | Overall |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $\mathbf{n}$ | $\%$ | $\mathbf{n}$ | $\%$ | $\mathbf{n}$ | $\%$ |
| Body Site |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Head/face | 54,716 | $35.8 \%$ | 8,755 | $9.8 \%$ | 63,471 | $26.2 \%$ |
| Ankle | 24,656 | $16.1 \%$ | 19,824 | $22.1 \%$ | 44,480 | $18.3 \%$ |
| Hip/thigh/upper leg | 13,166 | $8.6 \%$ | 22,644 | $25.3 \%$ | 35,810 | $14.8 \%$ |
| Knee | 22,821 | $14.9 \%$ | 12,518 | $14.0 \%$ | 35,339 | $14.6 \%$ |
| Lower leg | 9,533 | $6.2 \%$ | 10,248 | $11.4 \%$ | 19,781 | $8.2 \%$ |
| Foot | 12,878 | $8.4 \%$ | 5,506 | $6.1 \%$ | 18,384 | $7.6 \%$ |
| Hand/wrist | 6,982 | $4.6 \%$ | 3,652 | $4.1 \%$ | 10,634 | $4.4 \%$ |
| Trunk | 3,960 | $2.6 \%$ | 3,449 | $3.8 \%$ | 7,409 | $3.1 \%$ |
| Shoulder | 764 | $0.5 \%$ | 1,208 | $1.3 \%$ | 1,972 | $0.8 \%$ |
| Arm/elbow | 1,362 | $0.9 \%$ | 0 | $0.0 \%$ | 1,362 | $0.6 \%$ |
| Neck | 1,249 | $0.8 \%$ | 61 | $0.1 \%$ | 1,310 | $0.5 \%$ |
| Other | 906 | $0.6 \%$ | 1,745 | $1.9 \%$ | 2,651 | $1.1 \%$ |
| Total | $\mathbf{1 5 2 , 9 9 3}$ | $\mathbf{1 0 0 . 0}$ | $\mathbf{8 9 , 6 1 0}$ | $\mathbf{1 0 0 . 0 \%}$ | $\mathbf{2 4 2 , 6 0 3}$ | $\mathbf{1 0 0 . 0 \%}$ |

[^4]Table 5.4 Ten Most Common Girls' Soccer Injury Diagnoses by Type of Exposure, High School Sports-Related Injury Surveillance Study, US, 2017-18 School Year*

|  | Competition$\mathrm{n}=152,994$ |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Practice } \\ & \mathrm{n}=89,610 \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ |  | $\begin{gathered} \text { Total } \\ \mathrm{n}=242,604 \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | n | \% | n | \% | n | \% |
| Diagnosis |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Head/face concussion | 51,229 | 33.5\% | 8,218 | 9.2\% | 59,447 | 24.5\% |
| Ankle strain/sprain | 22,122 | 14.5\% | 16,695 | 18.6\% | 38,817 | 16.0\% |
| Hip/thigh/upper leg strain/sprain | 10,491 | 6.9\% | 21,528 | 24.0\% | 32,019 | 13.2\% |
| Knee sprain/strain | 12,579 | 8.2\% | 4,203 | 4.7\% | 16,782 | 6.9\% |
| Knee other | 6,036 | 3.9\% | 8,315 | 9.3\% | 14,351 | 5.9\% |
| Foot contusion | 8,213 | 5.4\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 8,213 | 3.4\% |
| Lower leg other | 537 | 0.4\% | 6,383 | 7.1\% | 6,920 | 2.9\% |
| Lower leg strain/sprain | 3,906 | 2.6\% | 1,505 | 1.7\% | 5,411 | 2.2\% |
| Hand/wrist strain/sprain | 2,897 | 1.9\% | 2,241 | 2.5\% | 5,138 | 2.1\% |
| Hand/wrist fracture | 3,548 | 2.3\% | 1,411 | 1.6\% | 4,959 | 2.0\% |

* Totals and n's are not always equal due to slight rounding of the weighted number of injuries and missing responses. Due to a low level of non-response, these totals are always similar but are not always equal to the total number of injuries.

Figure 5.2 Time Loss of Girls' Soccer Injuries by Type of Exposure, High School SportsRelated Injury Surveillance Study, US, 2017-18 School Year


Practice=89,609

*Other category is made up of medical disqualification for season, medical disqualification for career, athlete chooses not to continue, and season ended before athlete returned to play

Table 5.5 Girls' Soccer Injuries Requiring Surgery by Type of Exposure, High School Sports-Related Injury Surveillance Study, US, 2017-18 School Year*

|  | Competition |  | Practice |  | Overall |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $\mathbf{n}$ | $\%$ | $\mathbf{n}$ | $\%$ | $\mathbf{n}$ | $\%$ |
| Need for surgery |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Required surgery | 12,191 | $8.0 \%$ | 2,401 | $2.7 \%$ | 14,592 | $6.1 \%$ |
| Did not require surgery | 139,871 | $92.0 \%$ | 86,301 | $97.3 \%$ | 226,172 | $93.9 \%$ |
| Total | $\mathbf{1 5 2 , 0 6 2}$ | $\mathbf{1 0 0 . 0} \%$ | $\mathbf{8 8 , 7 0 2}$ | $\mathbf{1 0 0 . 0} \%$ | $\mathbf{2 4 0 , 7 6 4}$ | $\mathbf{1 0 0 . 0 \%}$ |

* Totals and n's are not always equal due to slight rounding of the weighted number of injuries and missing responses. Due to a low level of non-response, these totals are always similar but are not always equal to the total number of injuries.

Figure 5.3 History of Girls' Soccer Injuries by Type of Exposure, High School SportsRelated Injury Surveillance Study, US, 2017-18 School Year

Competition $n=152,993$
Practice $\mathrm{n}=\mathbf{8 9 , 6 0 9}$



Table 5.6 Time during Season of Girls' Soccer Injuries, High School Sports-Related Injury Surveillance Study, US, 2017-18 School Year*

|  | $\mathbf{n}$ | $\%$ |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| Time in Season |  |  |
| Preseason | 49,578 | $20.5 \%$ |
| Regular season | 180,079 | $74.5 \%$ |
| Post season | 12,016 | $5.0 \%$ |
| Total | $\mathbf{2 4 1 , 6 7 2}$ | $\mathbf{1 0 0 . 0} \%$ |

[^5]Table 5.7 Competition-Related Variables for Girls' Soccer Injuries, High School SportsRelated Injury Surveillance Study, US, 2017-18 School Year*

|  | n | \% |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Time in Competition |  |  |
| Pre-competition/warm-ups | 2,266 | 1.5\% |
| First half | 29,525 | 19.8\% |
| Second half | 81,437 | 54.8\% |
| Overtime | 61 | 0.0\% |
| Unknown | 35,454 | 23.8\% |
| Total | 148,742 | 100.0\% |
| Field Location |  |  |
| Goal box (defense) | 24,373 | 16.6\% |
| Top of goal box extended to center line (offense) | 23,404 | 15.9\% |
| Top of goal box extended to center line (defense) | 17,163 | 11.7\% |
| Side of goal box (defense) | 8,797 | 6.0\% |
| Goal box (offense) | 7,550 | 5.1\% |
| Side of goal box (Defense | 4,201 | 2.9\% |
| Off the field | 2,179 | 1.5\% |
| Unknown | 59,493 | 40.4\% |
| Total | 147,159 | 100.0\% |

* Totals and n's are not always equal due to slight rounding of the weighted number of injuries and missing responses. Due to a low level of non-response, these totals are always similar but are not always equal to the total number of injuries.

Table 5.8 Practice-Related Variables for Girls' Soccer Injuries, High School Sports-Related Injury Surveillance Study, US, 2017-18 School Year*

|  | $\mathbf{n}$ | $\%$ |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| Time in Practice |  |  |
| First $1 / 2$ hour | 9,701 | $10.8 \%$ |
| Second $1 / 2$ hour | 13,574 | $15.2 \%$ |
| $\mathbf{1 - 2}$ hours into practice | 34,559 | $38.6 \%$ |
| $>2$ hours into practice | 2,841 | $3.2 \%$ |
| Unknown | 28,813 | $32.2 \%$ |
| Total | $\mathbf{8 9 , 4 8 8}$ | $\mathbf{1 0 0 . 0 \%}$ |

[^6]Figure 5.4 Player Position of Girls' Soccer Injuries by Type of Exposure, High School Sports-Related Injury Surveillance Study, US, 2017-18 School Year

Competition $\mathrm{n}=147,158$


Practice $\mathrm{n}=85,637$


Table 5.9 Activities Leading to Girls' Soccer Injuries by Type of Exposure, High School Sports-Related Injury Surveillance Study, US, 2017-18 School Year*

|  | Competition |  | Practice |  | Overall |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $\mathbf{n}$ | $\%$ | $\mathbf{n}$ | $\%$ | $\mathbf{n}$ | $\%$ |
| Activity |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| General play | 37,086 | $24.9 \%$ | 32,652 | $38.1 \%$ | 69,738 | $29.8 \%$ |
| Defending | 26,729 | $18.0 \%$ | 7,592 | $8.9 \%$ | 34,321 | $14.6 \%$ |
| Goaltending | 11,987 | $8.1 \%$ | 5,753 | $6.7 \%$ | 17,740 | $7.6 \%$ |
| Ball handling/dribbling | 11,213 | $7.5 \%$ | 6,326 | $7.4 \%$ | 17,539 | $7.5 \%$ |
| Chasing loose ball | 13,486 | $9.1 \%$ | 2,976 | $3.5 \%$ | 16,462 | $7.0 \%$ |
| Shooting (foot) | 5,070 | $3.4 \%$ | 4,778 | $5.6 \%$ | 9,848 | $4.2 \%$ |
| Blocking shot | 4,976 | $3.3 \%$ | 4,428 | $5.2 \%$ | 9,404 | $4.0 \%$ |
| Conditioning | 369 | $0.2 \%$ | 8,485 | $9.9 \%$ | 8,854 | $3.8 \%$ |
| Heading ball | 7,774 | $5.2 \%$ | 0 | $0.0 \%$ | 7,774 | $3.3 \%$ |
| Passing (foot) | 4,865 | $3.3 \%$ | 2,867 | $3.3 \%$ | 7,732 | $3.3 \%$ |
| Receiving pass | 2,865 | $1.9 \%$ | 2,241 | $2.6 \%$ | 5,106 | $2.2 \%$ |
| Attempting a slide tackle | 1,428 | $1.0 \%$ | 0 | $0.0 \%$ | 1,428 | $0.6 \%$ |
| Receiving a slide tackle | 1,249 | $0.8 \%$ | 0 | $0.0 \%$ | 1,249 | $0.5 \%$ |
| Other | 972 | $0.7 \%$ | 1,147 | $1.3 \%$ | 2,119 | $0.9 \%$ |
| Unknown | 18,675 | $12.6 \%$ | 6,392 | $7.5 \%$ | 25,067 | $10.7 \%$ |
| Total | $\mathbf{1 4 8 , 7 4 4}$ | $\mathbf{1 0 0 . 0}$ | $\mathbf{8 5 , 6 3 7}$ | $\mathbf{1 0 0 . 0} \%$ | $\mathbf{2 3 4 , 3 8 1}$ | $\mathbf{1 0 0 . 0 \%}$ |

[^7] low level of non-response, these totals are always similar but are not always equal to the total number of injuries.

Table 5.10 Activity Resulting in Girls' Soccer Injuries by Injury Diagnosis, High School Sports-Related Injury Surveillance Study, US, 2017-18 School Year

| Diagnosis |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Strain/Sprain |  | Contusion |  | Fracture |  | Concussion |  | Other |  |
|  | n | \% | n | \% | n | \% | n | \% | n | \% |
| Activity |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| General play | 28,045 | 27.6\% | 2,928 | 13.3\% | 6,203 | 35.7\% | 12,800 | 22.0\% | 19,761 | 56.7\% |
| Defending | 13,132 | 12.9\% | 4,694 | 21.3\% | 1,188 | 6.8\% | 13,919 | 23.9\% | 1,387 | 4.0\% |
| Goaltending | 5,753 | 5.7\% | 2,756 | 12.5\% | 2,705 | 15.5\% | 4,483 | 7.7\% | 2,042 | 5.9\% |
| Ball handling/dribbling | 12,532 | 12.3\% | 2,087 | 9.5\% | 993 | 5.7\% | 756 | 1.3\% | 1,170 | 3.4\% |
| Chasing loose ball | 9,208 | 9.0\% | 1,386 | 6.3\% | 2,042 | 11.7\% | 2,102 | 3.6\% | 1,725 | 4.9\% |
| Shooting (foot) | 6,027 | 5.9\% | 1,386 | 6.3\% | 752 | 4.3\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 1,683 | 4.8\% |
| Blocking shot | 2,310 | 2.3\% | 930 | 4.2\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 5,234 | 9.0\% | 930 | 2.7\% |
| Conditioning | 7,802 | 7.7\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 1,053 | 3.0\% |
| Heading ball | 0 | 0.0\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 658 | 3.8\% | 6,125 | 10.5\% | 991 | 2.8\% |
| Passing (foot) | 3,346 | 3.3\% | 1,122 | 5.1\% | 739 | 4.2\% | 2,525 | 4.3\% | 0 | 0.0\% |
| Receiving pass | 1,362 | 1.3\% | 240 | 1.1\% | 1,188 | 6.8\% | 1,921 | 3.3\% | 395 | 1.1\% |
| Attempting a slide tackle | 1,188 | 1.2\% | 240 | 1.1\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 0 | 0.0\% |
| Receiving a slide tackle | 1,249 | 1.2\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 0 | 0.0\% |
| Other | 1,147 | 1.1\% | 61 | 0.3\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 790 | 1.4\% | 121 | 0.3\% |
| Unknown | 8,660 | 8.5\% | 4,245 | 19.2\% | 930 | 5.3\% | 7,641 | 13.1\% | 3,591 | 10.3\% |
| Total | 101,761 | 100.0\% | 22,075 | 100.0\% | 17,398 | 100.0\% | 58,296 | 100.0\% | 34,849 | 100.0\% |

## VI. Volleyball Injury Epidemiology

Table 6.1 Volleyball Injury Rates by Type of Exposure, High School Sports-Related Injury Surveillance Study, US, 2017-18 School Year

|  | \# Injuries | \# Exposures | Injury rate <br> (per 1,00 athlete- <br> exposures) | Nationally <br> Estimated <br> \# Injuries |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Total | $\mathbf{2 4 7}$ | $\mathbf{1 6 0 , 1 1 7}$ | $\mathbf{1 . 5 4}$ | $\mathbf{6 7 , 1 6 3}$ |
| Competition | 122 | 55,944 | 2.18 | 33,075 |
| Practice | 125 | 104,173 | 1.20 | 34,088 |

Table 6.2 Demographic Characteristics of Injured Volleyball Athletes, High School SportsRelated Injury Surveillance Study, US, 2017-18 School Year*

| Year in School | $\mathbf{n = 6 2 , 5 1 8}$ |
| :--- | :---: |
| Freshman | $27.0 \%$ |
| Sophomore | $27.3 \%$ |
| Junior | $23.7 \%$ |
| Senior | $22.0 \%$ |
| Total $^{\dagger}$ | $\mathbf{1 0 0 . 0 \%}$ |
|  |  |
| Age (years) | 12 |
| Minimum | 18 |
| Maximum | $15.5(1.3)$ |
| Mean (St. Dev.) |  |
|  |  |
| BMI | 17.2 |
| Minimum | 40.2 |
| Maximum | $22.4(3.3)$ |

*All remaining analyses in this chapter present data weighted to provide national injury estimates.
$\dagger$ Throughout this chapter, totals and n's represent the total weighted number of injury reports containing a valid response for the particular question. Due to a low level of non-response, these totals are always similar but are not always equal to the total number of injuries.

Figure 6.1 Diagnosis of Volleyball Injuries by Type of Exposure, High School SportsRelated Injury Surveillance Study, US, 2017-18 School Year

Competition n=33,075


Practice $\mathrm{n}=33,940$


Table 6.3 Body Site of Volleyball Injuries by Type of Exposure, High School SportsRelated Injury Surveillance Study, US, 2017-18 School Year*

|  | Competition |  | Practice |  | Overall |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $\mathbf{n}$ | $\%$ | $\mathbf{n}$ | $\%$ | $\mathbf{n}$ | $\%$ |
| Body Site |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Ankle | 9,744 | $29.5 \%$ | 10,022 | $29.4 \%$ | 19,766 | $29.4 \%$ |
| Head/face | 7,470 | $22.6 \%$ | 5,854 | $17.2 \%$ | 13,324 | $19.8 \%$ |
| Hand/wrist | 5,036 | $15.2 \%$ | 3,424 | $10.0 \%$ | 8,460 | $12.6 \%$ |
| Knee | 3,919 | $11.8 \%$ | 4,413 | $12.9 \%$ | 8,332 | $12.4 \%$ |
| Trunk | 2,146 | $6.5 \%$ | 3,660 | $10.7 \%$ | 5,806 | $8.6 \%$ |
| Shoulder | 1,247 | $3.8 \%$ | 3,231 | $9.5 \%$ | 4,478 | $6.7 \%$ |
| Hip/thigh/upper leg | 1,583 | $4.8 \%$ | 1,172 | $3.4 \%$ | 2,755 | $4.1 \%$ |
| Lower leg | 481 | $1.5 \%$ | 933 | $2.7 \%$ | 1,414 | $2.1 \%$ |
| Foot | 713 | $2.2 \%$ | 302 | $0.9 \%$ | 1,015 | $1.5 \%$ |
| Arm/elbow | 260 | $0.8 \%$ | 387 | $1.1 \%$ | 647 | $1.0 \%$ |
| Neck | 0 | $0.0 \%$ | 481 | $1.4 \%$ | 481 | $0.7 \%$ |
| Other | 478 | $1.4 \%$ | 211 | $0.6 \%$ | 689 | $1.0 \%$ |
| Total | $\mathbf{3 3 , 0 7 7}$ | $\mathbf{1 0 0 . 0} \%$ | $\mathbf{3 4 , 0 9 0}$ | $\mathbf{1 0 0 . 0 \%}$ | $\mathbf{6 7 , 1 6 7}$ | $\mathbf{1 0 0 . 0} \%$ |

[^8]Table 6.4 Ten Most Common Volleyball Injury Diagnoses by Type of Exposure, High School Sports-Related Injury Surveillance Study, US, 2017-18 School Year*

|  | Competition |  | Practice <br> $\mathbf{n}=\mathbf{3 3 , 0 7 8}$ |  | Total <br> $\mathbf{n}=33,940$ |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | n=67,018 |  |  |  |  |  |
| Diagnosis |  | $\%$ | $\mathbf{n}$ | $\%$ | $\mathbf{n}$ | $\%$ |
| Ankle strain/sprain | 9,456 | $28.6 \%$ | 10,022 | $29.5 \%$ | 19,478 | $29.1 \%$ |
| Head/face concussion | 7,358 | $22.2 \%$ | 5,134 | $15.1 \%$ | 12,492 | $18.6 \%$ |
| Hand/wrist strain/sprain | 3,410 | $10.3 \%$ | 2,022 | $6.0 \%$ | 5,432 | $8.1 \%$ |
| Knee other | 1,460 | $4.4 \%$ | 3,418 | $10.1 \%$ | 4,878 | $7.3 \%$ |
| Knee strain/sprain | 2,108 | $6.4 \%$ | 996 | $2.9 \%$ | 3,104 | $4.6 \%$ |
| Trunk strain/sprain | 1,545 | $4.7 \%$ | 1,358 | $4.0 \%$ | 2,903 | $4.3 \%$ |
| Trunk other | 601 | $1.8 \%$ | 2,302 | $6.8 \%$ | 2,903 | $4.3 \%$ |
| Shoulder other | 1,247 | $3.8 \%$ | 1,431 | $4.2 \%$ | 2,678 | $4.0 \%$ |
| Shoulder strain/sprain | 0 | $0.0 \%$ | 1,799 | $5.3 \%$ | 1,799 | $2.7 \%$ |
| Hand/wrist contusion | 1,338 | $4.0 \%$ | 239 | $0.7 \%$ | 1,577 | $2.4 \%$ |

* Totals and n's are not always equal due to slight rounding of the weighted number of injuries and missing responses. Due to a low level of non-response, these totals are always similar but are not always equal to the total number of injuries.

Figure 6.2 Time Loss of Volleyball Injuries by Type of Exposure, High School SportsRelated Injury Surveillance Study, US, 2017-18 School Year

*Other category is made up of medical disqualification for season, medical disqualification for career, athlete chooses not to continue, and season ended before athlete returned to play

Table 6.5 Volleyball Injuries Requiring Surgery by Type of Exposure, High School SportsRelated Injury Surveillance Study, US, 2017-18 School Year*

|  | Competition |  | Practice |  | Overall |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $\mathbf{n}$ | $\%$ | $\mathbf{n}$ | $\%$ | $\mathbf{n}$ | $\%$ |
| Need for surgery |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Required surgery | 866 | $2.6 \%$ | 1,137 | $3.4 \%$ | 2,003 | $3.0 \%$ |
| Did not require surgery | 32,209 | $97.4 \%$ | 32,565 | $96.6 \%$ | 64,774 | $97.0 \%$ |
| Total | 33,075 | $\mathbf{1 0 0 . 0} \%$ | $\mathbf{3 3 , 7 0 2}$ | $\mathbf{1 0 0 . 0 \%}$ | $\mathbf{6 6 , 7 7 7}$ | $\mathbf{1 0 0 . 0 \%}$ |

* Totals and n's are not always equal due to slight rounding of the weighted number of injuries and missing responses. Due to a low level of non-response, these totals are always similar but are not always equal to the total number of injuries.

