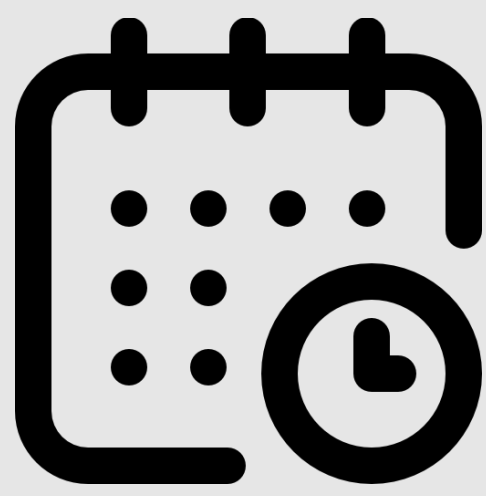




Trends in Active Shooter Cases in the United States



The term "Active shooter" is used by US law enforcement to describe a situation in which a shooting is in progress. Due to their tragic recurrence in the United States, active shooting cases have, for many years, generated intense public debate within the country. Using data extracted from a Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) study, this report analyzes trends in active shooter events in the United States between 2000 and 2013.



Timeline
2000 - 2013



Cases Reported
160



Total Casualties
1,043



Total Killed
486

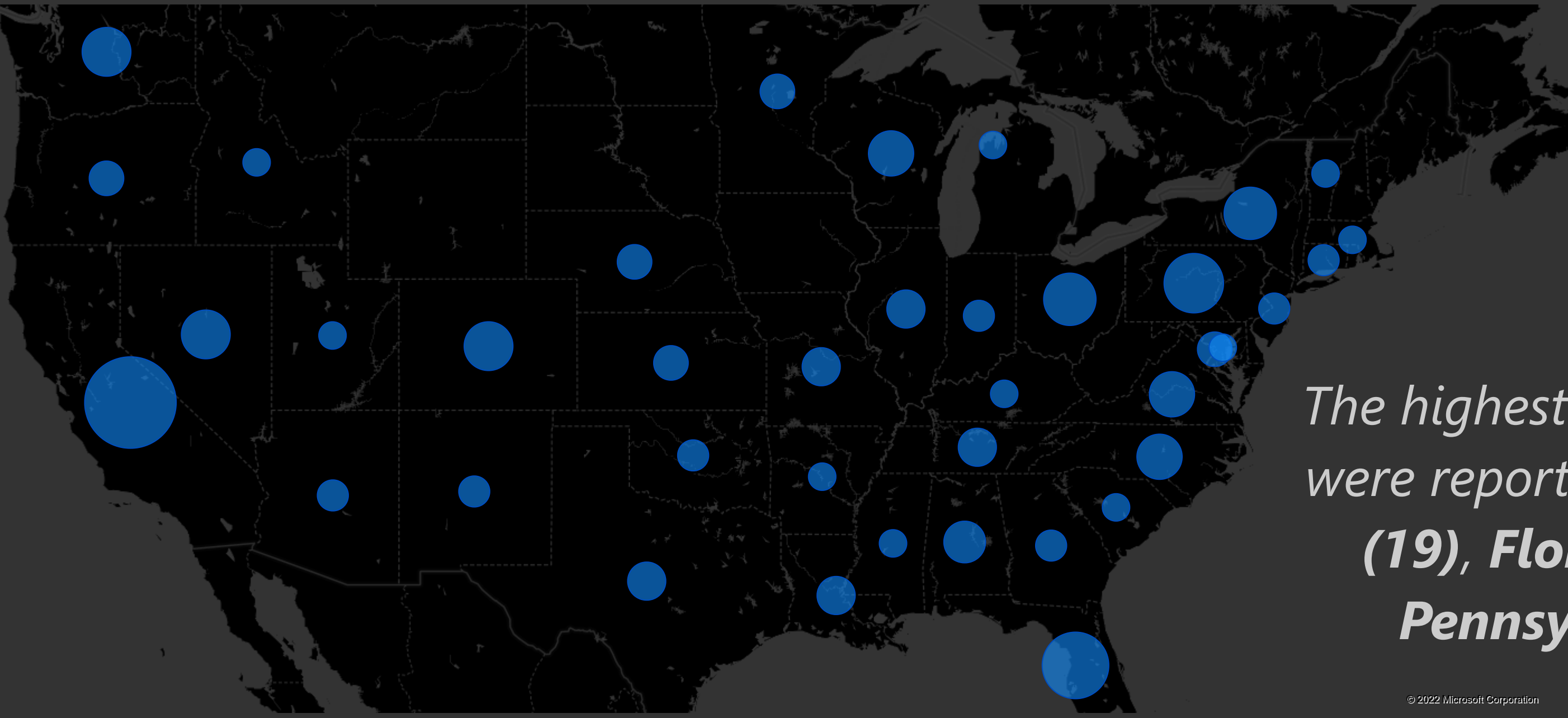


Total Injured
557

WHERE DID SHOOTINGS OCCUR?

