

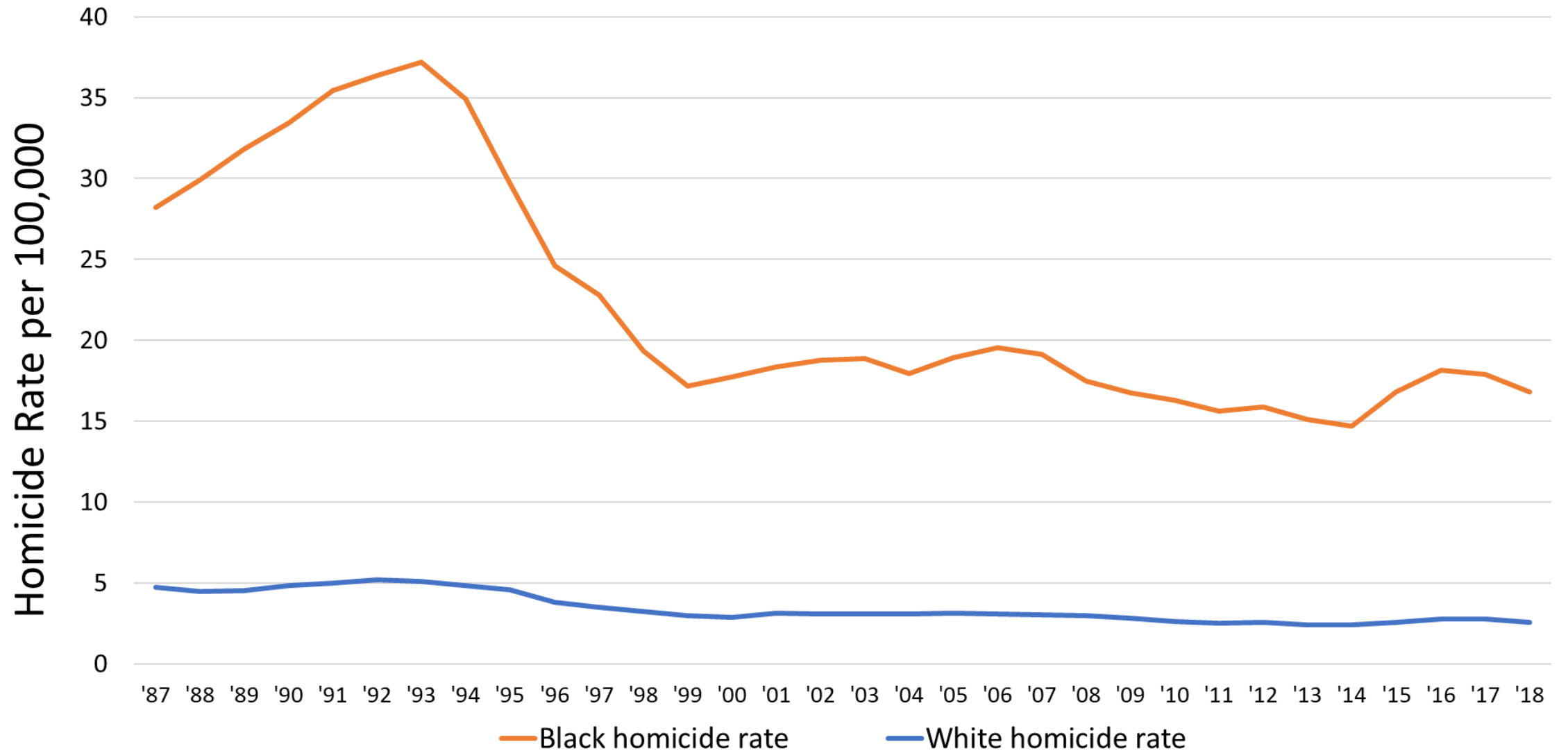
# Gun violence in the US

---

**Thaddeus L. Johnson**  
**Natasha N. Johnson**  
**Georgia State University**

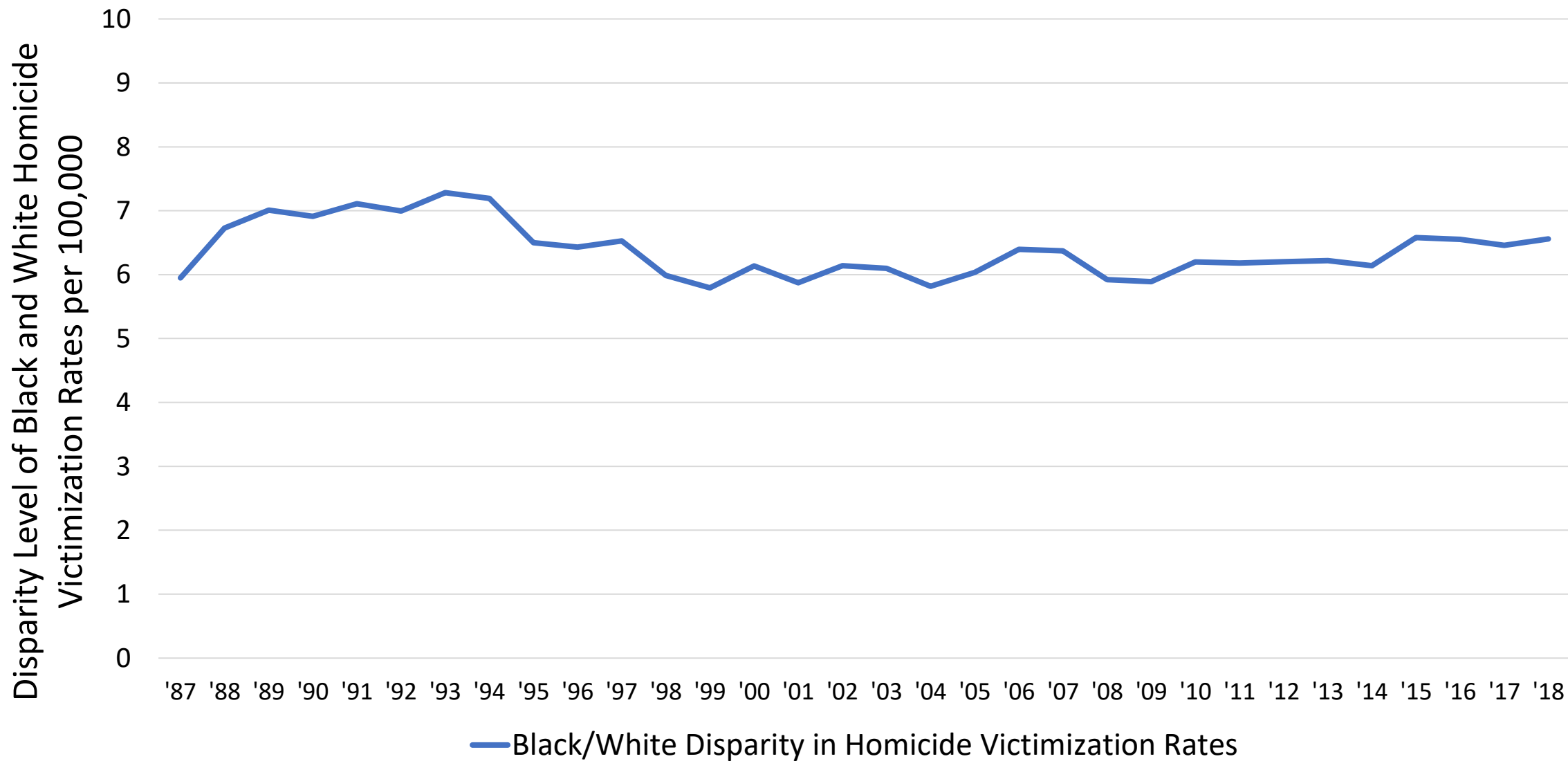


## Homicide Victimization Rates, by Race



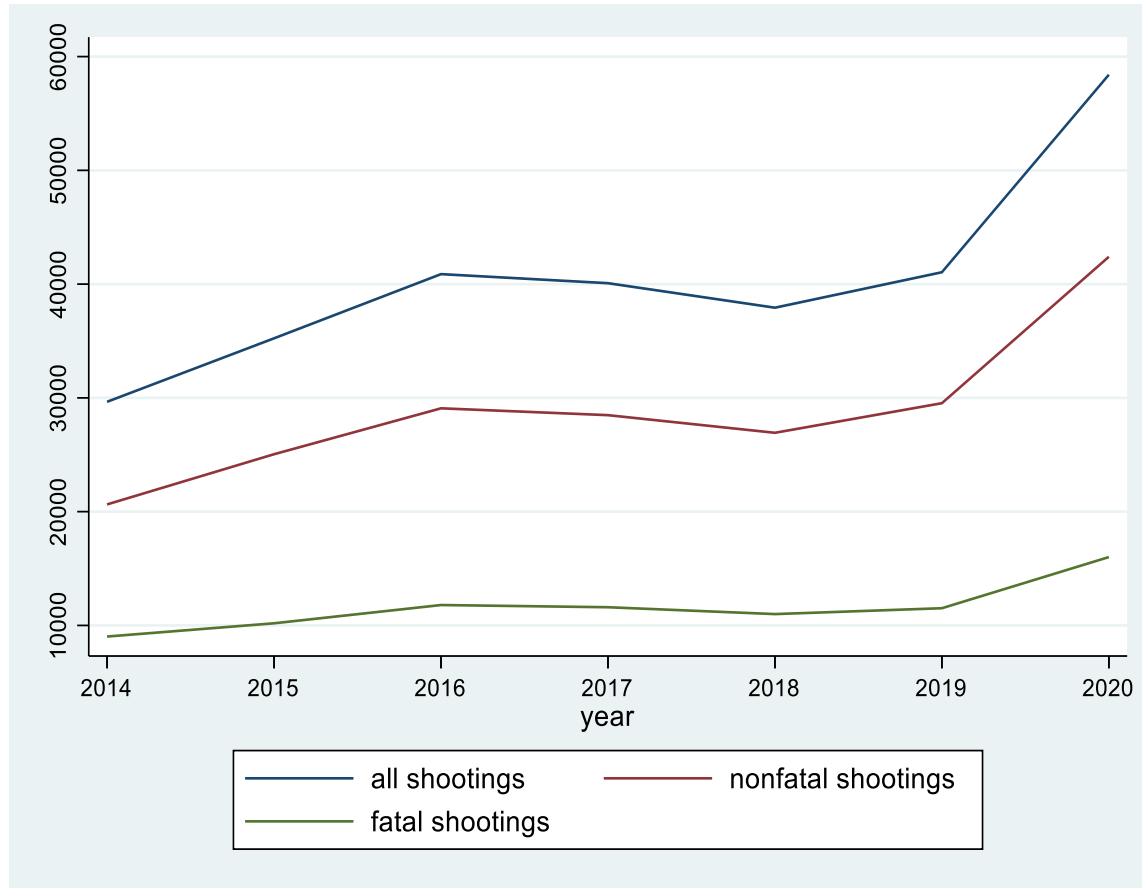
Source: Kaplan, Jacob. [Uniform Crime Reporting \(UCR\) Program Data: Supplementary Homicide Reports, 1976-2018](https://doi.org/10.3886/E100699V8). Ann Arbor, MI: Inter-university Consortium for Political and Social Research [distributor], 2019-10-27. [http://doi.org/10.3886/E100699V8](https://doi.org/10.3886/E100699V8)

