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*Gun Control* Ruth Bjorklund 2014-01-01 Readers are presented with two sides of the debate related to gun control, including policies and practices throughout American history, gun laws

and legislation, gun safety, crime, and law enforcement. In 1791, The Bill of Rights was added to the U.S. Constitution which included the second amendment, or, The Right to Bear Arms. Two-hundred years later, the

controversial issue of gun control is still being debated because the statistics surrounding gun violence and death remains staggering and continues to grow. Encourage your readers to step inside the pages of this book to see where they stand on this topical issue.

**Under the Gun** Peter H. Rossi 2017-09-29 In 1978, the Social and Demographic Research Institute of the University of Massachusetts, Amherst, received a grant from the National Institute of Justice to undertake a comprehensive review of the literature on weapons, crime, and violence in the United States. The purpose of the project is best described as a "sifting and winnowing" of the claims and counterclaims from both sides of the Great American Gun War - the perennial struggle in American political life over what to do, if anything, about guns, about violence, and about crime. The review and analysis of the available studies consumed the better part of three years; the results of this work are

contained in this volume. The intention of any review is to take stock of the available fund of knowledge in some topical area. Under the Gun is no different: our goal has been to glean from the volumes of previous studies those facts that, in our view, seem firmly and certainly established; those hypotheses that seem adequately supported by, or at least approximately consistent with, the best available research evidence; and those areas or topics about which, it seems, we need to know a lot more than we do. One of our major conclusions can be stated in advance: despite the large number of studies that have been done, many critically important questions have not been adequately researched, and some of them have not been examined at all. Much of the available research in the area of weapons and crime has been done by advocates for one or another policy position. As a consequence, the manifest intent of many "studies" is to persuade rather than to inform. We have tried to approach the

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topic from a purely agnostic point of view, treating as an open question what policies should be enacted with regard to gun, or crime, control. Thus, we have tried to judge each study on its own merits, on the basis of the routine standards normally applied to social-scientific research, and not on the basis of how effectively it argues for a particular policy direction. It would, of course, be presumptuous to claim that we have set aside all our own biases in conducting this study. Whether or not our treatment is fair and objective is clearly something for the reader, and not us, to decide.

**TM 9-718A 90-mm Gun Tank M47 1952**

United States. Army

**Crime Gun Trace Reports: Baltimore, MD**

**Gun Violence and Mental Illness** Liza H. Gold

2015-11-17 Perhaps never before has an objective, evidence-based review of the intersection between gun violence and mental illness been more sorely needed or more timely. Gun Violence and Mental Illness, written by a

multidisciplinary roster of authors who are leaders in the fields of mental health, public health, and public policy, is a practical guide to the issues surrounding the relation between firearms deaths and mental illness. Tragic mass shootings that capture headlines reinforce the mistaken beliefs that people with mental illness are violent and responsible for much of the gun violence in the United States. This misconception stigmatizes individuals with mental illness and distracts us from the awareness that approximately 65% of all firearm deaths each year are suicides. This book is an apolitical exploration of the misperceptions and realities that attend gun violence and mental illness. The authors frame both pressing social issues as public health problems subject to a variety of interventions on individual and collective levels, including utilization of a novel perspective: evidence-based interventions focusing on assessments and indicators of dangerousness, with or without indications of

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mental illness. Reader-friendly, well-structured, and accessible to professional and lay audiences, the book: Reviews the epidemiology of gun violence and its relationship to mental illness, exploring what we know about those who perpetrate mass shootings and school shootings. Examines the current legal provisions for prohibiting access to firearms for those with mental illness and whether these provisions and new mandated reporting interventions are effective or whether they reinforce negative stereotypes associated with mental illness. Discusses the issues raised in accessing mental health treatment in regard to diminished treatment resources, barriers to access, and involuntary commitment. Explores novel interventions for addressing these issues from a multilevel and multidisciplinary public health perspective that does not stigmatize people with mental illness. This includes reviews of suicide risk assessment; increasing treatment engagement; legal, social, and psychiatric means

of restricting access to firearms when people are in crisis; and, when appropriate, restoration of firearm rights. Mental health clinicians and trainees will especially appreciate the risk assessment strategies presented here, and mental health, public health, and public policy researchers will find *Gun Violence and Mental Illness* a thoughtful and thought-provoking volume that eschews sensationalism and embraces serious scholarship.

