

# DIARY OF AN FFL THEFT/LOSS

Each year, thousands of firearms are reported lost or stolen. Here is what happens during a Federal Firearms Licensee (FFL) theft/loss.



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FFL discovers the theft or loss of any firearms from its inventory.

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FFLs are required by law to report to ATF the theft or loss of firearms inventory within 48 hours of discovery.

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ATF works with local police to determine the number of firearms stolen and follow the investigative leads.

National Tracing Center is able to develop investigative leads when any of these firearms are recovered and traced by law enforcement.

## 2015 FFL Thefts and Losses

- A total of 14,800 firearms were reported lost or stolen nationwide last year from FFLs.
- 8,637 were reported as lost.
- 6,163 firearms were reported stolen.

To see the entire FFL theft loss report, visit [www.atf.gov](http://www.atf.gov).



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