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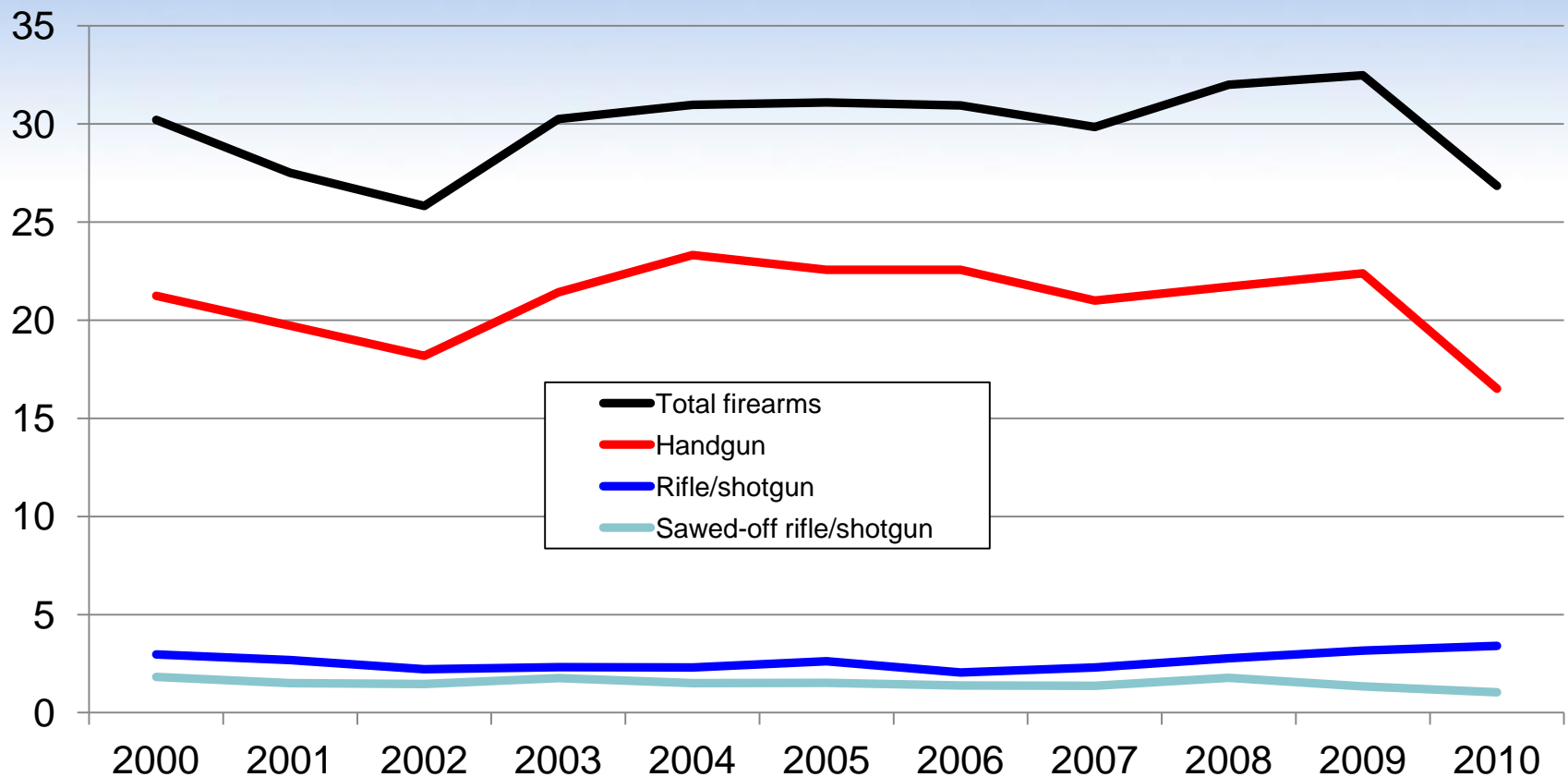
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Victims of violent crime committed with a firearm, Canada, by type of firearm, 2000 to 2010

rate per 100,000 population



Note: Data are based upon a subset of police services which, in 2010, covered 58% of the population of Canada.

Source: Statistics Canada, Canadian Centre for Justice Statistics, Uniform Crime Reporting Survey.

Victims of violent crime committed with a firearm, by province and territory, Canada, 2010

Province or territory	Number	Rate ¹	Province or territory	Number	Rate ¹
Newfoundland and Labrador	54	10.6	Saskatchewan	382	37.3
Prince Edward Island	9	6.3	Alberta	1,056	28.4
Nova Scotia	192	20.4	British Columbia	1,160	25.6
New Brunswick	111	14.8	Yukon	25	72.4
Quebec	2,312	29.4	Northwest Territories	27	61.7
Ontario	2,497	19.1	Nunavut	43	129.4
Manitoba	460	38.4	CANADA	8,328	24.6

1. Rates are calculated on the basis of 100,000 population.

Source: Statistics Canada, Canadian Centre for Justice Statistics, Uniform Crime Reporting Survey.

