Gun Violence and Homicide in Cleveland, OH 2021

Homicide Mechanism
- 91.0% Firearm
- 2.5% Cut / Struck
- 2.5% Suffocation
- 5.0% Other

Gun Shot Wounds and Gender
- 15.9% Female
- 84.1% Male

Gun Shot Wounds and Age
- 8.65% GSWs among Cleveland residents under 18 years old
- 44.98% GSWs among Cleveland residents between 18-29 years
- 46.37% GSWs among Cleveland residents 30 years and older

Summary
- Among Cleveland residents, black male residents between the ages of 18-24 years old were most likely to be victims of gun shot wounds.
- There was a 66% increase in GSW-related hospital visits between 2019 and 2020.
- The homicide incidence in Cleveland City in 2019 was 3.7x the national average.

Statistics
- 600 Hospital Visits for Gunshot Wounds (GSW)
- 177 Homicides
- 86% % of Homicides that involve a firearm
- 52% % of Suicides that involve a firearm

Racial Inequities
- 256.5 Non-Hispanic Black
- 38.5 Non-Hispanic White
- 99.5 Hispanic
- 157.6 Overall

*Black to White GSW Inequity Ratio

Homicide Rate by Area
- 44.1 Cleveland City
- 19.5 Cuyahoga County
- 6.6 Ohio (2019)
- 11.9 USA (2019)

*There is a higher incidence of violence in urban areas compared to suburban or rural. Cleveland city homicide incidence would be best compared to other urban areas with similar population size and demographics.

Gun Shot Wound Incidence (GSW) Rate per 100,000 Residents by Race/Ethnicity
- Non-Hispanic White 38.5
- Non-Hispanic Black 256.5
- Hispanic 99.5
- Overall 157.6

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Data is from the Health Monitoring EpiCenter and Cuyahoga County Comprehensive Death Data.

*All incidence rates are per 100,000 population and based on ACS 2019 Census population size.