

Gun Control Movement

Gun Control Thomas Streissguth 2001 Explains the history of guns and gun laws in the United States. Discusses the role played by the National Rifle Association in the fight against gun control and the stand of those working for stricter gun control laws.

From My Cold Dead Hands Michael R. Weisser 2018

Enough Is Enough Michelle Roehm McCann 2019-10-08 From award-winning author Michelle Roehm McCann comes a young activist's handbook to joining the fight against gun violence—both in your community and on a national level—to make schools safer for everyone. Young people are suffering the most from the epidemic of gun violence—as early as kindergarten students are crouching behind

locked doors during active shooter drills. Teens are galvanizing to speak up and fight for their right to be safe. They don't just want to get involved, they want to change the world. Enough Is Enough is a call to action for teens ready to lend their voices to the gun violence prevention movement. This handbook deftly explains America's gun violence issues—myths and facts, causes and perpetrators, solutions and change-makers—and provides a road map for effective activism. Told in three parts, Enough Is Enough also explores how America got to this point and the obstacles we must overcome, including historical information about the Second Amendment, the history of guns in America, and an overview of the NRA. Informative chapters include interviews with teens who have survived gun violence and student activists who are

launching their own movements across the country. Additionally, the book includes a Q&A with gun owners who support increased gun safety laws.

The Truth Behind Gun Control Ben Baker

2018-04-19 A comprehensive look at the gun control debate with plenty of qualified references. Using logic, rational thought and poorly enforced existing laws, Ben Baker cuts down the gun control argument.

Key Facts About American Citizens And

Guns Christopher Terrence 2021-07-24 Explore the mindset of the gun enthusiast, and explain why they are so successfully influenced by the NRA. The author shows his examination of weapons' unique place in American society with a look at the recent shift toward self-defense and concealed-carry of pistols. He demonstrates how gun ownership is increasingly becoming a political and cultural statement, as well as how the concept of armed citizens fits into recent judicial decisions.

These Are My Guns Robert L. Jordan
2015-06-16 Completely updated, in 2021, with the most current compiled information, These Are MY Guns is written in support of the Second Amendment, firearm rights, and our right to bear arms. It is a definitive and in-depth examination of the Anti-Gun and Gun Control Movement's claims and tactics, and the facts and statistics that completely refute them; written not by a Politician, Political Operative, or Media Expert with a bully pulpit, but by a regular American Citizen who is tired of seeing our rights and Constitution under attack by those who mean to control every aspect of our lives. PublishNext says that, 'These Are My Guns' is a well-written, data-driven treatise on the right of United States citizens to own guns. It looks at the country's founding documents and major Supreme Court cases, examines common arguments against gun ownership, and presents statistical data supporting ownership. The manuscript is well-documented, containing many

citations.

#Duped Mark W. Smith 2018-06-15

The Gun Control Movement Gregg Lee Carter 1997 Examines American attitudes about gun control, how those attitudes reflect the gun control movement, and the future of gun control in the United States.

The Gun Debate Philip J. Cook 2014-04-01 No topic is more polarizing than guns and gun control. From a gun culture that took root early in American history to the mass shootings that repeatedly bring the public discussion of gun control to a fever pitch, the topic has preoccupied citizens, public officials, and special interest groups for decades. *The Gun Debate: What Everyone Needs to Know®* delves into the issues that Americans debate when they talk about guns. With a balanced and broad-ranging approach, noted economist Philip J. Cook and political scientist Kristin A. Goss thoroughly cover the latest research, data, and developments on gun ownership, gun violence,

the firearms industry, and the regulation of firearms. The authors also tackle sensitive issues such as the effectiveness of gun control, the connection between mental illness and violent crime, the question of whether more guns make us safer, and ways that video games and the media might contribute to gun violence. No discussion of guns in the U.S. would be complete without consideration of the history, culture, and politics that drive the passion behind the debate. Cook and Goss deftly explore the origins of the American gun culture and the makeup of both the gun rights and gun control movements. Written in question-and-answer format, the book will help readers make sense of the ideologically driven statistics and slogans that characterize our national conversation on firearms. This book is a must-read for anyone interested in getting a clear view of the issues surrounding guns and gun policy in America. *What Everyone Needs to Know®* is a registered trademark of Oxford University Press.

Gun Violence in America Alexander DeConde
2003 An in-depth analysis of the folklore surrounding gun use and the state of the debate in today's political climate.

Critical Perspectives on Gun Control Anne C. Cunningham 2016-12-15 Every day, forty-eight children and teens are shot; of these, seven will die from gun-related violence. Everyone agrees that these statistics are horrific, and yet people disagree about how to reduce gun-related violence. Will more federal control of gun sales help? Or, as others state, will this lead to an uptick in violence among those who obtain guns illegally? This text introduces different perspectives about this important and timely issue. Experts, politicians, judges, and everyday people weigh in on this contentious issue, allowing students to analyze gun control from all sides.

Guns in American Society [3 volumes] Gregg Lee Carter 2012-05-04 Thoroughly updated and greatly expanded from its original edition, this

three-volume set is the go-to comprehensive resource on the legal, social, psychological, political, and public health aspects of guns in American life. The landmark 2002 edition of *Guns in American Society: An Encyclopedia of History, Politics, Culture, and the Law* was acclaimed for helping readers get beyond the sometimes overheated rhetoric and navigate the overwhelming amount of unbiased academic research on gun-related issues. Now, in light of the steady rate of gun violence and several high-profile shooting incidents, this extraordinary three-volume work returns in a timely and thoroughly updated edition. With over 100 new entries, the latest edition of *Guns in American Society* is the most current resource available on all aspects of the gun issue, including rates of violence, gun control, gun rights, regulations and legislation, court decisions, pro- and anti-gun organizations, gun ownership, hunters and collectors, public opinion toward guns, and much more. With expert contributions from the

fields of criminology, history, law, medicine, politics, and social science, it gives students, journalists, policymakers, and researchers a foundation for their own investigations, while helping readers of all kinds make decisions as family members, potential gun owners, and voters.

Gun Violence Prevention? Selina E. M. Kerr
2018-04-10 This book examines the gun-related policy responses to three school shooting incidents in the United States. Gun violence prevention activists and others involved in policy making were interviewed for the book, and news media articles and policy documents were critically assessed. As a result, interpretations of the Second Amendment are shown to affect the acceptability of certain gun restrictions. News media content and policy documents, coupled with the thoughts of activists, also give an indication of why certain policy measures passed and others failed at the time of each of the case studies. This book should be of interest to social

policy, politics, criminology and sociology students and academics, as well as those with a general interest in the topic.

[The Toughest Gun Control Law in the Nation](#)
James B. Jacobs 2023-05-05 A comprehensive assessment of real gun reform legislation with recommendations for better design, implementation and enforcement A month after the Sandy Hook Elementary School shooting, New York State passed, with record speed, the first and most comprehensive state post-Sandy Hook gun control law. In *The Toughest Gun Control Law in the Nation*, James B. Jacobs and Zoe Fuhr ask whether the 2013 SAFE Act — hailed by Governor Andrew Cuomo as “the nation’s toughest gun control law” — has lived up to its promise. Jacobs and Fuhr illuminate the gap between gun control on the books and gun control in action. They argue that, to be effective, gun controls must be capable of implementation and enforcement. This requires realistic design, administrative and enforcement

capacity and commitment and ongoing political and fiscal support. They show that while the SAFE Act was good symbolic politics, most of its provisions were not effectively implemented or, if implemented, not enforced. Gun control in a society awash with guns poses an immense regulatory challenge. The Toughest Gun Control Law in the Nation takes a tough-minded look at the technological, administrative, fiscal and local political impediments to effectively keeping guns out of the hands of dangerous persons and eliminating some types of guns altogether.

#NeverAgain: Preventing Gun Violence

Rachael L. Thomas 2019-08-01 In this title, readers learn about the #NeverAgain movement, from the history of the right to bear arms to later efforts at gun control, legislation such as the Brady handgun Violence Protection Act and the implementation of background checks, to the school shootings at Columbine, Sandy Hook and Parkland and the creation of #neveragain. Aligned to Common Core

Standards and correlated to state standards. Abdo & Daughters is an imprint of Abdo Publishing, a division of ABDO.

