

NORTH MACEDONIA SMALL ARMS AND LIGHT WEAPONS (SALW) SURVEY

FAST FACTS

2012 - 2016

THE PURPOSE OF SALW SURVEY

IDENTIFICATION OF TRENDS IN THE DISTRIBUTION OF SALW

The type, quantity, possession, distribution, legal/illegal trade, production and movement of SALW



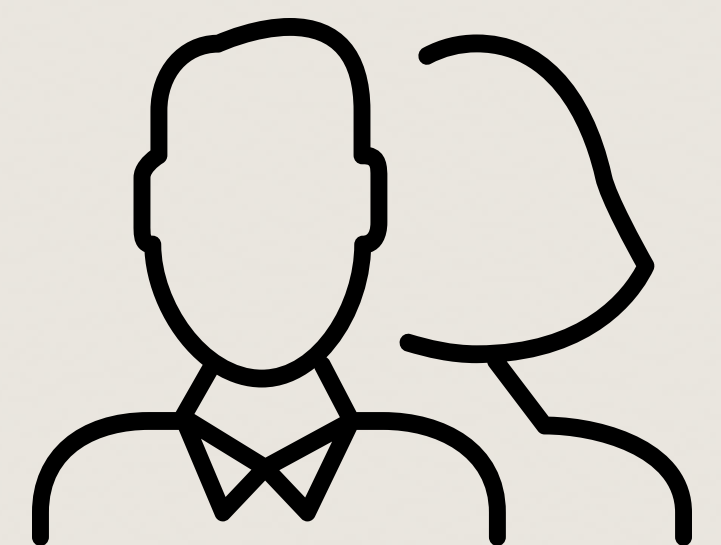
IDENTIFICATION OF IMPACT OF SALW ON CITIZENS

Firearm-related incidents and their characteristics



IDENTIFICATION OF PUBLIC PERCEPTION ON SALW

Public perception regarding firearms use, ownership, violence, and community safety



SALW **POSITIVE** TRENDS 2012-2016

15.9% DECREASE IN CRIMINAL OFFENSES WITH FIREARMS (358 TO 301)

64.2% DECREASE IN MISDEMEANORS INFLICTED WITH FIREARMS (95 TO 34)

62.5% DECREASE IN FIREARM-RELATED HOMICIDES (16 TO 6)



SALW **NEGATIVE** TRENDS 2012-2016

207% INCREASE IN THE NUMBER OF FIREARMS HELD BY SALES SHOPS (3,922 TO 12,041)

16% INCREASE IN TRAFFICKED BULLETS AT AIRPORTS (50 TO 58)

200% INCREASE IN BORDER CROSSING POINTS WHERE FIREARMS TRAFFICKING WAS REPORTED (7 TO 21)

SALW DISTRIBUTION

TRENDS
2012-2016

TOTAL NUMBER OF FIREARMS HELD BY INSTITUTIONS*, CIVILIANS AND PRIVATE ENTITIES

186,091 IN **2016**

13% 



TOTAL NUMBER OF FIREARMS HELD BY CIVILIANS

173,704 OR **93.3%**

8.2% 



TOTAL NUMBER OF FIREARMS HELD BY PRIVATE ENTITIES

12,387 OR **6.6%**

198% 

*DATA ON THE FIREARM HOLDINGS OF STATE AGENCIES WAS CLASSIFIED BY LAW AND THEREFORE UNAVAILABLE.