Figure 6.3 History of Volleyball Injuries by Type of Exposure, High School Sports-Related Injury Surveillance Study, US, 2017-18 School Year

Competition $n=33,075$


Practice $\mathrm{n}=33,940$


Table 6.6 Time during Season of Volleyball Injuries, High School Sports-Related Injury Surveillance Study, US, 2017-18 School Year*

|  | $\mathbf{n}$ | $\%$ |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| Time in Season |  |  |
| Preseason | 14,128 | $21.0 \%$ |
| Regular season | 51,476 | $76.6 \%$ |
| Post season | 1,412 | $2.1 \%$ |
| Unknown | 148 | $0.2 \%$ |
| Total | $\mathbf{6 7 , 1 6 3}$ | $\mathbf{1 0 0 . 0} \%$ |

[^9]Table 6.7 Competition-Related Variables for Volleyball Injuries, High School Sports-Related Injury Surveillance Study, US, 2017-18 School Year**

| Time in Competition | $\mathbf{n}$ | $\%$ |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| Pre-competition/warm-ups | 3,907 | $12.6 \%$ |
| First set | 749 | $2.4 \%$ |
| Second set | 7,887 | $25.4 \%$ |
| Third set | 6,612 | $21.3 \%$ |
| Fourth set | 1,558 | $5.0 \%$ |
| Fifth set | 724 | $2.3 \%$ |
| Unknown | 9,560 | $30.8 \%$ |
| Total | $\mathbf{3 0 , 9 9 6}$ | $\mathbf{1 0 0 . 0 \%}$ |
|  |  |  |
| Court Location | $\mathbf{n}$ | $\%$ |
| Middle forward | 4,953 | $16.9 \%$ |
| Right forward | 3,229 | $11.0 \%$ |
| Left back | 2,285 | $7.8 \%$ |
| Left forward | 1,731 | $5.9 \%$ |
| Right back (server) | 1,489 | $5.1 \%$ |
| At the net | 1,293 | $4.4 \%$ |
| Outside court (opponents side) | 938 | $3.2 \%$ |
| Outside the playable area | 601 | $2.1 \%$ |
| Outside court (your side) | 466 | $1.6 \%$ |
| Unknown | 12,289 | $42.0 \%$ |
| Total | $\mathbf{2 9 , 2 7 3}$ | $\mathbf{1 0 0 . 0 \%}$ |

* Totals and n's are not always equal due to slight rounding of the weighted number of injuries and missing responses. Due to a low level of non-response, these totals are always similar but are not always equal to the total number of injuries.

Table 6.8 Practice-Related Variables for Volleyball Injuries, High School Sports-Related Injury Surveillance Study, US, 2017-18 School Year*

|  | $\mathbf{n}$ | $\%$ |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| Time in Practice |  |  |
| First $1 / 2$ hour | 702 | $2.1 \%$ |
| Second 1/2 hour | 4,126 | $12.4 \%$ |
| $1-2$ hours into practice | 15,811 | $47.4 \%$ |
| $>2$ hours into practice | 4,589 | $13.8 \%$ |
| Unknown | 8,142 | $24.4 \%$ |
| Total | $\mathbf{3 3 , 3 7 0}$ | $\mathbf{1 0 0 . 0 \%}$ |

* Totals and n's are not always equal due to slight rounding of the weighted number of injuries and missing responses. Due to a low level of non-response, these totals are always similar but are not always equal to the total number of injuries.

Figure 6.4 Player Position of Volleyball Injuries by Type of Exposure, High School SportsRelated Injury Surveillance Study, US, 2017-18 School Year

## Competition $\mathbf{n}=30,035$



Practice $\mathrm{n}=\mathbf{3 0 , 1 0 1}$


Table 6.9 Activities Leading to Volleyball Injuries by Type of Exposure, High School Sports-Related Injury Surveillance Study, US, 2017-18 School Year*

|  | Competition |  | Practice |  | Overall |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $\mathbf{n}$ | $\%$ | $\mathbf{n}$ | $\%$ | $\mathbf{n}$ | $\%$ |
| Activity |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| General play | 5,182 | $16.9 \%$ | 8,015 | $26.0 \%$ | 13,197 | $21.5 \%$ |
| Blocking | 5,490 | $18.0 \%$ | 5,237 | $17.0 \%$ | 10,727 | $17.5 \%$ |
| Digging | 7,356 | $24.1 \%$ | 2,973 | $9.6 \%$ | 10,329 | $16.8 \%$ |
| Spiking | 2,285 | $7.5 \%$ | 2,211 | $7.2 \%$ | 4,496 | $7.3 \%$ |
| Passing | 1,796 | $5.9 \%$ | 1,267 | $4.1 \%$ | 3,063 | $5.0 \%$ |
| Setting | 1,056 | $3.5 \%$ | 1,921 | $6.2 \%$ | 2,977 | $4.8 \%$ |
| Serving | 961 | $3.1 \%$ | 1,696 | $5.5 \%$ | 2,657 | $4.3 \%$ |
| Conditioning | 0 | $0.0 \%$ | 1,141 | $3.7 \%$ | 1,141 | $1.9 \%$ |
| Other | 1,592 | $5.2 \%$ | 1,805 | $5.8 \%$ | 3,397 | $5.5 \%$ |
| Unknown | 4,861 | $15.9 \%$ | 4,604 | $14.9 \%$ | 9,465 | $15.4 \%$ |
| Total | $\mathbf{3 0 , 5 7 9}$ | $\mathbf{1 0 0 . 0 \%}$ | $\mathbf{3 0 , 8 7 0}$ | $\mathbf{1 0 0 . 0 \%}$ | $\mathbf{6 1 , 4 4 9}$ | $\mathbf{1 0 0 . 0 \%}$ |

* Totals and n's are not always equal due to slight rounding of the weighted number of injuries and missing responses. Due to a
low level of non-response, these totals are always similar but are not always equal to the total number of injuries.

Table 6.10 Activity Resulting in Volleyball Injuries by Injury Diagnosis, High School Sports-Related Injury Surveillance Study, US, 2017-18 School Year

| Diagnosis |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Strain/Sprain |  | Contusion |  | Fracture |  | Concussion |  | Other |  |
|  | n | \% | n | \% | n | \% | n | \% | n | \% |
| Activity |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| General play | 5,819 | 18.1\% | 769 | 24.8\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 2,578 | 22.3\% | 4,031 | 31.5\% |
| Spiking | 2,321 | 7.2\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 288 | 17.0\% | 288 | 2.5\% | 1,600 | 12.5\% |
| Digging | 4,376 | 13.6\% | 1,717 | 55.4\% | 112 | 6.6\% | 3,181 | 27.6\% | 943 | 7.4\% |
| Conditioning | 239 | 0.7\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 902 | 7.0\% |
| Serving | 1,938 | 6.0\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 720 | 5.6\% |
| Setting | 1,566 | 4.9\% | 466 | 15.0\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 239 | 2.1\% | 705 | 5.5\% |
| Blocking | 9,830 | 30.5\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 362 | 21.4\% | 296 | 2.6\% | 239 | 1.9\% |
| Passing | 1,760 | 5.5\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 387 | 22.9\% | 769 | 6.7\% | 0 | 0.0\% |
| Other | 829 | 2.6\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 63 | 3.7\% | 2,358 | 20.4\% | 148 | 1.2\% |
| Unknown | 3,500 | 10.9\% | 148 | 4.8\% | 481 | 28.4\% | 1,827 | 15.8\% | 3,509 | 27.4\% |
| Total | 32,178 | 100.0\% | 3,100 | 100.0\% | 1,693 | 100.0\% | 11,536 | 100.0\% | 12,797 | 100.0\% |

VII. Boys' Basketball Injury Epidemiology

Table 7.1 Boys' Basketball Injury Rates by Type of Exposure, High School Sports-Related Injury Surveillance Study, US, 2017-18 School Year

|  | \# Injuries | \# Exposures | Injury rate <br> (per 1,000 athlete- <br> exposures) | Nationally <br> Estimated <br> \# Injuries |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Total | $\mathbf{3 2 4}$ | $\mathbf{2 1 0 , 1 1 9}$ | $\mathbf{1 . 5 4}$ | $\mathbf{9 3 , 7 7 3}$ |
| Competition | 176 | 64,289 | 2.74 | 48,814 |
| Practice | 148 | 145,830 | 1.01 | 44,959 |

Table 7.2 Demographic Characteristics of Injured Boys' Basketball Athletes, High School Sports-Related Injury Surveillance Study, US, 2017-18 School Year*

| Year in School | $\mathbf{n = 9 1 , 3 0 1}$ |
| :--- | :---: |
| Freshman | $20.0 \%$ |
| Sophomore | $31.0 \%$ |
| Junior | $25.3 \%$ |
| Senior | $23.6 \%$ |
| Total $^{\dagger}$ | $\mathbf{1 0 0 . 0 \%}$ |
|  |  |
| Age (years) | 13 |
| Minimum | 18 |
| Maximum | $16.0(1.3)$ |
| Mean (St. Dev.) |  |
|  |  |
| BMI | 15.6 |
| Minimum | 37.9 |
| Maximum | $22.8(3.8)$ |
| Mean (St. Dev.) |  |

*All remaining analyses in this chapter present data weighted to provide national injury estimates. $\dagger$ Throughout this chapter, totals and n's represent the total weighted number of injury reports containing a valid response for the particular question. Due to a low level of non-response, these totals are always similar but are not always equal to the total number of injuries.

Figure 7.1 Diagnosis of Boys' Basketball Injuries by Type of Exposure, High School SportsRelated Injury Surveillance Study, US, 2017-18 School Year

## Competition $\mathrm{n}=48,814$



Practice $\mathrm{n}=44,959$


Table 7.3 Body Site of Boys’ Basketball Injuries by Type of Exposure, High School SportsRelated Injury Surveillance Study, US, 2017-18 School Year*

|  | Competition |  | Practice |  | Overall |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | n | \% | n | \% | n | \% |
| Body Site |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Ankle | 16,486 | 33.8\% | 16,617 | 37.0\% | 33,103 | 35.3\% |
| Head/face | 8,403 | 17.2\% | 4,559 | 10.1\% | 12,962 | 13.8\% |
| Hand/wrist | 6,542 | 13.4\% | 6,402 | 14.2\% | 12,944 | 13.8\% |
| Knee | 4,584 | 9.4\% | 5,679 | 12.6\% | 10,263 | 10.9\% |
| Trunk | 2,889 | 5.9\% | 3,461 | 7.7\% | 6,350 | 6.8\% |
| Hip/thigh/upper leg | 2,323 | 4.8\% | 2,629 | 5.8\% | 4,952 | 5.3\% |
| Lower leg | 2,196 | 4.5\% | 1,360 | 3.0\% | 3,556 | 3.8\% |
| Foot | 1,504 | 3.1\% | 1,500 | 3.3\% | 3,004 | 3.2\% |
| Shoulder | 1,091 | 2.2\% | 1,123 | 2.5\% | 2,214 | 2.4\% |
| Arm/elbow | 1,639 | 3.4\% | 114 | 0.3\% | 1,753 | 1.9\% |
| Neck | 890 | 1.8\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 890 | 0.9\% |
| Other | 266 | 0.5\% | 1,514 | 3.4\% | 1,780 | 1.9\% |
| Total | 48,813 | 100.0\% | 44,958 | 100.0\% | 93,771 | 100.0\% |

[^10]Table 7.4 Ten Most Common Boys’ Basketball Injury Diagnoses by Type of Exposure, High School Sports-Related Injury Surveillance Study, US, 2017-18 School Year*

|  | Competition $\mathrm{n}=48,814$ |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Practice } \\ & \mathrm{n}=44,960 \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ |  | $\begin{gathered} \text { Total } \\ \mathrm{n}=93,774 \end{gathered}$ |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | n | \% | n | \% | n | \% |
| Diagnosis |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Ankle strain/sprain | 16,372 | 33.5\% | 15,966 | 35.5\% | 32,338 | 34.5\% |
| Head/face concussion | 5,378 | 11.0\% | 3,539 | 7.9\% | 8,917 | 9.5\% |
| Hand/wrist strain/sprain | 2,932 | 6.0\% | 2,861 | 6.4\% | 5,793 | 6.2\% |
| Hand/wrist fracture | 1,882 | 3.9\% | 2,946 | 6.6\% | 4,828 | 5.1\% |
| Knee sprain/strain | 1,332 | 2.7\% | 3,293 | 7.3\% | 4,625 | 4.9\% |
| Knee other | 2,019 | 4.1\% | 2,132 | 4.7\% | 4,151 | 4.4\% |
| Trunk strain/sprain | 1,044 | 2.1\% | 2,204 | 4.9\% | 3,248 | 3.5\% |
| Trunk other | 1,783 | 3.7\% | 1,004 | 2.2\% | 2,787 | 3.0\% |
| Head/face other | 1,409 | 2.9\% | 957 | 2.1\% | 2,366 | 2.5\% |
| Hip/thigh/upper leg contusion | 2,209 | 4.5\% | 114 | 0.3\% | 2,323 | 2.5\% |

* Totals and n's are not always equal due to slight rounding of the weighted number of injuries and missing responses. Due to a low level of non-response, these totals are always similar but are not always equal to the total number of injuries.

Figure 7.2 Time Loss of Boys' Basketball Injuries by Type of Exposure, High School Sports-Related Injury Surveillance Study, US, 2017-18 School Year

## Competition $n=48,813$

Practice $\mathrm{n}=44,958$


$15 \%$
*Other category is made up of medical disqualification for season, medical disqualification for career, athlete chooses not to continue, and season ended before athlete returned to play

Table 7.5 Boys' Basketball Injuries Requiring Surgery by Type of Exposure, High School Sports-Related Injury Surveillance Study, US, 2017-18 School Year*

|  | Competition |  | Practice |  | Overall |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $\mathbf{n}$ | $\%$ | $\mathbf{n}$ | $\%$ | $\mathbf{n}$ | $\%$ |
| Need for surgery |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Required surgery | 2,720 | $5.7 \%$ | 2,771 | $6.3 \%$ | 5,491 | $6.0 \%$ |
| Did not require surgery | 45,206 | $94.3 \%$ | 41,550 | $93.7 \%$ | 86,756 | $94.0 \%$ |
| Total | $\mathbf{4 7 , 9 2 6}$ | $\mathbf{1 0 0 . 0 \%}$ | $\mathbf{4 4 , 3 2 1}$ | $\mathbf{1 0 0 . 0 \%}$ | $\mathbf{9 2 , 2 4 7}$ | $\mathbf{1 0 0 . 0 \%}$ |

* Totals and n's are not always equal due to slight rounding of the weighted number of injuries and missing responses. Due to a low level of non-response, these totals are always similar but are not always equal to the total number of injuries.

Figure 7.3 History of Boys' Basketball Injuries by Type of Exposure, High School SportsRelated Injury Surveillance Study, US, 2017-18 School Year

Competition $\mathrm{n}=48,574$


Practice $\mathbf{n = 4 4 , 8 3 4}$


Table 7.6 Time during Season of Boys' Basketball Injuries, High School Sports-Related Injury Surveillance Study, US, 2017-18 School Year*

|  | $\mathbf{n}$ | $\%$ |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| Time in Season |  |  |
| Preseason | 14,528 | $15.5 \%$ |
| Regular season | 76,364 | $81.4 \%$ |
| Post season | 2,881 | $3.1 \%$ |
| Total | $\mathbf{9 3 , 7 7 3}$ | $\mathbf{1 0 0 . 0 \%}$ |

[^11]Table 7.7 Competition-Related Variables for Boys' Basketball Injuries, High School Sports-Related Injury Surveillance Study, US, 2017-18 School Year*

|  | $\mathbf{n}$ | $\%$ |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| Time in Competition |  |  |
| Pre-competition/warm-ups | 1,238 | $2.6 \%$ |
| First quarter | 3,856 | $8.2 \%$ |
| Second quarter | 13,141 | $28.0 \%$ |
| Third quarter | 12,494 | $26.6 \%$ |
| Fourth quarter | 7,452 | $15.9 \%$ |
| Unknown | 8,710 | $18.6 \%$ |
| Total | $\mathbf{4 6 , 8 9 1}$ | $\mathbf{1 0 0 . 0 \%}$ |
|  |  |  |
| Court Location |  |  |
| Inside lane (defense) | 10,205 | $21.8 \%$ |
| Inside lane (offense) | 6,724 | $14.4 \%$ |
| Between 3 pt arc and lane (offense) | 5,123 | $11.0 \%$ |
| Between 3 pt arc and lane (defense) | 2,856 | $6.1 \%$ |
| Outside 3 point arc - defense | 2,272 | $4.9 \%$ |
| Out of bounds | 2,133 | $4.6 \%$ |
| Outside 3 point arc - offense | 1,359 | $2.9 \%$ |
| Off the court | 965 | $2.1 \%$ |
| Backcourt | 894 | $1.9 \%$ |
| Unknown | 14,246 | $30.5 \%$ |
| Total | $\mathbf{4 6 , 7 7 7}$ | $\mathbf{1 0 0 . 0 \%}$ |

* Totals and n's are not always equal due to slight rounding of the weighted number of injuries and missing responses. Due to a low level of non-response, these totals are always similar but are not always equal to the total number of injuries.

Table 7.8 Practice-Related Variables for Boys' Basketball Injuries, High School SportsRelated Injury Surveillance Study, US, 2017-18 School Year*

|  | $\mathbf{n}$ | $\%$ |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| Time in Practice |  |  |
| First $1 / 2$ hour | 2,109 | $4.7 \%$ |
| Second $1 / 2$ hour | 7,555 | $16.9 \%$ |
| 1-2 hours into practice | 25,467 | $57.0 \%$ |
| $>2$ hours into practice | 2,877 | $6.4 \%$ |
| Unknown | 6,697 | $15.0 \%$ |
| Total | $\mathbf{4 4 , 7 0 5}$ | $\mathbf{1 0 0 . 0 \%}$ |

* Totals and n's are not always equal due to slight rounding of the weighted number of injuries and missing responses. Due to a low level of non-response, these totals are always similar but are not always equal to the total number of injuries.

