

THE ECONOMIC BURDEN OF INJURY IN BRITISH COLUMBIA, *in just one year (2010)...*

\$3.7 billion

The cost of injuries in British Columbia in 2010.

Unintentional injuries accounted for:

\$3.1 billion or 83%

of the total cost of injuries; of that,

\$2.0 billion

were direct costs to the health care system.

\$1.08 billion

The total cost for child and youth injuries (0-24 years of age).

\$209 million

The total cost of suicide deaths.

\$25 million

Total costs for sport-related injuries.

\$463,804

The cost of a violence-related death—the highest cost per death overall.

\$615 million

The cost for the 456,390 people treated in emergency departments as a result of injury.

\$682 million

The cost for the 34,998 people hospitalized as a result of injury.

There were **2,009 DEATHS**

the equivalent of...

one death every **4 hours and 24 minutes**



PERMANENT DISABILITIES*

were the **GREATEST CAUSE** for both direct & indirect costs of injuries

*Permanently disabled and unable to work.



Injuries cost British Columbians

\$10.1 MILLION per day



Costs of injuries for males was higher at

\$2.2 BILLION

than for females at

\$1.5 BILLION

FALL-RELATED injuries resulted in the **HIGHEST HOSPITAL COSTS** at

\$415 MILLION

and a total health system cost of

\$1.2 BILLION



Transport incidents accounted for almost

25%

of total costs from injuries among youth 15-24 years at a cost of

\$165 MILLION

Total injury costs per capita were highest among

YOUTH aged 15-24 at **\$1,185**

followed by **OLDER ADULTS** aged 65+ at **\$965**



Injuries exact a **SIGNIFICANT BURDEN**, both socially & economically on **BC FAMILIES**



in the form of distress, lost income, extended care needs, rehabilitation costs, and gaps in the family unit.

Injury health care costs per capita were highest among

OLDER ADULTS

at **\$965** followed by **YOUTH** at **\$572**