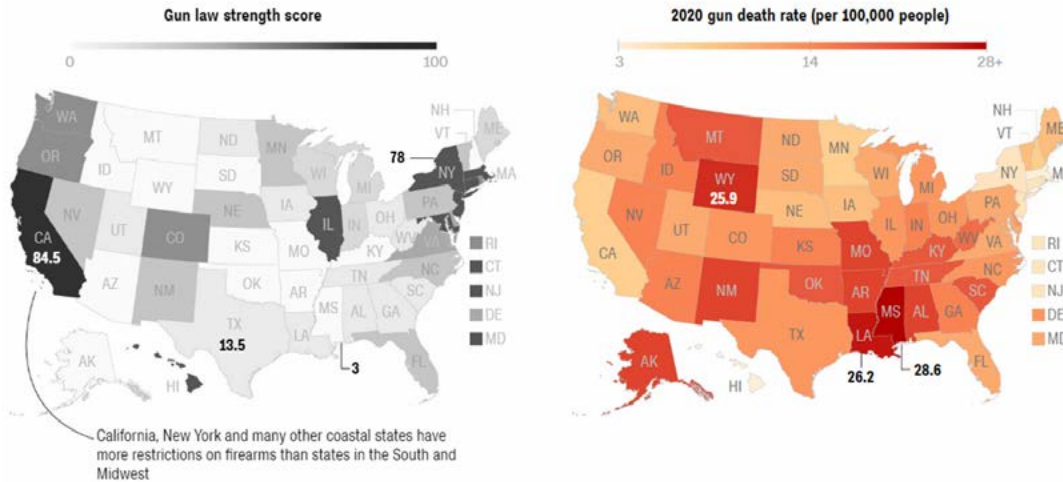


Towards a New Age for Community Safety

a framework for violence prevention & gun reform



Gun laws per state and gun death rates per 100,000 people



Source: Everytown for Gun Safety, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention | Map Graphic: Priya Krishnakumar

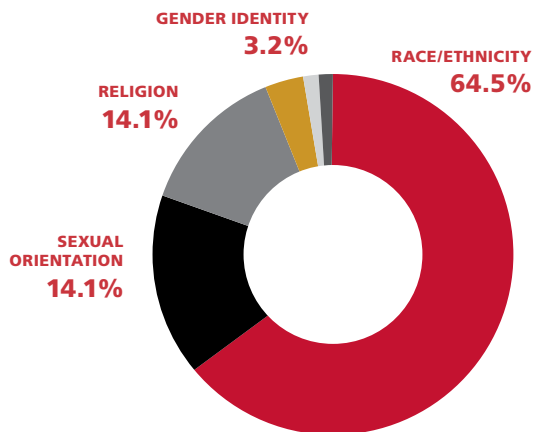
Root Causes of Gun Violence

POOR GUN LAWS & REGULATION

- » Americans make up 4% of the world's population but own about 46% of the entire globe stock of 857 million civilian firearms.¹
- » There are 120.5 firearms for every 100 U.S. residents.²

RESEARCH & DATA BLINDNESS

- » Laws like the **Dickey Amendment** prevent CDC funds for injury prevention and control from being used to advocate or promote gun safety.
- » The last comprehensive gun violence study in 1993 found that 77% of homicide victims were killed by someone they knew.³
- » Allocate funding to support research for more non-police involved evidence-based violence intervention models.



Source: Department of Justice Statistics 2021 Report

Victims of Hate Crime Incidents

In 310 incidents, a total of 411 victims were targeted because of more than one bias.

- » The Department of Justice statistics report for hate crimes in 2021 reported a total of 10,840 hate crimes committed involving 12,411 offenses due to bias motives.⁷

ADVERSE EFFECTS

Trauma perpetuates (self-inflicted) cycles of violence.

- » 57% of firearm related deaths in U.S. are suicides.⁴
- » 1 in 5 Americans have lost a loved one to gun violence.⁵
- » 1 in 6 Americans have witnessed someone being shot.⁶

Core Solutions

Multicultural Evidence-informed Responses:

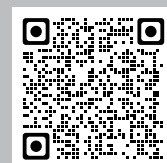
- » Community-based violence intervention and prevention programs. Along with individual and group therapy.
- » Hospital-based trauma informed care for victims and violence reduction services.
- » Supportive government structures to disrupt and reduce violence in community without involving law enforcement.

Grassroots Efforts

Youth and Community-Led Initiatives:

- » Public education campaigns to raise awareness and support on local and federal legislative efforts.
- » Organized efforts to take action in mobilizing advocates for gun violence reform.
- » Emergency response trainings conducted by citizens to aid each other in case of an emergency.

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