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Active Shooter
Creating a Common Understanding

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DEFINING THE LEXICON

ACTIVE SHOOTER: An active shooter is an individual actively engaged in killing or attempting to kill people in a populated area. *FBI Active Shooter Resources*

MASS SHOOTING: Multiple, firearm, homicide incidents, involving 4 or more victims at one or more locations close to one another. *Congressional Research Service*

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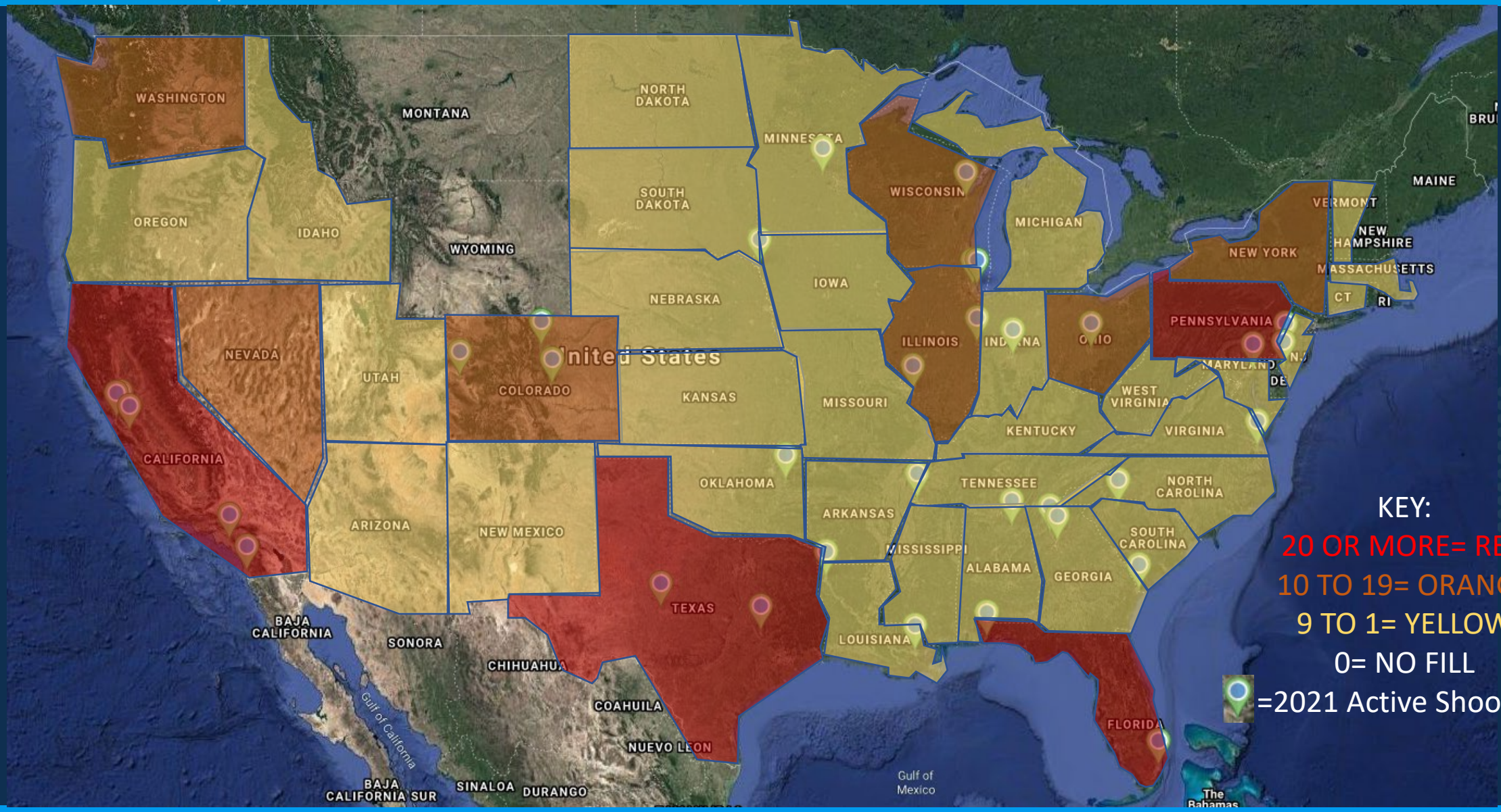
2021 Active Shootings Map- January to July



