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NICS: Gun Sales for August 2021 Second Highest on Record

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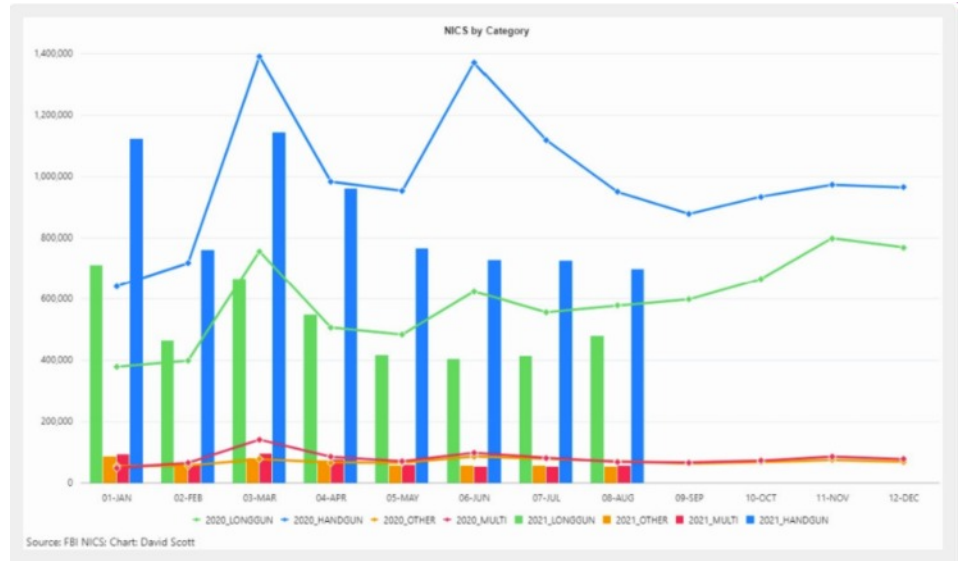
In August of 2021, National Instant Background Check System (NICS) and the associated gun sales are at high levels, but not as high as the record sales in 2020. The August sales of 2021 are the second-highest on record, as were the July sales in 2021.

This may indicate a new normal of consistently high gun sales, below the record-setting levels of 2020.

There were about 1.29 million gun sales recorded by NICS this past August. In 2020, gun sales were about 1.67 million. The next highest August was in 2016, with about 1.17 million gun sales.

These consistently high gun sales in 2020 may come from political unrest, lack of faith in the electoral system, and millions of new gun owners. In 2020, estimates of new gun owners varied between 4 and 8 million. This correspondent has not seen any surveys showing a percentage of new gun owners for 2021. There have been about 12.5 million firearm sales through federally licensed dealers in 2021 by the end of August. There were about 13.5 million sales by the end of August in 2020.

Since the election of President Obama in 2012, about 168 million guns have been added to the privately-owned stockpile in the United States. Nearly all of those guns are



not registered. Only a few states require the registration of guns.

Most of the approximately 476 million guns in private hands in the United States are unregistered and untraceable.

The estimate of guns sold is uncertain because not all sales go through the NICS system. About 10 million people with carry permits may purchase guns through federal dealers without going through the NICS system because they already went through the NICS to obtain their carry permit. The 10 million is an estimate because half of the states have this system. There are more than 20 million people in the

United States with carry permits. One person may purchase several guns with one NICS check.

There were about 2.70 million NICS checks in August of 2021. Most of those were for permit checks and rechecks. Illinois and Kentucky run multiple rechecks of carry permits each month. This skews the system with more than twice as many NICS checks as there are firearm sales.

A general shortage of ammunition may account for the slight slackening of gun sales. Demand has outstripped production. President [Biden has placed a ban](#) on future imports of guns and ammunition from Rus

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sia, which may re-inflate the ammunition bubble.

Ammunition manufacturers all around the world are running at high levels, attempting to meet the demand. There were signs of a [deflating ammunition bubble](#) before the fiasco in Afghanistan and the [Biden ban on Russian importation](#).

The times are uncertain. A rising power (China) threatens world stability. The leadership of the dominant power (the USA) seems feckless, hesitant, and incompetent, unwilling to offend the rising power. There are substantial reports of family corruption.

This correspondent does not see a significant reduction in demand for

ammunition or firearms in the near future.

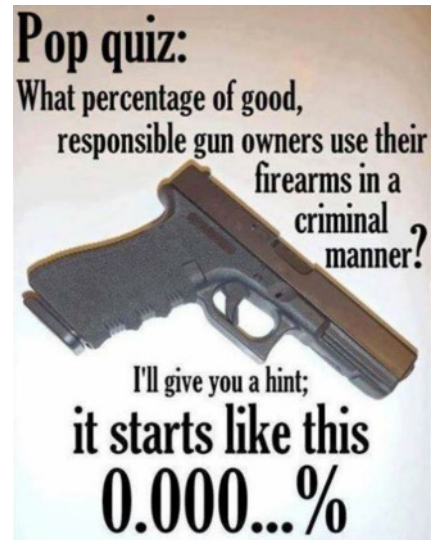
As gun sales rise the number of people with carry permits soar, and the number of gun owners increase, support for and exercise of Second Amendment rights continues to rise.

The number of people who want restrictions on gun ownership, sales, and usage is shrinking.

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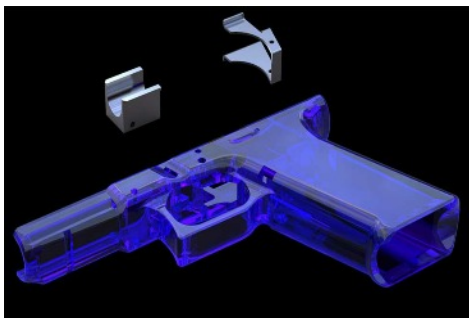
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Special Report

Below the Radar: Potential Gun Legislation you Need to Know About



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HR 4225 and S2319 - 3D Printed Gun Safety Act of 2021

Technology has changed a great deal since the Bill of Rights was ratified in 1791. This is beyond dispute, and it is something that Second Amendment supporters have to deal with when trying to convince their friends, family, and neighbors to back our Second Amendment rights against certain assaults.