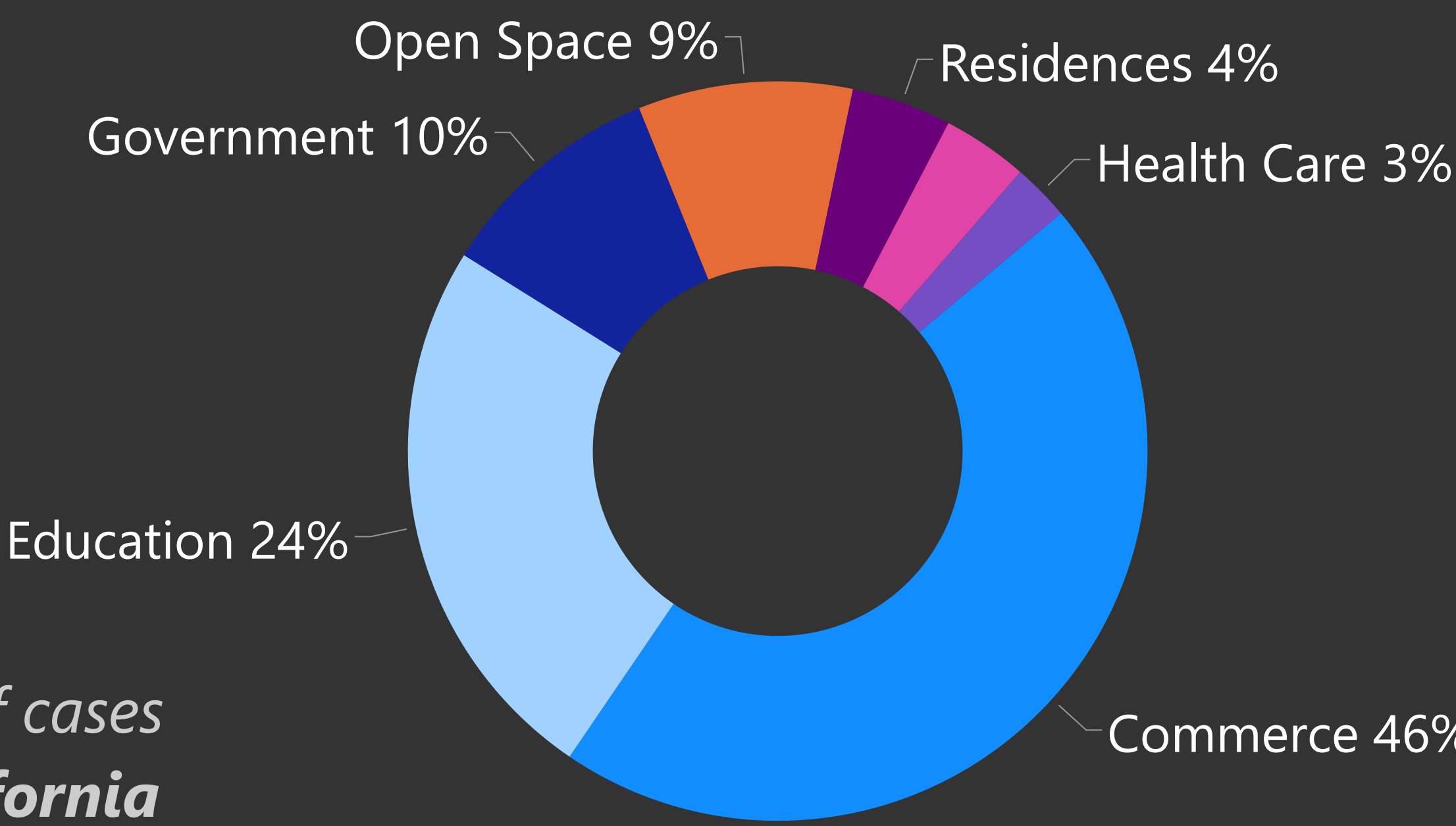
Active shooter cases, count by US States

39 out of 50 US States and Washington DC recorded at least one active shooter case in the period between 2000 and 2013.



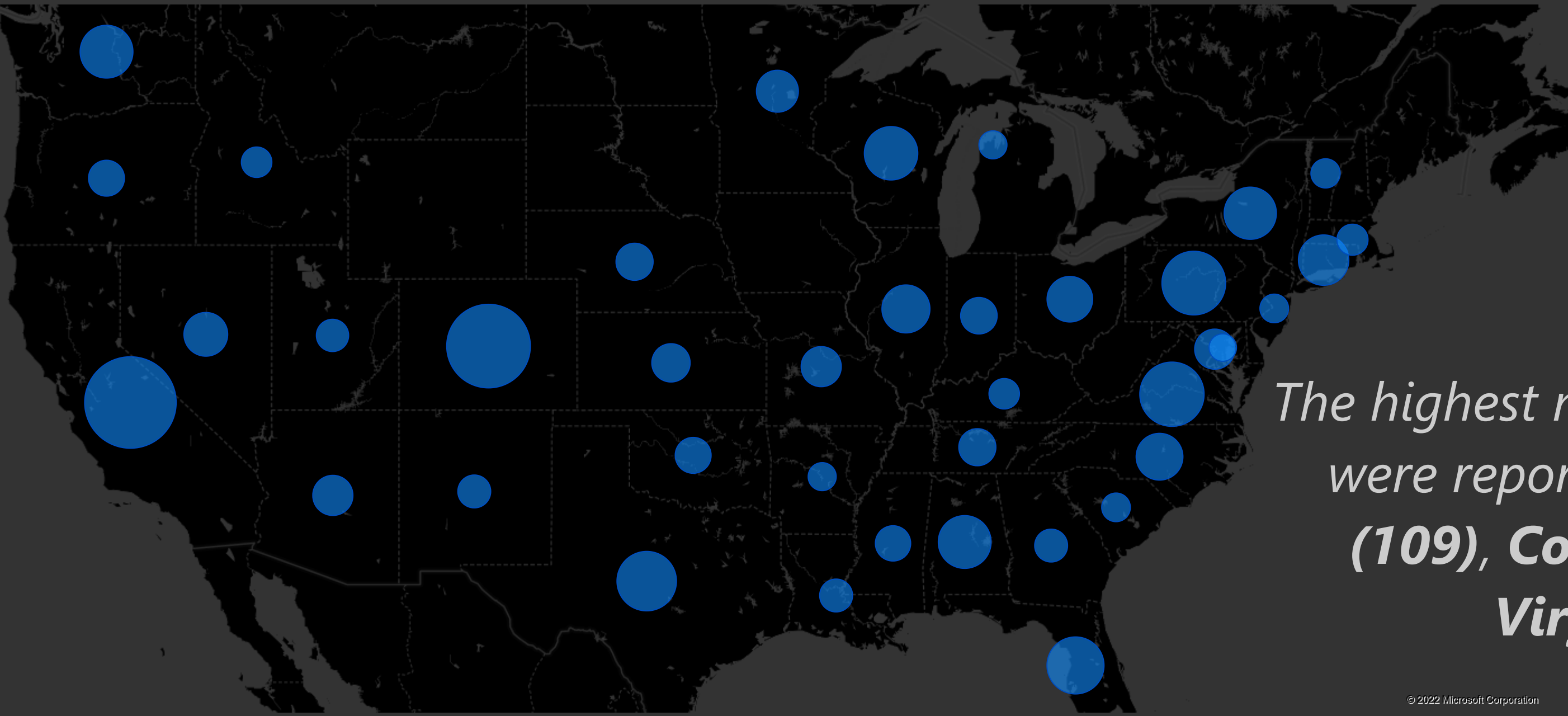
The highest number of cases were reported in **California (19)**, **Florida (12)**, and **Pennsylvania (10)**.