KEY:
20 OR MORE= RED
10 TO 19= ORANGE
9 TO 1= YELLOW
0= NO FILL
=2021 Active Shooting

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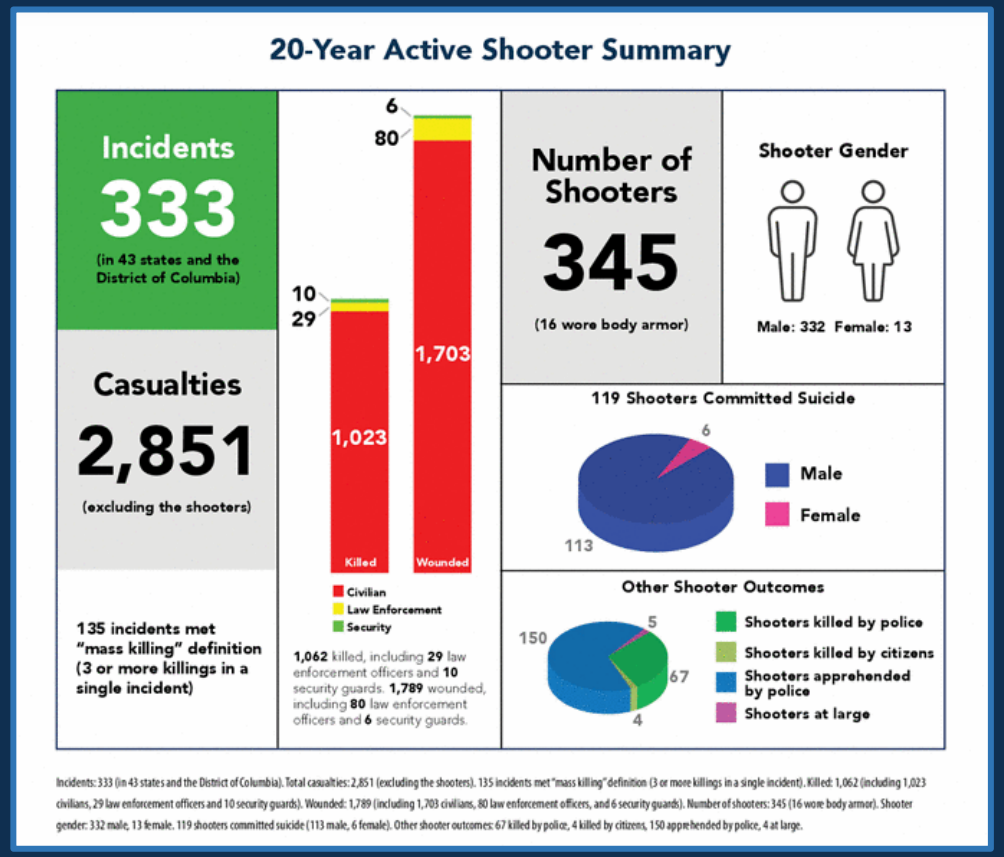
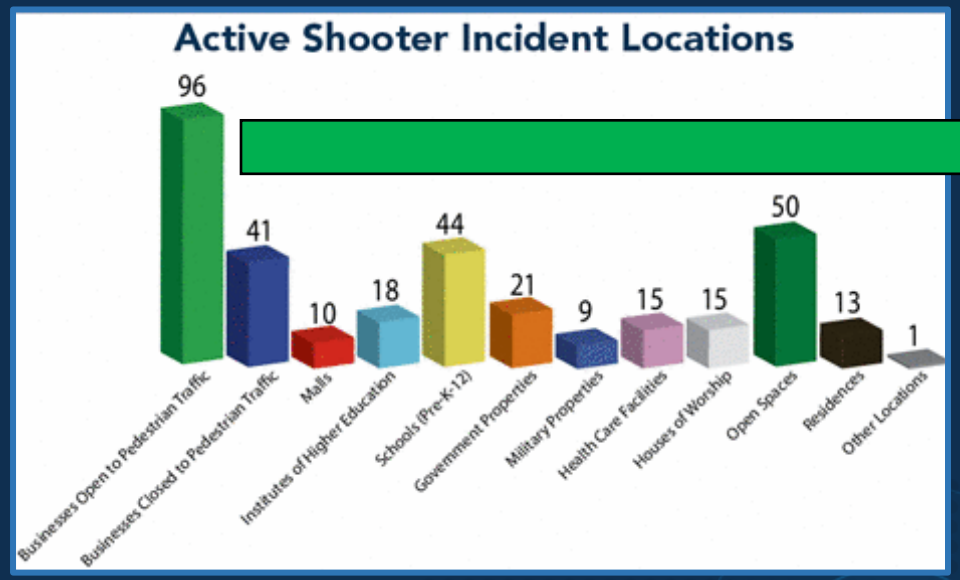
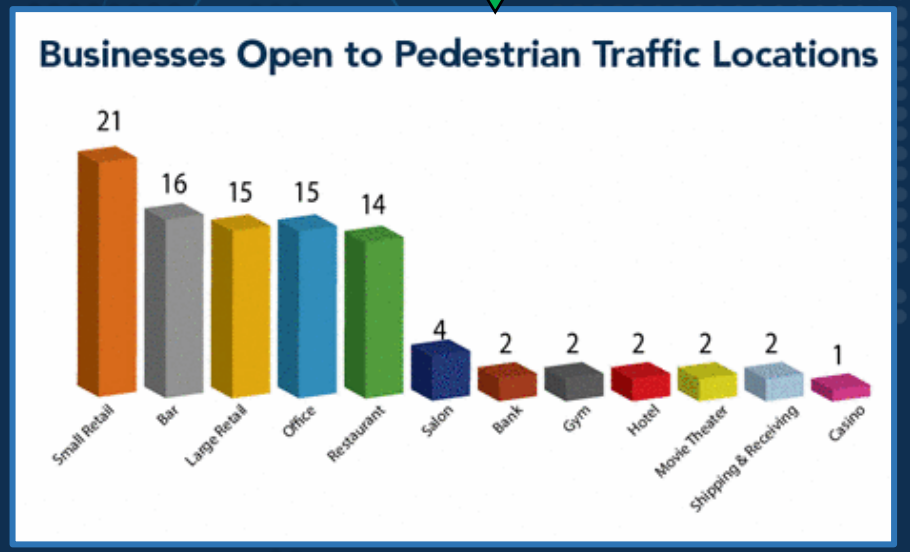
HISTORICAL PERSPECTIVE (2000-2019)