Figure 7.4 Player Position of Boys' Basketball Injuries by Type of Exposure, High School Sports-Related Injury Surveillance Study, US, 2017-18 School Year


Practice $n=44,255$


Table 7.9 Activities Leading to Boys' Basketball Injuries by Type of Exposure, High School Sports-Related Injury Surveillance Study, US, 2017-18 School Year*

|  | Competition |  | Practice |  | Overall |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $\mathbf{n}$ | $\%$ | $\mathbf{n}$ | $\%$ | $\mathbf{n}$ | $\%$ |
| Activity |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Rebounding | 12,992 | $27.7 \%$ | 11,978 | $27.4 \%$ | 24,970 | $27.6 \%$ |
| General play | 5,388 | $11.5 \%$ | 13,459 | $30.8 \%$ | 18,847 | $20.8 \%$ |
| Defending | 7,764 | $16.6 \%$ | 4,194 | $9.6 \%$ | 11,958 | $13.2 \%$ |
| Shooting | 4,587 | $9.8 \%$ | 3,041 | $7.0 \%$ | 7,628 | $8.4 \%$ |
| Chasing loose ball | 5,536 | $11.8 \%$ | 1,617 | $3.7 \%$ | 7,153 | $7.9 \%$ |
| Ball handling/dribbling | 2,137 | $4.6 \%$ | 1,427 | $3.3 \%$ | 3,564 | $3.9 \%$ |
| Receiving pass | 776 | $1.7 \%$ | 2,503 | $5.7 \%$ | 3,279 | $3.6 \%$ |
| Passing | 522 | $1.1 \%$ | 522 | $1.2 \%$ | 1,044 | $1.2 \%$ |
| Conditioning | 0 | $0.0 \%$ | 890 | $2.0 \%$ | 890 | $1.0 \%$ |
| Screening | 470 | $1.0 \%$ | 0 | $0.0 \%$ | 470 | $0.5 \%$ |
| Other | 532 | $1.1 \%$ | 372 | $0.9 \%$ | 904 | $1.0 \%$ |
| Unknown | 6,187 | $13.2 \%$ | 3,731 | $8.5 \%$ | 9,918 | $10.9 \%$ |
| Total | $\mathbf{4 6 , 8 9 1}$ | $\mathbf{1 0 0 . 0 \%}$ | $\mathbf{4 3 , 7 3 4}$ | $\mathbf{1 0 0 . 0 \%}$ | 90,625 | $\mathbf{1 0 0 . 0 \%}$ |
| Totals and n's are not always equal due to slight rounding of the weighted number of injuries and missing responses. Due to a |  |  |  |  |  |  |

Table 7.10 Activity Resulting in Boys' Basketball Injuries by Injury Diagnosis, High School Sports-Related Injury Surveillance Study, US, 2017-18 School Year

|  | Diagnosis |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Strain/Sprain |  | Contusion |  | Fracture |  | Concussion |  | Other |  |
|  | n | \% | n | \% | n | \% | n | \% | n | \% |
| Activity |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Rebounding | 16,506 | 31.8\% | 1,599 | 25.0\% | 2,800 | 33.2\% | 1,257 | 14.6\% | 2,807 | 18.3\% |
| General play | 10,707 | 20.7\% | 522 | 8.2\% | 584 | 6.9\% | 1,857 | 21.6\% | 5,176 | 33.7\% |
| Defending | 6,190 | 11.9\% | 699 | 10.9\% | 716 | 8.5\% | 2,394 | 27.8\% | 1,960 | 12.8\% |
| Shooting Chasing loose | 5,164 | 10.0\% | 963 | 15.1\% | 626 | 7.4\% | 495 | 5.7\% | 380 | 2.5\% |
| ball <br> Ball | 3,935 | 7.6\% | 865 | 13.5\% | 470 | 5.6\% | 990 | 11.5\% | 893 | 5.8\% |
| handling/dribbling | 1,849 | 3.6\% | 254 | 4.0\% | 254 | 3.0\% | 254 | 3.0\% | 953 | 6.2\% |
| Receiving pass | 776 | 1.5\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 1,970 | 23.3\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 533 | 3.5\% |
| Passing | 0 | 0.0\% | 522 | 8.2\% | 522 | 6.2\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 0 | 0.0\% |
| Conditioning | 254 | 0.5\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 114 | 1.4\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 522 | 3.4\% |
| Screening | 0 | 0.0\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 470 | 5.5\% | 0 | 0.0\% |
| Other | 372 | 0.7\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 266 | 3.1\% | 266 | 1.7\% |
| Unknown | 6,083 | 11.7\% | 965 | 15.1\% | 385 | 4.6\% | 626 | 7.3\% | 1,859 | 12.1\% |
| Total | 51,836 | 100.0\% | 6,389 | 100.0\% | 8,441 | 100.0\% | 8,609 | 100.0\% | 15,349 | 100.0\% |

## VIII. Girls' Basketball Injury Epidemiology

Table 8.1 Girls' Basketball Injury Rates by Type of Exposure, High School Sports-Related Injury Surveillance Study, US, 2017-18 School Year

|  | \# Injuries | \# Exposures | Injury rate <br> (per 1,000 athlete- <br> exposures) | Nationally <br> Estimated <br> \# Injuries |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Total | $\mathbf{3 3 2}$ | $\mathbf{1 5 4 , 1 4 9}$ | $\mathbf{2 . 1 5}$ | $\mathbf{9 0 , 5 5 4}$ |
| Competition | 199 | 48,258 | 4.12 | 53,834 |
| Practice | 133 | 105,891 | 1.26 | 36,720 |

Table 8.2 Demographic Characteristics of Injured Girls' Basketball Athletes, High School Sports-Related Injury Surveillance Study, US, 2017-18 School Year*

| Year in School | $\mathbf{n = 8 4 , 4 6 8}$ |
| :--- | :---: |
| Freshman | $22.8 \%$ |
| Sophomore | $26.1 \%$ |
| Junior | $27.1 \%$ |
| Senior | $24.0 \%$ |
| Total $^{\dagger}$ | $\mathbf{1 0 0 . 0 \%}$ |
|  |  |
| Age (years) | 12 |
| Minimum | 19 |
| Maximum | $15.6(1.3)$ |
| Mean (St. Dev.) |  |
|  |  |
| BMI | 14.8 |
| Minimum | 43.0 |
| Maximum | $22.8(3.8)$ |

*All remaining analyses in this chapter present data weighted to provide national injury estimates. $\dagger$ Throughout this chapter, totals and n's represent the total weighted number of injury reports containing a valid response for the particular question. Due to a low level of non-response, these totals are always similar but are not always equal to the total number of injuries.

Figure 8.1 Diagnosis of Girls' Basketball Injuries by Type of Exposure, High School Sports-Related Injury Surveillance Study, US, 2017-18 School Year

## Competition $\mathrm{n}=53,834$



Practice $\mathrm{n}=36,720$


Table 8.3 Body Site of Girls’ Basketball Injuries by Type of Exposure, High School SportsRelated Injury Surveillance Study, US, 2017-18 School Year*

|  | Competition |  | Practice |  | Overall |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $\mathbf{n}$ | $\%$ | $\mathbf{n}$ | $\%$ | $\mathbf{n}$ | $\%$ |
| Body Site |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Ankle | 15,325 | $28.5 \%$ | 14,173 | $38.6 \%$ | 29,498 | $32.6 \%$ |
| Head/face | 13,208 | $24.5 \%$ | 3,884 | $10.6 \%$ | 17,092 | $18.9 \%$ |
| Knee | 8,848 | $16.4 \%$ | 6,357 | $17.3 \%$ | 15,205 | $16.8 \%$ |
| Hand/wrist | 5,899 | $11.0 \%$ | 3,320 | $9.0 \%$ | 9,219 | $10.2 \%$ |
| Hip/thigh/upper leg | 757 | $1.4 \%$ | 4,105 | $11.2 \%$ | 4,862 | $5.4 \%$ |
| Arm/elbow | 2,913 | $5.4 \%$ | 505 | $1.4 \%$ | 3,418 | $3.8 \%$ |
| Shoulder | 2,956 | $5.5 \%$ | 414 | $1.1 \%$ | 3,370 | $3.7 \%$ |
| Trunk | 1,054 | $2.0 \%$ | 1,795 | $4.9 \%$ | 2,849 | $3.1 \%$ |
| Lower leg | 398 | $0.7 \%$ | 1,597 | $4.3 \%$ | 1,995 | $2.2 \%$ |
| Foot | 1,009 | $1.9 \%$ | 440 | $1.2 \%$ | 1,449 | $1.6 \%$ |
| Neck | 757 | $1.4 \%$ | 0 | $0.0 \%$ | 757 | $0.8 \%$ |
| Other | 709 | $1.3 \%$ | 129 | $0.4 \%$ | 838 | $0.9 \%$ |
| Total | 53,833 | $100.0 \%$ | 36,719 | $100.0 \%$ | 90,552 | $100.0 \%$ |

[^12]Table 8.4 Ten Most Common Girls' Basketball Injury Diagnoses by Type of Exposure, High School Sports-Related Injury Surveillance Study, US, 2017-18 School Year*

|  | Competition |  | Practice <br> $\mathbf{n}=53,835$ |  | Total <br> $\mathbf{n}=\mathbf{3 6}, 720$ |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $\mathbf{n}$ | $\%$ | $\mathbf{n}$ | $\%$ | $\mathbf{n}$ | $\%$ |
| Diagnosis |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Ankle Strain/sprain | 14,818 | $27.5 \%$ | 12,393 | $33.8 \%$ | 27,211 | $30.0 \%$ |
| Head/face concussion | 11,190 | $20.8 \%$ | 2,741 | $7.5 \%$ | 13,931 | $15.4 \%$ |
| Knee strain/sprain | 4,465 | $8.3 \%$ | 3,105 | $8.5 \%$ | 7,570 | $8.4 \%$ |
| Knee other | 3,390 | $6.3 \%$ | 2,776 | $7.6 \%$ | 6,166 | $6.8 \%$ |
| Hand/wrist strain/sprain | 3,497 | $6.5 \%$ | 1,912 | $5.2 \%$ | 5,409 | $6.0 \%$ |
| Hip/thigh/upper leg strain/sprain | 123 | $0.2 \%$ | 3,621 | $9.9 \%$ | 3,744 | $4.1 \%$ |
| Hand/wrist fracture | 1,432 | $2.7 \%$ | 1,408 | $3.8 \%$ | 2,840 | $3.1 \%$ |
| Shoulder other | 1,689 | $3.1 \%$ | 275 | $0.7 \%$ | 1,964 | $2.2 \%$ |
| Head/face other | 1,122 | $2.1 \%$ | 764 | $2.1 \%$ | 1,886 | $2.1 \%$ |
| Shoulder strain/sprain | 1,267 | $2.4 \%$ | 139 | $0.4 \%$ | 1,406 | $1.6 \%$ |

* Totals and n's are not always equal due to slight rounding of the weighted number of injuries and missing responses. Due to a low level of non-response, these totals are always similar but are not always equal to the total number of injuries.

Figure 8.2 Time Loss of Girls' Basketball Injuries by Type of Exposure, High School Sports-Related Injury Surveillance Study, US, 2017-18 School Year

Competition $n=53,834$


Practice $\mathrm{n}=\mathbf{3 6 , 7 2 0}$

*Other category is made up of medical disqualification for season, medical disqualification for career, athlete chooses not to continue, and season ended before athlete returned to play

Table 8.5 Girls' Basketball Injuries Requiring Surgery by Type of Exposure, High School Sports-Related Injury Surveillance Study, US, 2017-18 School Year*

|  | Competition |  | Practice |  | Overall |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $\mathbf{n}$ | $\%$ | $\mathbf{n}$ | $\%$ | $\mathbf{n}$ | $\%$ |
| Need for surgery |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Required surgery | 2,621 | $4.9 \%$ | 1,920 | $5.2 \%$ | 4,541 | $5.0 \%$ |
| Did not require surgery | 51.083 | $95.1 \%$ | 34,800 | $94.8 \%$ | 85,883 | $95.0 \%$ |
| Total | 53,704 | $\mathbf{1 0 0 . 0} \%$ | $\mathbf{3 6 , 7 2 0}$ | $\mathbf{1 0 0 . 0} \%$ | $\mathbf{9 0 , 4 2 4}$ | $\mathbf{1 0 0 . 0 \%}$ |

* Totals and n's are not always equal due to slight rounding of the weighted number of injuries and missing responses. Due to a low level of non-response, these totals are always similar but are not always equal to the total number of injuries.

Figure 8.3 History of Girls' Basketball Injuries by Type of Exposure, High School SportsRelated Injury Surveillance Study, US, 2017-18 School Year

Competition $n=53,834$


Practice $\mathrm{n}=36,720$


Table 8.6 Time during Season of Girls' Basketball Injuries, High School Sports-Related Injury Surveillance Study, US, 2017-18 School Year*

|  | $\mathbf{n}$ | $\%$ |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| Time in Season |  |  |
| Preseason | 16,434 | $18.1 \%$ |
| Regular season | 69,307 | $76.5 \%$ |
| Post season | 4,812 | $5.3 \%$ |
| Total | $\mathbf{9 0 , 5 5 3}$ | $\mathbf{1 0 0 . 0} \%$ |

[^13]Table 8.7 Competition-Related Variables for Girls' Basketball Injuries, High School Sports-Related Injury Surveillance Study, US, 2017-18 School Year*

|  | n | $\%$ |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| Time in Competition |  |  |
| Pre-competition/warm-ups | 1,663 | $3.3 \%$ |
| First quarter | 3,806 | $7.6 \%$ |
| Second quarter | 7,924 | $15.9 \%$ |
| Third quarter | 13,826 | $27.8 \%$ |
| Fourth quarter | 16,647 | $33.4 \%$ |
| Unknown | 5,919 | $11.9 \%$ |
| Total | $\mathbf{4 9 , 7 8 6}$ | $\mathbf{1 0 0 . 0 \%}$ |
|  |  |  |
| Court Location |  |  |
| Inside lane (defense) | 10,010 | $20.1 \%$ |
| Inside lane (offense) | 8,131 | $16.4 \%$ |
| Outside 3 point arc - defense | 5,814 | $11.7 \%$ |
| Between 3 pt arc and lane (defense) | 5,018 | $10.1 \%$ |
| Between 3 pt arc and lane (offense) | 3,557 | $7.2 \%$ |
| Backcourt | 3,071 | $6.2 \%$ |
| Outside 3 point arc - offense | 2,019 | $4.1 \%$ |
| Out of bounds | 259 | $0.5 \%$ |
| Off the court | 191 | $0.4 \%$ |
| Unknown | 11,654 | $23.4 \%$ |
| Total | $\mathbf{4 9 , 7 2 4}$ | $\mathbf{1 0 0 . 0 \%}$ |

* Totals and n's are not always equal due to slight rounding of the weighted number of injuries and missing responses. Due to a low level of non-response, these totals are always similar but are not always equal to the total number of injuries.

Table 8.8 Practice-Related Variables for Girls' Basketball Injuries, High School SportsRelated Injury Surveillance Study, US, 2017-18 School Year*

|  | n | $\%$ |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| Time in Practice |  |  |
| First 1/2 hour | 3,817 | $10.4 \%$ |
| Second 1/2 hour | 5,200 | $14.2 \%$ |
| $1-2$ hours into practice | 17,638 | $48.2 \%$ |
| $>2$ hours into practice | 2,823 | $7.7 \%$ |
| Unknown | 7,119 | $19.5 \%$ |
| Total | $\mathbf{3 6 , 5 9 7}$ | $\mathbf{1 0 0 . 0 \%}$ |

* Totals and n's are not always equal due to slight rounding of the weighted number of injuries and missing responses. Due to a low level of non-response, these totals are always similar but are not always equal to the total number of injuries.

Figure 8.4 Player Position of Girls' Basketball Injuries by Type of Exposure, High School Sports-Related Injury Surveillance Study, US, 2017-18 School Year

Competition $\mathrm{n}=49,786$


Table 8.9 Activities Leading to Girls' Basketball Injuries by Type of Exposure, High School Sports-Related Injury Surveillance Study, US, 2017-18 School Year*

|  | Competition |  | Practice |  | Overall |  |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $\mathbf{n}$ | $\%$ | $\mathbf{n}$ | $\%$ | $\mathbf{n}$ | $\%$ |  |
| Activity |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Rebounding | 11,024 | $22.0 \%$ | 5,468 | $15.3 \%$ | 16,492 | $19.3 \%$ |  |
| Defending | 11,095 | $22.2 \%$ | 5,243 | $14.7 \%$ | 16,338 | $19.1 \%$ |  |
| General play | 4,412 | $8.8 \%$ | 10,395 | $29.2 \%$ | 14,807 | $17.3 \%$ |  |
| Chasing loose ball | 9,445 | $18.9 \%$ | 1,085 | $3.0 \%$ | 10,530 | $12.3 \%$ |  |
| Shooting | 3,763 | $7.5 \%$ | 1,656 | $4.6 \%$ | 5,419 | $6.3 \%$ |  |
| Ball handling/dribbling | 1,456 | $2.9 \%$ | 2,938 | $8.2 \%$ | 4,394 | $5.1 \%$ |  |
| Receiving pass | 1,569 | $3.1 \%$ | 1,282 | $3.6 \%$ | 2,851 | $3.3 \%$ |  |
| Conditioning | 0 | $0.0 \%$ | 1,783 | $5.0 \%$ | 1,783 | $2.1 \%$ |  |
| Passing | 1,122 | $2.2 \%$ | 320 | $0.9 \%$ | 1,442 | $1.7 \%$ |  |
| Other | 61 | $0.1 \%$ | 1,072 | $3.0 \%$ | 1,133 | $1.3 \%$ |  |
| Unknown | 6,052 | $12.1 \%$ | 4,412 | $12.4 \%$ | 10,464 | $12.2 \%$ |  |
| Total | $\mathbf{4 9 , 9 9 9}$ | $\mathbf{1 0 0 . 0} \%$ | $\mathbf{3 5 , 6 5 4}$ | $\mathbf{1 0 0 . 0}$ |  | $\mathbf{8 5 , 6 5 3}$ | $\mathbf{1 0 0 . 0} \%$ |

[^14]Table 8.10 Activity Resulting in Girls' Basketball Injuries by Injury Diagnosis, High School Sports-Related Injury Surveillance Study, US, 2017-18 School Year

|  | Diagnosis |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Strain/Sprain |  | Contusion |  | Fracture |  | Concussion |  | Other |  |
|  | n | \% | n | \% | n | \% | n | \% | n | \% |
| Activity |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Rebounding | 10,106 | 22.3\% | 1,418 | 20.3\% | 1,369 | 27.2\% | 2,066 | 15.1\% | 1,533 | 10.5\% |
| Defending | 9,665 | 21.3\% | 1,667 | 23.9\% | 1,680 | 33.4\% | 2,561 | 18.7\% | 764 | 5.2\% |
| General play Chasing loose | 5,693 | 12.5\% | 903 | 12.9\% | 404 | 8.0\% | 2,469 | 18.1\% | 5,337 | 36.6\% |
| ball | 3,599 | 7.9\% | 1,263 | 18.1\% | 945 | 18.8\% | 2,730 | 20.0\% | 1,992 | 13.7\% |
| Shooting <br> Ball | 3,308 | 7.3\% | 485 | 6.9\% | 505 | 10.0\% | 379 | 2.8\% | 743 | 5.1\% |
| handling/dribbling | 3,326 | 7.3\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 414 | 3.0\% | 654 | 4.5\% |
| Receiving pass | 2,088 | 4.6\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 123 | 2.4\% | 201 | 1.5\% | 440 | 3.0\% |
| Conditioning | 1,277 | 2.8\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 505 | 3.5\% |
| Passing | 1,381 | 3.0\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 61 | 0.4\% | 0 | 0.0\% |
| Other | 567 | 1.2\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 61 | 0.4\% | 505 | 3.5\% |
| Unknown | 4,390 | 9.7\% | 1,245 | 17.8\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 2,729 | 20.0\% | 2,101 | 14.4\% |
| Total | 45,400 | 100.0\% | 6,981 | 100.0\% | 5,026 | 100.0\% | 13,671 | 100.0\% | 14,574 | 100.0\% |

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Table 9.1 Wrestling Injury Rates by Type of Exposure, High School Sports-Related Injury Surveillance Study, US, 2017-18 School Year

|  | \# Injuries | \# Exposures | Injury rate <br> (per 1,000 athlete- <br> exposures) | Nationally <br> Estimated <br> \# Injuries |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Total | $\mathbf{3 5 1}$ | $\mathbf{1 3 2 , 4 0 8}$ | $\mathbf{2 . 6 5}$ | $\mathbf{1 0 3 , 0 5 8}$ |
| Competition | 153 | 35,553 | 4.30 | 48,770 |
| Practice | 198 | 96,855 | 2.04 | 54,288 |

Table 9.2 Demographic Characteristics of Injured Wrestlers, High School Sports-Related Injury Surveillance Study, US, 2017-18 School Year*

| Year in School | $\mathrm{n}=\mathbf{9 7 , 3 8 2}$ |
| :--- | :---: |
| Freshman | $27.6 \%$ |
| Sophomore | $22.1 \%$ |
| Junior | $27.8 \%$ |
| Senior | $22.5 \%$ |
| Total $^{\dagger}$ | $\mathbf{1 0 0 . 0 \%}$ |
|  |  |
| Age (years) | 13 |
| Minimum | 19 |
| Maximum | $15.8(1.3)$ |
| Mean (St. Dev.) |  |
| BMI | 14.4 |
| Minimum | 49.6 |
| Maximum | $24.0(4.5)$ |

*All remaining analyses in this chapter present data weighted to provide national injury estimates. $\dagger$ Throughout this chapter, totals and n's represent the total weighted number of injury reports containing a valid response for the particular question. Due to a low level of non-response, these totals are always similar but are not always equal to the total number of injuries.

Figure 9.1 Diagnosis of Wrestling Injuries by Type of Exposure, High School SportsRelated Injury Surveillance Study, US, 2017-18 School Year

Competition $\mathrm{n}=48,769$


Table 9.3 Body Site of Wrestling Injuries by Type of Exposure, High School Sports-Related Injury Surveillance Study, US, 2017-18 School Year*

|  | Competition |  | Practice |  | Overall |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $\mathbf{n}$ | $\%$ | $\mathbf{n}$ | $\%$ | $\mathbf{n}$ | $\%$ |
| Body Site |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Head/face | 8,873 | $18.2 \%$ | 10,036 | $18.5 \%$ | 18,909 | $18.3 \%$ |
| Knee | 9,368 | $19.2 \%$ | 6,150 | $11.3 \%$ | 15,518 | $15.1 \%$ |
| Arm/elbow | 6,854 | $14.1 \%$ | 7,389 | $13.6 \%$ | 14,243 | $13.8 \%$ |
| Shoulder | 5,779 | $11.8 \%$ | 7,354 | $13.5 \%$ | 13,133 | $12.7 \%$ |
| Trunk | 3,971 | $8.1 \%$ | 4,917 | $9.1 \%$ | 8,888 | $8.6 \%$ |
| Ankle | 4,011 | $8.2 \%$ | 4,861 | $9.0 \%$ | 8,872 | $8.6 \%$ |
| Hand/wrist | 3,510 | $7.2 \%$ | 3,903 | $7.2 \%$ | 7,413 | $7.2 \%$ |
| Hip/thigh/upper leg | 2,010 | $4.1 \%$ | 3,842 | $7.1 \%$ | 5,852 | $5.7 \%$ |
| Neck | 2,015 | $4.1 \%$ | 2,135 | $3.9 \%$ | 4,150 | $4.0 \%$ |
| Other | 444 | $0.9 \%$ | 1,817 | $3.3 \%$ | 2,261 | $2.2 \%$ |
| Lower leg | 1,432 | $2.9 \%$ | 696 | $1.3 \%$ | 2,128 | $2.1 \%$ |
| Foot | 503 | $1.0 \%$ | 1,189 | $2.2 \%$ | 1,692 | $1.6 \%$ |
| Total | $\mathbf{4 8 , 7 7 0}$ | $\mathbf{1 0 0 . 0} \%$ | 54,289 | $\mathbf{1 0 0 . 0 \%}$ | $\mathbf{1 0 3 , 0 5 9}$ | $\mathbf{1 0 0 . 0}$ |

[^15]Table 9.4 Ten Most Common Wrestling Injury Diagnoses by Type of Exposure, High School Sports-Related Injury Surveillance Study, US, 2017-18 School Year*

|  | Competition |  |  | Practice | Total |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $n=48,774$ | $n=54,291$ | $n=103,065$ |  |  |
|  | $n$ | $\%$ | $n$ | $\%$ | $n$ |

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|  | 6,116 | $12.5 \%$ | 4,506 | $8.3 \%$ | 10,622 | $10.3 \%$ |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Head/face concussion | 3,617 | $7.4 \%$ | 3,660 | $6.7 \%$ | 7,277 | $7.1 \%$ |
| Arm/elbow sprain/strain | 2,214 | $4.5 \%$ | 4,797 | $8.8 \%$ | 7,011 | $6.8 \%$ |
| Shoulder sprain/strain | 2,593 | $5.3 \%$ | 4,146 | $7.6 \%$ | 6,739 | $6.5 \%$ |
| Ankle sprain/strain | 3,565 | $7.3 \%$ | 2,557 | $4.7 \%$ | 6,122 | $5.9 \%$ |
| Shoulder other | 4,398 | $9.0 \%$ | 1,610 | $3.0 \%$ | 6,008 | $5.8 \%$ |
| Knee sprain/strain | 2,370 | $4.9 \%$ | 2,577 | $4.7 \%$ | 4,947 | $4.8 \%$ |
| Knee other | 1,664 | $3.4 \%$ | 2,705 | $5.0 \%$ | 4,369 | $4.2 \%$ |
| Trunk sprain/strain | 2,277 | $4.7 \%$ | 1,633 | $3.0 \%$ | 3,910 | $3.8 \%$ |
| Knee contusion | 681 | $1.4 \%$ | 3,071 | $5.7 \%$ | 3,752 | $3.6 \%$ |
| Hip/thigh/upper leg |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| sprain/strain |  |  |  |  |  |  |

* Totals and n's are not always equal due to slight rounding of the weighted number of injuries and missing responses. Due to a low level of non-response, these totals are always similar but are not always equal to the total number of injuries.

