

## DISPATCHER: "911, WHAT IS YOUR EMERGENCY?"

### **CALLER:**

"THERE'S SOMEBODY WITH A GUN SHOOTING DOWN THE HALL FROM MY OFFICE AND I DON'T . . . "

THESE SITUATIONS ARE UNPREDICTABLE AND EVOLVE QUICKLY.

ARE YOU PREPARED?



## THE ACTIVE SHOOTER

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# A COUNTRY UNDER SIEGE



## RATIONALE

- Alarming trends in workplace violence
- Vulnerable mental health population, disgruntled employees & domestic violence
- Violence in Emergency Departments on the rise
- Media coverage of active shooter emergencies
- High profile violent events in hospitals, schools, malls, military installations, and social events
- Assailants in some incidents across the country were not students, employees, or in any obvious way affiliated with the victims or the location of the shooting.

### TODAY'S WORLD

- We can no longer predict the origin of the next threat.
- An active shooter incident is already in progress and the next one is being planned, but you haven't heard about it yet.
- From the first radio call of "Shots Fired" to the last call of "Shooter Down," the entire incident will likely only be 1 to 11 minutes in duration.
- To effectively mitigate the operational risks of workplace violence, and the extreme violence of an active shooter, you must adequately anticipate the entire lifecycle of the event.

## CLASSIFICATION OF VIOLENCE

Workplace Violence

Mercy Killings Domestic Violence

Type I: Criminal Intent

Type II: Customer/Client

Type III: Worker-on-Worker

Type IV: Intimate Partner

Type V: Ideological Violence

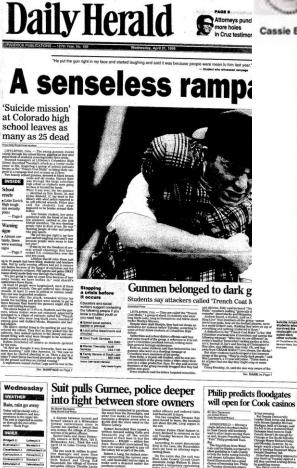
## COLUMBINE HIGH SCHOOL LITTLETON, CO

**DATE:** APRIL 20, 1999

VICTIMS: 13 KILLED, 23 WOUNDED

OFFENDERS: DYLAN KLEBOLD, 17 ERIC HARRIS, 18

**INCIDENT:** ACTIVE SHOOTER









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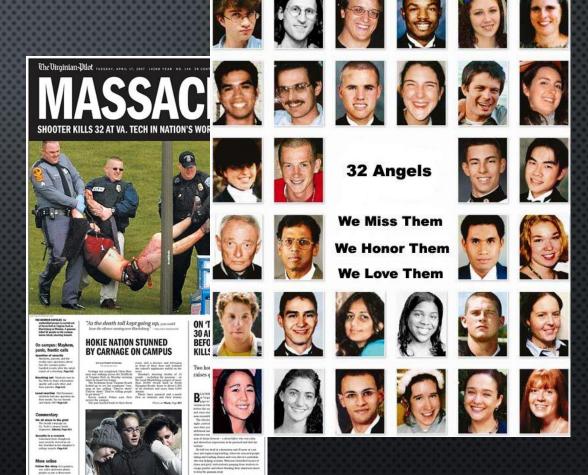
# VIRGINIA POLYTECHNIC INSTITUTE AND UNIVERSITY BLACKSBURG, VA

**DATE:** APRIL 16, 2007

VICTIMS: 32 KILLED, 17 INJURED

OFFENDER: SEUNG HUI CHO, 23

**INCIDENT:** ACTIVE SHOOTER



## SANDY HOOK NEWTOWN, CT

DATE: DECEMBER 14, 2012

VICTIMS: 27 KILLED, 2+ INJURED

OFFENDER: ADAM LANZA

**INCIDENT:** ACTIVE SHOOTER

Hartford Courant

Twenty children, six adults fatally shot at Sandy Hook School Adam Lanza, 20, who also killed himself, identified as the gunman President Barack Obama addresses a grief-stricken nation

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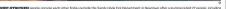












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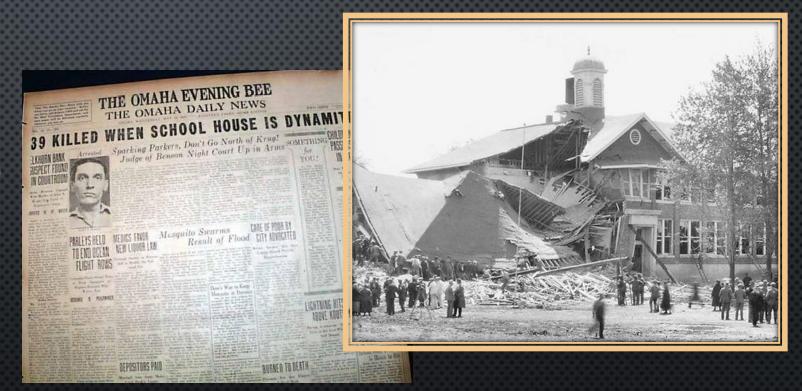
• **DATE**: MAY 18, 1927

