**Story - 3: Do stricter gun laws reduce firearm gun deaths?**

The CDC publishes firearm mortality for each State per 100,000 persons (<https://www.cdc.gov/nchs/pressroom/sosmap/firearm_mortality/firearm.htm>). Each state’s firearm control laws can be categorized as very strict to very lax.

**The purpose of this Story is to answer the question:**

* "Do stricter firearm control laws help reduce firearm mortality?"

**For this assignment you will need to:**

* Access the firearm mortality data from the CDC using an available API (<https://open.cdc.gov/apis.html>).
* Create a 5-point Likert scale categorizing gun control laws from most lax to strictest and assign each state to the most appropriate Likert bin.
* Determine whether stricter gun control laws result in reduced gun violence deaths.
* Present your story using heat maps.

**Notes:**

* You may not use the same desktop application that you have used for a previous story.
* If you use color in your visuals you must use an accessible color palette.
* This assignment is due at the end of the week six of the semester.