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Americans Bought Another Million Firearms in June

After parsing data from the National Instant Background Check System (NICS) for the month of June, the National Shooting Sports Foundation (NSSF) <u>reported</u> that Americans continued to exercise their God-given rights, guaranteed by the Second Amendment to the United States Constitution. They bought more than a million firearms — 1,059,037 to be exact — in June.

If they continue to add to their collections at the same rate in July, it will be five years in a row that sales have exceeded one million a month.



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In that time, Americans will have added nearly 100 million firearms to their private collections, representing a fearsome challenge for gun grabbers to overcome in their quest to disarm every citizen.

Said Mark Oliva, the NSSF's director of public affairs:

June's pace of background checks remained steady with another month of more than 1 million background checks for the sale of a firearm at retail.

That brings the streak to 59 months of Americans, quite literally by the millions, choosing to exercise their Second Amendment rights by first freely approaching the gun counter to legally purchase a firearm.

That is a steady signal from America as we approach election season that the right to keep and bear arms matters to law-abiding citizens.

While May, June, and July are typically slow months, the attempted murder of Donald Trump last week is likely to galvanize fence-sitters into adding to their arsenals. It's likely also to push those who don't yet own a firearm for self-protection to "approach the gun counter" and purchase one for the first time.

Studies show that nearly half of all households have a firearm present, and that percentage is likely to increase as the election season heats up. The Biden campaign is sure to castigate Americans for wanting to own a firearm for personal protection, claiming against all data that such ownership increases gun violence. Such canards will drive gun sales ever higher.

Despite the currency devaluation instituted by the Biden administration, prices for firearms are reaching lows not seen in years. For instance, Ammoland reports that "You can have a fully capable AR-15 rifle, sans sights or magazines, for under \$300, including shipping ... all for about a week's pay at minimum wage."

SafeHome.org reports that Montana, Alaska, and Wyoming lead the nation in the number of firearms sold, adjusting for population. These are states with the least-restrictive gun laws, and consequently citizens there are joyfully exercising their precious right to keep and bear them. In Montana, for instance, the numbers are truly astonishing: In 2023 there were 1,586 firearms sold for every 10,000



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residents! In Wyoming, the number was 1,523 per 10,000 population, while in Alaska it was 1,514 per 10,000 citizens.

But the biggest jump occurred in North Carolina when the state gave full throat to the Second Amendment by eliminating its pistol permit law. Gun sales in the Tarheel State jumped by 112 percent between 2022 and 2023.

Former peace officer Dean Weingarten retired from the U.S. Department of Defense after a 30-year career in Army research, development, testing, and evaluation. So he has an insider's view of the effort to disarm the American public:

If presidential candidate Donald Trump is elected in 2024, it will take some time for stability to be re-established. The current ruling class sees their power as threatened. The far-Left/Woke forces will see their chance at a complete destruction of Western civilization at risk of failure.

In the event of a second Donald Trump presidency, it's reasonable to expect riots in major centers of Democratic party power. Those riots may be far greater than were observed in 2020 when the left went all out with BLM legitimization of anti-white and anti-police rioting.

If Weingarten is right, such intended civil disturbances and violence by the Marxists and their useful idiots will only increase the demand for firearms for personal protection. This would affirm Joe Biden's legacy as "America's greatest gun salesman."

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