• VICTIMS: 38 KILLED, 58 INJURED

• OFFENDER: ANDREW KEHOE

• INCIDENT: ACTIVE SHOOTER &

EXPLOSION



# CENTURY 16 MOVE THEATER AURORA, CO

**- DATE:** JULY 20, 2012

- VICTIMS: 12 KILLED, 70 WOUNDED

OFFENDERS: JAMES EAGAN HOLMES, 25

• INCIDENT: ACTIVE SHOOTER



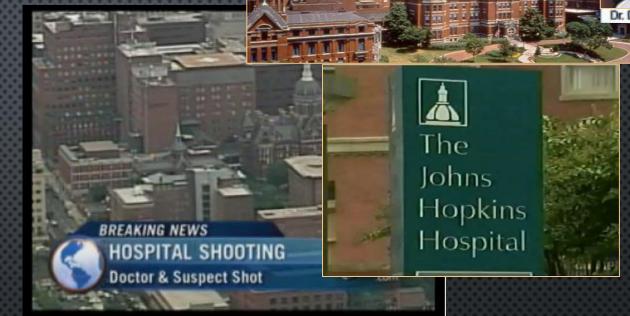
JOHNS HOPKINS HOSPITAL BALTIMORE, MD

DATE: SEPTEMBER 16, 2010

**SHOOTER:** PAUL WARREN PARDUS

VICTIM(s): 2 DEATHS/1 INJURY

**HOSPITAL AREA:** PATIENT ROOM



**Event:** Dr. Cohen was giving the 50-year-old man some news about the care and condition of his mother just outside the doorway of her room. The gunman grew "over-whelmed" when the doctor told him about the care of his mother and pulled a small semi-automatic handgun from his waistband.

MASSACHUSETTS EYE & EAR INFIRMARY ED

BOSTON, MA

**DATE:** JULY 31, 2013

**SHOOTER:** RAYMOND WALLACE (INMATE)

VICTIM(S): 2 INJURIES (INMATE AND DEPUTY)

HOSPITAL AREA: EMERGENCY ROOM

Boston Police Commissioner Ed Davis said the shooting happened around noon in the emergency room of the Massachusetts Eye and Ear Infirmary. The two officers from Middlesex County were removing the inmate's handcuffs when the man grabbed for the gun of one of the officers, he said. During the struggle that followed, one of the deputies was shot in the leg. The other deputy sheriff then fired his weapon, striking the prisoner in the chest, Davis said.

# WENTWORTH-DOUGLASS HOSPITAL DOVER, NH

DATE: DECEMBER 30, 2014

SHOOTER: MARK LAVOIE

VICTIM(S): 2 DEATHS (MURDER/SUICIDE)

HOSPITAL AREA: CRITICAL CARE UNIT





I want to start off by saying this is going to be officially ruled a murder/suicide when in all actuality it is a double suicide. My baby was trying to escape the bi-polar demons that have been swirling around in her brain since childhood and now because of my selfishness in dialing 911 she is experiencing the only thing she feared more than her illness...life support on a respirator. (Even though 1 brought her living will, the doc said her wishes didn't apply because depression isn't a non-reversible state. I however did not see that stipulation.) I am more than happy to sacrifice my life to fix my doing and join her spirit in a happier place.

I just wanted let people know my thoughts as to why I am doing this, weather you can understand it or not.

# BRIGHAM AND WOMEN'S HOSPITAL BOSTON, MA

DATE: JANUARY 20, 2015

SHOOTER: STEPHEN PASCERI

VICTIM(S): 1 DEATH

HOSPITAL AREA: 2ND FLOOR EXAM ROOM

"There's something in the past that upset this guy to come in looking for this particular doctor," Police Commissioner William Evans said at a press conference (in regards to the murder of Dr. Michael Davidson, a cardiovascular surgeon at Brigham and Women's Hospital).



The Boston Globe

## DEADLIEST U.S. MASS SHOOTINGS | 1991-2015

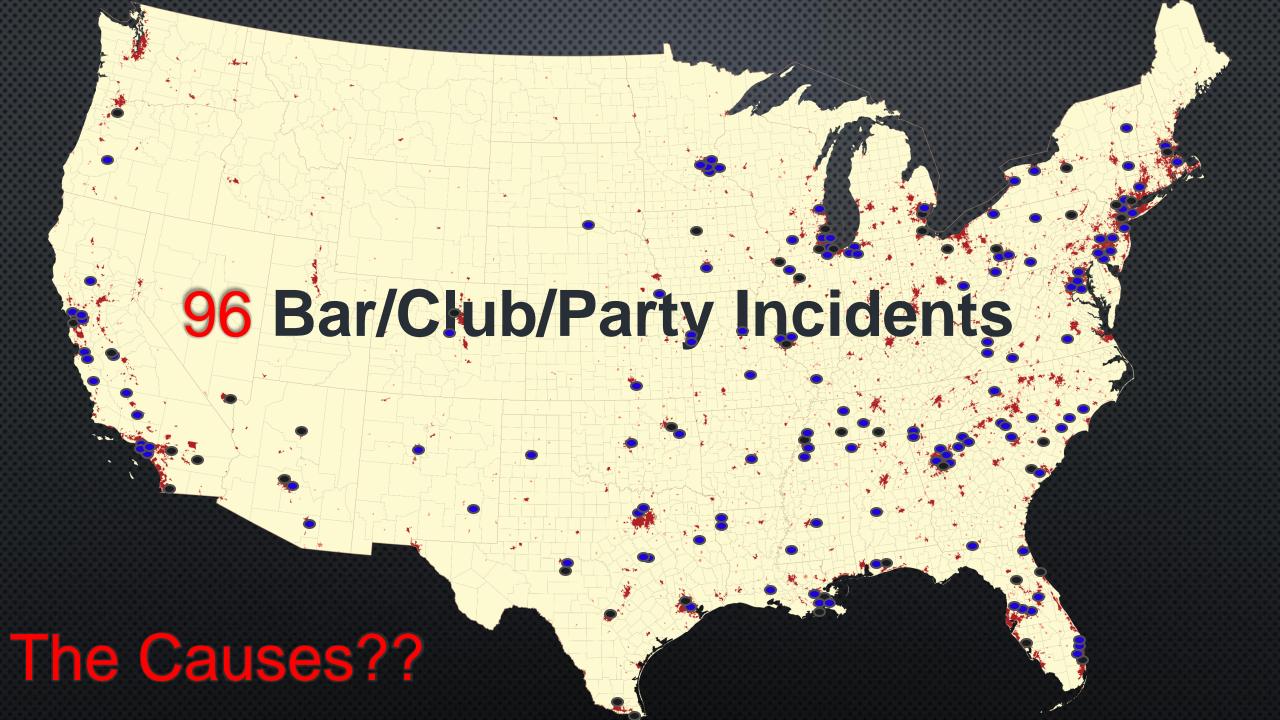
- Dec 2, 2015 14 dead, 21 wounded | San Bernardino, CA
- Nov 29, 2015 3 dead, 9 injured | Colorado Springs, CO
- Oct 1, 2015 9 dead, 9 injured | Roseburg, OR
- Jul 16, 2015 5 dead, 3 wounded | Chattanooga, TN
- Jun 18, 2015 9 dead | Charleston, SC
- May 23, 2014 6 dead, 7 wounded | Isla Vista, CA
- Apr 2, 2014 3 killed, 16 injured | Ft. Hood, TX
- Sep 16, 2014 12 killed, 3 injured | Washington, DC
- Jun 7, 2013 5 killed | Santa Monica, CA
- Dec 14, 2012 27 killed, 1 injured | Newtown, CT
- Oct 21, 2012 3 dead, 4 injured | Brookfield, WI
- Sep 28, 2012 6 killed, 2 injured | Minneapolis, MN
- Aug 5, 2012 6 killed, 3 injured | Oak Creek, WI
- Jul 20, 2012 12 killed, 58 injured | Aurora, CO
- Apr 2, 2012 7 killed, 3 injured | Oakland, CA
- Oct 12, 2011 8 killed, 1 injured | Seal Beach, CA
- Jan 8, 2011 6 killed, 11 injured | Tucson, AZ
- Aug 3, 2010 8 killed, 2 injured | Manchester, CT
- Feb 12, 2010 3 killed, 3 wounded | Huntsville, AL
- Nov 5, 2009 13 killed, 32 injured | Ft. Hood, TX
- Apr 3, 2009 13 killed, 4 injured | Binghamton, NY

