

# The Effects of Police Violence on Inner-City Students

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# Abstract

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- The paper documents racially disparate effects of **officer-involved killings** occur on the educational and psychological well-being of Los Angeles public high school students.
  - In the United States, there occurs nearly 1,000 officer-involved killings.
- Exploits hyperlocal variation in how close students live to a killing.
- Results: Exposure to police violence leads to
  - persistent decreases in GPA
  - increased incidence of emotional disturbance
  - lower rates of high school completion and college enrollment.
- These effects are driven entirely by black and Hispanic students in response to
  - police killings of other minorities
  - incidents involving unarmed individuals