**Organizational Maintenance Manual for Gun, Air Defense Artillery, Self-propelled, 20-mm, M163A1, Cannon M168, Mount M157A1, Sight M61, and Radar AN/VPS-2, (NSN 2350-01-017-2113).** 1989

Blue Book of Gun Values S. P. Fjestad  
2005-04-30 The "bible" of the firearms industry for accurate value information and descriptions of rifles, pistols, and shotguns. The industry standard for over 25 years!

**Gun Digest 2022, 76th Edition: The World's Greatest Gun Book!** Philip Massaro 2021-08-17

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Now in its 76th edition, Gun Digest 2022 is the most-anticipated annual guide to all things new and exciting in the world of firearms. Informative and entertaining articles by the top writers in the field cover every aspect of guns and shooting, including hunting, personal defense, target practice, gun making and collecting. Historical articles provide a look at the role firearms have played in the United States and around the world. "The World's Greatest Gun Book" has remained true to its roots, year after year, for more than three quarters of a century. Gun Digest offers original, expertly written content in what is truly the most comprehensive collection of firearms information in print today.

**Guns, Gun Control, and Elections** Harry L. Wilson 2007 Gun-related violence remains an intractable problem despite a decline in the past decade. Some believe the solution lies in stricter gun control laws while others think these measures would be ineffective or counter-

productive. Guns, Gun Control, and Elections examines current gun control policy and explains how it was adopted by discussing the roles and interactions of elected officials, interest groups, political parties, and the public. Original research on media coverage and public opinion as well as a chapter on state policy (Virginia) make the book both informative and accessible. The book focuses on the utility of gun policy, and its discussion of policy impact is grounded in real-world politics. The author highlights the importance of gun control in the presidential elections of 2000 and 2004 as well as in some U.S. Senate and statewide campaigns.

*Under the Gun* James X Van Meer (George Mason University graduate) 2017 This final project and thesis describe gun violence in America through a statistical lens, emphasizing the implementation of graphic design to evoke a response from the audience. Advanced typography, grid design, vector theory and

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application, 3-D and environmental graphics, color theory, lighting design, and video have been employed in an attempt to bring the statistics to life and to engage audiences in sane conversation on a particularly volatile subject. There are often visceral opposing views when the subject of guns, especially handguns, is brought up in modern American society. Studies are cited that show gun violence data, the Second Amendment to the United States Constitution is bandied about, and arguments ensue of whether guns kill people or people kill people. One side portends that the problem is exaggerated because responsible gun owners do not contribute to the problem while the opposing side believes that gun violence is a serious public health threat, and the only safe gun is no gun at all. Growing up in a family that owned guns (both handguns and rifles), my view of American gun violence was neither pro nor con for the longest time. I was raised in what I consider to be a normal, middle-class suburban

environment. My father was a bluecollar worker, my mother worked as a legal secretary until the onset of health issues, and I attended elementary, middle, and high school in Rockville, Maryland. I grew up seeing President Kennedy assassinated, his brother Robert Kennedy slain, and Martin Luther King and Malcolm X gunned down. Never one to be involved in politics, I didn't pay much attention to the gun violence taking place in the 60s - I didn't live in that circle, so why should I care? Then May 4, 1970 changed my view of guns. May 4th was a Monday, and it was the day that twenty-eight of the more than seventy Ohio National Guardsmen called to Kent State University fired their rifles and pistols into a crowd of student protesters, killing nine and injuring thirteen. The debate over cause and blame continues to this day, but one fact remains - a 13-second fusillade of bullets ruined lives and altered my belief system in ways I still have yet to fully comprehend. Gun violence has touched me personally as well. I

