

Gun Violence in Illinois

MOST RECENT DATA FROM CDC (2022)



1,798
gun deaths in
Illinois



117
children and
teens (1-17)



on average, one
person is killed
every 5 hours

1,091 GUN HOMICIDES

676 GUN SUICIDES

31 OTHER GUN DEATHS

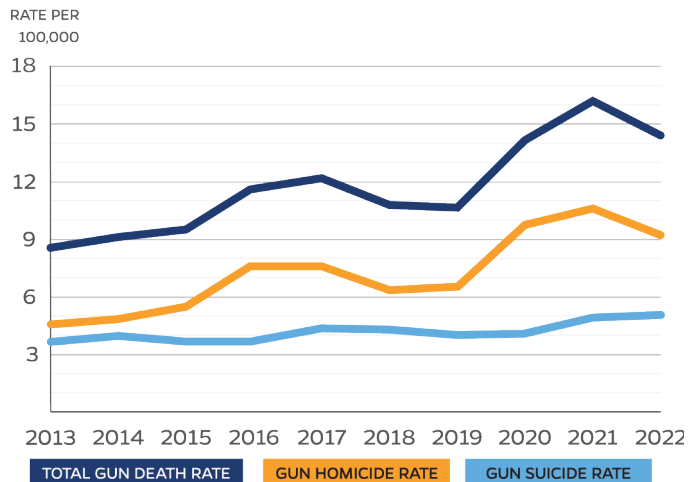
Key Takeaways

- The overall gun death rate increased 68% from 2013 to 2022.
- Illinois had the 10th highest overall gun homicide rate in the country in 2022.
- Young Black males ages 15-34 were 68 times as likely to die by gun homicide than their white counterparts. Although they make up only 2% of the population, young Black males ages 15-34 accounted for 46% of all gun homicides in 2022.
- Firearms were the leading cause of death among children and teens ages 1-17.
- In 2021, there were at least 96 domestic violence-related homicides in Illinois. Half of the homicides were by firearm.¹

Firearms are used in the majority of homicides



Trends Over Time



Gun violence costs Illinoisans \$20.3 billion per year. **This amounts to \$1,612 per person.**²



From 2013 to 2022, **the gun homicide rate doubled**, and the gun suicide rate increased by 37%.

Evidence-based solutions to ending gun violence exist.
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SOURCES

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. National Center for Health Statistics. Underlying Cause of Death. Age-adjusted Gun Deaths and Rates per 100,000. WONDER Online Database, 1999-2022; & WISQARS. National Violent Death Reporting System (NVDRS) and Cost of Injury Modules. 2021-2022

ENDNOTES

1 WISQARS. (2021). National Violent Death Reporting System (NVDRS). <https://wisqars.cdc.gov/nvdrs/> Domestic violence-related includes: spouse or other intimate partner (current or ex), parent, child, other relative, and other intimate partner involvement.

2 WISQARS Cost of Injury. (2022). Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. Available: <https://wisqars.cdc.gov/cost/>