

## THE STATE OF GUN VIOLENCE IN NEVADA

Gun violence exacts a serious toll in Nevada, with hundreds killed or wounded each year and the 14th-highest gun death rate in the nation. State lawmakers can and must do more to keep their constituents safe.

### GUN SUICIDE

- More than 68% of gun deaths in Nevada are suicides, and nearly 53% of all suicide deaths in Nevada involve firearms.
- From 2013 to 2017, 1,557 people in Nevada died by gun-related suicide. That's one every 28 hours.

### URBAN GUN VIOLENCE

- Gun violence has a disproportionate impact on urban communities of color.
- Black and Hispanic men make up just 18% of Nevada's population, but account for more than 51% of the state's gun homicide victims.
- In Nevada, black men ages 18–24 are nearly 10 times more likely than white men the same age to be murdered with a gun.

### DOMESTIC VIOLENCE

- Guns make domestic violence incidents far more likely to end in death.
- More than 53% of Nevada's intimate partner homicides involve a gun.
- From 2007 to 2016, 87 women were killed with a gun by their intimate partner in Nevada.

### YOUNG PEOPLE AND GUNS

- Exposure to gun violence can cause lasting trauma in young people, leading to PTSD, chronic stress, and decreased future earnings.
- From 2008 to 2017, 675 people under age 25 were killed with a gun in Nevada.
- Guns are the second-leading cause of death for Nevada children ages 1–17.

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## PROVEN SOLUTIONS TO PREVENT GUN VIOLENCE IN NEVADA

While Nevada does have strong laws prohibiting domestic abusers from purchasing guns, overall Nevada's gun laws are very weak, which has made the state a significant source of guns exported to other states and used in crimes. Nevada officials also continue to fail their constituents by choosing not to enforce a universal background check law that voters passed in 2016. To save lives from gun violence, Nevada's leaders should enforce the **background check law, ban military-style weapons, and enact policies to reduce access to guns by children.** [Learn more about Nevada's gun laws at lawcenter.giffords.org/NV.](http://lawcenter.giffords.org/NV)



Nevada earned a D on our Annual Gun Law State Scorecard. Visit [gunlawscorecard.org](http://gunlawscorecard.org) to learn how to raise your state's grade.

### ANNUAL COST OF GUN VIOLENCE:

**\$2.3  
BILLION**

**\$811 PER RESIDENT**



**19 HOURS**

Someone is killed with a gun every 19 hours in Nevada. That's 455 people a year.