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PURPOSE OF THE REPORT

Under Minnesota Statutes section 121A.06, school districts are required to report individual incidents involving the use or possession of a dangerous weapon on school grounds by an enrolled student. These individual reports are submitted to CFL and used as the basis for an annual summary of findings. This document summarizes findings from the 2000-01 school year (the eighth year that information on dangerous weapons has been reported by Minnesota public schools).

LIMITATIONS OF THE DATA

The data summarized in this report are based on incidents reported by local school districts. As in previous years, it is unknown how many incidents went unreported. However, because St. Paul Public Schools, one of the largest districts in the state, failed to complete their mandated reporting for the 2000-01 school year, this necessitated the re-calculation of data for previous years for the purposes of trend analysis: St. Paul's data from previous years needed to be excluded from the database, and those years recalculated, or it would have appeared that there was a large decrease in the number of dangerous weapons incidents in the 2000-01 school year. The exclusion of the St. Paul data from previous years dataset allows for a comparable dataset for all years included in the report.

Furthermore it is difficult, if not impossible, to compare numbers of weapons incidents between reporting districts. This is due to differing district policies concerning disciplinary procedures. Whereas, one district may consider the possession of a nail file grounds for removal, and report it as a weapons related suspension, another district with differing policies may not report this incidents at all. This difference in policy could result in some districts having a comparatively elevated or suppressed number of reported weapons incidents.

The data in this report is gathered to provide statistical comparisons of weapon incidents in Minnesota schools. The author provides no conclusions from this data.

GENERAL FINDINGS

In the 2000-01 school year, districts were asked to select from the following categories of weapons when reporting a disciplinary incident:

- No Weapon/None Reported
- Handgun
- Long Gun (Rifle/Shotgun)
- B-B Gun
- Replica/Toy Gun
- Knife
- Other Cutting Instrument
- Blunt Object
- Fire/Explosives
- Other Weapon

A disciplinary incident is an out-of-school removal for any disciplinary reason, for example vandalism, physical assault, or possession of tobacco.

In 2000-01 the Knife and Other Cutting Instrument were separated into two weapons categories. In prior years Knife/Other Cutting Instrument was combined into one category.

CFL received local reports of 920 confirmed incidents involving dangerous weapons for the 2000-01 school year, which is a 26.3 percent decrease from the 1,249 incidents reported the previous year. This does appear to represent an actual decrease in the number of weapons incidents rather than a decrease in reporting, as the rate of reported disciplinary incidents has increased by less than one percent since 1997-98, while the rate of dangerous weapons incidents has decreased by a rate of 33.3 percent. If the decline in the rate of dangerous weapons incidents were the result of variation in reporting patterns, one would expect both rates to decline or increase together. See Tables 1 and 2.

Table 1 provides a comparison of annual rates for all disciplinary incidents over the last three years. The rate is calculated as (number of incidents/enrollment) * 100.

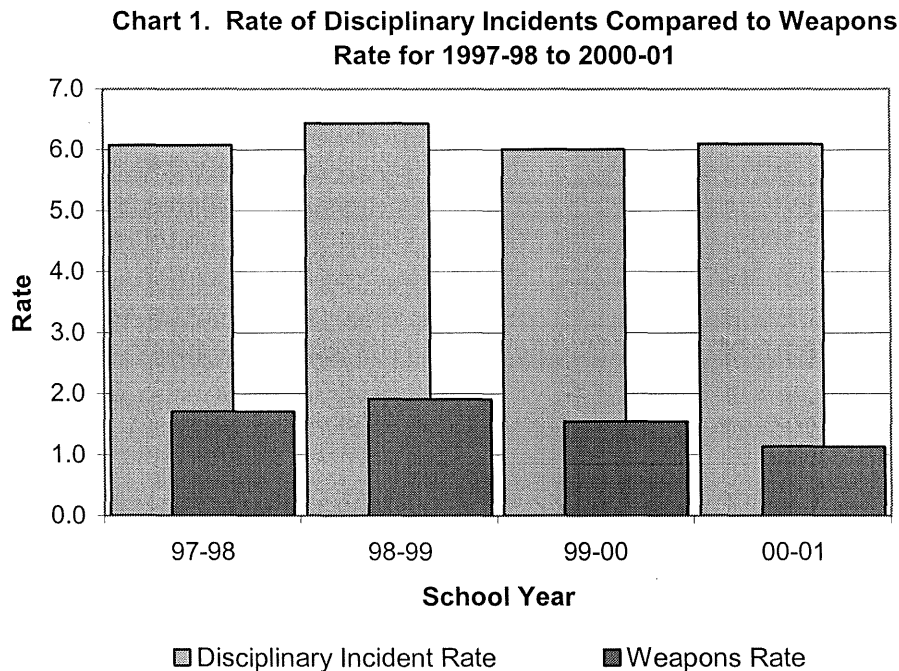
Table 1. Disciplinary Incident Rates – Statewide Rates 1997-98 to 2000-01			
School Year	Total Disciplinary Incidents*	Total Statewide Enrollment	Rate of Disciplinary Incidents
97-98	49,127	808,211	6.08%
98-99	52,208	811,106	6.44%
99-00	48,705	809,820	6.01%
00-01	49,359	809,223	6.10%

*Disciplinary Incidents include all out-of-school removals and alternative placements for all disciplinary reasons.

Table 2 shows a comparison of annual total weapon related incidents over four years. Yearly comparisons are of limited validity or usefulness because some districts have historically underreported or failed to report all incidents.

School Year	Dangerous Weapons Reports	Total Statewide Enrollment	Rate of Dangerous Weapons Incidents
1997-98	1,378	808,211	1.705%
1998-99	1,552	811,106	1.913%
1999-00	1,249	809,820	1.542%
2000-01	920	809,223	1.137%

Chart 1 provides a comparison of the rate of disciplinary incidents to the rate of all dangerous weapons incidents. The rate represents the number of reported incidents per 100 students.



WEAPON TYPE

Accuracy of Reporting

The 2000-01 reporting year showed a decrease in the accuracy of reporting in regard to the type of weapon involved, in which 26.7 percent of all weapons type were reported as "Unknown" or "Other Weapon." In 1997-98, 41.4 percent of all weapons incident reports did not identify a specific weapon type. 1998-99 and 1999-00 saw a decline in the number of incidents reported in the "unknown" or "other weapon" categories from 30.2 to 20.8 percent.

In 1997-98 and 1998-99, Minneapolis Public Schools (MPS), the largest district in the state, indicated the weapon type as “other weapon” for all reported weapons incidents. This problem was corrected in 1999-00, and gave us a better picture of the rate of various types of weapons present in the schools. However, in 2000-01, MPS again did not report the weapon type in all but a few of their reported incidents. Of the 127 incidents statewide with weapon type not reported, all but 11 were from MPS.

Table 3 provides a comparison of the number of unspecified weapon type incidents to the number of weapons incidents overall.

Table 3. Comparison Of Weapons Incidents with Weapons Type Specified as “Other Weapon” or “Not Reported” for 1997-98 to 2000-01				
Weapon Type	Number of Incidents			
	1997-98	1998-99	1999-00	2000-01
Not Reported	328	163	105	127*
Other Weapon	242	306	155	119
Total Unidentified Weapons	570	469	260	246
Total Weapons Incidents	1,378	1,552	1,249	920
Rate of Unidentified Weapons	41.4%	30.2%	20.8%	26.7%

* All but 11 of these 127 are Minneapolis

Prevalence of Weapons by Type

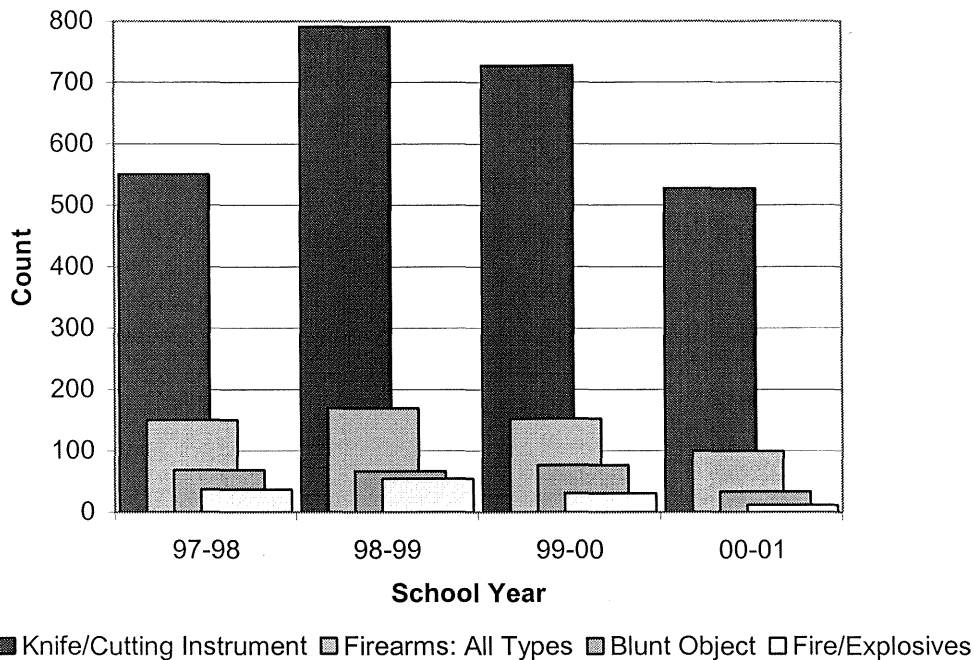
Possession or use of a knife or cutting instrument continues to comprise the vast majority of weapons cases, with a 27.4 percent decrease from last year. Firearms showed a 34.6 percent decrease from last year. The fire/explosive category (for example arson, lighters, fireworks) declined by 61.3 percent. The category of "other weapon" declined by 23.2 percent. The category "blunt object" decreased by 55.8 percent. The only increases were seen in the number of "weapon type not reported," up 20.9 percent and "B-B gun," up one, from 23 incidents to 24.