- Feb 14, 2008 5 killed, 16 injured | Dekalb, IL
- Dec 5, 2007 8 killed, 4 injured | Omaha, NE
- April 16, 2007 32 killed, 17 injured | Blacksburg, VA
- Feb 12, 2007 5 killed, 4 injured | Salt Lake City, UT
- Oct 7, 2006 5 killed, 5 injured | Nickel Mines, PA
- Jan 30, 2006 6 dead | Goleta, CA
- Mar 21, 2005 9 killed, 7 injured | Red Lake Indian Res., MN
- Jul 8, 2003 5 killed, 9 injured | Meridian, MS
- Oct 28, 2002 3 killed | Tucson, AZ
- Mar 5, 2001 2 killed, 13 injured | Santee, CA
- Dec 26, 2000 7 killed | Wakefield, MA
- Nov 2, 1999 7 killed | Honolulu, HI
- Sep 15, 1999 7 killed, 7 injured | Fort Worth, TX
- Jul 29, 1999 9 killed, 12 injured | Atlanta, GA
- Apr 20, 1999 13 killed, 24 injured | Littleton, CO
- Mar 24, 1998 5 killed, 10 injured | Jonesboro, AR
- Dec 7, 1993 6 killed, 19 injured | Garden City, NY
- Jul 1, 1993 8 killed, 6 injured | San Francisco, CA
- May 1, 1992 4 killed, 10 wounded | Olivehurst, CA
- Nov 1, 1991 4 killed, 2 injured | Iowa City, IA
- Oct 16, 1991 22 killed, 20 wounded | Killeen, TX

