



# New Jersey Source States

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**Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco,**  
**Firearms and Explosives**  
 Office of Strategic Intelligence and Information  
 Criminal Intelligence Division  
 Violent Crime Analysis Branch  
 Data Source: Firearms Tracing System

**January 1, 2021 – March 31, 2021**



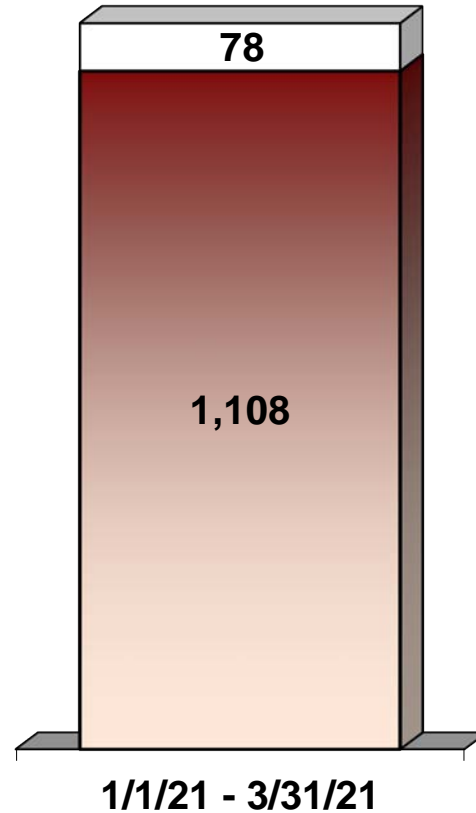
# ***ATF Firearms Trace Data Disclaimer***

**(1) Firearm traces are designed to assist law enforcement authorities in conducting investigations by tracking the sale and possession of specific firearms. Law enforcement agencies may request firearms traces for any reason, and those reasons are not necessarily reported to the Federal Government. Not all firearms used in crime are traced and not all firearms traced are used in crime.**

**(2) Firearms selected for tracing are not chosen for purposes of determining which types, makes or models of firearms are used for illicit purposes. The firearms selected do not constitute a random sample and should not be considered representative of the larger universe of all firearms used by criminals, or any subset of that universe. Firearms are normally traced to the first retail seller, and sources reported for firearms traced do not necessarily represent the sources or methods by which firearms in general are acquired for use in crime.**

# Total Number of Firearms Recovered and Traced in New Jersey

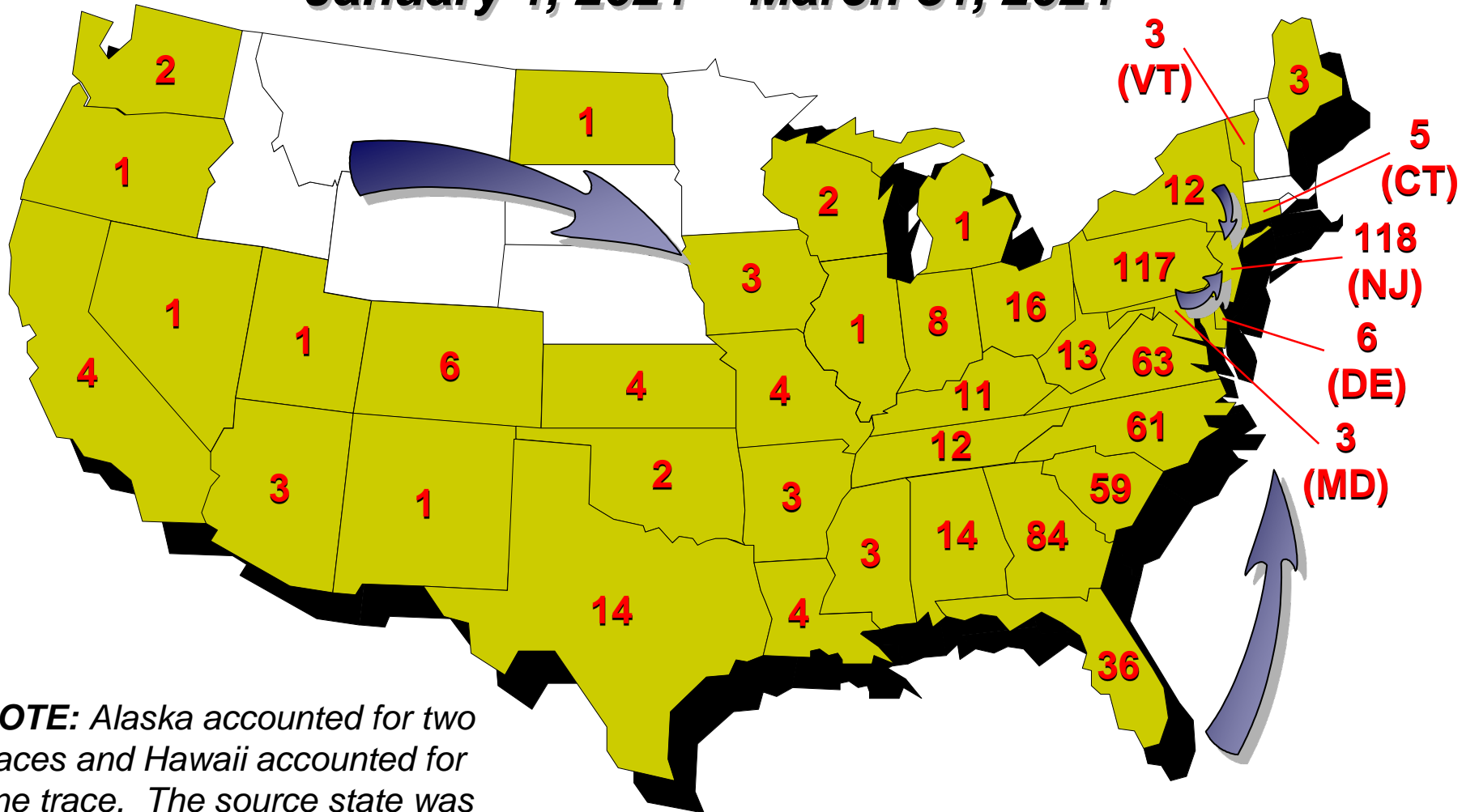
- Duplicate Traces
- Total Traces



*\*Between 1/1/21 and 3/31/21, there was 1 trace with the 'Gun Buyback' indicator, 9 traces with the 'Firearm Not Recovered' indicator and 11 traces with the 'Firearm Turned In' indicator. These traces were excluded from the statistics.*

# Source States for Firearms Recovered and Traced in New Jersey

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**NOTE:** Alaska accounted for two traces and Hawaii accounted for one trace. The source state was identified in 708 total traces.

# ***Analytical Criteria Used to Compile the Enclosed Statistics***

## **◆ All of the Preceding Statistics had the Following Selection Criteria in Common:**

- Traces with a recovery state of New Jersey were included. If the recovery state was not provided, traces where the requesting agency was a state or local agency in New Jersey were included.
- Traces with a recovery date between January 1, 2021 – March 31, 2021 were selected. However, if the recovery date was blank, traces with an entry date between January 1, 2021 – March 31, 2021 were also selected.
- Duplicate, Gun Buyback, Firearm Not Recovered and Firearm Turned In traces were not included when present.
- Statistics are based on a query of the Firearms Tracing System (FTS) on May 12, 2021.
- All traces may not have been entered or completed at the time of this study.

## **◆ Additional Selection Criteria was Applied to the Following Statistics:**

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- Traces must identify a purchaser and the dealer where the firearm was purchased.