Table 4 contains a comparison of the four major categories of dangerous weapons and the categories of "other weapon," and "weapon not reported."

Weapon Type	Number of Incidents			
	1997-98	1998-99	1999-00	2000-01
B-B Gun	25	44	23	24
Blunt Object	69	67	77	34
Fire/Explosives	37	55	31	12
Handgun	24	15	25	6
Cutting Instrument (other than knife)	0*	0*	0*	81
Knife	551	791	728	447
Long Gun (Rifle/Shotgun)	10	15	11	6
Replica/Toy Gun	92	96	94	64
Other Weapon	242	306	155	119
Weapon Type Not Reported	328	163	105	127
Firearms: All Types	151	170	153	100

*Prior to the 2000-01 school year, cutting instruments were classified with knives.

Chart 2. Comparison of Weapons Type for 1997-98 to 2000-01



INCIDENT OF FIREARMS WITH POTENTIAL LETHALITY

One of the most prominent concerns about violence in schools has to do with firearm incidents that could result in death or serious injury. In Minnesota, most of the incidents categorized as firearms involve toys, replicas, and B-B guns, and relatively few incidents involve firearms with potential lethality (handguns, shotguns and rifles). See Table 5 and Chart 3.

In 2000-01, 1.3 percent, or 12 of the 920 weapons incidents involved firearms with potential lethality. This is marked decrease over the 1999-00 school year, in which 2.9 percent, or 36 of the 1,249 weapons incidents involved lethal firearms.

Table 5 shows a comparison of the rate of firearm type of 1997-98 to 2000-01.

Type of Firearm	1997-98 Number of Incidents (Percentage)	1998-99 Number of Incidents (Percentage)	1999-00 Number of Incidents (Percentage)	2000-01 Number of Incidents (Percentage)
BB Gun	25 (16.6)	44 (25.9)	23 (15.0)	24 (24.0)
Handgun	24 (15.9)	15 (8.8)	25 (16.3)	6 (6.0)
Long Gun (Shotgun/Rifle)	10 (6.6)	15 (8.8)	11 (7.2)	6 (6.0)
Replica/Toy Gun	92 (60.9)	96 (56.5)	94 (61.4)	64 (64.0)
TOTALS	151	170	153	100

Chart 3 provides a comparison of the rate of firearm type of 1997-98 to 2000-01.

Chart 3. Count of Firearm Types for 1997-98 to 2000-01

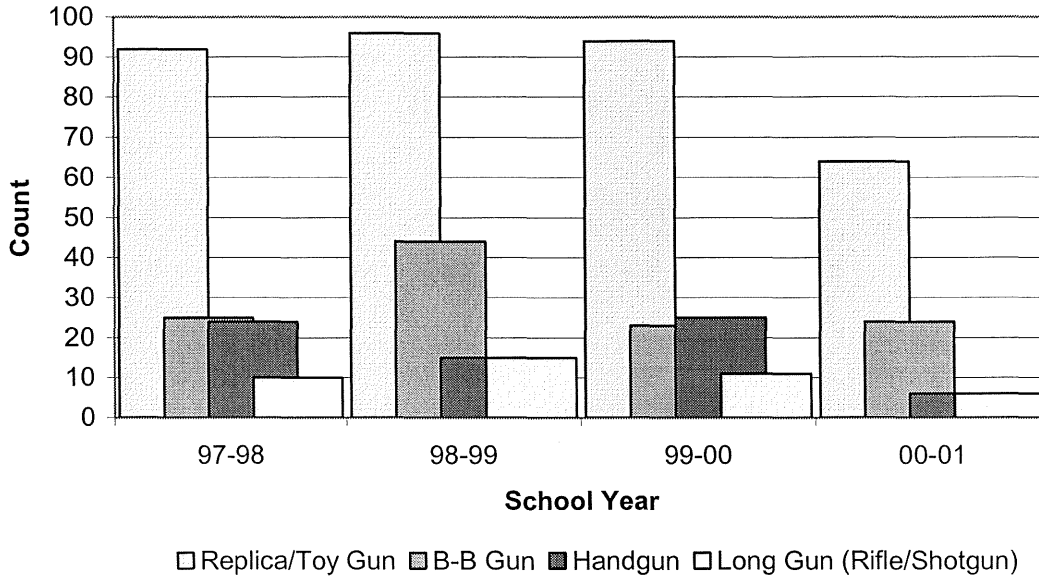
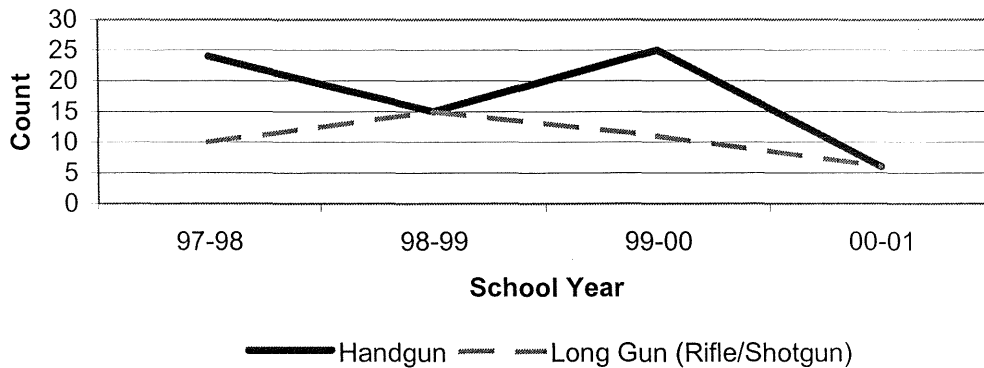


Table 6 and Chart 4 show the count of incidents involving firearms with potential lethality over a four-year period.

Type of Firearm	1997-98	1998-99	1999-00	2000-01
Handgun	24	15	25	6
Long Gun (Rifle/Shotgun)	10	15	11	6
TOTALS	34	30	36	12

Chart 4. Comparison of Firearms for 1997-98 to 2000-01



WEAPONS, GENDER, RACE/ETHNICITY AND AGE

OFFENDER RACE/ETHNICITY

As in previous years, the majority of incidents involving firearms with potential lethality continue to be committed by white males. White males committed nine of the 12 incidents, or 75 percent.

Table 7 shows a comparison of the number of incidents involving firearms with potential lethality by race/ethnicity and gender.

Race	Gender	97-98	98-99	99-00	00-01
American Indian or Alaskan Native	Female	0	0	0	0
	Male	1	1	2	0
Asian or Pacific Islander	Female	0	0	0	0
	Male	0	0	1	0
Black, Non-Hispanic	Female	0	0	2	1
	Male	4	7	2	2
Hispanic	Female	1	0	0	0
	Male	2	1	1	0
White, Non-Hispanic	Female	1	0	2	0
	Male	25	21	26	9

The rate of incidents involving firearms with potential lethality among males ($[\text{number of incidents/enrollment}] * 1000$) is highest for Black, Non-Hispanic at 0.085, and lowest for American Indian/Alaskan Native, Asian/Pacific Islander, and Hispanic populations all with no reported incidents in 2000-01 (see Table 9 and Chart 5).

There has been a decline in the rate of incidents involving firearms with potential lethality among male populations.

Table 8 gives the statewide enrollment by gender and race/ethnicity.

Year	American Indian or Alaskan Native		Asian or Pacific Islander		Black, Non-Hispanic		Hispanic		White, Non-Hispanic	
	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
97-98	8,350	7,972	12,425	12,587	19,114	18,048	8,936	8,496	367,603	344,680
98-99	8,347	7,932	13,297	13,365	20,351	19,298	9,660	9,189	366,492	343,175
99-00	8,309	7,959	13,921	13,891	22,089	20,738	10,859	10,151	362,356	339,547
00-01	8,398	7,950	14,793	14,746	23,518	22,088	12,514	11,763	357,960	335,493

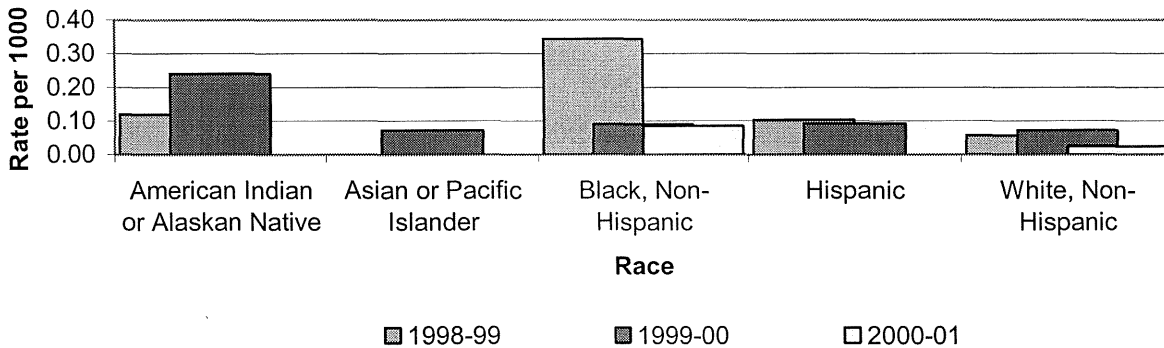
Table 9 shows a comparison of the rate of incidents involving firearms with potential lethality by male student by race/ethnicity.

