

100 Americans Are Killed by Guns Every Day Republicans Continue to Do Nothing

This past August, El Paso, Dayton, and Midland-Odessa joined the growing list of American communities devastated by mass shootings. Every year, tens of thousands of lives are lost to America's gun violence epidemic. The House of Representatives took action in the face of record-breaking increases in gun deaths, but Mitch McConnell and Senate Republicans continue to do nothing.

There have been 293 mass shootings since January 1, 2019¹

H.R. 8

Almost **200 days** have passed since H.R. 8, the Bipartisan Background Checks Act, passed the House by a bipartisan vote of 240-190. The bill would close loopholes in existing law that allow dangerous individuals to purchase a gun without a background check.

H.R. 1112

The House also passed H.R. 1112, the Enhanced Background Checks Act, which would close the "Charleston loophole" that currently enables some guns to be transferred by licensed gun dealers before the required background checks have been completed.

Since H.R. 8 passed the House of Representatives, there have been an estimated²:

- 19,500 people killed by firearms
- **11,895** Gun Suicides
- 6,825 Gun Homicides
- **780** Children killed by a firearm
- 325 Women killed with a firearm by an intimate partner

H.R. 8 Could Have Prevented the Mass Shooting in Odessa & Midland

Despite failing a previous gun purchase background check, the gunman in the most recent mass shooting in Odessa and Midland, Texas, purchased his AR-style weapon from an unlicensed seller, who was not required to run a background check. H.R. 8 would require background checks for **ALL** gun sales.

¹ Gun Violence Archive

² Numbers are estimates based on the average of the last 5 years of CDC data and the 195 days that have passed from when the House passed H.R. 8 on 2/27/19 to the day of action on 9/10/19.

Senate Gun Violence Prevention Legislation

<u>Background Check Expansion Act</u>, introduced by Senators Murphy, Blumenthal, Schumer, Durbin, and Cortez Masto, would expand background checks to all guns sales.

<u>Assault Weapons Ban of 2019</u>, introduced by Senators Feinstein, Blumenthal, and Murphy, would ban the sale, transfer, manufacture, and importation of military-style assault weapons and high-capacity ammunition magazines.

<u>Extreme Risk Protection Order Act of 2019</u>, introduced by Senator Feinstein, would create grants for states to implement extreme-risk laws, which allow law enforcement and family members to seek court orders to keep guns out of the hands of dangerous people.

<u>Keep Americans Safe Act</u>, introduced by Senator Menendez, would ban the importation, sale, manufacture, transfer, or possession of high-capacity magazines.

<u>Stopping the Traffic in Overseas Proliferation of Ghost Guns Act</u>, introduced by Senators Menendez, Murphy, Markey, Feinstein, and Cardin, would block efforts to weaken controls over foreign arms sales and proliferate untraceable and virtually undetectable 3D printable guns that threaten public safety.

<u>Gun Violence Prevention Research Act</u>, introduced by Senator Markey, would provide \$50 million for the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention to research firearms safety and gun violence prevention.

<u>Keeping Gun Dealers Honest Act</u>, introduced by Senator Markey, would authorize more frequent inspections of gun dealers, increase penalties for serious offenses, and strengthen DOJ's authority and discretion in enforcing gun laws.

<u>3D Printed Gun Safety Act</u>, introduced by Senators Markey and Menendez, would restrict the online distribution of digital code used in 3D printing of firearms.

<u>Protecting Domestic Violence and Stalking Victims Act</u>, introduced by Senator Klobuchar, would close what is commonly referred to as the "boyfriend loophole" by preventing people who have abused dating partners from buying or owning a firearm.

Hadiya Pendleton and Nyasia Pryear-Yard Gun Trafficking and Crime Prevention Act, introduced by Senator Gillibrand, would make it illegal to sell or otherwise transfer two or more firearms to someone whom the seller knows, or has reasonable cause to know, is prohibited by law from owning a firearm.