

Results
Survey #10 (March 2015)

Emails sent: 343
Emails opened: 154
Surveys started: 118
Surveys completed: 113

Q1: Please rate your level of agreement with the following statement: "Carrying a gun on your person outside the home generally reduces the risk of being killed."

Strongly disagree	41%
Disagree	35%
Neither agree or disagree	8%
Agree	7%
Strongly agree	5%
I don't know	4%

Q2: Rate the quality of the scientific evidence on this issue

Very weak	2%
Weak	26%
Medium	25%
Strong	23%
Very Strong	9%
I don't know	16%

Q3: Rate your level of familiarity with the literature on this topic

Not knowledgeable	8%
Slightly knowledgeable	17%
Medium	22%
Knowledgeable	30%
Very knowledgeable	17%
I don't know	6%

Q4: Area of research/expertise

Public health/medicine	46%
Criminology/sociology	32%
Public Policy	4%
Economics	6%
Other	12%

Area of Expertise vs Responses:

	Among Public Health/Medicine Experts, % who (n = 52)	Among Experts from Other Disciplines, % who (n = 61)
Agree* that carrying a gun reduces the risk of being killed	8%	16%
Disagree** that carrying a gun reduces the risk of being killed	85%	67%
Believes scientific evidence is strong^	31%	33%
Believes scientific evidence is weak^^	27%	28%
Is knowledgeable+ about topic	52%	43%
Is not knowledgeable ++	27%	23%

*Agree or strongly agree; **Disagree or strongly disagree

^Strong or very strong; ^^Weak or very weak

+Knowledgeable or very knowledgeable; ++slightly or not knowledgeable

Among those who believe they are knowledgeable or very knowledgeable about this issue

19% believe that “carrying a gun on your person outside the home generally reduces the risk of being killed.”

74% do not believe that carrying a gun on your person outside the home generally reduces the risk of being killed.

Conclusion:

A majority of gun researchers do not believe that “carrying a gun on your person outside the home generally reduces the risk of being killed.”