

LIMB LOSS IN THE U.S.A.

SUPPORT THE MISSION

The Amputee Coalition is the leading, national nonprofit organization working to support people with limb loss and limb difference.

Our mission is to reach out to and empower people affected by limb loss and limb difference to achieve their full potential through education, support and advocacy, and to promote limb loss prevention.



LIMB LOSS AND LIMB DIFFERENCE MONTH

The Amputee Coalition has designated April as Limb Loss and Limb Difference Awareness Month to raise awareness about limb loss and limb difference. To learn more, go to **amputee-coalition.org**.

OVERVIEW





507

People living with limb loss in the U.S.

People have an amputation each year in the U.S.

People lose a limb each day in the U.S.



1,558 military personnel lost a limb as a result of the wars in Iraq and Afghanistan.



3.6 million people will be living with limb loss by 2050.



36% of people living with limb loss experience depression.



85% of lower-limb amputations are preceded by a foot ulcer.

Source information can be found at https://www.amputee-coalition.org/resources/limb-loss-statistics/

FACTS

Lifetime healthcare costs for people with limb loss is \$509,275 compared to \$361,200 for people without limb loss.

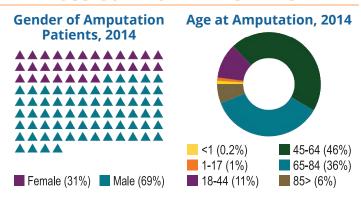


African
Americans are
4 times more
likely to have an
amputation than
white Americans.

Hospital charges for patients who underwent an amputation totaled \$10 billion in 2014.

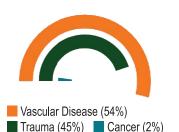


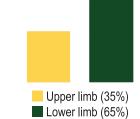
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LIMB LOSS COMMUNITY PREVALENCE

Cause of Amputation





Types of Amputation

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