

# Quiz for February 24, 2020

Answers

1. In 2015, The Washington Post estimated the number of guns in the United States in 2013 was:

- a. 140 million      b. 270 million      c. 590 million      **d. 357 million**

Ingraham, Christopher. *There are Now More Guns Than People in the United States*. WashingtonPost.com, October 5, 2015.

2. The US population in 2013 was about:

- a. 350 million      b. 295 million      **c. 317 million**      d. 309 million 1.18 guns/person

<https://www.bustle.com/p/how-many-guns-are-there-in-america-the-statistics-are-staggering-2746615>

3. Each year about \_\_\_\_\_ persons are killed by guns in the US.

- a. 17,000      b. 28,000      c. 32,000      **d. 40,000**

2019 statistics for 2019 in <https://www.gunviolencearchive.org>

4. The 27-word Second Amendment has been interpreted differently by different people. In 2008, The Supreme Court ruled the Amendment supports:

- a. a collective right to arms      **b. an individual right to arms**      c. both

5. The Second Amendment guarantees American citizens the right to own any type of firearm for any purpose.

- a. True      **b. False**

The 2008 ruling also said there could be certain controls such as for convicted felons, or mentally ill. The entire majority opinion is at this website. <https://www.supremecourt.gov/opinions/07pdf/07-290.pdf>

6. According to the Pew Research Center survey (2017), the percentage of US adults who say they live in a gun-owning household is:

- a. 42%**      b. 35%      c. 51%      d. 20 % 57% do not have guns

<https://www.pewresearch.org/fact-tank/2019/10/22/facts-about-guns-in-united-states/>

7. More people in rural areas own guns than those in urban areas.

- a. True** 46% to 19%      b. False

That is 46% of gun owners live in rural areas, 19% in urban areas. The conclusion would be the balance would be in small towns and suburbs.

<https://www.thoughtco.com/gun-owners-percentage-of-state-populations-3325153>

**8. What is the most common reason people say they own guns?**

- a. Hunting                      b. Sport shooting                      **c. Protection**                      d. Job

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**9. A gun kept in the home for self-defense is \_\_\_\_\_ times more likely to be used in an accidental shooting, suicide attempt, or criminal assault/homicide.**

- a. 11                      b. 7                      c. 19                      **d. 22**

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**10. The percent of youth firearm deaths that could be prevented by safe storage is up to:**

- a. 32%**                      b. 45%                      c. 10%                      d. 23%

Journal of the American Medical Association (JAMA) 2019

**11. A majority of gun owners do not lock up their firearms in the home.**

- a. True**                      b. False

Journal of the American Medical Association (JAMA), 1992

**12. Of the 39,428 gun-related deaths in the United States in 2019, the majority were:**

- a. homicides                      b. accidents                      **c. suicides 60%**                      d. law-enforcement related

<https://www.nytimes.com/2015/10/09/upshot/gun-deaths-are-mostly-suicides.html>

**13. In a Quinnipiac poll conducted after the Parkland attack, \_\_\_\_\_ of Americans supported background checks.**

- a. 97%**                      b. 45%                      c. 80%                      d. 94%

Quinnipiac Poll February 20, 2018 <https://poll.qu.edu/national/release-detail?ReleaseID=2521>

**14. What percentage of American gun owners are estimated to have bought a gun without a background check?**

- a. 5%                      b. 8%                      c. 70%                      **d. 22%**

<https://annals.org/aim/fullarticle/2595892/firearm-acquisition-without-background-checks-results-national-survey>

<https://www.vox.com/policy-and-politics/2017/1/4/14153594/gun-background-check-study>

**15. The current background check system applies to about \_\_\_\_\_ of gun sales.**

- a. 80%                      **b. 60%**                      c. 70%                      d. 90% not online sales, or gun shows  
or person to person

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**16. Suspected terrorists cannot legally buy guns.**

- A. True                      **b. False** They can purchase wherever a background check is not required