

Highlights of “Costs of Injuries”

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For 2001:

\$5,035 = per person expenditures for health care in U.S.. All Races

(- 900) = per person expenditure for AI/AN health care from non-IHS sources (Medicaid, Medicare, VA, private insurance)

\$4,135 = per person expected IHS expenditure for parity to US, All Races

\$1,384 = per person actual IHS expenditure

For 2000: Estimated total costs of injuries involving AI/AN:

All injuries = \$2.2 billion

Motor vehicle injuries = \$1 billion

Average cost (direct and indirect) for one motor vehicle fatality = \$1 million.

Average budget for the IHS Injury Prevention Program (1991-2001) = \$600,000 per year.