

# Safeguarding America's Future

Bureau of School Security



# Response to Threats

For over 200 years the U.S. has responded to threats within the homeland.

One of the most effective responses was to create U.S. Federal Law Enforcement Agencies with a mandate to counter each threat



# U.S Federal Law Enforcement Agencies



Est. 1789

U.S. Marshals Service  
Protect Federal Witnesses



Est. 1865

U.S. Secret Service  
Counterfeit Currency



Est. 1919

U.S. Internal Revenue Service  
To Collect Taxes & Combat Tax Fraud



Est. 1973

U.S. Drug Enforcement  
Administration  
Combat Drug Trafficking



Est. 2002

U.S. Dept of Homeland Security  
Response To 9/11 Terror Attacks



Est. 1790

U.S. Federal Protective Service  
To Protect Federal Government  
Buildings



# US Crimes in Schools



More than

**311,000**

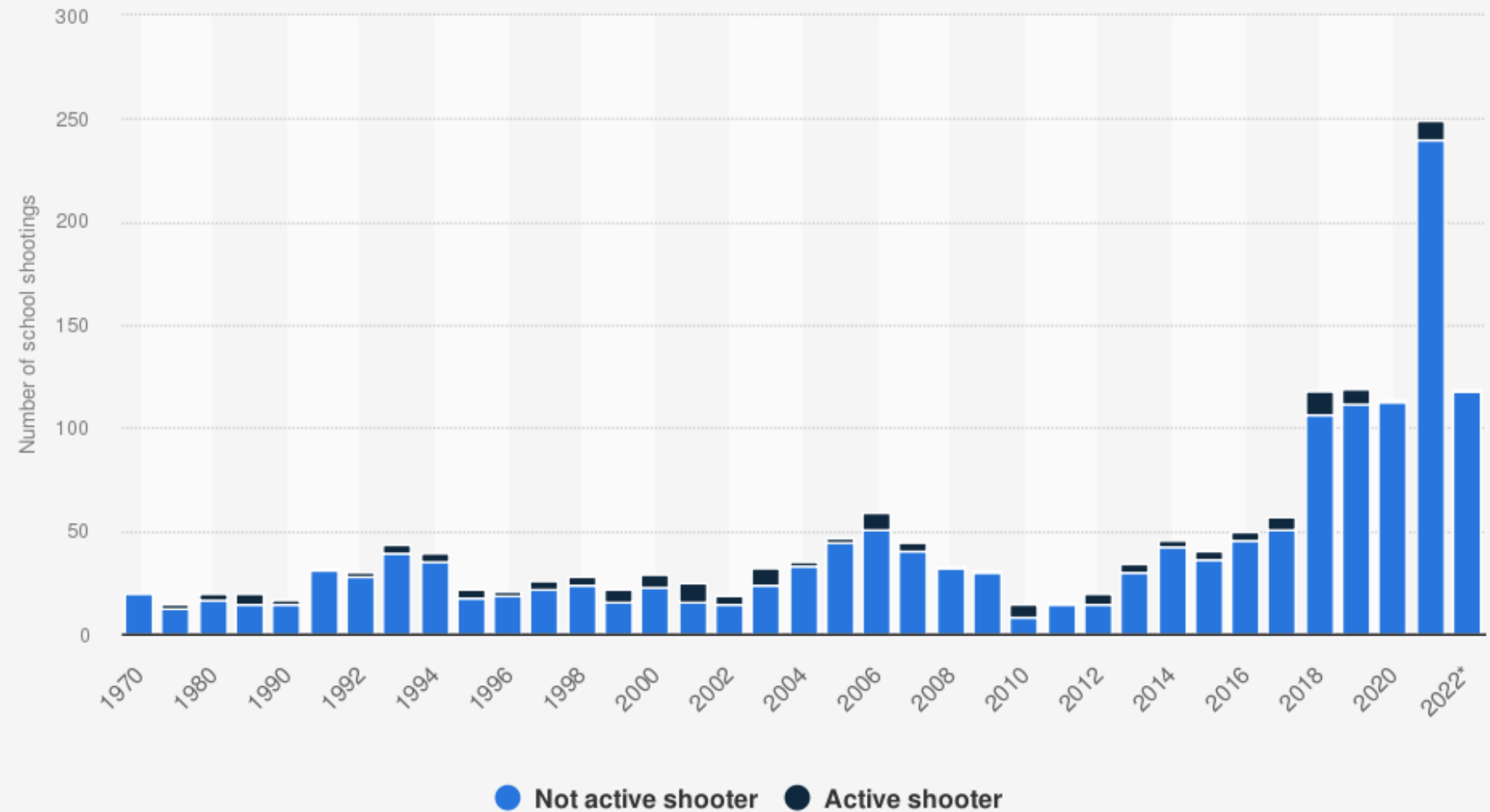
students have experienced gun  
violence at school since  
Columbine

