



LARGE CAPACITY AMMUNITION MAGAZINES



Large capacity ammunition magazines are the common thread running through most mass shootings in the United States.

Since 1980, there have been at least 84 mass shootings (three or more fatalities) where the shooter used large capacity ammunition magazines containing more than 10 rounds.

A total of 787 people were killed in these shootings, and 1,154 were wounded.

This number is likely a significant undercount of actual incidents as there is no consistent collection or reporting on this data. Even in many high-profile shootings, information on magazine capacity is neither released nor reported.

The Violence Policy Center has compiled this list of incidents by analyzing news reports and follow-up investigative reports on mass shootings. Only shootings in which there is specific information that large capacity magazines were used are included.

Columbine shooter armed with Intratec TEC-DC9 assault pistol equipped with high-capacity ammunition magazine

CASUALTIES**FIREARM(S)****LARGE CAPACITY
AMMUNITION
MAGAZINE(S)****SAN JOSE VALLEY
TRANSPORTATION
AUTHORITY**

San Jose, CA
 May 26, 2021
 Shooter: Samuel
 James Cassidy

10 dead (including
 shooter)

3 9mm semiautomatic
 pistols

11 12-round magazines
 15-round magazines

**KING
SOOPERS
GROCERY
STORE**

Boulder, CO
 March 22, 2021
 Shooter (alleged):
 Ahmad Al Aliwi
 Alissa

10 dead

Sturm, Ruger AR-556
 assault pistol

Large capacity
 magazine, at least 16
 rounds

ADAMS STREET

Indianapolis, IN
 January 24, 2021
 Shooter (alleged):
 Raymond Ronald
 Lee Childs III

6 dead
 1 wounded

- 9mm semiautomatic
 pistol
- Romarm Mini Draco
 assault pistol

30-round magazine

**TEXAS,
MULTIPLE
LOCATIONS**

Midland and
 Odessa, TX
 August 31, 2019
 Shooter: Seth Ator

8 dead (including
 shooter)
 25 wounded

AR-15-type assault rifle

4 30-round magazines

DAYTON

Dayton, OH
 August 4, 2019
 Shooter: Connor Betts

10 dead (including
 shooter)
 27 wounded

Anderson Manufacturing
 AM-15 pistol

100-round drum
 magazine

**EL PASO
WALMART**

El Paso, TX
 August 3, 2019
 Shooter (alleged):
 Patrick Crusius

22 dead
 24 wounded

WASR-10 assault rifle

Large capacity
 ammunition magazines

**GILROY GARLIC
FESTIVAL**

Gilroy, CA
 July 28, 2019
 Shooter: Santino
 William Legan

4 dead (including
 shooter)
 13 wounded

WASR-10 assault rifle

- 75-round drum magazine
- 3 40-round magazines



| | | CASUALTIES | FIREARM(S) | LARGE CAPACITY AMMUNITION MAGAZINE(S) |
|---|---|--|---|--|
| VIRGINIA BEACH MUNICIPAL CENTER | Virginia Beach, VA May 31, 2019 Shooter: DeWayne Craddock | 13 dead (including shooter) 6 wounded | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Heckler & Koch USPC .45 semiautomatic pistol ▪ Glock 21 .45 semiautomatic pistol | Extended magazines |
| CHICAGO MERCY HOSPITAL | Chicago, IL November 19, 2018 Shooter: Juan Lopez | 4 dead (including shooter) | Glock 17 semiautomatic pistol | Multiple 17-round magazines |
| BORDERLINE BAR & GRILL | Thousand Oaks, CA November 7, 2018 Shooter: Ian David Long | 12 citizens dead (including shooter) 1 law enforcement officer dead | Glock 21 semiautomatic pistol | 7 30-round magazines |
| YOUNTVILLE VETERANS HOME | Yountville, CA March 9, 2018 Shooter: Albert Wong | 4 dead (including shooter) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ JP Enterprises .308 assault rifle ▪ Stoeger 12 gauge shotgun | 20-round magazine |
| MARJORY STONEMAN DOUGLAS HIGH SCHOOL | Parkland, FL February 14, 2018 Shooter (alleged): Nikolas Cruz | 17 dead 17 wounded | Smith & Wesson M&P assault rifle | 8 30- and 40-round magazines |
| HOME IN NEW JERSEY | Freehold, NJ December 31, 2017 Shooter (alleged): Scott Kologi | 4 dead | Century Arms AK-47 assault rifle | 15-round magazine |
| FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF SUTHERLAND SPRINGS | Sutherland Springs, TX November 5, 2017 Shooter: Devin Patrick Kelley | 27 dead (including shooter) 20 wounded | Sturm, Ruger AR-556 assault rifle | 15 30-round magazines |



