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WEAPONS USED IN MASS SHOOTINGS

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You asked for a list of the weapons that have been used in mass shootings in the United States since the Columbine High School shooting in Littleton, Colorado on April 20, 1999.

We have identified at least 49 mass shootings in the United States since the Columbine shooting. These are incidents where two or more people were killed, not counting the perpetrator.

Table 1 lists each identified mass shooting incident and the weapons used.

Table 1: Weapons Used in Contemporary Mass Shootings

<i>Date</i>	<i>Location</i>	<i>Deaths</i>	<i>Weapon(s) Used</i>
January 15, 2013	Hazard Community and Technical College in Hazard, Kentucky	Two	Unidentified semi-automatic pistol
December 14, 2012	Sandy Hook Elementary School in Newtown, Connecticut	26	Bushmaster semi-automatic rifle, .223 caliber
December 11, 2012	Clackamas Town Center, Oregon	two	AR 15 style rifle, .223 caliber
October 21, 2012	Azana Day Spa in Brookfield, Wisconsin	three	Unidentified semi-automatic handgun, .40 caliber

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September 27, 2012	Accent Signage Systems in Minneapolis, Minnesota	Five	Glock semi-automatic pistol, 9 mm caliber
August 5, 2012	Sikh temple in Oak Creek, Wisconsin	Six	Springfield XD (M) semi-automatic pistol, 9 mm caliber
July 20, 2012	Movie theater in Aurora, Colorado	12	Two Glock Model 22 semi-automatic pistols, .40 caliber; Smith & Wesson M&P15 AR 15 style rifle, .223 caliber; and Remington Model 870 shotgun, 12 gauge
May 29, 2012	Cafe Racer Espresso in Seattle, Washington	Five	Para-ordnance semi-automatic pistol, .45 caliber
April 6, 2012	Tulsa, Oklahoma	Three	Weapons undetermined
April 2, 2012	Oikos University in Oakland, California	Seven	Unidentified semi-automatic pistol, .45 caliber
February 27, 2012	Chardon High School in Chardon, Ohio	Three	Ruger MK III semi-automatic handgun, .22 caliber, and knife
October 14, 2011	Salon Meritage in Seal Beach, California	Eight	Springfield Arms semi-automatic pistol, 9 mm caliber; Heckler & Koch semi-automatic pistol, 9 mm caliber; and Smith & Wesson semi-automatic pistol, .44 magnum caliber
September 6, 2011	IHOP restaurant in Carson City, Nevada	Five	AK47 variant semi-automatic rifle, 7.62x39 caliber
July 7, 2011	Grand Rapids, Michigan	Seven	Glock semi-automatic pistol, 9 mm caliber
May 10, 2011	San Jose State University in San Jose, California	Three	Weapons undetermined
January 8, 2011	Safeway market in Tucson, Arizona	Six	Glock semi-automatic pistol, 9 mm caliber
January 5, 2011	Millard South High School in Omaha, Nebraska	two	Glock pistol, .40-caliber
August 3, 2010	Hartford Beer Distributor in Manchester, Connecticut	Nine	Two Ruger SR9 semi-automatic pistols, 9 mm caliber
February 12, 2010	University of Alabama in Huntsville, Alabama	Three	Unidentified 9 mm handgun

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November 5, 2009	Foot Hood army base in Texas	13	FN Five-Seven semi-automatic pistol, 5.57 mm caliber (equivalent of .223 caliber), and Smith & Wesson revolver pistol, .357 magnum caliber
April 3, 2009	Immigration center in Binghamton, New York	13	Beretta 92FS Vertec semi-automatic pistol, 9 mm caliber, and Beretta Px4 semi-automatic pistol, .45 caliber
March 29, 2009	Pinelake Health and Rehab nursing home in Carthage, North Carolina	Eight	Unidentified revolver pistol, .357 magnum caliber; unidentified semi-automatic pistol, 22 magnum caliber; and Winchester 1300 shotgun, 12 gauge
March 24, 2009	Private townhouse in Santa Clara, California	Six	Two unidentified semi-automatic handguns, .45 caliber
December 24, 2008	Private home in Corvina, California	Nine	Four unidentified semi-automatic handguns, 9 mm caliber, and a flamethrower
September 2, 2008	Silver Creek Drive and nearby streets in Alger, Washington	Six	Weapon unidentified
June 25, 2008	Atlantis Plastics in Henderson, Kentucky	Five	Hi-Point .45 ACP pistol, .45-caliber
February 14, 2008	Northern Illinois University in DeKalb, Illinois	Six	Glock Model 19 semi-automatic pistol, 9 mm caliber; Kurz Sig Sauer P232 semi-automatic pistol, 9 mm caliber; and Hi-Point CF380, .380 caliber
February 8, 2008	Louisiana Technical College in Baton Rouge, Louisiana	Two	.357 revolver
February 7, 2008	City Hall in Kirkwood, Missouri	Six	Smith & Wesson Model 29 revolver pistol, .44 magnum caliber, and Smith & Wesson semi-automatic pistol, .40 caliber
February 2, 2008	Brookside Marketplace shopping center in Chicago, Illinois	Five	Glock semi-automatic pistol, .40 caliber
December 24, 2007	Private home in Carnation, Washington	Six	Weapon undetermined