# Continuous Increase of Gun Crimes

- Since 2016 school shootings have increased each year with the exception of 2020 in the midst of the COVID19 pandemic when schools were
- This does NOT include threats to schools

# School Shootings in U.S.

Number of K-12 school shootings in the United States from 1970 to May 2022, by active shooter status



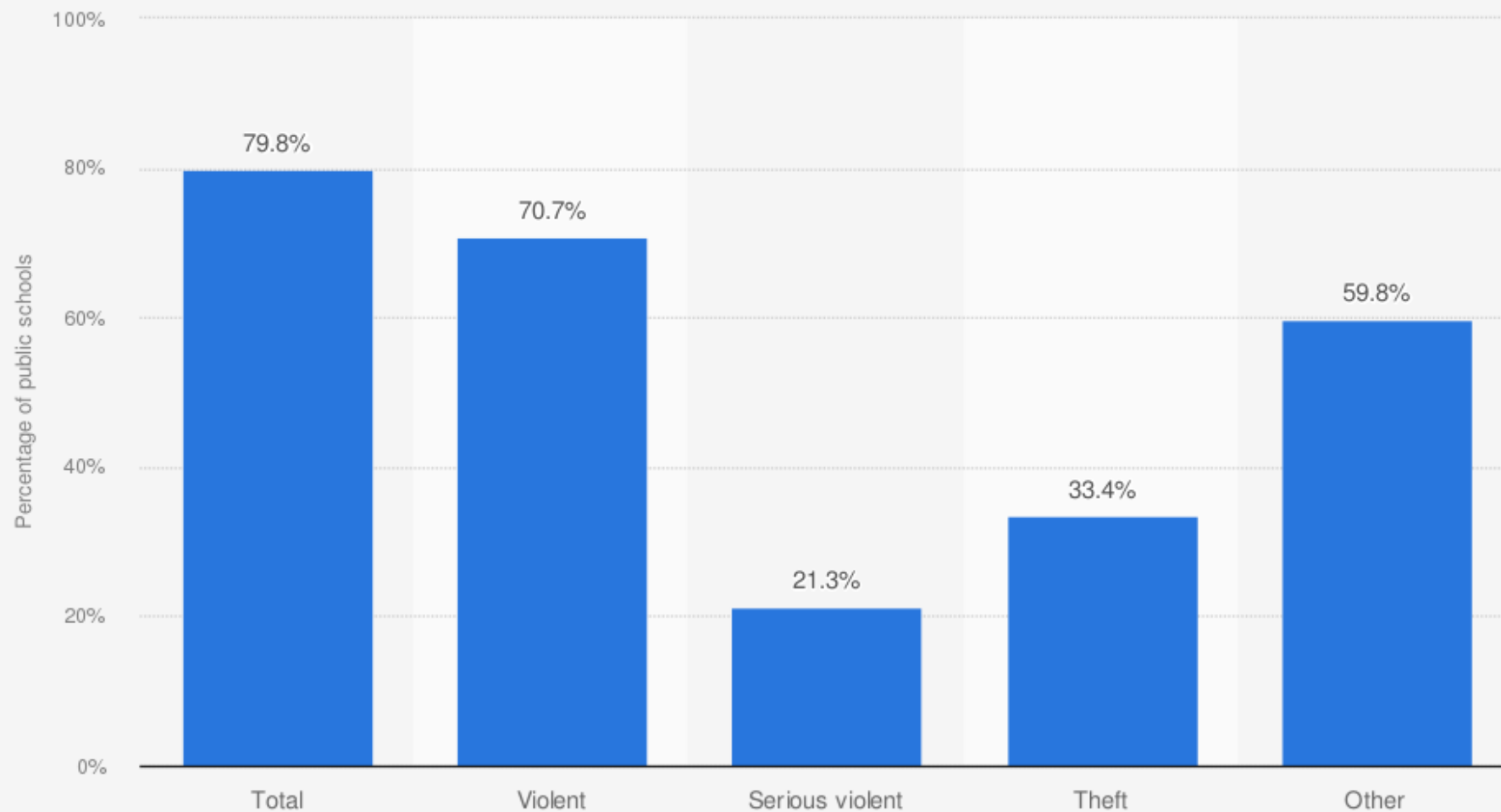
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Additional Information:  
United States