CASUALTIES**FIREARM(S)****LARGE CAPACITY
AMMUNITION
MAGAZINE(S)****ROUTE 91
HARVEST
FESTIVAL**

Las Vegas, NV
October 1, 2017
Shooter: Stephen Paddock

59 dead (including shooter)
489 injured

AR-type assault rifles:
▪ 4 Daniel Defense assault rifles
▪ 3 FN-15 assault rifles
▪ 3 LMT assault rifles
▪ 2 POF assault rifles

▪ 12 100-round magazines
▪ 6 25-round magazines
▪ 1 40-round magazine

**UPS
DISTRIBUTION
CENTER**

San Francisco, CA
June 14, 2017
Shooter: Jimmy Lam

4 dead (including shooter)
2 wounded

MasterPiece Arms
MAC-10 assault pistol

30-round magazine

CASCADE MALL

Burlington, WA
September 23, 2016
Shooter: Arcan Cetin

5 dead

Sturm, Ruger
10/22 rifle

25-round magazine

**HOUSE
PARTY IN
WASHINGTON**

Mukilteo, WA
July 30, 2016
Shooter: Allen Christopher Ivanov

3 dead
1 wounded

Sturm Ruger AR-15
assault rifle

30-round magazine

**BATON ROUGE
LAW
ENFORCEMENT
SHOOTING**

Baton Rouge, LA
July 17, 2016
Shooter: Gavin Long

3 law enforcement officers dead
3 officers wounded

▪ Tavor SAR assault rifle
▪ Stag Arms M4 variant assault rifle
▪ Springfield XD 9mm semiautomatic pistol

Large capacity ammunition magazines

**DALLAS LAW
ENFORCEMENT
SHOOTING**

Dallas, TX
July 7, 2016
Shooter: Micah Johnson

5 law enforcement officers dead
9 officers wounded
2 citizens wounded

▪ Saiga AK-74 assault rifle
▪ Glock 19 Gen 4 semiautomatic pistol
▪ Fraser .25 semiautomatic pistol

Multiple large capacity ammunition magazines

**PULSE
NIGHTCLUB**

Orlando, FL
June 12, 2016
Shooter: Omar Mateen

50 dead (including shooter)
53 wounded

▪ Sig Sauer MCX assault rifle
▪ Glock 17 9mm semiautomatic pistol

Multiple 30-round magazines, some taped together for faster reloading



CASUALTIES**FIREARM(S)****LARGE CAPACITY
AMMUNITION
MAGAZINE(S)****EXCEL
INDUSTRIES**

Hesston, KS
February 25, 2016
Shooter: Cedric Ford

4 dead (including shooter)
14 wounded

- Zastava AK-variant assault rifle
- Glock 22 semiautomatic pistol

30-round magazine

**KALAMAZOO
PARKING LOTS**

Kalamazoo, MI
February 20, 2016
Shooter (alleged): Jason Dalton

6 dead
2 wounded

- Glock 19 semiautomatic pistol
- Walther P99 9mm semiautomatic pistol

Extended magazine

**SAN
BERNARDINO
INLAND
REGIONAL
CENTER**

San Bernardino, CA
December 2, 2015
Shooters: Syed Farook and Tashfeen Malik

14 dead
21 wounded

- Smith & Wesson M&P assault rifle
- DPMS A15 assault rifle

4 30-round magazines

**UMPQUA
COMMUNITY
COLLEGE**

Roseburg, OR
October 1, 2015
Shooter: Chris Harper Mercer

10 dead (including shooter)
8 wounded

- Glock 19 9mm semiautomatic pistol
- Taurus PT .40 semiautomatic pistol
- Smith & Wesson Airweight .38 revolver
- Hi-Point .380 semiautomatic pistol