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December 9, 2007	Youth With a Mission center in Arvada, Colorado and New Life Church in Colorado Springs, Colorado	Four	Bushmaster XM 15 semi-automatic rifle, .223 caliber; Beretta handgun, .40 caliber; and Springfield Armory pistol, 9 mm caliber
December 5, 2007	Westroads Mall in Omaha, Nebraska	Nine	AK-47 semi-automatic rifle, 7.62x39 caliber
August 4, 2007	Delaware State University in Dover, Delaware	Three	Weapon undetermined
April 16, 2007	Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University (known as "Virginia Tech") in Blacksburg, Virginia	32	Walther P22 semi-automatic pistol, .22 caliber, and Glock Model 19 semi-automatic pistol, 9 mm caliber
February 12, 2007	Trolley Square Mall in Salt Lake City, Utah	Five	Mossberg Maverick 88 Field shotgun, 12 gauge, and Smith & Wesson M36 revolver pistol, .38 caliber
October 2, 2006	Amish schoolhouse in Lancaster, Pennsylvania	Five	Springfield XD semi-automatic pistol, 9 mm caliber; Browning BPS pump-action shotgun, 12 gauge; and Ruger M77 bolt-action rifle, .30-06 caliber
March 25, 2006	Capitol Hill in Seattle, Washington	Seven	Winchester 1300 Defender shotgun, 12 gauge, and Ruger P944 semi-automatic pistol, .40 caliber
March 21, 2005	Red Lake Senior High School in Red Lake, Minnesota	Nine	Winchester 1300 Defender shotgun, 12 gauge, and Ruger P944 semi-automatic pistol, .40 caliber
March 12, 2005	Sheraton hotel in Brookfield, Wisconsin	Nine	Baretta 92FS semi-automatic pistol, 9 mm caliber
November 21, 2004	Hunting trip in Birchwood, Wisconsin	Six	Saiga rifle, 7.62x39 caliber
September 24, 2003	Rocori High School in Cold Spring, Minnesota	Two	Unidentified pistol, .22 caliber
August 27, 2003	Windy City Core Supply warehouse in Chicago, Illinois	Six	Walther semi-automatic pistol, .380 caliber

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July 8, 2003	Lockheed Martin plant in Meridian, Mississippi	Seven	Winchester 1200 shotgun, 12 gauge, and Ruger Mini-14 semi-automatic rifle, .223 caliber
March 5, 2001	Santana High School in Santee, California	Two	Arminius revolver, .22 caliber
December 26, 2000	Edgewater Technology in Wakefield, Massachusetts	Seven	AK-47 style semi-automatic rifle, 7.62x39 caliber; Winchester 1300 shotgun, 12 gauge; and Retolaza semi-automatic pistol, .32 caliber
September 15, 1999	Wedgewood Baptist Church in Fort Worth, Texas	Seven	Ruger P85 semi-automatic pistol, 9 mm caliber, and AMT Backup semi-automatic pistol, .380 caliber
July 29, 1999	Momentum Securities and the All-Tech Investment Group in Atlanta, Georgia	12, nine with firearms	Hammer; Colt 1911A1 semi-automatic pistol, .45 caliber; Glock Model 17 semi-automatic pistol, 9 mm caliber; H&R Revolver pistol, .22 caliber; and Raven MP-25 semi-automatic pistol, .25 caliber
April 20, 1999	Columbine High School in Littleton, Colorado	13	Savage-Springfield 67H pump-action shotgun, 12 gauge; Hi-Point 995 Carbine, 9 mm caliber; pipe bomb; Intratec TEC-9 semi-automatic handgun, 9 mm caliber; and Stevens 311D double-barreled sawed-off shotgun, 12 gauge

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