Anti-Second Amendment extremists often claim that the Founders had no clue that something like the AR-15 could exist and as such, it is not protected by the Second Amendment. Well, that argument is bullshit, and in a way, the Supreme Court has already said so. In [Caetano v. Massachusetts](#), Massachusetts saw its ban on stun guns get thrown out on Second Amendment grounds.

One could argue that stun guns are/were even less likely to be predicted or anticipated by the Founders.

So, when we look at the 3D Printed Gun Safety Act of 2021, introduced by Representative Ted Deutch (D-FL) in the House as [HR 4225](#) and by Senator Ed Markey (D-MA) in the



Senate as [S 2319](#), we see a clearly unconstitutional piece of legislation on Second Amendment grounds. It is hard to imagine this bill not being struck down by the Supreme Court, especially when one considers the current alignment.

Both Markey and Deutch have appalling records on Second Amendment issues, but with this bill, they are also attacking the First Amendment as well.

As the summary for S 2319 puts it, "This bill makes it unlawful to intentionally publish digital instructions for programming a three-dimensional printer to make a firearm."

When AmmoLand News covered [an earlier iteration](#) of the bill, the major news then was about then-New Jersey Attorney General Gurbir Grewel's [attempt to bully CodelsFreeSpeech.com](#). A ruling [out of the Ninth Circuit](#), of all places, seems to be putting the kibosh on that front. But the fight will go on in Congress and state legislatures.

One of the things Second Amendment supporters will have to confront is that 3D printing and programmable CNC machines are going to be game-changers in the field of firearms manufacturing. For one thing, it could be possible for manufacturers to put out-of-production guns back on the market via blueprints for a 3D printer – for instance, allowing someone to make a replica of a Smith and Wesson 1076, which has been out of production since 1993.

Second Amendment supporters need to contact their Senators and Representatives and politely urge them to oppose HR 4225 and S 2319. In addition, they need to support pro-Second Amendment organizations and work to defeat anti-Second Amendment extremists in office at the federal, state, and local levels via the ballot box as soon as possible.

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HR 4953, the National Firearms Amendments Act of 2021

One reason that we will still need strong pro-Second Amendment organizations after favorable rulings like ones covering [standard magazines](#) and [modern multi-purpose semiautomatics](#) is because, as we noted earlier, bans will not be the only way that anti-Second Amendment extremists will come after our rights. We noted earlier the threat that could be posed by [expanding the coverage of the National Firearms Act](#).

For any loyal Ammoland readers who were skeptical of that earlier piece, I present to you [HR 4953](#), the National Firearms Amendments Act of 2021, sponsored by Representative Theodore E. Deutch (D-FL). Eight other representatives have co-sponsored this bill, and this one is a massive attack on those who wish to exercise the rights protected by the Second Amendment.

This bill takes any semiautomatic rifle or shotgun, modern or not, that can accept a detachable magazine and makes it subject to the NFA. All the red tape, all the penalties for not registering, all of the other restrictions will get applied with a bill that is three pages long, should it be signed into law.

What makes this bill a potentially devastating attack is the fact that it could easily be included as part of a reconciliation bill, and since the NFA is part of the tax code, a filibuster could be evaded as a result. You will note that this bill was referred to the House Ways and Means Committee, which covers taxes.

But we can't assume that just the additional hoops in the legal sense will be the only hit that Second Amendment supporters would take. We could see a secondary attack through financial blacklisting/de-platforming of manufacturers and/or retailers who would refuse to stop selling allegedly "dangerous" firearms to the general public.

The fact of the matter is that we cannot afford to rest on the laurels of any court victory. The courts can only handle one sort of case at a time. The case is slated to be heard in November, and the cases from California will only close off certain attacks – there will be other avenues that will be used by our enemies to attack our rights. And yes, anti-Second Amendment extremists who seek to punish us for horrific crimes and acts of madness that we did not commit, and then smear us as child killers or domestic terrorists can rightly be viewed as enemies of those who wish to exercise our rights.

Second Amendment supporters need to contact their Representative and Senators and politely urge them to oppose HR 4953, and to instead support legislation like the [Home Defense and Competitive Shooting](#)

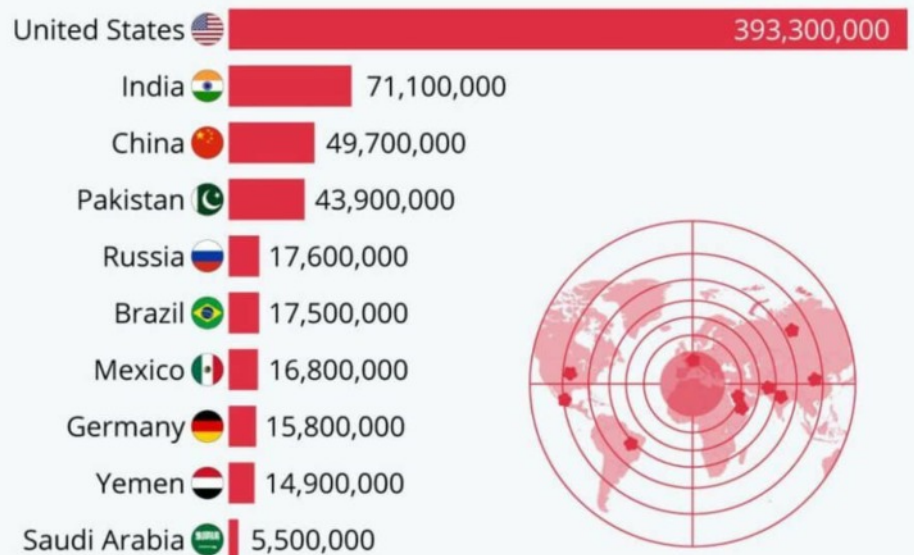
[Act](#). In addition, anti-Second Amendment extremists at the federal, state, and local levels need to be defeated at the ballot box as soon as possible.

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Countries With The Most Firearms in Civilian Hands

Estimated number of civilian-held legal and illicit firearms in 2017



Source: Small Arms Survey



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Quick Reference Guide to U.S. Firearms Laws

I. POSSESSION OF A FIREARM OR AMMUNITION BY A PROHIBITED PERSON:

18 USC § 922(g) & (n). Punishable by up to 10 years imprisonment. May receive minimum sentence of 15 years without parole if offender has three or more prior convictions for a felony crime of violence (e.g. burglary, robbery, assault, possession of offensive weapons) and/or drug trafficking felony.

Elements

A. Possession or receipt of a firearm or ammunition;

B. By a subject who falls within one of the following categories:

Felon - (Additionally, persons awaiting trial on felony charges are prohibited from receiving firearms.);

Drug user or addict - (Often shown where paraphernalia seized, subject tests positive for drugs and/or subject claims drugs were possessed for personal use.);

Alien - (Includes illegal aliens and aliens lawfully admitted under non-immigrant visas, i.e., those aliens not admitted for permanent residence. This provision does not prohibit aliens who lawfully possess a so-called "green card" from possessing guns or ammunition.);

Is subject to a domestic restraining order - (The order must prohibit contact with an intimate partner, or child of the subject, and must have been issued only after a hearing of which the subject was notified and at which the subject had an opportunity to participate. The order must also find the subject poses a threat to the physical safety of the intimate partner or child or must prohibit the use, threatened use or attempted use of physical force.);

Has a prior conviction for domestic assault - (Includes a prior conviction

for any assault or threatened use of a deadly weapon against a present or former spouse or partner or child or guardian of any such person. The subject must have been entitled to a jury trial and been represented by counsel in the prior proceeding or be shown to have waived those rights.);

Fugitive from justice - (Fled any state to avoid being prosecuted or to avoid testifying in any criminal proceeding.); or

Dishonorably discharged from the military; AND

C. The firearm or ammunition was transported across a state line at any time.

II. KNOWINGLY SELL, GIVE OR OTHERWISE DISPOSE OF ANY FIREARM OR AMMUNITION TO ANY PERSON WHO FALLS WITHIN ONE OF THE ABOVE CATEGORIES:

18 USC § 922(d). Punishable by up to 10 years imprisonment.

III. USE, CARRY OR POSSESS A FIREARM IN RELATION TO OR IN FURTHERANCE OF A DRUG FELONY OR A FEDERAL CRIME OF VIOLENCE:

18 USC § 924(c). Punishment ranges from at least 5 years up to life imprisonment, without parole, or death if death results from use of firearm. Sentence must be served consecutive to any other sentence. Mandatory minimum sentence increases depending upon: the type of firearm involved (sawed-off gun, silencer, etc.); whether more than one offense was committed; and whether gun was simply possessed or was brandished or discharged.

IV. STOLEN FIREARM, AMMUNITION OR EXPLOSIVE:

18 USC §§842(h); 922(i), (j) & (u). Punishable by up to 10 years imprisonment.

A. May not receive, possess, conceal, store, pledge or accept as security for a loan, barter, sell or ship or transport across a state line any stolen firearm, ammunition or explosive.

B. May not steal or unlawfully take or carry away a firearm from the person or premises of a firearms licensee.

V. FIREARM IN A SCHOOL ZONE:

18 USC § 922(q)(2)(A). Punishable by up to 5 years imprisonment.

A. Except as authorized, may not possess or discharge a firearm in a school zone.

VI. KNOWINGLY POSSESS OR MANUFACTURE:

18 USC § 922(k), (o) & (v); 26 USC § 5861. Punishable by up to 5 or 10 years imprisonment, depending upon specific violation.

A. Any machine gun, fully automatic firearm or any part designed or intended exclusively for use in such weapon;

B. Any firearm silencer, including any device, or part thereof, designed to silence, muffle or diminish the report of a firearm;

C. Sawed-off shotgun with a barrel length of less than 18" or overall length less than 26";

D. Sawed-off rifle with a barrel length of less than 16" or overall length less than 26";

E. Destructive device;

F. Semi-automatic assault weapon manufactured after October 1, 1993; OR

G. Any firearm which lacks a serial number or contains an altered or obliterated serial number.

VII. SELL, DELIVER OR TRANSFER TO A JUVENILE:

18 USC § 922(x)(1). Punishable by up to 1 year imprisonment unless transferor had reason to believe juvenile would commit crime of violence with gun or ammunition, then up to 10 years imprisonment.

18 USC § 922(b). A firearms licensee faces up to 5 years imprisonment.

A. May not sell, deliver or transfer a handgun or handgun-only ammunition to a person who is under age 18;

B. A person under age 18 may not possess a handgun or handgun-only ammunition; (Certain exceptions apply to A & B, such as where juvenile possesses written permission of a parent.);

C. A firearms licensee may not sell any gun or ammunition to anyone

under the age of 18 and may not sell a handgun or handgun ammunition to a person under the age of 21.

FORFEITURE OF FIREARMS, AMMUNITION & EXPLOSIVES:

18 U.S.C. §924(d) authorizes the seizure and forfeiture of firearms, ammunition and explosives involved in criminal offenses. However, strict time limitations are imposed. Consult the ATF or U.S. Attorney's Office as soon as possible for guidance on forfeiture issues.