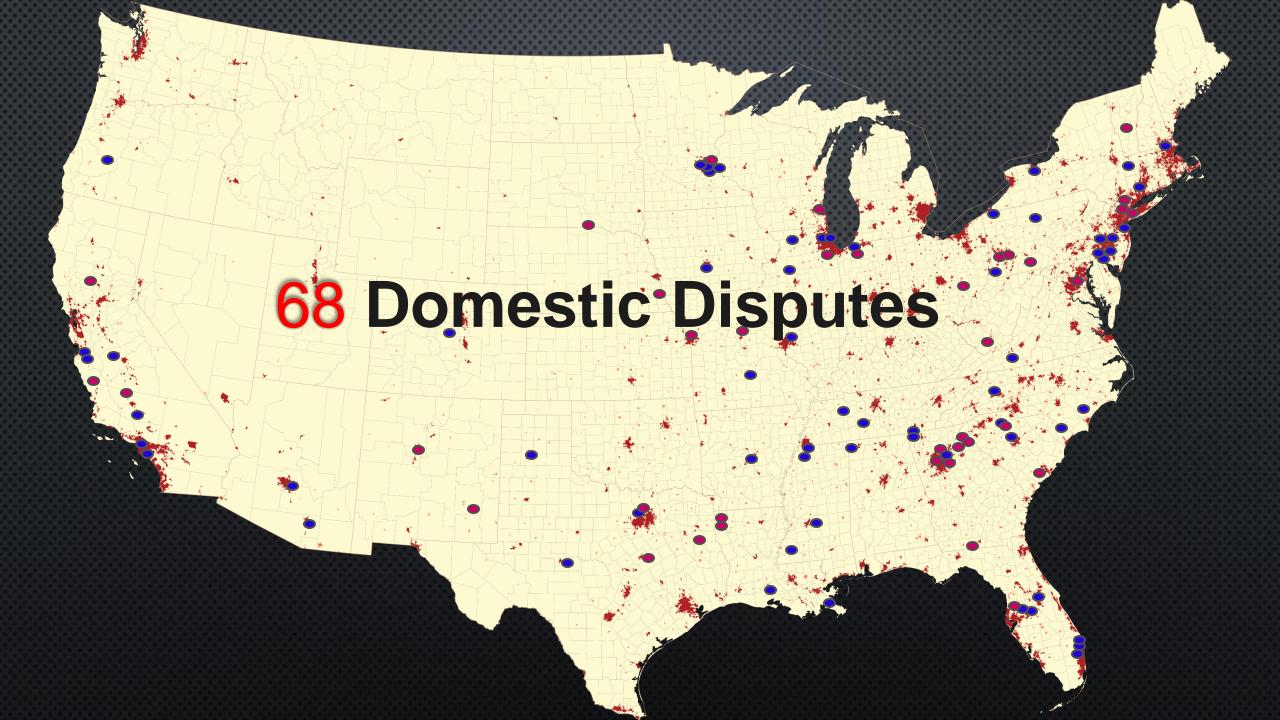






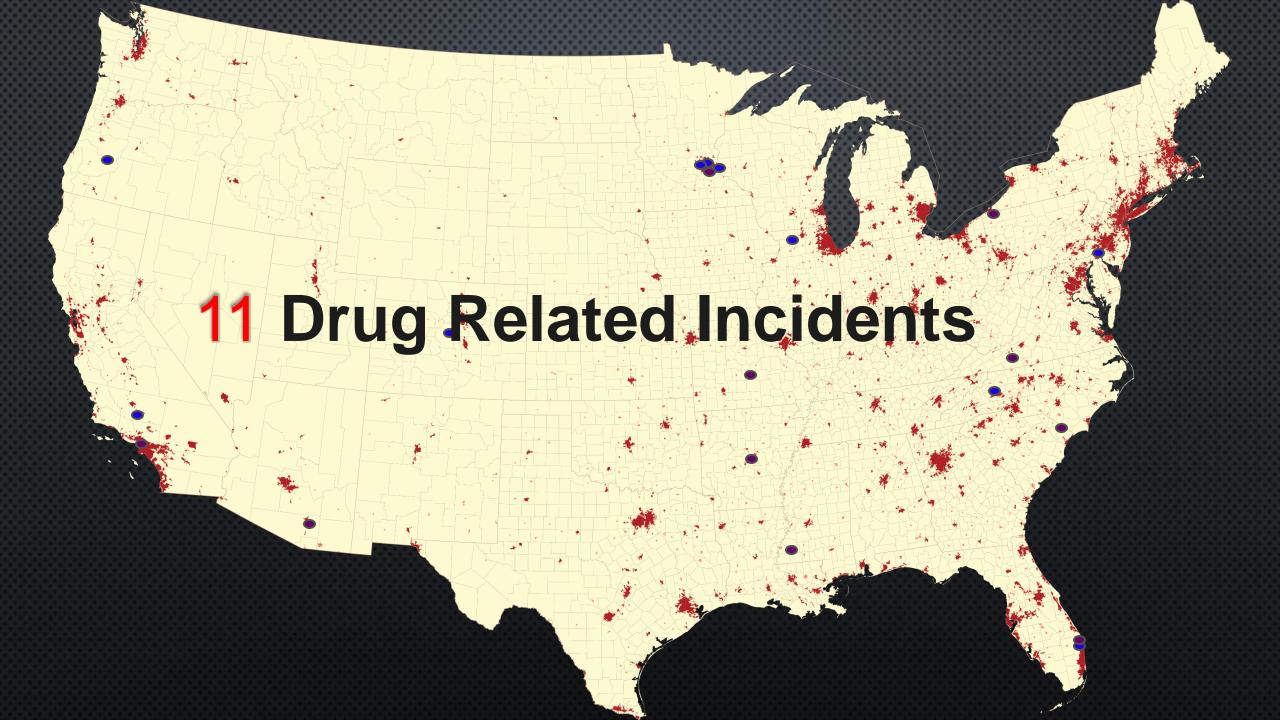














Statistical Analysis conducted on subset of active shooter cases

## n = 324

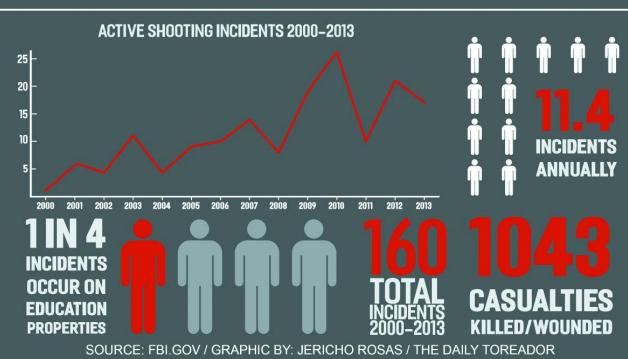
- Statistical analysis includes only cases in the United States n=160
- Some degree of variation:
  - Sex of the attacker
  - Age of the attacker
  - Number of attackers
  - Planning Tactics
  - Attack resolution

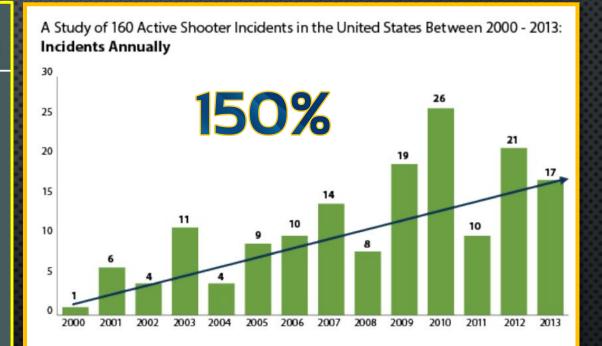
- Targets
- Number of casualties
- Location of the attack
- Weapons used

