

Nebraska

Data Source: Firearms Tracing System

January 1, 2018 – December 31, 2018

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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 Nebraska in Calendar Year 2018



1,990

Firearm Types with a Nebraska Recovery

January 1, 2018 – December 31, 2018

Pistols	Rifles	Shotguns	Revolvers	Receivers/ Frames	Machineguns	Derringers	Other
1,045	361	286	217	44	21	13	3

* Other includes Silencers and a Combination.

Top Calibers Reported on Firearm Traces with a Nebraska Recovery



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9mm	.22 Cal	12GA	.40 Cal	.45 Cal	.380 Cal	.38 Cal	.357 Cal	.25 Cal	5.56mm	7.62mm
467	311	226	152	137	130	72	56	48	39	39

NOTE: There were 277 additional traces that were associated with other calibers. There were 36 traces with an unknown caliber.

Top Categories Reported on Firearm Traces with a Nebraska Recovery

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Firearm Under Investigation	Possession of Weapon	Dangerous Drugs	Found Firearm	Suicide	Weapon Offense	Carrying Concealed Weapon	Threat	Health – Safety	Homicide
803	381	166	164	78	45	43	39	35	31

NOTE: There were 205 additional traces that were associated with other categories.

Top 15 Source States for Firearms with a Nebraska Recovery

January 1, 2018 – December 31, 2018

Nebraska	Iowa	Colorado	Texas	Kansas
906	133	35	34	29
Missouri	California	Arkansas	Oklahoma	North Dakota
28	22	14	14	13
Arizona	Florida	South Dakota	Wisconsin	Wyoming
12	12	12	10	10

NOTE: An additional 31 states accounted for 126 other traces.
The source state was identified in 1,410 total traces.



Time-To-Crime Rates for Firearms with a Nebraska 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
89	86	96	145	145	832

1/1/2018-12/31/2018 Nebraska Average Time-to-Crime: **8.92 Years**

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

Age of Possessors for Firearms with a Nebraska Recovery

January 1, 2018 – December 31, 2018

17 & Under	18 to 21	22 to 24	25 to 30	31 to 40	41 to 50	Over 50
59	162	148	267	433	149	292

1/1/2018-12/31/2018 Nebraska Average Age of Possessor: **36 Years**

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

Top Recovery Cities for Firearms with a Nebraska Recovery

January 1, 2018 – December 31, 2018

Omaha	Lincoln	Bellevue	Mitchell	Chadron	Gering	Grand Island	North Platte	Kearney	South Sioux City
1,240	190	59	50	46	43	41	39	24	24

NOTE: There were 69 additional municipalities that accounted for 234 other traces.

Analytical Criteria Used to Compile the Enclosed Statistics

Total Number of Firearms Recovered and Traced

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

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

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