Table 9. Comparison of Rates* of Incidents Involving Firearms with Potential Lethality by Males				
Race	97-98	98-99	99-00	00-01
American Indian or Alaskan Native	0.120	0.120	0.241	0.000
Asian or Pacific Islander	0.000	0.000	0.072	0.000
Black, Non-Hispanic	0.209	0.344	0.091	0.085
Hispanic	0.224	0.104	0.092	0.000
White, Non-Hispanic	0.068	0.057	0.072	0.025

*Number of incidents / enrollment * 1000

Chart 5 provides a comparison of the rate of incidents involving firearms with potential lethality by male student by race/ethnicity.

Chart 5. Rate of Incidents of Possession of Firearms with Potential Lethality by Males by Race for 1998-99 to 2000-01



There were no incidents involving the possession of firearms with potential lethality for female students in 1998-99. There have been no incidents for Asian and Pacific Islander, and for American Indian females from 1997-98 to 2000-01. There has been a decrease in the rate of incidents involving potentially lethal firearms for female population in 2000-01. See Tables 10 and Chart 6.

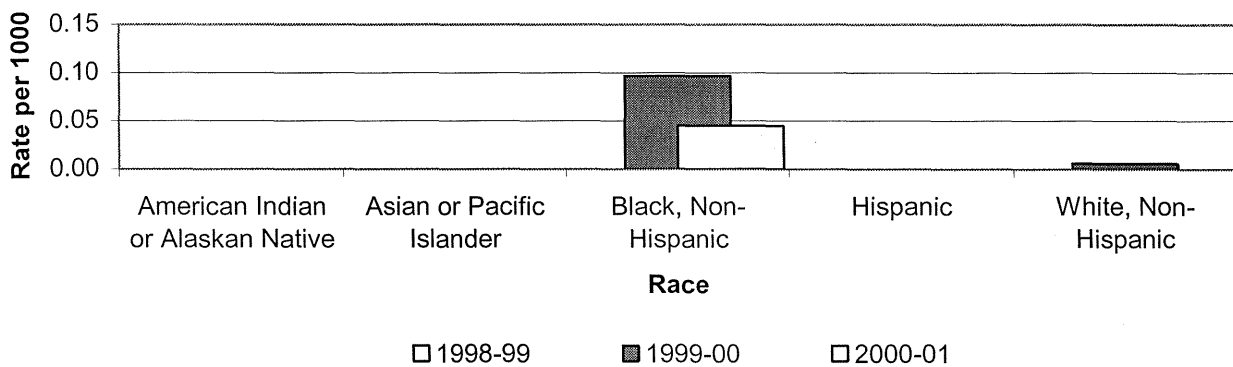
Table 10 shows a comparison of the rate of incidents involving firearms with potential lethality by female student by race/ethnicity.

Table 10. Comparison of Rates* of Incidents Involving Firearms with Potential Lethality Possession by Females				
Race	97-98	98-99	99-00	00-01
American Indian or Alaskan Native	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
Asian or Pacific Islander	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
Black, Non-Hispanic	0.000	0.000	0.096	0.045
Hispanic	0.118	0.000	0.000	0.000
White, Non-Hispanic	0.003	0.000	0.006	0.000

*Number of incidents / enrollment * 1000

Chart 6 provides a comparison of the rate of incidents involving firearms with potential lethality by female student by race/ethnicity.

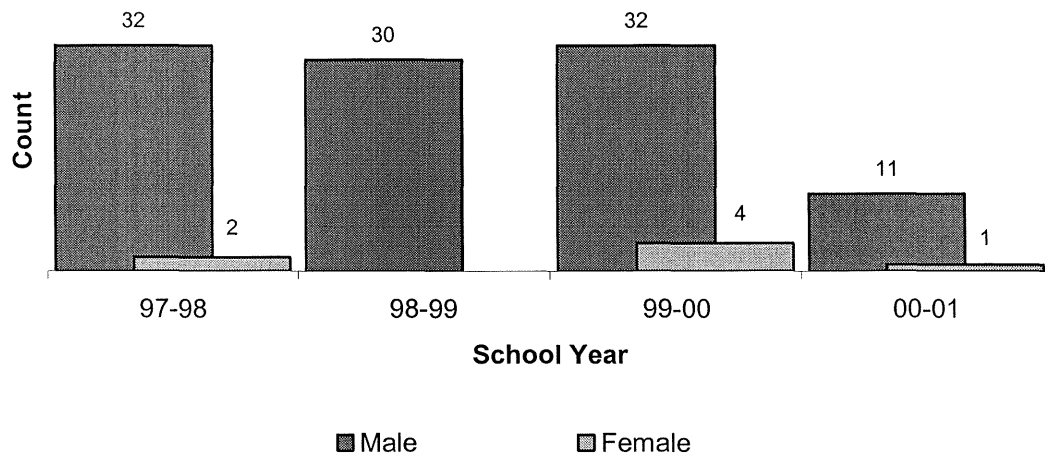
Chart 6. Rate of Incidents of Possession of Firearms with Potential Lethality by Females by Race for 1998-99 to 2000-01



Females continue to represent only a small portion of the offenders involved in incidents with potentially lethal firearms, making up less than nine percent of all reported incidents.

Chart 7 show a comparison of the number of incidents involving firearms with potential lethality between the genders.

Chart 7. Rate of Incidents of Possession of Firearms with Potential Lethality Gender Comparison for 1997-98 to 2000-01



AGE OF OFFENDER

The average age for involvement in a dangerous weapons incident in 2000-01 is 12.56 years. This represents nearly a full year decline from the average age 13.48 in 1999-00.

The average age of students involved with firearms with potential lethality saw a slight shift in 2000-01 to 15.50 years, from 15.53 years in 1999-00.

Chart 8 provides a comparison of the average age of offender for all dangerous weapons incidents and for incidents involving lethal firearms.

Chart 8. Average Age of Offender

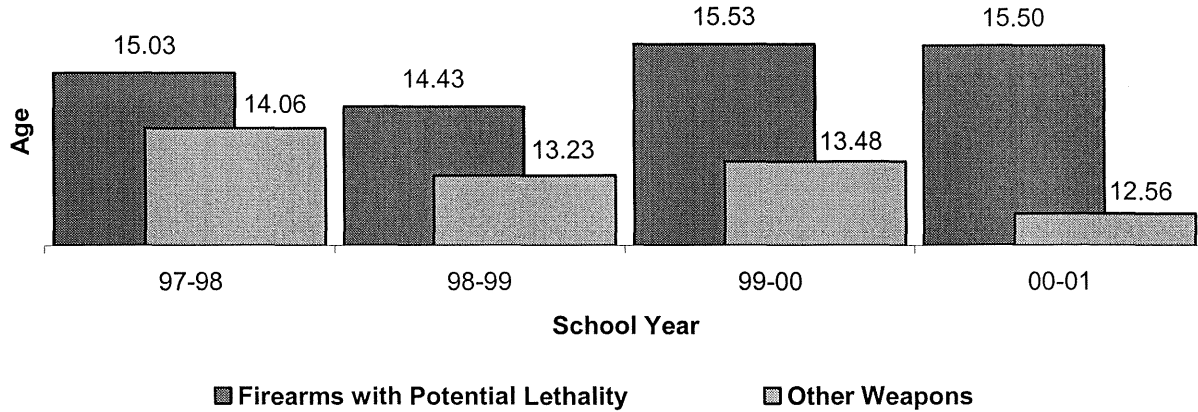


Chart 9 demonstrates the number of dangerous weapons incidents for each age from 1997-98 to 2000-01.

