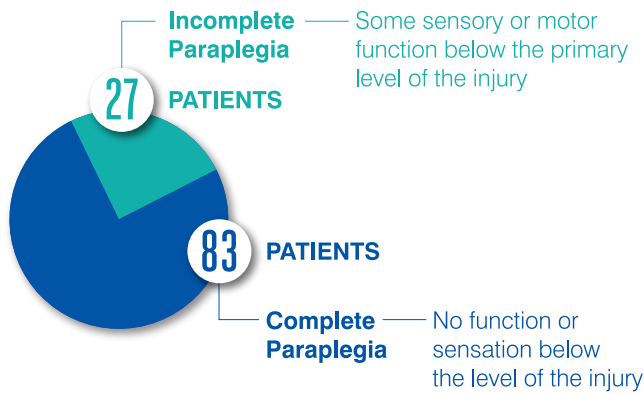
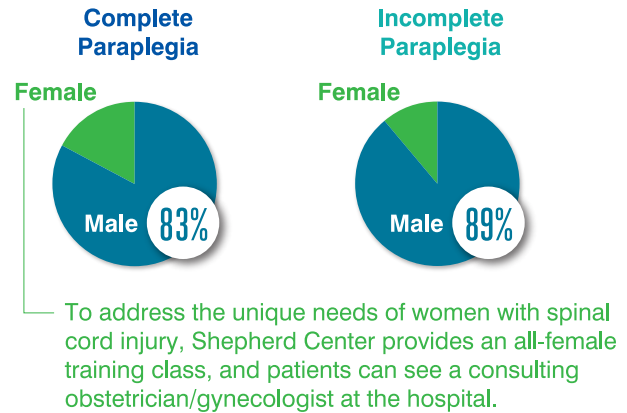


## REHABILITATION INPATIENTS SERVED IN 2012



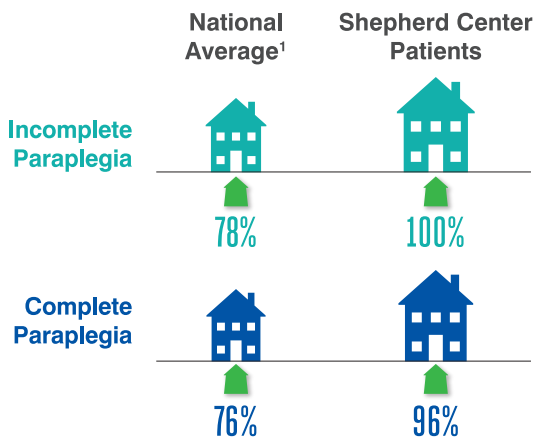
## MOST PATIENTS WITH PARAPLEGIA ARE MALE



# BY THE NUMBERS:

## Shepherd Center Rehabilitation Patients with Paraplegia

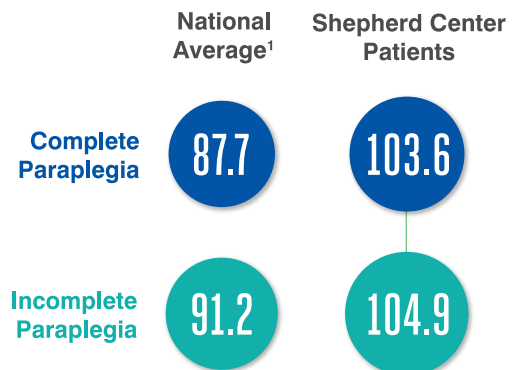
### DISCHARGE TO THE COMMUNITY



Auto accidents continue to be the #1 cause of spinal cord injury.

BE SAFE!  
**BUCKLE UP! & DON'T TEXT while driving.**

### FUNCTIONAL SCORE AS MEASURED BY THE FUNCTIONAL INDEPENDENCE MEASURE (FIM) AT DISCHARGE



Higher scores mean less need for assistance from others.

People with chronic spinal cord injury who participate in adaptive organized sports are

2.4

times more likely to be employed.<sup>2</sup>

Shepherd Center sponsors 11 sports teams that enable people with physical disabilities in the Atlanta area to participate in sports on a recreational or competitive level.

#### References:

<sup>1</sup> All national averages: Uniform Data System.

<sup>2</sup> *Am J Phys Med Rehabil.* 2013 May; 92(5):393-401. Participation in organized sports is positively associated with employment in adults with spinal cord injury. Blauwet C, Sudhakar S, Doherty AL, Garshick E, Zafonte R, Morse LR.

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