TRACING OF FIREARMS:

Firearms information for every firearm, even if only identified during a field interview or traffic stop, should be sent to ATF for tracing and possible connection to other criminal activity.

DEFINITION OF "FIREARM":

Any weapon (including a starter gun) which will expel a projectile by means of an explosive or is designed or may be readily convert-

ed to do so. This includes the frame or receiver of any such weapon, any firearm muffler or silencer or any destructive device.

A "destructive device" includes any explosive, incendiary or poison gas --- (i) bomb; (ii) grenade or (iii) similar device, or any combination of parts designed or intended to be converted into a destructive device, or from which a destructive device may be readily assembled. Does not include black powder or antique type firearms. 18 USC §921(3).

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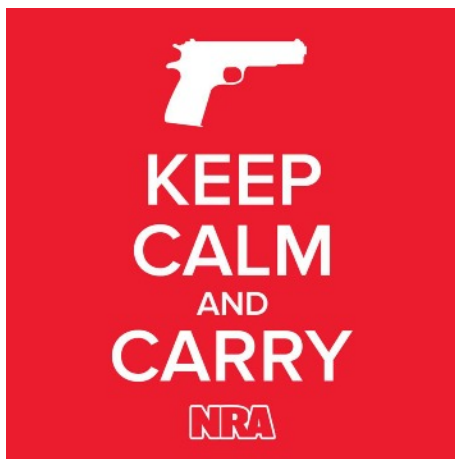
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Breaking Down The Biden-Russian Ammunition Ban - Real Numbers

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The Biden Ban on the importation of Russian ammunition has caused much confusion within the gun world. [AmmoLand](#) News has reached out to multiple sources in the firearms industry on and off the record to clear up the confusion and to understand the real impact on American shooters.



accounts for just over 22% of all imported ammunition to the United States.

Biden claims to have ordered the ban in response to the poisoning of Russian opposition leader and Putin critic Alexei Navalny. Most gun rights advocates argue that Biden used the poisoning of Mr. Navalny as an excuse to enact backdoor gun control since Russian arms and ammunition imports to the U.S. account for less than 1% of the entire Russian economy.

It is harder to get a total number of domestically produced rounds. Still, it is understood in the industry that companies import 25% of the ammunition sold in the U.S. All industry sources [AmmoLand](#) News reached out to agree that Russian ammo accounts for between 5% and 8% of total ammo sold in the country. The number more accurately is between 5% and 6%. Chief Economist Jurgen Brauer of Small Arms Analytics agrees with the number [AmmoLand](#) News obtained.

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First, know the ban on Russian imported ammunition was not immediate. The prohibition went into effect September 7th 2021. That does not mean no more ammunition will come into the country as of that date, but just that new ammo import permits will no longer be issued. Existing importation permits for ammunition and arms are good for 24 months, meaning any effect to the supply chain will take about two years for the gun owners to see. There are approximately [rough estimates, no one actually knows the exact number] 1.5 billion rounds of Russian ammunition currently in the pipeline to be imported over the next two years.

“Russia has been the U.S.’s largest external ammunition supplier for 16 years running,” Brauer told [AmmoLand](#) News.

“While the total number of rounds in the U.S. market is not known, it is likely that Russia supplies about 5% of the U.S. market. The impact will not be immediate as the U.S. Customs and Border Protection service apparently will honor existing import permits even if shipments arrive after the U.S. deadline.

According to the global small arms and ammunition research group, [Small Arms Analytics](#), in 2020, companies imported 770 million rounds of ammunition from Russia. The total number of imported rounds of ammunition from all sources is 3.5 billion. That means Russian ammo

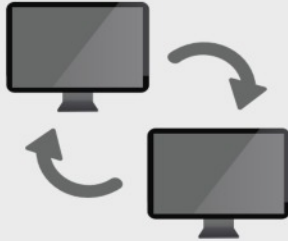
“Despite the circumstances, it is perhaps helpful for U.S. shooters to learn that a very substantial part of U.S. ammunition supplies, or parts thereof, come from overseas. After Russia, the next four top suppliers in 2020 were Italy, Mexico, Turkey, and Germany.”

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HOW ATF TRACES FIREARMS



A firearm is recovered by law enforcement



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One of the calibers that will be the hardest hit will be the 5.45×39 round used in AK74 type firearms. Almost all 5.45×39 ammunition comes from Russia. Several sources outside Russia produce the round, but none import to the U.S. or have plans to import to the U.S. because most of their rounds are sold to Eastern European militaries. The 5.45×39 A.K. variants make up less than 10% of the total A.K.s in the country.