Chart 9 - Age Distribution All Dangerous Weapons

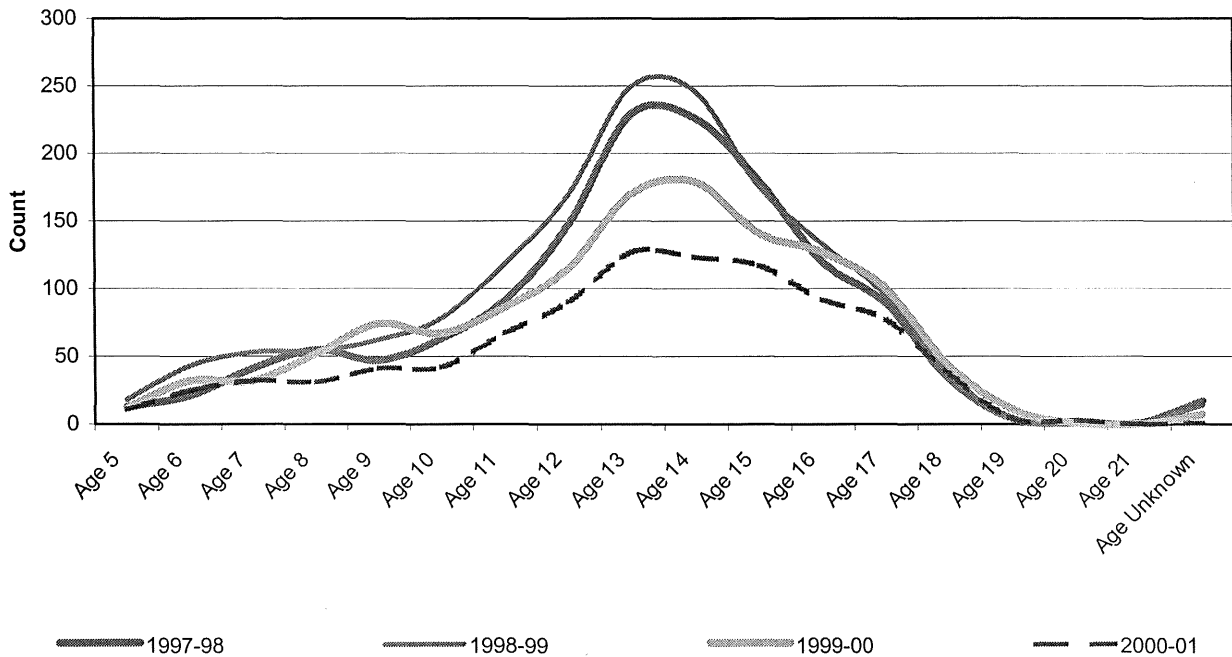
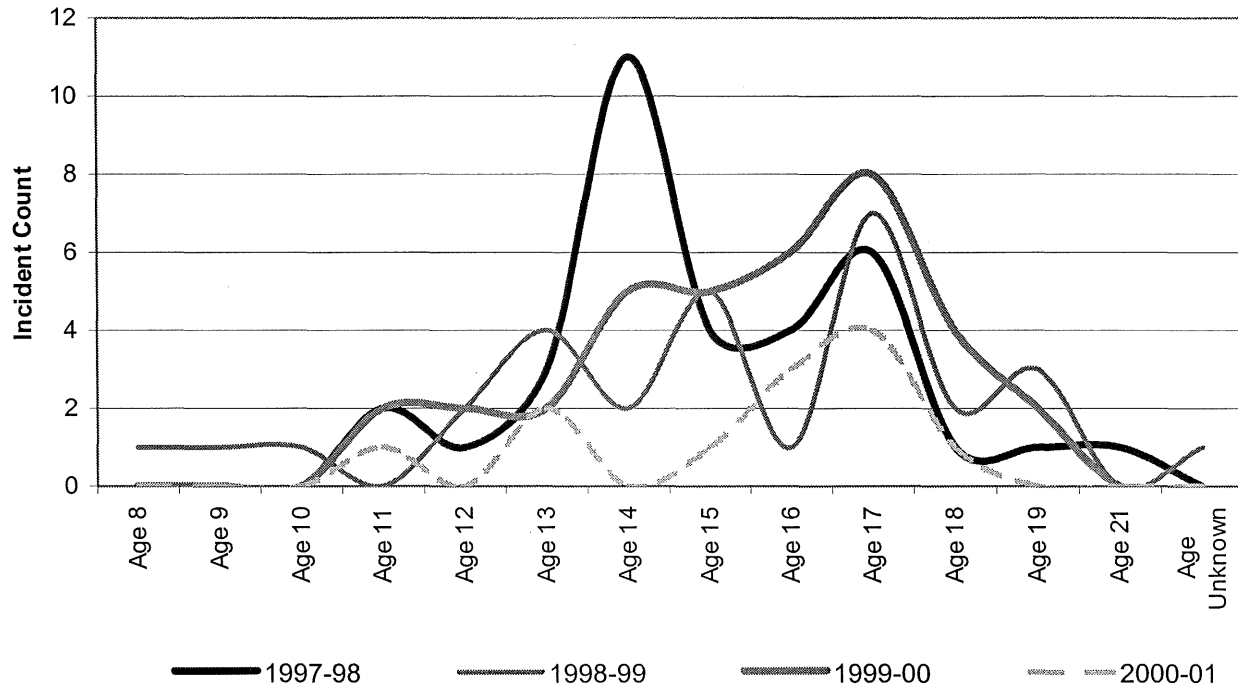


Chart 10 demonstrates the number of incidents involving firearms with potential lethality for each age from 1997-98 to 2000-01.

Chart 10. Age Distribution Firearms with Potential Lethality



WEAPONS AND STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES

DISABILITY STATUS

Having a special education disability classification appears to greatly increase the likelihood of a student being involved in a dangerous weapons incident. Of the 920 dangerous weapons incidents in 2000-01, 324 incidents, or 35.2 percent, involved students with disabilities. Students with disabilities represent only 10.7 percent of the total enrollment. Of the 12 incidents involving firearms with potential lethality, 4 or 33.3 percent, involved students with disabilities.

Though the number of weapons incidents remains high among student with disabilities, the rate of incidents has declined since 1998-99, as it has for non-disabled students. 1998-99 saw a rate of 55.8 weapons incidents per 10,000 students with disabilities, and a rate 12.3 per 10,000 non-disabled students. In 2000-01, the rates per 10,000 students were down to 31.6 for students with disabilities, and 7.4 for non-disabled students.

Table 11 shows a comparison of the number and rate of dangerous weapons incidents by disability status.

Table 11. Comparison of Incident Rates Per 10,000 by Disability Status				
Status	School Year	Enrollment	Incidents Involving Firearms with Potential Lethality and Rate Per 10,000	All Weapons Incidents and Rate Per 10,000
Non-disabled	1997-98	808,211	23 (0.285)	920 (11.383)
Disabled	1997-98	96,372	11 (1.141)	458 (47.524)
Non-disabled	1998-99	811,106	18(0.222)	998 (12.304)
Disabled	1998-99	99,344	12 (1.208)	554 (55.766)
Non-disabled	1999-00	809,820	24 (0.296)	769 (9.496)
Disabled	1999-00	101,253	12 (1.185)	480 (47.406)
Non-disabled	2000-01	809,223	8 (0.099)	596 (7.365)
Disabled	2000-01	102,522	4 (0.390)	324 (31.603)

Chart 11 is a comparison of the rate of dangerous weapons incidents for 1997-98 to 2000-01 by disabled and non-disabled classification.

Chart 11. All Weapons

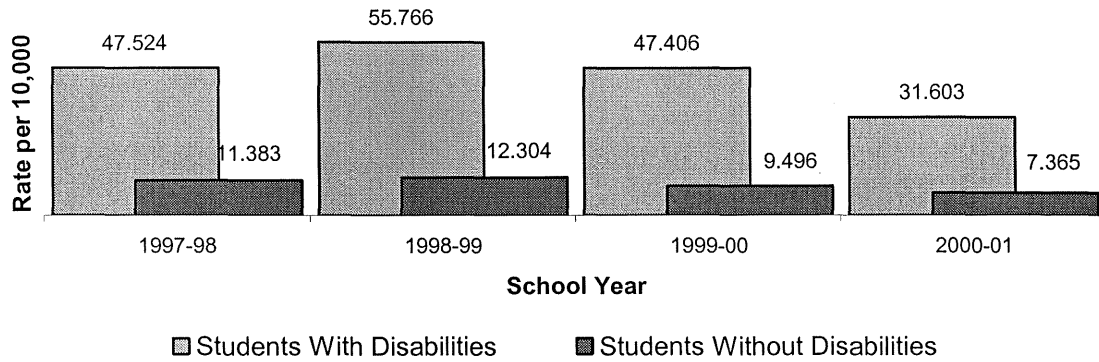
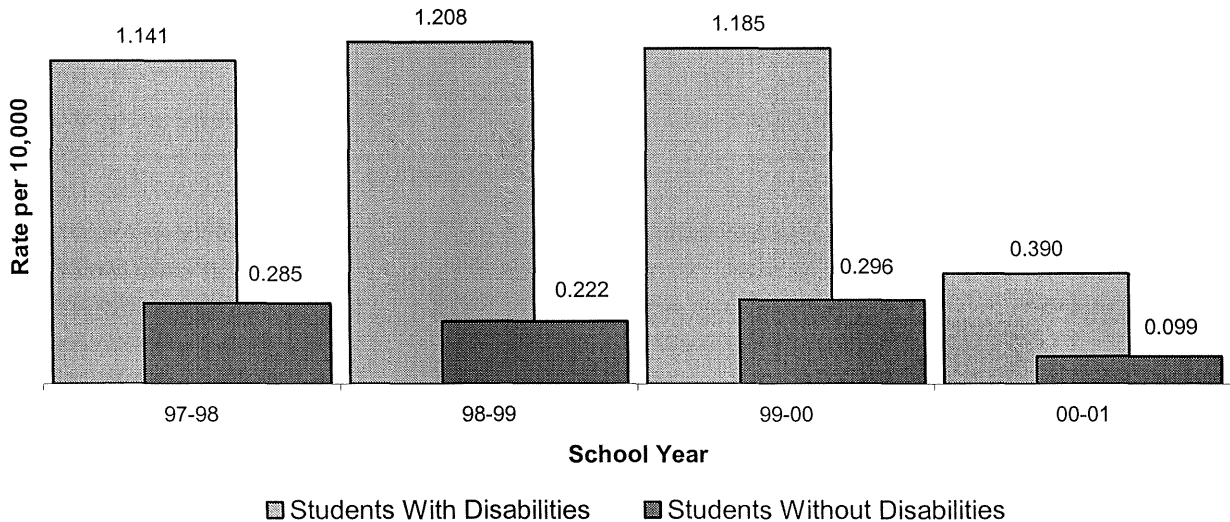


Chart 12 is a comparison of the rate of incidents involving firearms with potential lethality for 1997-98 to 2000-01 by disabled and non-disabled classification.