## Black/White Disparity in Homicide Victimization Rates

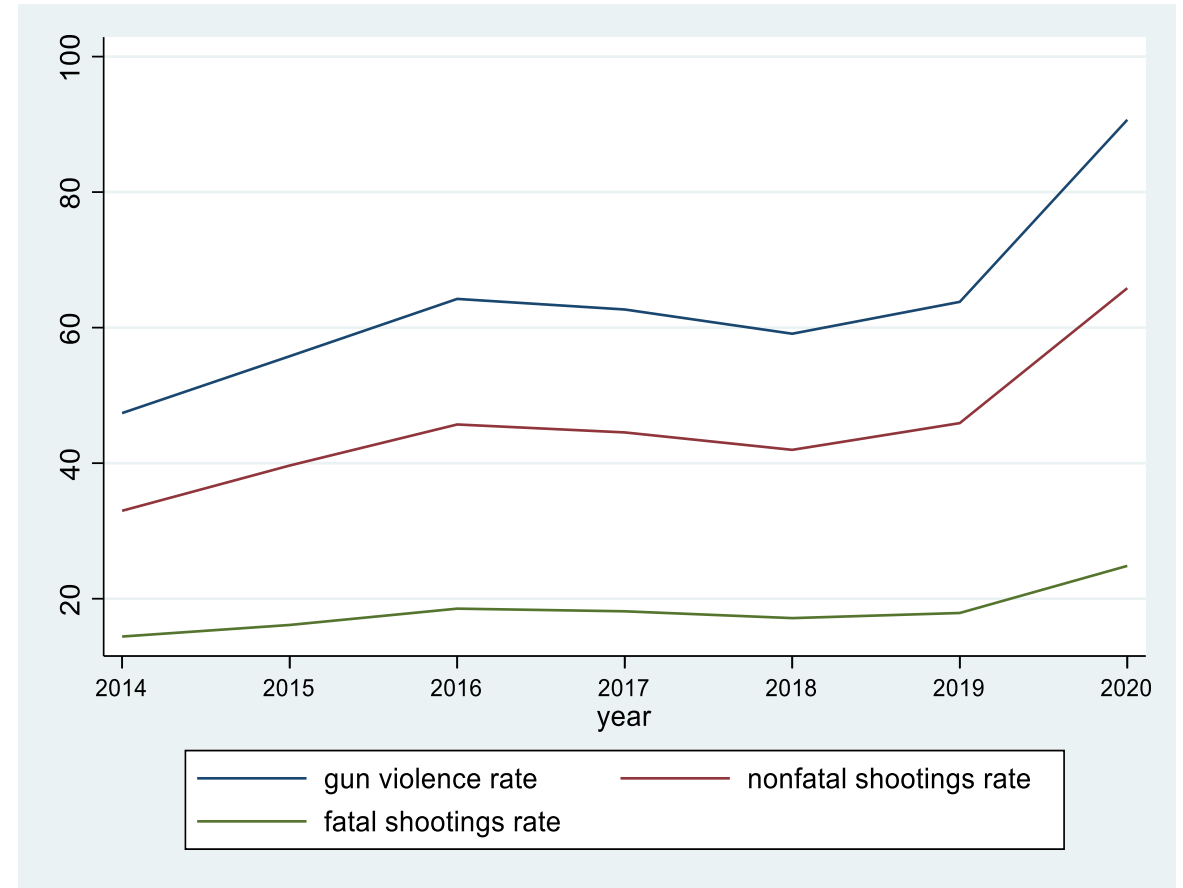


# Gun Violence in 99 largest U.S. cities from 2014-2020

## Gun Violence