



Firearms

February 2017

Prepared for Chief Bray

Mission

Public
Service
First

Vision

Working
Together to
Keep Regina
Safe

Values

Respectful
Professional
Service

Mandate

Provide
research and
analysis to
support
operations and
inform strategic
direction, long
term planning,
and
organizational
efficiency.

Occurrences

There were 4 violent offences involving a firearm in February 2017 compared to 6 in February 2016.

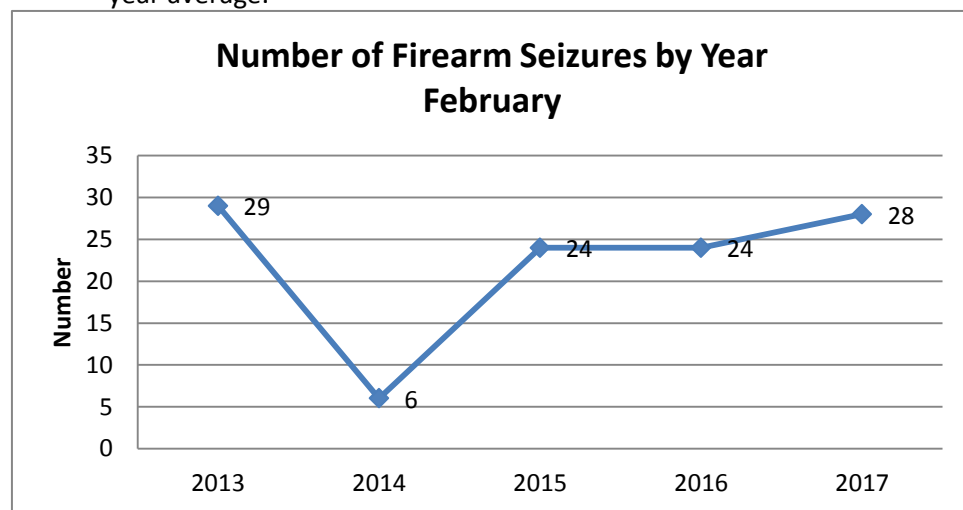
- There were 17 violent occurrences reported for January and February 2017 which is an increase of 143% compared to the 7 reported occurrences for the same time period in 2016.
- There were 3 firearm related occurrences reported to the Regina Police Service in February 2017 in which no one was injured compared to 2 in February 2016.
 - 7 firearm related occurrences without injury were reported in January and February 2017 compared to 2 for the same time period in 2016.
 - An increase in the number of reports of *Discharge Firearm with Intent* continues to be a trend in 2017.

Victims

There were three persons injured by firearms in February 2017 compared to two in February 2016. So far in 2017, five people have been injured by firearms compared to 3 for the same time period in 2016.

Property

- 28 firearms were seized in February 2017 compared to 24 for the same time period in 2016 **(+17%)** (seizures do not include devices or ammunition).
 - 28 firearms seized in February 2017 is an increase of 26% compared to the five year average.



- 53% of all firearms seized in the first two months of 2017 were for public safety reasons, just slightly above the 5 year average of 36%.

- 15 firearms were reported stolen in the month of February 2017 compared to 2 stolen in February 2016. So far in 2017, there have been 15 reported stolen firearms compared to 2 for the same time period in 2016.

Types

There have been more reported firearms stolen in January and February of 2017 than another other year in the last five years. Most commonly, other guns such as bb guns and pellet guns are stolen although there has been an increase in the number of prohibited firearms stolen as well.

Total Types of Firearms Seized (Jan to Feb)					
	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
other guns	8	5	9	25	25
prohibited devices/firearms	0	2	3	4	8
restricted firearms	2	1	1	7	3
rifles	24	5	13	14	19
shotguns	5	1	6	4	6
TOTALS	39	14	32	54	61

In response to this growing trend, the Regina Police Service held a Gun Amnesty Program from February 1st to February 15th 2017 to try and reduce the number of unwanted firearms in the City of Regina. The results of the Amnesty removed 157 firearms from the community.

FIREARMS					
	February to February				
CATEGORY	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
Seizures	29	6	24	24	28
criminal	24	5	16	17	8
public safety	5	1	8	7	20
Violent occurrences	2	2	5	6	4
Victims	2	0	1	3	3
injured	2	0	1	3	3
loss of life	0	0	0	0	0
Stolen Firearms - property offences	3	1	0	2	15
Firearm occurrences no injuries	0	0	0	2	3
discharge firearm with intent	0	0	0	1	3
used in commission of offence	0	0	0	1	0
pointing a firearm	0	0	0	0	0

FIREARMS (Year to Date)					
	January to February				
CATEGORY	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
Seizures	39	14	32	54	61
criminal	30	11	22	37	29
public safety	9	3	10	17	32
Violent occurrences	8	6	10	7	17
Victims	4	1	1	3	5
injured	4	1	1	3	5
loss of life	0	0	0	0	0
Stolen Firearms - property offences	4	1	1	2	15
Firearm occurrences no injuries	1	1	0	2	7
discharge firearm with intent	1	0	0	1	5
used in commission of offence	0	1	0	1	1
pointing a firearm	0	0	0	0	1

- Seizures (criminal) refer to all incidents except provincial statutes, municipal bylaws and special inquiries. Therefore, incidents related to Mental Health Services Act, Youth Drug Detox, Sudden/Accidental Death, Domestic, Attempt Suicide, and Lost/Found Property are NOT included.
- Seizures (public safety) refer to incidents such as Mental Health Services Act, Youth Drug Detox, Sudden/Accidental Death, Domestic, Attempt Suicide, and Lost/Found Property.
- Firearm occurrences no injuries refer to three types of incidents: discharge firearm with intent, used in the commission of an offence, and pointing a firearm.