Firearm Injury and Death in the United States

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On violence:

“If it’s not a health problem, then why are all those people dying from it?”

- Dr. David Satcher, 1993
All Those People

US, 2009-2018:

• 337,957 deaths from firearm violence (homicide, suicide)
• 350,586 total firearm deaths

US, 2018:

• 38,390 deaths from firearm violence
• 74% of homicides, 51% of suicides involved firearms
Death Rates from Motor Vehicle Traffic Events and Firearms, 1950-2018

Deaths/100,000 Population

Year

Motor Vehicle

Firearms


VPRP

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Death Rates from Firearm Suicide and Homicide, 1981-2018

Deaths/100,000 Population

Year

Suicide
Homicide

VPRP
Death Rates from Firearm Suicide and Homicide Males, 2018

![Graph showing death rates from firearm suicide and homicide for males in 2018.](image-url)

- **Deaths/100,000 Population**
- **Age Groups**: 0-4, 5-9, 10-14, 15-19, 20-24, 25-29, 30-34, 35-39, 40-44, 45-49, 50-54, 55-59, 60-64, 65-69, 70-74, 75-79, 80-84, ≥85
- **Suicide**
- **Homicide**

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VPRP
Death Rates from Firearm Homicide Males, 2018

Deaths/100,000 Population

- Black
- Hispanic
- White
Death Rates from Firearm Homicide
Males, 1990-2018

Deaths/100,000 Population

Year


Black
Hispanic
White
Death Rates from Firearm Suicide
Males, 2018

Deaths/100,000 Population

Age


White
Black
Hispanic
Death Rates from Firearm Violence
Males, 2018

Deaths/100,000 Population

Age


Black
White
Hispanic
Deaths from Firearm Violence
Males, 2018

Number of Deaths

Age

White
Black
Hispanic

Death Rates from Firearm Homicide
Females, 2018

Deaths/100,000 Population

Age

Black
Hispanic
White
Death Rates from Firearm Suicide
Females, 2018
Death Rates from Firearm Violence
Children, 2018

Deaths/100,000 Population

Age

- Homicide
- Suicide
- Unintentional
References


All data come from: