

Gun argument missing key facts

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Will you put facts before false rumors to make an educated decision on feelings about guns? According to statistics from the FBI, the Bathe Cato Institute, and the Bastia Institute, these are gun facts that everyone should be aware of.

–99.9 percent of all guns in America are not used in violent crimes.

–99.98 percent of all guns are not used in crimes at all.

–Only 1 percent of the time when a gun is used in defense does the criminal take the gun from the defender.

–After guns were banned in the United Kingdom, the armed robbery rate spiked over 40 percent and 44 percent in Australia. Now in Britain, which has very stringent gun laws, most robberies happen when people are home (50 percent vs. America's 30 percent).

–Only 4 percent of guns used in crimes were obtained legally.

Final fact: Even one death is too much, but a little known fact is that more people are killed by household appliances, falls, accidental poisonings and even fires in any given year than by guns, except in acts of war.

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