

Gun Violence in Tennessee

MOST RECENT DATA FROM CDC (2022)



1,480
gun deaths in
Tennessee



79
children and
teens (1-17)



on average, one
person is killed
every 6 hours

609 GUN HOMICIDES

833 GUN SUICIDES

38 OTHER GUN DEATHS

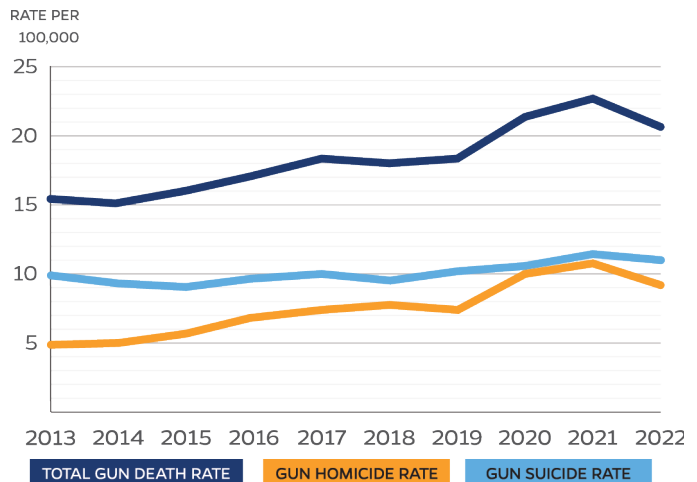
Key Takeaways

- The overall gun death rate increased 33% from 2013 to 2022.
- Tennessee had the 10th highest gun death rate in the country in 2022.
- Firearms were the leading cause of death among children and teens ages 1-17 in 2022.
- Young Black males ages 15-34 make up nearly 3% of the state's population but accounted for 41% of all gun homicide deaths in 2022.
- In 2021, there were at least 150 domestic violence-related homicides in Tennessee. 75% were by firearm.¹

Firearms are used in the majority of homicides and suicides



Trends Over Time



Gun violence costs Tennesseans \$16 billion per year in 2022. **This amounts to \$2,269 per person.**²



The gun homicide rate **increased 86%** over the last decade.

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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/>