Firearm Suicide in Virginia

- Nearly two-thirds of gun deaths in Virginia are suicides.
- The majority of suicides (58%) in Virginia are by firearm.
- The firearm suicide rate in Virginia has been consistently higher than the national rate over the last decade (2007-2016).
- Eighty-five percent of people who die by firearm suicide are male; and 88% are White.

**Total Gun Deaths in 2016:** 1,049

**Total Suicide Deaths in 2016:** 1,166

**Firearm Suicide Rate over the last decade, 2007-2016**

- Virginia: 7.44
- US: 6.72
Firearm Suicide in Virginia – Demographic Information

2008-2014, Virginia
Death Rates per 100,000 Population
Firearm, Suicide, All Races, All Ethnicities, Both Sexes, All Ages
Annualized Crude Rate for Virginia: 7.14

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