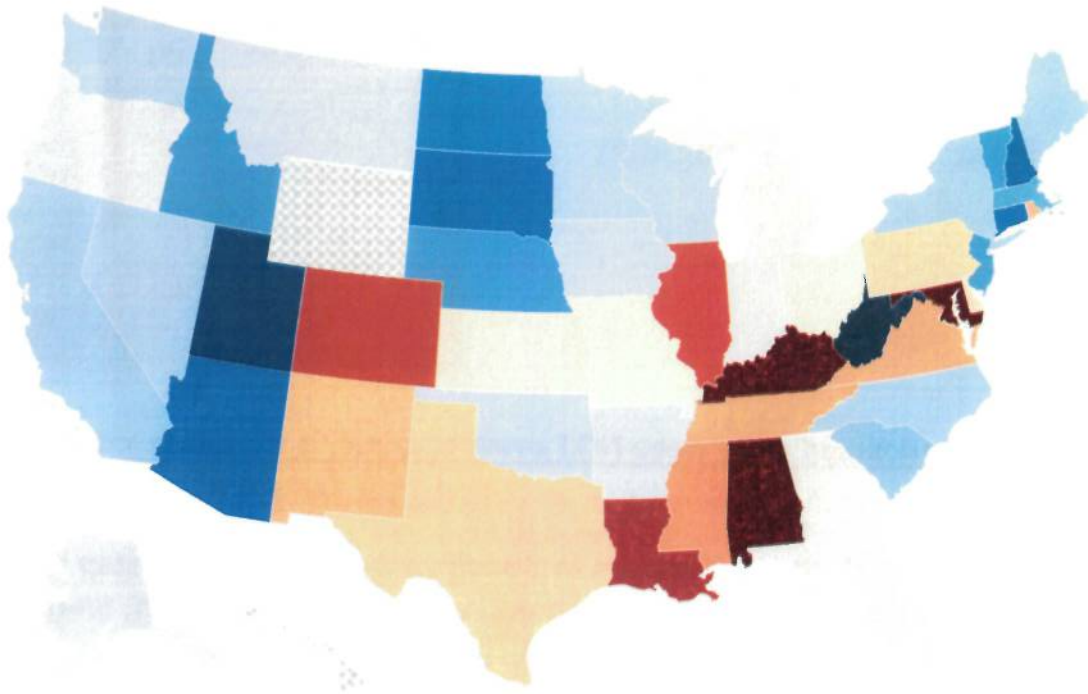
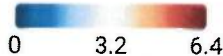


Shootings in Colorado

- As of 2019, gun injuries are the leading cause of death in children birth to age 19 (CDC, 2019).
- The US is 57x more likely than other industrialized nations to experience a school shooting (Rapa et al., 2024).
- Shootings in sensitive locations, such as schools, have risen to their highest-ever levels (Rapa et al., 2024) in tandem with loosening gun restrictions nationwide (Douchette et al., 2023).
- Colorado is **one of only six states** that allow guns on university campuses (CO, TX, UT, ID, KS, GA). The remaining 44 US states have more restrictive policies for firearms on university campuses

School Shootings: Victims Per Million, 2018-2023

From 2018 to 2023, 1,073 people were wounded or killed in school shooting incidents. That's about 3.2 victims per 1 million people.



