

# Gun Violence in Delaware

MOST RECENT DATA FROM CDC (2022)



**124**

gun deaths in  
Delaware<sup>1</sup>



on average, one  
person is killed  
**every 3 days**

**48 GUN HOMICIDES**

**74 GUN SUICIDES**

**2 OTHER GUN DEATHS**

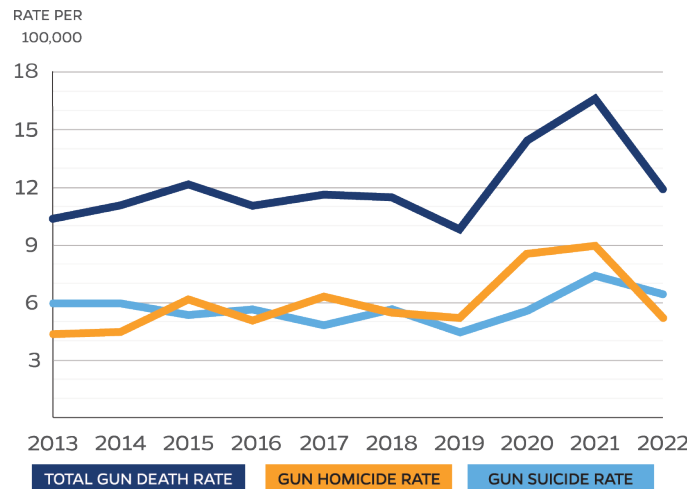
## Key Takeaways

- The overall gun death rate increased 16% from 2013 to 2022.
- Delaware had the 12th lowest gun death rate in the country in 2022.
- Young Black males ages 15-34 make up 6% of the state's population but accounted for 46% of all gun homicide deaths in 2022.
- Firearms were the second leading cause of death among children and teens ages 1-17 from 2018 to 2022.
- In 2021, there were at least 25 domestic violence-related homicides in Delaware. 48% were by firearm.<sup>2</sup>

## Firearms are used in the majority of homicides and suicides



## Trends Over Time



Gun violence costs Delawareans \$1.3 billion per year. **This amounts to \$1,236 per person.**<sup>2</sup>



Although gun suicides decreased in 2022 from 2021, **the gun suicide rate was still higher by 45% compared to 2019.**

Evidence-based solutions to ending gun violence exist.  
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### SOURCES

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### ENDNOTES

1 The number of gun deaths among children and teens (ages 1-17) was suppressed because the death count was less than 10

2 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.

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