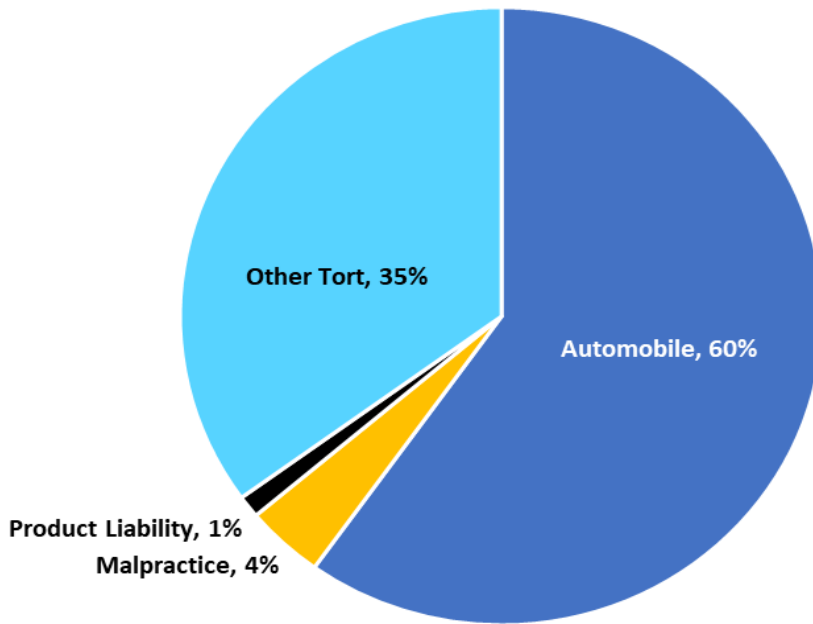


Composition of Tort Caseloads in 20 States, 2016



Tort cases allege some kind of injury - physical or emotional - caused by the defendant against the plaintiff. Torts include automobile, intentional, medical and other malpractice, premises liability ("slip & fall"), product liability, and slander/libel/defamation cases. While malpractice and product liability tend to garner the most attention among tort cases, they represent only 4 percent and 1 percent of tort caseloads, respectively, in these 20 states. Far more common are the automobile accident cases that account for 60 percent of all tort cases.