Chart 12. Firearms with Potential Lethality

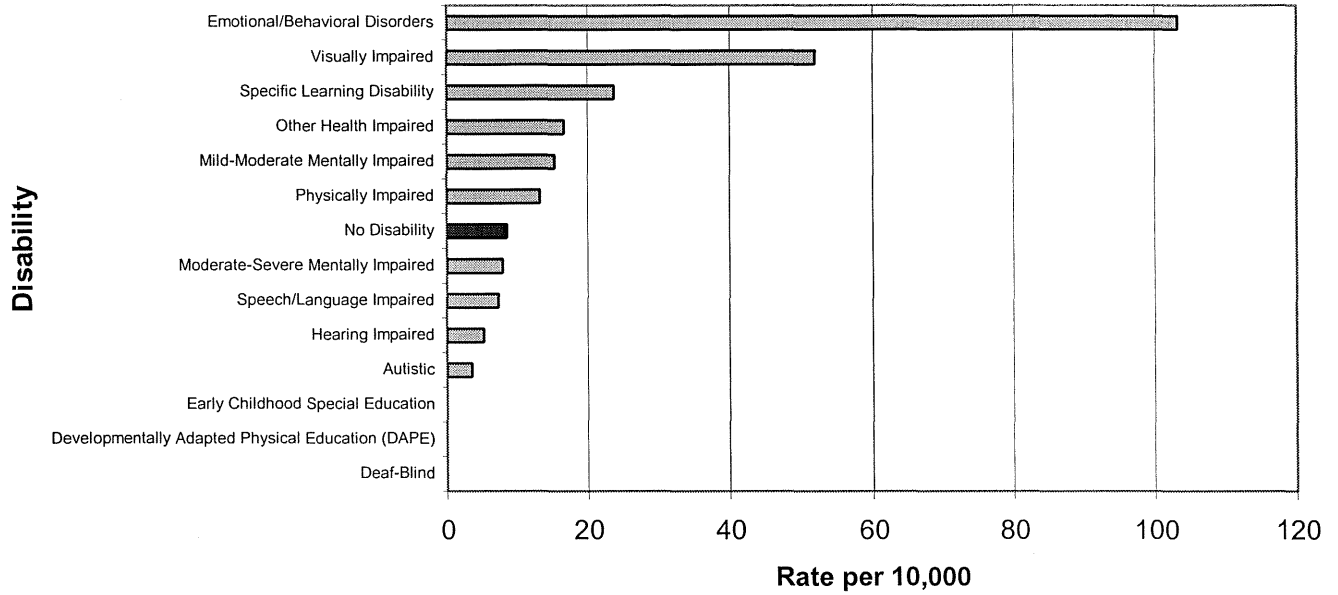


PRIMARY DISABILITY CLASSIFICATION

When the student disability classification is examined it shows that students who are classified as Speech/Language Impaired, Hearing Impaired, Autistic, Moderate to Severely Mentally Impaired, Deaf-Blind, Developmentally Adapted Physical Education (DAPE), and students having a Early Childhood Special Education classification have rates of dangerous weapons incidents that are lower than the rate for non-disabled students.

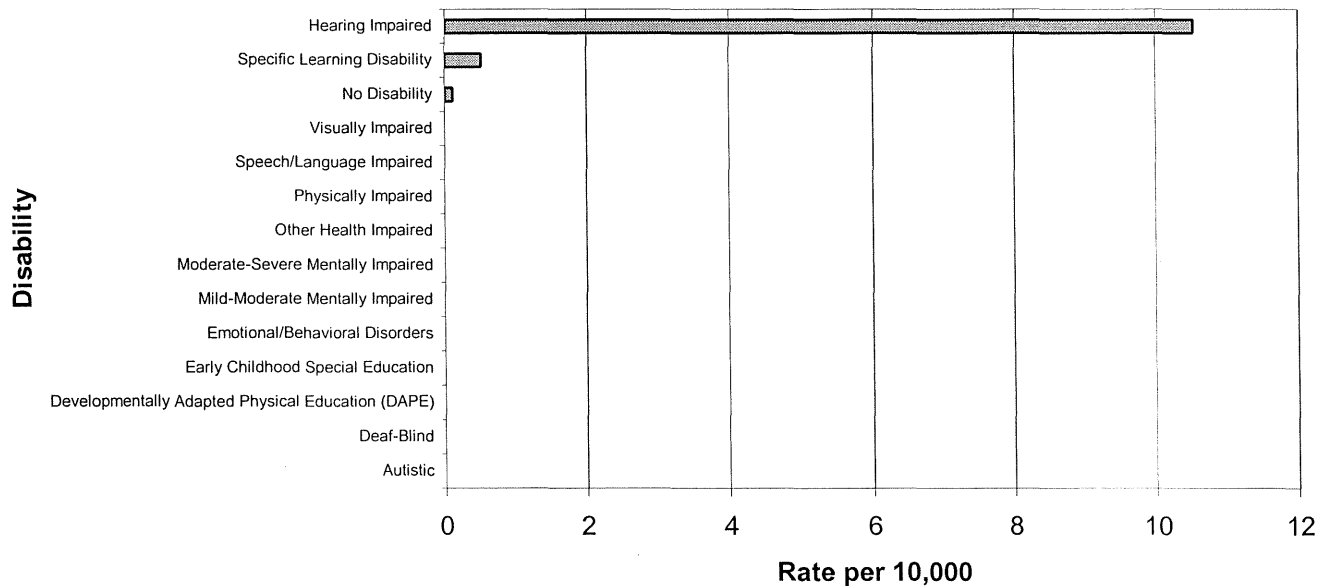
Students with disability classifications of Emotional/Behavioral Disorders, Visually Impaired, Specific Learning Disability, Other Health Impaired, Mild to Moderately Mentally Impaired, and Physically Impaired have rates of weapons incidents exceeding those of non-disabled students.

Chart 13. Dangerous Weapons Incident Rates per 10,000



Among incidents involving firearms with potential lethality, no disability classification was represented except Hearing Impaired, Specific Learning Disability, and non-disabled students.

Chart 14. Weapons with Potential Lethality Rate per 10,000



WEAPONS AND LOCATION

Since 1997-98, only 65 districts have reported incidents involving firearms with potential lethality. Of those 65, only 20 districts have reported more than one incident for that entire four-year period.

See Appendix A for the count of incidents by district.

Table 13 demonstrates the distribution of incidents involving firearms with potential lethality in Minnesota counties in 2000-01.

County	Handgun Reports	Long Gun Reports
Anoka	3	0
Beltrami	2	0
Blue Earth	1	1
Dakota	1	0
Grant	0	1
Hennepin	6	3
Hubbard	1	0
Lac Qui Parle	1	0
Le Sueur	2	0
Mower	1	0
Olmsted	1	0
Otter Tail	2	1
Ramsey	2	0
Redwood	0	1
Saint Louis	1	0
Scott	1	0
Stearns	0	2
Waseca	1	1
Wright	0	1
Total	26	11

COMMENTS

In 2000-01, 97 percent of disciplinary incident reports were received electronically, either via the Internet or on diskette. Only 19 districts went unreported, the majority of which were charter school districts. In 1996-97, only 49 percent of reports were received electronically, with 125 school districts going unreported.

This dangerous weapons information is often used by the media and others to compare one district to another. Because policies defining what is a dangerous weapon (see p. 1) are different from district to district these comparisons may unfairly give a negative impression of a district that conscientiously complies with this statutory reporting requirement.

Every year the accuracy and timeliness of school districts' reporting improves. This is particularly commendable because reporting dangerous weapons incidents to CFL does not result in any positive rewards for the districts. Funding is not tied to this reporting requirement. There is very little recognition of the time and effort that is required on the part of the school districts to record and submit this information.