KEY FACTS

483 CASES OF ILLEGAL POSSESSION OF FIREARMS RECORDED

1,010 CASES OF FIREARM TRAFFICKING RECORDED

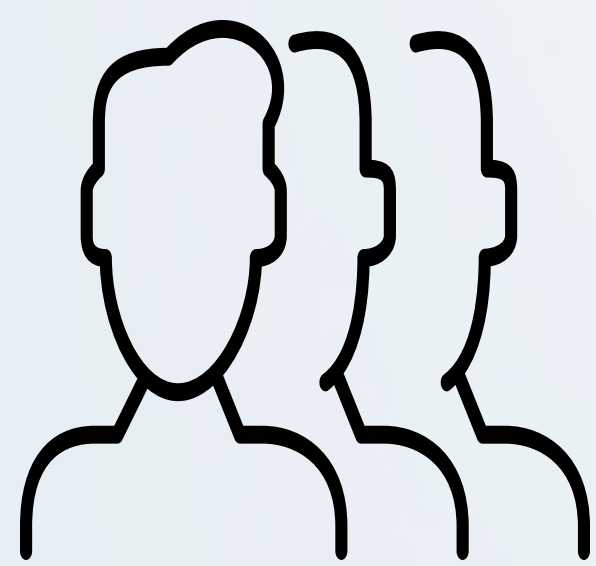
329 FIREARMS CONFISCATED

962 FIREARMS TRAFFICKED RECORDED

2,108 SALW DESTROYED

173 FIREARMS STOLEN FROM CIVILIANS

MYTH VS. FACT



MAJORITY OF FIREARM LICENSES ARE HELD BY MEN



FACT

MEN HELD 99.5% OF ALL FIREARM LICENSES

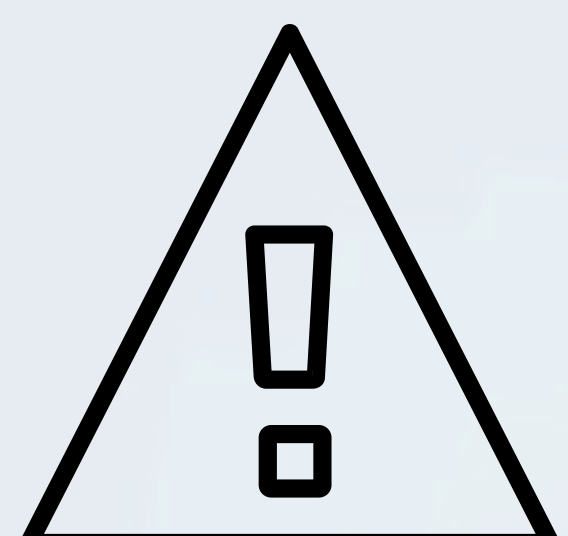


PRIVATE SECURITY COMPANIES HELD THE MAJORITY OF FIREARMS



MYTH

SALES SHOPS HELD THE MAJORITY OF FIREARMS WITH 97.2%



SELF-DEFENCE IS THE MOST CITED REASON FOR HOLDING FIREARMS



MYTH

57.6% OF INDIVIDUALS WHO HELD FIREARMS LICENSES CITED HUNTING AS A REASON

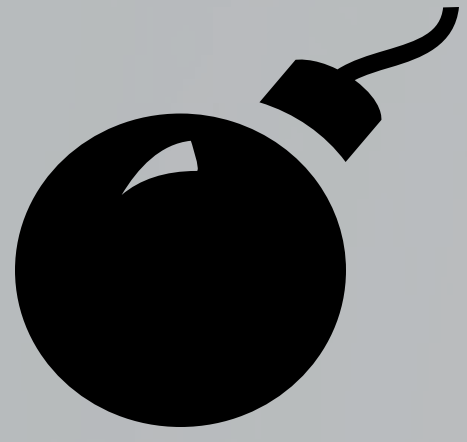
IMPACT OF SALW

TRENDS
2012-2016

REGISTERED CRIMINAL OFFENSES
COMMITTED WITH FIREARMS

1,833


-15.9% 

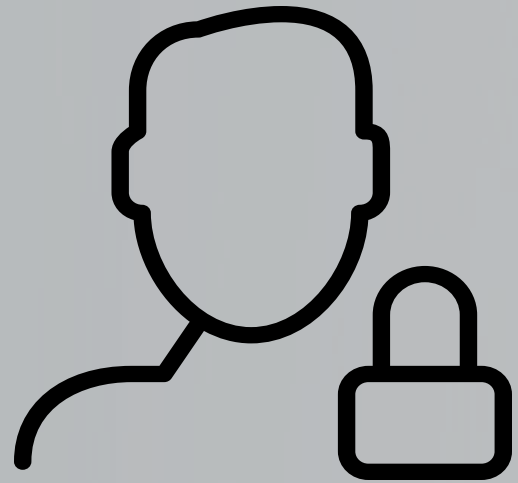


UNLAWFUL MANUFACTURE,
POSSESSION, CARRYING, AND SALE
OF FIREARMS AND EXPLOSIVES

972 OR

53%


-5.6% 



ROBBERY

416 OR

22.7%

-9.5% 



CAUSING OF GENERAL DANGER

147 OR

8%

-25% 

KEY FACTS

253 MISDEMEANORS INFLICTED WITH
FIREARMS RECORDED

4 ACCIDENTAL DEATHS BY FIREARMS
WERE RECORDED

75 VICTIMS OF FIREARM-RELATED
HOMICIDES

23 CASES OF DOMESTIC VIOLENCE CASES
RECORDED

47 PERSONS WERE INJURED BY FIREARMS

61 CASES OF MURDERS RECORDED

MYTH VS. FACT



FIREARM RELATED HOMICIDES
ARE USUALLY COMMITTED BY MEN



FACT

100% OF FIREARM-RELATED
HOMICIDES WERE COMMITTED BY MEN



HOMICIDES COMMITTED WITH
FIREARMS ARE MOSTLY COMMITTED
AT HOME, IN APARTMENTS OR YARDS



FACT

40.5 % OF FIREARM-RELATED
HOMICIDES WERE COMMITTED
AT HOME, IN APARTMENTS OR YARDS



