

# Trauma Services at St. Rita's Medical Center

## An ACS verified level II trauma center

At St. Rita's Medical Center, we're proud to serve our community as a Level II Trauma Center, as verified through the American College of Surgeons, Committee on Trauma (ACS COT).

Our multidisciplinary, specialized trauma department staff are trained to identify and stabilize life-threatening injuries, starting within minutes from notification of the injured patient's arrival — 24 hours a day, 365 days a year. In 2015, we evaluated and treated over 940 patients, with injuries ranging in severity, cause and type.

Continuous quality improvement and education are key to the ever-changing world of emergency treatments. To help ensure our patients receive the best care, our surgeons, physicians and providers meet regularly to review cases and stay current on new treatment methodologies, and we provide continuing education programs and outreach to EMS agencies and medical personnel in our region. We also educate the public on injury prevention and awareness.

Thank you for allowing us to provide excellent care to our immediate and surrounding communities. Please feel free to contact our Trauma Services department with any questions you may have at 419-996-5050.

### **Justin Laudick RN-BSN, EMT-P**

Trauma program director  
Injury prevention coordinator

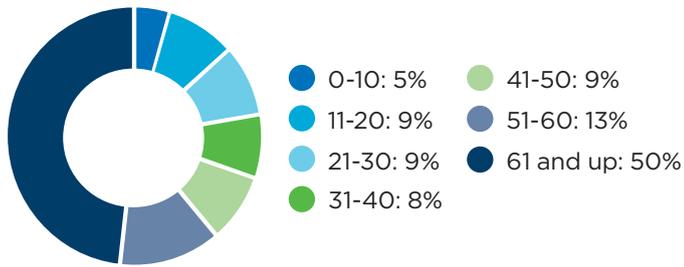


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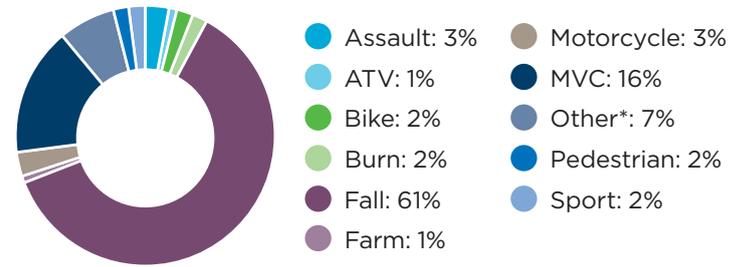
# 2015 Trauma Center data

Our trauma registry provides valuable resources for studying outcomes, redefining injury management and looking for ways to improve care throughout our trauma program. The registry also studies the cause of trauma so we can help our patients prevent injuries.

## Patient age range

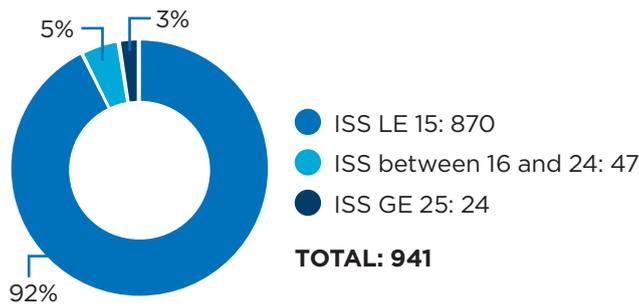


## Cause of injury

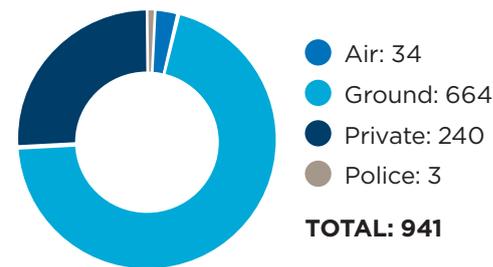


\*Other includes drownings, hangings and unknown causes

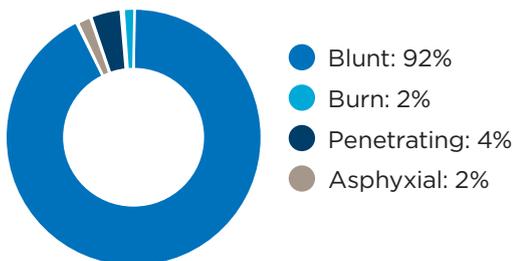
## Injury Severity Score (ISS)



## Mode of transportation



## Trauma type — all age ranges



## Trauma type — by age range

Age 15 and younger		Ages 16-64	
<b>Blunt</b>	57	<b>Blunt</b>	401
<b>Penetrating</b>	5	<b>Penetrating</b>	33
<b>Burn</b>	6	<b>Burn</b>	8
<b>Asphyxial</b>	2	<b>Asphyxial</b>	12

Age 65 and older	
<b>Blunt</b>	412
<b>Penetrating</b>	1
<b>Burn</b>	3
<b>Asphyxial</b>	1



## Prevention is part of care

Our Injury Prevention Task Team cares deeply about the health of our neighbors, family and friends. That's why they are proud to work with members in our communities to offer educational opportunities to prevent injury.

### **Programs include:**

- Fall prevention
- Brain injury prevention
- Bicycle / pedestrian safety
- Motorcycle safety
- Seatbelt safety
- Multigenerational health fairs
- Distracted driving prevention / teen impact
- SADD (Students Against Destructive Decisions)

## Taking care of trauma professionals

We offer education and support programs to our local and area doctors, nurses, EMTs, paramedics and other healthcare professionals who care for trauma patients.

### **Some of our programs include:**

- Trauma grand rounds and case reviews
- Trauma reports
- Trauma symposium
- Injury prevention conference
- Critical care and trauma nursing courses and competencies
- Trauma Nurse Curriculum Course (TNCC)
- Advanced Cardiac Life Support (ACLS)
- Pediatric Advanced Life Support (PALS)
- Basic Life Support (BLS)
- Fundamental Critical Care Support (FCCS)
- Critical Incident Stress Management (CISM)
- EMS education

To see what St. Rita's provides, visit [srmcemseducation.com](http://srmcemseducation.com).



# Our team

## Trauma surgeons

**Michael Sheehan, MD, FACS**  
*Trauma medical director*

**Jason Bowersock, MD, FACS**  
*Assistant trauma medical director*

**Todd Hixenbaugh, MD**

**Sarah Olt, MD**

## Trauma nurse practitioners

**Katie Morgan, CNP**

**Gerri Hempfling, ACNP**

## Department staff

**Justin Laudick, RN-BSN, EMT-P**  
*Trauma program director and injury prevention coordinator*

**Cari Fuerst**  
*Administrative/data assistant*

**Gayle Holdgreve, CSTR**  
*Data coordinator*

**Vicki Winkle, CSTR**  
*Data coordinator*

**Brian Anderson, EMT-P**  
*EMS/outreach coordinator*

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To learn more, take a look at the 6th edition of “Resources for Optimal Care of the Injured Patient” that’s available as a downloadable pdf at [facs.org/quality-programs/trauma/vrc/resources](https://facs.org/quality-programs/trauma/vrc/resources).



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## Trauma quality improvement

Our goal is to provide the highest quality care for our patients. That’s why we are a proud member of the ACS Trauma Quality Improvement Program (TQIP). To learn more about TQIP, visit [facs.org/quality-programs/trauma/tqip](https://facs.org/quality-programs/trauma/tqip).



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