Active shooter cases, count by location type



Nearly 3 out of every 4 active shooter cases (70% of total cases) took place in **Commercial** or **Educational** centres.

Active shooter casualties, count by US States

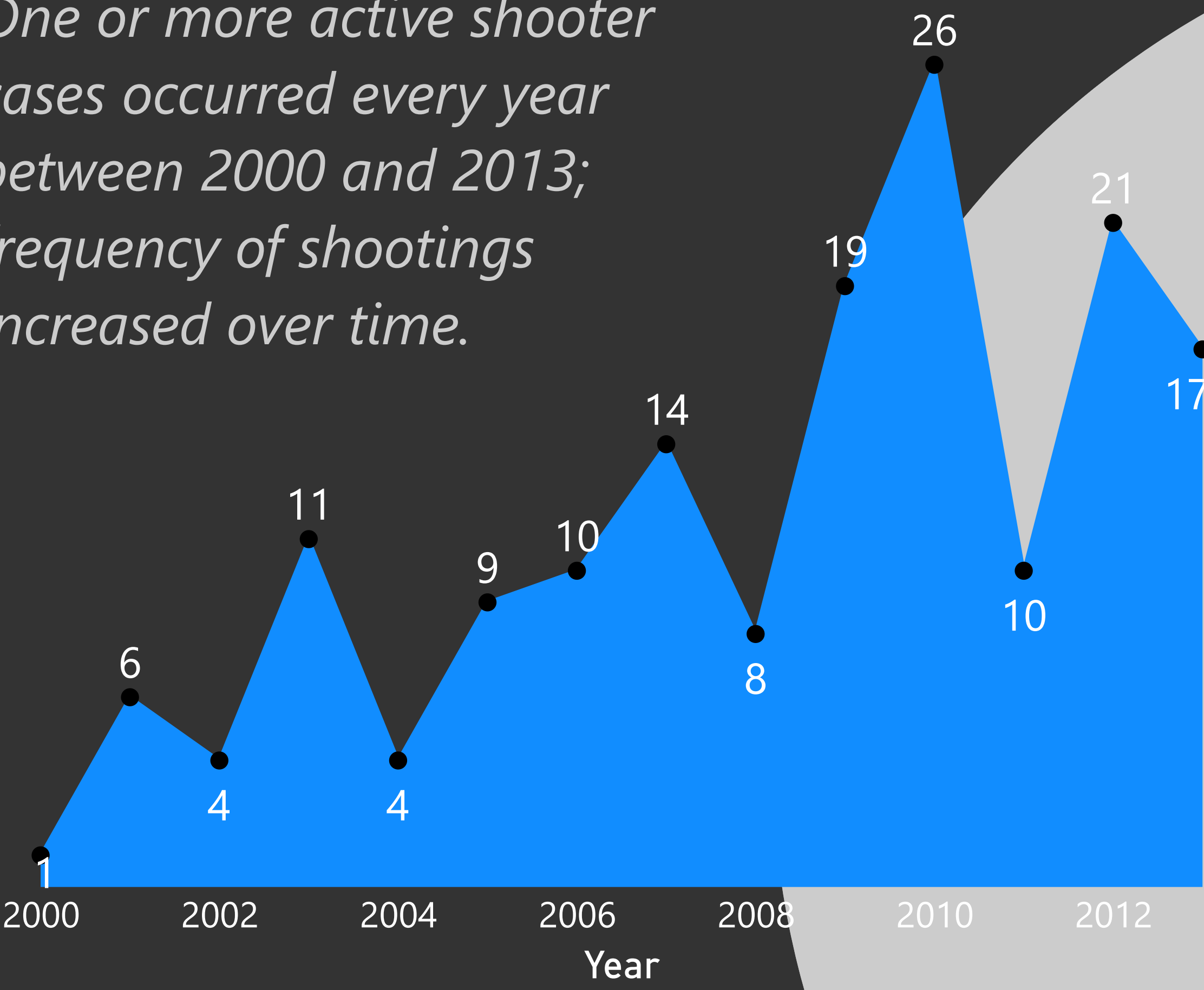


The highest number of casualties were reported in **California (109)**, **Colorado (94)** and **Virginia (62)**.