15-round magazine

**NAVY
OPERATIONAL
SUPPORT CENTER
& MARINE CORPS
RESERVE CENTER**

Chattanooga, TN
July 16, 2015
Shooter: Muhammad Youssef Abdulazeez

6 dead (including shooter)
2 wounded

- AK-variant assault rifle
- Saiga assault shotgun
- Handgun

Multiple 30-round magazines

**EMANUEL
AFRICAN
METHODIST
EPISCOPAL
CHURCH**

Charleston, SC
June 17, 2015
Shooter: Dylann Roof

9 dead

Glock .45 model 41 pistol

13-round magazines

**MARYSVILLE-
PILCHUCK
HIGH SCHOOL**

Marysville, WA
October 24, 2014
Shooter: Jaylen Fryberg

5 dead (including shooter)

Beretta .40 semiautomatic pistol

Large capacity, number of rounds unstated



CASUALTIES**FIREARM(S)****LARGE CAPACITY
AMMUNITION
MAGAZINE(S)****FLORIDA
APARTMENT
COMPLEX**

Hialeah, FL
July 26, 2013
Shooter: Pedro
Vargas

6 dead

Glock 17
semiautomatic pistol

17-round magazine

SANTA MONICA

Santa Monica, CA
June 7, 2013
Shooter: John
Zawahri

6 dead (including
shooter)

AR-type assault rifle
built from parts

40 30-round magazines

**HOME IN
NORTH
CAROLINA**

Hendersonville, NC
May 8, 2013
Shooter: Ralph Warren
III

4 dead (including
shooter)

AR-15 assault rifle

3 30-round magazines

**SANDY HOOK
ELEMENTARY
SCHOOL**

Newtown, CT
December 14, 2012
Shooter: Adam
Lanza

28 dead (including
shooter)

- Bushmaster XM15
assault rifle
- Glock 10mm pistol
- 9mm Sig Sauer pistol

30-round magazines

**ACCENT
SIGNAGE
SYSTEMS**

Minneapolis, MN
September 27, 2012
Shooter: Andrew
Engeldinger

7 dead (including
shooter)
3 wounded

Springfield XDM
semiautomatic pistol

2 15-round magazines

**SIKH TEMPLE
OF WISCONSIN**

Oak Creek, WI
August 5, 2012
Shooter: Wade
Michael Page

7 dead (including
shooter)
2 wounded

Glock 9mm
semiautomatic pistol

3 19-round magazines

**CENTURY
AURORA 16
MOVIE
THEATER**

Aurora, CO
July 20, 2012
Shooter: James
Holmes

12 dead
58 wounded

- Smith & Wesson
M&P15 assault rifle
- .40 Glock pistol
- Remington model 870
12 gauge shotgun

100-round magazine



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|---|---|--|---|--|
| CAFÉ RACER | Seattle, WA May 30, 2012 Shooter: Ian Stawicki | 6 dead (including shooter) | Colt .45 semiautomatic pistol | Extended magazine |
| CARSON CITY IHOP | Carson City, NV September 6, 2011 Shooter: Eduardo Sencion | 5 dead (including shooter) 7 wounded | MAK-90 assault rifle (illegally converted to full-auto) | 20- and 30-round magazines |
| MICHIGAN, MULTIPLE LOCATIONS | Grand Rapids, MI July 7, 2011 Shooter: Rodrick Dantzler | 7 dead | Glock 19 semiautomatic pistol | 12-round magazine |
| SAFEWAY PARKING LOT | Tucson, AZ January 8, 2011 Shooter: Jared Loughner | 6 dead 13 wounded | Glock 19 semiautomatic pistol | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ 2 31-round magazines ▪ 2 15-round magazines |
| SHREVEPORT | Shreveport, LA August 16, 2010 Shooter: Marcus Donte Reed | 3 dead | Assault weapon | 30-round magazine |
| HARTFORD DISTRIBUTORS | Manchester, CT August 3, 2010 Shooter: Omar Thornton | 9 dead (including shooter) 2 wounded | Sturm, Ruger SR9 semiautomatic pistol | 17- and 15-round magazines |
| HOT SPOT CAFÉ | North Hollywood, CA April 3, 2010 Shooter: Nerses Galstyan | 4 dead 2 wounded | 9mm Glock semiautomatic pistol | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ 1 17-round magazine ▪ 1 33-round magazine |