Victims



## Gun Violence rates



**\*\*Does not include gun-related suicides\*\***

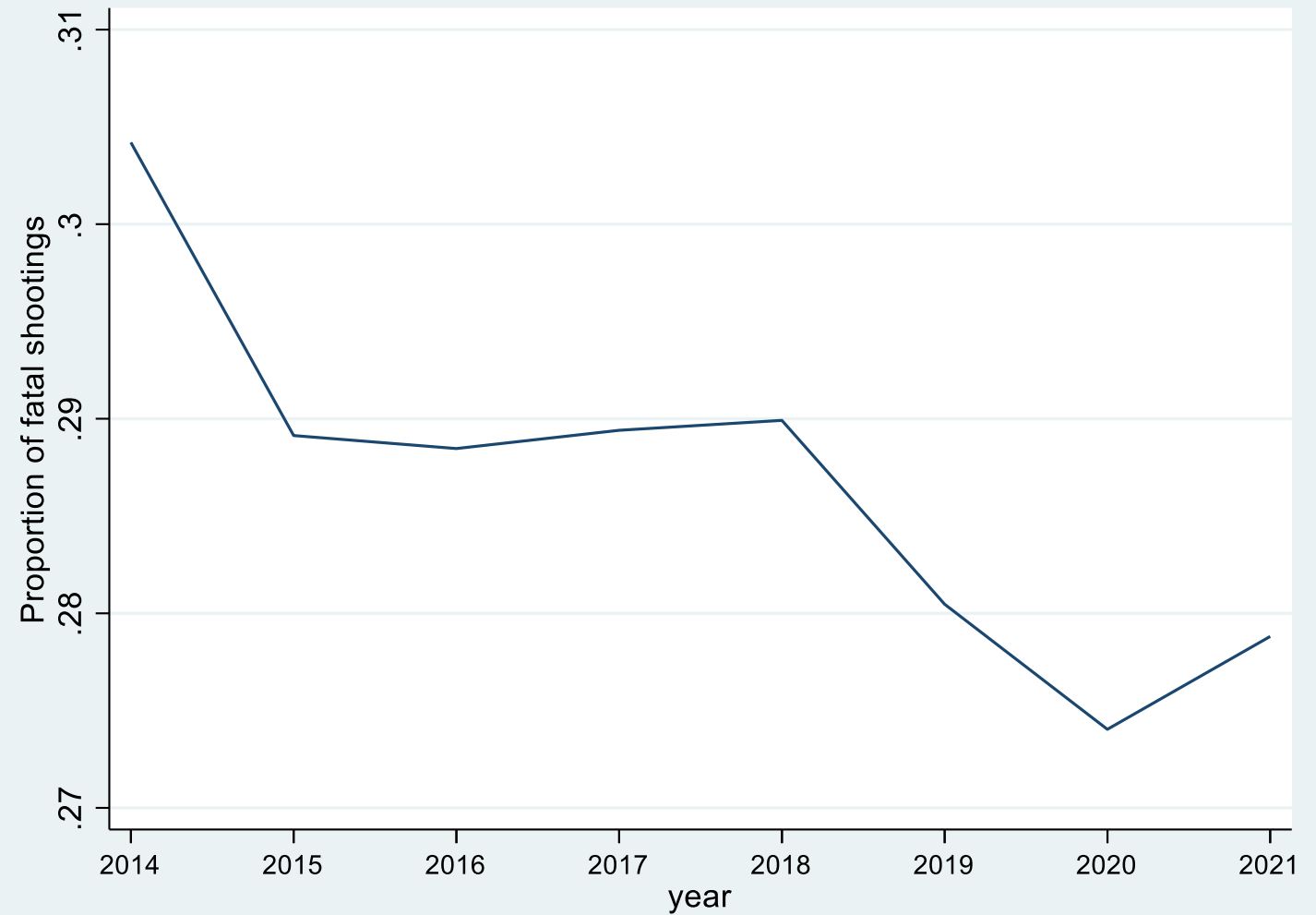
# Breakdown of U.S. Gun Violence in 2019 and 2020

