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Traumatic **brain injury** (TBI) is defined as a result of a **bump**, blow or **jolt** to the **head** or a **penetrating head injury** that disrupts the normal function of the **brain**. This **trauma** can lead to temporary or permanent **impairments** of cognitive, physical, and psychosocial functions, and an associated diminished or altered state of **consciousness** ¹⁾.

Although there are still contradictions regarding the clinical significance of the term “**head injury**”, it can not be considered synonymous with **traumatic brain injury**.

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Traumatic Brain Injury Center. (n.d.). Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. Retrieved May 1, 2012, from <http://www.cdc.gov/traumaticbraininjury/>

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