CASUALTIES**FIREARM(S)****LARGE CAPACITY
AMMUNITION
MAGAZINE(S)****WASHINGTON,
D.C.
APARTMENT
COMPLEX**

Washington, D.C.
March 30, 2010
Shooter: Nathaniel
Simms

3 dead

AK-47 assault rifle

Extended magazine

ABB, INC.

St. Louis, MO
January 7, 2010
Shooter: Timothy
Hendron

4 dead (including
shooter)
5 wounded

- Romarm AK-47 assault rifle
- Tristar 12 gauge shotgun
- Hi-Point .40 pistol

2 “banana-style” large capacity magazines (capacity not stated)

FORT HOOD

Fort Hood, TX
November 5, 2009
Shooter: Nidal Hasan

13 dead
34 wounded

FN Five-seveN 5.7mm semiautomatic pistol

30- and 20-round magazines

**LA FITNESS
CENTER**

Collier, PA
August 4, 2009
Shooter: George
Sodini

4 dead (including
shooter)
9 wounded

- 2 9mm semiautomatic pistols
- .45 pistol
- .32 pistol

30-round magazines

**HOME IN
PENNSYLVANIA**

Pittsburgh, PA
April 4, 2009
Shooter: Richard
Poplawski

3 law enforcement
officers dead
1 officer wounded

- Romarm AK-47 assault rifle
- Dan Wesson .357 Magnum revolver
- 12 gauge shotgun

- 1 40-round magazine
- 1 30-round magazine

**AMERICAN
CIVIC
ASSOCIATION**

Binghamton, NY
April 3, 2009
Shooter: Jiverly
Wong

14 dead (including
shooter)
4 wounded

- 9mm Beretta semiautomatic pistol
- .45 handgun

30-round magazine

OAKLAND

Oakland, CA
March 21, 2009
Shooter: Lovelle
Mixon

4 law enforcement
officers dead

SKS assault rifle

Large capacity magazine



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| ALABAMA, MULTIPLE LOCATIONS | Alabama March 10, 2009 Shooter: Michael McLendon | 11 dead (including shooter) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ SKS assault rifle ▪ Bushmaster AR-15 assault rifle ▪ .38 pistol | Large capacity magazines, taped together for faster reloading |
| WALT LOU TRAILER PARK | Stafford, VA May 5, 2008 Shooter: Aaron Poseidon Jackson | 4 dead (including shooter) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ WASR-10 assault rifle ▪ Smith & Wesson .38 revolver | 30-round magazines |
| NORTHERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY | DeKalb, IL February 14, 2008 Shooter: Steven Phillip Kazmierczak | 6 dead (including shooter) 21 wounded | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Glock 19 9mm pistol ▪ Hi-Point 380 ▪ Remington 12 gauge Sportsman 48 shotgun | 33- and 15-round magazines |
| NEW LIFE CHURCH | Arvada, CO December 9, 2007 Shooter: Matthew J. Murray | 5 dead (including shooter) 5 wounded | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Bushmaster XM15 assault rifle ▪ Beretta .40 semiautomatic pistol ▪ Springfield Armory 9mm semiautomatic pistol | 2 30-round magazines |
| WESTROADS MALL | Omaha, NE December 5, 2007 Shooter: Robert Hawkins | 9 dead (including shooter) 5 wounded | WASR-10 assault rifle | 2 30-round magazines taped together |
| CRANDON | Crandon, WI October 7, 2007 Shooter: Tyler Peterson | 7 dead (including shooter) 1 wounded | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ AR-15 assault rifle ▪ Glock semiautomatic pistol | 30-round magazine |
| VIRGINIA TECH | Blacksburg, VA April 16, 2007 Shooter: Seung-Hui Cho | 33 dead (including shooter) 17 wounded | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Glock 19 semiautomatic pistol ▪ Walther P22 pistol | 15-round magazines |