WHEN DID SHOOTINGS OCCUR?

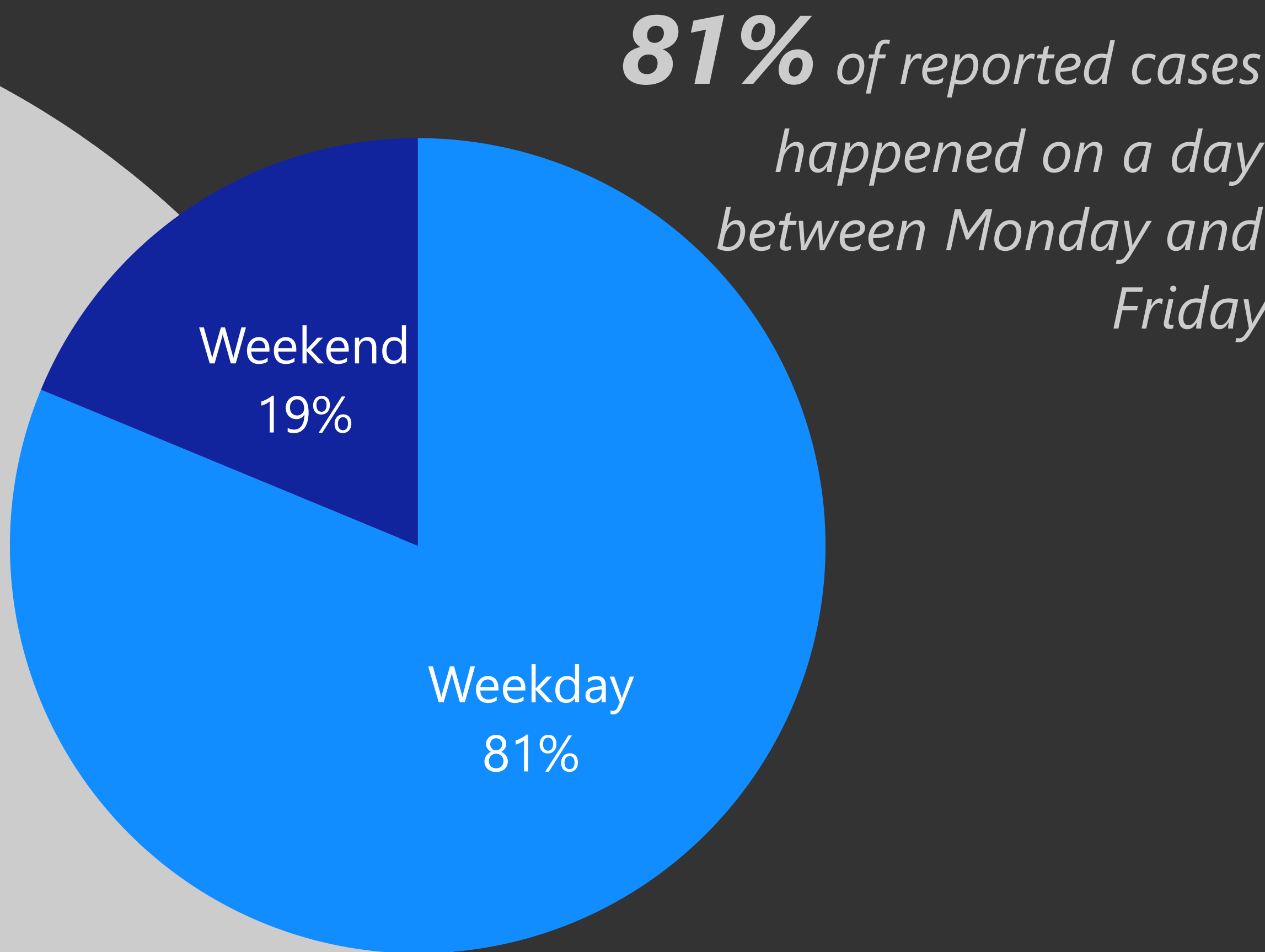
Active shooter cases, count by year

One or more active shooter cases occurred every year between 2000 and 2013; frequency of shootings increased over time.



