# Abdominopelvic Surgery: Intraoperative Ureteral Injury and Prophylaxis in the United States, 2015-2019

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## Intraoperative Ureteral Injury During Abdominopelvic Surgeries in the US

#### **IUI: A serious surgical complication**



Can cause ureteral damage, sepsis, and death



May be prevented and diagnosed via visualization of the ureters using PUC



Can be identified during surgery with IDC

### From October 2015 through December 2019, IUIs occurred in



0.88% of 651,770 gastrointestinal surgeries



0.29% of ~1.8M gynecological surgeries



**1.17%** of 58,210 other abdominopelvic surgeries

#### Role of PUC and IDC: Multivariate analysis results



PUC and IDC use were associated with higher IUI risk



The **role** of **PUC** and **IDC** in the identification and prevention of IUI remains **unclear** due to **potential bias** with retrospective data

Abbreviations: IDC, intraoperative diagnostic cystoscopy; IUI, intraoperative ureteral injury; PUC, preoperative ureteral catheterization or stenting; US, United States

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