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The Washington Post is compiling a database of every fatal shooting in the United States from 2015 to 2016.

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**README.md**

Download the data: <https://raw.githubusercontent.com/washingtonpost/data-police-shootings/master/fatal-police-shootings-data.csv>

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About this story

The Post's database is updated regularly as fatal shootings are reported and as facts seeking assistance in making the database as comprehensive as possible. To provide since Jan. 1, 2015, send us an email at policeshootingsfeedback@washpost.com. The of the deceased and original videos of fatal encounters with police.

- M: Male

- F: Female
- None: unknown

The **threat_level** column was used to flag incidents for the story by Amy Brittain in <http://www.washingtonpost.com/sf/investigative/2015/10/24/on-duty-under-fire/> As described in the attack label was that there was the most direct and immediate threat to life. That victims were shot at, threatened with a gun, attacked with other weapons or physical force flag the highest level of threat. The other and undetermined categories represent all other incidents where officers or others faced significant threats.

The threat column and the fleeing column are not necessarily related. For example, someone moving away from officers (fleeing) and at the same time turns to fire at gun at the officer immediately before fatal shots by police; while fleeing could begin slightly earlier and

body_camera: News reports have indicated an officer was wearing a body camera at the incident.

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