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**

- **2.1 Million** People living with limb loss in the U.S.
- **185K** People have an amputation each year in the U.S.
- **507** 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.

**FACTS**

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

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

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

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**LIMB LOSS COMMUNITY INCIDENCE**

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<th>Gender of Amputation Patients, 2014</th>
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**LIMB LOSS COMMUNITY PREVALENCE**

- **Vascular Disease (54%)**
- **Trauma (45%)**
- **Cancer (2%)**

- **Upper limb (35%)**
- **Lower limb (65%)**

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