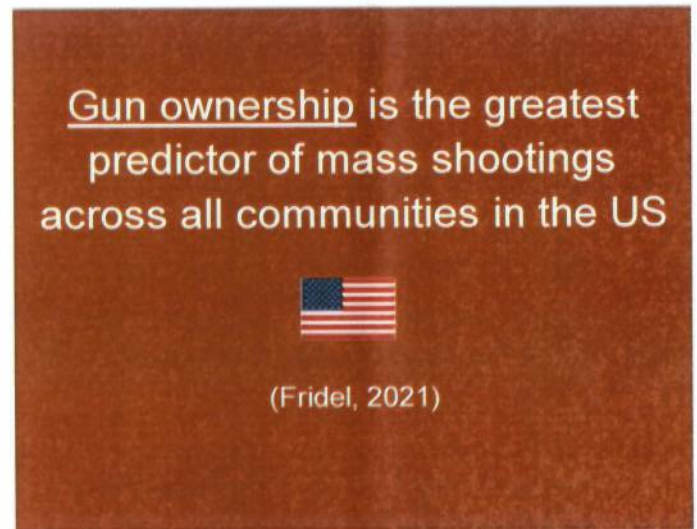
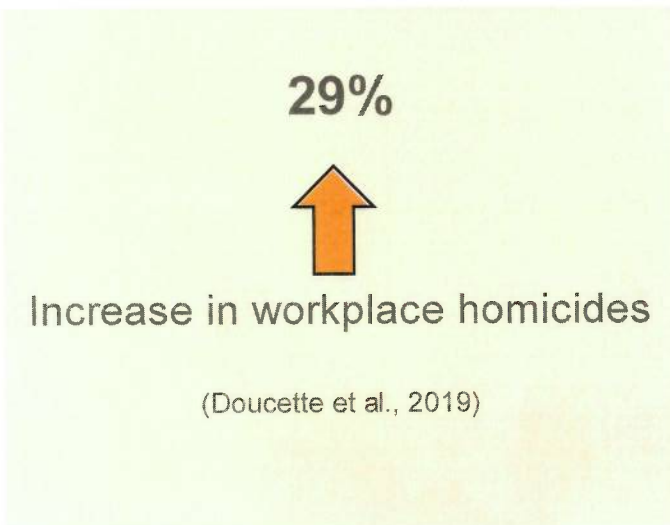
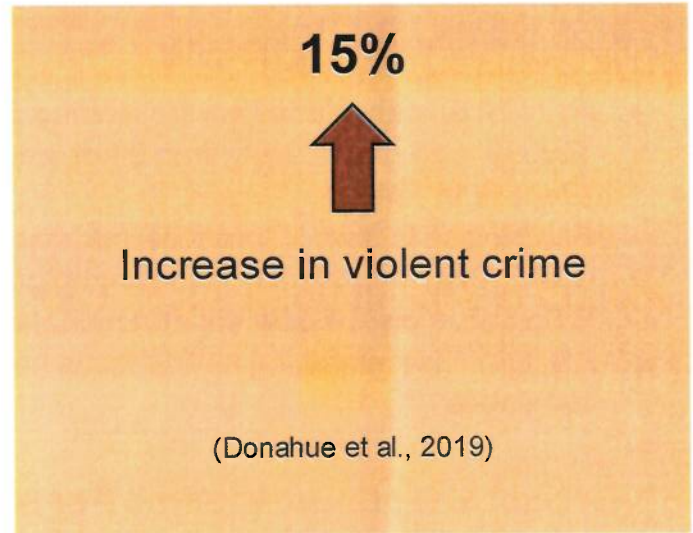
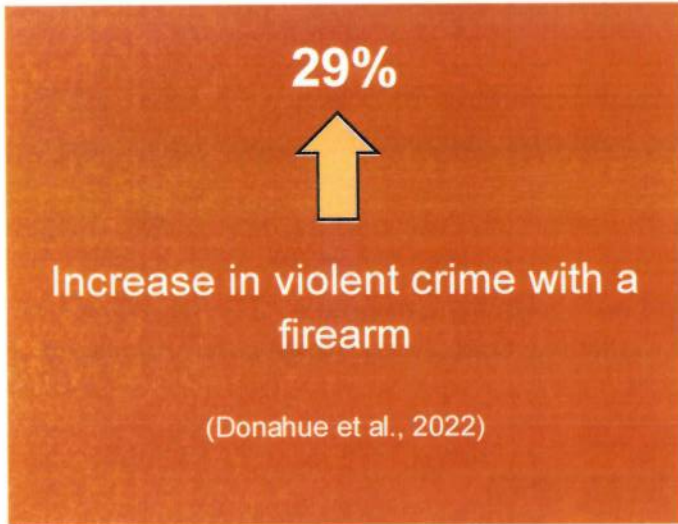
Source: [David Riedman, K-12 School Shooting Database](#), [U.S. Census Population Estimates](#) • Victim totals include those wounded or killed, but not victims of suicide. No incidents were listed for Wyoming or Hawaii from 2018-2023. Rates were calculated using state population figures.



Colorado Gun Policies

Colorado has “shall issue” concealed carry laws, which require states to issue permits to carry firearms if requisite criteria are met (USCCA, 2023). The state of Colorado has no discretion over whether to give an applicant a permit or not.

Colorado's dangerous concealed carry policies are associated with double digit increases in homicides and violent crime.



Concealed carry does NOT prevent crime, it increases crime.

SB 24-131 “Prohibiting Carrying Firearms in Sensitive Spaces” is ONE step in the right direction to manage risks involved with firearms, especially for children, teens, and young adults.

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