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have a long-time friend who was shot in his workplace during an armed robbery. My friend almost died, and he changed in ways I could not comprehend. I couldn't bring myself to imagine what he felt seeing the barrel of a handgun pointed at him, the searing hot pain of the shot, or the aftermath of psyche cleaved by gun violence. I still can't fathom what he's been through. For years I bounced back and forth on both sides of the gun debate fence. After my parents had retired to the foothills of the Great Smoky Mountains in North Carolina, the family gun tradition continued. My dad owned a hunting rifle, a shotgun, and three pistols. Two of the guns were Christmas gifts from me - I walked into a gun store, filled out some forms, and walked out with the guns. Piece of cake. My dad's guns were used for hunting and for self-protection. My folks lived in the country where just about everyone owned a gun, and the only time I can recall a handgun being fired was when a large, wild cat had come too close to the

house. When my parents passed away I had the task of clearing out their possessions. Of course, I came across the guns, and after selling the handguns at a local gun shop, I brought the hunting rifle and shotgun back to my home in Virginia, eventually selling them to a friend, an avid hunter. I didn't think about keeping any of my father's guns. I didn't want to have anything to do with them. And I still don't. They scare me because I know the destructive power that can be unleashed from them. It's that inherent destructive power and the toll that gun violence takes I am hoping to portray. My final project and thesis are an attempt to allow people to see the cold-hard facts of gun violence in America and let them ponder the effects that guns have on this country. Through the use of interpretive graphics, storytelling, and experiential methods, it is my intent to further the dialogue about guns and gun violence through a thoughtful perspective. Guns have the power to injure, the power to kill, the power to ruin lives. Does

graphic design, as a catalyst for thought, have the power to alter views, or at the very least, lead to different perspectives? We'll never know unless we seed the conversation.

**What's Gun Control?** Kate Rogers 2017-12-15  
Gun control is a popular topic of debate on news programs and online, but these debates are sensationalized and often do not fully explain the issue and the points of view of people on both sides of it. Readers are given a clearer picture of what gun control means and why people support and oppose it through fact-filled text and relevant, full-color photographs. Fact boxes and graphic organizers supply readers with additional details to help them develop their own informed opinion on this topic and understand those whose opinion differs from theirs.

The Southerner's Handbook Editors of Garden and Gun 2013-10-29  
Whether you live below the Mason Dixon Line or just wish you did, The Southerner's Handbook is your guide to living the good life. Curated by the editors of the

award-winning Garden & Gun magazine, this compilation of more than 100 instructional and narrative essays offers a comprehensive tutorial to modern-day life in the South. From Food and Drink to Sporting & Adventure; Home & Garden to Style, Arts & Culture, you'll discover essential skills and unique insight from some of the South's finest writers, chefs, and craftsmen—including the secret to perfect biscuits, how to wear seersucker, and to the right way to fall off of a horse. You'll also find: Roy Blount Jr. on telling a great story; Julia Reed on the secrets of throwing a great party; Jonathan Miles on drinking like a Southerner; Jack Hitt on the beauty of cooking a whole hog; John T Edge on why Southern food matters; and much more. As flavorful, authentic, and irresistible as the land and the people who inspire it, The Southerner's Handbook is the ultimate guide to being a Southerner (no matter where you live).

**Gun Control** Matt Doeden 2011-10-01  
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book examines the history of U.S. gun ownership as well as current federal, state, and local laws. it provides the opinions and perspectives of government leaders, historians, activists, and ordinary Americans on both sides of the issue.

**The Kansas City Gun Experiment** Lawrence W. Sherman 1995

*After Gun Violence* Craig Rood 2019-05-30 Mass shootings have become the “new normal” in American life. The same can be said for the public debate that follows a shooting: blame is cast, political postures are assumed, but no meaningful policy changes are enacted. In *After Gun Violence*, Craig Rood argues that this cycle is the result of a communication problem.