**2000-01 Dangerous Weapons Incidents in Minnesota Schools
Appendix A**

Incident Rate by District for 1997-98 to 2000-01												
District	All Disciplinary Incidents				All Weapons Incidents				All Firearms with Potential Lethality Incidents			
	97-98	98-99	99-00	00-01	97-98	98-99	99-00	00-01	97-98	98-99	99-00	00-01
A.C.G.C. (0181-01)	96	59	70	43	4	1	3	2				
ACORN DUAL LANGUAGE COMM. ACADEMY (0207-07)		2	1									
ADA-BORUP (0846-01)	23	13	14	9	2	1						
ADRIAN (0513-01)		2				1						
AITKIN (0286-01)	110	50	73	64		1		1		1		
ALBANY (0787-01)	37	41	42	8	2	1						
ALBERT LEA (0421-01)	124	124	94	126	6	5	3					
ALDEN (0877-01)	33	4	1									
ALEXANDRIA (2159-01)	146	94	69	81	6	10	1					
ANNANDALE (0191-01)	101	49	55	29	3		1	3				
ANOKA-HENNEPIN (0836-01)	3319	3049	2828	2942	51	66	67	63		1	3	2
ASHBY (0531-01)		1				1						
AUDUBON (0299-01)												
AUSTIN (0911-01)	260	159	140	150	13	4	12	2			1	
B.D.R.S.H. (0852-05)												
BADGER (0891-01)	3	1				1						
BAGLEY (0252-01)	54	40	36	33	1	8	2					
BARNESVILLE (0093-01)	20	1	10	1								
BARNUM (0930-01)	59	77	46	26		1	2	1				
BATTLE LAKE (0115-01)	19	4	2	1			2				2	
BECKER (2754-01)	23	24	57	37	5	3	3	2				
BELGRADE-BROOTEN-ELROSA (0012-01)	5	8	5	1	4							
BELLE PLAINE (0112-01)		1	1	8		1						
BEMIDJI (0227-01)	554	553	783	525	11	6	9	1			2	
BENSON (2144-01)	52	32	25	26		2						
BERTHA-HEWITT (0695-01)			1	1			1	1				
BIG LAKE (0771-01)	118	89	96	82	7	13	2	5				1
BIRD ISLAND-OLIVIA-LAKE LILLIAN (2311-01)	54	68	28	8		1	1					
BLACKDUCK (0391-01)	68	220	193	189	3	6	9	7				
BLOOMING PRAIRIE (0592-01)	32	3			2	1						
BLOOMINGTON (2888-01)	191	985	822	900	16	39	30	28			1	
BLUE EARTH AREA JT. POWER (0094-62)												
BLUE EARTH AREA PUBLIC SCHOOL (0013-01)	64	57	59	64	1	1						
BRAHAM (0081-01)	26	37	29	18		1	2					
BRAINERD (4015-01)	176	131	137	79	4	9	4	3				
BRANDON (0166-01)	5	13	5									
BRECKENRIDGE (0095-01)	58	20	16	1								
BREWSTER (0593-01)		2										
BROOKLYN CENTER (0182-01)	307	204	97		1	1						
BROWERVILLE (0648-01)	19	19	13	13	1							
BROWNTON (0466-01)	7											
BUFFALO (0378-01)	152	91	77	93	4	4	4	3		1	1	1
BUFFALO LAKE-HECTOR (0317-01)		19	5	3		1		1				

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Incident Rate by District for 1997-98 to 2000-01												
District	All Disciplinary Incidents				All Weapons Incidents				All Firearms with Potential Lethality Incidents			
	97-98	98-99	99-00	00-01	97-98	98-99	99-00	00-01	97-98	98-99	99-00	00-01
BURNSVILLE (0879-01)	242	310	293	297	16	27	25	21				
BUTTERFIELD (0022-01)		5										
BYRON (2164-01)				6				3				
CALEDONIA (0533-01)	110	59	77	90		3	1	2				
CAMBRIDGE-ISANTI (0709-01)	224	206	304	360	5	4	8	6		1		
CAMPBELL-TINTAH (4026-01)												
CANBY (2759-01)	1	1				1						
CANNON FALLS (2580-01)	45	39	10	18	5	1	1					
CARLTON (0595-01)	6	22	20	33	1							
CARVER-SCOTT EDUCATIONAL COOP. (6067-53)	1	1	1		1	1	1					
CASS LAKE-BENA SCHOOLS (0272-01)	67	133	97	167	4	2	7	3	2			
CEDAR MOUNTAIN (0463-01)	4	7	25	3	4	1			1			
CENTENNIAL (0581-01)	155	209	213	341	12	8	9	9				
CHASKA (0273-01)	45	154	84	166		12	10	7				1
CHATFIELD (4020-01)	20	12	13	5			2	1				
CHISAGO LAKES (0806-01)	28	125	130	6		4	5	6				
CHISHOLM (0728-01)	72	41	46		2	2						
CHOKIO-ALBERTA (0514-01)		1	5	3		1	1					
CLEARBROOK-GONVICK (0696-01)	7	13	2				2					
CLEVELAND (0243-01)												
CLIMAX (0099-01)	1		5	4			2	1				
CLINTON-GRACEVILLE-BEARDSLEY (0208-01)		5	11	1			3	1				
CLOQUET (2154-01)	56	142	141	135	5	10	5	8	1	2		
COLUMBIA HEIGHTS (4036-01)	336	654	666	580	4	13	12	4				
COMFREY (0454-01)			2									
COMMUNITY OF PEACE ACADEMY (2752-07)		1	1	4		1	1	4				
COOK COUNTY (0656-01)		5		11								
CROMWELL (0192-01)	1		5	1			1					
CROOKSTON (0544-01)	109	113	62	46	1	4		1				
CROSBY-IRONTON (0935-01)	78	196	70	10	1	3						
DANUBE (0599-01)	7	4			1							
DASSEL-COKATO (2198-01)	27	13	54	60			3	2				
DAWSON-BOYD (0600-01)	1	9	5	2				1				
DEER RIVER (0051-01)	132	111	76	46	1	6	4					
DELANO (0831-01)	53	58	49	28	1	2		1				
DETROIT LAKES (0601-01)	15	42	60	31		6	8					
DILWORTH-GLYNDON-FELTON (0023-01)	14	42	37	34	2		1	1				
DOVER-EYOTA (0014-01)	13	17	28	21	6	2						
DULUTH (0505-01)	831	748	769	906	89	61	33	17				
E.C.H.O. CHARTER SCHOOL (2365-07)				1				1				
EAGLE VALLEY (2859-01)	20	13	15	8								
EAST CENTRAL (0245-01)	23	21	21	37	3	9	5	4		1		
EAST GRAND FORKS (2886-01)	1		45	53			1					

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EAST METRO INTEGRATION DIST. (0253-62)		5	4	4		1	2					
EDEN PRAIRIE (6051-01)	139	246	237	302		13	16	17				
EDEN VALLEY-WATKINS (2536-01)	6		11		4							
EDGERTON (0495-01)			1				1					
EDINA (0318-01)	70	49	71	93	4	4	3	4				
EDISON CHARTER SCHOOL (2683-07)		169	74	142		3	6	8				
ELGIN-MILLVILLE (0316-01)	1											
ELK RIVER (0200-01)	267	338	373	364	13	4	6	6				
ELLSWORTH (0203-01)	1				1							
ELY (0402-01)		16	5									
EMMONS (0545-01)	8											
ESKO (0264-01)	17	21	10	5	1	1	3					
EVANSVILLE (0700-01)		19										
EVELETH-GILBERT (6013-01)	12	38	20	18	3							
FACE TO FACE ACADEMY (0701-07)			4									
FAIRMONT (0002-01)												
FAIRMONT AREA SCHOOLS (2165-01)	35	14	66	92	3		4					
FARIBAULT (0738-01)	126	468	159	219	5	10	2	6				
FARMINGTON (0270-01)	83	58	139	25	12	5	10	6			1	
FERGUS FALLS (0294-01)	149	136	192	104	4	1	4	4			1	
FERGUS FALLS AREA SP. ED. COOP. (2687-52)	1											
FERTILE-BELTRAMI (0423-01)		3										
FILLMORE CENTRAL (0287-01)		3	1	3		2	1					
FISHER (0917-01)	4	6	9	4	1							
FOLEY (0361-01)	21	19	15	15	1	2	1	2				
FOREST LAKE (0199-01)	316	264	341	281	13	13	9	11	1			
FOSSTON (0473-01)	3	7	18	24			1					
FRAZEE (0403-01)	5	13	4	5		1	2					
FRIDLEY (0324-01)	234	283	98	25	10	7	8	1				
FULDA (2862-01)	1	2		9								
G.F.W. (2895-01)	4	47	44	6		1		1				
GLENCOE-SILVER LAKE (2835-01)		179	74	152		6	4	2				
GLENVILLE (0717-01)	12	1										
GLENVILLE-EMMONS (0204-01)		30	30	5			2					
GOODHUE (0036-01)		2		3								
GOODHUE COUNTY ED. DISTRICT (2172-61)												
GRANADA HUNTLEY-EAST CHAIN (0775-01)	1											
GRAND MEADOW (0739-01)	4	3		7								
GRAND RAPIDS (2137-01)		509	183	158			1	3				1
GREENBUSH-MIDDLE RIVER (2171-01)	27	21	11	10		1						
GREENWAY (2853-01)	3	36	49	92	2	5	7	1				
HASTINGS (0300-01)	38	62	18	21	6	15	2	2				
HAYFIELD (0404-01)				38								

