

New Hampshire

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 New Hampshire in Calendar Year 2018



478

Firearm Types with a New Hampshire Recovery

January 1, 2018 – December 31, 2018

Pistols	Rifles	Revolvers	Shotguns	Receivers/Frames	Silencers	Machineguns	Derringer
296	76	48	48	4	3	2	1

Top Calibers Reported on Firearm Traces with a New Hampshire Recovery



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9mm	.22 Cal	.380 Cal	.45 Cal	12GA	.40 Cal	7.62mm
148	45	34	34	33	31	28

NOTE: There were 103 additional traces that were associated with other calibers. There were 22 traces with an unknown caliber.

Top Categories Reported on Firearm Traces with a New Hampshire Recovery

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Possession of Weapon	Firearm Under Investigation	Found Firearm	Crimes Against Person	Dangerous Drugs	Homicide	Health – Safety	Suicide	Family Offense
133	132	41	35	27	18	16	16	10

NOTE: There were 50 additional traces that were associated with other categories.

Top 15 Source States for Firearms with a New Hampshire Recovery

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New Hampshire	Maine	Vermont	Massachusetts	Florida
280	21	15	10	6
Pennsylvania	Texas	Connecticut	Georgia	Maryland
4	4	2	2	2
Michigan	Ohio	West Virginia	Alaska	Arizona
2	2	2	1	1
Colorado	Kentucky	Louisiana	Missouri	North Carolina
1	1	1	1	1
South Carolina	Tennessee	Washington		
1	1	1		

NOTE: The source state was identified in 362 total traces.



Time-To-Crime Rates for Firearms with a New Hampshire 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
29	20	33	48	32	195

1/1/2018-12/31/2018 New Hampshire Average Time-to-Crime: **7.29 Years**

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

Age of Possessors for Firearms with a New Hampshire Recovery

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17 & Under	18 to 21	22 to 24	25 to 30	31 to 40	41 to 50	Over 50
3	23	26	64	87	63	32

1/1/2018-12/31/2018 New Hampshire 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 New Hampshire Recovery

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Manchester	Concord	Nashua	Hudson	Rochester	Seabrook	Somersworth	Dover
126	39	38	30	17	16	14	12

NOTE: There were 73 additional municipalities that accounted for 186 other traces.

Analytical Criteria Used to Compile the Enclosed Statistics

Total Number of Firearms Recovered and Traced

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

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

Top Categories Reported on Firearm Traces with a New Hampshire 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 New Hampshire 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 New Hampshire 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 New Hampshire 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 New Hampshire 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.