Without advocating for specific policies, Rood examines how Americans talk about gun violence and suggests how we might discuss the issues more productively and move beyond our current, tragic impasse. Exploring the ways advocacy groups, community leaders, politicians, and everyday citizens talk about gun violence,

Rood reveals how the gun debate is about far more than just guns. He details the role of public memory in shaping the discourse, showing how memories of the victims of gun violence, the Second Amendment, and race relations influence how gun policy is discussed. In doing so, Rood argues that forgetting and misremembering this history leads interest groups and public officials to entrenched positions and political failure and drives the public further apart. Timely and innovative, *After Gun Violence* advances our understanding of public discourse in an age of gridlock by illustrating how public deliberation and public memory shape and misshape one another. It is a search to understand why public discourse fails and how we can do better.

*Gun Laws and the Need for Self-defense* United States. Congress. House. Committee on the Judiciary. Subcommittee on Crime 1996

**Gun Studies** Jennifer Carlson 2018-12-07 As cultural, social, political, and historical objects, guns are rich with complex and contested

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significance. What guns mean, why they matter, and what policies should be undertaken to regulate guns remain issues of vigorous scholarly and public debate. Gun Studies offers fresh research and original perspectives on the contentious issue of firearms in public life. Comprising global, interdisciplinary contributions, this insightful volume examines difficult and timely questions through the lens of: Social practice Marketing and commerce Critical theory Political conflict Public policy Criminology Questions explored include the evolution of American gun culture from recreation to self-protection; the changing dynamics of the pro-gun and pro-regulation movements; the deeply personal role of guns as sources of both injury and security; and the relationship between gun-wielding individuals, the state, and social order in the United States and abroad. In addition to introducing new research, Gun Studies presents reflections by senior scholars on what has been learned over

the decades and how gun-related research has influenced public policy and everyday conversations. Offering provocative and often intimate perspectives on how guns influence individuals, social structures, and the state in both dramatic and nuanced ways, Gun Studies will appeal to students and researchers interested in fields such as sociology, political science, legal history, criminology, criminal justice, social policy, armaments industries, and violent crime. It will also appeal to policy makers and all others interested in and concerned about the use of guns.

*Safe Gun Ownership For Dummies* Greg Lickenbrock 2022-07-20 A straightforward guide to being smart with your firearm With gun sales at an all-time high in the U.S., easy-to-understand advice on storing and possessing guns safely is at an all-time premium. *Safe Gun Ownership For Dummies* paves the way for new and novice gun owners to learn the basics of firearm ownership in a non-partisan tone. This

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book helps gun owners thoroughly explore the rules of gun safety and adopt the habits of savvy firearm aficionados. Written by a firearms expert and analyst who has reviewed hundreds of firearms along with gun safety and storage options, this guide helps you develop a safety mindset and apply practices to assure you and your family avoid harm. Learn, internalize, and apply the rules of gun safety Understand federal, state, and local gun laws Find a good gun safety course for hands-on practice Store and transport your firearm securely When it's time to start training on your new firearm and the safety rules of gun ownership, *Safe Gun Ownership For Dummies* is at the ready with everything you need to know to make safety your aim.

**Gun Control** Jennifer MacKay 2013-04-12 According to the Mass Shooting Tracker, there have been 1,744 mass shootings in the United States since 2013. The Second Amendment grants citizens of the United States the right to bear arms, but gun control laws vary from state

to state. Many people lobby for stricter federal gun control in order to curb gun-related deaths, while others perceive regulation as an infringement on rights. This timely edition takes a look at one of the most contested issues in American government and society today: the policing and regulation of firearms. Individual chapters will cover the history of gun control in the United States, the spectrum of opinions on firearms regulation, the meaning of the Second Amendment, arguments in favor of and those against tighter gun control, and various types of legislation being considered.

**The Gun** C. J. Chivers 2011-09-06 Traces the history of the AK-47 assault rifle, from its inception to its use by more than fifty national armies around the world, to its role in modern-day Afghanistan, discussing how the deadly weapon has helped alter world history.

