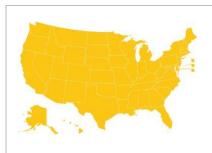
# **Summary Report**

## **Youth Sports Traumatic Brain Injury**

According to an article in the *Journal of Athletic Training*, each year as many as 300,000 young people suffer traumatic brain injuries (TBIs), or what are more commonly known as concussions, from playing sports. TBIs can have serious short- and long-term health effects and all states have passed laws aimed at reducing harm from brain injuries occurring at youth sports activities. You can see additional maps and tables by visiting www.lawatlas.org.



### **Youth Sports TBI Laws in 2017**

All 50 states and the District of Columbia now have laws that specifically address youth sports TBIs.

Jurisdictions: 51 (AK, AL, AR, AZ, CA, CO, CT, DE, DC, FL, GA, HI, IA, ID, IL, IN, KS, KY, LA, MA, MD, ME, MI, MO, MN, MS, MT, NC, ND, NE, NH, NJ, NM, NV, NY, OH, OK, OR, PA, RI, SC, SD, TN, TX, UT, VA, VT, WA, WI, WV, WY)



#### **Youth Sports TBI Laws in 2010**

Seven years ago, only 10 states had laws that specifically address youth sports TBIs.

Jurisdictions: 10 (CT, MA, NJ, NM, OK, OR, RI, TX, VA, WA)



#### **Return-to-Learn Laws in 2017**

Today, 13 states have youth sports TBI laws that specify requirements for a return-to-learn policy.

Jurisdictions: 13 (CA, HI, ID, IL, MA, MD, ME, NC, NE, NY, OK, VA, VT)



#### **Return-to-Learn Laws in 2012**

Five years ago, three states had youth sports TBI laws that specified requirements for a return-to-learn policy.

Jurisdictions: 3 (HI, ME, NY)