

PROHIBITED: No concealed carry allowed. States entirely ban civilians from carrying concealed firearms in public, regardless of permits or training.

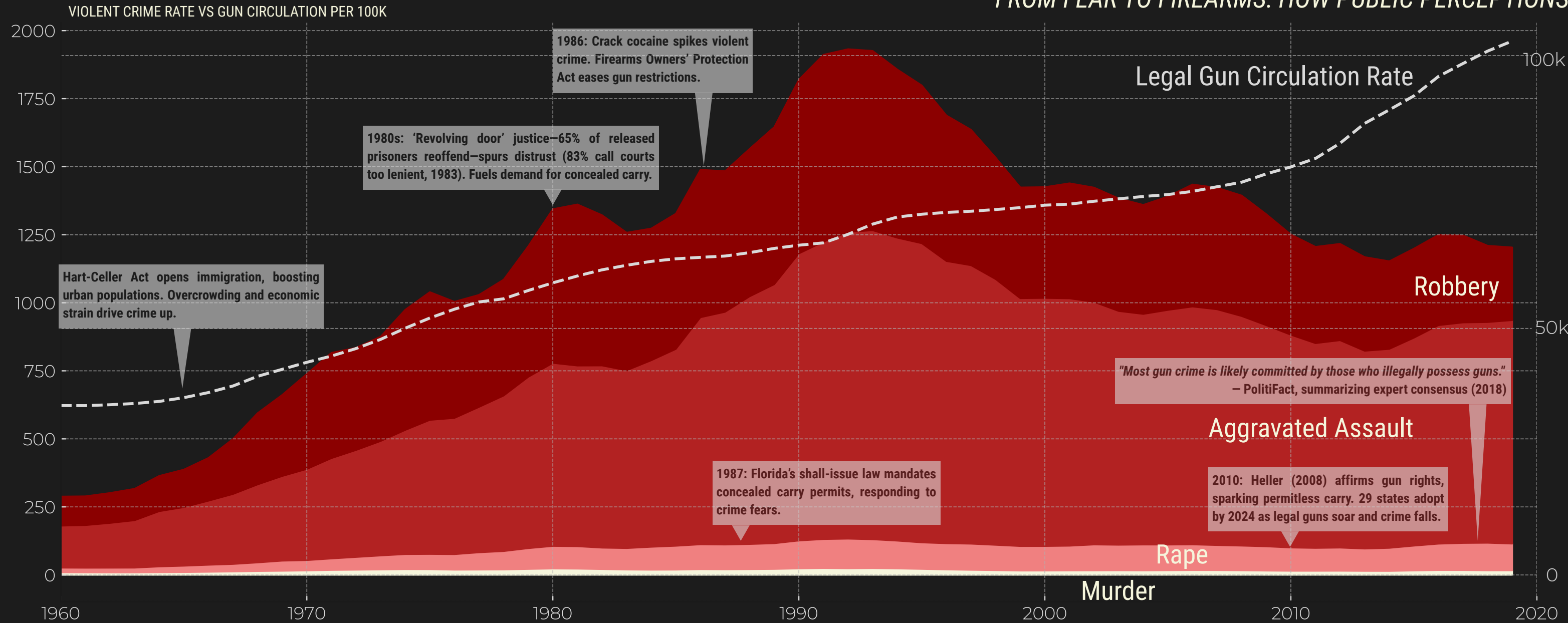
MAY ISSUE: Permit possible, but not guaranteed. Authorities have discretion to deny concealed carry permits, even if applicants meet legal requirements.

SHALL ISSUE: Permit granted if criteria met. States are required to issue a concealed carry permit to any applicant who fulfills objective requirements (e.g. background check, training).

PERMITLESS: No permit required. Adults may carry concealed firearms without a permit or formal approval, subject to some restrictions (e.g. age, location).

THE GREAT GUN LAW EXPERIMENT

FROM FEAR TO FIREARMS: HOW PUBLIC PERCEPTIONS OF CRIME SHAPED GUN RIGHTS



This stacked area chart presents national-level data for the United States as a whole. It does not represent per-state statistics. The violent crime categories shown are **not limited to incidents involving firearms**—they include all recorded offenses regardless of weapon used. We used data from the FBI, ATF, NRA, U.S. Census Bureau, RAND Corporation, PolitiFact and other publicly available government sources.

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