**Gun Control** Robert J. Kukla 1973 This is an account of efforts to abolish the private possession of firearms in the United States from

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the point of view of opponents of gun control legislation. Few subjects have sparked as much controversy and emotion in recent years as gun control. The author, a director of the National Rifle Association, asserts that gun control advocates have often used questionable methods to arouse public support for their cause, ranging from innocent misinformation to open innuendo and deliberate manipulation of facts. He does not attempt to furnish all the arguments on the issue, but quotes statements and reports actions by key persons on both sides of the controversy. Much of the material is based on the author's own involvement in resisting gun control efforts in his home state of Illinois. He also reproduces portions of testimony in congressional hearings, reports of congressional committees, and coverage of the issue by the press. He argues that this material demonstrates an unwarranted effort to deprive citizens of an important right to self-defense at a time in our history when individual liberties are threatened by more and

more control. He also asserts that the facts contained in this material show that existing laws, if enforced, would provide more than adequate restraint on violence with firearms. A further implication is that we need harsher punishment for those who use guns to commit crime, rather than the disarming of those who use guns for legitimate recreation and self-defense.

### **Everything You Need to Know About Gun**

**Violence** Adam Furgang 2017-07-15 Gun violence can be a confusing and scary topic. Anyone who keeps current with the news will know that gun violence occurs in our society nearly every day. This book explores the history of guns as it applies to the Second Amendment and the effects of gun violence on society. Gun control and legislation in the United States on federal, state, and local levels are thoughtfully addressed without taking sides on this controversial issue. Sidebars highlight the NRA, the ongoing debate about gun control

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legislation, and what today's youth can do to help.

The Tyranny of Gun Control Richard M. Ebeling and Jacob G. Hornberger 1997-01-01 The right to own firearms is one of the most fundamental, inherent rights of man. Not only do individuals have the natural, God-given right to own property, they also have the basic right to defend themselves from murderers, rapists, thieves, burglars, and other violent, antisocial people in society. Most important, individuals have the right to defend themselves from the oppressive, tyrannical acts of their own government. This book shows why gun control poses an enormous threat to the liberty of the American people. It is a must read for anyone concerned about the future direction of freedom in the United States.

The Changing Politics of Gun Control Clyde Wilcox 1998-05-14 In recent years, political discourse about gun control and the Second Amendment has become increasingly volatile

and this collection of original essays by top scholars illuminates the various reasons why. Gun lobbies such as the National Rifle Association are more organized and aggressive and their issue agenda has evolved as new and more powerful weapons and militia appear. On the other side of the debate, the critical wounding of James Brady gave gun control advocates a visible martyr with strong ties to Republican conservatives. In sum, gun control and the right to bear arms have become hotly disputed issues where political alignments are constantly shifting. The contributors chart these changes and explore how Congress, the courts, the President, and individual states are currently addressing the issue of gun control. This book, which includes profiles and examinations of relevant interest groups, the gun control coalition, recent Supreme Court decisions, and public opinion surveys, will be of great interest to classes in political science, American government, law, and sociology.

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**Gun Violence Prevention?** Selina E. M. Kerr  
2018-04-10 This book examines the gun-related policy responses to three school shooting incidents in the United States. Gun violence prevention activists and others involved in policy making were interviewed for the book, and news media articles and policy documents were critically assessed. As a result, interpretations of the Second Amendment are shown to affect the acceptability of certain gun restrictions. News media content and policy documents, coupled with the thoughts of activists, also give an indication of why certain policy measures passed and others failed at the time of each of the case studies. This book should be of interest to social policy, politics, criminology and sociology students and academics, as well as those with a general interest in the topic.

