Firearm Suicide in Pennsylvania

- Nearly two-thirds (63%) of all gun deaths in Pennsylvania are suicides.
- Half of all suicides in Pennsylvania are by firearm.
- The firearm suicide rate in Pennsylvania has increased 30% over the last decade.
- 88% of people who die by firearm suicide in Pennsylvania are male; and 90% are White.

**Gun Deaths in Pennsylvania, 2016**

- 3% (n=41) - Other
- 34% (n=538) - Homicide
- 63% (n=976) - Suicide

Total Gun Deaths in 2016: 1,555

**Suicide Deaths in Pennsylvania, 2016**

- 8% (n=156) - Suffocation
- 17% (n=342) - Poisoning
- 25% (n=496) - Firearm
- 50% (n=976) - Other

Total Suicide Deaths in 2016: 1,970

**Pennsylvania Firearm Suicide Rate, 2007-2016**

- Age-adjusted Firearm Suicide Rate per 100,000

Year: 2007-2016, Rate: 7.05
Firearm Suicide in Pennsylvania – Demographic Information

2008-2014, Pennsylvania
Death Rates per 100,000 Population
Firearm, Suicide, All Races, Both Sexes, All Ages
Annualized Crude Rate for Pennsylvania: 6.60

Source:

Note: The most recently available CDC data is 2016; as such, 2016 data is used where appropriate.