The Gun Control Pathfinder identifies information resources in the library that will help you in conducting your research. It is organized by books, references, electronic books, Internet websites, periodicals and links to databases that contain information about gun control. Please stop by the reference desk at the library and talk to the librarian if you need further assistance. Use the subject headings as search terms to find more.

CIRCULATING BOOKS & BOOKS ON RESERVE

E-Book (NetLibrary)
Evaluating gun policy: effects on crime and violence  
Ludwig, Jens, 2003
The book is divided into five sections that discuss gun prevalence, regulating ownership, restricting gun carrying, facilitating research and policy process.
Gun control - - United States

HV7436.D43 2001
Gun violence in America: the struggle for control
DeConde, Alexander, 2001
DeConde argues that the U.S. failed to confine gun violence as other world democracies have. Good bibliography.
Gun control - - United States

HV7436.G868 1997
Gun control: opposing viewpoints  
Roleff, Tamara L., 1997
Contains 24 opposing viewpoints grouped into 4 main topics. A compiled list of organizations concerned with the issues debated in the book is given.
Gun control - - United States

HV7436.L37 1994
Lethal passage: how the travels of a single handgun expose the roots of America’s gun crisis
Larson, Erik, 1994
Larson recounts the story of a teenager who went on a shooting rampage in 1988 in a Virginia religious high school killing the teacher.
Gun control - - United States
Promising strategies to reduce gun violence: report
Sheppard, David I., 1999
Shepard provides law enforcement, state and local elected officials, prosecutors, judges, school administrators, community organizations, and other local stakeholders with the tools for fighting firearm violence in their communities.

The politics of gun control
Spitzer, Robert J., 1995
Spitzer analyzes the problem of gun violence in America and makes clear and reasonable arguments about appropriate public policy responses.

Arming America: the origins of a national gun culture
Bellesiles, Michael A., 2000
The book gives a thorough account of the history of gun use.

REFERENCE BOOKS

The Gallup poll: public opinion
Gallup, George Horace, 2003
The surveys are gathered from at least 1000 persons covering a broad coverage of subjects. Breakdowns by sex, age, race, level of education, and other factors enable the reader to grasp major issues quickly.

Statistical handbook on violence in America
Dobrin, Adam, 1996
The handbook covers fatal violence, other interpersonal violence, victimization and groups involved in violence, opinions and the impact of violence.

Encyclopedia of crime and justice
Kadish, Sanford H., ed. 1983 4 v.
The encyclopedia provides a summary under the entry “Guns, Regulation of.” It includes a legal and a general index as well as a glossary.

**Criminology - - Encyclopedias**

Ref HV6787.C76 1994
Crime state rankings Morgan Quitno Corporation. 1994
Comparative information about crime in the 50 states, presented in tabular form. See index, “Guns, crimes involving.”

**Criminal statistics - - United States - - Periodicals**

Ref HV6789.D39 2001
The tables give important statistics on different types of crime. For example, the growth or decline of crime, differences between crime rates in various regions, and arrest rates for different types of crime. Contains useful indexes for “Names and Addresses” and “Resources.”

**Criminology - - Periodicals**

Congressional Digest: the pro and con monthly
Features the major issues and controversies in the Congress, pro and con

Congressional Quarterly Almanac
Key bills and amendments explained; laws passed; roll-call votes cast by every member

CQ Researcher
Designed for people who need a place to begin research on current topics

PERIODICALS

**Crime & Delinquency**
Addresses specific policy or program implications or issues (social, political, and economic) of great topical interest to professionals in the criminal justice system

**Police Chief: professional voice of law enforcement**
This official publication of the IACP provides a forum for law enforcement practitioners to share their collective expertise. The publication’s mission is to enhance the reader’s understanding of the latest trends and practices in law enforcement
WEBSITES

Listed below are some useful websites with a short description.

Center to Prevent Handgun Violence
http://www.handguncontrol.org
● The Center to Prevent Handgun Violence provides informational materials (reports, fact sheets, audiotapes, videotapes, and posters) on the dangers of handgun violence, and works in conjunction with other programs or organizations to develop handgun violence prevention programs.

Coalition to Stop Gun Violence
http://www.csgv.org
● The coalition lobbies at the local, state, and federal levels to ban the sale of handguns and assault weapons to individuals.

National Crime Prevention Council (NCPC)
http://www.ncpc.org
● The NCPC is a branch of the U.S. Department of Justice. It works to teach Americans how to reduce crime and addresses the causes of crime in its programs and educational materials. It provides readers with information on gun control and gun violence.

National Rifle Association of America (NRA)
http://www.nra.org
● The NRA is America’s largest organization of gun owners. It is the lobbying group for those who oppose gun control laws. It believes that such laws violate the U.S. Constitution and do nothing to reduce crime.

Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention
http://ojjdp.ncjrs.org
● The Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention (OJJDP) provides national leadership, coordination, and resources to prevent and respond to juvenile delinquency and victimization.

Violence Policy Center
http://www.vpc.org
● A national educational foundation working to enhance gun control in America

Women Against Gun Control
http://wagc.com
● Political organization created to inform, educate and support the development of the self-reliant women and men, nationwide, who consider it their fundamental right and responsibility to protect their right of self-defense.

INDEXES TO FULL TEXT ONLINE DATABASES

Infotrac Expanded Academic ASAP

Newsbank America’s Newspapers
Newspapers include the Los Angeles Times, New York Times, Long-Beach Press-Telegram, Sacramento Bee and the Washington Post. Each paper provides unique coverage of local and regional news, including companies, politics, sports, industries, cultural activities, and people in the community.