Figure 9.2 Time Loss of Wrestling Injuries by Type of Exposure, High School SportsRelated Injury Surveillance Study, US, 2017-18 School Year

## Competition $\mathrm{n}=\mathbf{4 8 , 7 7 0}$

Practice $\mathrm{n}=\mathbf{5 4 , 2 8 8}$


*Other category is made up of medical disqualification for season, medical disqualification for career, athlete chooses not to continue, and season ended before athlete returned to play

Table 9.5 Wrestling Injuries Requiring Surgery by Type of Exposure, High School SportsRelated Injury Surveillance Study, US, 2017-18 School Year*

|  | Competition |  | Practice |  | Overall |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $\mathbf{n}$ | $\%$ | $\mathbf{n}$ | $\%$ | $\mathbf{n}$ | $\%$ |
| Need for surgery |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Required surgery | 4,543 | $9.3 \%$ | 4,801 | $8.8 \%$ | 9,344 | $9.1 \%$ |
| Did not require surgery | 44,228 | $90.7 \%$ | 49,486 | $91.2 \%$ | 93,714 | $90.9 \%$ |
| Total | $\mathbf{4 8 , 7 7 1}$ | $\mathbf{1 0 0 . 0 \%}$ | $\mathbf{5 4 , 2 8 7}$ | $\mathbf{1 0 0 . 0 \%}$ | $\mathbf{1 0 3 , 0 5 8}$ | $\mathbf{1 0 0 . 0 \%}$ |

* Totals and n's are not always equal due to slight rounding of the weighted number of injuries and missing responses. Due to a low level of non-response, these totals are always similar but are not always equal to the total number of injury

Figure 9.3 History of Wrestling Injuries by Type of Exposure, High School Sports-Related Injury Surveillance Study, US, 2017-18 School Year

Competition $\mathrm{n}=48,003$


Practice $\mathrm{n}=53,786$


Table 9.6 Time during Season of Wrestling Injuries, High School Sports-Related Injury Surveillance Study, US, 2017-18 School Year*

|  | $\mathbf{n}$ | $\%$ |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| Time in Season |  |  |
| Preseason | 15,691 | $15.2 \%$ |
| Regular season | 80,421 | $78.1 \%$ |
| Post season | 6,763 | $6.6 \%$ |
| Unknown | 117 | $0.1 \%$ |
| Total | $\mathbf{1 0 2 , 9 9 2}$ | $\mathbf{1 0 0 . 0 \%}$ |

[^16]Table 9.7 Competition-Related Variables for Wrestling Injuries, High School SportsRelated Injury Surveillance Study, US, 2017-18 School Year*

|  | $\mathbf{n}$ | $\%$ |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| Time in Competition |  |  |
| Pre-competition/warm-ups | 0 | $0.0 \%$ |
| First period | 4,221 | $8.9 \%$ |
| Second period | 12,362 | $26.0 \%$ |
| Third period | 3,904 | $8.2 \%$ |
| Unknown | 27,066 | $56.9 \%$ |
| Total | $\mathbf{4 7 , 5 5 3}$ | $\mathbf{1 0 0 . 0} \%$ |
|  |  |  |
| Mat Location |  |  |
| Within 28 ft. circle | 58,928 | $61.1 \%$ |
| Off the mat | 2,934 | $3.0 \%$ |
| Out of bounds | 345 | $0.4 \%$ |
| Unknown | 34,269 | $35.5 \%$ |
| Total | $\mathbf{9 6 , 4 7 6}$ | $\mathbf{1 0 0 . 0 \%}$ |

* Totals and n's are not always equal due to slight rounding of the weighted number of injuries and missing responses. Due to a low level of non-response, these totals are always similar but are not always equal to the total number of injuries.

Table 9.8 Practice-Related Variables for Wrestling Injuries, High School Sports-Related Injury Surveillance Study, US, 2017-18 School Year*

|  | $\mathbf{n}$ | $\%$ |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| Time in Practice |  |  |
| First $1 / 2$ hour | 2,960 | $5.5 \%$ |
| Second 1/2 hour | 6,164 | $11.5 \%$ |
| 1-2 hours into practice | 29,037 | $54.3 \%$ |
| >2 hours into practice | 2,556 | $4.8 \%$ |
| Unknown | 12,714 | $23.8 \%$ |
| Total | $\mathbf{5 3 , 4 3 0}$ | $\mathbf{1 0 0 . 0} \%$ |

[^17] low level of non-response, these totals are always similar but are not always equal to the total number of injuries.

Table 9.9 Activities Leading to Wrestling Injuries by Type of Exposure, High School Sports-Related Injury Surveillance Study, US, 2017-18 School Year*

|  | Competition |  | Practice |  | Overall |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | n | \% | n | \% | n | \% |
| Activity |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Takedown | 20,543 | 43.2\% | 16,233 | 32.0\% | 36,776 | 37.4\% |
| Unknown | 9,446 | 19.9\% | 7,616 | 15.0\% | 17,062 | 17.3\% |
| Sparring | 3,025 | 6.4\% | 10,001 | 19.7\% | 13,026 | 13.2\% |
| n/a (e.g., skin infection, overuse, heat illness, etc.) | 4,004 | 8.4\% | 5,414 | 10.7\% | 9,418 | 9.6\% |
| Conditioning | 0 | 0.0\% | 5,410 | 10.7\% | 5,410 | 5.5\% |
| Reversal | 1,485 | 3.1\% | 2,146 | 4.2\% | 3,631 | 3.7\% |
| Fall | 2,939 | 6.2\% | 249 | 0.5\% | 3,188 | 3.2\% |
| Riding | 1,520 | 3.2\% | 1,219 | 2.4\% | 2,739 | 2.8\% |
| Escape | 1,616 | 3.4\% | 782 | 1.5\% | 2,398 | 2.4\% |
| Other | 1,461 | 3.1\% | 899 | 1.8\% | 2,360 | 2.4\% |
| Near fall | 1,514 | 3.2\% | 827 | 1.6\% | 2,341 | 2.4\% |
| Total | 47,553 | 100.0\% | 50,796 | 100.0\% | 98,349 | 100.0\% |

[^18]Table 9.10 Activities Resulting in Wrestling Injuries by Injury Diagnosis, High School Sports-Related Injury Surveillance Study, US, 2017-18 School Year

| Diagnosis |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Strain/Sprain |  | Contusion |  | Fracture |  | Concussion |  | Skin Infection |  | Other |  |
|  | n | \% | n | \% | n | \% | n | \% | n | \% | n | \% |
| Activity |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Takedown | 14,651 | 34.4\% | 5,157 | 55.9\% | 2,554 | 32.1\% | 6,837 | 68.7\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 7,578 | 36.2\% |
| Unknown | 11,552 | 27.1\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 503 | 6.3\% | 537 | 5.4\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 4,469 | 21.3\% |
| Sparring | 6,039 | 14.2\% | 1,788 | 19.4\% | 1,130 | 14.2\% | 1,391 | 14.0\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 2,677 | 12.8\% |
| n/a | 213 | 0.5\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 7,661 | 100.0\% | 1,544 | 7.4\% |
| Conditioning | 4,054 | 9.5\% | 510 | 5.5\% | 117 | 1.5\% | 237 | 2.4\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 491 | 2.3\% |
| Reversal | 1,691 | 4.0\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 1,047 | 13.1\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 893 | 4.3\% |
| Fall | 1,224 | 2.9\% | 503 | 5.5\% | 635 | 8.0\% | 117 | 1.2\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 709 | 3.4\% |
| Riding | 1,105 | 2.6\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 1,013 | 12.7\% | 117 | 1.2\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 503 | 2.4\% |
| Escape | 833 | 2.0\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 132 | 1.7\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 1,432 | 6.8\% |
| Other | 723 | 1.7\% | 620 | 6.7\% | 510 | 6.4\% | 507 | 5.1\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 0 | 0.0\% |
| Near fall | 503 | 1.2\% | 651 | 7.1\% | 324 | 4.1\% | 213 | 2.1\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 651 | 3.1\% |
| Total | 42,588 | 100.0\% | 9,229 | 100.0\% | 7,965 | 100.0\% | 9,956 | 100.0\% | 7,661 | 100.0\% | 20,947 | 100.0\% |

*N/A category consists of skin infections, overuse injuries, heat illness, etc.

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Table 10.1 Baseball Injury Rates by Type of Exposure, High School Sports-Related Injury Surveillance Study, US, 2017-18 School Year

|  | \# Injuries | \# Exposures | Injury rate <br> (per 1,000 athlete- <br> exposures) | Nationally <br> Estimated <br> \# Injuries |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Total | $\mathbf{1 5 5}$ | $\mathbf{1 6 2 , 4 8 7}$ | $\mathbf{0 . 9 5}$ | $\mathbf{4 9 , 7 1 6}$ |
| Competition | 76 | 59,229 | 1.28 | 26,844 |
| Practice | 79 | 103,258 | 0.77 | 22,872 |

Table 10.2 Demographic Characteristics of Injured Baseball Athletes, High School SportsRelated Injury Surveillance Study, US, 2017-18 School Year*

| Year in School | $\mathbf{n = 4 9 , 7 1 6}$ |
| :--- | :---: |
| Freshman | $26.4 \%$ |
| Sophomore | $18.8 \%$ |
| Junior | $22.7 \%$ |
| Senior | $32.2 \%$ |
| Total $^{\dagger}$ | $\mathbf{1 0 0 . 0 \%}$ |
|  |  |
| Age (years) | 13 |
| Minimum | 18 |
| Maximum | $16.3(1.4)$ |
| Mean (St. Dev.) |  |
|  |  |
| BMI | 16.9 |
| Minimum | 37.2 |
| Maximum | $24.0(4.1)$ |

*All remaining analyses in this chapter present data weighted to provide national injury estimates. $\dagger$ Throughout this chapter, totals and n's represent the total weighted number of injury reports containing a valid response for the particular question. Due to a low level of non-response, these totals are always similar but are not always equal to the total number of injuries.

Figure 10.1 Diagnosis of Baseball Injuries by Type of Exposure, High School SportsRelated Injury Surveillance Study, US, 2017-18 School Year

Competition $\mathrm{n}=26,843$


Practice $\mathbf{n = 2 2 , 8 7 2}$

Table 10.3 Body Site of Baseball Injuries by Type of Exposure, High School Sports-Related Injury Surveillance Study, US, 2017-18 School Year*

|  | Competition |  | Practice |  | Overall |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $\mathbf{n}$ | $\%$ | $\mathbf{n}$ | $\%$ | $\mathbf{n}$ | $\%$ |
| Body Site |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Head/face | 6,708 | $25.0 \%$ | 3,743 | $16.4 \%$ | 10,451 | $21.0 \%$ |
| Arm/elbow | 4,671 | $17.4 \%$ | 4,641 | $20.3 \%$ | 9,312 | $18.7 \%$ |
| Hand/wrist | 5,085 | $18.9 \%$ | 2,196 | $9.6 \%$ | 7,281 | $14.6 \%$ |
| Hip/thigh/upper leg | 3,669 | $13.7 \%$ | 2,573 | $11.2 \%$ | 6,242 | $12.6 \%$ |
| Ankle | 1,881 | $7.0 \%$ | 2,918 | $12.8 \%$ | 4,799 | $9.7 \%$ |
| Shoulder | 1,665 | $6.2 \%$ | 3,091 | $13.5 \%$ | 4,756 | $9.6 \%$ |
| Knee | 1,949 | $7.3 \%$ | 991 | $4.3 \%$ | 2,940 | $5.9 \%$ |
| Trunk | 916 | $3.4 \%$ | 1,301 | $5.7 \%$ | 2,217 | $4.5 \%$ |
| Foot | 0 | $0.0 \%$ | 1,199 | $5.2 \%$ | 1,199 | $2.4 \%$ |
| Other | 299 | $1.1 \%$ | 75 | $0.3 \%$ | 374 | $0.8 \%$ |
| Lower leg | 0 | $0.0 \%$ | 144 | $0.6 \%$ | 144 | $0.3 \%$ |
| Total | $\mathbf{2 6 , 8 4 3}$ | $\mathbf{1 0 0 . 0 \%}$ | $\mathbf{2 2 , 8 7 2}$ | $\mathbf{1 0 0 . 0 \%}$ | $\mathbf{4 9 , 7 1 5}$ | $\mathbf{1 0 0 . 0} \%$ |

[^19] low level of non-response, these totals are always similar but are not always equal to the total number of injuries.

Table 10.4 Ten Most Common Baseball Injury Diagnoses by Type of Exposure, High School Sports-Related Injury Surveillance Study, US, 2017-18 School Year*

|  | Competition <br> $\mathbf{n}=\mathbf{2 6 , 8 4 3}$ |  | Practice <br> $\mathbf{n}=\mathbf{2 2 , 8 7 2}$ |  | Total <br> $\mathbf{n}=\mathbf{4 9 , 7 1 5}$ |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $\mathbf{n}$ | $\%$ | $\mathbf{n}$ | $\%$ | $\mathbf{n}$ | $\%$ |
| Diagnosis |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Head/face concussion | 4,427 | $16.5 \%$ | 2,295 | $10.0 \%$ | 6,722 | $13.5 \%$ |
| Hip/thigh/upper leg strain/sprain | 3,370 | $12.6 \%$ | 2,130 | $9.3 \%$ | 5,500 | $11.1 \%$ |
| Ankle strain/sprain | 1,737 | $6.5 \%$ | 2,510 | $11.0 \%$ | 4,247 | $8.5 \%$ |
| Arm/elbow strain/sprain | 843 | $3.1 \%$ | 2,190 | $9.6 \%$ | 3,033 | $6.1 \%$ |
| Hand/wrist strain/sprain | 2,388 | $8.9 \%$ | 617 | $2.7 \%$ | 3,005 | $6.0 \%$ |
| Shoulder strain/sprain | 1,147 | $4.3 \%$ | 1,848 | $8.1 \%$ | 2,995 | $6.0 \%$ |
| Arm/elbow other | 1,484 | $5.5 \%$ | 1,444 | $6.3 \%$ | 2,928 | $5.9 \%$ |
| Hand/wrist fracture | 1,734 | $6.5 \%$ | 1,015 | $4.4 \%$ | 2,749 | $5.5 \%$ |
| Knee other | 882 | $3.3 \%$ | 916 | $4.0 \%$ | 1,798 | $3.6 \%$ |
| Shoulder other | 518 | $1.9 \%$ | 1,243 | $5.4 \%$ | 1,761 | $3.5 \%$ |

* Totals and n's are not always equal due to slight rounding of the weighted number of injuries and missing responses. Due to a low level of non-response, these totals are always similar but are not always equal to the total number of injuries.

Figure 10.2 Time Loss of Baseball Injuries by Type of Exposure, High School SportsRelated Injury Surveillance Study, US, 2017-18 School Year

## Competition $\mathrm{n}=\mathbf{2 6 , 8 4 3}$



Practice $\mathrm{n}=\mathbf{2 2 , 8 7 2}$

*Other category is made up of medical disqualification for season, medical disqualification for career, athlete chooses not to continue, and season ended before athlete returned to play

Table 10.5 Baseball Injuries Requiring Surgery by Type of Exposure, High School SportsRelated Injury Surveillance Study, US, 2017-18 School Year*

|  | Competition |  | Practice |  | Overall |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $\mathbf{n}$ | $\%$ | $\mathbf{n}$ | $\%$ | $\mathbf{n}$ | $\%$ |
| Need for surgery |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Required surgery | 2,075 | $7.8 \%$ | 2,154 | $9.4 \%$ | 4,229 | $8.6 \%$ |
| Did not require surgery | 24,504 | $92.2 \%$ | 20,718 | $90.6 \%$ | 45,222 | $91.4 \%$ |
| Total | $\mathbf{2 6 , 5 7 9}$ | $\mathbf{1 0 0 . 0} \%$ | $\mathbf{2 2 , 8 7 2}$ | $\mathbf{1 0 0 . 0} \%$ | $\mathbf{4 9 , 4 5 1}$ | $\mathbf{1 0 0 . 0 \%}$ |

* Totals and n's are not always equal due to slight rounding of the weighted number of injuries and missing responses. Due to a low level of non-response, these totals are always similar but are not always equal to the total number of injuries.

Figure 10.3 History of Baseball Injuries by Type of Exposure, High School Sports-Related Injury Surveillance Study, US, 2017-18 School Year

Competition $n=\mathbf{2 6 , 8 4 3}$


Practice $\mathrm{n}=\mathbf{2 2 , 8 7 3}$


Table 10.6 Time during Season of Baseball Injuries, High School Sports-Related Injury Surveillance Study, US, 2017-18 School Year*

|  | $\mathbf{n}$ | $\%$ |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| Time in Season |  |  |
| Preseason | 12,034 | $24.2 \%$ |
| Regular season | 35,593 | $71.6 \%$ |
| Post season | 2,088 | $4.2 \%$ |
| Total | $\mathbf{4 9 , 7 1 6}$ | $\mathbf{1 0 0 . 0 \%}$ |

[^20]Table 10.7 Competition-Related Variables for Baseball Injuries, High School SportsRelated Injury Surveillance Study, US, 2017-18 School Year*

|  | $\mathbf{n}$ | $\%$ |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| Time in Competition |  |  |
| Pre-competition/warm-ups | 1,682 | $6.7 \%$ |
| First inning | 1,172 | $4.7 \%$ |
| Second inning | 820 | $3.3 \%$ |
| Third inning | 2,063 | $8.2 \%$ |
| Fourth inning | 5,590 | $22.3 \%$ |
| Fifth inning | 1,237 | $4.9 \%$ |
| Sixth inning | 1,938 | $7.7 \%$ |
| Seventh inning | 2,165 | $8.7 \%$ |
| Unknown | 8,354 | $33.4 \%$ |
| Total | 25,022 | $100.0 \%$ |
|  |  |  |
| Field Location |  |  |
| Home plate | 5,726 | $22.9 \%$ |
| First base | 2,288 | $9.1 \%$ |
| Second base | 4,296 | $17.2 \%$ |
| Third base | 3,667 | $14.7 \%$ |
| Infield | 1,394 | $5.6 \%$ |
| Pitcher's mound | 1,824 | $7.3 \%$ |
| Outfield | 3,610 | $14.4 \%$ |
| Ooul territory | 581 | $2.3 \%$ |
| Unknown |  | $2.3 \%$ |

* Totals and n's are not always equal due to slight rounding of the weighted number of injuries and missing responses. Due to a low level of non-response, these totals are always similar but are not always equal to the total number of injuries.

Table 10.8 Practice-Related Variables for Baseball Injuries, High School Sports-Related Injury Surveillance Study, US, 2017-18 School Year*

|  | $\mathbf{n}$ | $\%$ |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| Time in Practice |  |  |
| First $1 / 2$ hour | 1,894 | $8.3 \%$ |
| Second $1 / 2$ hour | 3,438 | $15.1 \%$ |
| $1-2$ hours into practice | 11,009 | $48.5 \%$ |
| $>2$ hours into practice | 617 | $2.7 \%$ |
| Unknown | 5,764 | $25.4 \%$ |
| Total | $\mathbf{2 2 , 7 2 2}$ | $\mathbf{1 0 0 . 0} \%$ |

* Totals and n's are not always equal due to slight rounding of the weighted number of injuries and missing responses. Due to a low level of non-response, these totals are always similar but are not always equal to the total number of injuries.