Victims of violent crime committed with a firearm, by census metropolitan area, Canada, 2010

Census metropolitan area	No.	rate ¹	Census metropolitan area	No.	rate ¹	Census metropolitan area	No.	rate ¹
St. John's	16	8.6	Peterborough	16	13.2	Thunder Bay	24	20.0
Halifax	116	28.8	Toronto	1,237	23.8	Winnipeg	303	38.8
Moncton	11	8.1	Hamilton	186	34.9	Regina	55	25.2
Saint John	19	18.4	St. Catharines-Niagara	64	14.4	Saskatoon	99	36.5
Saguenay	22	15.1	Kitchener-Cambridge-Waterloo	92	17.6	Calgary	393	31.5
Québec	70	9.3	Brantford	19	14.3	Edmonton	293	24.9
Trois-Rivières	13	8.7	Guelph	6	4.8	Kelowna	42	23.5
Montréal	1,530	39.7	London	118	24.6	Abbotsford-Mission	60	34.2
Gatineau ²	71	23.2	Windsor	66	21.9	Vancouver	762	31.9
Ottawa ³	198	21.1	Barrie	17	12.2	Victoria	28	7.8
Kingston	10	6.2	Greater Sudbury	19	11.6	CANADA	8,328	24.6

1. Rates are calculated on the basis of 100,000 population. Census metropolitan area (CMA) populations have been adjusted to follow policing boundaries.

2. Gatineau refers to the Quebec part of the Ottawa–Gatineau CMA.

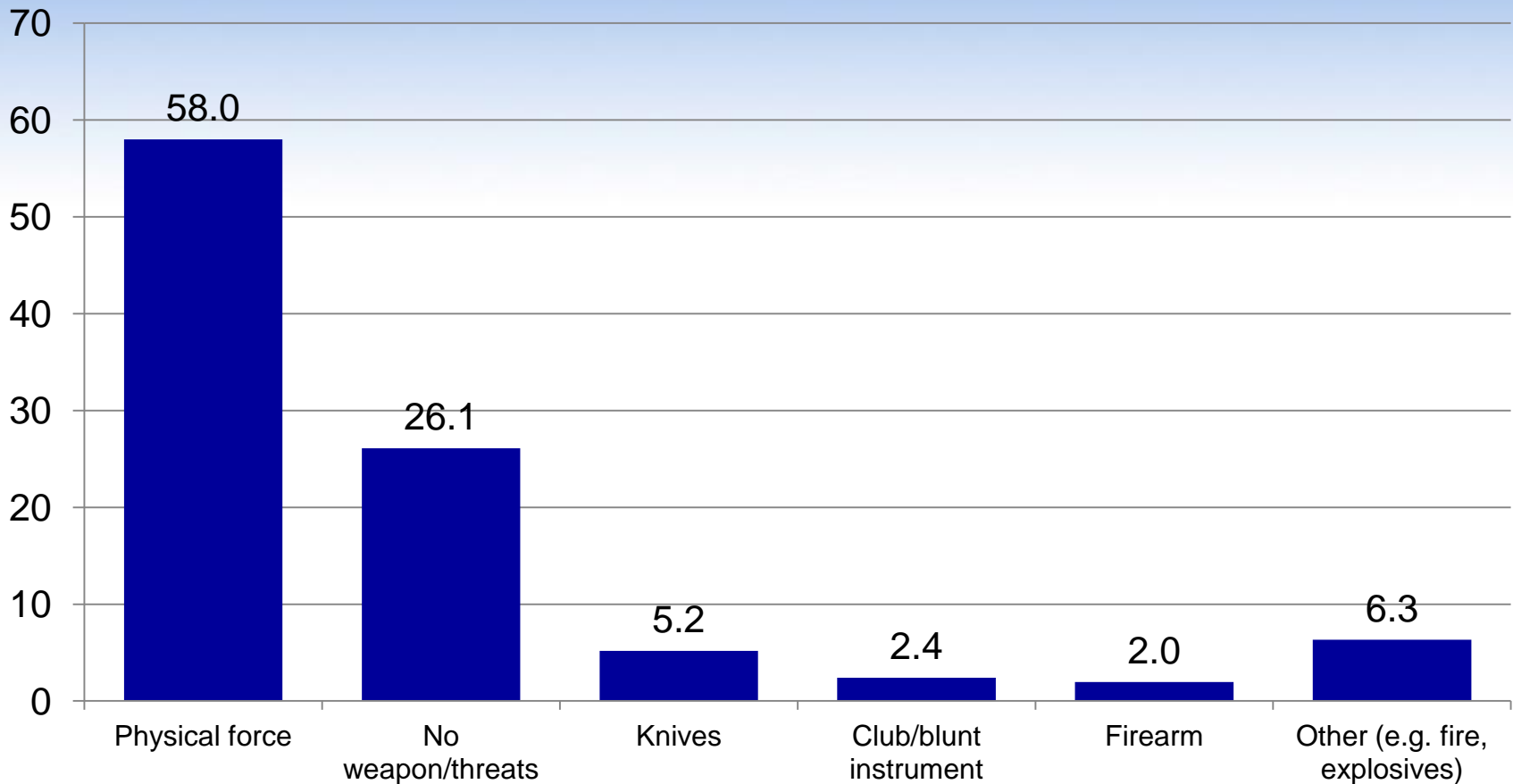
3. Ottawa refers to the Ontario part of the Ottawa–Gatineau CMA.

Note: The Oshawa CMA is excluded due to the incongruity between the police service jurisdictional boundaries and the CMA boundaries. The Sherbrooke CMA is excluded due to the unavailability of data in 2010.

Source: Statistics Canada, Canadian Centre for Justice Statistics, Uniform Crime Reporting Survey.

