

Information gathered from this national reporting website (January 2019 article):
<https://www.thetrace.org/2019/01/gun-murder-solve-rate-understaffed-police-data-analysis/>

This article reported on national clearance rates reported by urban police departments.

- The majority of gun murders are not solved. The most recent year of data shows that an estimated 46 percent of firearm homicides were solved, compared to 75 percent of non-firearm homicides. Nonfatal gun assaults are cleared at approximately 30 percent, compared to 52 percent for non-firearm aggravated assaults.
- A gun murder is more likely to be solved if the victim was white. Of firearm murders, 67 percent of murders of white victims are solved, compared to 43 percent of murders with a Black/Hispanic victim.

Information gathered from this local TV website (April 2018 report):
<https://www.wpri.com/news/local-news/providence/43-of-providence-homicides-unsolved-since-2000/>

This report focused on the unsolved murder rate in Providence compared to other New England cities.

- Based on a review of public records between 2000-2013, among New England's seven largest cities, excluding Boston, Providence has the second highest unsolved murder rate.
 - Providence's unsolved murder rate is 43 percent.
 - Hartford's unsolved murder rate, at 45 percent, is the highest.
 - Boston reported 51 percent of its 822 murders were unsolved between 2000 and 2013. Boston's population is approximately three-and-a-half times the size of Providence.