

Hawaii

Data Source: Firearms Tracing System

January 1, 2019 – December 31, 2019

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ATF Firearms Trace Data Disclaimer

- Firearm traces are designed to assist law enforcement authorities in conducting investigations by tracking the sale and possession of specific firearms. Law enforcement agencies may request firearms traces for any reason, and those reasons are not necessarily reported to the Federal Government. Not all firearms used in crime are traced and not all firearms traced are used in crime.
- Firearms selected for tracing are not chosen for purposes of determining which types, makes or models of firearms are used for illicit purposes. The firearms selected do not constitute a random sample and should not be considered representative of the larger universe of all firearms used by criminals, or any subset of that universe. Firearms are normally traced to the first retail seller, and sources reported for firearms traced do not necessarily represent the sources or methods by which firearms in general are acquired for use in crime.

Total Number of Firearms Recovered and Traced in Hawaii in Calendar Year 2019



260

Firearm Types with a Hawaii Recovery

January 1, 2019 – December 31, 2019

Rifles	Pistols	Revolvers	Shotguns	Machineguns	Receivers/Frames	Other
88	75	26	26	21	16	8

* Other includes Silencers, Derringers and an Unknown Type.

Top Calibers Reported on Firearm Traces with a Hawaii Recovery



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9mm	.22 Cal	12GA	.223 Cal	.38 Cal	.30-30 Cal	.40 Cal	.357 Cal	.45 Cal	.25 Cal
37	29	22	14	10	9	8	7	7	5

NOTE: There were 44 additional traces that were associated with other calibers. There were 68 traces with an unknown caliber.

Top Categories Reported on Firearm Traces with a Hawaii Recovery

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Firearm Under Investigation	Possession of Weapon	Weapon Offense	Found Firearm	Homicide	Homicide - Attempted	Kidnapping	Dangerous Drugs	Suicide
111	110	15	5	4	4	3	2	2

NOTE: There were four additional traces that were associated with other categories.

Top 15 Source States for Firearms with a Hawaii Recovery

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Hawaii	Alaska	Arizona	California	Texas
68	5	5	5	4
Virginia	Colorado	Idaho	Nevada	Washington
4	3	3	3	3
Alabama	Iowa	Kansas	Oklahoma	Oregon
2	2	2	2	2

NOTE: An additional nine states accounted for nine other traces.
The source state was identified in 122 total traces.



Time-To-Crime Rates for Firearms with a Hawaii Recovery

January 1, 2019 – December 31, 2019

Under 3 Months	3 Months to Under 7 Months	7 Months to Under 1 Year	1 Year to Under 2 years	2 Years to Under 3 Years	3 Years and Over
2	1	0	9	3	92

1/1/2019-12/31/2019 Hawaii Average Time-to-Crime: **15.51 Years**

1/1/2019-12/31/2019 National Average Time-to-Crime: **8.29 Years**

Age of Possessors for Firearms with a Hawaii Recovery

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17 & Under	18 to 21	22 to 24	25 to 30	31 to 40	41 to 50	Over 50
0	0	8	14	56	61	44

1/1/2019-12/31/2019 Hawaii Average Age of Possessor: **44 Years**
1/1/2019-12/31/2019 National Average Age of Possessor: **35 Years**

Top Recovery Cities for Firearms with a Hawaii Recovery

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Ewa Beach	Lihue	Kapolei	Makawao	Honolulu	Mililani	Kaneohe	Wailuku	Waialua	Pahoa
33	25	23	21	19	18	16	14	12	10

NOTE: There were 19 additional municipalities that accounted for 69 other traces.

Analytical Criteria Used to Compile the Enclosed Statistics

Total Number of Firearms Recovered and Traced

- Includes traces with a recovery state of Hawaii. Traces in which the recovery state was not provided were included when the requesting agency state was equal to Hawaii.
- Includes Firearms Recovered and Traced between 1/1/2019 – 12/31/2019, or, if the recovery date was blank, the trace entry date was between 1/1/2019 – 12/31/2019.
- Duplicate traces, Firearms Not Recovered, Gun Buyback and Firearms Turned In are not included in this figure.
- Data was extracted from the Firearms Tracing System (FTS) on April 10, 2020.
- All traces may not have been submitted or completed at the time of this study.

Firearm Types and Calibers with a Hawaii Recovery

- Includes same criteria as Total Number of Firearms Recovered and Traced.

Top Categories Reported on Firearm Traces with a Hawaii Recovery

- Includes same criteria as Total Number of Firearms Recovered and Traced. Beginning in CY 2010, attempted homicide, attempted suicide and negligent vehicular manslaughter are reported in separate categories.

Analytical Criteria Used to Compile the Enclosed Statistics (continued)

Top Source States for Firearms with a Hawaii Recovery

- Includes same criteria as Total Number of Firearms Recovered and Traced.
- Traces must identify a purchaser and the state in which the final dealer is located.

Time-to-Crime Rates for Firearms with a Hawaii Recovery

- Includes same criteria as Total Number of Firearms Recovered and Traced.
- Traces must identify a purchaser.
- Time-to-Crime was calculated for those traces in which the purchase date could be subtracted from the recovery date.

Age of Possessors for Firearms with a Hawaii Recovery

- Includes same criteria as Total Number of Firearms Recovered and Traced.
- Includes traces that provide a possessor and the possessor's date of birth.
- Possessor's age is calculated by subtracting the possessor's date of birth from the recovery date.

Top Recovery Cities for Firearms with a Hawaii Recovery

- Includes same criteria as Total Number of Firearms Recovered and Traced.
- Includes traces with a recovery city, or, if the recovery city was not provided, the requesting agency had jurisdiction only within that city.