

Gun Violence in New Hampshire

OVERVIEW

In an average year, 144 people die and 47 are wounded by guns in New Hampshire. New Hampshire has the 3rd-lowest rate of gun violence in the US.



SOURCES:

Gun deaths: CDC, WONDER, five-year average: 2018–2022.

 $\label{eq:cdc} \textit{Gun violence trends: CDC, WONDER, 2013-2022.}$

Gun injuries: Everytown analysis of Healthcare Cost and Utilization Project (HCUP) data, 2020.

Cost of gun violence: Ted R. Miller and Bruce Lawrence analysis of CDC fatal injury: 2019 and HCUP nonfatal injury: 2019.

Rankings are based on the 50 states and Washington, DC, with first being highest, 51st lowest. Death and injury rankings are based on rates, economic cost rankings are based on average societal per-resident cost. Overall state gun violence rankings are calculated by adding count of gun deaths plus count of nonfatal gun injuries divided by population.

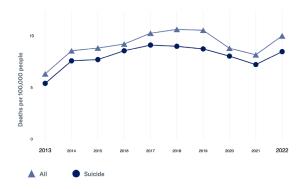
Totals do not always sum to 100% due to rounding

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GUN DEATHS OVER TIME

In New Hampshire, the rate of gun deaths increased 57% from 2013 to 2022, compared to a 36% increase nationwide. The rate of gun suicides increased 56% compared to an 18% increase nationwide. Data on gun homicides was not consistently available in New Hampshire during this time period.

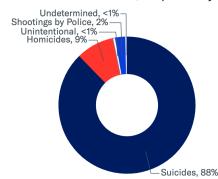


COST OF GUN VIOLENCE

New Hampshire has the 36th-highest societal cost of gun violence in the US at \$1,631 per resident each year. Gun deaths and injuries cost New Hampshire \$2.2 billion each year, of which \$22.4 million is paid by taxpayers.

GUN DEATHS BY INTENT

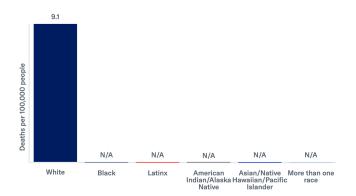
In New Hampshire, 88% of gun deaths are suicides and 9% are homicides. This is compared to 57% and 40% nationwide, respectively.



GUN SUICIDES AND SUICIDE ATTEMPTS

Every year, an average of 126 people in New Hampshire die by gun suicides—a rate of 8.5 suicides per 100,000 people. New Hampshire has the 30th-highest rate of gun suicides and gun suicide attempts in the US. The average number of gun suicide attempts is fewer than 11 per year and is therefore suppressed.

Gun Suicides By Race/Ethnicity in New Hampshire



CHILDREN AND TEENS GUN DEATHS

In New Hampshire, an average of fewer than 10 children and teens die by guns every year, of which 68% of these deaths are suicides and fewer than 40% are homicides. In the US, 31% of all gun deaths among children and teens are suicides and 63% are homicides.

SOURCES:

Gun suicides and gun homicides: CDC, WONDER, five-year average: 2018–2022. Homicides include shootings by police.

Gun suicide attempts and gun assaults: Everytown analysis of Healthcare Cost and Utilization Project (HCUP) data, 2020.

Children and teens gun deaths: CDC, WONDER, five-year average: 2018–2022, ages 0–19; Leading causes of death: CDC, WONDER, 2022, ages 1–19.

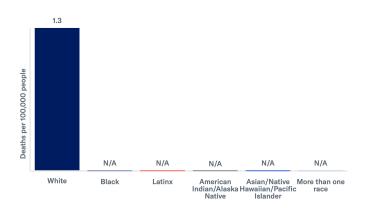
Intimate partner homicides: CDC, National Violent Death Reporting System, 2020; Intimate partner homicides by race and ethnicity: CDC, National Violent Death Reporting System, 2016–2020.

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.

GUN HOMICIDES AND ASSAULTS

Every year, an average of 16 people in New Hampshire die by gun homicides and 18 are wounded by gun assaults—a rate of 1.2 homicides and 1.3 assaults per 100,000 people. New Hampshire has the lowest rate of gun homicides and gun assaults in the US. In New Hampshire, 62% of all homicides involve a gun, compared to 78% nationwide.

Gun Homicides By Race/Ethnicity in New Hampshire



INTIMATE PARTNER HOMICIDES

There is insufficient data on intimate partner homicides for New Hampshire. In the US, 66% of female intimate partner homicide victims are killed with a gun.