Victims of violent crime, by type of weapon, Canada, 2010

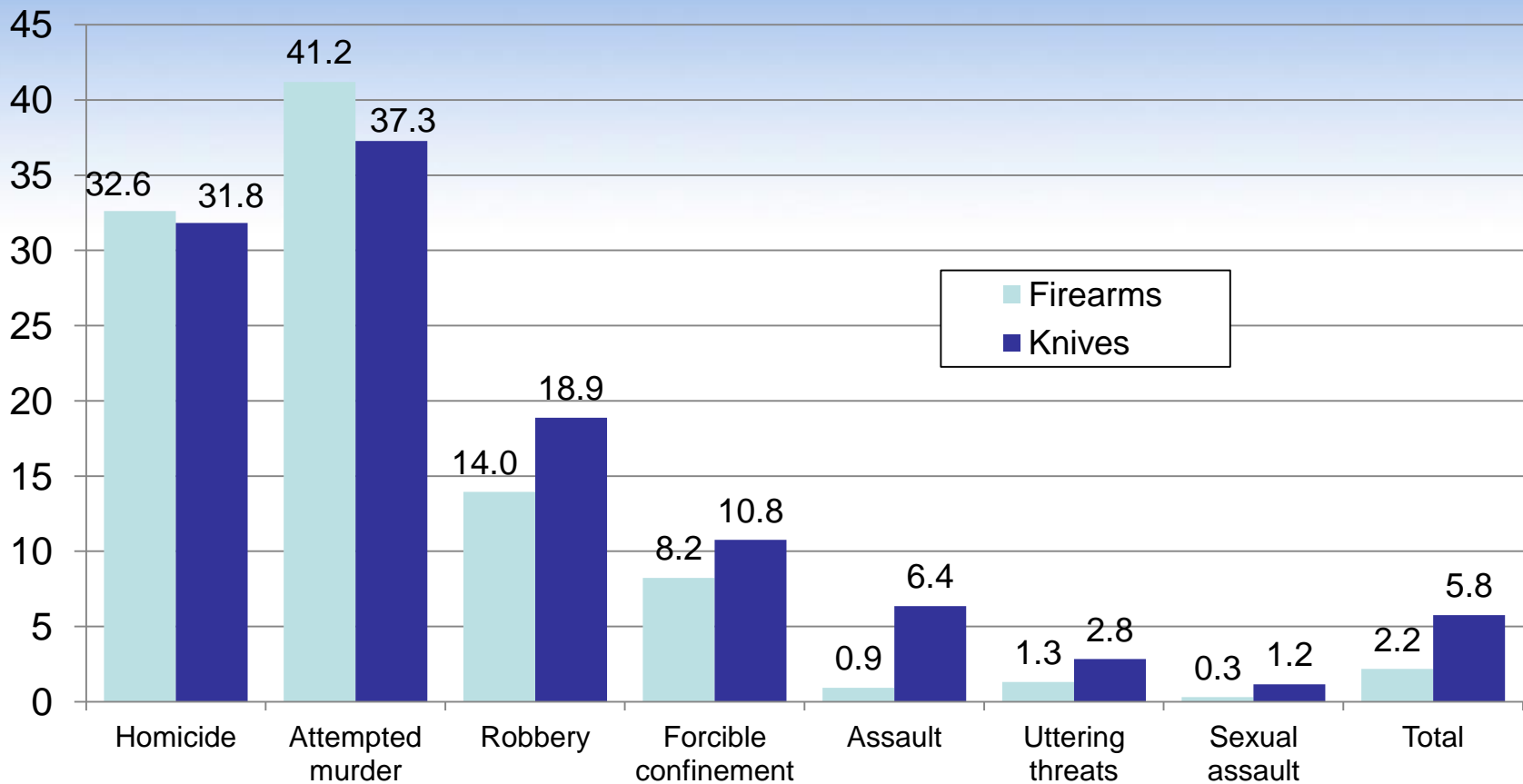
percentage of victims of violent crime



Source: Statistics Canada, Canadian Centre for Justice Statistics, Uniform Crime Reporting Survey.