# Other Crime in U.S. Schools

Share of U.S. public schools reporting incidents of crime in the school year 2017-18,  
by type of crime

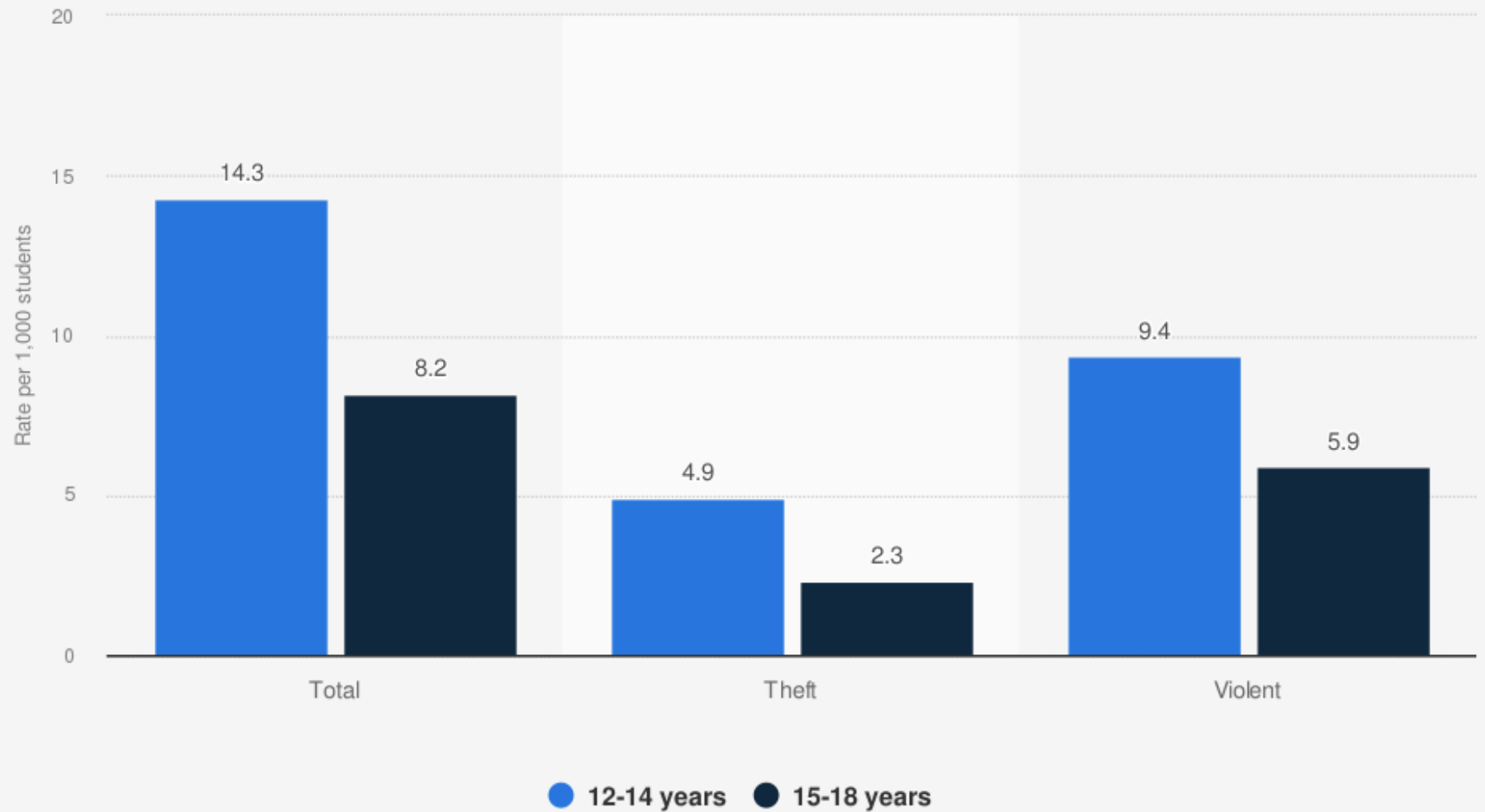


**Sources**  
NCES; US Bureau of Justice Statistics  
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**Additional Information:**  
United States; 2017-2018


