General Findings From the Participating Communities

This section presents general findings based on experience in all 17 participating communities. These 17 communities may not comprise a valid sample for purposes of national analysis. However, this is the largest collection of community-based information yet available on recovered crime guns.

List of Participating Communities

The communities participating in this initiative, and on which the findings are based, are:

Atlanta, Georgia

Baltimore, Maryland

Birmingham, Alabama

Boston, Massachusetts

Bridgeport, Connecticut

Cleveland, Ohio

Inglewood, California

Jersey City, New Jersey

Memphis, Tennessee

Milwaukee, Wisconsin

New York, New York

Richmond, Virginia

St. Louis, Missouri

Salinas, California

San Antonio, Texas

Seattle, Washington

Washington, DC

This section is divided into two parts: (1) comprehensive community-based crime gun tracing and (2) local illegal firearms markets. These findings are intended to give enforcement officials in each community a wider perspective on its use of crime gun tracing and on its violent firearms crime and trafficking problems, particularly as they involve juveniles and youth.