Victims of violent crime by selected offence and type of weapon, Canada, 2010

percentage of total victims

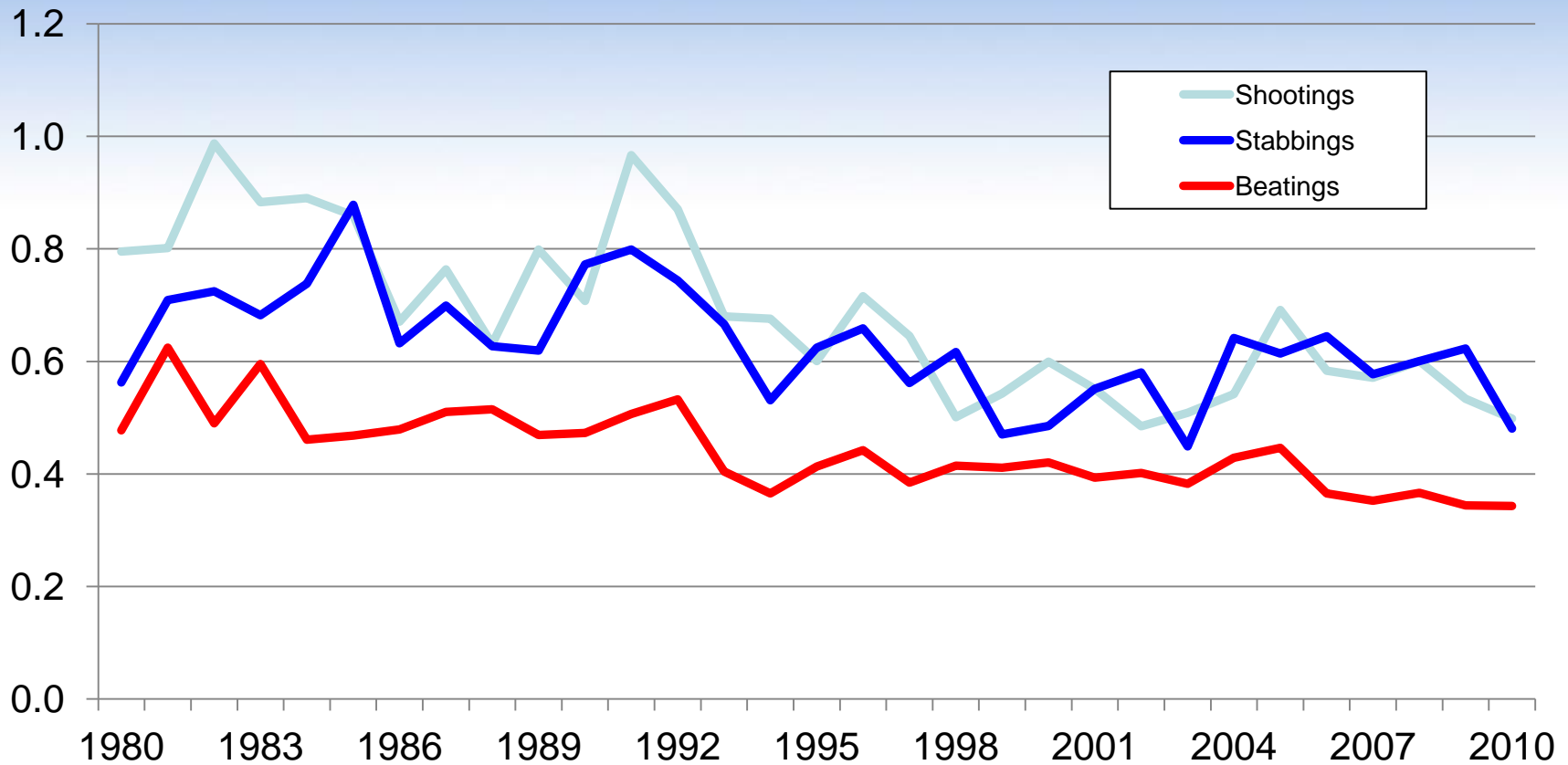


Note: Percentages are calculated excluding cases where the weapon was reported by police as unknown.

Source: Statistics Canada, Canadian Centre for Justice Statistics, Uniform Crime Reporting Survey.