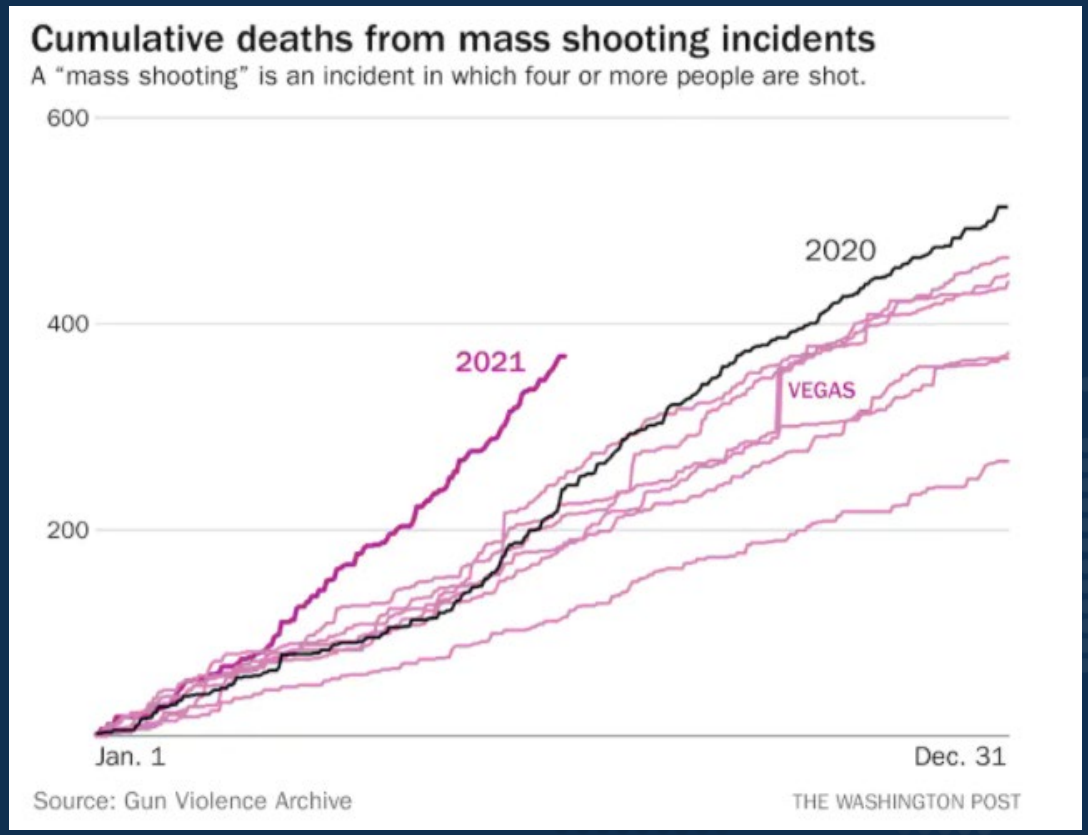


FBI; Active Shooter Incidents 20 Year Review, 2000-2019

CURRENT TRENDS (2021 METRICS)

- To date, the number of mass shootings in the country is 20 percent higher than where we were in 2020, which itself was 30 percent higher than the previous high
- This year, the United States saw its 300th incident on June 12, more than four months sooner than three years ago.
- In total, there have been more than 1,800 people injured or killed in mass shootings so far in 2021.
- Nearly 370 people have died in mass shootings in 2021, nearly 50 percent more than at the same point a year ago

2021 seen a year over year increase in mass shootings - The Washington Post



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ACTIVE SHOOTER PROFILE

ACTIVE SHOOTER PROFILES - OVERALL

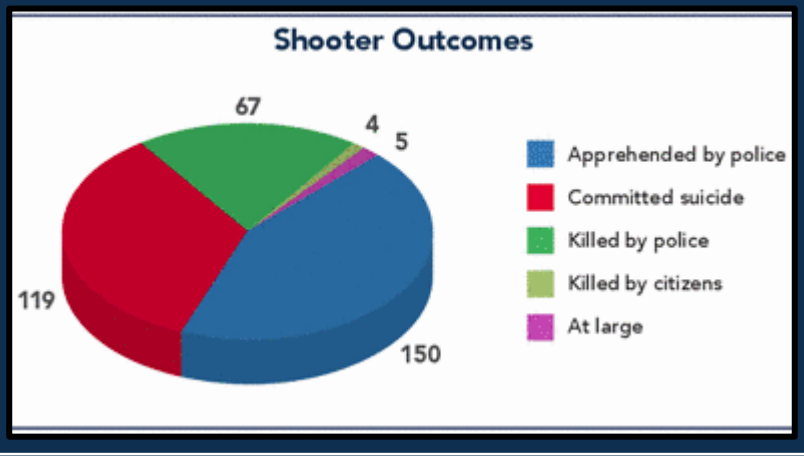
Number of Shooters

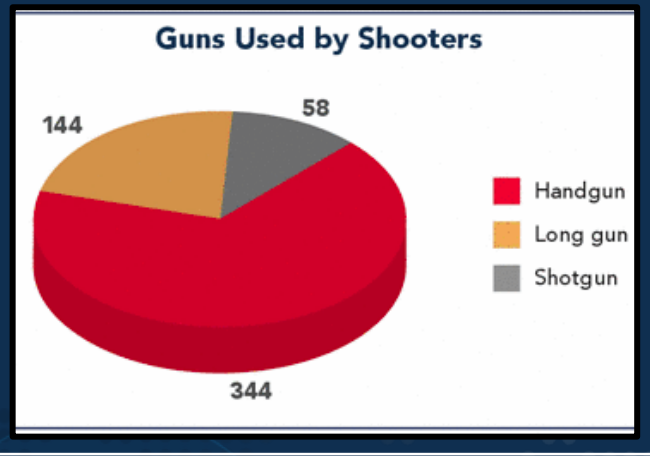
345

(16 wore body armor)