CASUALTIES**FIREARM(S)****LARGE CAPACITY
AMMUNITION
MAGAZINE(S)****MAIL
PROCESSING
PLANT**

Goleta, CA
January 30, 2006
Shooter: Jennifer San
Marco

7 dead

Smith & Wesson 9mm
model 915
semiautomatic pistol

15-round magazine

**LIVING CHURCH
OF GOD**

Brookfield, WI
March 13, 2005
Shooter: Terry
Ratzmann

8 dead (including
shooter)

Beretta 9mm
semiautomatic pistol

2 13-round magazines

HUNTING CAMP

Birchwood, WI
November 21, 2004
Shooter: Chai Vang

6 dead
3 wounded

SKS assault rifle

20-round magazine

**EDGEWATER
TECHNOLOGY
INC.**

Wakefield, MA
December 26, 2000
Shooter: Michael
McDermott

7 dead

- AK-47 assault rifle
- 12 gauge pump-action
shotgun

60-round, large-capacity
feeding device

XEROX

Honolulu, HI
November 2, 1999
Shooter: Bryan
Uyesugi

7 dead

Glock 17 9mm
semiautomatic pistol

3 15-round magazines

**WEDGEWOOD
BAPTIST
CHURCH**

Fort Worth, TX
September 15, 1999
Shooter: Lary Gene
Ashbrook

8 dead (including
shooter)
7 wounded

- Sturm, Ruger P85
9mm semiautomatic
pistol
- .380 pistol

3 15-round magazines

**COLUMBINE
HIGH SCHOOL**

Littleton, CO
April 20, 1999
Shooters: Eric Harris
and Dylan Klebold

15 dead (including
shooters)
23 wounded

- Intratec TEC-DC9
assault pistol
- Hi-Point 9mm Carbine
- Savage 67H pump-
action shotgun
- Savage 311-D 12-
gauge shotgun

Large capacity magazines
(capacity unstated)



CASUALTIES**FIREARM(S)****LARGE CAPACITY
AMMUNITION
MAGAZINE(S)****THURSTON
HIGH SCHOOL**

Springfield, OR
 May 21, 1998
 Shooter: Kip Kinkel

4 dead
 22 wounded

- 9mm Glock semiautomatic pistol
- .22 Sturm Ruger rifle
- .22 Sturm Ruger pistol

50-round magazine

**WESTSIDE
MIDDLE
SCHOOL**

Jonesboro, AR
 March 24, 1998
 Shooters: Andrew Golden and Mitchell Johnson

5 dead
 10 wounded

- M-1 rifle
- Remington .30-06 rifle
- various handguns

15-round magazine

**CONNECTICUT
STATE LOTTERY
HEADQUARTERS**

Newington, CT
 March 6, 1998
 Shooter: Matthew Beck

5 dead (including shooter)

Glock 9mm semiautomatic pistol

19-round magazine

**CALTRANS
MAINTENANCE
YARD**

Orange, CA
 December 18, 1997
 Shooter: Arturo Reyes Torres

5 dead (including shooter)
 2 wounded

AK-47 assault rifle

5 30-round magazines

**PIPER
TECHNICAL
CENTER**

Los Angeles, CA
 July 19, 1995
 Shooter: Willie Woods

4 dead

Glock semiautomatic pistol

19-round magazine

**DC POLICE
HEADQUARTERS**

Washington, DC
 November 22, 1994
 Shooter: Bennie Lee Lawson

4 dead (including shooter)
 1 wounded

Cobray –11 assault pistol

Extended magazine

**FAIRCHILD
AIR FORCE
BASE HOSPITAL**

Spokane, WA
 June 20, 1994
 Shooter: Dean Mellberg

5 dead (including shooter)
 23 wounded

MAK-90 assault rifle

75-round drum magazine



CASUALTIES**FIREARM(S)****LARGE CAPACITY
AMMUNITION
MAGAZINE(S)****LONG ISLAND
RAILROAD**

Long Island, NY
December 7, 1993
Shooter: Colin
Ferguson

6 dead
19 wounded

Sturm, Ruger P-89 9mm
semiautomatic pistol

4 15-round magazines

**CALIFORNIA
EMPLOYMENT
DEVELOPMENT
DEPARTMENT**

December 2, 1993
Oxnard, California
Shooter: Alan
Winterborne

5 dead (including
shooter)

