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Abstract

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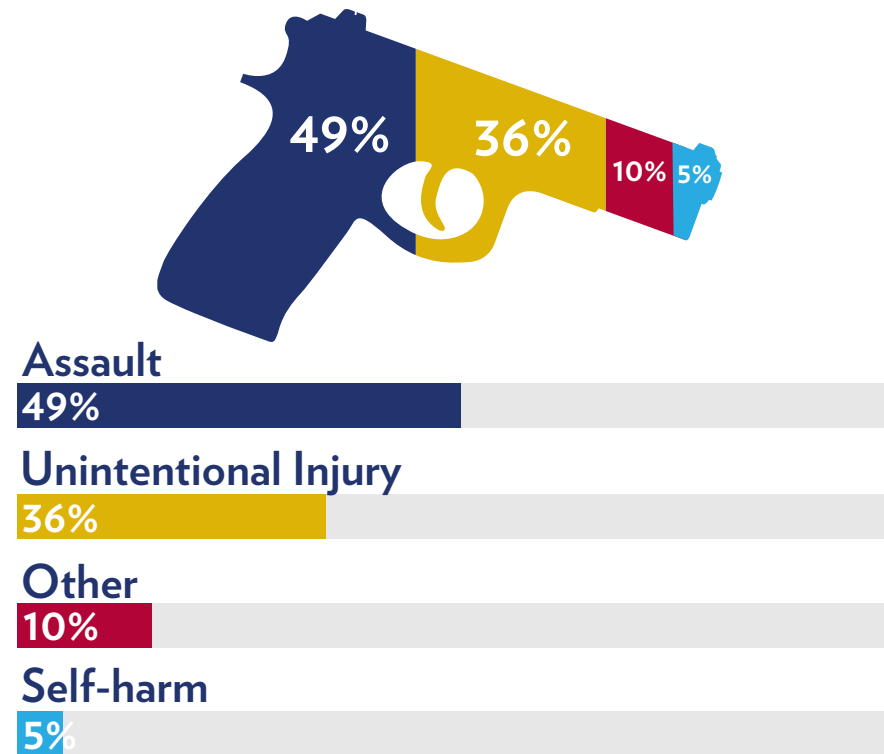
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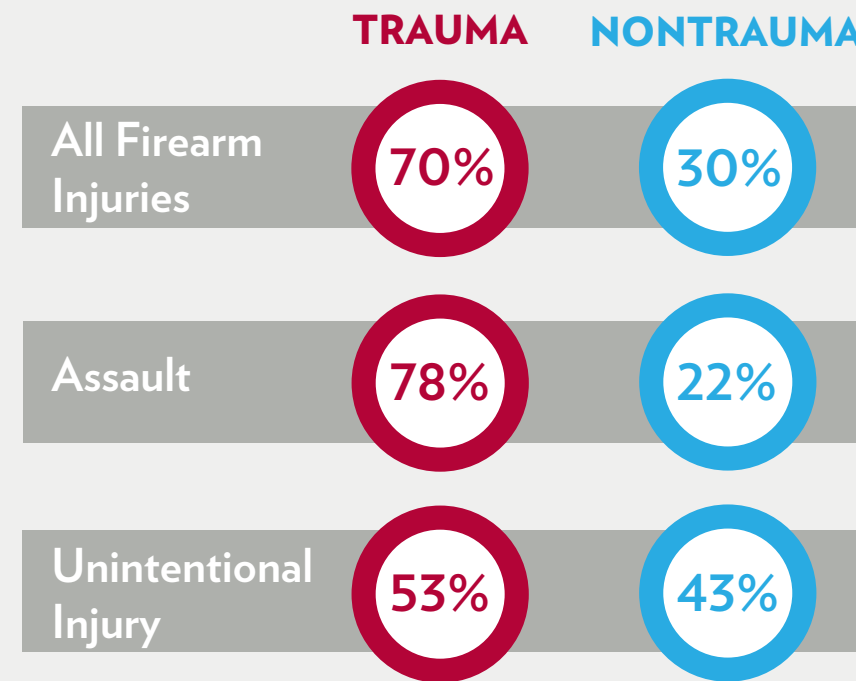
Trauma vs. Nontrauma Centers

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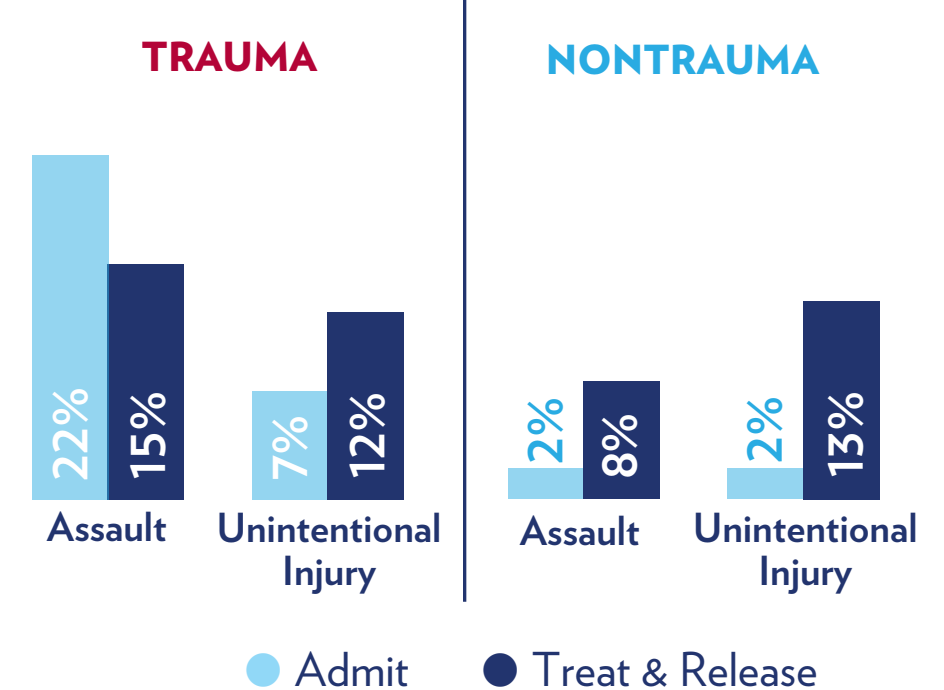
200 PEOPLE A DAY PRESENT TO THE ED WITH FIREARM INJURIES



WHERE DO THEY GO? Trauma vs. Nontrauma Center EDs



WHAT HAPPENS NEXT? Injury Disposition by ED



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