



5 FAST FACTS ABOUT THE NATIONAL TRACING CENTER - FY22

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The Country's Only Crime Gun Tracing Facility

The mission of the National Tracing Center (NTC) is to conduct firearms tracing to provide investigative leads for federal, state, local and foreign law enforcement agencies.

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623,000+

The number of trace requests NTC received in fiscal year 2022. ATF is the sole federal agency authorized to trace firearms.

Goal to Complete Urgent Traces in Less Than 24 Hours

Traces classified as routine are completed within seven days on average.

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9,300+

The number of law enforcement agencies registered for eTrace, a web-based bi-lingual firearms tracing system used to assist in the tracing of U.S.-sourced firearms. Law enforcement agencies in 50 foreign countries also access eTrace.

Provides Critical Information to Law Enforcement Agencies

Helps domestic and international law enforcement agencies solve firearms crimes; detect firearms trafficking; and trace the intrastate, interstate, and international movement of crime guns.

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