Gun Control Robert J. Spitzer 2009-03-20 Gun control is one of the most enduringly controversial issues in modern American politics. For the first time this book compiles a comprehensive array of documents that explain and illuminate the historical and contemporary context of the modern gun debate. Bringing together over 50 documents from the colonial era to the present, including early colonial laws, founding documents, letters, political debates, federal and state laws, federal and state court cases, and various political documents, this book is an indispensable reference work for those seeking to understand the origins and modern consequences of American gun policy, including the Second Amendment's right to keep and bear arms. Accompanying commentary and analysis is included to help the reader fully understand the meaning of these documents. Numerous

bibliographic sources provide additional resources for interested readers. Ideal for undergraduate and high school students, this collection of primary documents surrounding one of America's oldest controversial issues is a must-have for library shelves. Contrary to popular impression, gun laws are as old as the country, and reflect the intersection of citizens' personal gun habits and the country's early need to defend itself by citizen militias who were required to arm themselves. The nation's gun policies evolved as its needs and resources changed. Old-style militias gave way to a modern professional American military, and the settling of the American frontier ushered in modern gun laws. In the past century, political assassinations and gun-related mass violence spurred both new gun control efforts and a burgeoning modern gun rights movement. Students will be able to read and analyze primary documents surrounding these events, including the Federalist Papers, early hunting laws, Supreme

Court rulings, federal and state regulations, and recent political platform statements. Ideal for undergraduate and high school students, this collection of primary documents surrounding one of America's oldest controversial issues is a must-have for library shelves.

Rise of the Anti-media Brian Anse Patrick 2010
The American concealed weapon carry movement, consisting largely of political amateurs, has succeeded in changing the direction of gun control policy in the U.S. in the last two decades, overcoming well-entrenched professional elites in the process. The movement succeeded because overlapping horizontal interpretive communities of a new American gun culture developed their own anti-media of communication, bypassing mainstream media systems, creating a new and politically potent informational sociology that works to their benefit.

Gun Control Ruth Bjorklund 2014-01-01
Readers are presented with two sides of the

debate related to gun control, including policies and practices throughout American history, gun laws and legislation, gun safety, crime, and law enforcement. In 1791, The Bill of Rights was added to the U.S. Constitution which included the second amendment, or, The Right to Bear Arms. Two-hundred years later, the controversial issue of gun control is still being debated because the statistics surrounding gun violence and death remains staggering and continues to grow. Encourage your readers to step inside the pages of this book to see where they stand on this topical issue.

The Politics of Gun Control Robert J. Spitzer
2023-08-10 Since its initial publication, this book has become the classic work on every important element of the tumultuous national gun debate in America. This new edition brings together the latest developments and research in gun politics, policy, law, history, and criminology to provide a comprehensive and accessible source widely used by scholars, journalists, and in classrooms.

In this era of polarized politics, this book provides a unique window into how and why that polarization drives our politics. Among the new topics covered in this edition are the Bipartisan Safer Communities Act, new Supreme Court protections for concealed carry permits, and the impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic on gun violence and policy. New to the Ninth Edition • Examines current gun control legislation at both state and federal levels, particularly the circumstances that lead to the passage of the Bipartisan Safer Communities Act in 2022. • Introduces the new constitutional standards for gun control legislation set by the controversial, pro-Second Amendment Supreme Court ruling in *New York State Rifle & Pistol Association v. Bruen* (2022). • Provides expanded and updated consideration on related issues including: the rise of "gun carry" movements on college campuses, attempts to regulate "ghost guns," bump stocks and guns with high capacity magazines, .50 caliber sniper rifles, and the

impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic, the January 6 Capitol Attack, and the Black Lives Matter movement on contemporary gun control debates. • Tracks the financial, political, and legal crises that threaten the dominance of the National Rifle Association and examines the rise of new gun rights groups, such as the National Association for Gun Rights. • Presents new and updated statistical research on gun ownership in America, gun-related fatalities, public opinion support of "red-flag" laws and other gun control measures. • Incorporates new pedagogical features of chapter summaries and discussion questions into each chapter.

Glimmer of Hope 2018-10-16 Glimmer of Hope tells the story of how a group of teenagers raced to channel their rage and sorrow into action, and went on to create one of the largest youth-led movements in global history. 100% of the authors' proceeds will benefit the March for Our Lives Foundation and the ongoing fight for sensible gun control legislation in the United

States.

