

Wyoming

Data Source: Firearms Tracing System

January 1, 2019 – December 31, 2019

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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 Wyoming in Calendar Year 2019



305

Firearm Types with a Wyoming Recovery

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Pistols	Rifles	Shotguns	Revolvers	Machineguns	Other
145	77	33	28	17	5

* Other includes Destructive Devices, Unknown Types and a Derringer.

Top Calibers Reported on Firearm Traces with a Wyoming Recovery



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9mm	.22 Cal	.40 Cal	12GA	.45 Cal	.380 Cal	.223 Cal	20GA	.38 Cal	MULTI
67	43	26	25	22	16	10	8	7	7

NOTE: There were 48 additional traces that were associated with other calibers. There were 26 traces with an unknown caliber.

Top Categories Reported on Firearm Traces with a Wyoming Recovery

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Possession of Weapon	Dangerous Drugs	Weapon Offense	Found Firearm	Homicide	Firearm Under Investigation	Aggravated Assault	Suicide	Traffic Offense	Family Offense	Homicide - Attempted
77	49	46	32	32	20	13	8	7	3	3

NOTE: There were 15 additional traces that were associated with other categories.

Top 15 Source States for Firearms with a Wyoming Recovery

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Wyoming	Colorado	Utah	Montana	California
124	18	13	8	5
North Dakota	Nebraska	Florida	Idaho	Indiana
5	4	3	3	3
South Dakota	Texas	Georgia	Michigan	Virginia
3	3	2	2	2
Washington				
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NOTE: An additional 15 states accounted for 15 other traces.
The source state was identified in 215 total traces.



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

January 1, 2019 – December 31, 2019

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
18	18	13	15	15	135

1/1/2019-12/31/2019 Wyoming Average Time-to-Crime: **8.15 Years**

1/1/2019-12/31/2019 National Average Time-to-Crime: **8.29 Years**

Age of Possessors for Firearms with a Wyoming Recovery

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17 & Under	18 to 21	22 to 24	25 to 30	31 to 40	41 to 50	Over 50
0	13	12	19	60	67	31

1/1/2019-12/31/2019 Wyoming Average Age of Possessor: **40 Years**

1/1/2019-12/31/2019 National Average Age of Possessor: **35 Years**

Top Recovery Cities for Firearms with a Wyoming Recovery

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Cheyenne	Casper	Ethete	Worland	Yellowstone National Park	Evanston	Sheridan	Laramie	Rawlins	Torrington
57	43	26	19	19	16	16	14	8	8

NOTE: There were 26 additional municipalities that accounted for 78 other traces. The recovery city could not be determined for one trace.

Analytical Criteria Used to Compile the Enclosed Statistics

Total Number of Firearms Recovered and Traced

- Includes traces with a recovery state of Wyoming. Traces in which the recovery state was not provided were included when the requesting agency state was equal to Wyoming.
- Includes Firearms Recovered and Traced between 1/1/2019 – 12/31/2019 or, if the recovery date was blank, the trace entry date was between 1/1/2019 – 12/31/2019.
- 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 10, 2020.
- All traces may not have been submitted or completed at the time of this study.

Firearm Types and Calibers with a Wyoming Recovery

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

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