## **SNAPSHOT**

2000-2013



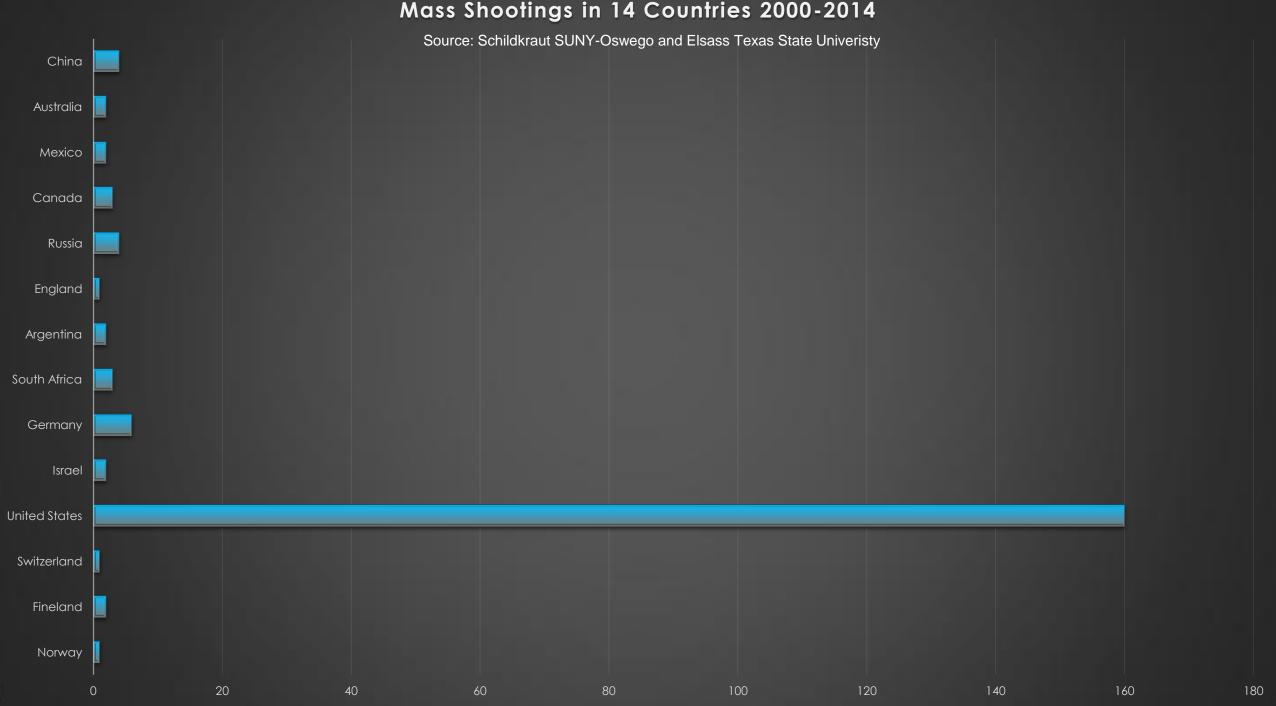




2000-2007 – 6.4 incidents per year 2008-2014 – 16.4 incidents per year

Using data from past 30 years 149 days between each event.

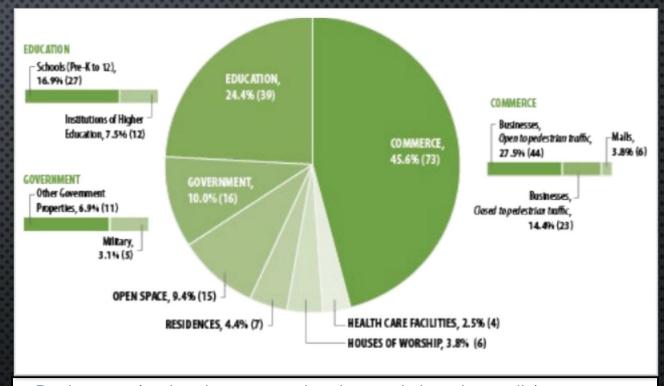
### Mass Shootings in 14 Countries 2000-2014



### **INCIDENTS**

- 166 mass murders take place at the workplace
- 39 mass murders took place in educational institutions
- 6 mass murders in houses of worship
- 15 mass murders took place in open spaces
- 38% of incidents are over within 5 minutes (avg. is 12 minutes nationally)
- Boston & metropolitan area (1.5 minutes)
- 90% are over before the police arrive

On average 1 shooting event has been disrupted per week since 2010 (69.3%)



- Businesses (pedestrian, non-pedestrian, and shopping malls)
- Educational Institutions (primary, secondary, & higher education)
- Government (Military and non-military)
- Residences
- Houses of worship
- Healthcare facilities

Source: Combs, C (2014) Federal Bureau of Investigation

# ANALYZING THE FINDINGS INCIDENTS

The FBI identified 11 separate incidents location where the public is MOST at risk:

- Commercial areas
  - Malls
  - Businesses (open to pedestrians and closed to pedestrians)
- Educational Institutions
  - Pre-kindergarden 12<sup>th</sup> grade
  - Institutions of higher learning
- Open spaces
- Government properties (Military and non-military)
- Residences
- Houses of worship
- Healthcare facilities

# ANALYZING THE FINDINGS SEX AND AGE OF ATTACKERS

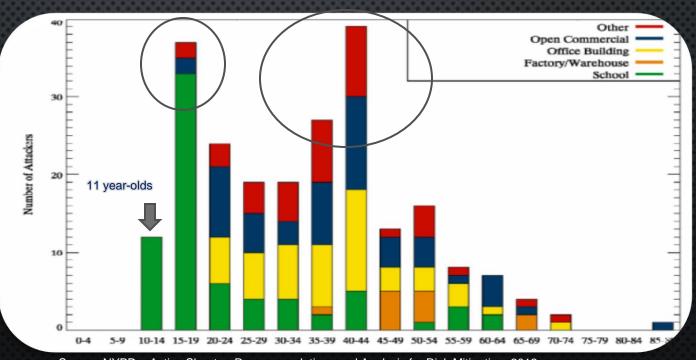
Male Female (92% of active shooter globally) (8% of active shooter globally) (3.8% of active shooters USA)



Average age 35

Bimodal distribution by age

15-19 year-olds 35-44 year-olds

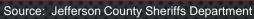


Source: NYPD – Active Shooter: Recommendations and Analysis for Risk Mitigation, 2012

### WEAPONS USED IN THESE INCIDENTS

- 153 guns used 81.8% legally obtained.
- Weapons varied inaccurate data
- Knives are the latest weapon used in mass attacks
- Homemade explosives are rarely used but have been increasingly used in more and more mass shootings.
- 76.3% of the weapons used were purchased in the same state as the incident.







