

# Gun Violence in Indiana

#### **OVERVIEW**

In an average year, 1,086 people die and 1,512 are wounded by guns in Indiana. Indiana has the 19th-highest rate of gun violence in the US.



Data on states, congressional districts, and counties: EveryStat.org

#### SOURCES

Gun deaths: CDC, WONDER, four-year average: 2018–2021.

Gun violence trends: CDC, WONDER, 2012–2021.

Gun injuries: Ted R. Miller, David Swedler, and Kate Schnippel analysis of HCUP nonfatal injury: 2019.

Cost of gun violence: Ted R. Miller and Bruce Lawrence analysis of CDC fatal injury: 2019 and HCUP nonfatal injury: 2019.

Rankings are based on the 50 states and Washington, DC, with first being highest, 51st lowest. Death and injury rankings are based on rates, economic cost rankings are based on average societal per-resident cost. Overall state gun violence rankings are calculated by adding count of gun deaths plus count of nonfatal gun injuries divided by population.

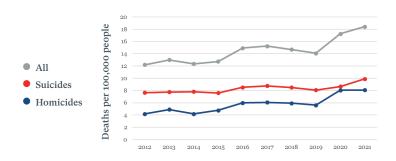
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#### EveryStat.org

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#### **GUN DEATHS OVER TIME**

In Indiana, the rate of gun deaths increased 51% from 2012 to 2021, compared to a 39% increase nationwide. The rate of gun suicides increased 29% and gun homicides increased 93% compared to a 19% increase and 73% increase nationwide, respectively.

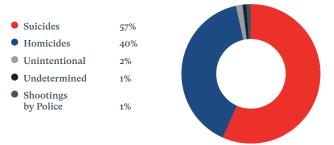


# **COST OF GUN VIOLENCE**

Indiana has the 21st-highest societal cost of gun violence in the US at \$1,964 per resident each year. Gun deaths and injuries cost Indiana \$13.2 billion each year, of which \$293.1 million is paid by taxpayers.

#### **GUN DEATHS BY INTENT**

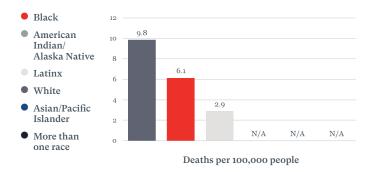
In Indiana, 57% of gun deaths are suicides and 40% are homicides. This is compared to 57% and 40% nationwide, respectively.



#### **GUN SUICIDES AND SUICIDE ATTEMPTS**

Every year, an average of 616 people in Indiana die by gun suicides and 44 are wounded by gun suicide attempts—a rate of 8.8 suicides and 0.7 suicide attempts per 100,000 people. Indiana has the 27th-highest rate of gun suicides and gun suicide attempts in the US.

### Gun Suicides By Race/Ethnicity in Indiana



# **CHILDREN AND TEENS GUN DEATHS**

Guns are the leading cause of death among children and teens in Indiana. In Indiana, an average of 124 children and teens die by guns every year, of which 30% of these deaths are suicides and 64% are homicides. In the US, 33% of all gun deaths among children and teens are suicides and 62% are homicides.

# SOURCES:

Gun suicides and gun homicides: CDC, WONDER, four-year average: 2018–2021. Homicides include shootings by police.

Gun suicide attempts and gun assaults: Ted R. Miller, David Swedler, and Kate Schnippel analysis of HCUP nonfatal injury: 2019.

Children and teens gun deaths: CDC, WONDER, four-year average: 2018–2021, ages 0–19; Leading causes of death: CDC, WONDER, 2021, ages 1–19.

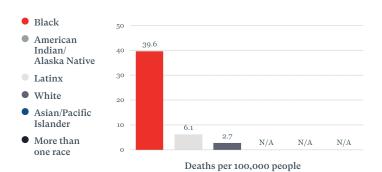
Intimate partner homicides: CDC, National Violent Death Reporting System, 2020; Intimate partner homicides by race and ethnicity: CDC, National Violent Death Reporting System, 2016–2020.

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

#### **GUN HOMICIDES AND ASSAULTS**

Every year, an average of 444 people in Indiana die by gun homicides and 594 are wounded by gun assaults—a rate of 6.9 homicides and 8.8 assaults per 100,000 people. Indiana has the 15th-highest rate of gun homicides and gun assaults in the US. In Indiana, 79% of all homicides involve a gun, compared to 78% nationwide.

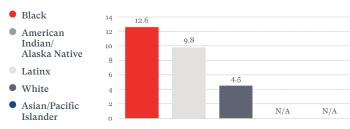
#### Gun Homicides By Race/Ethnicity in Indiana



# **INTIMATE PARTNER HOMICIDES**

In 2020, 17 women were fatally shot by an intimate partner in Indiana. 71% of female intimate partner homicide victims were killed with a gun, compared to 66% nationwide.

# Female Intimate Partner Firearm Homicides by Race/Ethnicity in Indiana



Deaths per 1 million adult females