Gun violence and crime incidents are collected/validated from 7,500 sources daily – Incident Reports and their source data are found at the [gunviolencearchive.org](https://gunviolencearchive.org) website (GVA).

year	2019	2020	diff	% change
Total GV Deaths	39,544	43,577	4,033	10.20
Homicide/Murder/Unintentional	15,454	19,421	3,967	25.67
Suicide	24,090	24,156	66	0.27
Total GV Injuries	30,185	39,494	9,309	30.84
Mass Shootings	417	611	194	46.52
<b>Mass Murders</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>-10</b>	<b>-32.26</b>
Children killed (age 0-11)	209	299	90	43.06
Children injured (age 0-11)	486	700	214	44.03
Teens killed (age 12-17)	782	1,077	295	37.72
Teens injured (age 12-17)	2,340	3,067	727	31.07
<b>Officer killed by GV</b>	<b>70</b>	<b>59</b>	<b>-11</b>	<b>-15.71</b>
Officer injured by GV	298	346	48	16.11
Fatal police shooting	1,288	1,293	5	0.39
Non-fatal police shooting	791	934	143	18.08
<b>Defensive use</b>	<b>1,598</b>	<b>1,478</b>	<b>-120</b>	<b>-7.51</b>
Unintentional shooting	1,905	2,320	415	21.78
<b>Murder/Suicides incidents</b>	<b>632</b>	<b>572</b>	<b>-60</b>	<b>-9.49</b>
Armed Robbery-killed	188	422	234	124.47
Armed Robbery-injured	339	642	303	89.38

# Proportion of fatal shootings

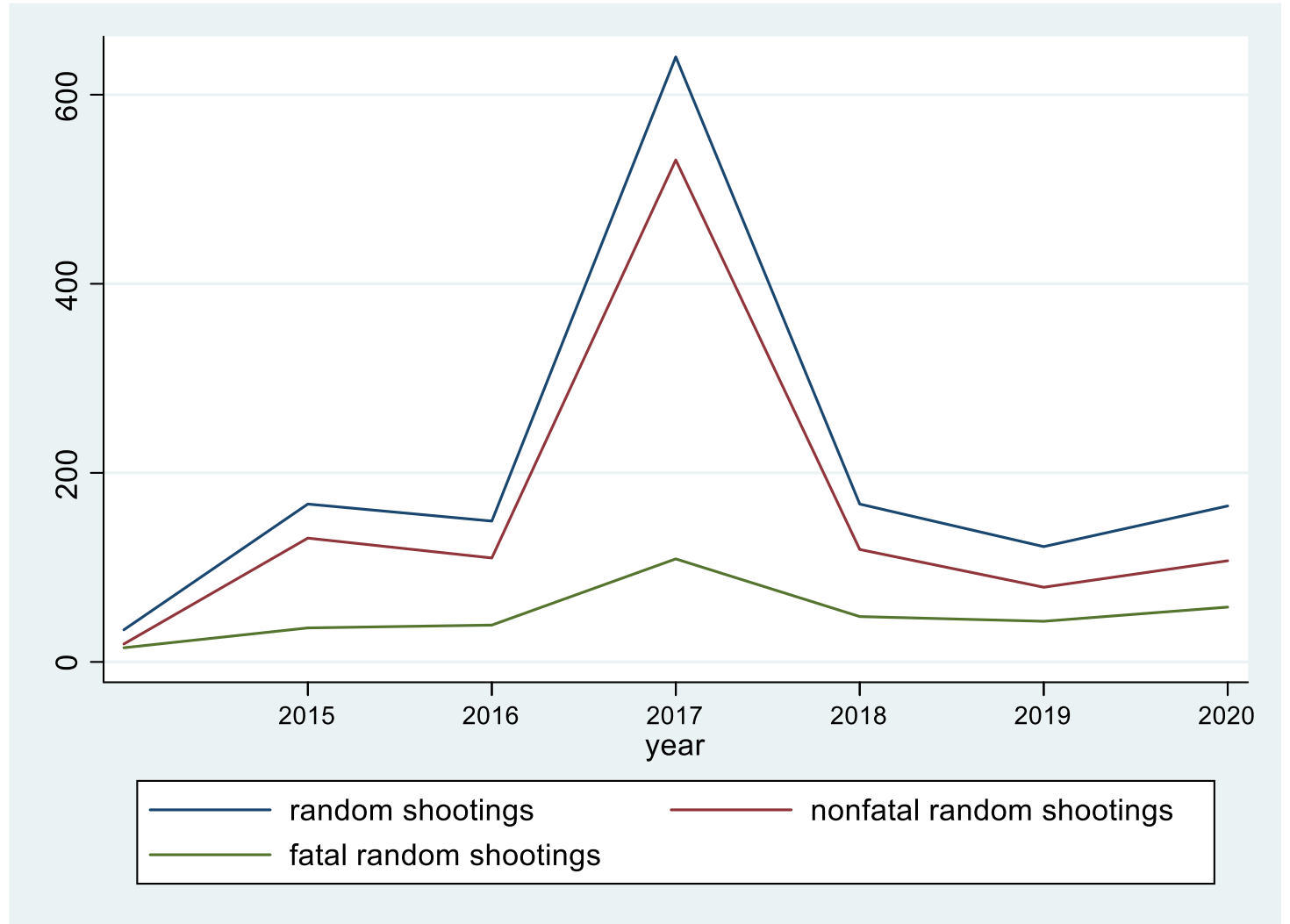
*Count of fatal shootings  
÷ count of all shootings*



