



Overall

- Over 4,000 Los Angeles County residents died from firearm injuries between 2018 and 2022.
- This means that on average, 2 LA County residents died every day from firearm injuries.

- Firearm death rates are highest among Blacks (24.6 per 100,000) and lowest among Asians (2.1 per 100,000).
- The firearm death rate among Blacks is over three times higher than the rate among Latino/Latinx individuals and Whites.

Sex

• Nine out of every ten firearm deaths were among males.

## Age Group

- Two out of every three victims of firearm death are under the age of 45 (n=2,720)
- Firearm death rates were highest for 25-29 year olds (15.1 per 100,000).

## Service Planning Area (SPA)

- Firearm death rates were highest in SPA 6 (15.9 per 100,000) and SPA 1 (11.4 per 100,000).
- The lowest rates of firearm death were in SPA 5 (4.7 per 100,000).

Intent

 Almost all these deaths were homicides and suicides: 3 out of every 5 firearm deaths (61%) were homicides and over 1 out of every 3 firearm deaths (35%) were suicides.

## Data sources:

Los Angeles County Annual 2018-2022 Data Files, assembled from California Department of Public Health Vital Records Data. Office of Health Assessment & Epidemiology, Los Angeles County Department of Public Health. Population estimates from County of Los Angeles, Internal Services Department, Information Technology Service, Urban Research-GIS Section.