# Gun Violence and the Criminal Justice System during COVID

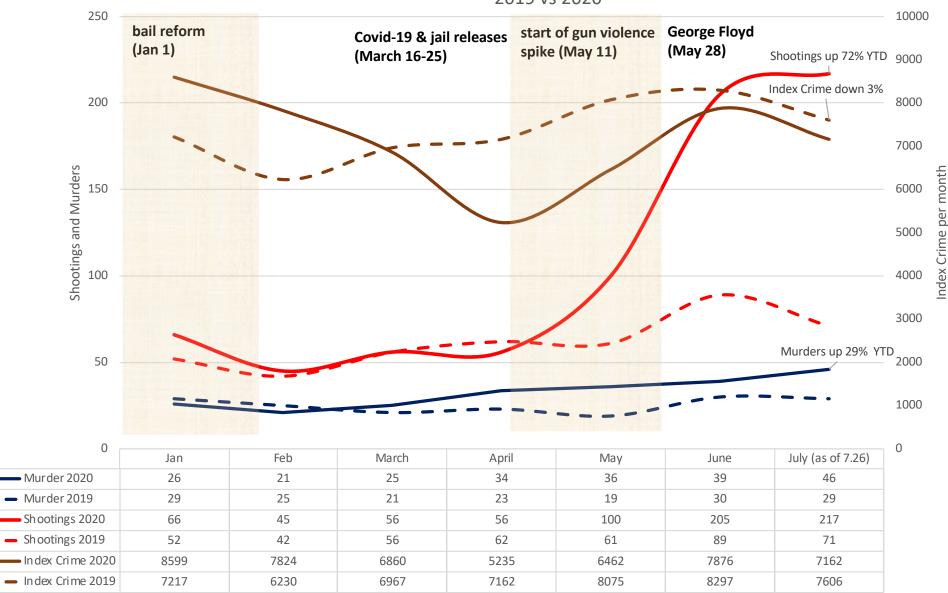


#### **KEY FACTS**

- Currently, overall index crime is down while gun violence is up
- Gun arrests are down since late May
- Gun violence continues to be concentrated in certain neighborhoods
- The vast majority of people arraigned on gun charges remain in the community
- While out pretrial, most are not rearrested for new gun crimes
- Most people arrested for gun violence are not out pretrial on another case

#### Crime Down, Gun Violence Up

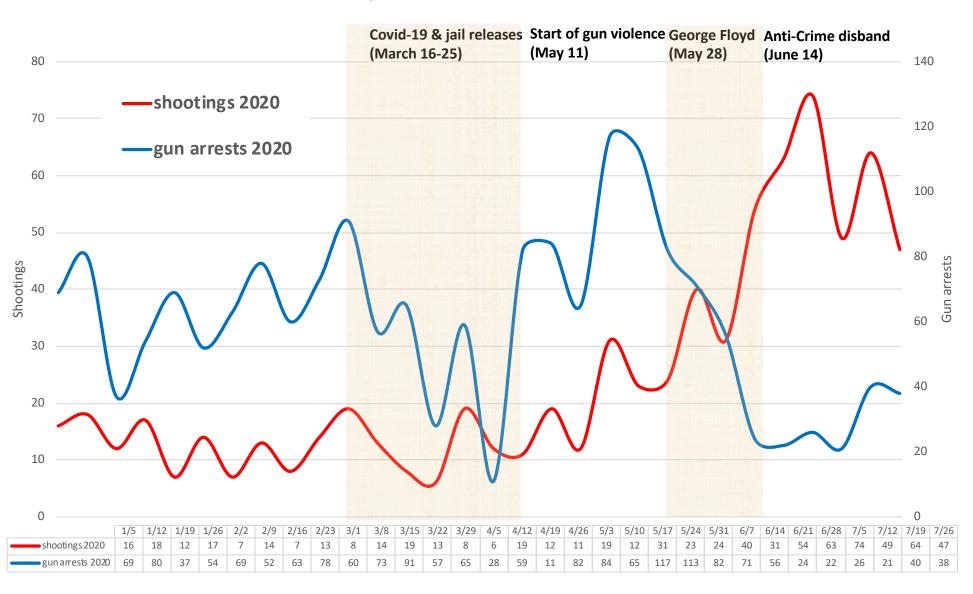
Index crime, Shootings, and Murders 2019 vs 2020



Source: NYPD

#### Gun Violence Up, Arrests Down

Shootings and Gun Arrests 2020 (as of 7.26)



Source: NYPD

#### **MOST AFFECTED NEIGHBORHOODS**

\*Neighborhoods with highest numbers of shootings citywide, 1993, 2019, and YTD 2020

Grand Concourse, Bronx\*

West Bronx, Bronx\*

East Harlem, Manhattan

Bed-Stuy, Brooklyn\*

Crown Heights, Brooklyn\*

East New York, Brooklyn\*

Queens

Jamaica,

Brooklyn\*

Brownsville

Bed-Stuy, Brooklyn\*

East Flatbush, Brooklyn\*

Source: NYPD

## Most gun cases are out pretrial and fewer than 1 in 5 were out pretrial on another case

Open Gun Cases							
	December 2019	July 2020					
Open Gun Cases	2285	2181					
Out	1984	1957					
In Jail	301	224					
% jailed	13%	10%					
Rearrested for another gun offense	unavailable	2%					

Gun and Murder Arraignments							
	October-December 2019	April-June 2020					
Gun and Murder Arraignments	642	819					
# out pretrial	111	134					
Pretrial VFO	34	46					
Pretrial NVFO	22	38					
Pretrial Misdemeanor	55	50					
% out pretrial	17%	16%					

Sources: NYPD, CJA, DOC

### Of 1,500 COVID-releases, 7 rearrested for gun offense (rearrest data through mid-July)

COVID	releases	N released	Any rearrest	Any rearrest %	Murder rearrest	Gun rearrest
	6A (city sentenced early release)	313	39	12%	0	1
	WRIT (filed by defense counsel)	256	39	15%	1	0
	WARRANT LIFT (people with parole violations)	379	42	11%	0	4
	DA CONSENT *	529	73	14%	0	2
TOTAL COVID RELEASES		1,477	193	13%	1	7
OTHER	MARCH-APRIL RELEASES	1,180	242	21%	2	23
TOTAL		2.657	435	16%	4	37

Of all people released from jail between March 16 and April 30, only 1% have been rearrested on a weapons charge through mid-July. Fewer than 1% of COVID-specific releases have been rearrested on a weapons charge.

\* Note: "COVID release" categories above not mutually exclusive; most DA consents overlap with the other three categories.

Sources: NYPD, DOC