Figure 10.4 Player Position of Baseball Injuries by Type of Exposure, High School SportsRelated Injury Surveillance Study, US, 2017-18 School Year


Table 10.9 Activities Leading to Baseball Injuries by Type of Exposure, High School Sports-Related Injury Surveillance Study, US, 2017-18 School Year*

|  | Competition |  | Practice |  | Overall |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $\mathbf{n}$ | $\%$ | $\mathbf{n}$ | $\%$ | $\mathbf{n}$ | $\%$ |
| Activity |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Fielding a batted ball | 5,763 | $22.3 \%$ | 3,756 | $17.2 \%$ | 9,519 | $19.9 \%$ |
| Throwing (not pitching) | 2,672 | $10.3 \%$ | 4,920 | $22.5 \%$ | 7,592 | $15.9 \%$ |
| Running bases | 3,365 | $13.0 \%$ | 2,518 | $11.5 \%$ | 5,883 | $12.3 \%$ |
| Batting | 2,960 | $11.4 \%$ | 2,126 | $9.7 \%$ | 5,086 | $10.6 \%$ |
| Sliding | 3,409 | $13.2 \%$ | 851 | $3.9 \%$ | 4,260 | $8.9 \%$ |
| Pitching | 1,824 | $7.0 \%$ | 1,865 | $8.5 \%$ | 3,689 | $7.7 \%$ |
| Fielding a thrown ball | 1,880 | $7.3 \%$ | 1,759 | $8.0 \%$ | 3,639 | $7.6 \%$ |
| Catching | 2,691 | $10.4 \%$ | 934 | $4.3 \%$ | 3,625 | $7.6 \%$ |
| General play | 299 | $1.2 \%$ | 1,233 | $5.6 \%$ | 1,532 | $3.2 \%$ |
| Conditioning | 299 | $1.2 \%$ | 1,170 | $5.3 \%$ | 1,469 | $3.1 \%$ |
| Other | 714 | $2.8 \%$ | 615 | $2.8 \%$ | 1,329 | $2.8 \%$ |
| Unknown | 0 | $0.0 \%$ | 151 | $0.7 \%$ | 151 | $0.3 \%$ |
| Total | $\mathbf{2 5 , 8 7 6}$ | $\mathbf{1 0 0 . 0 \%}$ | $\mathbf{2 1 , 8 9 8}$ | $\mathbf{1 0 0 . 0 \%}$ | $\mathbf{4 7 , 7 7 4}$ | $\mathbf{1 0 0 . 0 \%}$ |

[^21]Table 10.10 Activity Resulting in Baseball Injuries by Injury Diagnosis, High School Sports-Related Injury Surveillance Study, US, 2017-18 School Year

| Diagnosis |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Strain/Sprain |  | Contusion |  | Fracture |  | Concussion |  | Other |  |
|  | n | \% | n | \% | n | \% | n | \% | n | \% |
| Activity |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Fielding | 2,697 | 13.6\% | 1,942 | 39.8\% | 1,956 | 35.0\% | 4,969 | 73.9\% | 1,595 | 14.8\% |
| Throwing (not pitching) | 5,133 | 25.9\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 854 | 15.3\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 1,605 | 14.9\% |
| Running bases | 3,631 | 18.3\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 288 | 5.2\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 1,965 | 18.2\% |
| Batting | 2,001 | 10.1\% | 1,437 | 29.5\% | 564 | 10.1\% | 934 | 13.9\% | 150 | 1.4\% |
| Sliding | 2,043 | 10.3\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 759 | 13.6\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 1,459 | 13.5\% |
| Pitching | 1,257 | 6.3\% | 299 | 6.1\% | 316 | 5.7\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 1,817 | 16.9\% |
| Catching | 1,233 | 6.2\% | 1,199 | 24.6\% | 854 | 15.3\% | 265 | 3.9\% | 75 | 0.7\% |
| General play | 316 | 1.6\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 1,215 | 11.3\% |
| Conditioning | 615 | 3.1\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 555 | 8.3\% | 299 | 2.8\% |
| Other | 732 | 3.7\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 598 | 5.5\% |
| Unknown | 151 | 0.8\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 0 | 0.0\% |
| Total | 19,809 | 100.0\% | 4,877 | 100.0\% | 5,591 | 100.0\% | 6,723 | 100.0\% | 10,778 | 100.0\% |

## XI. Softball Injury Epidemiology

Table 11.1 Softball Injury Rates by Type of Exposure, High School Sports-Related Injury Surveillance Study, US, 2017-18 School Year

|  | \# Injuries | \# Exposures | Injury rate <br> (per 1,000 athlete- <br> exposures) | Nationally <br> Estimated <br> \# Injuries |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Total | $\mathbf{1 5 7}$ | $\mathbf{1 1 7 , 1 1 1}$ | $\mathbf{1 . 3 4}$ | $\mathbf{7 6 , 3 9 1}$ |
| Competition | 80 | 41,168 | 1.94 | 38,445 |
| Practice | 77 | 75,943 | 1.01 | 37,946 |

Table 11.2 Demographic Characteristics of Injured Softball Athletes, High School SportsRelated Injury Surveillance Study, US, 2017-18 School Year*

| Year in School | $\mathbf{n = 7 3 , 5 0 8}$ |
| :--- | :---: |
| Freshman | $28.6 \%$ |
| Sophomore | $34.0 \%$ |
| Junior | $19.1 \%$ |
| Senior | $18.3 \%$ |
| Total $^{\dagger}$ | $\mathbf{1 0 0 . 0 \%}$ |
|  |  |
| Age (years) | 13 |
| Minimum | 18 |
| Maximum | $15.8(1.2)$ |
| Mean (St. Dev.) |  |
|  |  |
| BMI | 15.9 |
| Minimum | 33.7 |
| Maximum | $23.0(3.8)$ |
| Mean (St. Dev.) |  |

*All remaining analyses in this chapter present data weighted to provide national injury estimates. $\dagger$ Throughout this chapter, totals and n's represent the total weighted number of injury reports containing a valid response for the particular question. Due to a low level of non-response, these totals are always similar but are not always equal to the total number of injuries.

Figure 11.1 Diagnosis of Softball Injuries by Type of Exposure, High School Sports-Related Injury Surveillance Study, US, 2017-18 School Year

Competition $\mathrm{n}=38,445$


Practice $\mathbf{n = 3 7 , 9 4 5}$


Table 11.3 Body Site of Softball Injuries by Type of Exposure, High School Sports-Related Injury Surveillance Study, US, 2017-18 School Year*

|  | Competition |  | Practice |  | Overall |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $\mathbf{n}$ | $\%$ | $\mathbf{n}$ | $\%$ | $\mathbf{n}$ | \% |
| Body Site |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Head/face | 8,960 | $23.3 \%$ | 3,687 | $9.7 \%$ | 12,647 | $16.6 \%$ |
| Ankle | 7,228 | $18.8 \%$ | 3,412 | $9.0 \%$ | 10,640 | $13.9 \%$ |
| Knee | 4,785 | $12.4 \%$ | 5,328 | $14.0 \%$ | 10,113 | $13.2 \%$ |
| Hand/wrist | 5,145 | $13.4 \%$ | 4,937 | $13.0 \%$ | 10,082 | $13.2 \%$ |
| Hip/thigh/upper leg | 2,103 | $5.5 \%$ | 7,492 | $19.7 \%$ | 9,595 | $12.6 \%$ |
| Shoulder | 3,543 | $9.2 \%$ | 4,629 | $12.2 \%$ | 8,172 | $10.7 \%$ |
| Lower leg | 1,824 | $4.7 \%$ | 3,955 | $10.4 \%$ | 5,779 | $7.6 \%$ |
| Trunk | 2,666 | $6.9 \%$ | 1,147 | $3.0 \%$ | 3,813 | $5.0 \%$ |
| Arm/elbow | 1,310 | $3.4 \%$ | 1,106 | $2.9 \%$ | 2,416 | $3.2 \%$ |
| Neck | 881 | $2.3 \%$ | 1,014 | $2.7 \%$ | 1,895 | $2.5 \%$ |
| Other | 0 | $0.0 \%$ | 1,239 | $3.3 \%$ | 1,239 | $1.6 \%$ |
| Total | $\mathbf{3 8 , 4 4 5}$ | $\mathbf{1 0 0 . 0 \%}$ | $\mathbf{3 7 , 9 4 6}$ | $\mathbf{1 0 0 . 0 \%}$ | $\mathbf{7 6 , 3 9 1}$ | $\mathbf{1 0 0 . 0 \%}$ |
| * Totals and n's are not always equal due to slight rounding of the weighted number of injuries and missing responses. Due to a |  |  |  |  |  |  |

Table 11.4 Ten Most Common Softball Injury Diagnoses by Type of Exposure, High School Sports-Related Injury Surveillance Study, US, 2017-18 School Year*

|  | Competition <br> $\mathbf{n}=\mathbf{3 8 , 4 4 6}$ |  | Practice <br> $\mathbf{n}=\mathbf{3 7 , 9 4 7}$ |  | Total <br> $\mathbf{n}=\mathbf{7 6 , 3 9 3}$ |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $\mathbf{n}$ | $\%$ | $\mathbf{n}$ | $\%$ | $\mathbf{n}$ | $\%$ |
| Diagnosis | 8,065 | $21.0 \%$ | 2,633 | $6.9 \%$ | 10,698 | $14.0 \%$ |
| Head/face concussion | 7,228 | $18.8 \%$ | 3,271 | $8.6 \%$ | 10,499 | $13.7 \%$ |
| Ankle strain/sprain | 1,620 | $4.2 \%$ | 4,206 | $11.1 \%$ | 5,826 | $7.6 \%$ |
| Arm/elbow strain/sprain | 2,732 | $7.1 \%$ | 2,441 | $6.4 \%$ | 5,173 | $6.8 \%$ |
| Shoulder strain/sprain | 2,616 | $6.8 \%$ | 2,284 | $6.0 \%$ | 4,900 | $6.4 \%$ |
| Hand/wrist contusion | 226 | $0.6 \%$ | 3,990 | $10.5 \%$ | 4,216 | $5.5 \%$ |
| Knee other | 1,719 | $4.5 \%$ | 2,081 | $5.5 \%$ | 3,800 | $5.0 \%$ |
| Hand/wrist strain/sprain | 943 | $2.5 \%$ | 2,843 | $7.5 \%$ | 3,786 | $5.0 \%$ |
| Trunk strain/sprain | 2,592 | $6.7 \%$ | 1,147 | $3.0 \%$ | 3,742 | $4.9 \%$ |
| Hip/thigh/upper leg strain/sprain | 3,228 | $8.4 \%$ | 460 | $1.2 \%$ | 3,688 | $4.8 \%$ |

* Totals and n's are not always equal due to slight rounding of the weighted number of injuries and missing responses. Due to a low level of non-response, these totals are always similar but are not always equal to the total number of injuries.

Figure 11.2 Time Loss of Softball Injuries by Type of Exposure, High School SportsRelated Injury Surveillance Study, US, 2017-18 School Year

## Competition n=38,445



Practice $\mathrm{n}=37,945$

*Other category is made up of medical disqualification for season, medical disqualification for career, athlete chooses not to continue, and season ended before athlete returned to play

Table 11.5 Softball Injuries Requiring Surgery by Type of Exposure, High School SportsRelated Injury Surveillance Study, US, 2017-18 School Year*

|  | Competition |  | Practice |  | Overall |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $\mathbf{n}$ | $\%$ | $\mathbf{n}$ | $\%$ | $\mathbf{n}$ | $\%$ |
| Need for surgery |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Required surgery | 460 | $1.2 \%$ | 1,379 | $3.6 \%$ | 1,839 | $2.4 \%$ |
| Did not require surgery | 37,333 | $98.8 \%$ | 36,568 | $96.4 \%$ | 73,901 | $97.6 \%$ |
| Total | $\mathbf{3 7 , 7 9 3}$ | $\mathbf{1 0 0 . 0 \%}$ | $\mathbf{3 7 , 9 4 7}$ | $\mathbf{1 0 0 . 0 \%}$ | $\mathbf{7 5 , 7 4 0}$ | $\mathbf{1 0 0 . 0 \%}$ |

* Totals and n's are not always equal due to slight rounding of the weighted number of injuries and missing responses. Due to a low level of non-response, these totals are always similar but are not always equal to the total number of injuries.

Figure 11.3 History of Softball Injuries by Type of Exposure, High School Sports-Related Injury Surveillance Study, US, 2017-18 School Year Competition $\mathrm{n}=38,444$



Table 11.6 Time during Season of Softball Injuries, High School Sports-Related Injury Surveillance Study, US, 2017-18 School Year*

|  | $\mathbf{n}$ | $\%$ |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| Time in Season |  |  |
| Preseason | 15,497 | $20.3 \%$ |
| Regular season | 59,153 | $77.4 \%$ |
| Post season | 1,741 | $2.3 \%$ |
| Total | $\mathbf{7 6 , 3 9 1}$ | $\mathbf{1 0 0 . 0 \%}$ |

[^22]Table 11.7 Competition-Related Variables for Softball Injuries, High School SportsRelated Injury Surveillance Study, US, 2017-18 School Year*

|  | $\mathbf{n}$ | $\%$ |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| Time in Competition |  |  |
| Pre-competition/warm-ups | 4,146 | $11.3 \%$ |
| First inning | 1,363 | $3.7 \%$ |
| Second inning | 2,192 | $5.9 \%$ |
| Third inning | 3,995 | $10.8 \%$ |
| Fourth inning | 2,816 | $7.6 \%$ |
| Fifth inning | 1,922 | $5.2 \%$ |
| Sixth inning | 3,334 | $9.0 \%$ |
| Seventh inning | 2,431 | $6.6 \%$ |
| Unknown | 14,648 | $39.8 \%$ |
| Total | 36,847 | $100.0 \%$ |
|  |  |  |
| Field Location |  |  |
| Home plate | 9,786 | $26.6 \%$ |
| Second base | 4,834 | $13.1 \%$ |
| Third base | 4,402 | $11.9 \%$ |
| Pitcher's mound | 4,166 | $11.3 \%$ |
| Infield | 3,352 | $9.1 \%$ |
| Outfield | 1,922 | $5.2 \%$ |
| Foul territory | 1,373 | $3.7 \%$ |
| First base | $\mathbf{1 , 2 2 3}$ | $3.3 \%$ |
| Unknown | $2.6 \%$ |  |
| Total | $13.1 \%$ |  |

* Totals and n's are not always equal due to slight rounding of the weighted number of injuries and missing responses. Due to a low level of non-response, these totals are always similar but are not always equal to the total number of injuries.

Table 11.8 Practice-Related Variables for Softball Injuries, High School Sports-Related Injury Surveillance Study, US, 2017-18 School Year*

|  | $\mathbf{n}$ | $\%$ |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| Time in Practice |  |  |
| First $1 / 2$ hour | 2,516 | $6.8 \%$ |
| Second 1/2 hour | 2,980 | $8.1 \%$ |
| $1-2$ hours into practice | 23,112 | $62.5 \%$ |
| $>2$ hours into practice | 1,620 | $4.4 \%$ |
| Unknown | 6,767 | $18.3 \%$ |
| Total | $\mathbf{3 6 , 9 9 5}$ | $\mathbf{1 0 0 . 0} \%$ |

* Totals and n's are not always equal due to slight rounding of the weighted number of injuries and missing responses. Due to a low level of non-response, these totals are always similar but are not always equal to the total number of injuries.

Figure 11.4 Player Position of Softball Injuries by Type of Exposure, High School SportsRelated Injury Surveillance Study, US, 2017-18 School Year

Competition $n=36,848$


Practice $\mathbf{n}=35,123$


Table 11.9 Activities Leading to Softball Injuries by Type of Exposure, High School SportsRelated Injury Surveillance Study, US, 2017-18 School Year*

|  | Competition |  | Practice |  | Overall |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | n | \% | n | \% | n | \% |
| Activity |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Fielding a batted ball | 9,457 | 25.7\% | 3,547 | 9.8\% | 13,004 | 17.8\% |
| Running bases | 6,209 | 16.9\% | 4,754 | 13.1\% | 10,963 | 15.0\% |
| Throwing (not pitching) | 1,731 | 4.7\% | 7,450 | 20.6\% | 9,181 | 12.6\% |
| Batting | 4,889 | 13.3\% | 3,844 | 10.6\% | 8,733 | 11.9\% |
| Catching | 3,454 | 9.4\% | 3,691 | 10.2\% | 7,145 | 9.8\% |
| General play | 940 | 2.6\% | 4,712 | 13.0\% | 5,652 | 7.7\% |
| Pitching | 4,166 | 11.3\% | 881 | 2.4\% | 5,047 | 6.9\% |
| Sliding | 3,489 | 9.5\% | 601 | 1.7\% | 4,090 | 5.6\% |
| Fielding a thrown ball | 141 | 0.4\% | 2,396 | 6.6\% | 2,537 | 3.5\% |
| Other | 908 | 2.5\% | 908 | 2.5\% | 1,816 | 2.5\% |
| Unknown | 1,462 | 4.0\% | 3,466 | 9.6\% | 4,928 | 6.7\% |
| Total | 36,846 | 100.0\% | 36,250 | 100.0\% | 73,096 | 100.0\% |

* Totals and n's are not always equal due to slight rounding of the weighted number of injuries and missing responses. Due to a low level of non-response, these totals are always similar but are not always equal to the total number of injuries.

Table 11.10 Activity Resulting in Softball Injuries by Injury Diagnosis, High School SportsRelated Injury Surveillance Study, US, 2017-18 School Year

| Diagnosis |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Strain/Sprain |  | Contusion |  | Fracture |  | Concussion |  | Other |  |
|  | n | \% | n | \% | n | \% | n | \% | n | \% |
| Activity |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Fielding | 5,770 | 16.2\% | 4,511 | 42.3\% | 572 | 45.0\% | 2,864 | 28.6\% | 1,824 | 11.7\% |
| Running bases | 8,702 | 24.4\% | 2,120 | 19.9\% | 141 | 11.1\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 0 | 0.0\% |
| Throwing (not pitching) | 5,499 | 15.4\% | 810 | 7.6\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 705 | 7.0\% | 2,167 | 13.9\% |
| Batting | 3,675 | 10.3\% | 2,338 | 21.9\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 1,258 | 12.6\% | 1,462 | 9.4\% |
| Catching | 3,352 | 9.4\% | 71 | 0.7\% | 244 | 19.2\% | 2,424 | 24.2\% | 1,054 | 6.8\% |
| General play | 1,572 | 4.4\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 244 | 19.2\% | 470 | 4.7\% | 3,365 | 21.6\% |
| Pitching | 4,096 | 11.5\% | 810 | 7.6\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 71 | 0.7\% | 71 | 0.5\% |
| Sliding | 2,683 | 7.5\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 71 | 5.6\% | 651 | 6.5\% | 686 | 4.4\% |
| Other | 257 | 0.7\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 908 | 9.1\% | 651 | 4.2\% |
| Unknown | 0 | 0.0\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 651 | 6.5\% | 4,277 | 27.5\% |
| Total | 35,606 | 100.0\% | 10,660 | 100.0\% | 1,272 | 100.0\% | 10,002 | 100.0\% | 15,557 | 100.0\% |

## XII. Gender Differences within Sports

### 12.1 Boys' and Girls' Soccer

Table 12.1 Comparison of Boys' and Girls' Soccer Injury Rates, High School SportsRelated Injury Surveillance Study, US, 2017-18 School Year

|  | Boys' soccer | Girls' soccer* $^{\prime}$ | RR (95\% CI) |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |

*Throughout this chapter, rate ratios (RR) and injury proportion ratios (IPR) compare the gender with a higher injury rate/proportion (bolded) to the gender with a lower injury rate/proportion. $\dagger$ Throughout this chapter, statistically significant RR and IPR are bolded.

