



Overall

- Over 3,300 Los Angeles County residents died from firearm injuries between 2018 and 2022.
- This means that on average, each week over 12 LA County residents were victims of homicide.

Race/ Ethnicity

- Homicide rates were highest among Blacks (25.7 per 100,000).
- Homicide rates for Blacks were almost ten times higher than the rate among Whites (2.6 per 100,000).

Sex

• 86% of homicide victims were male.

Age Group

- Nearly three out of every four homicide victims were under the age of 45 (n=2,491).
- Homicide rates peaked among 25-29 year olds (13.3 per 100,000) and then declined with age.

Service Planning Area (SPA)

• Homicide rates were highest in SPA 6 (17.1 per 100,000) and lowest in SPA 5 (2.0 per 100,000).

Weapon

• 74% of homicide victims were killed with a firearm.

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.