# Other Crime in U.S. Schools

**Rate of student-reported nonfatal crimes against students at school in the United States in 2020, by age group and type of crime (per 1,000 students)**



**Sources**  
US Bureau of Justice Statistics; NCES  
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**Additional Information:**  
United States; NCES; 2020; 12-18 years



Although the increase is consistent there is still no coordinated effort nor consolidated entity providing oversight or supporting **safety and security in schools** through reasonable yet effective physical school security measures, threat intelligence, investigations or training.

A person's hands are shown holding a glowing lightbulb. A thin wire extends from the top of the bulb, looping upwards and to the left, ending in a small, bright light. The background is dark and out of focus.

# Solution

R e c o m m e n d a t i o n



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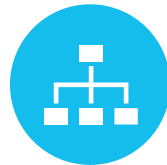
An agency should be established under the **U.S. Department of Education** OR as an **independent agency** to investigate



Threats



Support public schools nationwide



Develop and administer standardized nationwide school security policy



Facilitate the development of physical security infrastructure

An aerial photograph of several people standing on a light-colored, textured surface. They are arranged in a pattern that resembles an organizational chart, with lines drawn on the ground connecting their positions. The people are dressed in business casual attire. The overall image has a dark, semi-transparent overlay.

# Org Chart

Tentative Organization Chart





## Office of the Under Secretary



### BSS/Office of Medical

Office of Mental Health Evaluations (BSS/MED/MH)

Office of Advanced Mental Health Counseling (BSS/MED/AMH)

Office of Peer Support (BSS/MED/PS)



### BSS/Office of Operations

BSS/Threat Intelligence and Analysis (BSS/OPS/TIA)

BSS/Office of Physical Security Services (BSS/OPS/PSS)

BSS/Office of Professional Responsibility & Suitability (BSS/OPS/PRS)



### BSS/Office of Administration

BSS/Office of Human Resource Management (BSS/ADM/HRM)

BSS/Office of the General Counsel (BSS/ADM/GC)

BSS/Office of Finance (BSS/ADM/F)


BSS/Office of Communications (BSS/ADM/COM)

BSS/Office of Legislative Affairs (BSS/ADM/LA)

BSS/Field Division (BSS/OPS/FLD)

BSS/Office of Training, Standards, and Policy (BSS/OPS/TSP)

BSS/Office of Government and Law Enforcement Liaison (BSS/OPS/GLE)



## BSS Responsibilities

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- Deter
- Detect
- Defend

# Responsibilities

Develop standardized security policies and procedures for all public schools nationwide

Provide initial and annual risk assessments of all schools based on identified metrics

Implementation of physical and technical security measures based on developed standards

Training of school personnel and local law enforcement

Conduct investigations and pursue prosecution of threats and actual accounts of violence at each school

Provide intelligence, analysis and investigations support of threats and actual accounts of violence within Regional Field Offices and through a National Command Center (NCC)

Collaborate with BSS Office of Medical Services to identify at risk individuals and take appropriate action

Liaison with local, state, and federal government officials, law enforcement officials, fire and emergency medical services, congress and others





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*We can secure our schools together. Do this for the American people.*

Summary

Government witnesses are protected. Counterfeit money is investigated. Drugs are interdicted. Government facilities are safe guarded, and the homeland is secured. All at the hands of and by the federal government.

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Given the consistent increase in crime and violence in schools, shouldn't our children also be secure?



## Experience & Education

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2018-Present

**Senior Management Security Professional**  
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2008-2018

**Special Agent (fmr)**  
U.S. State Dept, Diplomatic Security Service



1998-2003

**United States Marine Corps**



2003-2005

Bachelor of Arts

**Global Affairs**

George Mason University (Fairfax, VA)



2018

Master of Science

**Organizational Leadership**

National University (San Diego, CA)