The Truth About Gun Control David Kopel 2013-04-16 Who is sovereign in the United States? Is it the people themselves, or is it an elite determined to rule citizens who are seen as incapable of making choices about their own lives? This is the central question in the American gun-control debate. In this Broadside, David Kopel explains why the right to keep and bear arms has always been central to the American identity ? and why Americans have always resisted gun control. The American Revolution was sparked by British attempts to confiscate guns. After the Civil War, the U.S. changed the Constitution to defeat the nation's first gun-control organization, the Ku Klux Klan. When Hitler and Stalin demonstrated how gun registration paves the way for gun confiscation, which paves the way for genocide, Americans resolved to make sure it never happens here. Gun control is not an issue of left vs. right or urban vs. rural. The right to bear arms is crucial

to prevent large-scale tyranny by criminal governments and small-scale tyranny by ordinary criminals ? and to protect our Constitution.

Repeal the Second Amendment Allan J. Lichtman 2020-01-28 A radical case for the repeal of the 2nd Amendment as the only way to control gun violence in America There's an average of one mass shooting per day in the United States. Given the ineffectiveness of the gun control lobby, it's time for a strategy with spine. In *Repeal the Second Amendment*, Allan J. Lichtman has written the first book that uses history, legal theory and up-to-the-minute data to make a compelling case for the amendment's repeal in order to create a clear road to sensible gun control in the US. *Repeal the Second Amendment* explores both the true history and current interpretation of the Second Amendment to expose the NRA's blatant historical manipulations and irresponsible fake news releases. Lichtman looks at the history of

firearms and gun regulations from colonial times to the present to explain how a historically forgotten sentence in the Constitution has become a flash point of recent politics that benefits only the gun industry, their lobbyists, and the politicians on their payroll. He probes court decisions and the effective lobbying and public relations strategies of the gun lobby as well as the ineffectiveness of the gun control movement for lessons in doing better. What emerges is a clear and cogent plan--repeal and replace the Second Amendment without taking guns away from anyone who has them now--to make the US a safer place. It's time to Repeal the Second Amendment, and Allan Lichtman is the man to bring this radical plan to America. [Gun Violence and the Fight for Public Safety](#) Elliott Smith 2022-01-01 Audisee® eBooks with Audio combine professional narration and sentence highlighting for an engaging read aloud experience! Among similar countries, the United States has a unique problem with gun

violence. Gun-related deaths and injuries happen at high rates every year. Debates over how to reduce gun violence center around defining Second Amendment rights, different ideas of freedom, and which reforms to enact. Learn how organizations and governments are working to stop gun violence; which laws, regulations, and technology could effect change; and how young activists are fighting for public safety. Read *Woke*™ Books are created in partnership with Cicely Lewis, the Read Woke librarian. Inspired by a belief that knowledge is power, Read Woke Books seek to amplify the voices of people of the global majority (people who are of African, Arab, Asian, and Latin American descent and identify as not white), provide information about groups that have been disenfranchised, share perspectives of people who have been underrepresented or oppressed, challenge social norms and disrupt the status quo, and encourage readers to take action in their community.

Parkland Students Challenge the National Rifle Association

Rebecca Rowell 2019-01-01

Explores the history, events, and future implications of the Parkland students' protest against gun violence. Through insightful text, "In Their Own Words" special features, and critical thinking questions, this title will introduce readers to a modern example of social activism.

The Gun Debate

Philip J. Cook 2020 "No topic is more polarizing than guns and gun control.

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gun policy in America"--

Parkland Dave Cullen 2019-02-12 A New York Times Bestseller "A moving petition to America that it not look away from the catastrophes at Columbine, Newtown, Sandy Hook, Virginia Tech, and, yes, Parkland. It succeeds as an in-depth report about the "generational campaign" in the aftermath of the Parkland tragedy, a bi-partisan movement advocating serious gun reform." — Atlanta Journal-Constitution The acclaimed New York Times bestselling author of Columbine offers an intimate, deeply moving account of the extraordinary teenage survivors who became activists and pushed back against the NRA and feckless Congressional leaders—inspiring millions of Americans to join their grassroots #neveragain movement. Nineteen years ago, Dave Cullen was among the first to arrive at Columbine High, even before most of the SWAT teams went in. While writing his acclaimed account of the tragedy, he suffered two bouts of secondary PTSD. He

