FIREARM HOMICIDE AND SUICIDE IN VIRGINIA

- The firearm death rate continues to rise in Virginia –
- The firearm suicide rate has increased 15% over the last decade (2008-2017) –
- The firearm homicide rate has increased 45% since 2013 –

FIREARM SUICIDE RATE, 2008-2017

FIREARM HOMICIDE RATE, 2008-2017

Note: Age-adjusted rates were used to allow for accurate comparisons between populations with differing age distributions.

Source: Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, National Center for Health Statistics. Underlying Cause of Death. Age-adjusted Suicide and Homicide Deaths and Rates per 100,000. WONDER Online Database, 1999-2017. Available: http://wonder.cdc.gov/ucd-icd10.html. The most recently available CDC data is 2017; as such, 2017 data is used where appropriate.