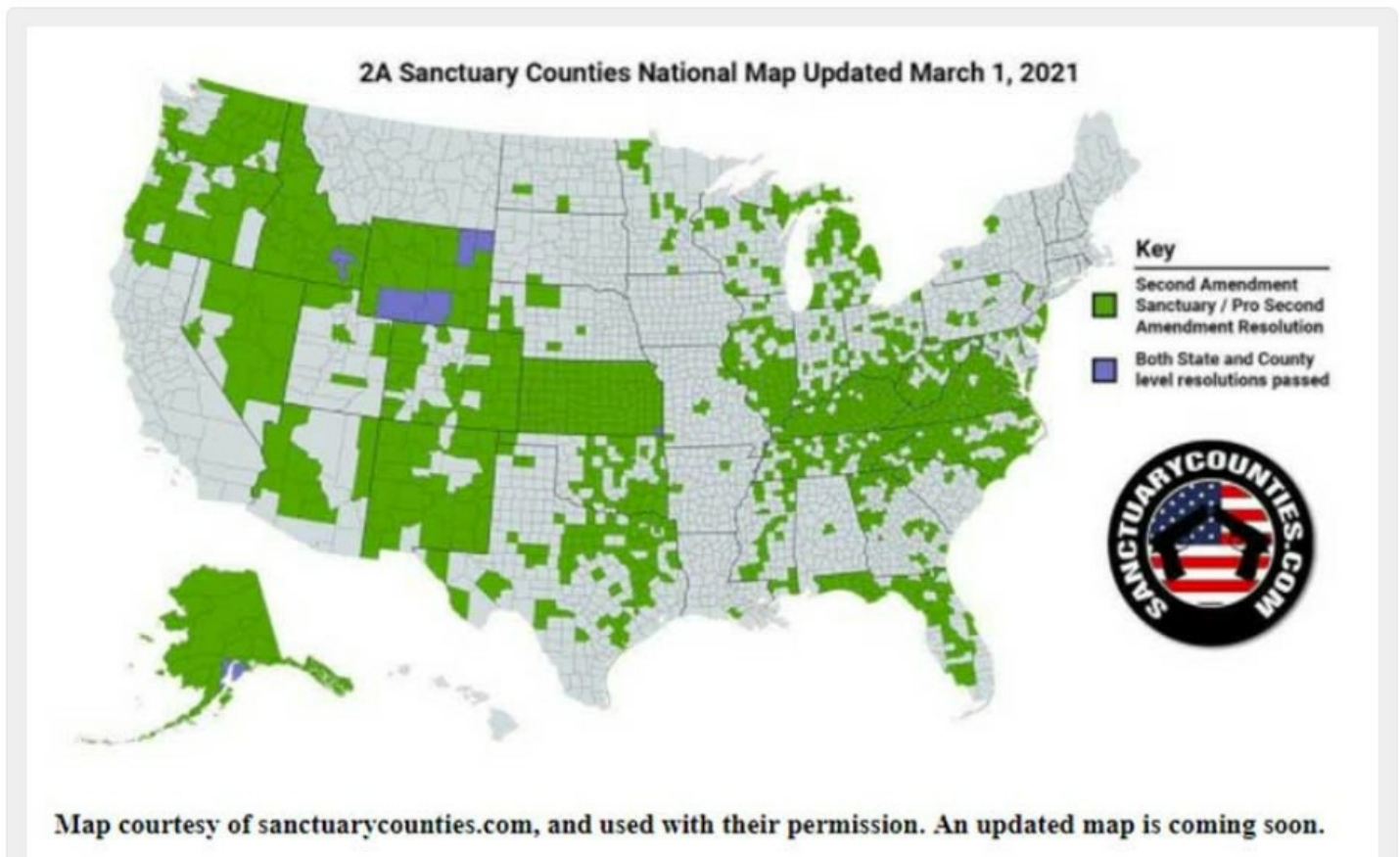
The tooling cost to produce 5.45×39 ammunition would be prohibitive. It would be hard for companies to recoup the cost of retooling their machines to produce the round. Also, that would mean making less of another round that sells better in the

U.S. Right now, the demand for the round would not justify the investment. The demand is up now because of the Biden ammo ban, but companies worry that demand will drop.

However, under new leadership, the Biden Russian ammunition ban can be easily reversed. It is only a political sanction. Companies worry that if they retool for rounds such as 5.45×39 and the embargo is lifted they will have to against mother Russia's higher production rates. Then they would have wasted money since they would not be able to recoup the cost of producing the tooling.

One silver lining is that it would not take an act of Congress to restart the importation of Russian ammunition. If Republicans are successful in the next Presidential election cycle, the new President will have the power to remove the sanction with a stroke of a pen.

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2A Sanctuary Counties National Map Updated March 1, 2021. The number of states, counties, and cities declaring themselves Second Amendment Sanctuaries is skyrocketing. Map courtesy of sanctuarycounties.com, and used with their permission. An updated map is coming soon.

A Tip Sheet for Parents:

MENTAL HEALTH, SUICIDE PREVENTION AND FIREARM SAFETY

UNAUTHORIZED ACCESS TO FIREARMS

METHOD	DESCRIPTION	PROS	CONS
Cable Lock 	<p>A cable lock can be used on most firearms, allows for quick access in an emergency and offers security from theft. The cable runs through the barrel or action of a firearm to prevent it from being accidentally fired, requiring either a key or combination to unlock it.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Widely available Inexpensive Can be used on most firearms Can also be used to lock a firearm to another object Allows for quick access Renders the firearm inoperable 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Cable can be cut Need to keep keys/combination secure Single firearm use, whereas some other safe storage devices have room to secure multiple firearms
Gun Case 	<p>For those looking to conceal, protect or legally transport a firearm, a gun case is an affordable solution available in a variety of materials including plastic, fabric or metal. Be sure to lock it with an external device like a cable-style gun lock for added security.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Widely available Inexpensive Portable and allows for simple, safe transport of a firearm Protects the firearm from damage Can secure multiple firearms 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Most secure when paired with an additional device, like a cable-style gun lock
Lock Box 	<p>With integrated locks, storage boxes provide reliable protection for firearms, and allow gun owners to legally transport them outside of their home.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ensures safety even if gun is already loaded Portable Protects the firearm from damage Can secure multiple firearms 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Can be more expensive than other firearm storage options
Electronic Lock Box 	<p>Electronic lock boxes are an effective way to store or legally transport firearms, and they also prevent theft, since only the person with the code can access the contents. Some electronic lock boxes are specially designed for quick access to stored firearms.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Portable Only firearm owner knows the code for the electronic lock (dual purpose as a theft deterrent) Can secure multiple firearms 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Can be more expensive than other firearm storage options
Full Size and/or Biometric Gun Safe 	<p>A gun safe protects its contents from the elements and allows owners to safely store multiple firearms in one place. Gun safes of all sizes are now available with biometric options to ensure only certain people have access.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Biometric aspect only allows the firearm owner to access the safe through a digital identification of a person's unique human characteristic, like a finger or hand print Prevents against thefts Can secure multiple firearms 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Most expensive option

