Public L. No. 110-161, Consolidated Appropriations Act of 2008, Sec. 518

(1) Firearm traces are designed to assist law enforcement authorities in conducting investigations by tracking the sale and possession of specific firearms. Law enforcement agencies may request firearms traces for any reason, and those reasons are not necessarily reported to the Federal Government. Not all firearms used in crime are traced and not all firearms traced are used in crime.

(2) Firearms selected for tracing are not chosen for purposes of determining which types, makes or models of firearms are used for illicit purposes. The firearms selected do not constitute a random sample and should not be considered representative of the larger universe of all firearms used by criminals, or any subset of that universe. Firearms are normally traced to the first retail seller, and sources reported for firearms traced do not necessarily represent the sources or methods by which firearms in general are acquired for use in crime.
Total Number of Firearms Recovered and Traced in Arizona by Calendar Year

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Firearm Types with an Arizona Recovery

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*Other includes Unknown Weapon Types, Destructive Devices, Silencers, and an Any Other Weapon Type.
Top Categories Reported on Firearm Traces with an Arizona Recovery

Possession of Weapon: 1,626
Dangerous Drugs: 1,233
Weapon Offense: 1,177
Found Firearm: 785
Health - Safety: 710
Aggravated Assault: 532
None Provided: 459
Property Crimes: 380
Simple Assault: 346
Robbery: 339
Homicide: 331

NOTE: There were 2,130 additional traces that were associated with other categories.

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Top 15 Source States for Firearms with an Arizona Recovery

NOTE: An additional 35 states plus the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, and British Columbia, Canada accounted for 414 other traces. The source state was identified in 6,927 total traces.

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### Time-To-Crime Rates for Firearms with an Arizona Recovery

**January 1, 2008 – December 31, 2008**

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- **Under 3 Months:** 633
- **3 Months to Under 7 Months:** 427
- **7 Months to Under 1 Year:** 419
- **1 Year to Under 2 Years:** 855
- **2 Years to Under 3 Years:** 555
- **3 Years and Over:** 3,868

1/1/2008-12/31/2008 Arizona Average Time-to-Crime: **7.83 Years**

1/1/2008-12/31/2008 National Average Time-to-Crime: **10.39 Years**

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Top Recovery Cities for Firearms with an Arizona Recovery

Phoenix 5,022
Tucson 2,118
Mesa 431
Gilbert 316
Tempe 303
Chandler 186
Glendale 124
Casa Grande 113
Scottsdale 103
Yuma

NOTE: There were 105 additional municipalities that accounted for 1,060 other traces. The recovery city could not be determined for 56 traces.

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Analytical Criteria Used to Compile the Enclosed Statistics

- **Total Number of Firearms Recovered and Traced**
  - Includes traces with a recovery state of Arizona. Traces in which the recovery state was not provided were included when the requesting agency state was equal to Arizona.
  - Includes Firearms Recovered and Traced between 1/1/2008 – 12/31/2008, or, if the recovery date was blank, the trace entry date was between 1/1/2008 – 12/31/2008.
  - Duplicate traces, Firearms Not Recovered, Gun Buyback and Firearms Turned In are not included in this figure.
  - Data was extracted from the Firearms Tracing System (FTS) on May 19, 2009.

- **Firearm Types with an Arizona Recovery**
  - Includes same criteria as Total Number of Firearms Recovered and Traced.

- **Top Categories Reported on Firearm Traces with an Arizona Recovery**
  - Includes same criteria as Total Number of Firearms Recovered and Traced.

- **Top Source States for Firearms with an Arizona Recovery**
  - Includes same criteria as Total Number of Firearms Recovered and Traced.
  - Traces must identify a purchaser and the state in which the final dealer is located.

- **Time-to-Crime Rates for Firearms with an Arizona Recovery**
  - Includes same criteria as Total Number of Firearms Recovered and Traced.
  - Traces must identify a purchaser.
  - Time-to-Crime was calculated for those traces in which the purchase date could be subtracted from the recovery date.

- **Top Recovery Cities for Firearms with an Arizona Recovery**
  - Includes same criteria as Total Number of Firearms Recovered and Traced.
  - Includes traces with a recovery city, or, if the recovery city was not provided, the requesting agency had jurisdiction only within that city.

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