

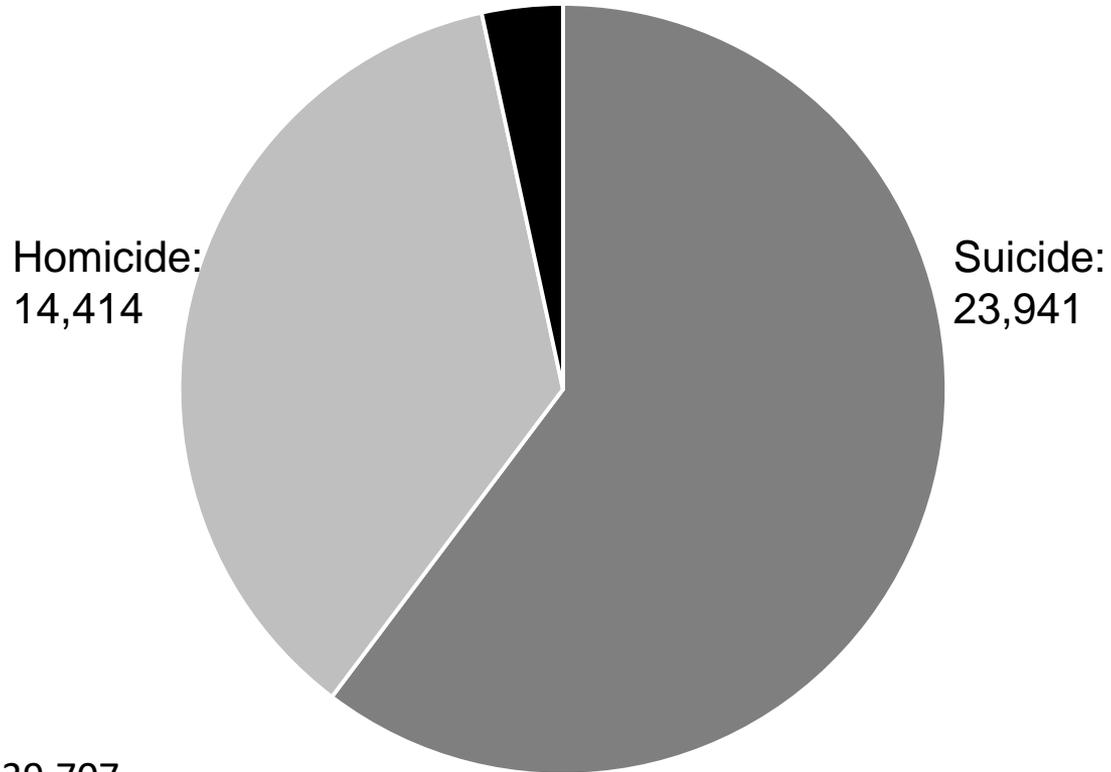


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Distribution of Firearm-related Deaths in the U.S., 2019

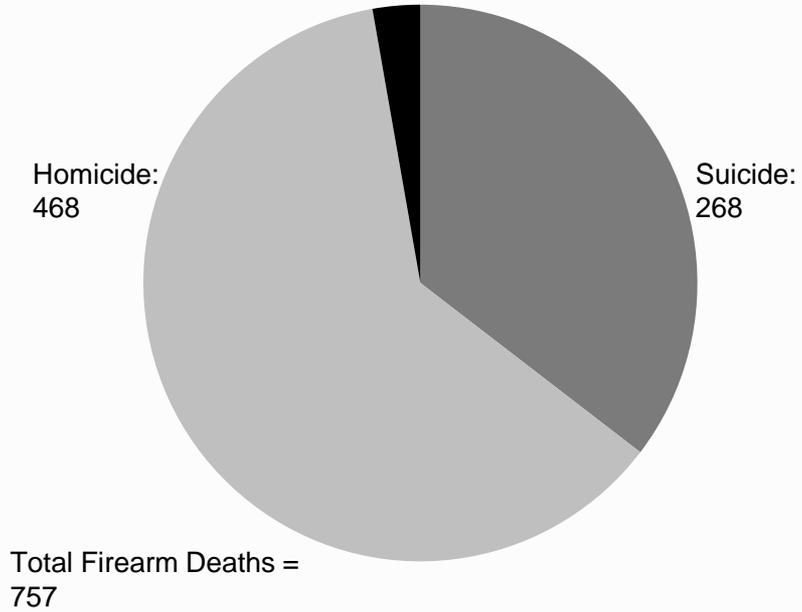


Total Firearm Deaths = 39,707

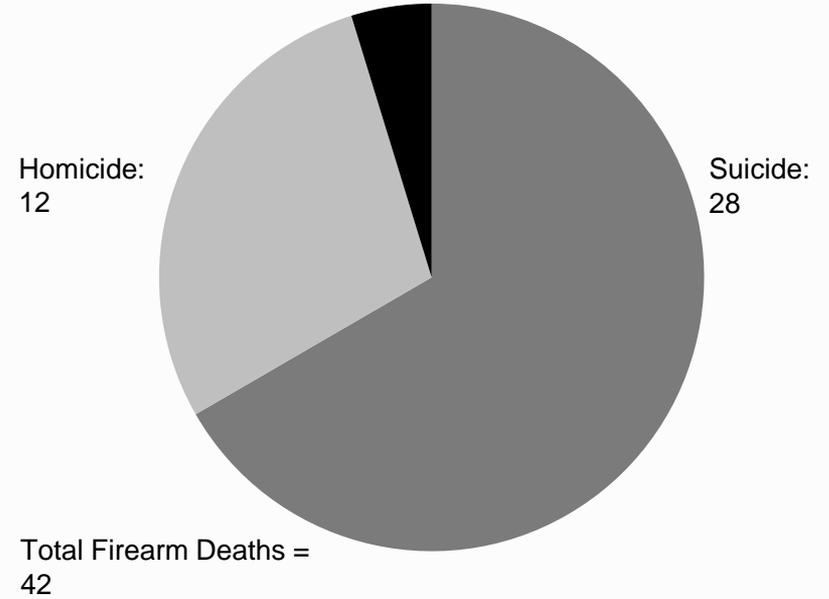
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Maryland's Child Access Prevention and Safe Storage