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Online Resources for Shooters

Guns & Accessories

1800 Guns and Ammo -

<https://gritrsports.com/1800gunsandammo/>

Aero Precision - <https://www.aeroprecisionusa.com/>

Bass Pro Shop - <https://www.basspro.com/shop/en>

Big 5 Sporting Goods - <http://big5sportinggoods.com/store/>

Black Hills Shooters Supply - <http://www.bhshooters.com>

Bravo Company USA - <https://bravocompanyusa.com>

Brownells - <http://www.brownells.com>

Bud's Gun Shop - <https://www.budsgunshop.com/index.php>

Buffalo Arms Co. - <http://www.buffaloarms.com>

Cabela's - <https://www.cabelas.com>

Cave Armor Gun Safes - <http://cavearmor.com/>

CDNN Sports - <https://www.cdnnsports.com/>

Cheaper Than Dirt - <https://www.cheaperthandirt.com/>

Daniel Defense - <https://danieldefense.com/>

Dixie Gun Works - <http://www.dixiegunworks.com>

Fix-It-Sticks Tools - <https://store.fixitsticks.com/>

Grab-A-Gun Gun Sales - <http://grabagun.com>

Graf & Sons, Inc. - <http://www.grafs.com>

Gun Broker - <https://www.gunbroker.com/>

Gun Mag Warehouse - <https://gunmagwarehouse.com>

Gun Pros - <https://gunpros.com/>

Guns.com (gun sales + newsletter) - <http://guns.com>

Hardshell FZE - <https://www.hardshell.ae/>

Knight's Armament - <https://www.knightarmco.com/>

Larue Tactical - <https://www.larue.com/>

Lewis Machine and Tool (LMT) - <https://lmtdefense.com/>

LWRC International - <https://www.lwrci.com/>

MidwayUSA - <http://midwayusa.com>

Natchez Shooting Supplies - <http://natchezss.com>

Northwoods Shooting Sports -

<http://www.northwoodshootingsports.com/>

Noveske - <https://noveske.com/>

Ohio Ordnance Works - <http://www.ohioordnanceworks.com>

Palmetto State Armory -

<http://www.palmettostatearmory.com>

Primary Arms - <https://www.primaryarms.com/>

Prolix - <http://www.prolixlubricant.com>

Sinclair International, Inc. - <http://www.sinclairintl.com>

Smith & Alexander - <http://www.smithandalexander.com>

Sportsman's Guide - <https://www.sportsmansguide.com/>

Sportsman's Warehouse - <https://www.sportsmans.com/>

The Shooter's Box - <http://www.theshootersbox.com/>

Target Barn - <https://www.targetbarn.com/>

The Gear Hunt - <https://thegearhunt.com>

Yankee Hill Machine - <https://yhm.net/>

Gun Parts

Bravo Company USA - <http://www.bravocompanyusa.com>

BuyMilSurp - <http://www.buymilsurp.com>

Huber Concepts - <http://www.huberconcepts.com>

Mag-Na-Port Intl. - <http://www.magnaport.com>

Military Gun Supply - <http://www.militarygunsupply.com>

Pacific Canvas & Leather -

<http://pacificcanvasandleather.com>

RTG Parts - <http://www.robertrtg.com>

Sarco, Inc. - <http://www.sarcoinc.com>

Springfield Sporters, Inc. - <http://www.ssporters.com>

TG International - <http://www.tguns.com>

VTI Replica Gun Parts - <http://www.vtgunparts.com>

Wilson Combat - <https://www.wilsoncombat.com/>

Grips & Gun Stocks

Alumagrips - <http://www.alumagrips.com>

Altamont Co. - <http://www.altamontco.com>

Boyd's Gunstock Industries -

<http://www.boydsgunstocks.com>

Donson Products - <http://www.dsplaser.com>

Eagle Grips - <http://www.eaglegrips.com>

GunMag Warehouse - <https://gunmagwarehouse.com/>

Gunstock Blanks - <http://www.gunstockblanks.com>

Herrett's Stocks - <http://www.herrett-stocks.com>

Hogue - <http://www.getgrip.com>

Jack First Gun Shop - <http://www.jackfirstgun.com>

Nill-Grips - <http://www.nill-grips.com>

Numrich Gun Parts - <http://www.gunpartscorp.com>

Pachmayr - <http://www.pachmayr.com>

Pearce Grip - <http://www.pearcegrip.com>

Tiger-Hunt - <http://www.gunstockwood.com>

Wicked Grips - <http://www.wickedgrips.com>

Manufacturers

Anderson Manufacturing -

<https://andersonmanufacturing.com/>

Beretta USA - <http://www.beretta.com/en-us/>

Bersa - Eagle Imports - <https://bersa.eagleimportsinc.com/>

Browning North America - <https://www.browning.com/>

Bushmaster Firearms - <https://www.bushmaster.com/>

Colt Manufacturing - <https://colt.com/>

Christianson Arms - <https://christensenarms.com>

CVA - <https://cva.com/>

CZ-USA - <https://cz-usa.com/>

FN Herstal (FNH) - <https://www.fnherstal.com/en>

Glock USA - <https://us.glock.com/en>

H&K - Heckler & Koch USA - <https://hk-usa.com/>

Henry Repeating Arms - <https://www.henryusa.com/>

Kahr Arms - <https://www.kahr.com/>

Kimber America - <https://www.kimberamerica.com/>

Marlin Firearms - <https://www.marlinfirearms.com/>

Mossberg - <https://www.mossberg.com/>

Remington Arms - <https://www.remington.com/>

Rock River Arms - <https://www.rockriverarms.com/>

Ruger Firearms - <https://ruger.com/>

Savage Arms - <https://savagearms.com/>

Sig Sauer - <https://www.sigsauer.com>

