Firearm Homicide in California

- Nearly half of all gun deaths in California are homicides.
- The majority of homicides (70%) in California are committed with firearms.
- The firearm homicide rate in California has been consistently lower than the national rate since 2010; however, the rate has increased since 2014.
- 88% of firearm homicide victims are male; and 61% are White.

**Graphs:**

- **Gun Deaths in California, 2015:**
  - 45% (n=1,396) Suicide
  - 50% (n=1,559) Homicide
  - 5% (n=140) Other

- **Homicide Deaths in California, 2015:**
  - 70% (n=1,396) Firearm
  - 18% (n=346) Cut/pierce
  - 12% (n=245) Other

**Total Gun Deaths in 2015:** 3,095

**Total Homicide Deaths in 2015:** 1,987

**Firearm Homicide Rate over the last decade, 2006-2015**

- California: 2006: 4.13, 2015: 3.52
Firearm Homicide in California – Demographic Information

2008-2014, California
Death Rates per 100,000 Population
Firearm, Homicide, All Races, All Ethnicities, Both sexes, All Ages
Annualized Crude Rate for California: 3.64

Note: The most recently available CDC data is 2015; as such, 2015 data is used where appropriate.