Gun Violence in Georgia

OVERVIEW

In an average year, 1,603 people die and 4,492 are wounded by guns in Georgia. Georgia has the 9th-highest rate of gun violence in the US.

COST OF GUN VIOLENCE

Georgia has the 15th-highest societal cost of gun violence in the US at $1,153 per person each year. Gun deaths and injuries cost Georgia $12 billion, of which $581 million is paid by taxpayers.

GUN DEATHS OVER TIME

In Georgia, the rate of gun deaths increased 25% from 2010 to 2019, compared to a 17% increase nationwide. The rate of gun suicides increased 16% and gun homicides increased 47%, compared to a 13% increase and 26% increase nationwide, respectively.

GUN DEATHS BY INTENT

In Georgia, 57% of gun deaths are suicides and 40% 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 909 people in Georgia die by gun suicides and 132 are wounded by gun suicide attempts—a rate of 8.5 suicides and 1.3 suicide attempts per 100,000 people. Georgia has the 27th-highest rate of gun suicides and gun suicide attempts in the US.

Gun Suicides by Race/Ethnicity in Georgia

- Black
- American Indian/Alaska Native
- Latino
- White
- Asian/Pacific Islander

Deaths per 100,000 people

GUN HOMICIDES AND ASSAULTS

Every year, an average of 665 people in Georgia die by gun homicides and 1,534 are wounded by gun assaults—a rate of 6.5 homicides and 14.7 assaults per 100,000 people. Georgia has the 12th-highest rate of gun homicides and gun assaults in the US. In Georgia, 81% of all homicides involve a gun, compared to 75% nationwide.

Gun Homicides by Race/Ethnicity in Georgia

- Black
- American Indian/Alaska Native
- Latino
- White
- Asian/Pacific Islander

Deaths per 100,000 people

GUN DEATHS AMONG CHILDREN AND TEENS

Guns are the leading cause of death among children and teens in Georgia. In Georgia, an average of 146 children and teens die by guns every year, and 63% 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 Georgia.

Did You Know?

The rate of gun homicide among Black people in Georgia increased 50% 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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