## **Gun Bans**

Per the news, violence is increasing, 12% across the US and 30% in some cities. Liberals are constantly calling for gun bans after every shooting incident. They go after the guns but never the criminals or mentally ill that use them. It is as though they believe that a gun can shoot someone without it being in the hand of a person willing to commit violence. This is either delusion or a sinister hidden agenda.

Liberals favorite target to attack are ARs (which stands for Armalite Rifle and not Assault Rifle). Here are the latest (2019) FBI statistics on the methods of murder. In 2019, there were 13,927 murders in the US. Handguns were used in 46% of these; knives in 10.6%; hands/feet in 4.3%; blunt objects in 2.8%; rifles (which includes ARs) in 2.6%; shotguns in 1.4%; and strangulation in 1.1%. Blunt objects were used to murder people more than ARs, but a hammer does not look as scary as an AR. (https://ucr.fbi.gov/crime-in-the-u.s/2019/crime-in-the-u.s.-2019/topic-pages/tables/expanded-homicide-data-table-8.xls)

Another interesting FBI statistic: A white victim will be murdered by a white assailant 81% of the time; and a black victim will be murdered by a black assailant 89% of the time. Violence is not racial.

I, like most people, am totally against violence. If you actually wish to solve the problem, then one needs to be honest about the problems, which are generally repeat criminal offenders. Instead of releasing violent criminals and blaming guns, try keeping criminals incarcerated and allowing average citizens the right to protect themselves. After all, the politicians making the noise have armed security for protection. Why shouldn't a young mother with an abusive ex-husband have protection?

After a SUV killed 6 and injuring dozens at a Christmas Parade Nov.2021, will Liberals ban SUVs, even electric ones?

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