Source: Jefferson County Sheriffs Department

Source: gettyimages

### WEAPONS USED IN THESE INCIDENTS

### **GUNMAN'S WEAPONS**

Affidavits for search warrants filed with the court presume Cho Seung-Hui had multiple firearms, including the two handguns found at the scene of Monday's Virginia Tech shootings.





6.14 in. (15.6 cm)

### - Walther P22

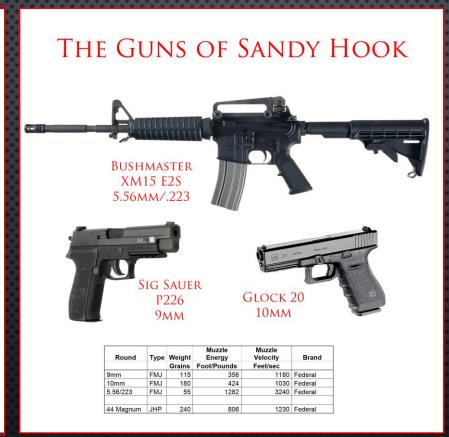
Caliber .22 Long Rifle Length 6.3 in. (16 cm) Height 4.5 in.

(11.4 cm)

Magazine 10 rounds Origin Germany

#### © 2007 MCT

Source: Glock, Walther, U.S. Bureau of Engraving and Printing, McClatchy Washington Bureau Graphic: Angela Smith, Melina Yingling





Virginia Tech Massacre

Sandy Hook Elementary Massacre

Aurora Movie Theater Massacre

### MENTALITY OF THE ACTIVE SHOOTER

- Nearly all individuals had a reported history of mental health issues.
- All but 3 incidents involved a single shooter.
- 40% of the shooters committed suicide.
- 5 shooters from 4 incidents remain at large.
- Desire is to kill and seriously injure without concern for his safety or threat of capture.
- Generally has intended victims and will search them out.
- Accepts targets of opportunity while searching for or after finding intended victims.
- Will continue to move throughout the area until stopped by law enforcement, suicide, or other intervention.





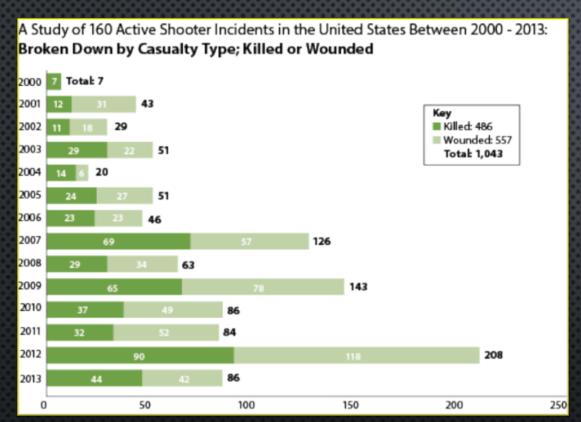
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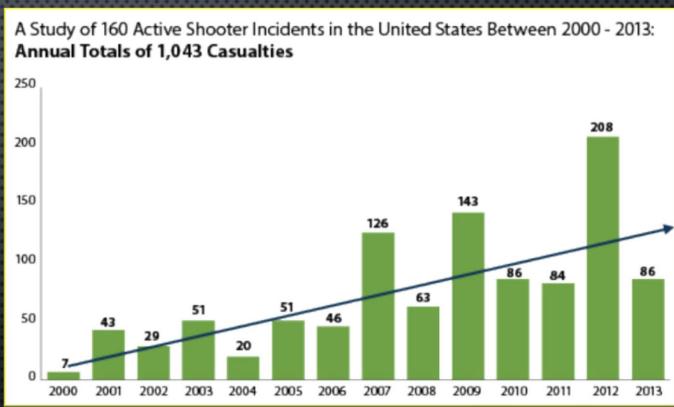
Rob Rogers Pittsburgh Post-Gazette Manch 5:12001

Nearly every case displayed warning signs and red flags!!

# ANALYZING THE FINDINGS

#### **CASUALTIES**





- 206% increase of shooting victims since Columbine High School
- 194% increase in those killed
- Family members (15 incidents) and violence against women (16 incidents)
- Median number of deaths 2 with an average of 3.1

Median number of wounded is 2 with an average of 3.6

# Managing Casualties

#### Survival of an Active Shooter Incident:

- Hartford Consensus II
  - Neutralize the threat
  - Hemorrhage control
  - Rapid Extrication to safety
  - Rapid assessment by medical providers (EMS, RN, MD)
  - Transport to definitive care settings

#### Joint Committee to Create a National Policy to Enhance Survivability from Mass Casualty Shooting Events: Hartford Consensus II

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#### PREAMBLE

The Joint Committee to Create a National Policy to Enhance Survivability from Mass Casualty Shooting Events was initiated by the American College of Surgeons in an effort to ensure that victims receive expeditious treatment of their injuries. The Committee included individuals from select public safety organizations including health, the Federal Bureau of Investigation, law enforcement, fire, prehospital care, trauma care, and the military. They met in Hartford, Connecticut on April 2, 2013 and on July 11, 2013. Attendance at the second meeting was broadened to include representatives from the Federal Emergency Management Agency and the National Security Staff of the Office of the President. These meetings became known as Hartford Consensus I and Hartford Consensus II. The concepts put forth and supported by both meetings are referred to as the Hartford Consensus. The Hartford Consensus II Statement is a call to action-no one should die from uncontrolled hemorrhage.

#### CONCEPT TO ACTION

On April 2, 2013, representatives from a select group of public safety organizations including law enforcement, fire, prehospital care, trauma care, and the military convened in Hartford, CT to develop consensus regarding strategies to increase survivability in mass casualty shootings. A concept document resulted and became known as the Hartford Consensus. It includes an acronym to describe the needed response to active shooter and intentional mass casual events. The acronym is THREAT.