*The Gun Debate* Philip J. Cook 2014 Even before the recent Newtown, CT massacre, gun violence and gun control has preoccupied public officials and legislators at all levels of government as

well as powerful special interest groups for years. *The Gun Debate: What Everyone Needs to Know* tours the issues that Americans debate when they talk about guns. The volume includes information on gun control pertaining to U.S. history, jurisprudence, cultural beliefs, political agendas, epidemiological data, criminology, law and regulation, and policy effectiveness. Throughout, economist Philip J. Cook and political scientist Kristin Goss illustrate for readers which questions and issues are contentious and on which there is something approaching consensus. They answer basic questions like: Where do people acquire guns? Is gun violence rising or falling? Who is at risk for being shot? How much does gun violence cost? And tackle tougher ones such as: Do video games and the media contribute to gun violence? Why is the gun control movement relatively weak? Is it better to enforce the laws we have or enact new ones? The answers to these questions will help the general reader to

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make sense of the volley of ideologically driven statistics and slogans that characterize our national conversation on firearms. This book is a must-read for anyone interested in getting a clear view of the highly polarizing topic of gun control.

**Son of a Gun** Anne de Graaf 2012-04-18 Eight-year-old Liberian Lucky, his ten-year-old sister Nopi, and their schoolmates are kidnapped and forced to become child soldiers, but even after they escape along with some other children and are reunited with their parents, their lives will never be the same. Includes chapter about Liberia.

### **37-MM Gun, Tank, M5 (mounted in Tanks)**

United States. War Department 1941

**Gun Guys** Dan Baum 2013-12-03 "A funny, raucous, eye-opening, wholly non-partisan trip in search of Americans who love their guns"--

[Blue Book of Gun Values](#) S. P. Fjestad 2012-04

The new 33rd Edition of the Blue Book of Gun Values by S.P. Fjestad has been expanded to

2,432 pages, easily making it the highest page count of any firearms book currently in print. New 2012 makes and models have been included, along with updated values on discontinued firearms and antiques. Once again, the 80-page Photo Percentage Grading System™ provides high resolution color images that are the last word to help ascertain any firearm's correct condition factor based on the percentage of original condition. Revolvers, pistols, rifles, and shotguns are also shown separately, in addition to NRA Antique Condition Factors. [The Gun Book for Parents](#) Silvio Calabi 2012-10-01 The second of a three-volume series, this book is aimed at parents whose children have read The Gun Book for Boys and want to get started shooting. It is a straightforward treatment of the "adult" concerns about firearms and shooting, from safety and legal issues to costs, potential pitfalls and benefits. It answers questions such as how to buy a gun and store it safely, where to shoot, and how to assess a

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child's behavior with guns. For background and additional information, it is recommended that parents read *The Gun Book for Boys* as well.

**The Gun Book for Girls** Silvio Calabi

2013-09-16 This third installment in the popular series of practical books about guns and shooting is aimed at women of all ages—the fastest-growing segment of the sport—and it couldn't come at a better time. America and firearms literally grew up together, but today guns are often simply linked to crime and violence; gun control has become a polarizing political issue; and misinformation about firearms is spreading. Now three experts have tackled the subject in a series of books that explores the realities of guns and shooting and sets the record straight about some common misconceptions. On the heels of *The Gun Book for Boys* and *The Gun Book for Parents*, *The Gun Book for Girls* is for girls (and women) interested in guns and shooting but who have little or no background in firearms. Through example and

anecdote, the book emphasizes safety and proper usage, and it defines terms and provides hands-on advice about using and maintaining guns. It also covers firearms, shooting methods, clothing and accessories for women, profiles females who shoot and who work in the gun trade, and discusses the issues around guns for self-defense (a topic of special interest to women). Like the other two titles, this book is non-political and written in an easy-to-understand conversational tone. Each book is thoroughly illustrated, and content is presented in easily managed portions that can be read in series or singly, all backed up with an index.

**Updated Evidence and Policy Developments on Reducing Gun Violence in America** Daniel

W. Webster 2014-03-19 An essential companion to *Reducing Gun Violence in America*, the reliable, empirical research and legal analysis in this e-book will help lawmakers, opinion leaders, and concerned citizens identify policy changes to address gun violence, which takes an average of

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more than 80 lives every day in the United States.

