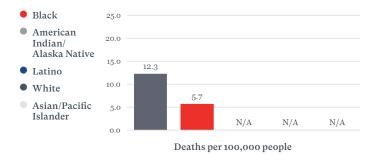
### **GUN SUICIDES AND SUICIDE ATTEMPTS**

Every year, an average of 235 people in West Virginia die by gun suicides and 41 are wounded by gun suicide attempts—a rate of 11.9 suicides and 2.3 suicide attempts per 100,000 people. West Virginia has the 4th-highest rate of gun suicides and gun suicide attempts in the US.

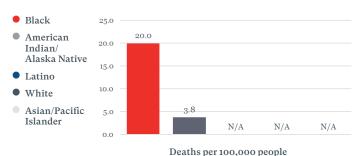
## Gun Suicides by Race/Ethnicity in West Virginia



# **GUN HOMICIDES AND ASSAULTS**

Every year, an average of 75 people in West Virginia die by gun homicides and 258 are wounded by gun assaults—a rate of 4.5 homicides and 14.2 assaults per 100,000 people. West Virginia has the 18th-highest rate of gun homicides and gun assaults in the US. In West Virginia, 71% 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 West Virginia. In West Virginia, an average of 15 children and teens die by guns every year, and 62% of these deaths are suicides. 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 West Virginia.

### Did You Know?

The gun homicide rate in West Virginia increased 78% from 2010 to 2019

## Sources

Suicides: CDC, WONDER, five-year average: 2015-2019.

Homicides: CDC, WONDER, five-year average: 2015-2019. Homicides include shootings by police.

Gun suicide attempts/assaults: Ted R. Miller and David Swedler, analysis of HCUP nonfatal injury: 2017.

Children/teen deaths: CDC, WONDER, five-year average: 2015–2019, ages 0–19; leading causes of death: CDC, WONDER, 2019, ages 1–19.

Intimate partner homicides: FBI, Supplementary Homicide Report, five-year total: 2015–2019.

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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