



Gun Violence in the United States

In 2017 in America (CDC data):

- 39,773 people die from gun violence
- 14,542 homicide
- 23,854 suicide
 - 486 unintentional
 - 338 undetermined
 - 553 legal intervention

In 2015, of children and teens (ages 0-19):

- 2824 children and teens died from gun violence, while another 13,723 were injured.
- Data taken from Children's Hospital of Philadelphia Research Institute

Gun Violence in Colorado

In 2017, there were 778 people killed with guns in Colorado.

- 159 were homicides (61% of homicides were with a firearm)
- 581 were suicides (50% of suicides were with a firearm)
 - 3 were unintentional (accidents)
 - 5 were of undetermined intent
 - 20 were legal interventions

76% of gun deaths in 2017 were suicides.

Suicides are more prevalent for middle-aged to older white men and in rural areas.

But gun deaths are only part of the story. In 2014, there were 221 reported hospitalizations for gun injuries, including 25 inpatient deaths and 39 who suffered traumatic brain injuries.

For Children and Youth (ages 0-19) in 2017, there were

- 26 homicides by firearm
- 34 suicides by firearm

For Children and Youth (ages 0-19) between 2013 and 2017, there were

- 6 unintentional deaths due to firearm
- 158 Suicides by firearm
- 84 homicides by firearm

Data obtained from the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment.

Gun Sales:

The best indicator of the number of gun sales is the number of background checks performed by CBI. This is an undercount, as there can be multiple guns purchased under one background check.

Concealed Carry Permits:

No one entity in the state knows who or how many CCW permits there are. From CBI background checks, we know that the number of permit and renewal applications in the last 5 years is around 252,000. (Permits must be renewed every 5 years).