*In Defense of Gun Control* Hugh LaFollette  
2018-06-01 The gun control debate is more complex than we often acknowledge. What is often phrased as a single question -- should we have gun control -- is actually made up of three distinct policy questions. First, who should we permit people to have guns? Second, which guns should be allowed? Thirdly, how should we regulate the acquisition, storage, and carrying of the guns people may legitimately own? To answer these questions we must decide whether (and which) people have a right to bear arms, what kind of right they have, and how stringent that right is. We must also evaluate divergent empirical claims about (a) the role of guns in causing harm, and (b) the degree to which private ownership of guns can protect innocent civilians from attacks by criminals, either in their homes or in public. Hugh LaFollette sorts through the conceptual, moral, and empirical

claims to fairly assess arguments for and against serious gun control, and ultimately argues that the US needs far more gun control than we currently have in most jurisdictions.

**Gun Control** Kekla Magoon 2010-09-01

Discusses the controversial viewpoints regarding gun control.

**Crime Gun Trace Reports** 2000

**The Book of Gun Trivia** Gordon L. Rottman

2013-10-20 Offering a step by step guide through interesting gun facts and statistics, Gordon Rottman presents *The Book of Gun Trivia*. Covering a range of subjects, such as weapons designations, where rifles get their names from, the longest serving rifles and everything in between, this book brings together everything you ever needed to know about guns and ammunition and much more besides. Alongside the key facts and figures, Gordon Rottman also breaks apart popular myths and misconceptions about both weapons and ammunition, putting his years of military service

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to good use.

### **Gun Control and the Second Amendment**

Carol Hand 2016-12-15 Gun Control and the Second Amendment covers the history of gun control and the laws' relationships to the Second Amendment, the controversies surrounding what types of gun control are legal and effective, and what gun control and gun violence look like today in the United States and around the world. Aligned to Common Core Standards and correlated to state standards. Essential Library is an imprint of Abdo Publishing, a division of ABDO.

**Gun Violence** Philip J. Cook 2000-10-26 100 billion dollars. That is the annual cost of gun violence in America according to the authors of this landmark study, a book destined to change the way Americans view the problem of gun-related violence. Until now researchers have assessed the burden imposed by gunshot injuries and deaths in terms of medical costs and lost productivity. Here, economists Philip Cook and

Jens Ludwig widen the lens, developing a framework to calculate the full costs borne by Americans in a society where both gun violence and its ever-present threat mandate responses that touch every aspect of our lives. All of us, no matter where we reside or how we live, share the costs of gun violence. Whether waiting in line to pass through airport security or paying taxes for the protection of public officials; whether buying a transparent book bag for our children to meet their school's post-Columbine regulations or subsidizing an urban trauma center, the steps we take are many and the expenditures enormous. Cook and Ludwig reveal that investments in prevention, avoidance, and harm reduction, both public and private, constitute a far greater share of the gun-violence burden than previously recognized. They also employ extensive survey data to measure the subjective costs of living in a society where there is risk of being shot or losing a loved one or neighbor to gunfire. At the same time, they

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demonstrate that the problem of gun violence is not intractable. Their review of the available evidence suggests that there are both additional gun regulations and targeted law enforcement measures that will help. This urgently needed book documents for the first time how gun violence diminishes the quality of life for everyone in America. In doing so, it will move the debate over gun violence past symbolic politics to a direct engagement with the costs and benefits of policies that hold promise for reducing gun violence and may even pay for themselves.

**The Gun Control Debate** Lianna Tatman

2019-07-15 The recent sharp rise in school shootings in the United States has kept the gun control debate going. However, for many people, it is an emotional topic, making much of the information that people hear in the media or from friends and family members biased in one way or another. Understanding the history of gun laws in America and the realities of both sides of the issue is pivotal. Up-to-date statistics, annotated quotes from experts, and real-world examples contextualize the arguments surrounding this complex issue. This knowledge allows young adults to become informed participants in the gun control debate.