Shooter Gender

Male: 332 Female: 13





ACTIVE SHOOTER PROFILES - BUSINESSES OPEN TO PEDESTRIAN TRAFFIC

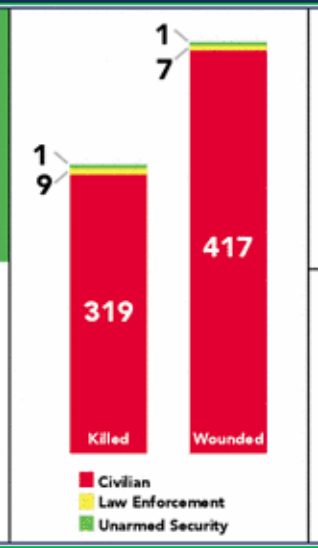
Incidents

96

Casualties

754

Killed: 329, including 9 law enforcement officers and 1 unarmed security guard
Wounded: 425, including 7 law enforcement officers and 1 unarmed security guard



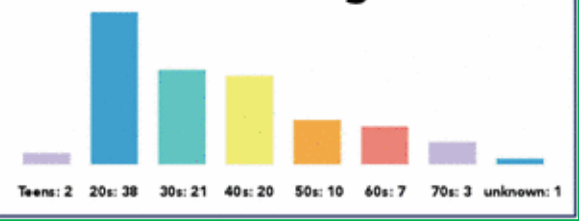
Number of Shooters

102

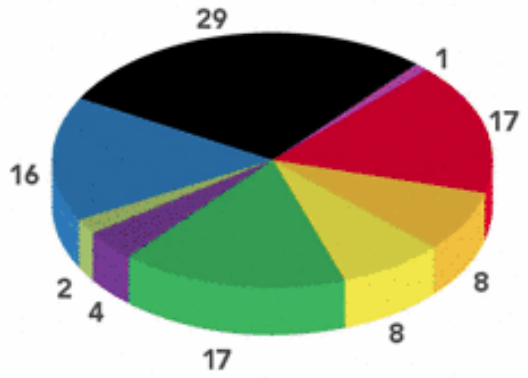
Shooter Gender

Male: 98 Female: 4

Shooter Ages



Businesses Open to Pedestrian Traffic Shooter Outcomes



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WHY IS THIS HAPPENING?

Isolation Driven by Technology



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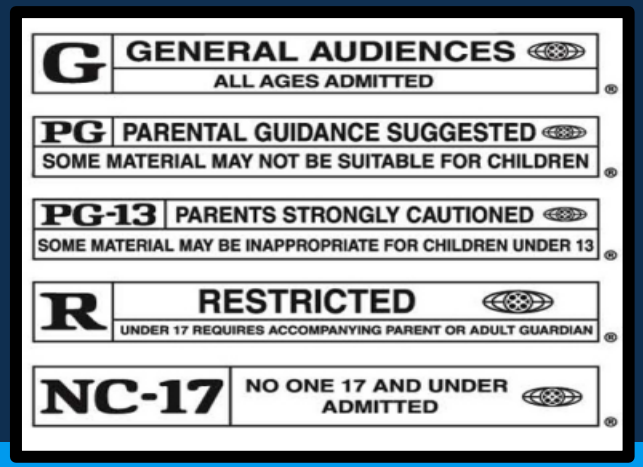
Desensitization to Violence





WHY IS THIS HAPPENING?





Legal and
Illegal Access
to Firearms





THE TAKEAWAYS

- Active shooters and violence in general have risen sharply and are unlikely to diminish in the future
- While there is a fairly well defined profile of a active shooter, specific locations are unknowable in most cases
- Comprehensive planning is unlikely to occur in crisis

WHY DO YOU NEED A PLAN?

Cerebral Cortex

Abstract Thinking
Problem Solving
Judgement
Concentration



Sensory Cortex

Sensory Processing
Touch, Taste, Sight
Smell, Hearing
Language

Limbic System

Emotion & Aggression
Motivation & Instinct
Reflexive Movement

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