- Sturm, Ruger Mini-14
assault rifle
- Smith & Wesson .44
revolver
- 12 gauge shotgun

30-round magazine

**PETTIT &
MARTIN
LAW OFFICES**

San Francisco, CA
July 1, 1993
Shooter: Gian Luigi
Ferri

9 dead (including
shooter)
6 wounded

- 2 Intratec TEC-DC9
assault pistols
- .45 pistol

40- to 50-round
magazines

**CARRILLO'S
CLUB**

Fresno, CA
May 16, 1993
Shooter: Johnnie
Malarkey

7 dead

Calico assault pistol or
rifle

50- or 100-round magazine

**REGIONAL
POSTAL
CENTER**

Royal Oak, MI
November 14, 1991
Shooter: Thomas
McIlvane

5 dead (including
shooter)
4 wounded

Sawed-off Sturm, Ruger
10/22 rifle

4 "banana-style"
large capacity
ammunition magazines

**LUBY'S
CAFETERIA**

Killeen, TX
October 16, 1991
Shooter: George
Hennard

24 dead (including
shooter)
20 wounded

- Sturm, Ruger P-89
9mm semiautomatic
pistol
- Glock 9mm
semiautomatic pistol

17- and 15-round
magazines

**GENERAL
MOTORS
ACCEPTANCE
CORP.**

Jacksonville, FL
June 18, 1990
Shooter: James Pough

10 dead (including
shooter)
4 wounded

- M-1 rifle
- .38 revolver

30-round magazines



CASUALTIES**FIREARM(S)****HIGH-CAPACITY
AMMUNITION
MAGAZINE(S)****STANDARD
GRAVURE
CORPORATION**

Louisville, KY
September 14, 1989
Shooter: Joseph
Wesbecker

9 dead (including
shooter)
12 wounded

- AK-47 assault rifle
- 2 MAC-11 assault
pistols
- .38 revolver
- Sig Sauer 9mm pistol

30-round magazines

**CLEVELAND
ELEMENTARY
SCHOOL**

Stockton, CA
January 17, 1989
Shooter: Patrick
Purdy

6 dead (including
shooter)
30 wounded

- AK-47 assault rifle
- Taurus 9mm pistol
- unidentified pistol

75-round drum magazine

**PALM BAY
SHOPPING
CENTER**

Palm Bay, FL
April 23, 1987
Shooter: William
Cruse

2 officers dead
4 citizens dead

Sturn, Ruger Mini-14
assault rifle

5 30-round magazines

McDONALD'S

San Ysidro, CA
July 18, 1984
Shooter: James
Huberty

22 dead (including
shooter)
19 wounded

- Uzi Carbine
- Browning 9mm pistol
- Winchester 1200
pump-action 12-gauge
shotgun

25-round magazine

**IANNI'S
NIGHTCLUB**

Dallas, TX
June 29, 1984
Shooter: Abdelkrim
Belachheb

6 dead
1 wounded

Smith & Wesson 9mm
semiautomatic pistol

2 14-round magazines

**PENNSYLVANIA,
MULTIPLE
LOCATIONS**

Pennsylvania
September 25, 1982
Shooter: George Emil
Banks

13 dead
1 wounded

AR-15 semiautomatic
assault rifle

30-round magazines

**OREGON
MUSEUM
TAVERN**

Salem, OR
May 7, 1981
Shooter: Lawrence
Moore

4 dead
19 wounded

Browning 9mm
semiautomatic pistol

2 14-round magazines



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