

Something that I have been interested in learning more about has been Why do people feel the need to use firearms? I remember my mother was talking about it a couple of weeks ago, but i was in rush and didn't want to listen to what she was saying. Lately, the issue has caught my eye again. I know that many people feel that many people are tired of hearing gunshots or finding out their love one was gunned down. People want to try to put a stop to the gun violence in our community but where do we start first. From what I have heard, It's mainly black and hispanic people using firearms and more younger aged people are being killed due to the shootings For example, I heard that a 19 year old boy named kenneth archbold was gunned down early in the morning in harlem ny, It was ganged related and he also had a family a little baby girl on the way Now that's just what I've heard, it may or may not be true.

One thing that I know for sure about Gun Violence is that it's a big terror in our community and it needs to be stopped our children are being killed best friends brothers and sisters. Now, I've studied my share of Gun Violence, for example: U.S. is trying to crack down on it but i don't think there really working hard enough they need to band the sales of firearms to anymore. and Personally, It's funny to me how they worry about everything else but they still let people buy them with little restrictions then they have the cops thats shooting innocent people. So who can we really look to for help in where to start with stopping it?

Gun Violence was not as bad as it is not in the past couple of years it has gone up about 20%. Gun Violence can range from different things such as homicides the number on in firearm deaths and suicide and robbery and assault. Gun Violence cost the US 100 billion dollars annually. Emergency medical care is a major contributor, Being that I didn't have a lot of background information on Gun Violence, I chose to do some research on the topic. As I searched for blogs and news articles on Google, I came across this one article: Children, youth, and gun violence http://www.princeton.edu/futureofchildren/publications/docs/12_02_ExecSummary.pdf This article provided a lot of information and opinions on Gun Violence.

Some people felt that Gun Violence is something that needs to be stop and banded from our streets. "The lethality of guns, as well as their easy accessibility to young people, are key reasons why firearms are the second leading cause of death among young people ages 10 to 19."

This statement didn't really surprise me all that much, but it did make me feel upset and sad at the same time because kids so young should not have to die at a young age. All of this makes me think that when will it stop how many more families will have to suffer and how many more lives will end over Gun Violence. It has to stop one day.

I have been doing a lot of research on my topic and basically found the same info everywhere i haven't been able to get anybody to comment on my writing but i checked it

over and over and find it good enough.

here are some citations

Gun Violence statistics

<http://www.nij.gov/topics/crime/gun-violence/welcome.htm>

http://www.princeton.edu/futureofchildren/publications/docs/12_02_ExecSummary.pdf

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Gun_violence

my notes

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Why do people feel the need to use firearms?

Even if its for protection or by accident or even on purpose what drives someone to take another life that they can't bring back? What is the motive? What is the satisfaction? Is it the power you feel you have over someone who does not have a firearm? Over 300 hundred people are shot everyday in america that's more than enough. What makes a person shoot in broad daylight not caring who is around. Teens act on information they don't know and on stupid beef that's not even important and in the midst of everything, people that had nothing to do with the situation wind up getting hurt.

Now in days you find teens dying at younger ages due to reckless gun violence and when it happens that person the "shooter" does not think about the effect that it would have on the family and friends of the victim, All they think about is how many bodies they caught (how many people they hit or killed). My friends really find all of this to be stupid and they don't really worry about it too much... until it happens to someone they know. It happened to me, You watch the news and hear about all these teens doing yo gun violence and when you turn on the news and see somebody you knew or seen around was shot and killed thats when you wake up and realize you can lose your life at anytime .

The violence needs to stop with teens and young adults there is nothing worse than losing someone close to you and it hurts a lot. But it's not only teens that is doing the shooting, but the number rangers in deaths mainly people in their younger ages 5-18 and 21-39 are the main ages of homicides. If the government would crack down on the selling of guns and stop letting people get them for no reason there wouldn't be so much gun violence but that doesn't mean its going to stop just calm down a little bit. I know for certain a lot of kids and teens would still have they life and be able to live past 18.

I asked a male friend of mine have he ever shot a gun and he said yes. I also asked him what was the feeling, he said "it felt good, it felt like he had a lot of power in his hands" and he would want to do it again. So i guess that's the main reason why a lot of people have possession of firearms because of the power they have over someone or the power they can have over someone. I guess it's all about power.

**HE DIDN'T EVEN GET TO FINISH HIS 1ST YEAR OF HIGH SCHOOL.BASICALLY
WHAT I'M SAYING IS THAT YOU CAN LOOSE ANYBODY AT ANY RANDOM MOMENT
BUT YOU WON'T REALIZE IT TILL IT ACTUALLY HAPPENS TO YOU.**