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HENDRICKS (0813-01)		1				1						
HENNING (2071-01)		2	9	6		1						
HERMAN-NORCROSS (0390-01)	1		7	1								
HERMANTOWN (0381-01)	12	10	3	9		1	1					
HIAWATHA VALLEY ED. DISTRICT (0325-61)		16	23	1		2						
HIBBING (2167-01)	84	56	82	23	4	3	3	1				
HILL CITY (0194-01)	2	8	25	29	1		2					
HINCKLEY-FINLAYSON (0356-01)	23	31	65	34	1	2	1					
HOLDINGFORD (0229-01)	27	19	16	40	6	1						
HOPKINS (0306-01)	539	484	401	388	16	17	19	7	1	1		
HOUSTON (6961-01)	2	1		4								
HOWARD LAKE-WAVERLY-WINSTED (4034-01)	18	78	53	34	1		2					
HUTCHINSON (0392-01)	73	52	33	58	4	3	2	5	1	1		
INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL DISTRICT 287 (0499-06)	200	149	76	21	11	13	10	3	1			
INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL DISTRICT 917 (0424-06)	11	14	65	57		4	5	6				
INTERNATIONAL FALLS (2397-01)	3		1	3	3		1	3				
INVER GROVE (0857-01)	265	328	103	224	14	3	4	9				
ISLE (0465-01)	32	239	52	294	1		5	3				
IVANHOE (0482-01)	4	12	12	2		1						
JACKSON (0362-01)												
JACKSON COUNTY CENTRAL (2753-01)	72	56	33		2	3	3					
JACKSON COUNTY CENTRAL (2184-01)				15				2				
JANESVILLE-WALDORF-PEMBERTON (0497-01)	8	17	14			1	3					
JORDAN (2180-01)		1		1				1				
KASSON-MANTORVILLE (0238-01)	72	71	43	21	5		2					
KELLIHER (0837-01)	37	1	5	20		1	4					
KENYON-WANAMINGO (0432-01)	54	47	32	51	8	4	1	3	1			
KERKHOVEN-MURDOCK-SUNBURG (0832-01)		12	5	1		1						
KIMBALL (0077-01)	41	50	40	44	1		2	1				1
KINGSLAND (0881-01)	14	16	14	6	2	1						
KITTSOON CENTRAL (2135-01)	2	4	3	3								
LAC QUI PARLE VALLEY (0413-01)		6	7	7		1	1				1	
LACRESCENT-HOKAH (0441-01)	20	7	15	5	1	2						
LAKE BENTON (2448-01)			3				1					
LAKE CITY (0004-01)	40	48	39	60				2				
LAKE CRYSTAL-WELCOME MEMORIAL (2887-01)	31		1				1				1	
LAKE OF THE WOODS (0740-01)	14	21	19	16	1	6	1			1		
LAKE SUPERIOR (0821-01)	36	114	135	181	2	9	7	6				
LAKEFIELD (2711-01)	3											
LAKEVIEW (0912-01)		4										
LAKEVILLE (0001-01)	44	48	59	69		1	4	1				
LANCASTER (0414-01)		1										
LANESBORO (4007-01)		9										

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LAPORTE (6018-01)	38	18	22	30	1							
LEAF RIVER ED. DIST. (0160-61)			2	1								
LEARNING ADVENTURES CHARTER SCHOOL (4031-07)		4	2	1								
LECENTER (0276-01)	23	19	1	38			1	1				
LEROY (2149-01)	3	25										
LESTER PRAIRIE (0129-01)	13	33	19	15	1	1	1					
LESUEUR-HENDERSON (0394-01)	4	5	38	73	2	1	3	1				
LEWISTON-ALTURA (0882-01)		3	4									
LITCHFIELD (0152-01)	196	149	135	158	5	4		1				
LITTLE FALLS (0097-01)	47	105	7	123	1	1	2	4				
LITTLEFORK-BIG FALLS (0332-01)		1				1						
LONG PRAIRIE-GREY EAGLE (0769-01)	12	13	8	6			1					
LUVERNE (0621-01)	4	28	17	1		5	4			1		
LYLE (0712-01)		14	8			1						
M.A.C.C.R.A.Y. (0173-01)	2											
MABEL-CANTON (2169-01)		1										
MADELIA (0916-01)	25	25	22	1	1							
MAHNOMEN (2168-01)	60	55	55	54	4	2						
MAHTOMEDI (0319-01)	143	213	135	271	3	5	2	1	3			
MANKATO (0308-01)	189	130	90	83	10	10	6					
MAPLE LAKE (4003-01)	1		4				4					
MAPLE RIVER (0345-01)	17	33	26	18	1	1	2	2			1	
MARSHALL (0721-01)	126	130	145	159	4	6	2	3				
MARSHALL COUNTY CENTRAL SCHOOLS (4029-01)		4										
MARTIN COUNTY WEST (0088-01)	22	51	70	35	1	1						
MCGREGOR (4011-01)	46	43	56	1	3	4	1					
MCLEOD WEST SCHOOLS (0553-01)		20	8	5		3		1				
MELROSE (0507-01)	18	36	24	22	2	1	4					
MENAHGA (2215-01)	29	7	10	1	1			1				
MESABI EAST (2527-01)	107	380	277	151	1	3						
MILACA (0138-01)	7	16	3	42			2	3				
MINNEAPOLIS (0622-03)	21320	19822	19833	20485	312	286	145	147	7	5	6	2
MINNEOTA (0659-01)	16	4	6	3	1							
MINNESOTA NEW COUNTRY SCHOOL (0118-07)		19										
MINNESOTA RIVER VALLEY ED. DISTRICT (6076-61)		79	28	1								
MINNESOTA STATE ACADEMIES (0108-70)			26	31			1	2				
MINNESOTA TECHNOLOGY CHARTER SCHOOL (0957-07)		12	8			2	4					
MINNETONKA (4030-01)	218	240	180	213	5	7	7	6				
MINNEWASKA (0333-01)	39	21	19	11		3		2				
MONTEVIDEO (0627-01)	30	36	5	6								
MONTGOMERY-LONSDALE (0480-01)	46	52	51	50	1	1	3		1			
MONTICELLO (0278-01)	68	33	103	92		4	3	3				
MOORHEAD (0062-01)	159	261	163	235	2	7	3	2				

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MOOSE LAKE (0213-01)	25	18	23	41	6		2		4			
MORA (0279-01)	26	19	50	1	1	2	9					
MORRIS (0761-01)	9	4		1	1							
MOUNDS VIEW (4008-01)	433	485	311	132	23	28	15	19				
MOUNTAIN IRON-BUHL (0309-01)	5	7	4	3	1	3	1					
MOUNTAIN LAKE (0547-01)	5	9	3	1		1	2	1				
MURRAY COUNTY CENTRAL (0741-01)			10	20			1	1				
N.E. METRO INTERMEDIATE DIST. 916 (0548-06)	131	32	44	47	10	5	3	1				
N.R.H.E.G. (0186-01)	48	11	23	12	1		2				1	
NASHWAUK-KEEWATIN (0549-01)	2				2							
NEVIS (0484-01)	10	21	76	21	1							
NEW HEIGHTS SCHOOL, INC. (0116-07)			95	46				1				
NEW LONDON-SPICER (0578-01)	37	51	35	55	6	4	1					
NEW PRAGUE (0255-01)	89	80	54	27	2	1	6					
NEW SPIRIT SCHOOL (0025-07)		2				2						
NEW ULM (2174-01)	55	59	67	28	2	4	1	1				
NEW VISIONS CHARTER SCHOOL (2689-07)	1				1				1			
NEW YORK MILLS (0628-01)	12	27	16	3								
NICOLLET (0477-01)		6	9			1						
NORMAN COUNTY EAST (0719-01)	26	38	14	19								
NORMAN COUNTY WEST (0911-01)	4	6	22		1							
NORTH BRANCH (0704-01)	279	432	278	199	11	10	10	11		1		
NORTH ST PAUL-MAPLEWOOD (0195-01)	444	591	607	366	31	28	22	18			1	
NORTHFIELD (0038-01)	197	73	52	82	10	8	7	5				
NORTHLAND COMMUNITY SCHOOLS (0630-01)	3	4	27	39	3	2	4	3				
NORTHLAND LEARNING CENTER (2884-50)				44								
NORWOOD (0256-01)	67	57	52	40	1	2	1	1				
OAK LAND VOC. CNTR. (2758-51)	29	11	25	72			1	1				
ODYSSEY CHARTER SCHOOL (0654-07)				6								
OGILVIE (2890-01)	10	10	6			1	2					
OKLEE (0280-01)		1	1	1			1					
ONAMIA (4014-01)	123	86	26	56	2	1	2					
ORONO (6049-01)	56	125	73	75	4	1		2				
ORTONVILLE (0281-01)	1	49	34	23	1	1	1	2				
OSAKIS (0535-01)	21	11	6	2		1						
OSSEO (0883-01)	1273	992	1227	1345	45	34	40	50		2		1
OWATONNA (0750-01)	139	150	133	151	6	11	12	9				1
PACT CHARTER SCHOOL (0682-07)	2	7	35	22			1					
PARK RAPIDS (0196-01)	149	123	100	147	7	12	3	5			1	
PARKERS PRAIRIE (0623-01)				20				1				
PAYNESVILLE (0850-01)	9	19	19	15			2				2	
PELICAN RAPIDS (0516-01)	37	67	26	34			1	1				
PEQUOT LAKES (0485-01)	47	37	65	80	1	3	2	2				

