

Gun Violence in Pennsylvania

MOST RECENT DATA FROM CDC (2022)



1,941
gun deaths in
Pennsylvania



100
children and
teens (1-17)



on average, one
person is killed
every 5 hours

834 GUN HOMICIDES

1,060 GUN SUICIDES

47 OTHER GUN DEATHS

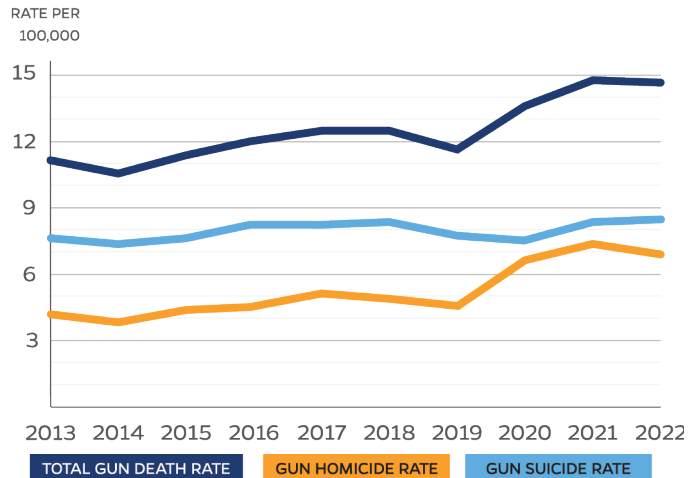
Key Takeaways

- The overall gun death rate increased 31% from 2013 to 2022.
- Pennsylvania had the 15th highest gun homicide rate in the country in 2022.
- Young Black males ages 15-34 make up 2% of the state's population but accounted for 45% of all gun homicide death in 2022.
- Firearms were the leading cause of death among children and teens ages 1-17 in 2022.
- In 2021, there were at least 136 domestic violence-related homicides in Pennsylvania. 58% were by firearm.¹

Firearms are used in the majority of homicides and suicides



Trends Over Time



Gun violence costs Pennsylvanians \$20.9 billion in 2022. **This amounts to \$1,610 per person.**²



The gun homicide rate **increased 71% over the last decade.**

Evidence-based solutions to ending gun violence exist.
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SOURCES

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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/>