Victims of homicide, by cause of death, Canada, 1980 to 2010

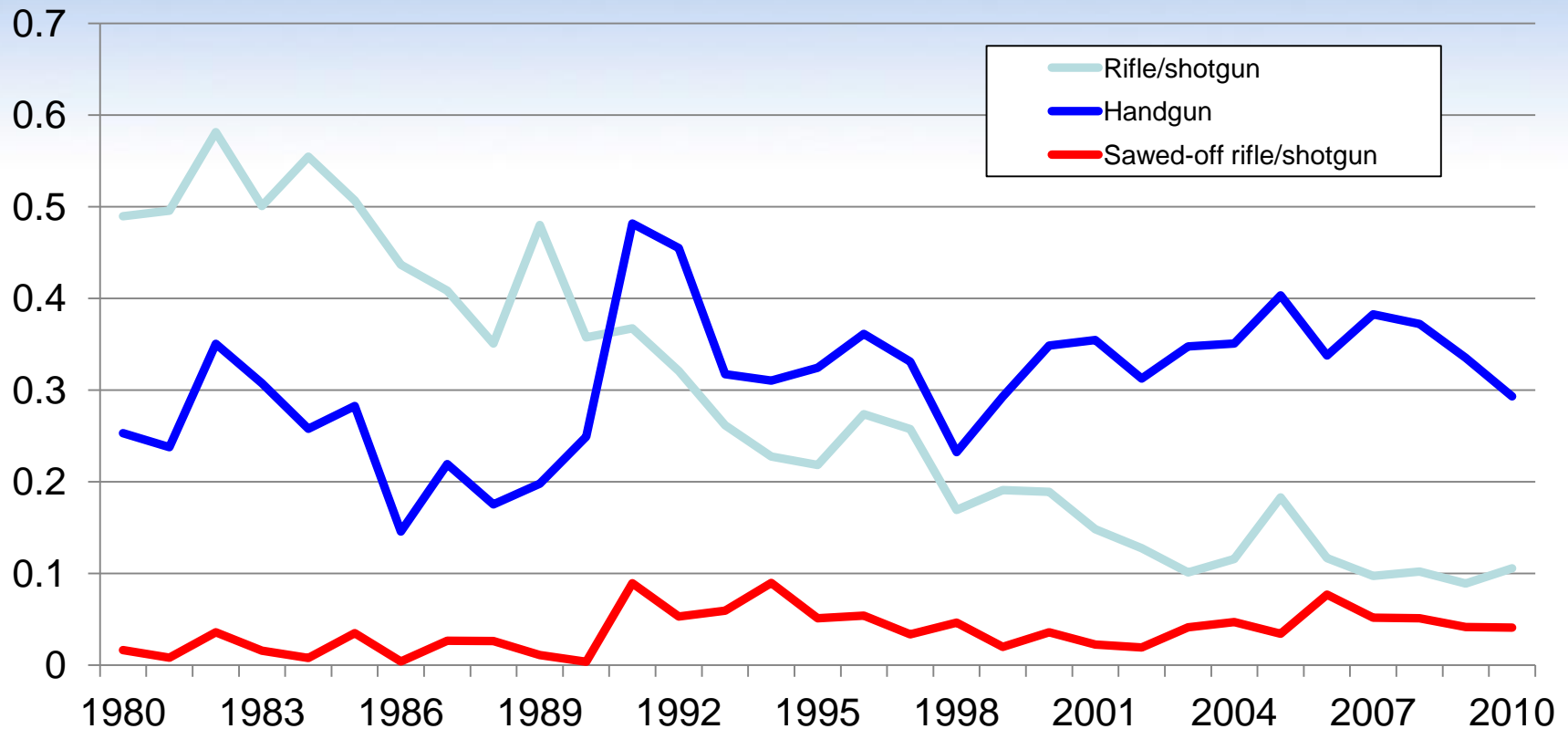
rate per 100,000 population



Source: Statistics Canada, Canadian Centre for Justice Statistics, Homicide Survey.

Victims of homicide committed with a firearm, Canada, by type of firearm, 1980 to 2010

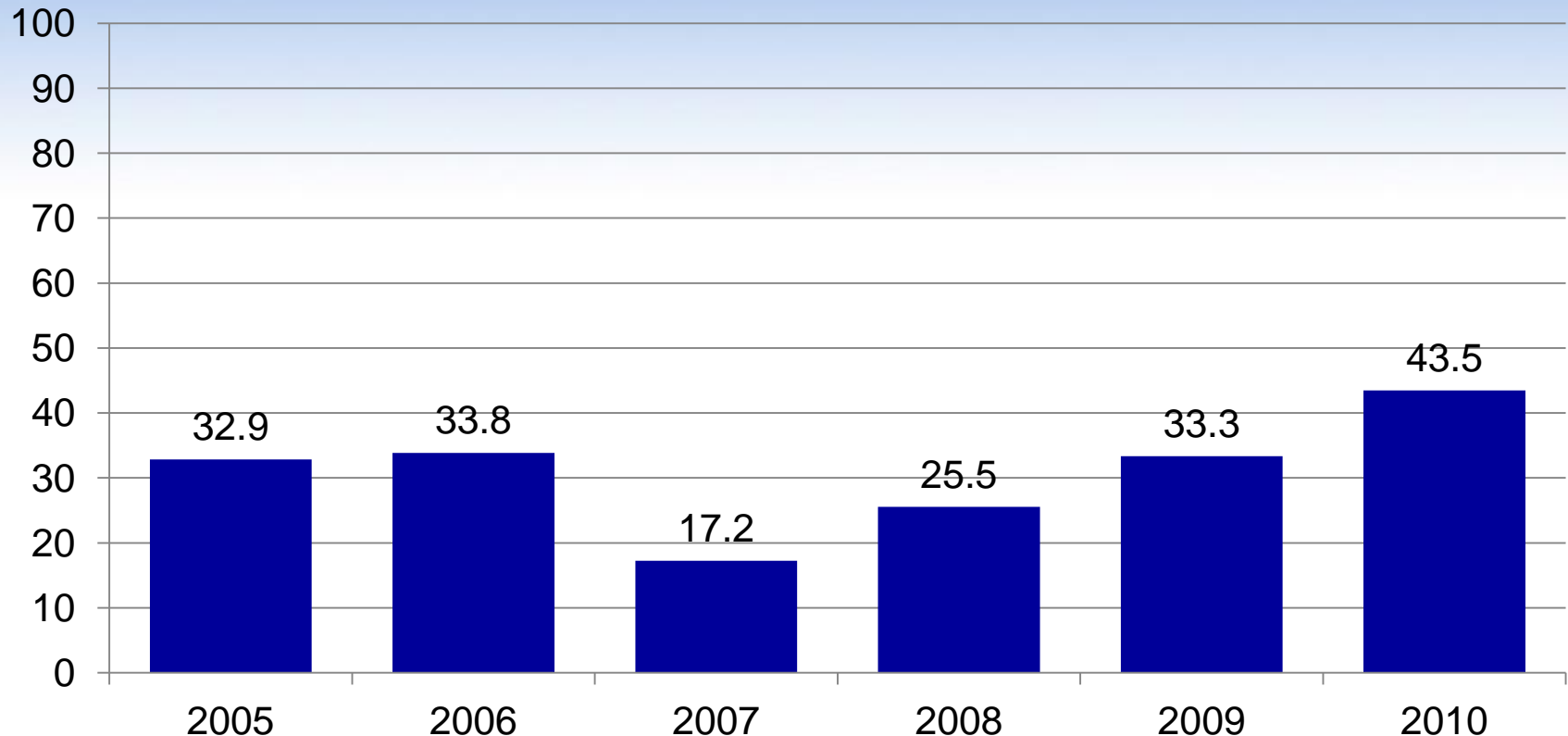
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Source: Statistics Canada, Canadian Centre for Justice Statistics, Homicide Survey.