Table 12.2 Comparison of Body Sites of Boys' and Girls' Soccer Injuries, High School Sports-Related Injury Surveillance Study, US, 2017-18 School Year

|  | Boys' soccer | Girls' soccer | IPR (95\% CI) |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Body Site |  |  |  |
| Hip/thigh/upper leg | $\mathbf{2 1 . 4 \%}$ | $14.8 \%$ | $\mathbf{1 . 4 5}(\mathbf{1 . 0 1 - 2 . 0 9 )}$ |
| Head/face | $20.2 \%$ | $\mathbf{2 6 . 2 \%}$ | $1.29(0.95-1.77)$ |
| Ankle | $18.2 \%$ | $\mathbf{1 8 . 3 \%}$ | $1.01(0.71-1.43)$ |
| Knee | $14.5 \%$ | $\mathbf{1 4 . 6 \%}$ | $1.01(0.67-1.51)$ |
| Hand/wrist | $4.2 \%$ | $\mathbf{4 . 4 \%}$ | $1.04(0.47-2.33)$ |
| Foot | $5.5 \%$ | $\mathbf{7 . 6 \%}$ | $1.37(0.71-2.63)$ |
| Lower leg | $6.9 \%$ | $\mathbf{8 . 2 \%}$ | $1.18(0.65-2.13)$ |
| Trunk | $\mathbf{4 . 1 \%}$ | $3.1 \%$ | $1.34(0.55-3.27)$ |
| Arm/elbow | $\mathbf{2 . 1 \%}$ | $0.6 \%$ | $3.74(0.79-17.85)$ |
| Shoulder | $\mathbf{1 . 2 \%}$ | $0.8 \%$ | $1.54(0.37-6.46)$ |
| Neck | $0.0 \%$ | $\mathbf{0 . 5 \%}$ | -- |
| Other | $\mathbf{1 . 5 \%}$ | $\mathbf{1 . 1 \%}$ | $1.39(0.38-5.16)$ |
| Total | $\mathbf{1 0 0 . 0 \%}$ | $\mathbf{1 0 0 . 0 \%}$ | -- |

Table 12.3 Comparison of Diagnoses of Boys' and Girls' Soccer Injuries, High School Sports-Related Injury Surveillance Study, US, 2017-18 School Year

|  | Boys' soccer | Girls' soccer | IPR (95\% CI) |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Diagnosis |  |  |  |
| Strain/sprain | $\mathbf{5 0 . 3} \%$ | $43.5 \%$ | $1.16(0.97-1.38)$ |
| Contusion | $9.2 \%$ | $\mathbf{9 . 4 \%}$ | $1.02(0.61-1.69)$ |
| Fracture | $\mathbf{7 . 7} \%$ | $7.3 \%$ | $1.06(0.57-1.95)$ |
| Concussion | $16.3 \%$ | $\mathbf{2 4 . 5} \%$ | $\mathbf{1 . 5 1}$ (1.06-2.14) |
| Other | $\mathbf{1 6 . 6 \%}$ | $15.3 \%$ | $1.08(0.74-1.59)$ |
| Total | $\mathbf{1 0 0 . 0} \%$ | $\mathbf{1 0 0 . 0 \%}$ | -- |

Table 12.4 Most Common Boys' and Girls' Soccer Injury Diagnoses*, High School SportsRelated Injury Surveillance Study, US, 2017-18 School Year

|  | Boys' soccer | Girls' soccer | IPR (95\% CI) |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Diagnosis |  |  |  |
| Ankle strain/sprain | $\mathbf{1 7 . 0 \%}$ | $16.0 \%$ | 1.06 (0.74-1.54) |
| Head/face concussion | $16.2 \%$ | $\mathbf{2 4 . 5 \%}$ | $\mathbf{1 . 5 1}(\mathbf{1 . 0 6 - 2 . 1 5 )}$ |
| Hip/thigh/upper leg strain/sprain | $\mathbf{1 8 . 0 \%}$ | $13.2 \%$ | $1.36(0.92-2.03)$ |
| Knee strain/sprain | $5.6 \%$ | $\mathbf{6 . 9 \%}$ | $1.23(0.65-2.33)$ |
| Knee other | $5.7 \%$ | $\mathbf{5 . 9 \%}$ | 1.04 (0.53-2.04) |

*Only includes diagnoses accounting for >5\% of boys' or girls' soccer injuries.

Table 12.5 Comparison of Time Loss of Boys' and Girls' Soccer Injuries, High School Sports-Related Injury Surveillance Study, US, 2017-18 School Year

|  | Boys' soccer | Girls' soccer | IPR (95\% CI) |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Time Loss |  |  |  |
| 1-2 days | $\mathbf{2 0 . 3} \%$ | $14.8 \%$ | $1.38(0.95-1.99)$ |
| 3-6 days | $\mathbf{2 2 . 3} \%$ | $21.5 \%$ | $1.04(0.76-1.42)$ |
| 7-9 days | $16.0 \%$ | $\mathbf{1 6 . 2 \%}$ | $1.01(0.68-1.50)$ |
| 10-21 days | $16.4 \%$ | $\mathbf{2 1 . 7 \%}$ | $1.33(0.93-1.89)$ |
| 22 days or more | $\mathbf{7 . 3 \%}$ | $4.3 \%$ | $1.69(0.83-3.45)$ |
| Other | $17.6 \%$ | $\mathbf{2 1 . 5} \%$ | $1.22(0.87-1.70)$ |
| Total | $\mathbf{1 0 0 . 0 \%}$ | $\mathbf{1 0 0 . 0} \%$ | --- |

Table 12.6 Comparison of Mechanisms of Boys' and Girls' Soccer Injuries, High School Sports-Related Injury Surveillance Study, US, 2017-18 School Year

|  | Boys' soccer | Girls' soccer | IPR (95\% CI) |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Soccer Mechanism |  |  |  |
| Contact with another player | $\mathbf{2 2 . 9 \%}$ | $18.4 \%$ | $1.25(0.89-1.75)$ |
| Stepped on/fell on/kicked | $11.8 \%$ | $14.1 \%$ | $1.19(0.75-1.92)$ |
| Rotation around a planted foot/inversion | $13.5 \%$ | $12.0 \%$ | $1.12(0.72-1.75)$ |
| Overuse, heat illness, conditioning, etc. | $13.8 \%$ | $16.4 \%$ | $1.19(0.78-1.82)$ |
| Contact with ball | $10.8 \%$ | $17.9 \%$ | $1.67(1.07-2.60)$ |
| Uneven playing surface | $2.9 \%$ | $2.0 \%$ | $1.44(0.44-4.66)$ |
| Slide tackle | $5.3 \%$ | $1.7 \%$ | $3.05(1.18-7.92)$ |
| Contact with goal | $0.1 \%$ | $\mathbf{0 . 2 \%}$ | $1.47(0.11-20.00)$ |
| Other | $\mathbf{1 2 . 9 \%}$ | $10.4 \%$ | $1.25(0.77-2.02)$ |
| Unknown | $6.0 \%$ | $\mathbf{6 . 9 \%}$ | $1.15(0.58-2.27)$ |
| Total | $\mathbf{1 0 0 . 0 \%}$ | $\mathbf{1 0 0 . 0 \%}$ | --- |

Table 12.7 Comparison of Activities of Boys' and Girls' Soccer Injuries, High School Sports-Related Injury Surveillance Study, US, 2017-18 School Year

|  | Boys' soccer | Girls' soccer | IPR (95\% CI) |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | ---: |
| Soccer Activity |  |  |  |
| General play | $24.2 \%$ | $\mathbf{2 9 . 8 \%}$ | $1.23(0.92-1.64)$ |
| Defending | $\mathbf{1 4 . 8 \%}$ | $14.6 \%$ | $1.01(0.66-1.54)$ |
| Chasing loose ball | $\mathbf{9 . 9 \%}$ | $7.0 \%$ | $1.42(0.80-2.50)$ |
| Ball handling/dribbling | $\mathbf{9 . 1 \%}$ | $\mathbf{7 . 5 \%}$ | $1.22(0.69-2.13)$ |
| Goaltending | $\mathbf{9 . 3} \%$ | $\mathbf{7 . 6 \%}$ | $1.23(0.69-2.22)$ |
| Shooting (foot) | $\mathbf{6 . 1 \%}$ | $4.2 \%$ | $1.45(0.69-3.03)$ |
| Heading ball | $\mathbf{3 . 7 \%}$ | $3.3 \%$ | $1.12(0.47-2.70)$ |
| Passing (foot) | $3.0 \%$ | $\mathbf{3 . 3 \%}$ | $1.12(0.44-2.80)$ |
| Receiving pass | $\mathbf{2 . 6 \%}$ | $2.2 \%$ | $1.18(0.39-3.57)$ |
| Conditioning | $3.0 \%$ | $\mathbf{3 . 8 \%}$ | $1.23(0.43-3.57)$ |
| Other | $5.9 \%$ | $\mathbf{6 . 1 \%}$ | $1.03(0.50-2.10)$ |
| Unknown | $8.4 \%$ | $\mathbf{1 0 . 7 \%}$ | $1.28(0.75-2.17)$ |
| Total | $\mathbf{1 0 0 . 0 \%}$ | $\mathbf{1 0 0 . 0 \%}$ | --- |

### 12.2 Boys' and Girls' Basketball

Table 12.8 Comparison of Boys' and Girls' Basketball Injury Rates, High School SportsRelated Injury Surveillance Study, US, 2017-18 School Year

|  | Boys' basketball | Girls' basketball | RR (95\% CI)* |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Total | 1.54 | 2.15 | $\mathbf{1 . 3 9 ( 1 . 2 0 - 1 . 6 4 )}$ |
| Competition | 2.74 | 4.12 | $\mathbf{1 . 5 2 ( 1 . 2 3 - 1 . 8 5 )}$ |
| Practice | 1.01 | $\mathbf{1 . 2 6}$ | $1.23(0.98-1.56)$ |

*Throughout this chapter, rate ratios (RR) and injury proportion ratios (IPR) compare the gender with a higher injury rate/proportion (bolded) to the gender with a lower injury rate/proportion. $\dagger$ Throughout this chapter, statistically significant RR and IPR are bolded.

Table 12.9 Comparison of Body Sites of Boys' and Girls' Basketball Injuries, High School Sports-Related Injury Surveillance Study, US, 2017-18 School Year

|  | Boys' basketball |  | Girls' basketball |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | ---: |
| Body Site |  | IPR (95\% CI) |  |
| Ankle | $\mathbf{3 5 . 3 \%}$ | $32.6 \%$ | $1.08(0.85-1.39)$ |
| Knee | $10.9 \%$ | $\mathbf{1 6 . 8 \%}$ | $1.53(0.97-2.42)$ |
| Head/face | $13.8 \%$ | $\mathbf{1 8 . 9 \%}$ | $1.37(0.93-2.01)$ |
| Hip/thigh/upper leg | $5.3 \%$ | $\mathbf{5 . 4 \%}$ | $1.02(0.49-2.12)$ |
| Hand/wrist | $\mathbf{1 3 . 8 \%}$ | $10.2 \%$ | $1.36(0.82-2.25)$ |
| Shoulder | $2.4 \%$ | $\mathbf{3 . 7 \%}$ | $1.56(0.56-4.55)$ |
| Trunk | $\mathbf{6 . 8 \%}$ | $3.1 \%$ | $2.17(0.88-5.26)$ |
| Lower leg | $\mathbf{3 . 8 \%}$ | $2.2 \%$ | $1.72(0.66-4.51)$ |
| Arm/elbow | $1.9 \%$ | $\mathbf{3 . 8} \%$ | $2.02(0.62-6.59)$ |
| Foot | $\mathbf{3 . 2 \%}$ | $1.6 \%$ | $2.00(0.63-6.33)$ |
| Neck | $\mathbf{0 . 9 \%}$ | $0.8 \%$ | $1.14(0.17-7.54)$ |
| Other | $\mathbf{1 . 9 \%}$ | $0.9 \%$ | $2.05(0.51-8.22)$ |
| Total | $\mathbf{1 0 0 . 0 \%}$ | $\mathbf{1 0 0 . 0} \%$ | --- |

Table 12.10 Comparison of Diagnoses of Boys' and Girls' Basketball Injuries, High School Sports-Related Injury Surveillance Study, US, 2017-18 School Year

|  | Boys' basketball | Girls' basketball | IPR (95\% CI) |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Diagnosis |  |  |  |
| Strain/sprain | $\mathbf{5 7 . 5 \%}$ | $53.5 \%$ | $1.08(0.92-1.26)$ |
| Contusion | $6.8 \%$ | $\mathbf{7 . 8 \%}$ | $1.14(0.61-2.13)$ |
| Fracture | $9.4 \%$ | $5.7 \%$ | $1.65(0.86-3.17)$ |
| Concussion | $9.5 \%$ | $\mathbf{1 6 . 0 \%}$ | $\mathbf{1 . 6 8 ( 1 . 0 6 - 2 . 6 6 )}$ |
| Other | $16.7 \%$ | $\mathbf{1 7 . 0 \%}$ | $1.02(0.68-1.52)$ |
| Total | $\mathbf{1 0 0 . 0} \%$ | $\mathbf{1 0 0 . 0 \%}$ | --- |

Table 12.11 Most Common Boys' and Girls' Basketball Injury Diagnoses*, High School Sports-Related Injury Surveillance Study, US, 2017-18 School Year

|  | Boys' basketball |  |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Diagnosis | Girls' basketball | IPR (95\% CI) |  |
| Ankle strain/sprain | $\mathbf{3 4 . 5 \%}$ | $30.0 \%$ | $1.15(0.89-1.48)$ |
| Head/face concussion | $9.5 \%$ | $\mathbf{1 5 . 4 \%}$ | $\mathbf{1 . 6 2 ( 1 . 0 2 - 2 . 5 8 )}$ |
| Knee strain/sprain | $4.9 \%$ | $\mathbf{8 . 4 \%}$ | $1.70(0.84-3.41)$ |
| Knee other | $4.4 \%$ | $\mathbf{6 . 8 \%}$ | $1.54(0.73-3.23)$ |
| Hand/wrist fracture | $\mathbf{5 . 1 \%}$ | $3.1 \%$ | $1.64(0.65-4.13)$ |
| Hip/thigh/upper leg strain/sprain | $2.2 \%$ | $\mathbf{4 . 1 \%}$ | $1.85(0.65-5.23)$ |

*Only includes diagnoses accounting for $>5 \%$ of boys' or girls' basketball injuries.

Table 12.12 Comparison of Time Loss of Boys' and Girls' Basketball Injuries, High School Sports-Related Injury Surveillance Study, US, 2017-18 School Year

|  | Boys' basketball | Girls' basketball | IPR (95\% CI) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Time Loss |  |  |  |
| 1-2 days | 26.7\% | 23.8\% | 1.12 (0.82-1.54) |
| 3-6 days | 23.1\% | 20.5\% | 1.13 (0.81-1.57) |
| 7-9 days | 13.0\% | 9.7\% | 1.35 (0.83-2.19) |
| 10-21 days | 13.7\% | 25.1\% | 1.82 (1.27-2.63) |
| 22 days or more | 7.8\% | 7.8\% | 1.01 (0.54-1.85) |
| Other | 15.7\% | 13.2\% | 1.19 (0.79-1.79) |
| Total | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | --- |

Table 12.13 Comparison of Mechanisms of Boys' and Girls' Basketball Injuries, High School Sports-Related Injury Surveillance Study, US, 2017-18 School Year

|  | Boys' basketball | Girls' basketball | IPR (95\% CI) |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Basketball Mechanism |  |  |  |
| Collision with another player | $22.4 \%$ | $31.8 \%$ | $\mathbf{1 . 4 2 ( 1 . 0 5 - 1 . 9 1 )}$ |
| Jumping/landing | $\mathbf{2 4 . 5 \%}$ | $17.8 \%$ | $1.38(0.96-1.96)$ |
| Overuse, heat illness, conditioning, etc. | $8.2 \%$ | $9.6 \%$ | $1.17(0.64-2.13)$ |
| Rotation around a planted foot/inversion | $9.3 \%$ | $13.1 \%$ | $1.42(0.86-2.34)$ |
| Stepped on/fell on/kicked | $\mathbf{1 4 . 4 \%}$ | $12.2 \%$ | $1.18(0.73-1.91)$ |
| Contact with ball | $4.3 \%$ | $5.6 \%$ | $1.29(0.58-2.90)$ |
| Other | $\mathbf{1 1 . 4 \%}$ | $7.0 \%$ | $1.64(0.94-2.88)$ |
| Unknown | $\mathbf{5 . 4 \%}$ | $2.9 \%$ | $1.85(0.71-4.76)$ |
| Total | $\mathbf{1 0 0 . 0 \%}$ | $\mathbf{1 0 0 . 0 \%}$ | --- |

Table 12.14 Comparison of Activities of Boys' and Girls' Basketball Injuries, High School Sports-Related Injury Surveillance Study, US, 2017-18 School Year

|  | Boys' basketball |  | Girls' basketball |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Basketball Activity |  |  |  |
| Rebounding (95\% Cl) |  |  |  |
| General play | $\mathbf{2 7 . 6 \%}$ | $19.3 \%$ | $\mathbf{1 . 4 3}(\mathbf{1 . 0 2 - 2 . 0 2 )}$ |
| Defending | $\mathbf{2 0 . 8 \%}$ | $17.3 \%$ | $1.20(0.83-1.75)$ |
| Chasing loose ball | $13.2 \%$ | $\mathbf{1 9 . 1 \%}$ | $1.45(0.94-2.21)$ |
| Shooting | $7.9 \%$ | $\mathbf{1 2 . 3} \%$ | $1.56(0.90-2.69)$ |
| Conditioning | $\mathbf{8 . 4 \%}$ | $6.3 \%$ | $1.33(0.70-2.53)$ |
| Ball handling/dribbling | $1.0 \%$ | $\mathbf{2 . 1 \%}$ | $2.12(0.43-10.45)$ |
| Receiving pass | $3.9 \%$ | $\mathbf{5 . 1 \%}$ | $1.30(0.60-2.82)$ |
| Other | $\mathbf{3 . 6 \%}$ | $3.3 \%$ | $1.09(0.42-2.83)$ |
| Unknown | $2.7 \%$ | $\mathbf{3 . 0 \%}$ | $1.12(0.38-3.33)$ |
| Total | $10.9 \%$ | $\mathbf{1 2 . 2 \%}$ | $1.12(0.68-1.84)$ |

### 12.3 Boys' Baseball and Girls' Softball

Table 12.15 Comparison of Baseball and Softball Injury Rates, High School Sports-Related Injury Surveillance Study, US, 2017-18 School Year

|  | Baseball | Softball | RR (95\% CI) |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Total | 0.95 | $\mathbf{1 . 3 4}$ | $\mathbf{1 . 4 1}(\mathbf{1 . 1 2 - 1 . 7 5 )}$ |
| Competition | 1.28 | $\mathbf{1 . 9 4}$ | $\mathbf{1 . 5 2 ~ ( 1 . 1 1 - 2 . 0 8 ) ~}$ |
| Practice | 0.77 | $\mathbf{1 . 0 1}$ | 1.33 (0.97-1.82) |

Table 12.16 Comparison of Body Sites of Baseball and Softball Injuries, High School Sports-Related Injury Surveillance Study, US, 2017-18 School Year

|  | Baseball | Softball | IPR (95\% CI) |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Body Site |  |  |  |
| Ankle | $9.7 \%$ | $\mathbf{1 3 . 9 \%}$ | $1.44(0.75-2.80)$ |
| Knee | $5.9 \%$ | $\mathbf{1 3 . 2 \%}$ | $2.24(0.91-5.52)$ |
| Head/face | $\mathbf{2 1 . 0 \%}$ | $16.6 \%$ | $1.27(0.75-2.13)$ |
| Hip/thigh/upper leg | $\mathbf{1 2 . 6 \%}$ | $5.0 \%$ | $\mathbf{2 . 5 2}(\mathbf{1 . 0 5 - 6 . 0 5 )}$ |
| Hand/wrist | $\mathbf{1 4 . 6 \%}$ | $13.2 \%$ | $1.11(0.58-2.13)$ |
| Shoulder | $9.6 \%$ | $\mathbf{1 0 . 7 \%}$ | $1.12(0.53-2.38)$ |
| Trunk | $4.5 \%$ | $\mathbf{7 . 6 \%}$ | $1.70(0.64-4.50)$ |
| Lower leg | $0.3 \%$ | $\mathbf{2 . 5 \%}$ | $8.58(0.80-91.53)$ |
| Arm/elbow | $\mathbf{1 8 . 7 \%}$ | $12.6 \%$ | $1.49(0.79-2.82)$ |
| Foot | $2.4 \%$ | $\mathbf{3 . 2 \%}$ | $1.31(0.26-6.54)$ |
| Other | $0.8 \%$ | $\mathbf{1 . 6 \%}$ | $2.17(0.22-20.0)$ |
| Total | $\mathbf{1 0 0 . 0 \%}$ | $\mathbf{1 0 0 . 0 \%}$ | --- |

Table 12.17 Comparison of Diagnoses of Baseball and Softball Injuries, High School Sports-Related Injury Surveillance Study, US, 2017-18 School Year

|  | Baseball | Softball | IPR (95\% CI) |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Diagnosis |  |  |  |
| Strain/sprain | $41.8 \%$ | $\mathbf{4 9 . 4 \%}$ | 1.18 (0.89-1.56) |
| Contusion | $9.8 \%$ | $\mathbf{1 4 . 0} \%$ | $1.42(0.67-3.00)$ |
| Fracture | $\mathbf{1 1 . 8 \%}$ | $1.7 \%$ | $\mathbf{7 . 1 4}(\mathbf{2 . 8 1 - 1 7 . 8 6})$ |
| Concussion | $13.5 \%$ | $\mathbf{1 4 . 0} \%$ | $1.04(0.55-1.97)$ |
| Other | $\mathbf{2 3 . 0 \%}$ | $21.0 \%$ | $1.10(0.68-1.78)$ |
| Total | $\mathbf{1 0 0 . 0} \%$ | $\mathbf{1 0 0 . 0} \%$ | --- |

Table 12.18 Most Common Baseball and Softball Injury Diagnoses*, High School SportsRelated Injury Surveillance Study, US, 2017-18 School Year

|  | Baseball | Softball | IPR (95\% CI) |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Diagnosis |  |  |  |
| Ankle strain/sprain | $8.5 \%$ | $13.7 \%$ | $1.61(0.80-3.22)$ |
| Hand/wrist fracture | $5.5 \%$ | $0.7 \%$ | $\mathbf{7 . 3 8}(1.75-31.12)$ |
| Head/face concussion | $13.5 \%$ | $14.0 \%$ | $1.04(0.55-1.97)$ |
| Hip/thigh/upper leg strain/sprain | $\mathbf{1 1 . 1 \%}$ | $4.9 \%$ | $2.26(0.91-5.63)$ |
| Knee strain/sprain | $1.1 \%$ | $4.8 \%$ | $4.57(0.99-21.21)$ |
| Shoulder strain/sprain | $6.0 \%$ | $6.8 \%$ | $1.12(0.41-3.03)$ |

*Only includes diagnoses accounting for $>5 \%$ of baseball or softball injuries.