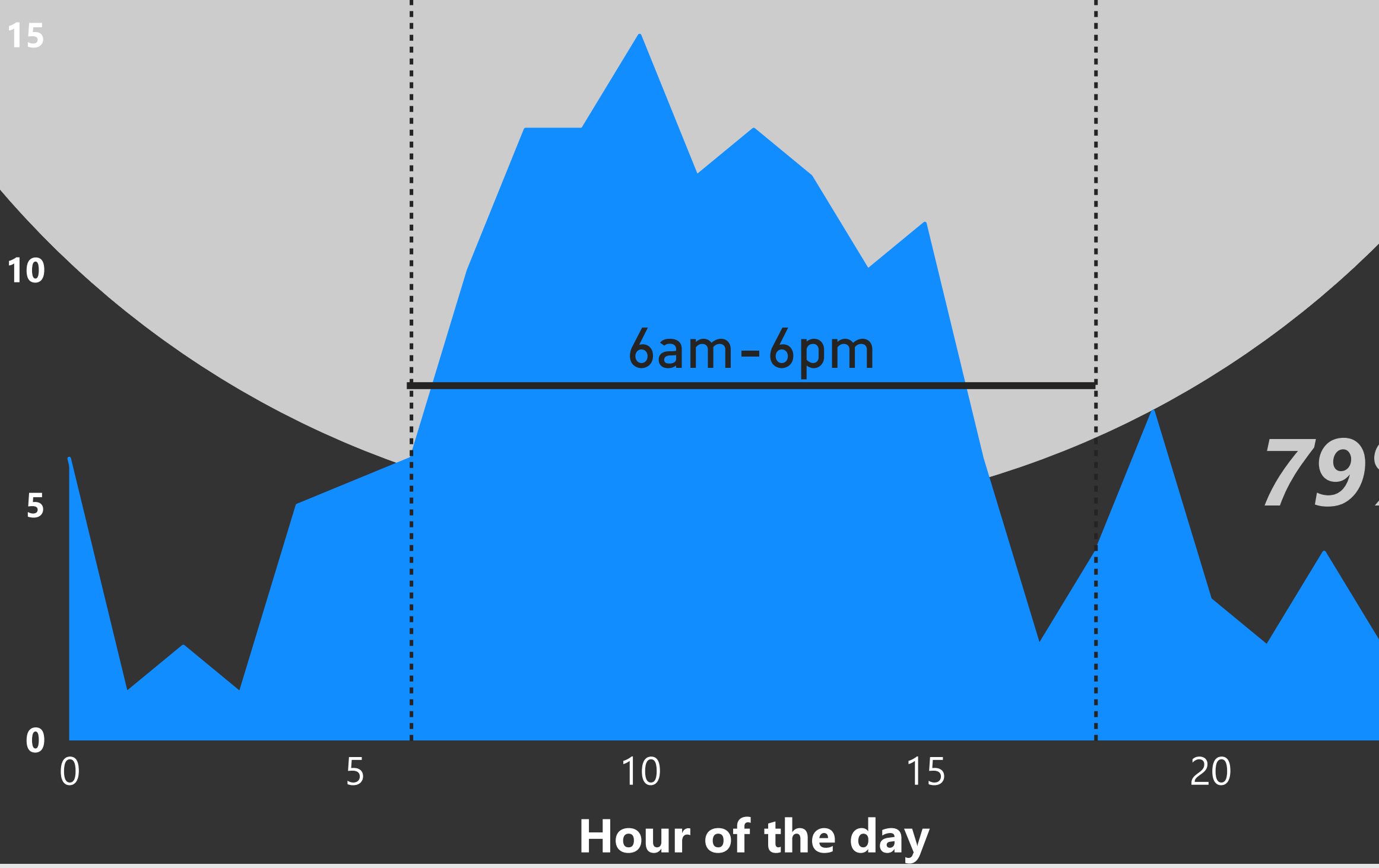
MOST SHOOTINGS OCCURRED ON A WEEKDAY AND DURING DAYTIME

Active shooter cases, count by day of week



81% of reported cases happened on a day between Monday and Friday.

Active shooter cases, count by hour of day



79% of reported cases took place between 6am and 6pm.

*The data used for this analysis was extracted from a publicly-disclosed FBI report downloaded from <https://www.fbi.gov/file-repository/active-shooter-study-2000-2013-1.pdf/view>. This report was last accessed on June 10, 2022.



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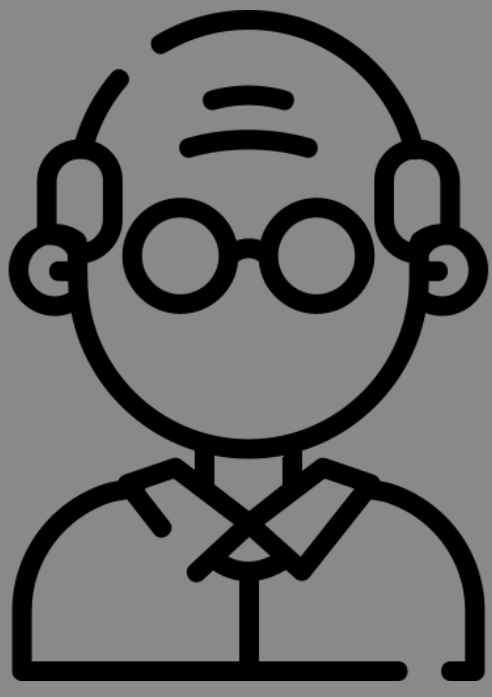