Registration of recovered firearms used to commit homicide, Canada, 2005 to 2010

percentage of recovered firearms
that were registered

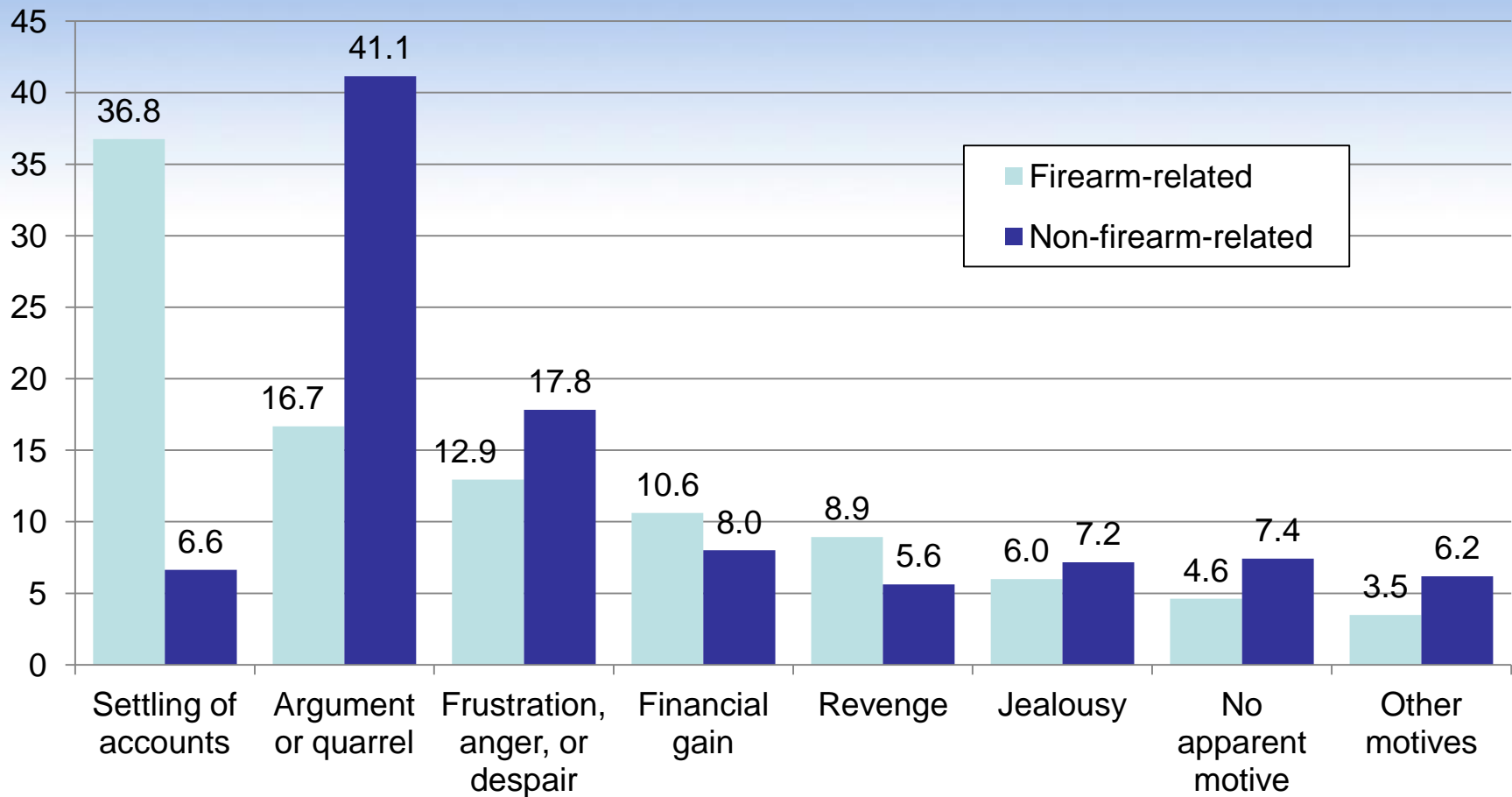


Note: Based upon the number of homicides committed with a firearm that was recovered by police. Between 2005 and 2010, police reported that 36% of firearms used to commit homicide were recovered. Of these, 34% were owned by the accused person, 5% by the victim and 28% by another person. The ownership of the remaining 32% was unknown.

Source: Statistics Canada, Canadian Centre for Justice Statistics, Homicide Survey.

