Gun Violence in Nebraska

OVERVIEW

In an average year, 178 people die and 348 are wounded by guns in Nebraska. Nebraska has the 35th-highest rate of gun violence in the US.

COST OF GUN VIOLENCE

Nebraska has the 42nd-highest societal cost of gun violence in the US at $619 per person each year. Gun deaths and injuries cost Nebraska $1 billion, of which $34 million is paid by taxpayers.

GUN DEATHS OVER TIME

In Nebraska, the rate of gun deaths increased 26% from 2010 to 2019, compared to a 17% increase nationwide. The rate of gun suicides increased 38% and gun homicides decreased 3%, compared to a 13% increase and 26% increase nationwide, respectively.

GUN DEATHS BY INTENT

In Nebraska, 74% of gun deaths are suicides and 21% are homicides. This is compared to 60% and 38% nationwide, respectively.

Sources


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GUN SUICIDES AND SUICIDE ATTEMPTS
Every year, an average of 131 people in Nebraska die by gun suicides and 16 are wounded by gun suicide attempts—a rate of 6.6 suicides and 0.8 suicide attempts per 100,000 people. Nebraska has the 38th-highest rate of gun suicides and gun suicide attempts in the US.

Gun Suicides by Race/Ethnicity in Nebraska

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GUN HOMICIDES AND ASSAULTS
Every year, an average of 40 people in Nebraska die by gun homicides and 180 are wounded by gun assaults—a rate of 2.2 homicides and 9.4 assaults per 100,000 people. Nebraska has the 34th-highest rate of gun homicides and gun assaults in the US. In Nebraska, 69% of all homicides involve a gun, compared to 75% nationwide.

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GUN DEATHS AMONG CHILDREN AND TEENS
Guns are the 2nd-leading cause of death among children and teens in Nebraska. In Nebraska, an average of 14 children and teens die by guns every year, and 59% of these deaths are suicides. In the US, 58% of all gun deaths among children and teens are homicides.

INTIMATE PARTNER HOMICIDES
From 2015 to 2019, 20 women were fatally shot by an intimate partner in Nebraska. 67% of female intimate partner homicide victims were killed with a gun, compared to 59% nationwide.

Did You Know?
The gun suicide rate in Nebraska increased 38% from 2010 to 2019.

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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