General Findings From the Participating Communities

This section presents general findings based on experience in all 17 participating communities. These 17 communities may not comprise a valid sample for purposes of national analysis. However, this is the largest collection of community-based information yet available on recovered crime guns.

List of Participating Communities

The communities participating in this initiative, and on which the findings are based, are:

- Atlanta, Georgia
- Baltimore, Maryland
- Birmingham, Alabama
- Boston, Massachusetts
- Bridgeport, Connecticut
- Cleveland, Ohio
- Inglewood, California
- Jersey City, New Jersey
- Memphis, Tennessee
- Milwaukee, Wisconsin
- New York, New York
- Richmond, Virginia
- St. Louis, Missouri
- Salinas, California
- San Antonio, Texas
- Seattle, Washington
- Washington, DC

This section is divided into two parts: (1) comprehensive community-based crime gun tracing and (2) local illegal firearms markets. These findings are intended to give enforcement officials in each community a wider perspective on its use of crime gun tracing and on its violent firearms crime and trafficking problems, particularly as they involve juveniles and youth.