Smith & Wesson - <https://www.smith-wesson.com/>

Springfield Armory - <https://www.springfield-armory.com/>

Taurus USA - <https://www.taurususa.com>

Thompson/Center - <https://www.tcarms.com/firearms>

Walther - <https://waltherarms.com/>

Online Resources for Shooters - 2

Newsletters and Publications

A&J Arms Booksellers - <http://ajarmsbooksellers.com>
AR-15 Newsletter - <http://ar15.com>
Art of the Rifle - <https://artoftherifle.com/>
Accurate Shooter – <http://accurateshooter.com>
Ammoland News Aggregator – <http://www.ammoland.com>
Avalon Forge - <http://www.avalonforge.com>
Bev Fitchett - <https://www.bevfitchett.us>
Blue Book Publications - <http://www.bluebookinc.com>
Chuck Hawks - <http://www.chuckhawks.com>
Everyday Marksman – <http://everydaymarksman.co>
FMG Publications - <http://www.fmgpublications.com>
F+W Publications - <http://gundigeststore.com>
Gun Digest – <http://gundigest.com>
Gun News Daily – <https://gunnewsdaily.com/>
Guns America – <http://gunsamerica.com>
Gun Pros - <https://gunpros.com>
Hunting Wire - <http://www.huntingwire.com>
IDSA Books - <http://idsabooks.com>
K-Var – <http://k-var.com>
Mowbray Publishing - <http://www.manalarmsbooks.com>
My Gun Culture – <http://mygunculture.com>
North Cape Publications - <http://www.northcapepubs.com>
Pew Tactical – <http://pewpewtactical.com>
Recoil Magazine (from Gun Digest) - <http://www.recoilweb.com>
Recoil OffGrid Magazine - <https://www.offgridweb.com>
Rifle Craft - <https://www.rifle-craft.com>
Schiffer Publishing - <http://www.schifferbooks.com>
Skyhorse Publishing - <http://www.skyhorsepublishing.com>
Tactical Hyve - <https://tacticalhyve.com/>
the loaded mag - <http://theloadedmag.com>

Organizations/Clubs

Ben Lomond Gun Club, Elbert County, Colorado – <https://www.blgc.org/>
Buffalo Creek Gun Club, Bailey, Colorado – <https://www.bcgc.com/>
Civilian Marksmanship Program (CMP) – <http://cmp.org>
Colorado Gun Collectors Association (CGCA) – <http://www.cgca.com/>
Colorado Firearms Safety Coalition - <http://coloradofirearmsafetycoalition.org>
Colorado State Shooting Association (CSSA) – <http://www.cssa.org>
Concealed Nation – <http://concealednation.org>
Firearms Coalition - <https://firearmscoalition.org/>
Gun Owners of America (GOA) – <http://www.gunowners.org>
National Association for Gun Rights (NAGR) – <https://nationalgunrights.org/>
National Rifle Association (NRA) – <http://nramedia.org>
National Shooting Sports Foundation (NSSF) – <http://nssf.org>
Rocky Mountain Gun Owners (RMGO) – <https://rmgo.org/>
Texas State Rifle Association (TSRA) – <https://tsra.com/>
United States Concealed Carry Assn. (USCCA) – <http://uscca.org>
USA Shooting Team – <https://www.usashooting.org/>

Politics/Gun Control

Colorado General Assembly – <http://leg.colorado.gov>
Contact Your Elected Officials - <https://www.usa.gov/elected-officials/>

Gun Control and Second Amendment Issues

Arbalest Quarrel - <http://www.arbalestquarrel.com>
Crime Prevention Research Center - Dr. John Lott, Ph.D. - <http://www.crimeresearch.org>
Handgun Law USA – <http://www.handgunlaw.us/>
NRA Institute for Legal Action (NRA-ILA) – <https://www.nraila.org/>
Second Amendment Foundation - <http://www.saf.org>
2nd Amendment Learning Guide – <https://www.daytonohlawyer.com/blog/2018/10/2nd-amendment-learning-guide/>

Prepping/Survival Skills

Archery Guide - <http://www.completeguidetoarchery.com>
Survival Still – <http://survivalstill.com>

Shows/Exhibitions

Colorado Gun Collectors Assn. – <http://www.cgca.com>
Tanner Gun Show – <http://tannergunshow.com>

Social Media/Podcasts

Down Range Radio – <http://www.downrange.tv/blog/category/down-range-radio/>
Guns and Ham/Amateur Radio – <https://www.facebook.com/groups/1101562313308836/>
Gun Talk Media – <https://guntalk.com/>
The Gun Nation Podcast – <http://www.gunnation.us/>

Airguns

Airsoft Station Guide for Scouts BSA shooting programs – <https://www.airsoftstation.com/content/resources/boy-scout-airsoft-rifle-safety-information.html>
<https://airgunstation.com/resources/all-about-air-guns/>
American Airguns – <http://www.airguns.net/index.php>
Get Airsoft Gun Blog - <https://getairsoftgun.com/>

Ammunition

Ammo.com – <https://ammo.com/>
Ammo For Sale – <http://https://www.ammoforsale.com/>
Ammo To Go – <https://www.ammunitiontogo.com/>
Ammunition Depot - <https://www.ammunitiondepot.com/>
Ammunition Store - <https://ammunitionstore.com/>
ASYM Precision Ammunition - <http://asymammo.com>
Barnes Bullets - <http://barnesbullets.com>
Black Hills Ammunition - <http://www.black-hills.com>
CCI - <http://www.cci-ammunition.com>
Corbon Dakota Ammo, Inc. - <http://www.corbon.com>

