Gun Violence in Nevada

OVERVIEW

In an average year, 555 people die and 277 are wounded by guns in Nevada. Nevada has the 35th-highest rate of gun violence in the US.

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

GUN DEATHS OVER TIME

In Nevada, the rate of gun deaths increased 55% from 2012 to 2021, compared to a 39% increase nationwide. The rate of gun suicides increased 32% and gun homicides increased 114% compared to a 19% increase and 73% increase nationwide, respectively.

COST OF GUN VIOLENCE

Nevada has the 16th-highest societal cost of gun violence in the US at $2,184 per resident each year. Gun deaths and injuries cost Nevada $6.7 billion each year, of which $104.3 million is paid by taxpayers.

GUN DEATHS BY INTENT

In Nevada, 68% of gun deaths are suicides and 28% are homicides. This is compared to 57% and 40% nationwide, respectively.
GUN SUICIDES AND SUICIDE ATTEMPTS
Every year, an average of 377 people in Nevada die by gun suicides and 18 are wounded by gun suicide attempts—a rate of 11.5 suicides and 0.6 suicide attempts per 100,000 people. Nevada has the 11th-highest rate of gun suicides and gun suicide attempts in the US.

GUN HOMICIDES AND ASSAULTS
Every year, an average of 169 people in Nevada die by gun homicides and 133 are wounded by gun assaults—a rate of 5.7 homicides and 4.3 assaults per 100,000 people. Nevada has the 21st-highest rate of gun homicides and gun assaults in the US. In Nevada, 73% of all homicides involve a gun, compared to 78% nationwide.

CHILDREN AND TEENS GUN DEATHS
Guns are the leading cause of death among children and teens in Nevada. In Nevada, an average of 41 children and teens die by guns every year, of which 43% of these deaths are suicides and 52% are homicides. In the US, 33% of all gun deaths among children and teens are suicides and 62% are homicides.

INTIMATE PARTNER HOMICIDES
In 2020, 11 women were fatally shot by an intimate partner in Nevada. 52% of female intimate partner homicide victims were killed with a gun, compared to 66% nationwide.

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

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.