Victims of homicide, by motive and type of weapon, Canada, 2000 to 2010

percentage of homicides

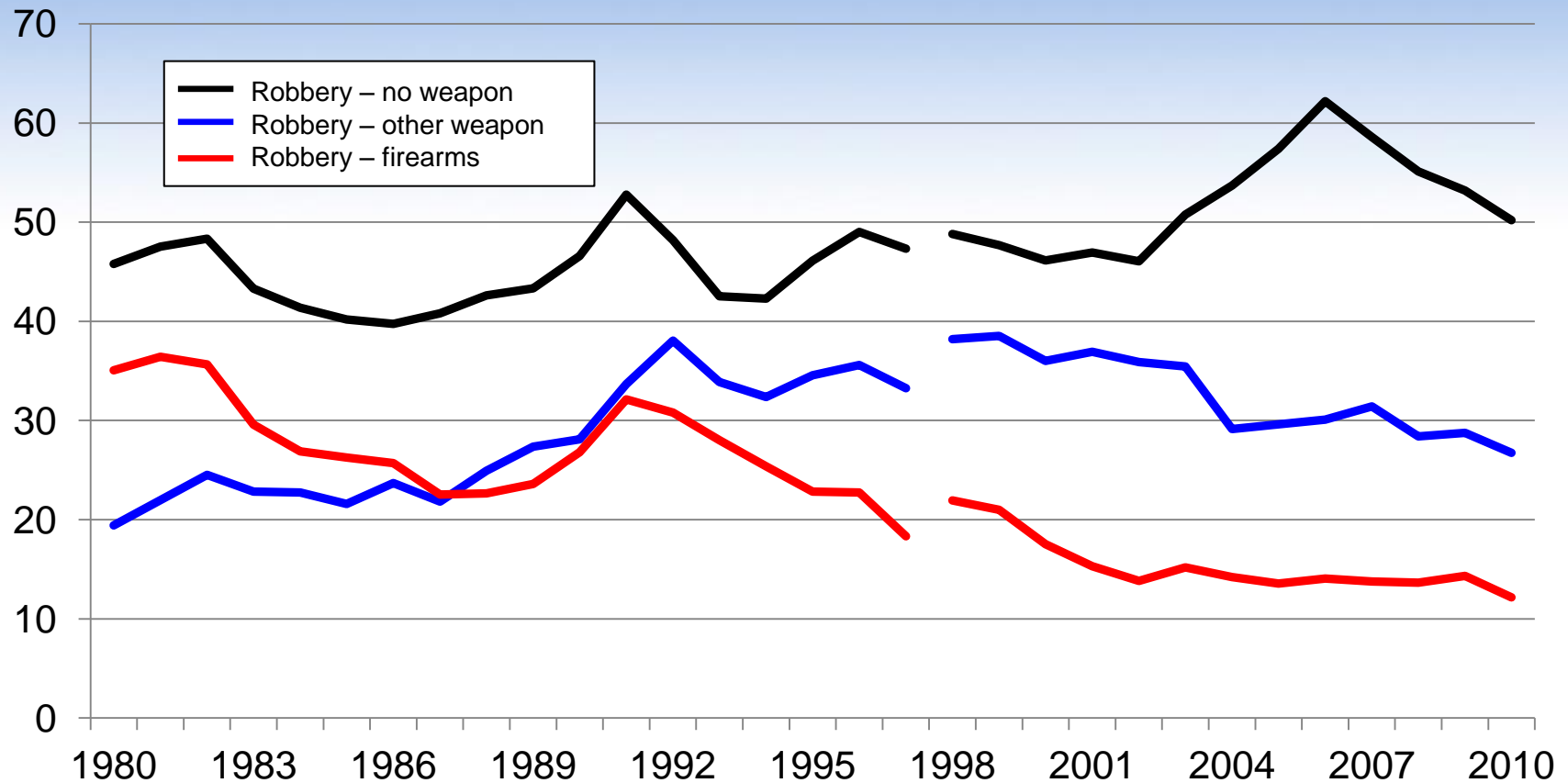


Note: Between 2000 and 2010, 84% of all firearm-related homicides motivated by settling of accounts were gang-related.

Source: Statistics Canada, Canadian Centre for Justice Statistics, Homicide Survey.

