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## BEARING ARMS

**March Gun Sales Top Previous Month**

**AP**

**AP-NORC Poll: US Adults Agree on Fundamental Rights**

**The Reload**

**Study: Colorado Second Amendment Sanctuary Counties Less Likely to Use 'Red Flag' Law**



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**The Firearms Coalition of Colorado**  
**04-07-2024 Legislative Alert- Big Week at the Capitol**

(Bills listed by Bill Number. Please mark your calendar.)

**HB24-1174, Concealed Carry Permits and Training**, Reps. Duran and Snyder, Sen. Mullica. This bill will make it harder to get a concealed carry permit and requires that instructors be certified by the County Sheriff. This bill is up in the Senate State Affairs Committee at 1:30 pm on Thursday, 04-11-2024 in the Old Supreme Court Chambers on the Second Floor of the Capitol. **We oppose this bill.**

**HB24-1270, Firearm Liability Insurance**, Reps. Woodrow and Jodeh, Sen. Hansen. This measure requires all gun owners to maintain gun liability insurance. This is another way to track owners of firearms. Bill passed House Business Affairs Committee. Up in House on Second Reading on Tuesday, 04-09-2024 at 9 am. It is the second bill up. **Oppose.**

**HB24-1292, Semi-auto Ban**, Reps. Hernandez, and Epps, et. al., no Sen. sponsor. Bill bans manufacturing, importation, sale or transfer of many semi-auto long guns and pistols. Bill passed 03-19-2024 in House Judiciary. Up on Second Reading in House. **Oppose.**

**HB24-1310, School Safety Measures**, Reps. Parenti and Hamrick, no Senate sponsor. This bill kills the beneficial FASTER Program that trains interested school employees in armed self-defense. Bill is up in the House Education Committee at 1:30 pm on Thursday, 04-11-2024 in House Committee Room 0107 in the Capitol Basement. If you signed up to testify previously, you will need to sign up again. **Oppose.**

**HB24-1348, Secure Firearm Storage in a Vehicle**, Reps. Velasco and Garcia, Sens. Jaques Lewis, and Fields. The bill requires locked storage of a firearm in an unattended vehicle in a case out of sight. This bill will make it hard to safely carry concealed. Bill up Senate State Affairs Committee at 1:30 pm on Thursday, 04-11-2024 in the Old Supreme Court Chambers on the Second Floor of the Capitol. **We oppose the bill.**

**HB24-1349, Firearms and Ammunition Excise Tax**, Reps. Duran, Lindstedt, No Senate sponsor. This November ballot measure levies an 11% tax on guns, ammo, and firearm "precursor parts," in addition to the 11% Pittman-Robertson Federal tax. Bill passed House Finance on Monday, 04-01-2024/referred to House Appropriations. No Senate sponsor yet. **We oppose this bill.**

**HB24-1353, Firearms Dealer Requirements and Permit**, Reps. Sirota and Bosenecker, Sen. Bridges. The bill adds a redundant state layer of bureaucracy and complexity to current federal rules and regulations. Bill up in House Finance Committee on Monday, 04-08-2024 at 1:30 pm in House Committee Room 0112 in the Capitol Basement. **Oppose.**

**SB24-003, Authority of the Colorado Bureau of Investigation to Investigate Illegal Activity Involving Firearms**, Sen. Sullivan, Rep. Froelich. Bill creates a state gun police force. The bill is up at 1:30 pm on Wednesday, 04-10-2024 in House Judiciary in the Old State Library between the elevators on the Second Floor. **We oppose this bill.**

**SB24-066, Requirement that Certain Businesses with Relationships with Firearms Merchants Use the Appropriate Merchant Category Code**, Sen. Sullivan, Rep. Froelich. This measure flags credit card transactions with local gun dealers. Passed House on Second Reading. Up in House on Third Reading/Final Passage at 10:00 am on Monday, 04-08-2023. It is the first bill up. **Oppose. Bill passed, sent to Governor for signature.**

**SB24-131, Prohibit Carrying Firearms in Sensitive Places**, Sens. Jaquez-Lewis and Kolker, Reps. Brown, Lindsay, and Froelich. This bill bans concealed carry on college campuses. Bill passed Senate. Introduced in House and assigned to House Judiciary Committee. **Oppose.**

To reach your Senator, call: 303-866-2316. To reach your Representative, call: 303-866-2904. You can locate your elected officials on the State Web Site at: <https://leg.colorado.gov/find-my-legislator>.

Follow us at: <https://groups.io/g/gunissues>. (May need to copy and paste. You must sign on to join this group.)

The Firearms Coalition of Colorado is an NRA Grassroots Affiliate. Our all-volunteer organization depends on memberships and the generosity of Second Amendment Supporters. Please join or contribute to The Firearms Coalition of Colorado. Individual memberships are still \$25 per year. Send check or money order to:

**The Firearms Coalition of Colorado, PO Box 1454, Englewood, CO 80150-1454.**

From a local political figure, CCGC member, and Potshots reader comes this advice in our current anti-gun climate.

The link below goes to a list of all of the 2024 Colorado Legislators with email addresses and phone numbers. Please distribute it as you need to.

[https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1ejh\\_LYx99-TolVlGLKeRQLaRvgKch7L/edit?usp=drive\\_link&ouid=111465539416283430055&rtpof=true&sd=true](https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1ejh_LYx99-TolVlGLKeRQLaRvgKch7L/edit?usp=drive_link&ouid=111465539416283430055&rtpof=true&sd=true)

For anyone not sure who their representatives are, find your Colorado House and Senate representative here: [Find My Legislator | Colorado General Assembly](#)

It helps to contact bill sponsors, committee members, and legislators in general as these (awful) bills move through the legislative process.

Numbers count. You can contact any legislator, not just yours. Calls, emails, and Statehouse visits count.



**Best-Selling Guns in March 2024**



***“The key in letting go is practice. Each time we let go, we disentangle ourselves from our expectations and begin to experience things as they are.”***

**Sharon Salzberg**



## **April Fools 2024 Recap: Some of These Aren't That Bad of An Idea**



## **NSSF-Adjusted NICS Background Checks for March 2024**

NICSThe March 2024 NSSF-adjusted National Instant Criminal Background Check System (NICS) figure of 1,442,061 is a decrease of 7.4 percent compared to the March 2023 NSSF-adjusted NICS figure of 1,556,492. For comparison, the unadjusted March 2024 FBI NICS figure of 2,497,577 reflects a 15.5 percent decrease from the unadjusted FBI NICS figure of 2,954,230 in March 2023. March 2024 marks the 56th month in a row that has exceeded 1 million adjusted background checks in a single month.



## **The Collapse in Law Enforcement: As Arrest Rates Plummet, People Have Been Less Willing to Report Crime**

## **At The Federalist: Biden's Federal 'Red Flag' Center Defies The Constitution In More Ways Than One**



ACTIVE RESPONSE TRAINING



## Weekend Knowledge Dump

**April 5, 2024**

**September 30, 2022**

Just a few samples - check [this link](#) for the ongoing collection of dumps, featuring information on almost any topic you can think of related to guns and shooting.



Jeff-alytics

**The UCR vs NCVS Conundrum:  
Some thoughts on how to square  
disagreements between the nation's  
crime measures**



**Bias Against Americans & Their  
Guns Injected Into Artificial  
Intelligence Systems**



**Colorado Springs Gazette: The Left  
Goes Mad on Gun Control**

**BEARING ARMS**

**New Study Doesn't Say Jack About  
Gun Storage Laws**

**ballistic**



**SHOOTING 101: Understanding Your  
Second Amendment Rights**

## BEARING ARMS

**Biden Administration Challenging Judge's Ruling Allowing Illegal Immigrant to Possess Guns**

**Study Claims Recent Gun Owners More Willing to Engage in Political Violence**



**American Thinker**

**FBI alleged a decrease in crime rates, but then an independent group of analysts dug a little deeper and found otherwise**



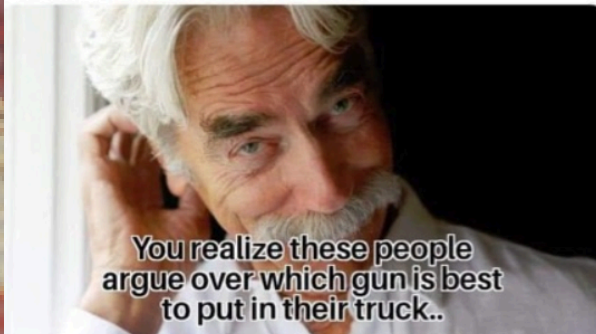
**Economic Impact of Gun Industry Continues Exponential Growth Over Past 16 Years**

# Know the warning signs of suicide.

[BraveConversation.org](https://braveconversation.org)

If in crisis, call/text 988.

"City folk: "when the food runs out, we'll go to the rural areas and take from them.."



You realize these people argue over which gun is best to put in their truck..



# TECH TALK

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**AMMOLAND**  
SHOOTING SPORTS NEWS

Understanding the Various Disciplines within the Firearms Training World

Just in Case: The Rationale for Spare Gun Magazines

**USACarry**

8 Things You Can Do To Help With Recoil

**GunDigest**  
WE KNOW GUNS SO YOU KNOW GUNS

What To Know Before Buying A Suppressor

Suppressors And Rifle Barrel Length

**GUNSAMERICA**

Best Bullet Weight For a 1 in 8 Twist Rate?

**howstuffworks**

What If You Shot a Gun in Space?





## D-I-Y Patterns

- Open Source 3D Gun Scans
- Open Source T.REX Sidecar Spine System
- Open Source T.REX Sidecar Extender
- Open Source T.REX Sidecar Dual Wield Adapter
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USCCA Policy Review:

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FLP Policy Review:

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6lOaE6EqR\\_0](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6lOaE6EqR_0)

US Law Shield Policy Review:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1dHLx1Txots>

CCW Safe Policy Review:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=d6qS0eCcdpY>



**Firearm Instructor Insurance: Covers  
the costs associated with third party  
injury and property damage**

### CYBERSECURITY TIPS

Whether traveling for business or pleasure, following these simple tips can ensure your devices are secure.

1. Update your software before you go.
2. Don't connect to unsecure wireless networks.
3. Think before you connect to public Wi-Fi.
4. Guard your devices.



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**Reloading  
Data Center**



**Concealed  
Carry  
Reciprocity  
Map & Gun  
Laws by State**



APR  
**19**

April 19 @ 3:00 pm - April 21 @ 4:00 pm  
**AURORA GUN SHOW – APRIL 19 – 21 2024**

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May 3 @ 3:00 pm - May 5 @ 4:00 pm  
**DENVER GUN SHOW – MAY 3-5 2024**

JUN  
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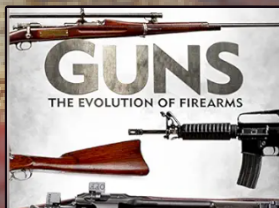
June 14 @ 3:00 pm - June 16 @ 4:00 pm  
**COLORADO SPRINGS GUN SHOW – JUN 14-16 2024**

AUG  
**23**

August 23 @ 3:00 pm - August 25 @ 4:00 pm  
**GREELEY GUN SHOW – AUG 23-25 2024**

SEP  
**13**

September 13 @ 3:00 pm - September 15 @ 4:00 pm  
**AURORA GUN SHOW – SEPT 13-15 2024**



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