

## THE STATE OF GUN VIOLENCE IN NEW YORK

New York has made important progress strengthening gun laws in recent years and has the third-lowest gun death rate in the nation. Yet lawmakers can still do more to save the 852 New Yorkers killed with a gun each year.

### GUN SUICIDE

- Nearly 54% of gun deaths in New York are suicides, and more than 27% of all suicide deaths in New York involve firearms.
- From 2013 to 2017, 2,283 people in New York died by gun-related suicide—one every 19 hours.

### URBAN GUN VIOLENCE

- Gun violence has a disproportionate impact on urban communities of color.
- Black men make up less than 9% of New York's population, but account for nearly 64% of the state's gun homicide victims.
- In New York, black men ages 18–24 are more than 37 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.
- Nearly 37% of New York's intimate partner homicides involve a gun.
- From 2007 to 2016, 180 women were killed with a gun by their intimate partner in New York.

### 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 2013 to 2017, 910 people under age 25 were killed with a gun in New York.
- More than a third of New York's gun homicide victims are under the age of 25.

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## PROVEN SOLUTIONS TO PREVENT GUN VIOLENCE IN NEW YORK

New York has some of the strongest gun laws in the country. The state has the third-lowest gun death rate and the second-lowest crime gun export rate. To continue to improve its gun safety efforts, New York legislators could **increase funding for community violence intervention programs and strengthen its laws regulating undetectable and untraceable firearms.** [Learn more about New York's gun laws at lawcenter.giffords.org/NY.](http://lawcenter.giffords.org/NY)



New York earned an A- on our Annual Gun Law Scorecard. Visit [gunlawscorecard.org](http://gunlawscorecard.org) to learn how to raise your state's grade.

### ANNUAL COST OF GUN VIOLENCE:

**\$5.6  
BILLION**  
\$286 PER RESIDENT