- T threat suppression.
- H hemorrhage control.
- RE rapid extrication to safety.
- A assessment by medical providers.
- T transport to definitive care.

#### Disclosure Information: Nothing to disclose.

Members of the Joint Committee to Create a National Policy to Enhance Survivability from Mass Casualty Shooting Events are listed in Appendix 2, online.

Received October 1, 2015; Accepted November 5, 2013. From the Department of Academic Affairs, Hartford Hoopital, Hartford, CT. Correspondence address: Lenworth M Jacobs Jr. MD, MPH, FACS, Department of Academic Affairs, Hartford Hoopital, 80 Seymour Street, Hartford, CT 60102, email: Europents, jacobis/blockalsh.org Within the framework of THREAT, there exists the opportunity to improve survival outcomes for the victims of active shooter and intentional mass casualty events through mutual collaboration and reinforcing responses. The Hartford Consensus stipulates that medical training for external hemorrhage control techniques is essential for all law enforcement officers. They should play a key role as the bridge between the law enforcement phase of the operation and the integrated rescue response. The interval from wounding to effective hemorrhage control can be minimized by law enforcement officers trained in hemorrhage control. This principle is central to the findings of the first Hartford Consensus. The purpose of the Hartford Consensus II held July 11, 2013, in Hartford, CT was to develop strategies for focused actions to achieve the objectives of the first Hartford Consensus.

#### **FUNDAMENTAL CONCEPTS**

To maximize survival from an active shooter or an intentional mass casualty event there must be a continuum of care from the initial response to definitive care. The essence of this continuum involves the seamless integration of a hemorrhage control intervention. This process starts with the actions of the uninjured public or minimally injured victims and extends to the first responding law enforcement officers, then to Emergency Medical Services (EMS)/Fire/Rescue personnel, and ultimately to definitive trauma care. These concepts must be scalable to facilitate implementation in communities of all sizes. The law enforcement response has evolved from the original concepts of surround and contain to a more modern and aggressive response. The EMS/Fire/Rescue teams must be involved earlier in the care of these victims. They should have direct contact with the law enforcement personnel on the

#### THE CALL TO ACTION

No one should die from uncontrolled bleeding. Preventable death after an active shooter event or an intentional mass casualty event should be eliminated through the use of a seamless, integrated response system. Each group

# CONDUCTING RISK ASSESSMENTS AND DRILLS

## CONDUCTING A RISK ASSESSMENT

### Hazard Vulnerability Analysis

- Forensic Admissions (Federal, state, local police agencies)
- Gang related violence
- Religious and political philosophies
- Employees or coworkers who are disgruntled at work
- Is there a feeling that something is just not right!

### Hospital patient care areas

- Emergency departments
- Secured psychiatric units
- Intensive care units
- Human Resources
- Patient Accounting services

## CONDUCTING A RISK ASSESSMENT

#### Community engagement:

- Joint training with public safety partners
- Problem-solving with the judicial system

#### Risk Assessments:

- Exterior perimeter security
- Visiting hours and logs
- Search of personal effects on psychiatric units
- Assess the environment in high risk departments
- The "See Something, Say Something" campaign

## FACILITY POLICIES

Armed Intruder policy: Must be more inclusive of all weapons and not just firearms.

- Early warning system
  - Plain language
  - Code system
- Hearing disability
- Vision disability
- Impaired mobility issues

- Communication challenges
  - Language proficiency
  - Children
- Healthcare policies around active shooters should be conducted in consultation with local law enforcement agency



# FACILITY INFRASTRUCTURE

- Identify multiple evacuation routes
- Shelter locations:
  - Thick walls
  - Solid doors with locks
  - Minimal interior windows
  - Communication devices
- Incorporate or volunteer in active shooter drills in your community.
- Limit access to building blue prints
- Know the emergency plan!



# FACILITY POLICIES

- Zero tolerance policies
  - Human Resources must buy in to the policy and follow through with disciplinary action at all levels of the organization
  - Risk Management follow through of client/employee conduct
    - Behavior contracts
    - Transfer of patients care
    - Termination of care or services
  - Building visitor policies
- Understand your organizations capabilities



- "Go Bags"
  - Card access tags, building maps, and master keys

# TRAINING, PREVENTION, AND RESPONSIVENESS

# TRAINING OPTIONS

- Initial organization-wide orientation at New Employee Orientation
- Department specific plans
- Online training
  - Clinical setting:
     Boston area hospital video
     "Are You Ready?"
  - IAHSS Training Video

Business setting:

 Houston video
 "Run, Hide, Fight"









# BENEFITS OF EXERCISE

#### Normalized Behavior in Stressful Situations

- Plan in place
- Persistence in the face of adversity
- Protection of self and others
- Proactive stance
- Post situation recovery
- Moral obligation met by organization

## FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

### Grant programs:

- ASPR hospital grants
- Department of Justice
- Urban Area Security Initiative programs
- Homeland Security (statewide)

### Measuring program success:

- Surveys
- Yearly refresher program
- Environmental Safety rounds

## CONDUCTING AN EXERCISE

### Advantages to conducting an exercise:

 Provide a venue to exercise law enforcement multiagency contact and rescue team operations

 Practice organization's armed threat procedures under optimal impact conditions

• Evaluate organization's preparedness for ongoing crisis response, business continuity, and employee recovery issues.