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PERHAM (6014-01)		22	20	36		3	1	1				
PIERZ (0139-01)			17	17			3	1				
PILLAGER (0239-01)	10	96	99	151	1		1	1				
PINE CITY (0418-01)	4	22	29	26		2	2	3				
PINE ISLAND (0655-01)	22	65	53	28	1	2	5	1				
PINE POINT (0748-01)	27	16	54	9	3		2					
PINE RIVER-BACKUS (0743-01)	150	101	48	89	1	8	3					
PIPESTONE-JASPER (0047-01)	62	18	12	21			1	3				
PLUMMER (0820-01)		2		1		1						
PRINCETON (0720-01)	99	49	85	82	4	8	7					
PRIOR LAKE (2310-01)	299	316	302	328	11	7	1	6		1		
Private School (0084-31)		1				1				1		
PROCTOR (4038-01)	16	5	6	2	4	2	3	2			1	
RANDOLPH (0363-01)	3	8	28									
RED LAKE (0006-01)	1	6	12	13	1	6	8	2				
RED LAKE FALLS (0833-01)	36	56	35	26								
RED ROCK CENTRAL (0915-01)	1											
RED WING (0500-01)	243	260	253	303	17	7	9	5				
REDWOOD FALLS (0016-01)	38	80	65	78		2	3	2			1	
RENVILLE (0085-01)	8	7										
RENVILLE COUNTY WEST (0282-01)			14	43								
RICHFIELD (0858-01)	175	558	353	579	8	17	6	12		1	1	
RIGHT STEP INCORP. (0075-07)		3	5				1					
RIVER BEND ED. DISTRICT (0742-61)			50	1								
ROBBINSDALE (0015-01)	357	497	331	402	6	13	12	15				
ROCHESTER (0840-01)	770	1095	980	787	36	91	34	21		3	1	
ROCKFORD (2142-01)	82	51	22	53	9	3	2		1			
ROCORI (0283-01)	45	71	62	40	2	5	7	2				1
ROSEAU (0885-01)	20	54	61	38		1						
ROSEMOUNT-APPLE VALLEY-EAGAN (0625-01)	1877	1670	1408	1444	36	34	33	18	1			
ROSEVILLE (4019-01)	273	208	340	397	6	7	8	15				
ROTHSAY (0508-01)												
ROUND LAKE (2170-01)		3		1								
ROYALTON (2856-01)	37	40	39	38	4							
RUNESTONE AREA ED. DISTRICT (0426-61)		8	14	7		1						
RUSH CITY (0534-01)	30	11	34	21			4					
RUSHFORD-PETERSON (0834-01)		1										
RUSSELL (4061-01)	6	2				2						
SACRED HEART (0486-01)	2											
SARTELL (0564-01)	47	38	26	45	4	1						
SAUK CENTRE (4002-01)	20	30	31	32	4	2	2	1		1		
SAUK RAPIDS (0417-01)	289	329	256	230	10	10	7	6	1			
SEBEKA (2358-01)	3	8	1				1					

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SHAKOPEE (2125-01)	215	74	72	159	6	16	4	3			1	
SIBLEY EAST (0458-01)	12	9	8			2	4					
SLEEPY EYE (0409-01)		12	15	28		2		3				
SOJOURNER TRUTH ACADEMY (0914-07)			1									
SOUTH KOOCHICHING (0550-01)		1	1			1	1					
SOUTH ST. PAUL (2134-03)	180	208	174	185	8	3	3	4	1			
SOUTH WASHINGTON COUNTY (0487-01)	401	455	304	481	45	16	14	17	2			
SOUTHERN PLAINS ED. COOP. (0818-52)	15	11	11	69	1				1			
SOUTHLAND (4021-01)		7		2		1						
SPRING LAKE PARK (0706-01)	265	250	305	316	9	9	6	15				
SPRINGFIELD (0811-01)	1	8	3	2			1					
ST. ANTHONY-NEW BRIGHTON (0640-01)	60	43	71	17								
ST. CHARLES (0110-01)	34	29	52	34			4					
ST. CLAIR (2155-01)	1	29	28	21			2					
ST. CLOUD (0113-01)	669	1269	1094	890	13	26	34	16		2		
ST. FRANCIS (0641-01)	388	357	316	249	1	3	1	10				
ST. JAMES (2176-01)	31	79	19	1	2	4	1					
ST. LOUIS COUNTY (0690-01)	13	406	301	239	4	5	8	1				
ST. LOUIS PARK (0829-01)	222	238	225	261	21	16	17	6				
ST. MICHAEL-ALBERTVILLE (0111-01)	126	17	14	108	2	4	1					
ST. PAUL (2143-01)	4262	4790	4133	78	125	109	123	38	7		1	
ST. PAUL FAMILY LEARNING CENTER (0435-07)	1		6	28				1				
ST. PETER (0284-01)	14	48	32	48		9	1					
STAPLES-MOTLEY (2342-01)	77	52	61	43	2	3	2					
STEPHEN-ARGYLE CENTRAL SCHOOLS (6069-01)	1											
STEWART (0197-01)	6				1							
STEWARTVILLE (0175-01)	30	28	29	43	11	4	2	1				
STILLWATER (0277-01)	184	116	120	140	2	8	5	4				
STUDIO ACADEMY CHARTER SCHOOL (0624-07)				3				1				
SWANVILLE (0347-01)	4	19	2	4	1		2		1			
THIEF RIVER FALLS (0577-01)	1	26	18	15		5	7	1				
TOIVOLA-MEADOWLANDS CHARTER SCHOOL (0177-07)	1				1				1			
TRACY (2609-01)	12	14	19	45			1					
TRI-COUNTY (0861-01)												
TRITON (0518-01)	49	98	35	1		2	2					
TRUMAN (0100-01)			1									
TYLER (0966-01)		4	1									
ULEN-HITTERDAL (2190-01)	3	1	12	3								
UNDERWOOD (6012-01)	8	6	2	8		1		2				
UNITED SOUTH CENTRAL (2805-01)	8	8	14	15	1		3					
UPSALA (-01)			8	11			1	1				
VERNDALE (-01)		19										
VILLAGE SCHOOL OF NORTHFIELD (-07)				1								

**2000-01 Dangerous Weapons Incidents in Minnesota Schools
Appendix A**

Incident Rate by District for 1997-98 to 2000-01												
District	All Disciplinary Incidents				All Weapons Incidents				All Firearms with Potential Lethality Incidents			
	97-98	98-99	99-00	00-01	97-98	98-99	99-00	00-01	97-98	98-99	99-00	00-01
VIRGINIA (-01)	39	32	15	27	1	1		4				
WABASHA-KELLOGG (-01)	28	33	32	60	2	3	1					
WABASSO (-01)	9	12	30	16	1	1	3					
WACONIA (-01)		29	65	18		4	4					
WADENA-DEER CREEK (-01)	22	33	33			6	4					
WALKER-HACKENSACK-AKELEY (-01)	147	161	97	131	2	13	5	3		1		
WALNUT GROVE (-01)	1	3		2	1			1				
WARREN-ALVARADO-OSLO (-01)			14	22								
WARROAD (-01)	20	81	46	9		2	2					
WASECA (-01)	82	67	168	93	4	3	3	3			1	
WATERTOWN-MAYER (-01)	99	100	34	44		2	7	1				
WATERVILLE-ELYSIAN-MORRISTOWN (-01)	10	60	51	2	1	1	4				2	
WAUBUN (-01)	3	1	2	2	3	1	1	1				
WAYZATA (-01)	39	239	177	140	2	12	7	3		1		
WEST CENTRAL AREA (-01)	13	25	2	1	1		1	1			1	
WEST METRO EDUCATION PROGRAM (-62)				44								
WEST ST. PAUL-MENDOTA HTS.-EAGAN (-01)	122	157	376	412	1	2	9					
WESTBROOK (-01)	11		25	8			3	1				
WESTONKA (-01)	168	109	135	204	1	1	5	4			1	
WHITE BEAR LAKE (-01)	590	663	479	550	15	15	23	10				
WILLMAR (-01)	280	194	128	113	3	3	5	3				
WILLOW RIVER (-01)		63	3	6		2	2					
WINDOM (-01)	2	4	3				3					
WIN-E-MAC (-01)			9	16			2					
WINONA AREA PUBLIC SCHOOLS (-01)	119	222	144	185	10	9	3	9				
WORTHINGTON (-01)	134	117	104	106	2	4	1	3				
WRENSHALL (-01)	10	8	4	26	2							
WRIGHT TECH. CTR. (-51)			1				1					
YELLOW MEDICINE EAST (-01)	9	7	18	2	4	3	4	1				
ZUMBRO ED. DISTRICT (-61)		3	50	2		2	4					
ZUMBROTA-MAZEPPA (-01)	9	21	18	9	3	9	4					