Gun Violence in Minnesota

OVERVIEW

In an average year, 442 people die and 680 are wounded by guns in Minnesota. Minnesota has the 45th-highest rate of gun violence in the US.

GUN DEATHS OVER TIME

In Minnesota, the rate of gun deaths increased 20% from 2010 to 2019, compared to a 17% increase nationwide. The rate of gun suicides increased 15% and gun homicides increased 51%, compared to a 13% increase and 26% increase nationwide, respectively.

COST OF GUN VIOLENCE

Minnesota has the 45th-highest societal cost of gun violence in the US at $515 per person each year. Gun deaths and injuries cost Minnesota $3 billion, of which $83 million is paid by taxpayers.

GUN DEATHS BY INTENT

In Minnesota, 77% of gun deaths are suicides and 19% 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 341 people in Minnesota die by gun suicides and 19 are wounded by gun suicide attempts—a rate of 5.9 suicides and 0.3 suicide attempts per 100,000 people. Minnesota has the 40th-highest rate of gun suicides and gun suicide attempts in the US.

Gun Suicides by Race/Ethnicity in Minnesota

GUN HOMICIDES AND ASSAULTS

Every year, an average of 94 people in Minnesota die by gun homicides and 331 are wounded by gun assaults—a rate of 1.8 homicides and 5.9 assaults per 100,000 people. Minnesota has the 43rd-highest rate of gun homicides and gun assaults in the US. In Minnesota, 64% of all homicides involve a gun, compared to 75% nationwide.

Gun Homicides by Race/Ethnicity in Minnesota

INTIMATE PARTNER HOMICIDES

From 2015 to 2019, 39 women were fatally shot by an intimate partner in Minnesota. 53% of female intimate partner homicide victims were killed with a gun, compared to 59% nationwide.

Did You Know?

In Minnesota, the gun suicide rate in the most rural counties is more than 2 times higher than in urban areas.

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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