Table 12.19 Comparison of Time Loss of Baseball and Softball Injuries, High School Sports-Related Injury Surveillance Study, US, 2017-18 School Year

|  | Baseball | Softball | IPR (95\% CI) |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Time Loss |  |  |  |
| 1-2 days | $21.1 \%$ | $\mathbf{3 3 . 1} \%$ | $\mathbf{1 . 5 7}(\mathbf{1 . 0 1 - 2 . 4 3 )}$ |
| 3-6 days | $19.1 \%$ | $\mathbf{1 9 . 4 \%}$ | $1.01(0.59-1.72)$ |
| 7-9 days | $\mathbf{1 1 . 5 \%}$ | $9.5 \%$ | $1.20(0.59-2.50)$ |
| 10-21 days | $\mathbf{2 0 . 1 \%}$ | $14.5 \%$ | $1.39(0.80-2.40)$ |
| 22 days or more | $\mathbf{1 1 . 3} \%$ | $6.4 \%$ | $1.79(0.83-3.85)$ |
| Other | $16.8 \%$ | $\mathbf{1 7 . 1 \%}$ | $1.02(0.58-1.78)$ |
| Total | $\mathbf{1 0 0 . 0} \%$ | $\mathbf{1 0 0 . 0} \%$ | --- |

Table 12.20 Comparison of Mechanisms of Baseball and Softball Injuries, High School Sports-Related Injury Surveillance Study, US, 2017-18 School Year

|  | Baseball | Softball | IPR (95\% CI) |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Baseball/Softball Mechanism |  |  |  |
| Overuse, heat illness, conditioning, etc. | $8.6 \%$ | $\mathbf{1 6 . 2 \%}$ | $1.89(0.91-3.91)$ |
| Contact with another player | $\mathbf{1 7 . 0 \%}$ | $\mathbf{7 . 8 \%}$ | $\mathbf{2 . 1 9}(\mathbf{1 . 0 3 - 4 . 6 5 )}$ |
| Contact with bases | $\mathbf{8 . 8 \%}$ | $\mathbf{1 0 . 2 \%}$ | $1.16(0.52-2.59)$ |
| Throwing - not pitching | $\mathbf{1 5 . 2 \%}$ | $8.8 \%$ | $1.72(0.81-3.67)$ |
| Throwing - pitching | $\mathbf{7 . 1 \%}$ | $3.5 \%$ | $2.04(0.62-6.74)$ |
| Contact with thrown ball (non-pitch) | $6.9 \%$ | $\mathbf{1 1 . 4 \%}$ | $1.65(0.69-3.93)$ |
| Rotation around a planted foot/inversion | $3.7 \%$ | $\mathbf{8 . 4 \%}$ | $2.26(0.76-6.73)$ |
| Hit by batted ball | $5.4 \%$ | $\mathbf{7 . 4 \%}$ | $1.39(0.51-3.74)$ |
| Hit by pitch | $\mathbf{6 . 3 \%}$ | $3.5 \%$ | $1.82(0.51-6.25)$ |
| Other | $\mathbf{1 9 . 9 \%}$ | $17.1 \%$ | $1.17(0.68-2.01)$ |
| Unknown | $1.2 \%$ | $\mathbf{5 . 8 \%}$ | $4.96(0.60-41.00)$ |
| Total | $\mathbf{1 0 0 . 0 \%}$ | $\mathbf{1 0 0 . 0 \%}$ | $\mathbf{- - -}$ |

Table 12.21 Comparison of Activities of Baseball and Softball Injuries, High School SportsRelated Injury Surveillance Study, US, 2017-18 School Year

|  | Baseball | Softball | IPR (95\% CI) |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Baseball/Softball Activity |  |  |  |
| Fielding a batted ball | $\mathbf{1 9 . 9 \%}$ | $17.8 \%$ | $1.12(0.65-1.96)$ |
| Fielding a thrown ball | $\mathbf{7 . 6 \%}$ | $3.5 \%$ | $2.17(0.64-7.69)$ |
| Running bases | $12.3 \%$ | $15.0 \%$ | $1.22(0.63-2.38)$ |
| Pitching | $\mathbf{7 . 7 \%}$ | $6.9 \%$ | $1.12(0.43-2.91)$ |
| Batting | $10.6 \%$ | $\mathbf{1 1 . 9 \%}$ | $1.12(0.53-2.38)$ |
| Sliding | $\mathbf{8 . 9 \%}$ | $5.6 \%$ | $1.59(0.62-4.09)$ |
| Throwing (not pitching) | $\mathbf{1 5 . 9 \%}$ | $12.6 \%$ | $1.27(0.65-2.44)$ |
| General play | $3.2 \%$ | $\mathbf{7 . 7 \%}$ | $2.38(0.72-8.33)$ |
| Conditioning | $\mathbf{3 . 1 \%}$ | $0.0 \%$ | -- |
| Catching | $7.6 \%$ | $\mathbf{9 . 8 \%}$ | $1.29(0.54-3.07)$ |
| Other | $\mathbf{2 . 8 \%}$ | $2.5 \%$ | $1.12(0.28-4.55)$ |
| Unknown | $0.3 \%$ | $\mathbf{6 . 7 \%}$ | $\mathbf{2 1 . 3 8}(\mathbf{2 . 6 2 - 1 7 4 . 2 )}$ |
| Total | $\mathbf{1 0 0 . 0 \%}$ | $\mathbf{1 0 0 . 0 \%}$ |  |

XIII. Trends over Time

Table 13.1 Injury Rates by Sport, Type of Exposure, and Year, High School Sports-Related Injury Surveillance Study, US, 2005/06-2017/18 School Years (continued on next page)

|  | $\begin{gathered} 2005- \\ 06 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 2006- \\ 07 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 2007- \\ 08 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 2008- \\ 09 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 2009-10 \\ 10 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 2010- \\ 11 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 2011- \\ \hline 12 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 2012- \\ 13 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 2013- \\ 14 \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 2014- \\ 15 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 2015- \\ 16 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { 2016- } \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 2017-18 \end{gathered}$ | p-value for trend* |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Overall total | 2.51 | 2.59 | 2.31 | 2.01 | 2.10 | 1.97 | 2.17 | 2.16 | 2.18 | 2.13 | 2.32 | 2.09 | 2.45 | 0.44 |
| Competition | 4.63 | 4.88 | 4.45 | 4.05 | 4.19 | 4.10 | 4.26 | 4.31 | 4.22 | 4.40 | 4.74 | 4.28 | 4.88 | 0.81 |
| Practice | 1.69 | 1.75 | 1.52 | 1.26 | 1.32 | 1.16 | 1.40 | 1.34 | 1.39 | 1.28 | 1.39 | 1.22 | 1.47 | 0.08 |
| Boys' football total | 4.36 | 4.45 | 4.18 | 3.50 | 3.81 | 3.50 | 3.78 | 3.87 | 3.74 | 3.73 | 4.08 | 3.56 | 4.33 | 0.38 |
| Competition | 12.09 | 13.50 | 12.80 | 11.26 | 12.95 | 12.30 | 12.41 | 12.53 | 11.38 | 11.97 | 12.68 | 11.55 | 14.13 | 0.92 |
| Practice | 2.54 | 2.68 | 2.47 | 1.92 | 2.06 | 1.74 | 2.16 | 2.08 | 2.15 | 2.06 | 2.18 | 1.89 | 2.14 | 0.06 |
| Boys' soccer total | 2.43 | 2.27 | 1.75 | 1.62 | 1.75 | 1.56 | 1.64 | 1.52 | 1.62 | 1.60 | 1.87 | 1.47 | 1.94 | 0.08 |
| Competition | 4.22 | 4.31 | 3.63 | 3.43 | 3.39 | 3.08 | 3.47 | 3.28 | 3.40 | 3.43 | 3.95 | 3.25 | 3.92 | 0.30 |
| Practice | 1.58 | 1.45 | 0.96 | 0.87 | 1.04 | 0.90 | 0.90 | 0.78 | 0.82 | 0.78 | 0.91 | 0.67 | 1.04 | 0.01 |
| Girls' soccer total | 2.36 | 2.51 | 2.35 | 2.07 | 2.00 | 1.93 | 2.42 | 2.29 | 2.47 | 2.64 | 2.59 | 2.46 | 2.82 | 0.06 |
| Competition | 5.21 | 5.43 | 5.15 | 4.59 | 4.67 | 4.13 | 5.68 | 5.54 | 5.72 | 6.11 | 5.93 | 5.91 | 5.83 | 0.02 |
| Practice | 1.10 | 1.31 | 1.16 | 1.00 | 0.85 | 0.93 | 1.09 | 0.92 | 1.04 | 1.09 | 1.09 | 0.85 | 1.48 | 0.89 |
| Girls' volleyball total | 1.64 | 1.37 | 1.22 | 0.89 | 0.99 | 0.96 | 1.00 | 0.89 | 0.99 | 1.11 | 1.19 | 1.13 | 1.54 | 0.70 |
| Competition | 1.92 | 1.40 | 1.43 | 0.90 | 1.00 | 1.18 | 1.27 | 1.08 | 1.15 | 1.39 | 1.52 | 1.67 | 2.18 | 0.34 |
| Practice | 1.48 | 1.36 | 1.12 | 0.88 | 0.99 | 0.85 | 0.85 | 0.78 | 0.91 | 0.97 | 1.02 | 0.86 | 1.20 | 0.12 |
| Boys' basketball total | 1.89 | 1.75 | 1.39 | 1.35 | 1.45 | 1.34 | 1.40 | 1.47 | 1.45 | 1.08 | 1.48 | 1.54 | 1.54 | 0.20 |
| Competition | 2.98 | 2.87 | 2.23 | 2.32 | 2.72 | 2.30 | 2.60 | 2.44 | 2.40 | 1.98 | 2.84 | 2.65 | 2.74 | 0.70 |
| Practice | 1.46 | 1.28 | 1.04 | 0.95 | 0.92 | 0.91 | 0.91 | 1.04 | 1.02 | 0.68 | 0.90 | 1.04 | 1.01 | 0.05 |

*Statistically significant tests for trend are bolded (cont).next page

Table 13.1 Injury Rates by Sport, Type of Exposure, and Year, High School Sports-Related Injury Surveillance Study, US, 2005/06-2017/18 School Years

|  | $\begin{gathered} 2005- \\ 06 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 2006- \\ 07 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 2007- \\ 08 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 2008- \\ 09 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 2009- \\ 10 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 2010- \\ 11 \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 2011- \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { 2012- } \\ 13 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 2013-14 \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 2014- \\ 15 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 2015- \\ 16 \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 2016- \\ \hline 17 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 2017- \\ 18 \end{gathered}$ | p-value for trend* |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Girls' basketball total | 2.01 | 2.09 | 1.61 | 1.54 | 1.58 | 1.73 | 1.57 | 1.83 | 1.88 | 1.65 | 2.14 | 1.87 | 2.15 | 0.36 |
| Competition | 3.6 | 3.6 | 3.3 | 3.13 | 2.84 | 3.59 | 3.03 | 3.13 | 3.66 | 3.27 | 4.17 | 3.63 | 4.12 | 0.13 |
| Practice | 1.37 | 1.44 | 0.9 | 0.87 | 1.02 | 0.92 | 0.98 | 1.24 | 1.08 | 0.94 | 1.24 | 1.03 | 1.26 | 0.80 |
| Boys' wrestling total | 2.50 | 2.51 | 2.27 | 2.17 | 1.98 | 2.01 | 2.50 | 2.33 | 2.48 | 2.12 | 2.23 | 2.02 | 2.65 | 0.87 |
| Competition | 3.93 | 3.80 | 3.70 | 3.35 | 3.09 | 3.32 | 3.56 | 3.54 | 3.95 | 3.76 | 3.43 | 3.77 | 4.30 | 0.36 |
| Practice | 2.04 | 2.06 | 1.76 | 1.75 | 1.56 | 1.55 | 2.10 | 1.88 | 1.95 | 1.61 | 1.83 | 1.40 | 2.04 | 0.47 |
| Boys' baseball total | 1.19 | 1.25 | 0.93 | 0.78 | 0.82 | 0.81 | 0.83 | 0.88 | 1.01 | 0.94 | 0.84 | 0.74 | 0.95 | 0.10 |
| Competition | 1.77 | 2.01 | 1.37 | 1.32 | 1.27 | 1.49 | 1.14 | 1.30 | 1.68 | 1.67 | 1.35 | 1.23 | 1.28 | 0.13 |
| Practice | 0.87 | 0.82 | 0.68 | 0.48 | 0.57 | 0.46 | 0.65 | 0.66 | 0.63 | 0.55 | 0.56 | 0.44 | 0.77 | 0.19 |
| Girls' softball total | 1.13 | 1.11 | 1.29 | 1.04 | 1.12 | 0.94 | 1.46 | 1.15 | 0.99 | 1.00 | 1.30 | 1.34 | 1.34 | 0.32 |
| Competition | 1.78 | 1.96 | 1.86 | 1.62 | 1.66 | 1.45 | 2.04 | 1.96 | 1.09 | 1.67 | 2.10 | 1.55 | 1.94 | 0.88 |
| Practice | 0.79 | 0.65 | 0.98 | 0.72 | 0.85 | 0.69 | 1.16 | 0.73 | 0.93 | 0.65 | 0.87 | 1.21 | 1.01 | 0.15 |

*Statistically significant tests for trend are bolded

Table 13.2 Nationally Estimated Number of Injuries by Sport, Type of Exposure, and Year, High School Sports-Related Injury Surveillance Study, US, 2005/06-2017/18 School Years (continued on next page)

|  | 2005-06 | 2006-07 | 2007-08 | 2008-09 | 2009-10 | 2010-11 | 2011-12 | 2012-13 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Overall total | 1,442,533 | 1,472,849 | 1,419,723 | 1,248,126 | 1,359,897 | 1,195,815 | 1,392,262 | 1,361,986 |
| Competition | 759,334 | 766,512 | 763,034 | 690,525 | 754,091 | 711,642 | 740,493 | 779,055 |
| Practice | 683,199 | 706,337 | 656,689 | 557,601 | 605,805 | 484,173 | 651,769 | 582,931 |
| Boys' football total | 516,150 | 574,367 | 616,665 | 527,321 | 581,414 | 483,016 | 559,064 | 616,209 |
| Competition | 280,919 | 292,316 | 311,780 | 288,637 | 322,801 | 296,199 | 287,710 | 344,097 |
| Practice | 235,231 | 282,051 | 304,885 | 238,684 | 258,614 | 186,817 | 271,354 | 272,112 |
| Boys' soccer total | 218,760 | 171,874 | 159,351 | 149,229 | 153,485 | 138,974 | 172,070 | 149,049 |
| Competition | 119,703 | 93,295 | 99,785 | 87,082 | 83,985 | 81,238 | 97,540 | 89,429 |
| Practice | 99,058 | 78,579 | 59,566 | 62,147 | 69,500 | 57,736 | 74,530 | 59,620 |
| Girls' soccer total | 185,770 | 230,769 | 215,850 | 192,108 | 181,159 | 180,254 | 222,679 | 190,382 |
| Competition | 122,803 | 149,231 | 146,102 | 123,312 | 129,754 | 124,674 | 145,469 | 141,339 |
| Practice | 62,967 | 81,538 | 69,748 | 68,796 | 51,405 | 55,580 | 77,210 | 49,043 |
| Girls' volleyball total | 81,813 | 80,493 | 72,261 | 56,609 | 67,760 | 50,711 | 52,662 | 44,064 |
| Competition | 32,677 | 27,423 | 26,539 | 19,764 | 21,728 | 21,416 | 24,439 | 19,150 |
| Practice | 49,136 | 53,069 | 45,722 | 36,845 | 46,032 | 29,295 | 28,223 | 24,914 |
| Boys' basketball total | 100,058 | 96,670 | 82,612 | 79,230 | 85,063 | 79,762 | 75,872 | 85,819 |
| Competition | 44,826 | 46,109 | 36,766 | 40,152 | 46,787 | 41,252 | 41,978 | 44,095 |
| Practice | 55,232 | 50,561 | 45,846 | 39,078 | 38,276 | 38,510 | 33,894 | 41,724 |
| Girls' basketball total | 103,566 | 102,831 | 73,283 | 64,933 | 78,709 | 83,033 | 67,280 | 83,107 |
| Competition | 53,812 | 53,703 | 45,236 | 38,277 | 44,026 | 53,931 | 37,213 | 45,645 |
| Practice | 49,753 | 49,128 | 28,047 | 26,656 | 34,684 | 29,102 | 30,067 | 37,462 |
| Boys' wrestling total | 105,542 | 101,139 | 91,625 | 88,996 | 80,390 | 80,569 | 107,992 | 85,485 |
| Competition | 36,259 | 38,750 | 40,698 | 39,029 | 37,742 | 36536 | 40,235 | 35,016 |
| Practice | 69,283 | 62,389 | 50,927 | 49,967 | 42,647 | 44,033 | 67,757 | 50,469 |
| Boys' baseball total | 67,560 | 60,296 | 44,760 | 39,869 | 64,053 | 46,796 | 43,590 | 49,747 |
| Competition | 33,639 | 33,494 | 22,803 | 25,584 | 36,502 | 29,789 | 20,818 | 24,807 |
| Practice | 33,922 | 26,802 | 21,957 | 14,285 | 27,551 | 17,008 | 22,772 | 24,940 |
| Girls' softball total | 63,313 | 54,411 | 63,316 | 49,831 | 67,862 | 52,700 | 91,053 | 58,124 |
| Competition | 34,696 | 32,191 | 33,325 | 28,688 | 30,767 | 26,607 | 45,091 | 35,477 |
| Practice | 28,618 | 22,220 | 29,991 | 21,143 | 37,096 | 26,093 | 45,962 | 22,647 |

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Table 13.2 Nationally Estimated Number of Injuries by Sport, Type of Exposure, and Year, High School Sports-Related Injury Surveillance Study, US, 2005/06-2017/18 School Years

|  | $\mathbf{2 0 1 3 - 1 4}$ | $\mathbf{2 0 1 4 - 1 5}$ | $\mathbf{2 0 1 5 - 1 6}$ | $\mathbf{2 0 1 6 - 1 7}$ | $\mathbf{2 0 1 7 - 1 8}$ |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Overall total | $\mathbf{1 , 4 2 7 , 3 1 5}$ | $\mathbf{1 , 1 9 6 , 4 7 9}$ | $\mathbf{1 , 3 9 3 , 5 6 6}$ | $\mathbf{1 , 1 6 0 , 3 2 1}$ | $\mathbf{1 , 3 6 7 , 4 9 0}$ |
| Competition | $\mathbf{7 9 0 , 9 6 6}$ | $\mathbf{7 0 8 , 1 5 0}$ | $\mathbf{8 0 1 , 1 5 6}$ | $\mathbf{6 9 9 , 4 1 0}$ | $\mathbf{7 9 8 , 2 2 0}$ |
| Practice | $\mathbf{6 3 6 , 3 4 9}$ | $\mathbf{4 8 8 , 3 2 9}$ | $\mathbf{5 9 2 , 4 1 0}$ | $\mathbf{4 6 0 , 9 1 1}$ | $\mathbf{5 6 9 , 2 7 0}$ |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Boys' football total | 624,470 | 529,483 | 568,789 | 444,281 | 463,626 |
| Competition | 324,354 | 286,421 | 316,308 | 252,462 | 281,790 |
| Practice | 300,116 | 243,062 | 252,481 | 191,819 | 181,836 |
| Boys' soccer total | 149,278 | 133,919 | 174,811 | 145,215 | 180,607 |
| Competition | 90,683 | 89,091 | 111,720 | 98,031 | 113,655 |
| Practice | 58,595 | 44,828 | 63,091 | 47,184 | 66,952 |
| Girls' soccer total | 227,172 | 217,546 | 209,027 | 190,436 | 242,602 |
| Competition | 167,975 | 158,078 | 142,722 | 146,696 | 152,993 |
| Practice | 59,197 | 59,468 | 66,305 | 43,740 | 89,609 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Girls' volleyball total | 45,144 | 46,807 | 58,127 | 46,601 | 67,163 |
| Competition | 16,430 | 19,373 | 25,300 | 23,886 | 33,075 |
| Practice | 28,714 | 27,434 | 32,827 | 22,715 | 34,088 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Boys' basketball total | 84,455 | 55,980 | 81,240 | 88,927 | 93,773 |
| Competition | 42,504 | 32,534 | 45,596 | 46,251 | 48,814 |
| Practice | 41,951 | 23,446 | 35,644 | 42,676 | 44,959 |
| Girls' basketball total | 89,451 | 64,491 | 99,598 | 70,700 | 90,554 |
| Competition | 50,864 | 38,803 | 56,786 | 44,660 | 53,834 |
| Practice | 38,587 | 25,688 | 42,812 | 26,040 | 36,720 |
| Boys' wrestling total | 91,203 | 60,253 | 91,642 | 67,834 | 103,058 |
| Competition | 39,378 | 32,728 | 38,430 | 34,405 | 48,770 |
| Practice | 21,825 | 27,525 | 53,212 | 33,429 | 54,288 |
| Boys' baseball total | 62,493 | 44,208 | 44,760 | 36,395 | 49,716 |
| Competition | 37,682 | 27,129 | 25,581 | 21,458 | 26,844 |
| Practice | 24,811 | 17,079 | 19,179 | 14,937 | 22,872 |
| Girls' softball total | 53,649 | 43,792 | 65,572 | 69,932 | 76,391 |
| Competition | 21,096 | 23,993 | 38,713 | 31,561 | 38,445 |
| Practice | 32,553 | 19,799 | 26,859 | 38,371 | 37,946 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |