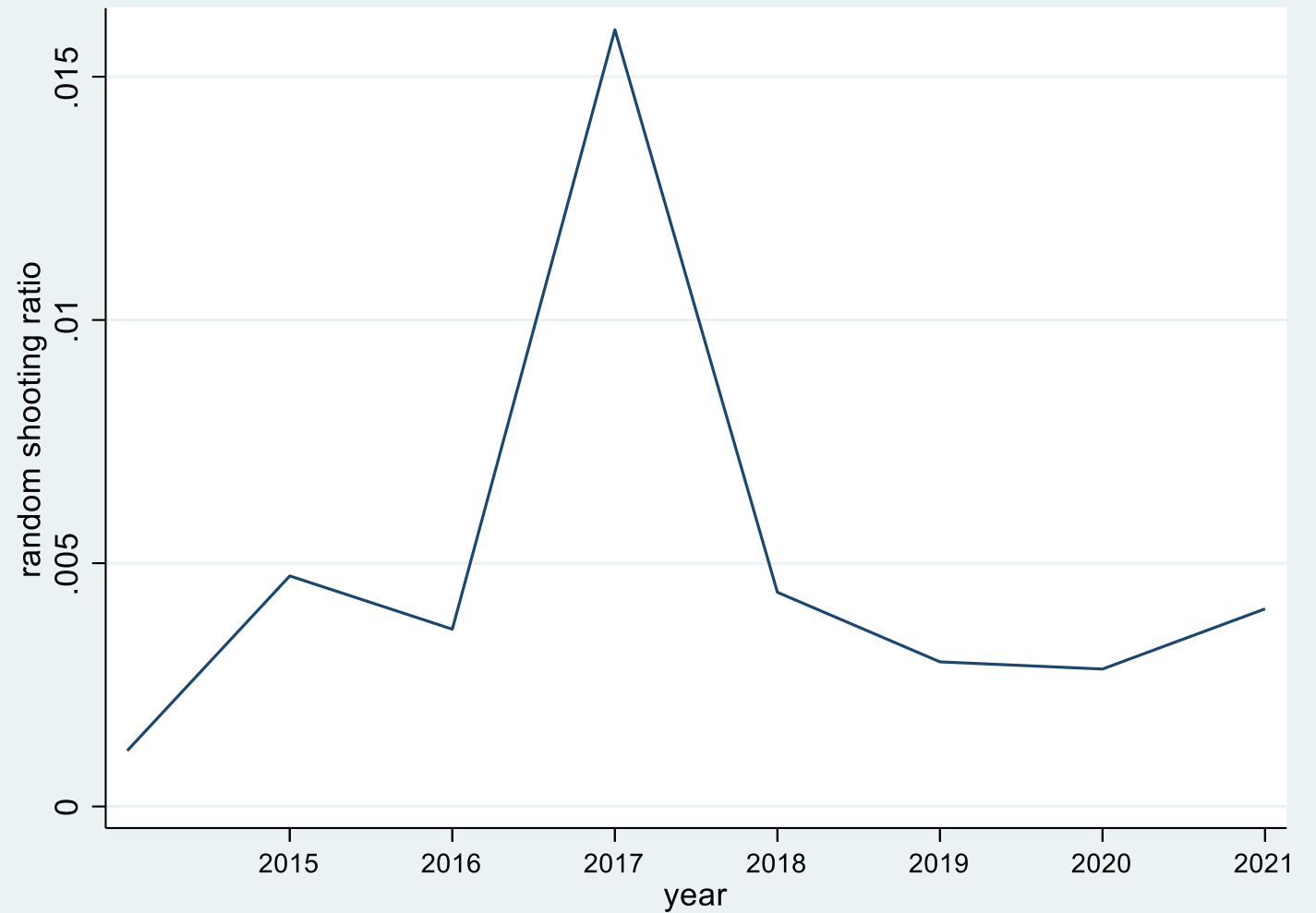
# Random gun violence victims

---

- The big spike in 2017 reflects the Las Vegas mass shooting where 411 people were non-fatally wounded by gunfire and 61 succumbed to their injuries.