Online Resources for Shooters - 3

Creedmoor Sports -

<https://www.creedmoorsports.com/category/Ammunition>

Doubletap Ammunition - <http://doubletapammo.com>

Federal Cartridge Co. - <http://federalpremium.com>

Fiocchi Ammunition - <http://fiocchiusa.com>

Gorilla Ammunition - <https://gorillaammo.com>

Hornady - <http://www.hornady.com>

Lucky Gunner - <https://www.luckygunner.com/>

Missouri Bullets - <http://missouribullet.com>

Montana Bullet Works - <http://montanabulletnetworks.com>

PMC Ammunition - <http://pmcammo.com>

PRVI Partizan - <https://www.prvipartizan.com>

Remington Arms - <http://www.remington.com>

Sellier & Bellot - <https://www.sellierbellot.us>

Sierra Bullets - <http://sierrabullets.com>

Speer - <https://www.speer.com>

Tula Ammo - <https://www.tulammo.ru/en/>

Wilson Combat - <http://www.wilsoncombat.com>

Winchester Ammunition - <http://www.winchester.com>

Wolf Ammo - <https://wolfammo.com/default.aspx>

Reloading

Boomers Bullet Moulds - <http://boomersmoulds.com>

C&H/4D Dies - <http://www.ch4d.com>

Colorado Brass - <http://www.coloradooncefiredbrass.com>

Forster Products - <http://forsterproducts.com>

How to Reload Ammo: Basic Equipment -

Ammoland - <https://www.ammoland.com/2012/09/how-to-reload-ammunition/#axzz2igtUzPzS>

Graf & Sons Reloading - <http://grafs.com>

Huntingdon Die Specialties - <http://www.huntingtons.com>

Lee Precision - <http://leeprecision.com>

Lyman Products - <http://lymanproducts.com>

M.D. Smith's Reloading - <http://www.reloadammo.com/>

Precision Reloading - <http://www.precisionreloading.com>

Products for the Beginning Reloader - <https://www.midwayusa.com/how-to-guides/beginning-re-loader>

RCBS - <http://www.rcbs.com>

Redding Reloading Equipment - <http://redding-reloading.com>

Reloading Your Own Ammo - <https://www.gunsamerica.com/digest/how-to-get-started-reloading-ammunition/>

Smartreloader Products - <http://www.smartreloader-usa.com>

Starline Brass - <http://www.starlinebrass.com>

Speer Ammo - <http://www.speer-bullets.com>

Top Brass - <http://www.topbrass-inc.com>

Widener's Reloading & Shooting Supply - <http://wideners.com>

X-Reload - <http://x-reload.com>

Bullseye/Action Shooting

The Encyclopedia of Bullseye Pistol -

<http://www.bullseyepistol.com/>

NRA Competition Rules (rev. 2018) -

<https://compete.nra.org/documents/pdf/compete/RuleBooks/Pistol/pistol-book.pdf>

NRA Precision Pistol Competition -

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/NRA_Precision_Pistol

Black Powder Guns

Beauchamp & Son Flintlocks etc. -

<http://www.flintlocksetc.com>

Dixie Gun Works - <http://www.dixiegunworks.com>

Navy Arms - <http://www.navyarms.com>

S&S Firearms - <http://www.ssfirearms.com>

Traditions Performance - <http://www.traditionsfirearms.com>

Gun Safety

NRA Eddie Eagle Program for Primary-3rd Grade -

<https://eddieeagle.nra.org/information-for-parents.asp>

NRA Refuse To Be A Victim Promotional Video -

<https://rtbav.nra.org/promotional-video.aspx>

Youth Gun Safety - <https://ammo.com/articles/parents-guide-to-gun-safety>

Gunsmithing

American Gunsmithing - Training Courses -

<http://americangunsmith.com>

Colorado School of Trades - <http://schooloftrades.edu>

Do-It-Yourself

Accurate Shooter -

<http://bulletin accurateshooter.com/2008/12/gunsmithing-reference-articles-for-home-smiths/>

Checking the 1911 Frontstrap - Steve Locatelli, CCGC -

<http://cherrycreekgunclub.org/skills/documents/CHECKERIN%20THE%201911%20FRONTSTRAP-wpf.htm>

Maintenance/Cleaning

BING Search - Gun Maintenance Videos -

<https://www.bing.com/videos/search?q=gun+maintenance&qpv=gun+maintenance&FORM=VDRE>

Scopes/Optics

E. Arthur Brown Co. - How to Choose a Hunting Rifle Scope - <https://www.eabco.com/Reports/report01.html>

EuroOptic - <https://www.eurooptic.com/>

Nikon Spot On Scopes -

<http://spoton.nikonssportoptics.com/spoton/spoton.html#Index:4>

On Target Enterprises LLC - How to Use a Scope -

<http://www.ontargetcfl.com/howtoscope.html>

US Optics - Practical Long-Range Rifle Shooting -

<http://demigodllc.com/articles/practical-long-range-rifle-shooting-optics/?p=1>

Online Resources for Shooters - 4

Training/Techniques

Able Shepard Training - <https://ableshepherd.com/>

Colorado Parks & Wildlife – Hunter Education –

<https://cpw.state.co.us/learn/Pages/HunterEducation.aspx>

Family Shooting Center, Cherry Creek State Park –

<http://www.familyshootingcenter.com/>

Foothills Firearm Instruction – Brett Denison, CCGC –

<http://www.foothillsfirearminstruction.com/>

Law Enforcement Services LLC – Basic Pistol Shooting
Techniques –

<http://www.lawenforcementservices.biz/Web%20Page%20Graphics/Basic%20Pistol%20Shooting%20Techniques.pdf>

Home Security

<https://reviews.thedenverchannel.com/home-security-systems-denver/>

<https://www.militaryhomesearch.com/home-security-guide.php>

<https://www.safety.com/best-home-security-systems/>