

On average from 2012 to 2016,
around 2700 children died each
year in the United States from
a firearm-related injury*

58% were homicides

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35% were suicides

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**4% were unintentional
firearm deaths**

Annual rates of firearm homicide (3/100,000)
and firearm suicide (2 /100,000) were roughly
equivalent among children aged 13–17 years.*

For children aged 0–12 years the annual rate
of firearm homicide (0.3 per 100,000)*

During the 5 year period an average of 47 children
per day, each year, received medical treatment
for a firearm-related incident; assault, act of self-
harm, or from an unintentional firearm injury for
an average annual rate of 8 per 100,000.*

*A life lost to negligence is
inexcusable. Owning a firearm
is a responsibility **EVERYONE**
should take with the utmost
care and sincerity.*



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SAFE STORAGE & YOU

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*Why an Inaccessible Firearm
is Necessary and Why You
Should Do So in Your Home*



"Gun Lock Guide"

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A young girl with long dark hair, wearing a white dress with a red collar, is reaching out with her right hand towards a black handgun lying on a light-colored wooden floor. The image is overlaid with a semi-transparent red filter.

**Talking to
children
about the
dangers of
firearms is
simply not
enough.**

Firearm **homicides** of children

were significantly more likely to be household related (such as violence between parents), incidents in which the victim was a bystander, related to a recent or impending crisis, and/or preceded by family relationship problems.

Firearm homicides of older children were more likely caused by:

- Another criminal act
- Drug involvement
- Gang-relations
- Weapon use by the victim.**

Firearm **suicides** among children

were often preceded by:

42% Crisis in the past or upcoming 2 weeks.

71% Relationship problems with an intimate partner, friend, or family member. Mental health factors were also included in reports from the CDC statistics;

34% had a depressed mood at the time of their death.

26% had a clinically diagnosed mental health problem.

18% were receiving mental health treatment at the time of death.

26% disclosed intent to someone before the incident.

~60% of the firearm suicides were completed with a handgun.

1 out of 3 homes with children (under 18 years) have guns and nearly 4.6 million children live in a home with loaded and unsecured guns.***

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