

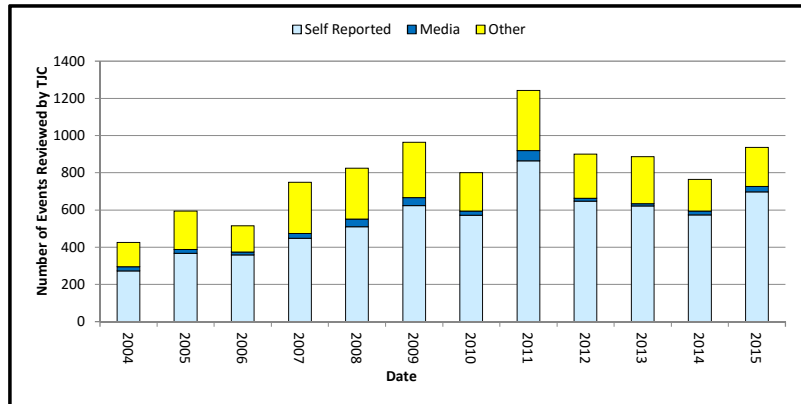
Summary Data of Sentinel Events Reviewed by The Joint Commission

Data Limitations: The reporting of most sentinel events to The Joint Commission is voluntary and represents only a small proportion of actual events. Therefore, these data are not an epidemiologic data set and no conclusions should be drawn about the actual relative frequency of events or trends in events over time.

Total number of Sentinel Events reviewed by The Joint Commission 1995 through 2015

12122

Total Incidents Reviewed 1995 through 2003	
1995	1
1996	29
1997	119
1998	272
1999	421
2000	441
2001	398
2002	444
2003	416
1995 to 2003 Total	2541



Sources of Reviewable Sentinel Events 2004 through 2015	Non-self reported	Self Reported	Total	%Self Reported
2004	151	267	418	63.9%
2005	225	367	592	62.0%
2006	154	357	511	69.9%
2007	292	448	740	60.5%
2008	310	509	819	62.1%
2009	344	624	968	64.5%
2010	230	572	802	71.3%
2011	378	865	1243	69.6%
2012	253	648	901	71.9%
2013	265	622	887	70.1%
2014	191	573	764	75.0%
2015	238	698	936	74.6%
2004 through 2015 Total	3031	6550	9581	68.4%

Sentinel Event Settings 2004 through 2015	#	%
Hospital	6416	67.0%
Psychiatric hospital	949	9.9%
Ambulatory care	362	3.8%
Psych unit in general hospital	484	5.1%
Emergency department	503	5.3%
Behavioral health facility	359	3.7%
Home care	182	1.9%
Other***	121	1.3%
Long term care facility	108	1.1%
Office-based surgery	92	1.0%

Type of Sentinel Event	2004 - 2015 Total	2013	2014	2015
Anesthesia-Related Event	113	8	6	5
Criminal Event	425	52	47	46
Delay in Treatment	1052	113	73	76
Dialysis-Related Event	12	1	2	0
Elopement	101	9	6	7
Fall	806	82	91	95
Fire	140	9	10	23
Infant Abduction	31	2	0	3
Infant Discharge to Wrong Family	3	0	0	0
Infection-Related Event	189	13	12	11
Inpatient Drug Overdose	112	8	8	13
Maternal Death	131	7	11	6
Med Equipment-Related	236	20	9	14
Medication Error	475	38	18	41
Op/Post-op Complication	924	77	52	76
Other Unanticipated Event***	635	81	73	56
Perinatal Death/Injury	348	35	32	42
Radiation Overdose*	41	4	4	3
Restraint Related Event	130	4	2	7
Self-Inflicted Injury	90	9	5	21
Severe Neonatal Hyperbilirubinemia*	8	0	0	2
Suicide	952	90	82	95
Transfer-Related Event	28	2	1	1
Transfusion Error	137	7	7	9
Unassigned	85	0	31	54
Unintended Retention of a Foreign Body*	1103	102	112	116
Utility System Failure	8	0	0	1
Ventilator Death	51	5	3	2
Wrong-patient, wrong-site, wrong-procedure	1215	109	67	111
Total Incidents Reviewed	9581	887	764	936

Sentinel Event Outcome 2004 through 2015	#	%
Patient death	5540	56.1%
Permanent harm	66	0.7%
Permanent loss of function	863	8.7%
Severe temporary harm	222	2.2%
Psychological impact	324	3.3%
Unexpected additional care	2585	26.2%
Unknown	7	0.1%
Other	277	2.8%
Total patients impacted****	9884	100.0%

*Unintended retention of a foreign object, Severe Neonatal Hyperbilirubinemia & Radiation Overdose were added to the definition of reviewable events in 2005. This data represents events reviewed since that date, not 1995-2010.

**Other includes: Disease Specific Care, Diagnostic Imaging, Hospice Care

***Other include: Asphyxiation, Burn, Choked on food, Drowned, Found unresponsive

****Multiple patients may be impacted by a single event.