covered all the later tragedies from a distance, working with a cadre of experts cultivated from academia and the FBI, but swore he would never return to the scene of a ghastly crime. But in March 2018, Cullen went to Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School because something radically different was happening. In nearly twenty years witnessing the mass shootings epidemic escalate, he was stunned and awed by the courage, anger, and conviction of the high school's students. Refusing to allow adults and the media to shape their story, these remarkable adolescents took control, using their grief as a catalyst for change, transforming tragedy into a movement of astonishing hope that has galvanized a nation. Cullen unfolds the story of Parkland through the voices of key participants whose diverse personalities and outlooks comprise every facet of the movement. Instead of taking us into the mind of the killer, he takes us into the hearts of the Douglas students as they cope with the common concerns of high

school students everywhere—awaiting college acceptance letters, studying for mid-term exams, competing against their athletic rivals, putting together the yearbook, staging the musical *Spring Awakening*, enjoying prom and graduation—while moving forward from a horrific event that has altered them forever. Deeply researched and beautifully told, *Parkland* is an in-depth examination of this pivotal moment in American culture—and an up-close portrait that reveals what these extraordinary young people are like. As it celebrates the passion of these astonishing students who are making history, this spellbinding book is an inspiring call to action for lasting change. [Guns and Contemporary Society \[3 volumes\]](#)
Glenn H. Utter 2015-12-01 This three-volume set examines various approaches to firearms, including constitutional and legal issues, public health and criminal justice concerns, and perspectives on personal safety and self-defense. Recent mass shootings have led to renewed calls

for additional legislation at the state and federal levels to address gun access and control. In this hard-hitting compilation, experts delve into various aspects of firearms in America—from gun control and gun rights to militia movements, to school-related shootings, and to the recent trends in gun ownership by women. Authors from varied backgrounds and viewpoints share their perspectives on the pros and cons of firearm ownership as all of the following: a constitutional right, a key instrument of self-defense, a guarantee of political freedoms, and as a major factor in crime and personal injury. The reference is divided into three volumes. The first volume covers firearm history, legislation, and policy; the second volume explores public opinion, gun ownership trends, international laws, and self-defense; and the third considers popular debates about firearm policy, including concealed carry of firearms, terrorism and the ownership of firearms, background checks for purchasing guns, and stand-your-ground laws.

The work concludes with an informed debate on gun policy between Richard Feldman, president of the Independent Firearm Owners, and Paul Helmke, former president of the Brady Campaign to Prevent Gun Violence.

[Fight Like a Mother](#) Shannon Watts 2019-05-28
Shannon Watts was a stay-at-home mom folding laundry when news of the tragic shooting at Sandy Hook Elementary flashed across the television screen. In one moment, she went from outraged to engaged and decided to do something about it. What started as a simple Facebook group to connect with other frustrated parents grew into Moms Demand Action, a national movement with millions of supporters and a powerful grassroots network of local chapters in all 50 states. Shannon has been called "the NRA's worst nightmare"—and her army of moms have bravely gone up against the gun lobby, showing up in their signature red shirts, blocking the hallways of congress with their strollers, electing gun sense candidates

and running for office themselves, proving that if the 80 million moms in this country come together, they can put an end to gun violence. *Fight Like a Mother* is the incredible account how one mother's cry for change became the driving force behind gun safety progress. Along with stories of perseverance, courage, and compassion, Watts shines a light on the unique power of women—starting with what they have, leading with their maternal strengths, and doubling down instead of backing down. While not everyone can be on the front lines lobbying congress, every mom is already a multi-tasking organizer, and Shannon explains how to go from amateur activist to having a real impact in your community and beyond. *Fight Like a Mother* will inspire everyone—mothers and fathers, students and teachers, lawmakers, and anyone motivated to enact change—to get to work transforming hearts and minds, and passing laws that save lives.

School Shootings and the Never Again

Movement Laurie Collier Hillstrom 2019-03-14
This volume provides a concise but authoritative overview of the Never Again Movement, which arose in the aftermath of a mass shooting that killed 17 people at a high school in Parkland, Florida, in February 2018. This volume in the 21st Century Turning Points series, a one-stop resource for understanding the people and events changing America today, analyzes school shootings and examines the broader issue of gun violence in America. It focuses on the history of school shootings in the United States and the debate that has raged for decades between gun control advocates and supporters of gun ownership rights. *School Shootings and the Never Again Movement: 21st Century Turning Points* provides a broad perspective on these issues. It recounts the evolution of gun politics and policy throughout the twentieth century, explains the positions and activities of organizations and activists on both sides of the gun debate, details notorious school shootings

ranging from Columbine to Parkland, and explores the potential impact of the Never Again Movement on American gun policy at the state and federal levels.

