

Vermont

Data Source: Firearms Tracing System

January 1, 2017 – December 31, 2017

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ATF Firearms Trace Data Disclaimer

- 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 Vermont in Calendar Year 2017



155

Firearm Types with a Vermont Recovery

January 1, 2017 – December 31, 2017

Pistols	Rifles	Shotguns	Revolvers
65	44	31	15

Top Calibers Reported on Firearm Traces with a Vermont Recovery



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.22 Cal	9mm	12GA	.40 Cal	20GA	.357 Cal	.380 Cal	.38 Cal	.45 Cal	5.56mm
27	25	18	10	8	7	7	5	5	5

NOTE: There were 37 additional traces that were associated with other calibers. There was one trace with an unknown caliber.

Top Categories Reported on Firearm Traces with a Vermont Recovery

January 1, 2017 – December 31, 2017

Possession of Weapon	Dangerous Drugs	Found Firearm	Homicide	Firearm Under Investigation	Property Crimes	Family Offense	Weapon Offense	Robbery	Suicide
64	33	10	10	8	8	6	4	3	2

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

Top 15 Source States for Firearms with a Vermont Recovery

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Vermont	New Hampshire	Florida	Colorado	Connecticut
64	16	4	2	2
Virginia	Arkansas	Delaware	Georgia	Louisiana
2	1	1	1	1
Maryland	Massachusetts	New Jersey	New York	Ohio
1	1	1	1	1
Pennsylvania	Texas	Utah		
1	1	1		

NOTE: The source state was identified in 102 total traces.



Time-To-Crime Rates for Firearms with a Vermont 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
7	10	6	8	7	61

1/1/2017-12/31/2017 Vermont Average Time-to-Crime: **11.23 Years**

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

Age of Possessors for Firearms with a Vermont 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
1	14	17	13	22	20	13

1/1/2017-12/31/2017 Vermont 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 Vermont Recovery

January 1, 2017 – December 31, 2017

Burlington	Poultney	Barre	Milton	Northfield	Williamstown	East Randolph	Montpelier	Newport	Randolph	Graniteville
18	12	8	7	7	7	6	6	6	6	5

NOTE: There were 38 additional municipalities that accounted for 67 other traces.

Analytical Criteria Used to Compile the Enclosed Statistics

Total Number of Firearms Recovered and Traced

- Includes traces with a recovery state of Vermont. Traces in which the recovery state was not provided were included when the requesting agency state was equal to Vermont.
- 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 Vermont Recovery

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

Top Categories Reported on Firearm Traces with a Vermont 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 Vermont 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 Vermont 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 Vermont 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 Vermont 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.