



Kansas

Data Source: Firearms Tracing System

January 1, 2018 – December 31, 2018

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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 2018





Firearm Types with a Kansas Recovery

January 1, 2018 – December 31, 2018

Pistols	Rifles	Revolvers	Shotguns	Derringers	Receivers/Frames	Machineguns	Other		
2,348	434	344	230	15	11	8	6		

* Other includes Silencers, Unknown Types and a Combination.



Top Calibers Reported on Firearm Traceswith a Kansas RecoveryJanuary 1, 2018 – December 31, 2018

	9mm	.40 Cal	.22 Cal	.45 Cal	.380 Cal	12GA	.38 Cal	7.62mm	.357 Cal	5.56mm
	1,083	420	397	293	284	175	138	76	68	61
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NOTE: There were 361 additional traces that were associated with other calibers. There were 40 traces with an unknown caliber.



Top Categories Reported on Firearm Traces with a Kansas Recovery

January 1, 2018 – December 31, 2018

Possession of Weapon	Firearm Under Investigation	Dangerous Drugs	Aggravated Assault	Found Firearm	Weapon Offense	Property Crimes	Firing Weapon	Burglary	Suicide	Homicide
796	573	460	356	195	129	107	104	100	95	93

NOTE: There were 388 additional traces that were associated with other categories.



Top 15 Source States for Firearms with a Kansas Recovery

January 1, 2018 – December 31, 2018

Kansas	Missouri	Oklahoma	Texas	Colorado
1,875	321	121	88	28
Arkansas	Florida	California	Arizona	Georgia
25	22	21	18	17
Nebraska	Tennessee	Illinois	Alabama	Indiana
16	16	15	14	12

NOTE: An additional 27 states and Puerto Rico accounted for 135 other traces. The source state was identified in 2,744 total traces.





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

January 1, 2018 – December 31, 2018

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
167	165	176	403	296	1,520

1/1/2018-12/31/2018 Kansas Average Time-to-Crime: **7.41 Years** 1/1/2018-12/31/2018 National Average Time-to-Crime: **8.80 Years**



Age of Possessors for Firearms with a Kansas Recovery

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167 417 272 473 668 310 276	17 & Under	18 to 21	22 to 24	25 to 30	31 to 40	41 to 50	Over 50
	167	417	272	473	668	310	276

1/1/2018-12/31/2018 Kansas Average Age of Possessor: **33 Years** 1/1/2018-12/31/2018 National Average Age of Possessor: **35 Years**



Top Recovery Cities for Firearms with a Kansas Recovery

January 1, 2018 – December 31, 2018

Wichita	Kansas City	Topeka	Manhattan	Lenexa	Lawrence	Garden City	Arkansas City	Junction City	Great Bend	Dodge City
1,371	683	466	87	86	69	54	42	42	40	33

NOTE: There were 103 additional municipalities that accounted for 416 other traces. The recovery city could not be determined for seven 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 1/1/2018 12/31/2018, or, if the recovery date was blank, the trace entry date was between 1/1/2018 12/31/2018.
- 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, 2019.
- 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.