

# Safe Firearm Storage Matters!

## How do young suicide victims get a gun?

Responses to the question

“Has your child handled your gun in your home?”

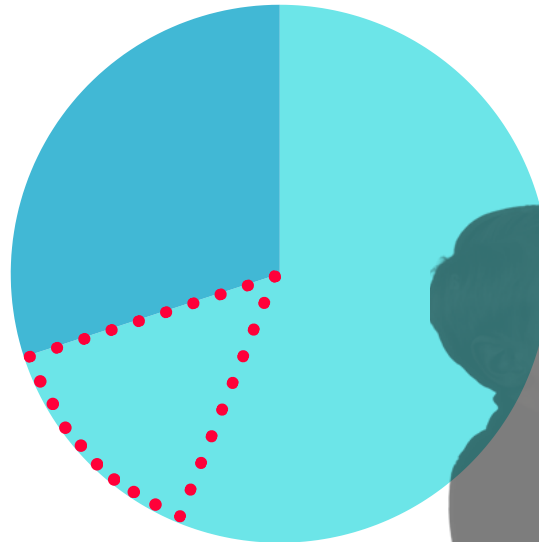
Parents reporting “YES”

70%

Parents reporting “NO”

30%

In homes where  
parents report “NO”  
22% of children report  
“YES”



# 85%

of youths under 18 who died by firearm suicide used a family member’s gun, usually a parent’s.

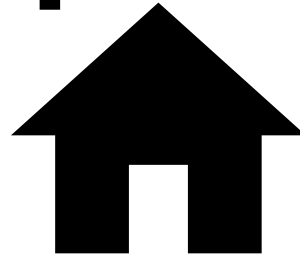




# Keep It Safe



Handguns are the type of firearm most likely to cause unintentional death or injury. Children are the group at highest risk for unintentional firearm death and injury.



[humboldt.gov/KeepItSafe](http://humboldt.gov/KeepItSafe)

Despite common misconceptions, rifles and shotguns *can* be used for suicide. They are disproportionately used in youth suicides.



Handguns can be stored safely in lockboxes.



Scan to visit the Keep it Safe webpage!



Rifles and Shotguns can be stored safely with cable locks or trigger locks.

**FREE** lockboxes, cable locks and trigger locks are available through Humboldt County Public Health's "Keep it Safe" campaign. To request a lockbox or more information, please call 707-268-2132 or email [keepitsafe@co.humboldt.ca.us](mailto:keepitsafe@co.humboldt.ca.us).

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