X-ray #5

A 10-year-old boy is brought in by ambulance having been involved in a motor vehicle collision.

Describe and interpret the following radiograph (click on images to enlarge):

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Show solution

- Displaced fractures of the superior pubic rami bilaterally and the left inferior pubic rami
- Undisplaced fracture of the right inferior pubic ramus
- Slight displacement and widening of the symphysis pubis
- No femoral fracture identified
- Comminuted fracture of the right sacrum extending into the right sacroiliac joint (difficult to appreciate on plain radiographs due to overlying bowel gas)