FIREARMS ARE THE MOST FREQUENTLY
USED IN SUICIDE CASES



MYTH

ONLY 13.8% OF ALL SUICIDES
WERE COMMITTED WITH FIREARMS

ONLINE PUBLIC SURVEY ON PERCEPTIONS ON THE USE, OWNERSHIP AND DANGERS OF FIREARMS



50% WOMEN

13,106

RESPONDENTS ACCESSED THE ONLINE PERCEPTION SURVEY

50% MEN



77% URBAN

45% SECONDARY EDUCATION



17% RURAL

67% OF THE RESPONDENTS REPORTED THEY HAD NEVER HAD AN EXPERIENCE WITH A GUN

85% OF SURVEYED WOMEN STATED THAT THEY WOULD NOT OWN A GUN

37% OF SURVEYED MEN HAD SOME FORM OF DIRECT PERSONAL EXPERIENCE WITH A GUN

42% OF SURVEYED MEN WHO WOULD OWN A GUN WERE AGED 16- 34 AND OVER 65

76% OF THE RESPONDENTS STATED THAT THEY WOULD NOT OWN A GUN

20% OF SURVEYED WOMEN CONSIDERED IT IS UNSAFE TO HAVE A GUN

KEY FACTS

51% OF SURVEYED WOMEN WOULD OWN A GUN FOR "PROTECTION/SAFETY" REASONS

58% OF THE RESPONDENTS SAID THAT HAVING A GUN AT HOME MADE THEM FEEL LESS SAFE

60% OF SURVEYED MEN THAT WOULD FEEL SAFER WITH A GUN AT HOME WERE AGED 16-24

46% OF THE RESPONDENTS STATED THAT THEY WOULD OWN A GUN FOR "PROTECTION /SAFETY" REASONS

74% OF SURVEYED WOMEN THAT WOULD FEEL LESS SAFE WITH A GUN AT HOME WERE AGED 45-54

22% OF RESPONDENTS REPORTED HUNTING/SPORT AS A REASON TO OWN A GUN

COMMUNITY SAFETY

95%

OF ALL RESPONDENTS ACKNOWLEDGED AWARENESS OF THE PENALTIES FOR ILLEGAL FIREARMS POSSESSION

27%

RESPONDENTS BELIEVED "MORE POLICE OR AUTHORITIES PRESENT" WOULD MAKE COMMUNITIES SAFER

31%

OF RESPONDENTS CITED VIDEOS SHOWING GUNS AS THE MAIN FACTOR THAT PROMOTE GUN USE

5%

OF RESPONDENTS STATED "MORE PEOPLE OWNING GUNS TO PROTECT THEMSELVES" WOULD MAKE COMMUNITIES SAFER

GENDER, AGE AND SALW