- ▶ A person “may not store or leave a loaded firearm in a location where the person knew or should have known that an unsupervised child would gain access to the firearm”¹
- ▶ Does not apply:
 - ▶ If a child is supervised by someone 18 or older
 - ▶ Access was obtained unlawfully
 - ▶ Child has a firearm and hunter safety certificate
- ▶ All transferred handguns must have an “external safety lock”² and an “integrated mechanical safety device”³
- ▶ Maryland **does not** require firearm owners to lock their weapons when not in use

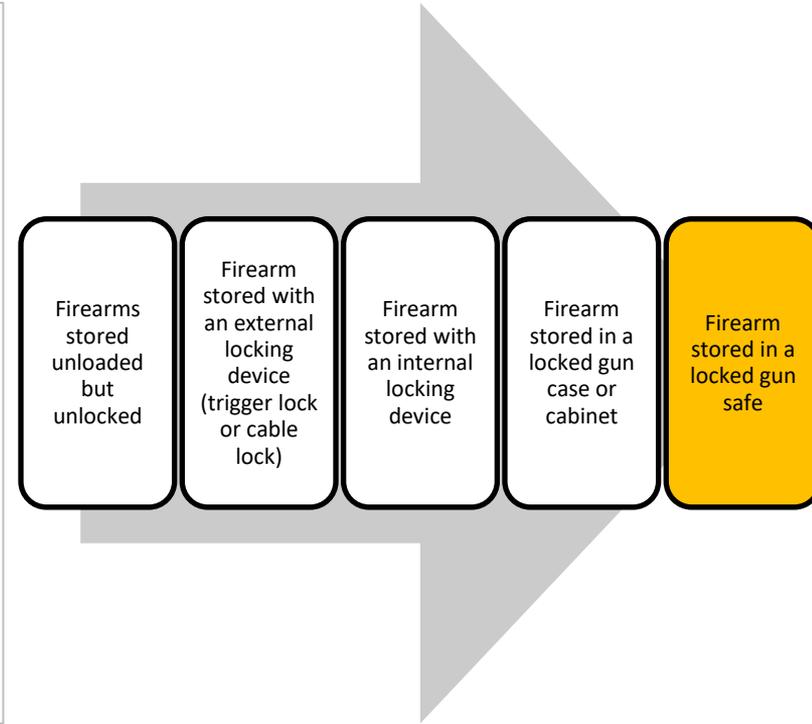
¹Md. Code Ann., Crim. Law § 4-104(c). “Child” is defined as a person under age 16, per Md. Code Ann., Crim. Law § 4-104(a)(3).

²Md. Code Ann., Pub. Safety § 5-132(a)(3)

³Md. Code Ann., Pub. Safety § 5-132(c)(2)

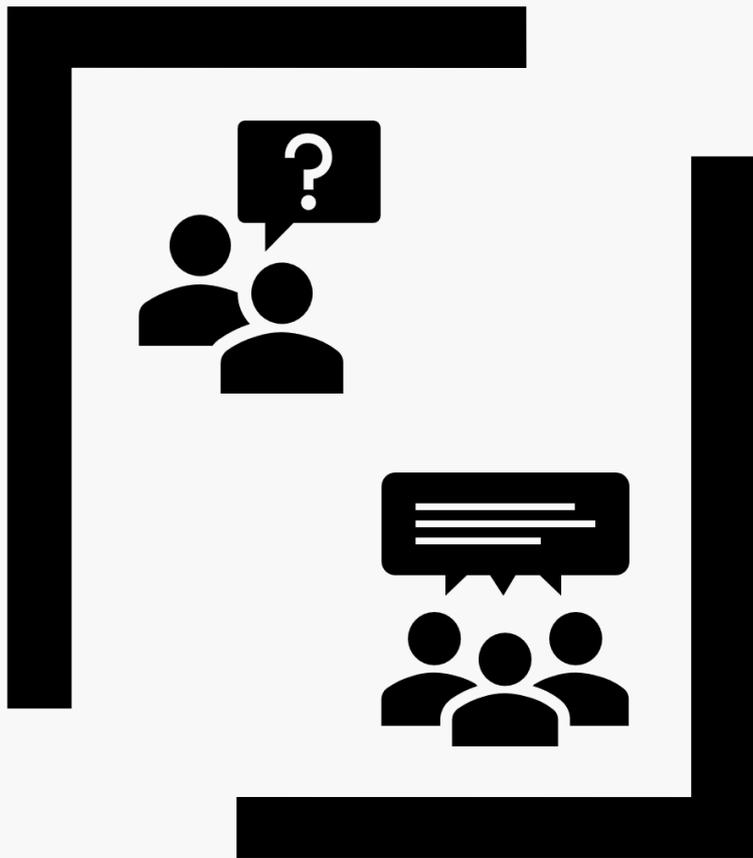
Gun Storage in the Home

- ▶ More than half of U.S. households do not store guns safely
- ▶ Guns that are not stored safe and secure increase risk of injury
- ▶ 35-40% of homes with children have at least one gun
- ▶ Safe and secure gun storage reduces gun-related injuries



Gun Storage Devices





QUESTIONS & DISCUSSION