Table 13.3 Body Site of Injury by Year, High School Sports-Related Injury Surveillance Study, US, 2005/06-2017/18 School Years* (continued on next page)

|  | $\begin{gathered} 2005-06 \\ n=1,442,048 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 2006-07 \\ n=1,464,926 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 2007-08 \\ n=1,411,621 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 2008-09 \\ n=1,248,126 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 2009-10 \\ n=1,359,897 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 2010-11 \\ n=1,194,319 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 2011-12 \\ \mathrm{n}=1,391,577 \end{gathered}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Body Site |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Ankle | 22.7\% | 19.8\% | 18.5\% | 16.4\% | 17.5\% | 17.7\% | 16.1\% |
| Knee | 14.2\% | 16.6\% | 14.6\% | 14.8\% | 15.7\% | 14.2\% | 13.4\% |
| Head/face | 12.3\% | 12.4\% | 12.4\% | 15.3\% | 17.2\% | 23.3\% | 25.1\% |
| Hip/thigh/upper leg | 10.8\% | 10.5\% | 10.2\% | 10.3\% | 9.2\% | 8.3\% | 9.8\% |
| Shoulder | 7.9\% | 8.0\% | 10.1\% | 9.3\% | 8.4\% | 7.0\% | 6.6\% |
| Hand/wrist | 8.0\% | 7.5\% | 9.1\% | 8.5\% | 10.3\% | 8.9\% | 8.5\% |
| Trunk | 6.2\% | 6.7\% | 6.5\% | 6.6\% | 5.8\% | 4.7\% | 4.9\% |
| Lower leg | 4.6\% | 5.2\% | 5.7\% | 5.8\% | 4.7\% | 5.0\% | 4.5\% |
| Arm/elbow | 4.1\% | 3.9\% | 4.6\% | 4.1\% | 4.0\% | 3.1\% | 4.0\% |
| Foot | 4.0\% | 4.0\% | 4.2\% | 5.0\% | 4.1\% | 4.0\% | 3.4\% |
| Neck | 2.2\% | 1.9\% | 1.8\% | 1.9\% | 1.9\% | 1.8\% | 1.7\% |
| Other | 3.2\% | 3.6\% | 2.4\% | 2.1\% | 1.2\% | 2.1\% | 2.0\% |
| Total | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% |

*Throughout this chapter, n's represent the total number of injury reports containing a valid response for the particular question. Due to a low level of non-response, these totals are always similar but are not always equal to the total number of injuries.
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Table 13.3 Body Site of Injury by Year, High School Sports-Related Injury Surveillance Study, US, 2005/06-2017/18 School Years*

|  | $\begin{gathered} 2012-13 \\ n=1,361,584 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 2013-14 \\ n=1,427,315 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 2014-15 \\ n=1,196,398 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 2015-16 \\ n=1,393,565 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 2016-17 \\ n=1,160,321 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 2017-18 \\ n=1,367,491 \end{gathered}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Body Site |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Ankle | 15.5\% | 16.9\% | 15.1\% | 16.6\% | 17.8\% | 17.8\% |
| Knee | 14.8\% | 14.4\% | 13.7\% | 14.9\% | 13.4\% | 14.1\% |
| Head/face | 25.7\% | 25.3\% | 27.4\% | 27.3\% | 27.2\% | 21.4\% |
| Hip/thigh/upper leg | 9.5\% | 8.7\% | 9.0\% | 8.0\% | 9.0\% | 10.4\% |
| Shoulder | 6.5\% | 8.5\% | 7.2\% | 6.8\% | 6.4\% | 6.1\% |
| Hand/wrist | 7.4\% | 7.8\% | 7.4\% | 7.8\% | 7.7\% | 9.1\% |
| Trunk | 5.2\% | 4.1\% | 4.3\% | 4.0\% | 4.3\% | 5.1\% |
| Lower leg | 3.9\% | 4.9\% | 4.0\% | 4.3\% | 4.4\% | 4.7\% |
| Arm/elbow | 3.5\% | 3.1\% | 3.7\% | 3.4\% | 3.7\% | 4.5\% |
| Foot | 3.2\% | 2.8\% | 3.9\% | 3.6\% | 2.5\% | 3.9\% |
| Neck | 2.3\% | 1.2\% | 1.9\% | 1.3\% | 1.4\% | 0.9\% |
| Other | 2.5\% | 2.4\% | 2.5\% | 2.1\% | 2.3\% | 2.0\% |
| Total | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% |

*Throughout this chapter, n's represent the total number of injury reports containing a valid response for the particular question. Due to a low level of non-response, these totals are always similar but are not always equal to the total number of injuries.

Table 13.4 Injury Diagnosis by Year, High School Sports-Related Injury Surveillance Study, US, 2005/06-2017/18 School Years

|  | $\begin{gathered} 2005-06, \\ \mathrm{n}=1,444,172 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 2006-07, \\ \mathrm{n}=1,466,398 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 2007-08 \\ n=1,414,139 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 2008-09 \\ n=1,248,126 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 2009-10 \\ n=1,359,897 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 2010-11 \\ n=1,191,484 \end{gathered}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Diagnosis |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Strain/sprain | 52.0\% | 48.2\% | 48.3\% | 45.7\% | 44.7\% | 43.2\% |
| Contusion | 12.2\% | 13.7\% | 12.4\% | 11.5\% | 14.0\% | 9.6\% |
| Fracture | 9.8\% | 8.9\% | 10.2\% | 10.9\% | 9.9\% | 10.2\% |
| Concussion | 9.1\% | 8.4\% | 9.2\% | 11.8\% | 14.0\% | 20.0\% |
| Other | 16.8\% | 20.9\% | 19.9\% | 20.2\% | 17.5\% | 17.0\% |
| Total | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% |
|  | $\begin{gathered} 2011-12 \\ n=1,392,262 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 2012-13 \\ n=1,360,701 \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 2013-14 \\ \mathrm{n}=1,427,315 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 2014-15 \\ n=1,194,932 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \hline 2015-16 \\ \mathrm{n}=1,391,729 \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 2016-17 \\ n=1,157,001 \end{gathered}$ |
| Diagnosis |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Strain/sprain | 42.2\% | 42.3\% | 41.7\% | 39.8\% | 40.4\% | 40.2\% |
| Contusion | 10.8\% | 10.6\% | 9.4\% | 9.3\% | 9.2\% | 9.6\% |
| Fracture | 7.7\% | 7.8\% | 7.6\% | 9.4\% | 8.6\% | 8.5\% |
| Concussion | 22.2\% | 23.1\% | 21.9\% | 24.6\% | 24.6\% | 24.8\% |
| Other | 17.1\% | 16.2\% | 19.4\% | 16.9\% | 17.1\% | 16.9\% |
| Total | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% |
|  | $\begin{gathered} \hline 2017-18 \\ n=1,365,293 \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ |  |  |  |  |  |
| Diagnosis |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Strain/sprain | 45.1\% |  |  |  |  |  |
| Contusion | 10.3\% |  |  |  |  |  |
| Fracture | 8.0\% |  |  |  |  |  |
| Concussion | 18.8\% |  |  |  |  |  |
| Other | 17.8\% |  |  |  |  |  |
| Total | 100.0\% |  |  |  |  |  |

Table 13.5 Most Common Injury Diagnoses by Year, High School Sports-Related Injury Surveillance Study, US, 2005/062017/18 School Years (continued on next page)

|  | $\begin{gathered} 2005-06 \\ n=1,435,954 \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 2006-07 \\ n=1,463,273 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 2007-08 \\ n=1,410,654 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 2008-09 \\ n=1,248,126 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 2009-10 \\ \mathrm{n}=1,359,897 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \hline 2010-11 \\ n=1,189,985 \end{gathered}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Diagnosis |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Ankle strain/sprain | 20.6\% | 17.8\% | 17.3\% | 15.0\% | 16.0\% | 16.3\% |
| Head/face concussion | 9.0\% | 8.4\% | 9.2\% | 11.7\% | 13.9\% | 20.0\% |
| Knee strain/sprain | 7.6\% | 8.8\% | 7.8\% | 7.9\% | 8.0\% | 7.7\% |
| Hip/thigh/upper leg strain/sprain | 7.9\% | 7.7\% | 7.3\% | 7.7\% | 6.5\% | 6.4\% |
| Knee other | 4.3\% | 4.9\% | 4.7\% | 4.5\% | 5.2\% | 4.8\% |
| Shoulder other | 3.1\% | 3.7\% | 4.1\% | 4.0\% | 3.3\% | 3.7\% |
| Hand/wrist fracture | 3.2\% | 3.3\% | 4.0\% | 4.0\% | 4.2\% | 4.0\% |
| Shoulder strain/sprain | 3.4\% | 2.9\% | 3.4\% | 3.7\% | 3.3\% | 2.2\% |
| Trunk strain/sprain | 2.8\% | 2.7\% | 3.2\% | 2.8\% | 2.5\% | 2.4\% |
| Hand/wrist strain/sprain | 3.1\% | 2.5\% | 3.8\% | 2.9\% | 2.8\% | 2.8\% |
|  | $\begin{gathered} 2011-12 \\ n=1,388,873 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 2012-13 \\ n=1,360,303 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 2013-14 \\ n=1,426,018 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 2014-15 \\ n=1,194,848 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 2015-16 \\ n=1,391,729 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 2016-17 \\ n=1,157,003 \end{gathered}$ |
| Diagnosis |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Ankle strain/sprain | 14.7\% | 14.5\% | 15.6\% | 14.2\% | 15.7\% | 16.5\% |
| Head/face concussion | 22.2\% | 23.1\% | 21.9\% | 24.5\% | 24.6\% | 24.8\% |
| Knee strain/sprain | 7.6\% | 8.2\% | 7.8\% | 7.3\% | 8.1\% | 6.9\% |
| Hip/thigh/upper leg strain/sprain | 6.9\% | 6.7\% | 6.6\% | 6.9\% | 5.7\% | 6.4\% |
| Knee other | 3.9\% | 4.1\% | 4.7\% | 4.5\% | 5.2\% | 4.9\% |
| Shoulder other | 3.1\% | 3.4\% | 4.6\% | 4.0\% | 3.3\% | 3.4\% |
| Hand/wrist fracture | 3.7\% | 3.2\% | 3.3\% | 3.5\% | 3.6\% | 3.5\% |
| Shoulder strain/sprain | 2.9\% | 2.6\% | 3.3\% | 2.6\% | 2.9\% | 2.7\% |
| Trunk strain/sprain | 1.9\% | 2.3\% | 1.7\% | 1.9\% | 1.5\% | 1.9\% |
| Hand/wrist strain/sprain | 3.0\% | 2.5\% | 2.8\% | 1.9\% | 2.5\% | 2.0\% |

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Table 13.5 Most Common Injury Diagnoses by Year, High School Sports-Related Injury Surveillance Study, US, 2005/062017/18 School Years

## Diagnosis

Ankle strain/sprain 16.4\%

Head/face concussion 18.7\%
Knee strain/sprain 6.6\%
Hip/thigh/upper leg strain/sprain 8.1\%
Knee other $5.1 \%$
Shoulder other 2.9\%
Hand/wrist fracture 3.5\%
Shoulder strain/sprain $2.8 \%$
Trunk strain/sprain 2.6\%
Hand/wrist strain/sprain $3.5 \%$

Table 13.6 Time Loss of Injuries by Year, High School Sports-Related Injury Surveillance Study, US, 2005/06-2017/18 School Years

|  | $\begin{gathered} 2005-06 \\ \mathrm{n}=1,378,145 \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 2006-07 \\ n=1,423,183 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 2007-08 \\ n=1,355,981 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 2008-09 \\ n=1,248,126 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 2009-10 \\ n=1,359,897 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 2010-11 \\ \mathrm{n}=1,195,815 \end{gathered}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Time Loss |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1-2 days | 22.5\% | 26.6\% | 22.8\% | 13.7\% | 14.7\% | 12.8\% |
| 3-6 days | 30.0\% | 28.5\% | 28.8\% | 28.5\% | 27.3\% | 25.2\% |
| 7-9 days | 15.3\% | 14.7\% | 15.8\% | 17.7\% | 16.1\% | 16.7\% |
| 10-21 days | 14.9\% | 14.1\% | 16.7\% | 19.7\% | 16.9\% | 19.2\% |
| $\geq 22$ days or other | 17.2\% | 16.1\% | 15.9\% | 20.3\% | 25.0\% | 26.1\% |
| Total | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% |
|  | $\begin{gathered} \text { 2011-12 } \\ \mathrm{n}=1,392,262 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 2012-13 \\ n=1,361,986 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 2013-14 \\ n=1,427,312 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 2014-15 \\ \mathrm{n}=1,196,479 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 2015-16 \\ n=1,393,565 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 2016-17 \\ n=1,160,321 \end{gathered}$ |

Time Loss

| 1-2 days | 15.9\% | 12.6\% | 14.9\% | 11.0\% | 16.3\% | 12.6\% |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 3-6 days | 23.3\% | 23.6\% | 21.8\% | 22.0\% | 21.9\% | 22.0\% |
| 7-9 days | 16.1\% | 16.3\% | 16.7\% | 15.6\% | 12.9\% | 16.1\% |
| 10-21 days | 19.6\% | 21.3\% | 21.1\% | 22.1\% | 21.1\% | 21.6\% |
| $\geq 22$ days or other | 25.0\% | 26.2\% | 25.5\% | 29.3\% | 27.8\% | 27.8\% |
| Total | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% |
|  | 2017-18 |  |  |  |  |  |


|  | $\mathbf{n = 1 , 3 6 7 , 4 9 0}$ |
| :--- | ---: |
| Time Loss |  |
| 1-2 days | $21.1 \%$ |
| $3-6$ days | $20.9 \%$ |
| $7-9$ days | $12.8 \%$ |
| $10-21$ days | $-18.8 \%$ |
| $\geq 22$ days or other | $26.4 \%$ |
| Total | $\mathbf{1 0 0 \%}$ |

Table 13.7 Injuries Requiring Surgery by Year, High School Sports-Related Injury Surveillance Study, US, 2005/06-2017/18 School Years

|  | $\begin{gathered} 2005-06 \\ \mathrm{n}=1,429,072 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 2006-07 \\ n=1,428,960 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 2007-08 \\ \mathrm{n}=1,380,872 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 2008-09 \\ n=1,248,126 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 2009-10 \\ n=1,359,897 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 2010-11 \\ n=1,169,423 \end{gathered}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Required surgery | 5.3\% | 6.4\% | 6.1\% | 6.7\% | 8.0\% | 8.2\% |
| Did not require surgery | 94.7\% | 93.6\% | 93.9\% | 93.3\% | 92.0\% | 91.8\% |
| Total | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% |
|  | $\begin{gathered} 2011-12 \\ \mathrm{n}=1,392,262 \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 2012-13 \\ \mathrm{n}=1,337,403 \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 2013-14 \\ n=1,407,594 \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 2014-15 \\ \mathrm{n}=1,186,938 \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 2015-16 \\ \mathrm{n}=1,380,731 \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 2016-17 \\ \mathrm{n}=1,147,090 \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ |
| Required surgery | 6.7\% | 7.3\% | 7.6\% | 7.3\% | 6.1\% | 7.1\% |
| Did not require surgery | 93.3\% | 92.7\% | 92.4\% | 92.7\% | 93.9\% | 92.9\% |
| Total | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% |
|  | $\begin{gathered} 2017-18 \\ n=1,354,995 \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ |  |  |  |  |  |
| Required surgery | 5.7\% |  |  |  |  |  |
| Did not require surgery | 94.3\% |  |  |  |  |  |
| Total | 100\% |  |  |  |  |  |

XIV. Reporter Demographics \& Compliance

During the 2017-18 school year, ATs were invited to participate in the study at the beginning of the school year. ATs were expected to report for every week in which they were enrolled. For example, an AT who joined the study as a replacement school in week 10 was not expected to report for weeks 1-9. Overall, 104 enrolled ATs reported an average of 40 study weeks. The majority of ATs ( $95.2 \%$ ) reported all the weeks during which they were enrolled, with only 1 ATs (1.0\%) missing over 10 weeks. Internal validity checks during the 2016-17 academic year yielded $90.9 \%$ sensitivity, $98.4 \%$ specificity, a positive predictive value of $95.2 \%$, and a negative predictive value of $96.9 \%$. Internal validity checks are completed every other year, so the next will occur using data from the 2018-19 academic year.

Prior to the start of the 2017-18 High School RIO ${ }^{\text {TM }}$ study, participating ATs were asked to complete a short demographics survey. Over three-quarters (84.6\%) of participating high schools were public schools, with the remainder being private. All ATs except for 2 provided services to athletes of their high school on 5 or more days each week. Over $63 \%$ of ATs participating during the 2017-18 study year had previously participated in the High School RIO $^{\text {TM }}$ study.

An online "End of Season" survey gave all participating ATs (both in the original study as well as in the expanded study including those ATs who did not report any data) the opportunity to provide feedback on their experiences with High School RIO ${ }^{\text {TM }}$. This survey was completed by 58 ATs ( $27.9 \%$ ). Average reporting time burdens were 31 minutes for the weekly exposure report and 11 minutes for the injury report form. Using a 5 point Likert scale, RIO ${ }^{\text {TM }}$ was overwhelmingly reported to be either very easy (47.4\%) or somewhat easy ( $43.9 \%$ ) to use (5 and 4 on the Likert scale, respectively), with ATs being either very satisfied (56.9\%) or somewhat satisfied (34.5\%) with the study (5 and 4 on the Likert scale, respectively).

Suggestions provided by ATs, such as the addition or clarification of questions or answer choices, will be used to improve the National High School Sports-Related Injury Surveillance Study for the 2018-19 school year.

## XV. Summary

High school sports play an important role in the adoption and maintenance of a physically active lifestyle among millions of US adolescents. Too often injury prevention in this population is overlooked as sports-related injuries are thought to be unavoidable. In reality, sports-related injuries are largely preventable through the application of evidence-based preventive interventions. Such preventive interventions can include educational campaigns, introduction of new/improved protective equipment, rule changes, other policy changes, etc. The morbidity, mortality, and disability caused by high school sports-related injuries can be reduced through the development and implementation of improved injury diagnosis and treatment modalities as well as through effective prevention strategies. However, surveillance of exposure based injury rates in a nationally representative sample of high school athletes and subsequent epidemiologic analysis of patterns of injury are needed to drive evidence-based prevention practices.

Prior to the implementation of the High School Sports-Related Injury Surveillance Study by Dr. Comstock, the study of high school sports-related injuries had largely been limited by an inability to calculate injury rates due to a lack of exposure data (i.e., frequency of participation in athletic activities including training, practice, and competition), an inability to compare findings across groups (i.e., sports/activities, genders, schools, and levels of competition), or an inability to generalize findings from small non-representative samples. The value of national injury surveillance studies that collect injury, exposure, and risk factor data from representative samples has been well demonstrated by the National Collegiate Athletic Association’s Injury Surveillance System (NCAA ISS). Data collected by the NCAA ISS since 1982 has been used to develop preventive interventions including changes in coaching habits, increased use of protective equipment, and rule changes which have had proven success in reducing injuries among collegiate athletes. For example, NCAA ISS data has been used to develop several interventions
intended to reduce the number of preseason heat-related football injuries including the elimination of consecutive days of multiple practices, daily hour limitations, and a gradual increase in equipment for conditioning and heat acclimation. Additionally, several committees have considered NCAA ISS data when making recommendations including the NCAA Committee on Competitive Safeguards and Medical Aspects of Sports' recommendation for mandatory eye protection in women's lacrosse, the NCAA Men's Ice Hockey Rules Committee's recommendation for stricter penalties for hitting from behind, checking into the boards, and not wearing a mouthpiece, and the NCAA Men's Basketball Rules Committee's recent discussions of widening the free-throw lane to prevent injuries related to player contact. Unfortunately, because an equivalent injury surveillance system to collect injury and exposure data from a nationally representative sample of high school athletes had not previously existed, injury prevention efforts targeted to reduce injury rates in this population were based largely upon data collected from collegiate athletes. This is unacceptable because distinct biophysiological differences (e.g., lower muscle mass, immature growth plates, etc.) means high school athletes are not merely miniature versions of their collegiate counterparts.

The successful implementation and maintenance of the National High School SportsRelated Injury Surveillance Study demonstrates the value of a national injury surveillance system at the high school level. Dr. Comstock and her research staff are committed to maintaining a permanent national high school sports injury surveillance system.

While the health benefits of a physically active lifestyle including sports participation are undeniable, participants are at risk of injury because a certain endemic level of injury can be expected during any physical activity, especially those with a competitive component. However, injury rates among high school athletes should be reduced to the lowest possible level without
discouraging adolescents from engaging in this important form of physical activity. This goal can best be accomplished by monitoring injury rates and patterns of injury among high school athletes over time; investigating the etiology of preventable injuries; and developing, implementing, and evaluating evidence-based preventive interventions. Surveillance systems such as the model used for this study are critical in achieving these goals.


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