

Gun Violence in Virginia

MOST RECENT DATA FROM CDC (2022)



1,316
gun deaths in
Virginia



75
children and
teens (1-17)



on average, one
person is killed
every 7 hours

556 GUN HOMICIDES

723 GUN SUICIDES

37 OTHER GUN DEATHS

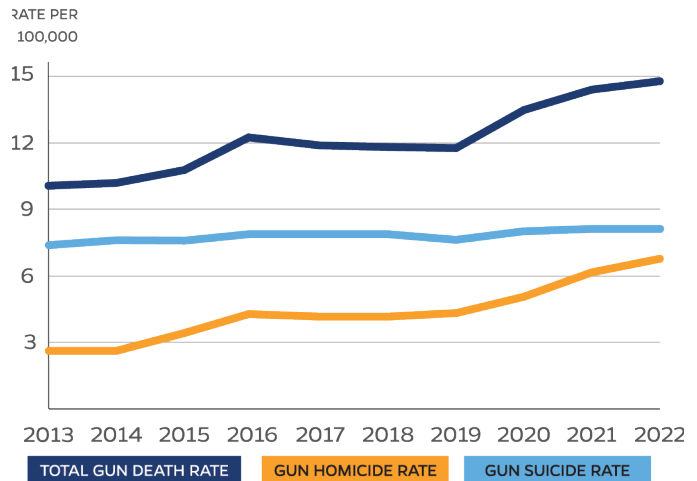
Key Takeaways

- The overall gun death rate increased by almost 50% over the last decade.
- Black Virginians were nearly 3 times as likely to die from firearm violence than their white counterparts.
- Firearms were the leading cause of death among children and teens ages 1-17.
- In 2021, there were 115 domestic violence-related homicides in Virginia. 64% were by firearm.¹

Firearms are used in the majority of homicides and suicides



Trends Over Time



Gun violence costs Virginians more than \$14.3 billion per year. **This amounts to \$1,645 per person.**²



The firearm homicide rate **more than doubled over the past decade** (increase of 137%).

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/>