



Safe Tennessee Project

Working together to end gun violence in Tennessee

When Men Murder Women in Tennessee: 2007 - 2017

Tennessee is one of the most dangerous states for women.

When Men Murder Women is an annual report prepared by the Violence Policy Center detailing homicides committed by males against females in single victim/single offender incidents. The study analyzes the most recent Supplementary Homicide Report (SHR) data submitted to the Federal Bureau of Investigation. The data below is from the years 2007 - 2017, the last year for which data was available.

While not all homicides were committed with firearms, the majority of Tennessee women were shot and killed with guns. Tennessee has consistently ranked as a state with extremely high rates of women murdered by men, ranking in the top ten every year but 2007 when the state ranked 12th.



ABUSED WOMEN ARE FIVE TIMES MORE LIKELY TO BE KILLED BY THEIR ABUSER IF THE ABUSER HAS A FIREARM

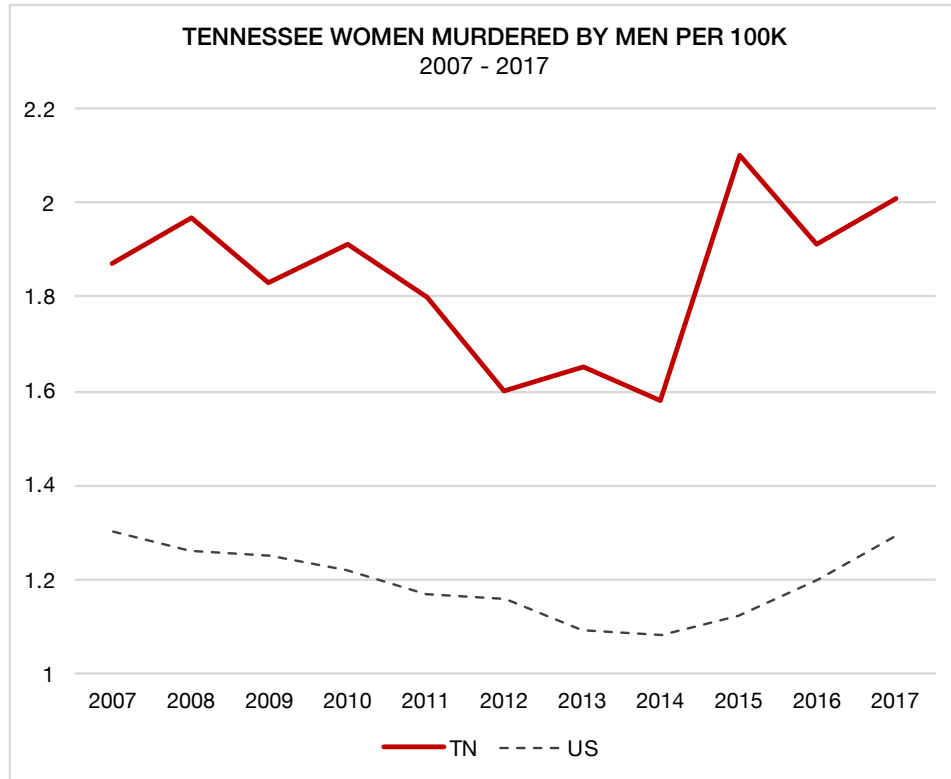
TENNESSEE WOMEN MURDERED BY MEN: 2007 - 2017

Year	Rank	Deaths	TN Rate per 100k	US Rate per 100k	Black Victims	White Victims	% Killed with Guns	% Victims Who Knew Offender
2017	5	69	2.01	1.29	22	47	76	90
<u>2016</u>	5	65	1.91	1.20	30	35	52	95
<u>2015</u>	4	71	2.10	1.12	27	44	71	96
<u>2014</u>	9	53	1.58	1.08	16	36	69	96
<u>2013</u>	6	55	1.65	1.09	21	33	63	98
<u>2012</u>	10	53	1.60	1.16	21	31	50	100
<u>2011</u>	6	59	1.80	1.17	25	33	56	93
<u>2010</u>	3	62	1.91	1.22	16	45	51	98
<u>2009</u>	5	59	1.83	1.25	19	39	52	98
<u>2008</u>	5	63	1.97	1.26	28	35	56	95
<u>2007*</u>	12	59	1.87	1.3	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a

* Detail only provided for states in the top ten

There are currently only thirteen states, including Tennessee, that allow convicted domestic abusers to transfer their firearms to a third party. **Of the thirteen states, Tennessee is the only one that neither requires the offender to provide any identifying information about the Third Party nor requires the Third Party to submit an affidavit to the Court.**

The rate of Tennessee women murdered by men has consistently outpaced the U.S. average.
More women were murdered with guns in 2017 than in any previous year.



Based on this data, Safe Tennessee urges lawmakers to consider the following policies:

- Implement legislation requiring any third party taking possession of a convicted domestic abusers to submit an affidavit to the court, affirming that they can legally possess firearms and acknowledging receipt of the offender's firearms
- Keep the current firearm dispossession form procedure in place
- Expand background checks to private sales
- Implement Extreme Risk Protection Orders (ERPOs), commonly known as "red flag laws"

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*Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful, committed citizens can change the world;
indeed, it's the only thing that ever has.
- Margaret Meade*