Gun Violence in Michigan

OVERVIEW

In an average year, 1,212 people die and 3,507 are wounded by guns in Michigan. Michigan has the 15th-highest rate of gun violence in the US.

GUN DEATHS OVER TIME

In Michigan, the rate of gun deaths have increased 11% from 2010 to 2019, compared to a 17% increase nationwide. The rate of gun suicides increased 18% and gun homicides increased 4%, compared to a 13% increase and 26% increase nationwide, respectively.

COST OF GUN VIOLENCE

Michigan has the 29th-highest societal cost of gun violence in the US at $909 per person each year. Gun deaths and injuries cost Michigan $9 billion, of which $423 million is paid by taxpayers.

GUN DEATHS BY INTENT

In Michigan, 60% of gun deaths are suicides and 38% 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 728 people in Michigan die by gun suicides and 73 are wounded by gun suicide attempts—a rate of 6.8 suicides and 0.7 suicide attempts per 100,000 people. Michigan has the 32nd-highest rate of gun suicides and gun suicide attempts in the US.

Gun Suicides by Race/Ethnicity in Michigan

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GUN HOMICIDES AND ASSAULTS

Every year, an average of 466 people in Michigan die by gun homicides and 1,798 are wounded by gun assaults—a rate of 5.0 homicides and 18.0 assaults per 100,000 people. Michigan has the 9th-highest rate of gun homicides and gun assaults in the US. In Michigan, 76% of all homicides involve a gun, compared to 75% nationwide.

Gun Homicides by Race/Ethnicity in Michigan

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GUN DEATHS AMONG CHILDREN AND TEENS

Guns are the 2nd-leading cause of death among children and teens in Michigan. In Michigan, an average of 89 children and teens die by guns every year, and 52% of these deaths are homicides. In the US, 58% of all gun deaths among children and teens are homicides.

INTIMATE PARTNER HOMICIDES

From 2015 to 2019, 91 women were fatally shot by an intimate partner in Michigan. 65% of female intimate partner homicide victims were killed with a gun, compared to 59% nationwide.

Did You Know?

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Sources


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


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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