Gun Violence in Florida

OVERVIEW

In an average year, 2,752 people die and 4,270 are wounded by guns in Florida. Florida has the 31st-highest rate of gun violence in the US.

COST OF GUN VIOLENCE

Florida has the 23rd-highest societal cost of gun violence in the US at $961 per person each year. Gun deaths and injuries cost Florida $20 billion, of which $855 million is paid by taxpayers.

GUN DEATHS OVER TIME

In Florida, the rate of gun deaths increased 10% from 2010 to 2019, compared to a 17% increase nationwide. The rate of gun suicides increased 5% and gun homicides increased 21%, compared to a 13% increase and 26% increase nationwide, respectively.

GUN DEATHS BY INTENT

In Florida, 63% of gun deaths are suicides and 35% are homicides. This is compared to 60% and 38% nationwide, respectively.

Sources

GUN SUICIDES AND SUICIDE ATTEMPTS
Every year, an average of 1,740 people in Florida die by gun suicides and 139 are wounded by gun suicide attempts—a rate of 7.2 suicides and 0.7 suicide attempts per 100,000 people. Florida has the 28th-highest rate of gun suicides and gun suicide attempts in the US.

GUN HOMICIDES AND ASSAULTS
Every year, an average of 981 people in Florida die by gun homicides and 1,757 are wounded by gun assaults—a rate of 5.2 homicides and 8.4 assaults per 100,000 people. Florida has the 28th-highest rate of gun homicides and gun assaults in the US. In Florida, 75% of all homicides involve a gun, compared to 75% nationwide.

GUN DEATHS AMONG CHILDREN AND TEENS
Guns are the 2nd-leading cause of death among children and teens in Florida. In Florida, an average of 187 children and teens die by guns every year, and 66% of these deaths are homicides. In the US, 58% of all gun deaths among children and teens are homicides.

INTIMATE PARTNER HOMICIDES
There is insufficient data on intimate partner gun homicides for Florida.

Sources

Note: Gun violence data on EveryStat and in this fact sheet includes individuals who die by guns or are wounded by guns and visit a hospital for care. We recognize that the impact of gun violence extends far beyond those who are killed or physically injured. However, data on those who witness an act of gun violence, are threatened with a gun, or know or care for someone wounded or killed is not systematically collected at this time.

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