

# TRAUMATIC BRAIN INJURY (TBI)

A GREEN BERET FOUNDATION AND SPECIAL FORCES  
NEUROSURGERY COLLABORATIVE JOINT STUDY

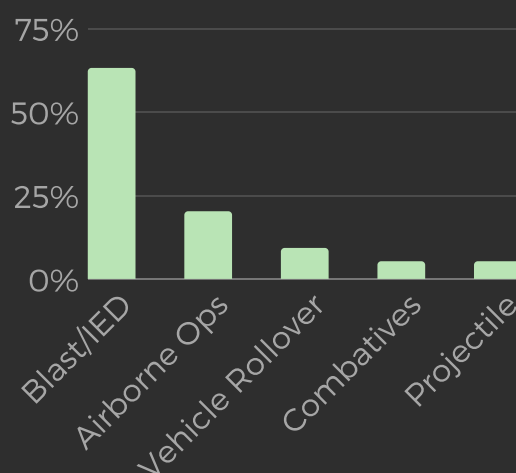
Survey Sample Size: 494 US Army Special Forces Members

# 42%

OF US ARMY SPECIAL FORCES  
MEMBERS REPORT HAVING  
MILD TBI AND 22% REPORT  
MODERATE/SEVERE TBI



7 OUT OF 10 OF THOSE  
WHO SUSTAIN A MILD  
TBI REPORT SUFFERING  
MULTIPLE TBI INCIDENTS



ATTRIBUTED CAUSES OF  
MODERATE/SEVERE TBI

## COMORBID CONDITIONS

STATISTICALLY SIGNIFICANT WITH TBI

- LOW TESTOSTERONE
- HYPERACUSIS  
(INCREASED SENSITIVITY TO SOUND)
- ERECTILE DYSFUNCTION
- TINNITUS  
(RINGING IN THE EARS)
- SLEEP APNEA

## MENTAL ILLNESSES

STATISTICALLY SIGNIFICANT WITH TBI

- MAJOR DEPRESSIVE DISORDER (MDD)
- POST TRAUMATIC STRESS DISORDER (PTSD)
- GENERALIZED ANXIETY DISORDER (GAD)

This research highlights key issues that require further study in order to best protect our military personnel through equipment, medical evaluation, and education.