80% OF WOMEN KILLED BY AN INTIMATE PARTNER WERE KILLED WITH FIREARMS

44.6% OF PERPETRATORS OF FIREARM-RELATED HOMICIDES WERE MEN AGED 36-60

97.7% OF ALL FIREARM-RELATED CRIMINAL OFFENSES WERE COMMITTED BY MEN

40.4% OF ALL INJURED VICTIMS WERE MEN AGED 36-60

64.8% OF PEOPLE KILLED WITH FIREARMS WERE MEN

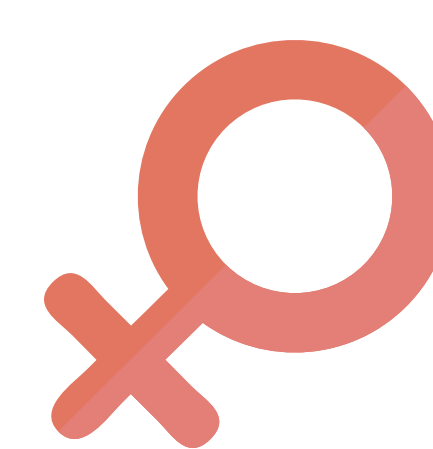
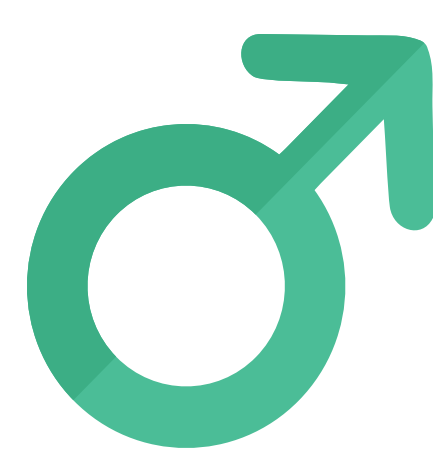
66.7% OF WOMEN WERE KILLED IN THEIR PRIVATE SPACES

44.4% OF VICTIMS OF FAMILY-RELATED HOMICIDES COMMITTED WITH FIREARMS WERE MEN

60% OF WOMEN WERE KILLED WITH FIREARMS BY A FAMILY MEMBER

SALW AND DOMESTIC VIOLENCE

50% OF HOMICIDES COMMITTED BY A FAMILY MEMBER WERE COMMITTED WITH FIREARMS



**FAMILY-RELATED HOMICIDES
OUT OF TOTAL HOMICIDES**

30.7%

37.5%

**INTIMATE PARTNER HOMICIDE IN
TOTAL HOMICIDE**

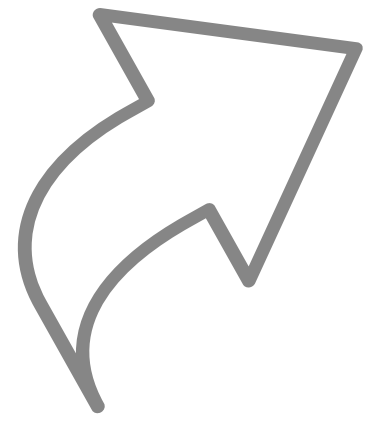
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25%

**FIREARM-RELATED HOMICIDES,
BY LOCATION SUCH AS HOME,
APARTMENT AND YARD**

32.1%

66.7%



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- TECHNICAL SUPPORT
- METHODOLOGY AND DATA COLLECTION PROCESS
- QUALITY ASSURANCE
- ANALYSES OF DATA ON DISTRIBUTION AND IMPACT

REGIONAL WORKING GROUP

- DEVELOPING AND AGREEING ON A METHODOLOGY FOR A REGIONAL SALW SURVEY
- DISCUSSING, REVIEWING AND ADOPTING THE METHODOLOGY INSTRUMENTS



SALW COMMISSION

- COORDINATING DATA COLLECTION PROCESS
- COLLECTION AND QUALITY CONTROL OF DATA ON DISTRIBUTION AND IMPACT

SALW SURVEY METHODOLOGY



ONLINE RANDOM DOMAIN INTERCEPT TECHNOLOGY

- DATA ON PUBLIC PERCEPTIONS REGARDING THE USE, POSSESSION AND DANGERS OF FIREARMS



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