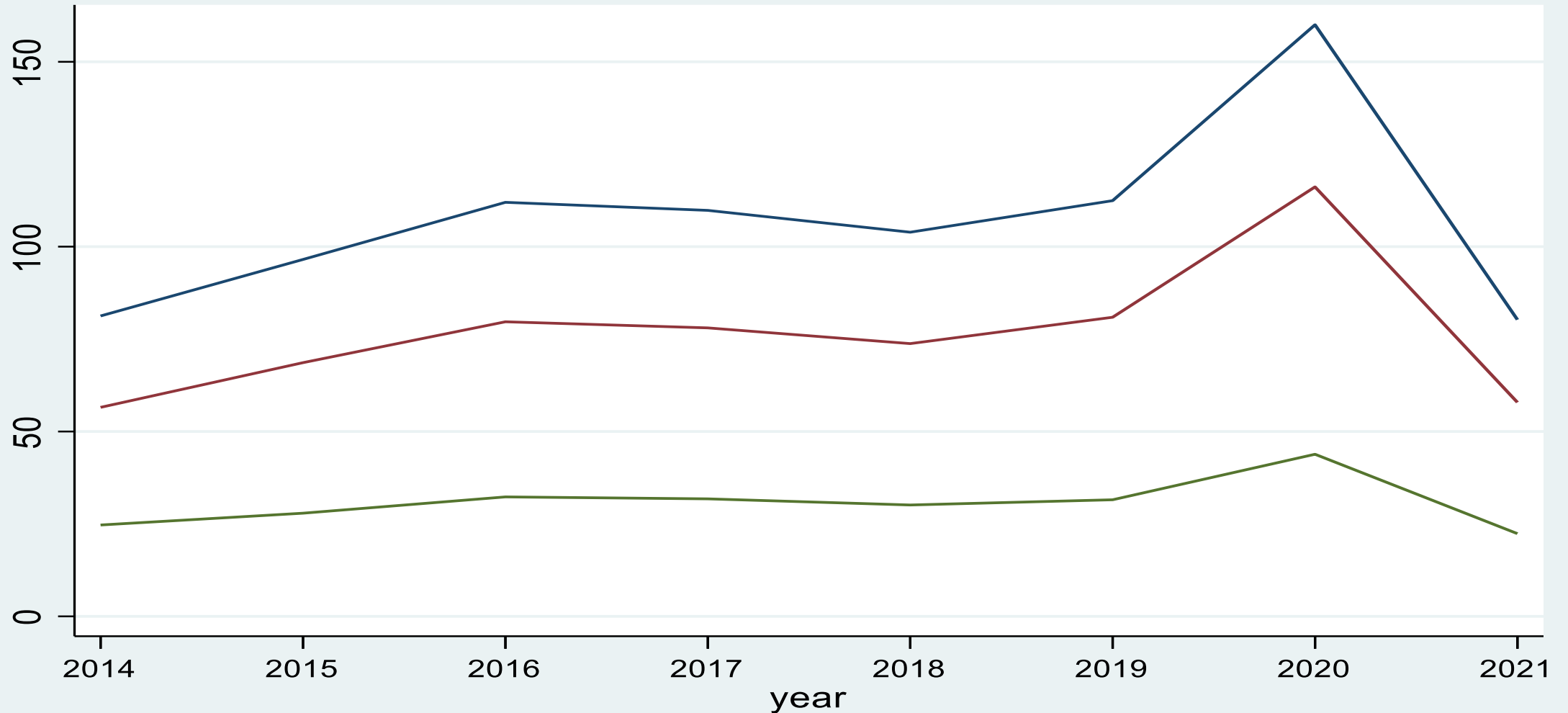


# Proportion of Random Gun Violence Incidents



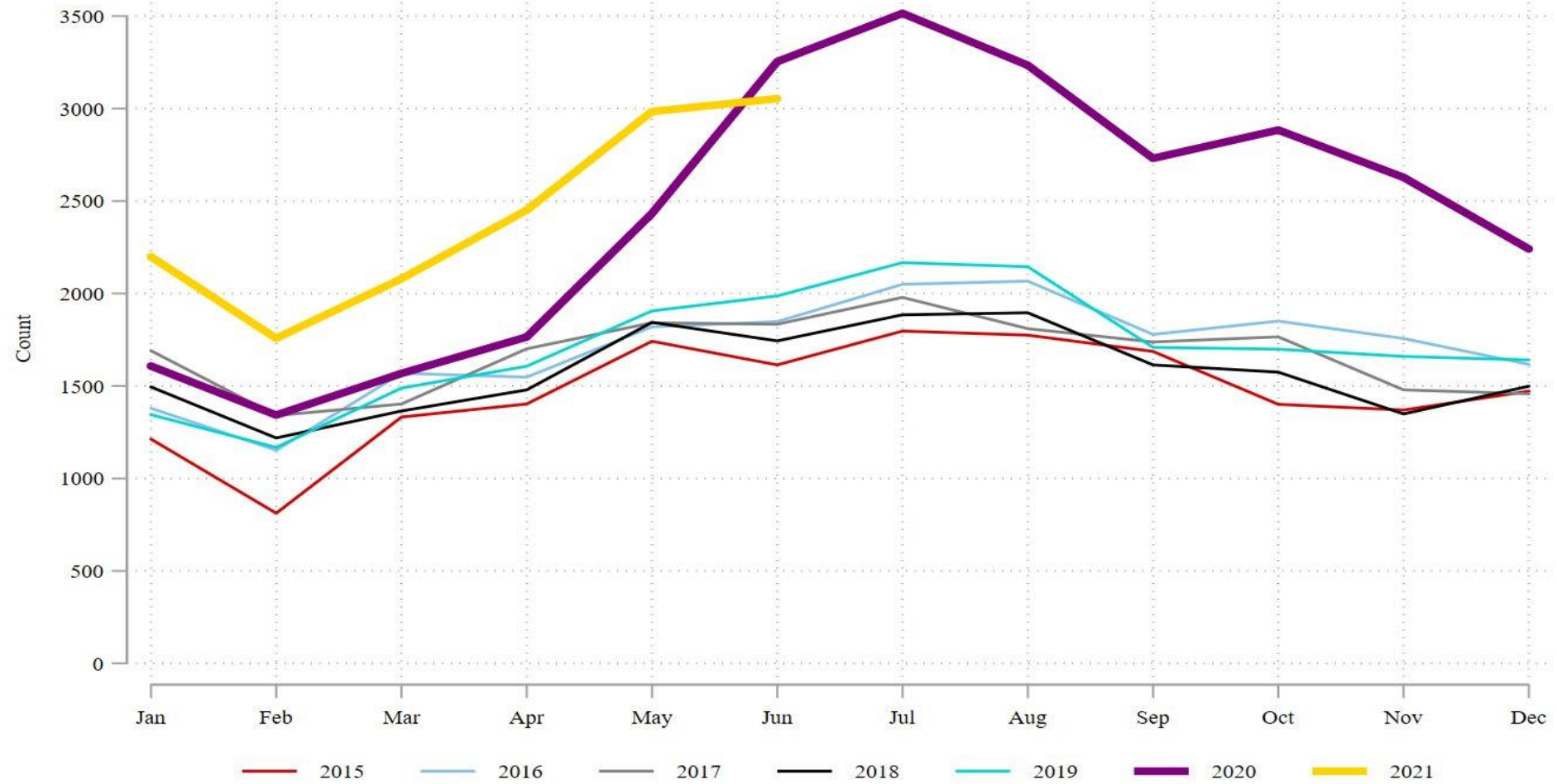


# Average Daily Gun Violence Incidents



## Fatal and Nonfatal Shootings in America's 99 Largest Cities

Monthly, 2015-2021



Source: Sharkey, Patrick. 'AmericanViolence.org': City, Fatal and Nonfatal Shootings. Princeton, NJ: [www.americanviolence.org](http://www.americanviolence.org)

Adapted from Justin Nix: [twitter.com/jnixy/status/1425806160112795649/photo/1](https://twitter.com/jnixy/status/1425806160112795649/photo/1)

A map of the United States with numerous red dots scattered across the landmass, representing the locations of gun deaths in 2021. The dots are most densely packed in the Northeast, Midwest, and West Coast regions. Major cities like Los Angeles, New York, and Washington are labeled. The text 'United States' is also visible in the center of the map.

August 11, 2020 vs. August 11, 2021:

- ↑ Gun deaths (+1,583)
- ↑ Gun injuries (+2,953)
- ↑ Children shot (+97)
- ↑ Teenagers shot (+510)
- ↑ Mass shootings (+60)
- ↓ Defensive use incidents (-52)
- ↑ Unintentional shootings (+53)

# Unresolved issues and future research

- Time of day
- Place within higher-risk communities
- Criminal and illicit markets destabilization (qualitative work)
- Effects of racial and political turmoil
- Police violence, officer assaults, and community violence
- Gang-related shootings/violence and effectiveness of police gang units
- Impact of weapons arrest on gun violence across time
- Impact of access to prosocial/antisocial services and institutions in communities on Gun violence