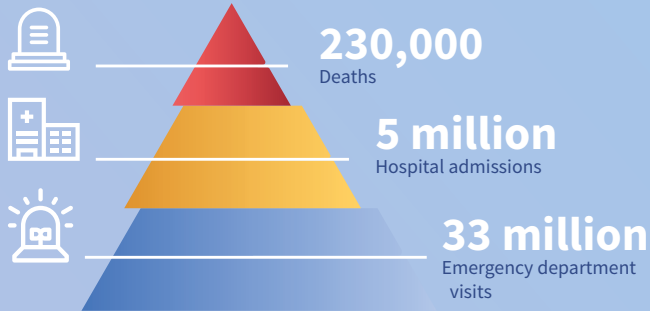
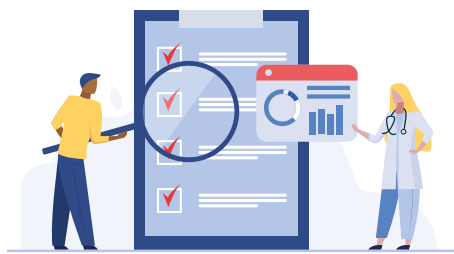


European consumer safety needs solid injury data



Each year, injuries in the EU



EVIDENCE-BASED PREVENTION NEEDS INJURY DATA

Targeted prevention needs data about the frequency and severity of injuries, as well as on the concerned population group and circumstances, i.e. products, activities or locations involved in the events.



A COST-EFFECTIVE SOLUTION TO INJURY SURVEILLANCE IS AVAILABLE

The systematic collection of injury data in emergency departments of hospitals, on which the EU-IDB is based, remains the most cost-efficient way to provide solid estimates of the number of patients in Europe and information to inform the standardisation process.

To read more: <https://bit.ly/34X9h4C>



IMPROVING CONSUMER PRODUCT SAFETY NEEDS SPECIFIC INFORMATION

The consumer safety sector has information needs similar to those relating to road and workplace safety.



THE US CONSUMER PRODUCT SAFETY COMMISSION'S SURVEILLANCE SYSTEM (NEISS) PROVIDES AN EXAMPLE

CPSC today provides a comprehensive information gathering system and clearing-house for stakeholders through a user-friendly web-gate open for everybody, unlike the EU-IDB that is in danger of complete collapse.

The way forward

To re-establish a reliable evidence-base for consumer safety, it is necessary for:

01.

DG JUST to take back **the responsibility for the European injury surveillance system on products**. The responsibility for the system dealing with public health indicators can stay with DG SANTE.

02.

Handling of data at EU-level, the operation of the joint database and the provision of a **user friendly access tool to data** for the IDB database to be secured. Queries need to be answered quickly, precisely and without significant costs.

03.

The Parliament, Member States and the European Commission to create a **legal framework** supporting Member States in **collecting and sharing data** to achieve a high quality, representative and up-to-date data sample for the entire Single Market.



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