Firearm Suicide in Texas

- Three out of every five gun deaths in Texas are suicides.
- More than half of all suicides in Texas (58%) are by firearm.
- The firearm suicide rate in Texas has increased 18% over the last decade.
- 84% of people who die by firearm suicide in Texas are male; and 90% are White.

**Gun Deaths in Texas, 2016**

- Suicide: 3% (n=115)
- Homicide: 37% (n=1,222)
- Other: 60% (n=2,016)

**Suicide Deaths in Texas, 2016**

- Firearm: 58% (n=2,016)
- Suffocation: 6% (n=216)
- Poisoning: 12% (n=402)
- Other: 24% (n=854)

Total Gun Deaths in 2016: 3,353

Total Suicide Deaths in 2016: 3,488

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

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Firearm Suicide in Texas – Demographic Information
2008-2014, Texas
Death Rates per 100,000 Population
Firearm Suicide, All Races, All Ethnicities, Both Sexes, All Ages
Annualized Crude Rate for Texas: 6.57

Firearm Suicide Deaths in Texas, 2016, by sex

- Male: 84% (n=1,685)
- Female: 16% (n=331)

Firearm Suicide Deaths in Texas, 2016, by race

- White: 90% (n=1,831)
- Black: 7% (n=138)
- Other: 1% (n=47)

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

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