
Subject: Incidence of Violent Crime Victims self-defense from US Govt records.
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Here is the site with those stats. Less than .18% of gun related crimes are successfully defended according to the governments records. Here is the article PMID:7998641; here is the published summary. It is well known that many of the violent crimes in the U.S. are committed with firearms. Less adequately documented is the frequency with which victims use guns in self-defense. We used National Crime Victims Information survey data to examine incidents where victims employed guns against offenders. Between 1987 and 1990 there were an estimated 258,459 incidents of firearm defense. An annual mean of 64,615. Victims used firearms in 0.18% of all crimes recorded by the survey and in 0.83% of violent offenses. Our conclusion? Firearm self-defense is very rare compared to gun crimes.

<http://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/entrez/query.fcgi?cmd=retrieve&db=pubmed>