Guns and the #NeverAgain Movement Emma Carlson Berne 2019-08-01 Mass shootings have dominated news cycles in recent years. Why are they happening? Are they happening more often? Why can't we stop them? What would it take? Is the answer more guns, or fewer guns? Should teachers be armed? Students will hear all sides of the story in order to make up their own mind, with practical tips given on how they can get involved and become part of the solution.

Guns Down Igor Volsky 2019-04-09 One of Mashable's "17 books every activist should read in 2019" Join the conversation about creating a future with fewer guns and finally make a difference—this "smart, thoughtful, commonsense plan" (Donna Brazile) shows you how Ninety-six people die from guns in America every single day. Twelve thousand Americans

are murdered each year. The United States has more mass shootings, gun suicides, and nonfatal gun injuries than any other industrialized country in the world. Gun-safety advocates have tried to solve these problems with incremental changes such as background checks and banning assault style military weapons. They have fallen short. In order to significantly and permanently reduce gun deaths the United States needs a bold new approach: a drastic reduction of the 390 million guns already in circulation and a new movement dedicated to a future with fewer guns. In *Guns Down*, Igor Volsky tells the story of how he took on the NRA just by using his Twitter account, describes how he found common ground with gun enthusiasts after spending two days shooting guns in the desert, and lays out a blueprint for how citizens can push their governments to reduce the number of guns in circulation and make firearms significantly harder to get. An aggressive licensing and registration initiative, federal and

state buybacks of millions of guns, and tighter regulation of the gun industry, the gun lobby, and gun sellers will build safer communities for all. Volsky outlines a New Second Amendment Compact developed with policy experts from across the political spectrum, including bold reforms that have succeeded in reducing gun violence worldwide, and offers a road map for achieving transformative change to increase safety in our communities.

The Function of Collective Identity in the "Moms Demand Action" Movement Alexandra Dorn 2017-03-28 Research Paper (undergraduate) from the year 2016 in the subject American Studies - Culture and Applied Geography, grade: 1,7, University of Bonn, language: English, abstract: The aim of this term paper is to demonstrate the important role that collective identity formation has played for "Moms Demand Action" in tackling the issue of gun control. Therefore, the key research question underlying this term paper is: what is the

function of collective identity in the Moms Demand Action movement? The killing of 20 school children by a gunman in Newtown, Connecticut on December 14, 2012, brought home the issue of gun-related violence to many Americans. The event sparked the emergence of Moms Demand Action, a grass-root movement for stricter gun laws, initiated by Shannon Watts, mother of five children. The goal of Moms Demand Action is to draw public attention to the issue of gun violence and to promote legislative solutions to the problem. The group does this by redefining the issue of gun control as an issue that lies within the responsibility of mothers to protect their children from harm.

Gun Country Andrew C. McKeivitt 2023-09-18 Just as World War II transformed the United States into a global military and economic superpower, so too did it forge the gun country America is today. After 1945, war-ravaged European nations possessed large surpluses of mass-produced weapons, and American

entrepreneurs seized the opportunity to buy used munitions for pennies on the dollar and resell them stateside. A booming consumer market made cheap guns accessible to millions of Americans, and rates of gun ownership and violence began to climb. Andrew C. McKeivitt tells the history of this gun boom through the dynamics of consumer capitalism and Cold War ideology, the combination of which resulted in a vast number of Americans arming themselves to the teeth and centering their political identity on their guns. When gun control legislation emerged in the 1960s, many Americans, accustomed to the unregulated postwar bounty of cheap guns and fearful of Soviet invasion, domestic subversion, and urban uprisings, fiercely challenged it. Meanwhile, gun control groups were diverted from their abolitionist roots toward a conciliatory, fundraising-focused strategy that struggled to limit the stockpiling of firearms. Gun Country recasts the story of guns in postwar America as one of Cold War and

racial anxieties, unfettered capitalism, and exceptional violence that continues to haunt us to this day.

