

Missouri Gun Violence

**and what you can do about it*

Gun Deaths 2015

- **Kansas City = 109/81 (2014)**
- **St. Louis = 188/159 (2014)**
(179 with firearm – 5 victims under 16 yrs old)
- **Missouri #1 in toddler shootings**

Each of Missouri's five toddler shooting cases involves the child shooting himself or herself, sometimes fatally. Here's the breakdown:

- In February, a 3-year-old boy in Florissant found a handgun and accidentally shot himself, according to the *St. Louis Post-Dispatch*.
- In July, a 3-year-old in Kansas City died from a self-inflicted gunshot wound, via [KMBC](#).
- Later that month, a 3-year-old shot himself in the arm in Columbia, according to [KOMU](#).
- Also in July, prosecutors filed felony charges against a St. Louis man after his 3-year-old nephew shot himself in the face while alone in a room with four loaded guns, according to the *Post-Dispatch*.
- And in August, a 21-month-old toddler found a handgun and shot himself in Hanley Hills northwest of St. Louis, via [NBC News](#).

MO CHILD GUN DEATHS - 2015

<i>date</i>	<i>first</i>	<i>last</i>	<i>age</i>	<i>gender</i>	<i>killed</i>	<i>perpetrator</i>	<i>relationship</i>	<i>city</i>
12.21.15	Xzavier "Zae"	Robinson	3	M	x	male - 15	friends	STL City
9.29.15	Alexis	Church	6	F	x	female - 50	family - suicide	Eureka
9.8.15	Bianca	Fletcher	17	F	x	male - 22	sign.other -	Kansas City
	Shannon	Rollins	18	M	x			
	Joseph	Fletcher	1	M	x			
9.5.15	Jesse	Hall	5	M	x	female - 23	family - arrest	Kansas City
8.25.15	Carter	Epps	21 mon	M	x	shot self		St. Louis
8.18.15	Jamyla	Bolden	9	F	x	male - 21	?	Ferguson
7.15.15			3	F	x	shot self		Kansas City
5.31.15	Amorian	Hale	3	M	x	male - 22	driveby	Kansas City
3.16.15	Brodie	Williams	4	M	x	male - 51	family	Springfield
	Marley	Williams	2	F	x			
3.11.15	Marcus	Johnson jr	6	M	x	driveby		St. Louis
			15	M	injured			
1.19.15	Corbin	Wiederholt	0	M	x	male - 5	accidental	Elmo



**Prevents Gun Violence
Data/Research**

What We Know:

2003 – Concealed Weapon Law

2007 – Repealed Gun Permits/Background Checks for gun buyers

2015 – Lowered CCW to age 19

2015 – More National Mass Shootings than Days of Year

Daniel Webster – Johns Hopkins Center for Gun Policy & Research

- **Gun Homicides Rose 18%**
- National Rate Declined 11%
- Before Repeal, MO 13.8% higher than natl
- **After, 2008-2014, 47% higher**

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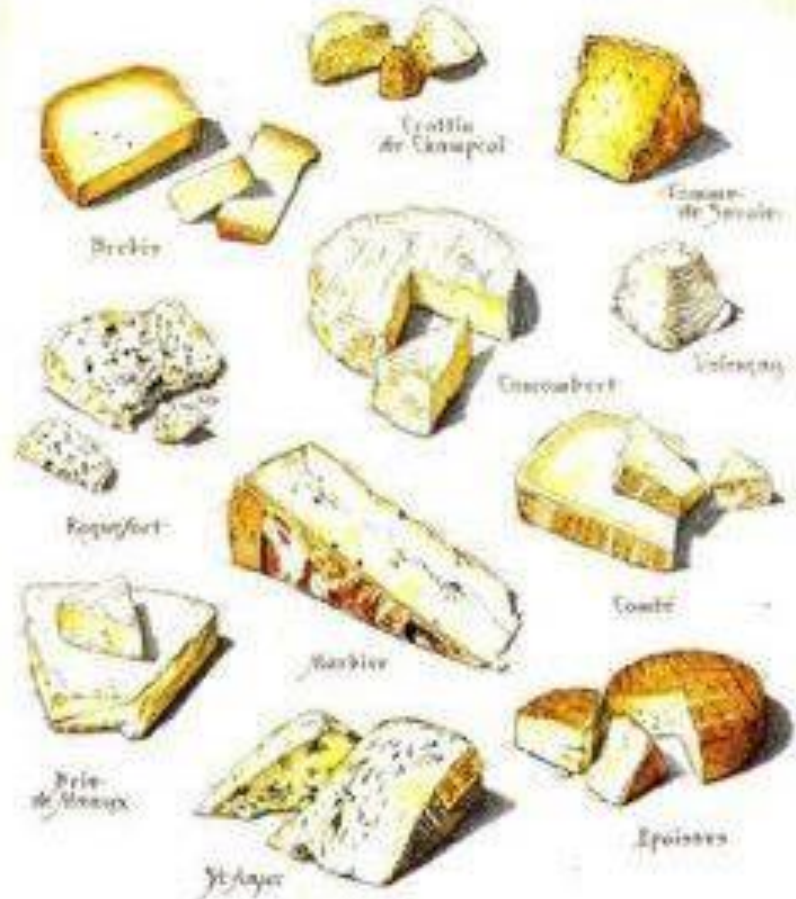
- * **NO child access prevention law**
- * **NO open carry restrictions**
- * **Local Gun restrictions - MO 21.750**
sale, purchase, transfer, ownership, use, permit, taxation, licensing, open carry, surrender programs

LEGAL



AUTOMATIC WEAPONS

ILLEGAL



FRENCH CHEESES

Newman 2016 Gun Legislation

- HB1596 - Universal Background Checks - All Sales
- HB1595 - Restrict Felons & Abusers from possession
- HB1595 - Gun Violence Restraining Orders
- HB1597 - School Security
- Child Access Prevention

HB1397 - Gun Purchases Mirroring MO Abortion Restrictions

GETTING AN ABORTION IN MISSOURI

- Mandatory 72-hour waiting period
- State-directed counseling that includes information designed to discourage her from having an abortion.
- Parental consent for a minor

STACEY NEWMAN'S PROPOSED BILL FOR BUYING A GUN

- Mandatory 72-hour waiting period
- Purchase your gun at least 120 miles from your home — the average distance a woman in Missouri must travel to reach the only abortion clinic in the state.
- Doctor's written permission

Gail Collins – New York Times




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 Follow

A proposed Missouri bill would treat gun buyers the same way it treats abortion seekers: nyti.ms/1Qxtwrn



“For instance, there would be a 72-hour waiting period.”

REP. STACEY NEWMAN (D-MO)
Sponsor of HB 1397



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3. Testify

ASK every candidate running
THEIR plans to
stop gun violence.

Publicize their response.

Rep. Newman Huffington Post – Jan 10, 2016

What You Can Do About Gun Violence -- President Obama Spells It Out



Each of us must proactively ask every single candidate who wants our vote where they stand on gun violence prevention. We cannot wait for candidates, regardless of party, to volunteer their stance when, at least in my home state of Missouri, many are silent. It must be our civic responsibility to demand answers from prospective elected officials on how they will advocate to save lives.



Stacey Newman

Missouri State Representative

STOP

Waiting for Someone Else
to Care about Kids Lives