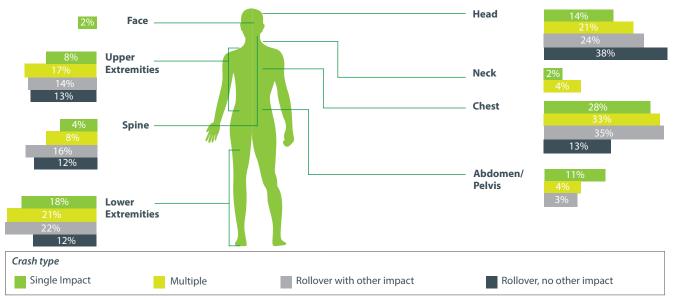


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# WHAT HAPPENS TO THE HUMAN BODY IN A CAR CRASH? QUICK FACTS

#### Percentage of occupants with injuries types dependant on impact type



Source: MUARC, ANCIS (2006)

## Factors that can affect the severity of injuries received in a car crash

- O The direction of impact in crash
- O The speed you are driving at
- O Whether or not you have airbags
- O Whether you are wearing a seatbelt
- O Whether you are the passenger or the driver
- O Whether you hit a stationary object or a moving object
- O Whether an item in the car has become a projectile



#### **Facts**

The Victorian Traffic Accident Commissions received the following claims in the last 12 months, involving either a driver, or a passenger inside a vehicle:



186 road fatalities



 $\textbf{1,677} \ \ hospitalisations with the average injuries being rated as major trauma.$