

Total NICS Background Checks

November 30, 1998 - January 31, 2012

| YEAR | JAN | FEB | MAR | APR | MAY | JUN | JUL | AUG | SEP | OCT | NOV | DEC | TOTALS |
|------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|------------|
| 1998 | | | | | | | | | | | 21,196 | 871,644 | 892,840 |
| 1999 | 591,355 | 696,323 | 753,083 | 646,712 | 576,272 | 569,493 | 589,476 | 703,394 | 808,627 | 945,701 | 1,004,333 | 1,253,354 | 9,138,123 |
| 2000 | 639,972 | 707,070 | 736,543 | 617,689 | 538,648 | 550,561 | 542,520 | 682,501 | 782,087 | 845,886 | 898,598 | 1,000,962 | 8,543,037 |
| 2001 | 640,528 | 675,156 | 729,532 | 594,723 | 543,501 | 540,491 | 539,498 | 707,288 | 864,038 | 1,029,691 | 983,186 | 1,062,559 | 8,910,191 |
| 2002 | 665,803 | 694,668 | 714,665 | 627,745 | 569,247 | 518,351 | 535,594 | 693,139 | 724,123 | 849,281 | 887,647 | 974,059 | 8,454,322 |
| 2003 | 653,751 | 708,281 | 736,864 | 622,832 | 567,436 | 529,334 | 533,289 | 683,517 | 738,371 | 856,863 | 842,932 | 1,008,118 | 8,481,588 |
| 2004 | 695,000 | 723,654 | 738,298 | 642,589 | 542,456 | 546,847 | 561,773 | 666,598 | 740,260 | 865,741 | 890,754 | 1,073,701 | 8,687,671 |
| 2005 | 685,811 | 743,070 | 768,290 | 658,954 | 557,058 | 555,560 | 561,358 | 687,012 | 791,353 | 852,478 | 927,419 | 1,164,582 | 8,952,945 |
| 2006 | 775,518 | 820,679 | 845,219 | 700,373 | 626,270 | 616,097 | 631,156 | 833,070 | 919,487 | 970,030 | 1,045,194 | 1,253,840 | 10,036,933 |
| 2007 | 894,608 | 914,954 | 975,806 | 840,271 | 803,051 | 792,943 | 757,884 | 917,358 | 944,889 | 1,025,123 | 1,079,923 | 1,230,525 | 11,177,335 |
| 2008 | 942,556 | 1,021,130 | 1,040,863 | 940,961 | 886,183 | 819,891 | 891,224 | 956,872 | 973,003 | 1,183,279 | 1,529,635 | 1,523,426 | 12,709,023 |
| 2009 | 1,213,885 | 1,259,078 | 1,345,096 | 1,225,980 | 1,023,102 | 968,145 | 966,162 | 1,074,757 | 1,093,230 | 1,233,982 | 1,223,252 | 1,407,155 | 14,033,824 |
| 2010 | 1,119,229 | 1,243,211 | 1,300,100 | 1,233,761 | 1,016,876 | 1,005,876 | 1,069,792 | 1,089,374 | 1,145,798 | 1,368,184 | 1,296,223 | 1,521,192 | 14,409,616 |
| 2011 | 1,323,336 | 1,473,513 | 1,449,724 | 1,351,255 | 1,230,953 | 1,168,322 | 1,157,041 | 1,310,041 | 1,253,752 | 1,340,273 | 1,534,414 | 1,862,327 | 16,454,951 |
| 2012 | 1,377,301 | | | | | | | | | | | | 1,377,301 |

TOTAL 142,259,700

NOTE: These statistics represent the number of firearm background checks initiated through the NICS. They do not represent the number of firearms sold. Based on varying state laws and purchase scenarios, a one-to-one correlation cannot be made between a firearm background check and a firearm sale.