

LINKING DATA TO SAVE LIVES

How CDC's **NATIONAL VIOLENT DEATH REPORTING SYSTEM** data can help prevent violent deaths.

Violence is a major **PUBLIC HEALTH PROBLEM**.

In the US,
**SEVEN
PEOPLE
PER HOUR**
die a
violent
death

In 2019, more than
19,100 PEOPLE
DIED BY
HOMICIDE

In 2019, more than
47,500 PEOPLE
DIED BY
SUICIDE

These deaths cost the
economy nearly
\$104 BILLION
IN MEDICAL CARE AND
LOST WORK ALONE.

The TRUE TOLL of violent deaths

the burden on the criminal justice system, erosion of entire communities, and the long-term physical, psychological, and emotional consequences on victims and their families

is immeasurable.

Preventing Violent Deaths Starts with KNOWING THE FACTS

The National Violent Death Reporting System (NVDRS) is the only state-based reporting system that links information from multiple sources in a usable, anonymous database.

NVDRS brings together data on the
WHO, WHEN, WHERE, and HOW
of violent deaths to help us better
understand **WHY** they occurred.

NVDRS Collects Detailed Information from...



Law Enforcement
Reports



Death Certificates



Coroner/Medical
Examiner Reports
(Including Toxicology Reports)

Data are collected in all 50
states, Puerto Rico, and the
District of Columbia.

What KIND of Data Does NVDRS Collect?

NVDRS covers all types of violent deaths,
in all settings, for all age groups. Over 600
data elements are captured, including:



Location of injury



Characteristics of victim



Relationship of victim to suspect



Weapons used



Toxicology reports



Alcohol or substance abuse



Mental health problems and treatment



Intimate partner violence



Physical health problems



Relationship problems



Problems with job or finances

How Can NVDRS Data be Used to Prevent Violent Deaths?



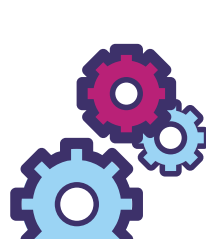
INFORM DECISION MAKERS

about the magnitude, trends, and characteristics
of violent deaths



EDUCATE COMMUNITIES

about circumstances that contribute to violence



HELP DECISION MAKERS AND PROGRAM PLANNERS

develop and enhance comprehensive violence
prevention efforts to maximize benefits.

For more information, including how to access the NVDRS database, visit

<https://www.cdc.gov/violenceprevention/datasources/nvdrs/index.html>

