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ABSTRACT In the present study an attempt has been made to measure the frequency of injuries among 983 participants of five combat sports viz. Boxing, Fencing, Judo, Taekwondo and Wrestling during the IVth National Games held in Bangalore and Mysore (Karnataka state) from 31st May to 11th June, 1997. A pre-structured data performa was used for gathering the information regarding this. A total number of 207 injuries were reported. The maximum numbers of injuries were reported in Boxing (39.15%) on head and face, upper limbs, lower limbs and chest and abdomen accounting mainly on skin and soft tissue injuries (50.78%). Next came Taekwondo with injury frequency 31.96 percent mainly on lower limbs and skin and soft tissues. In Judo, the frequency of injuries was moderate (16.95%) and very few injuries were reported in Fencing and Wrestling.