THE SHOOTERS



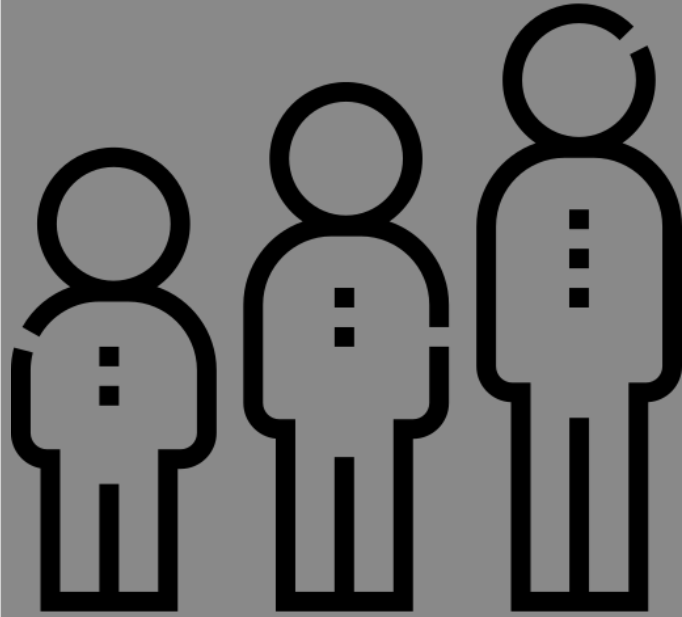
Age of youngest shooter

12



Age of oldest shooter

88



Median shooter age

36

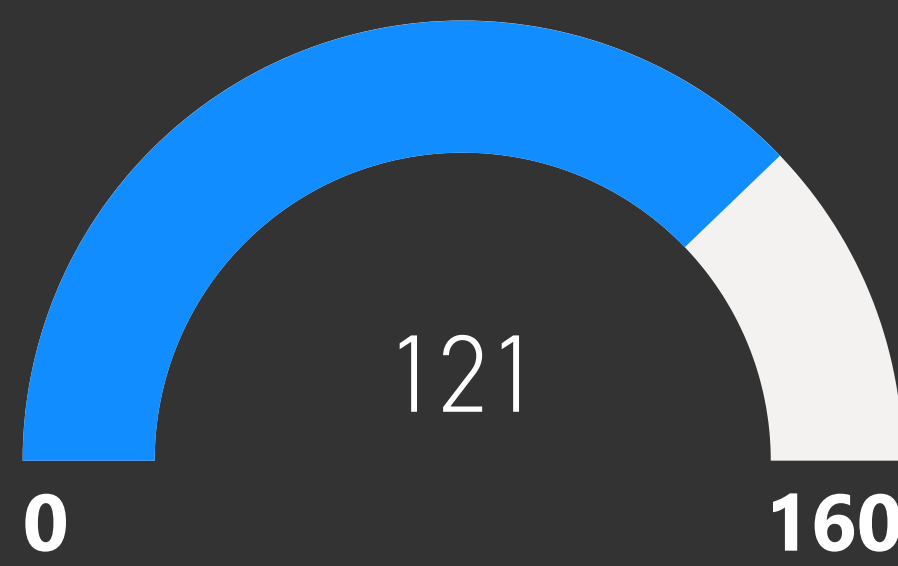


Share of female shooters

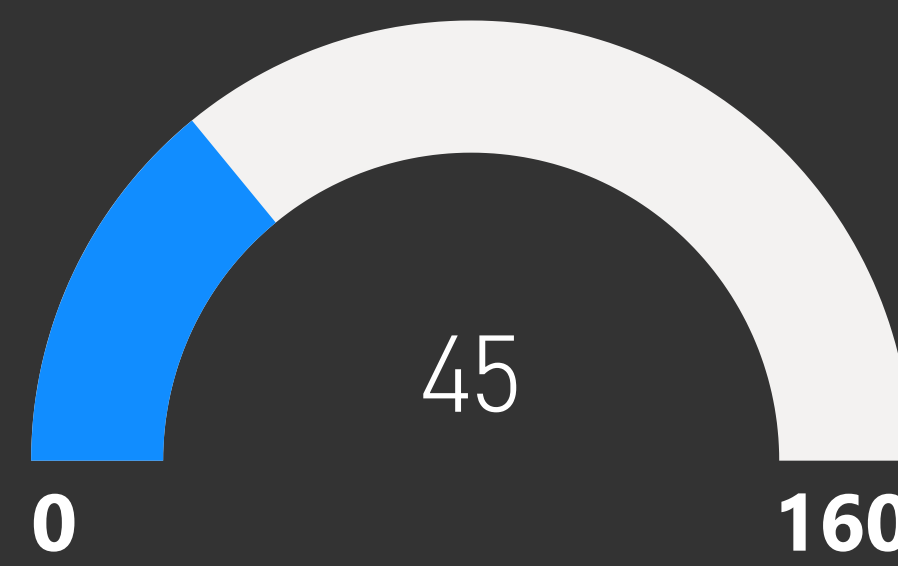
4%

WHAT WEAPONS DID SHOOTERS POSSESS?

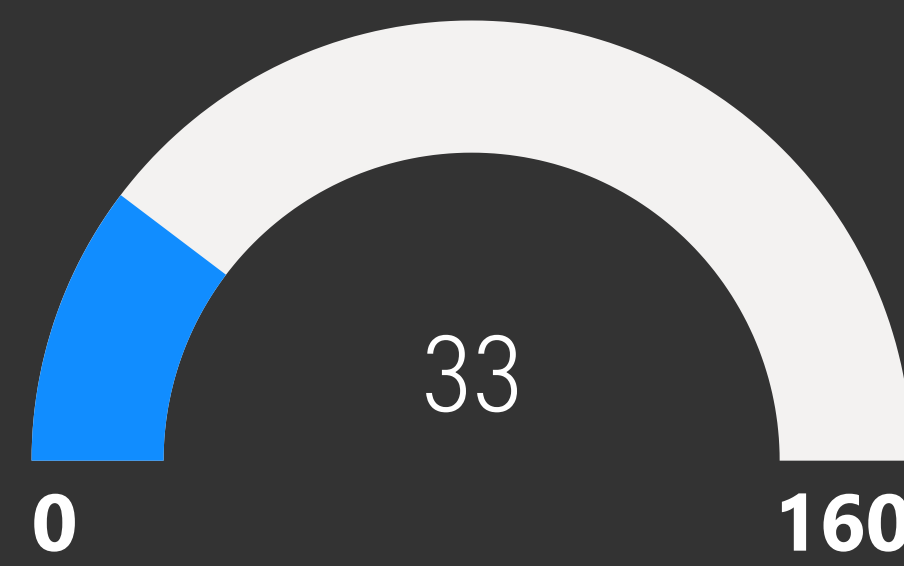
Of the 160 events reported, shooters had on them a **handgun in 121**, a **rifle in 45** and a **shotgun in 33** events.