Do Guns Make Us Free? Firmin DeBrabander 2015-01-01 Possibly the most emotionally charged debate taking place in the United States today centers on the Second Amendment of the Constitution and the rights of citizens to bear arms. In the wake of the Sandy Hook school massacre in Connecticut, the gun rights movement headed by the National Rifle Association appears more intractable than ever in its fight against gun control laws. The core argument of Second Amendment advocates is that the proliferation of firearms is essential to maintaining freedom in America, providing private citizens with a defense against possible government tyranny, and safeguarding all our other rights. But is this argument valid? Do guns indeed make us free? Firmin DeBrabander examines claims offered in favor of unchecked gun ownership in this insightful and eye-opening

analysis, the first philosophical examination of every aspect of a contentious, uniquely American debate. By exposing the contradictions and misinterpretations prevalent in the case presented by gun rights supporters, this provocative volume concludes that an armed society is not a free society but one that ultimately discourages and, in fact, actively hinders democratic participation.

Gun Control Kekla Magoon 2007-09-01

Discusses the controversial viewpoints regarding gun control.

Disarmed Kristin Goss 2010-12-16 More than any other advanced industrial democracy, the United States is besieged by firearms violence. Each year, some 30,000 people die by gunfire. Over the course of its history, the nation has witnessed the murders of beloved public figures; massacres in workplaces and schools; and epidemics of gun violence that terrorize neighborhoods and claim tens of thousands of lives. Commanding majorities of Americans voice

support for stricter controls on firearms. Yet they have never mounted a true national movement for gun control. Why? *Disarmed* unravels this paradox. Based on historical archives, interviews, and original survey evidence, Kristin Goss suggests that the gun control campaign has been stymied by a combination of factors, including the inability to secure patronage resources, the difficulties in articulating a message that would resonate with supporters, and strategic decisions made in the name of effective policy. The power of the so-called gun lobby has played an important role in hobbling the gun-control campaign, but that is not the entire story. Instead of pursuing a strategy of incremental change on the local and state levels, gun control advocates have sought national policies. Some 40% of state gun control laws predate the 1970s, and the gun lobby has systematically weakened even these longstanding restrictions. A compelling and engagingly written look at one of America's most

divisive political issues, *Disarmed* illuminates the organizational, historical, and policy-related factors that constrain mass mobilization, and brings into sharp relief the agonizing dilemmas faced by advocates of gun control and other issues in the United States.

Vote Gun Patrick J. Charles 2023-05-02 Today, gun control is one of the most polarizing topics in American politics. However, before the 1960s, positions on firearms rights did not necessarily map onto partisan affiliation. What explains this drastic shift? Patrick J. Charles charts the rise of gun rights activism from the early twentieth century through the 1980 presidential election, pinpointing the role of the 1968 Gun Control Act. Gun rights advocates including the National Rifle Association had lobbied legislators for decades, but they had cast firearms control as a local issue. After the assassination of President John F. Kennedy in 1963 spurred congressional proposals to regulate firearms, gun rights advocates found common cause with states'

rights proponents opposed to civil rights legislation. Following the enactment of the Gun Control Act, lawmakers on both sides of the aisle began to stake out firm positions. Politicians including Richard Nixon and Ronald Reagan recognized the potential of gun control as a wedge issue, and gun rights became increasingly tied to the Republican Party. Drawing on a vast range of archival evidence, Charles offers new insight into the evolution of the gun rights movement and how politicians responded to anti-gun control hardliners. He examines in detail how the National Rifle Association reinvented itself as well as how other advocacy groups challenged the NRA's political monopoly. Offering a deep dive into the politicization of gun rights, *Vote Gun* reveals the origins of the acrimonious divisions that persist to this day. *The Politics of Gun Control* Robert J. Spitzer 2020-10-13 "This book is the classic work on the tumultuous national gun debate in the US. The eighth edition brings together the latest

research in gun politics, policy, law, history, and criminology and covers new topics including the Second Amendment sanctuary movement, the connection between the concealed gun carry movement and crime, the cascading troubles besetting the National Rifle Association coupled with a surging gun safety movement, the bump stock controversy, and the rise of red flag laws. This book provides a comprehensive and accessible source widely used by scholars, journalists, and in classrooms. New to the Eighth Edition - Covers the ascendance of the Second Amendment sanctuary and gun safety movements, resulting from heinous shootings in Las Vegas and Parkland, Florida. Tracks the financial, political, and legal crises that threaten the dominance of the National Rifle Association. Examines new policy measures including universal background checks, limits on large capacity ammunition magazines, the bump stock controversy, and "red flag" laws, among others"--

America's Great Gun Game Earl E. McDowell

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