

Kansas

Data Source: Firearms Tracing System

January 1, 2017 – December 31, 2017

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- Firearm traces are designed to assist law enforcement authorities in conducting investigations by tracking the sale and possession of specific firearms. Law enforcement agencies may request firearms traces for any reason, and those reasons are not necessarily reported to the Federal Government. Not all firearms used in crime are traced and not all firearms traced are used in crime.
- Firearms selected for tracing are not chosen for purposes of determining which types, makes or models of firearms are used for illicit purposes. The firearms selected do not constitute a random sample and should not be considered representative of the larger universe of all firearms used by criminals, or any subset of that universe. Firearms are normally traced to the first retail seller, and sources reported for firearms traced do not necessarily represent the sources or methods by which firearms in general are acquired for use in crime.

Total Number of Firearms Recovered and Traced in Kansas in Calendar Year 2017



2,949

Firearm Types with a Kansas Recovery

January 1, 2017 – December 31, 2017

Pistols	Rifles	Revolvers	Shotguns	Derringers	Machineguns	Other
1,919	395	319	271	22	10	13

* Other includes Silencers, Combinations and an Unknown Type.

Top Calibers Reported on Firearm Traces with a Kansas Recovery



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9mm	.22 Cal	.40 Cal	.45 Cal	.380 Cal	12GA	.38 Cal	7.62mm	.357 Cal	.25 Cal
832	384	360	277	220	198	116	78	75	51

NOTE: There were 314 additional traces that were associated with other calibers. There were 44 traces with an unknown caliber.

Top Categories Reported on Firearm Traces with a Kansas Recovery

January 1, 2017 – December 31, 2017

Possession of Weapon	Firearm Under Investigation	Dangerous Drugs	Aggravated Assault	Found Firearm	Weapon Offense	Property Crimes	Suicide	Homicide	Burglary	Firing Weapon
787	613	253	232	200	144	90	79	77	76	61

NOTE: There were 337 additional traces that were associated with other categories.

Top 15 Source States for Firearms with a Kansas Recovery

January 1, 2017 – December 31, 2017

Kansas	Missouri	Texas	Oklahoma	Colorado
1,523	291	57	49	35
Florida	Mississippi	California	Arizona	Arkansas
29	22	21	18	17
Georgia	Alabama	Nebraska	Iowa	Ohio
17	16	14	11	11
Pennsylvania				
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NOTE: An additional 31 states accounted for 130 other traces.
The source state was identified in 2,272 total traces.



Time-To-Crime Rates for Firearms with a Kansas Recovery

January 1, 2017 – December 31, 2017

Under 3 Months	3 Months to Under 7 Months	7 Months to Under 1 Year	1 Year to Under 2 years	2 Years to Under 3 Years	3 Years and Over
160	155	144	309	218	1,261

1/1/2017-12/31/2017 Kansas Average Time-to-Crime: **8.13 Years**

1/1/2017-12/31/2017 National Average Time-to-Crime: **9.30 Years**

Age of Possessors for Firearms with a Kansas Recovery

January 1, 2017 – December 31, 2017

17 & Under	18 to 21	22 to 24	25 to 30	31 to 40	41 to 50	Over 50
81	187	131	324	372	154	286

1/1/2017-12/31/2017 Kansas Average Age of Possessor: **35 Years**

1/1/2017-12/31/2017 National Average Age of Possessor: **35 Years**

Top Recovery Cities for Firearms with a Kansas Recovery

January 1, 2017 – December 31, 2017

Wichita	Kansas City	Topeka	Junction City	Lawrence	Manhattan	Lenexa	Great Bend	Overland Park	Walker	Olathe
1,049	538	520	98	66	55	54	50	42	35	33

NOTE: There were 103 additional municipalities that accounted for 405 other traces. The recovery city could not be determined for four traces.

Analytical Criteria Used to Compile the Enclosed Statistics

Total Number of Firearms Recovered and Traced

- Includes traces with a recovery state of Kansas. Traces in which the recovery state was not provided were included when the requesting agency state was equal to Kansas.
- Includes Firearms Recovered and Traced between 1/1/2017 – 12/31/2017, or, if the recovery date was blank, the trace entry date was between 1/1/2017 – 12/31/2017.
- Duplicate traces, Firearms Not Recovered, Gun Buyback and Firearms Turned In are not included in this figure.
- Data was extracted from the Firearms Tracing System (FTS) on April 11, 2018.
- All traces may not have been submitted or completed at the time of this study.

Firearm Types and Calibers with a Kansas Recovery

- Includes same criteria as Total Number of Firearms Recovered and Traced.

Top Categories Reported on Firearm Traces with a Kansas Recovery

- Includes same criteria as Total Number of Firearms Recovered and Traced. Beginning in CY 2010, attempted homicide, attempted suicide and negligent vehicular manslaughter are reported in separate categories.

Analytical Criteria Used to Compile the Enclosed Statistics (continued)

Top Source States for Firearms with a Kansas Recovery

- Includes same criteria as Total Number of Firearms Recovered and Traced.
- Traces must identify a purchaser and the state in which the final dealer is located.

Time-to-Crime Rates for Firearms with a Kansas Recovery

- Includes same criteria as Total Number of Firearms Recovered and Traced.
- Traces must identify a purchaser.
- Time-to-Crime was calculated for those traces in which the purchase date could be subtracted from the recovery date.

Age of Possessors for Firearms with a Kansas Recovery

- Includes same criteria as Total Number of Firearms Recovered and Traced.
- Includes traces that provide a possessor and the possessor's date of birth.
- Possessor's age is calculated by subtracting the possessor's date of birth from the recovery date.

Top Recovery Cities for Firearms with a Kansas Recovery

- Includes same criteria as Total Number of Firearms Recovered and Traced.
- Includes traces with a recovery city, or, if the recovery city was not provided, the requesting agency had jurisdiction only within that city.