# CONDUCTING AN EXERCISE

#### Exercise Time!

- Provide safety briefing
- Consider staging officers

# Remember:

- Rubber guns look real
- Panic on telephones if 911 system participates
- Consider fire Alarm



# CONDUCTING AN EXERCISE

Tactical medical expertise:

- Consider TEMS certified personnel
- Mass Casualty Incident Triage



- Unfamiliar department environments for internal response team
- Providing security of medical teams
- Provide treatment and transport internally or externally













































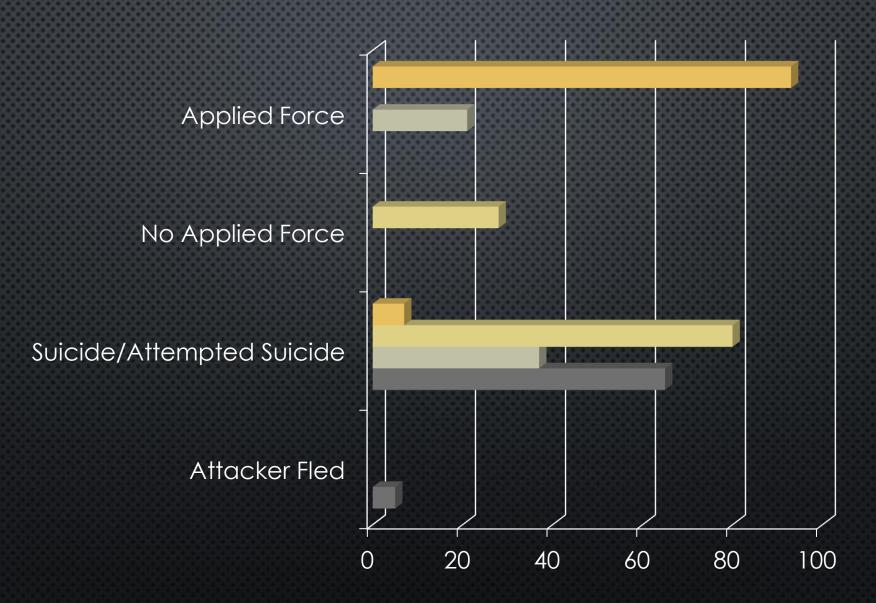








## INCIDENT RESOLUTION



## SUPPORT GUIDELINES

- Protocols and policies must be established requiring a specific response and must include coordination plans with jurisdictional law enforcement agency. Staff must be trained to the plan.
- Communication procedures should be established with a specific announcement (emergency code or plain language)
- Campus-wide notification system should exist in real-time alerting people to danger via overhead paging, texting, digital displays, intercoms, call boxes, pop-up messages, or mass notification systems.
  - IAHSS Active Shooter Response Guidelines

## SUPPORT GUIDELINES

- OSHA provides guidance to investigators on workplace violence incidents namely healthcare organizations.
  - OSHA guidelines
- Provide risk assessments of the facility
- Extra precautions to Emergency Departments, Human Resources, critical care areas, screening points, and locked psychiatric areas.
- Encourage staff to report incidents of violent activity or perceived violent events.
  - Joint Commission Sentinel Event

## FUTURE RESEARCH

- Collaboration and partnership with medical community addressing increasing need for services for the mental health community.
- Encourage US Department of Homeland Security to re-implement Metropolitan Medical Response System grants
- Incorporate bystanders as part of the response and not see them an impediment.
- Safety of responders and the public
- Decisions based on risk (sharing of information)





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SAN BERNARDINO MASS SHOOTING

# 'HORRIFIC'

14 dead, 17 wounded as attackers open fire at center for disabled

Manhunt ends in gunbattle; man and woman suspects killed



Emilie Gleisberg, left, hugs her mother, Diane Kimble, as family members reunite at The Rock Church after 14 people were killed at the Inland Regional Center in San Bernarding

### Assailants in assault-style clothing appeared 'as if on a mission' to kill

SANBERNARDINO » At least 14 people were killed and 17 others injured by assailants who opened fire Wednesday morning on a training session of county employees at a facility that serves developmentally disabled people. The shooting at the Inland Regional Center, at 13th Street and Waterman Avenue, marks one of the largest

sarct and water main reconcileration in the abgest mass shootings in the country in recent years and trig-gered lockdowns at schools, hospitals and entire neigh-borhoods across the city as federal and local law enforce-ment officials searched for the suspects. Finally, four hours after the 11 a.m. shooting, two sus-

pects - a man and a woman - were killed in a gunbattle with police about two miles from the regional center. San Bernardino Police Chief Jarrod Burguan said. A third suspect seen fleeing that shootout was later detained. While it is not clear whether he or she was infate of those who were at the center, page as

What is IRC?: Inland Regional Center has 670 employees who work with the disabled. PAGE AS Editorial: The mass shooting in San Bernardino is as senseless as 354 others in 2015. PAGE AIS



gunbattle with police after a mass shooting at the In-and Regional Center in San Bernardino on Wednesday Police respond to the scene of the mass shooting

THOMBIE WELCH

afternoon, police said.

Police identified 28-year-old Syed Farook and 27-yearold Tashfeen Malik as the suspects killed by police, and
while they confirmed Farook was a county employee who
had attended an event at the IRC earlier in the day, they
had not determined a motive for the shooting and had not ruled out a possible connection to terrorism

RANDEDNADDING . Two suspects were slain Wednesday is

'I heard some pop, pop.' 'All I heard

was gunshots. A lot of gunshots.'

By Brian Day, Beatriz Valenzuela and Sandra Emerson

Within hours of the mass shooting at the IRC, in which 14 were killed and at least 17 injured, police spotted the Farook and Malik in a black sport-utility vehicle while investigating a tip that had led them to a home in nearby MANNUMT > PAGE 5

## Tampa Bay Times

NATIONAL DECEMBER IS 1010 1 W.

## **20 CHILDREN MURDERED**

MAN ALSO KILLS 6 ADULTS AND HIMSELF AT CONN, SCHOOL

PRESIDENT OBAMA CALLS FOR ACTION TO STOP VIOLENCE



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Phyllis Holmes of Charleston takes a moment to pray with her 3-year-old granddaughter after placing a candle at a memorial on the sidewalk in front of Emanuel AME Church on Thursday evening in Charleston. The city tried to come to grips with tragedy Thursday, a day after a mass shooting at the church left rine people dead.

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-Edward Kennedy