Handgun



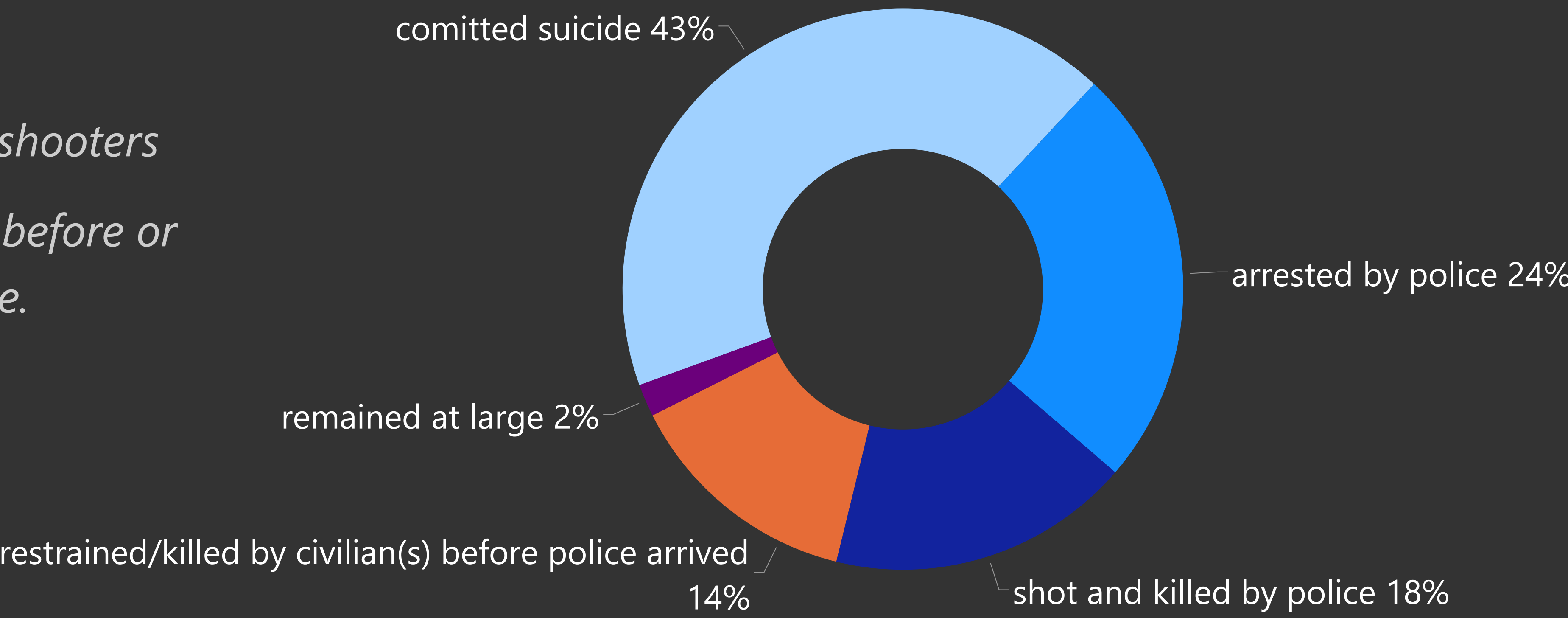
Rifle



Shotgun

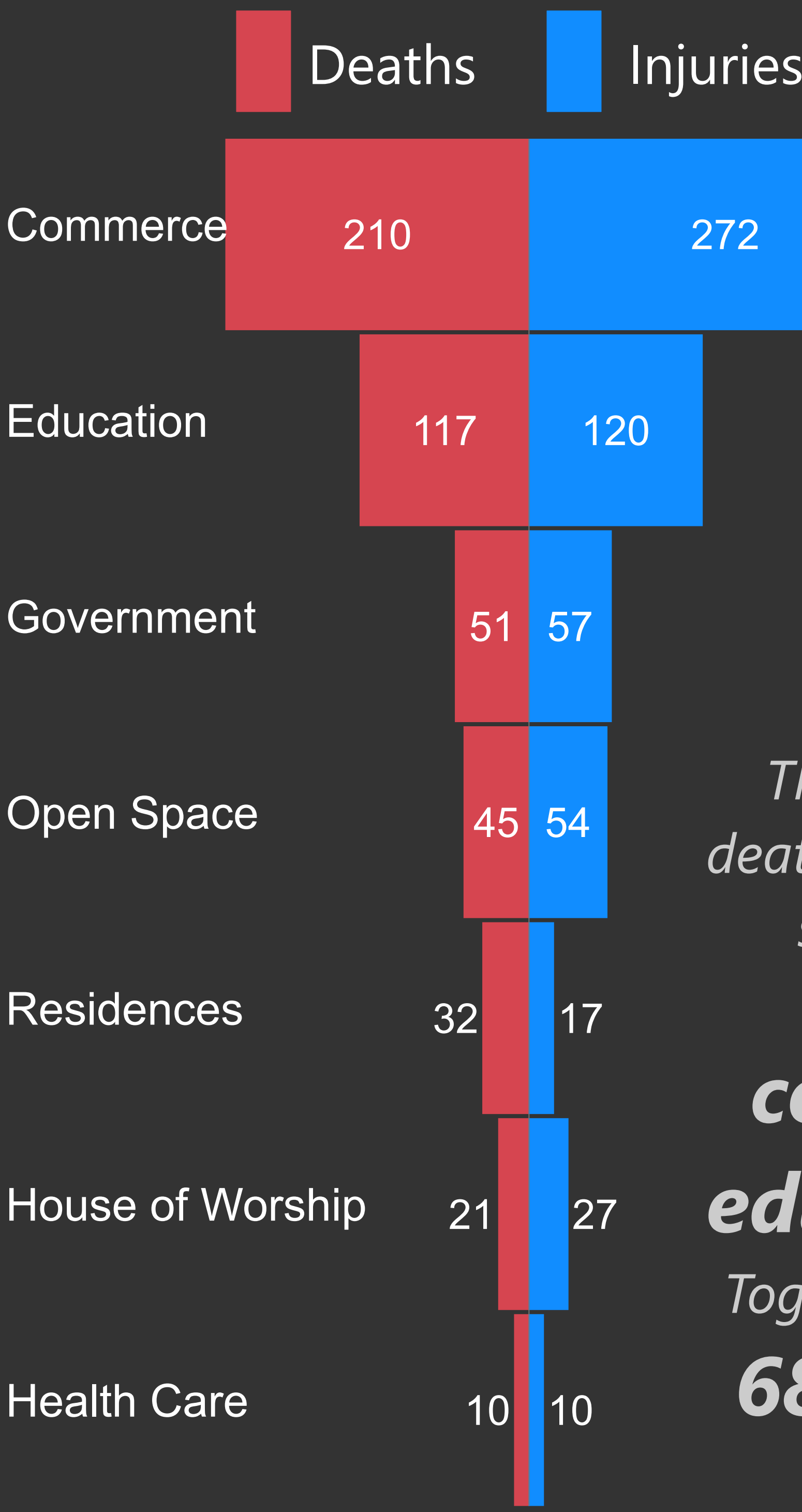
HOW WERE SHOOTERS STOPPED OR NEUTRALIZED?

In nearly **half** of shootings, shooters **committed suicide** before or after police arrived at the scene.



THE CASUALTIES

Casualties, count by location type



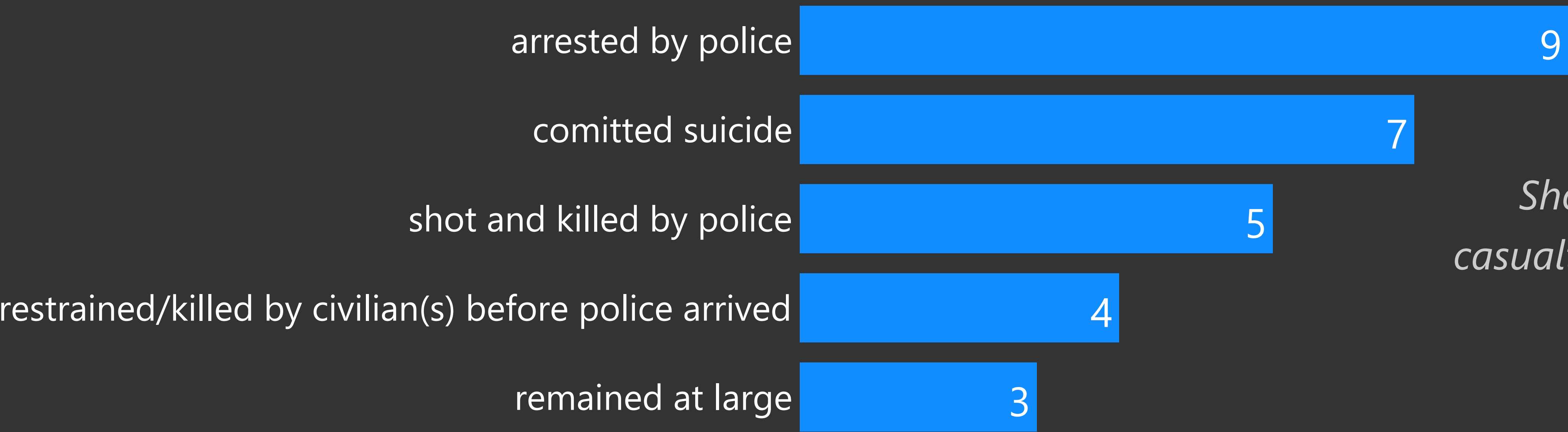
The highest number of deaths and injuries in active shooter events were recorded in **commercial** and **educational** centres. Together, both account for **68%** of total casualties.

Casualties, average by number of weapons



On average, shootings where shooter(s) had multiple guns claimed nearly **twice as many casualties** as shootings where shooter(s) had only one gun.

Casualties, average by shooter neutralization type



Shootings claimed the **least** number of casualties on average when the shooter(s) got **restrained or killed by civilians before police arrived**...except when shooters escaped.