Victims of robbery, by type of weapon, Canada, 1980 to 2010

rate per 100,000 population

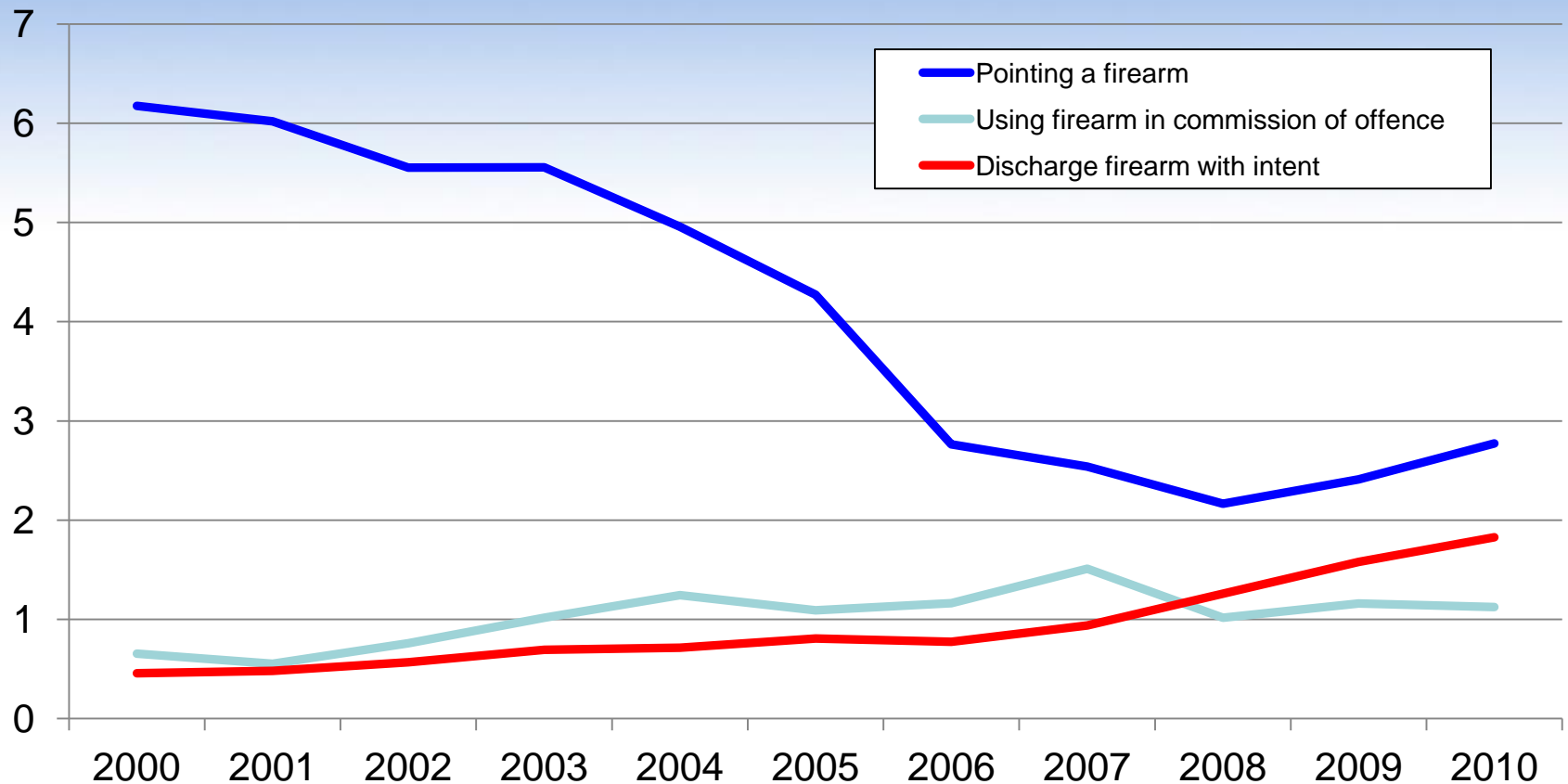


Note: Revisions have been applied to robbery back to 1998. As such, there is a break in the data series between 1997 and 1998 and any comparisons between the two time series should be made with caution.

Source: Statistics Canada, Canadian Centre for Justice Statistics, Uniform Crime Reporting Survey.

Firearm-related offences, Canada, 2000 to 2010

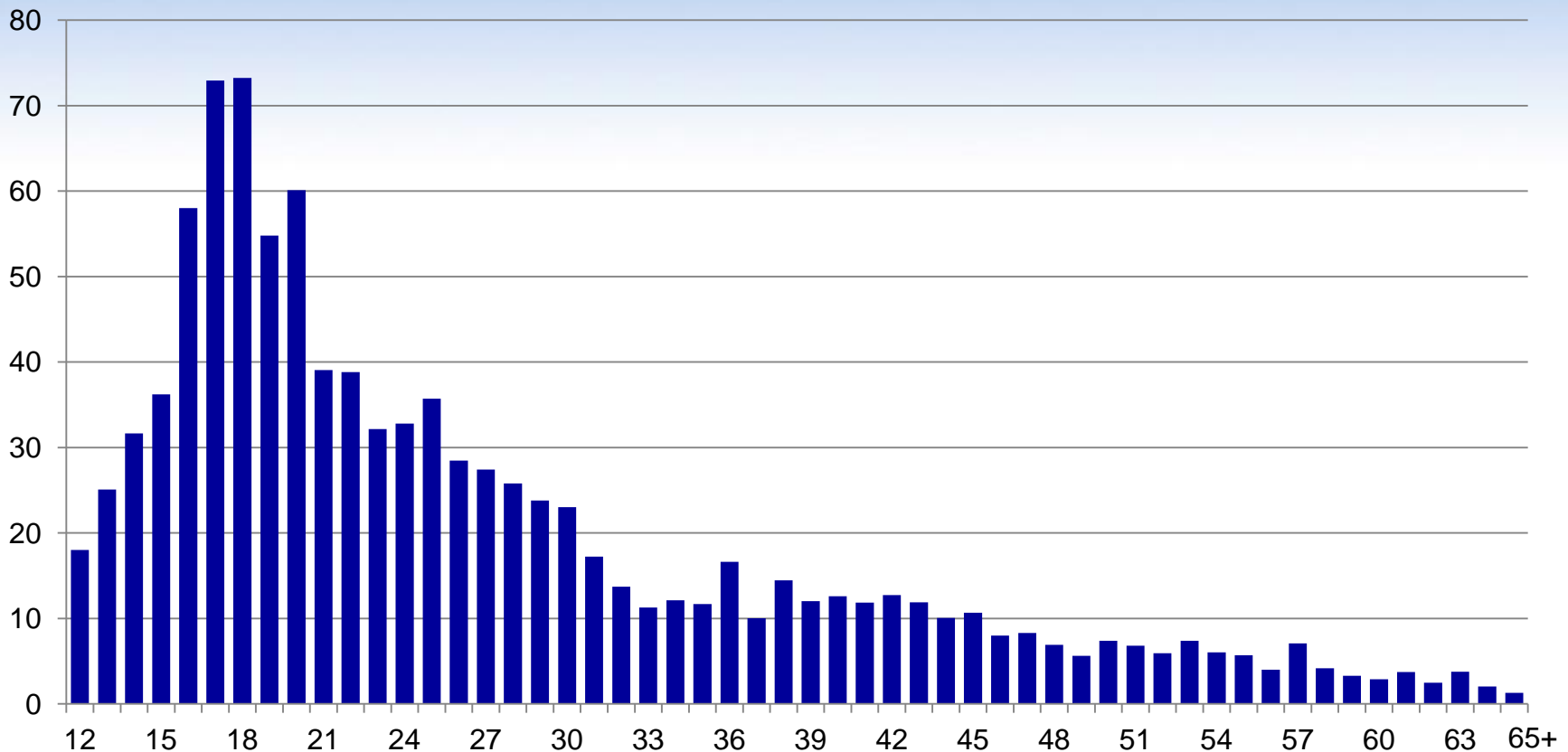
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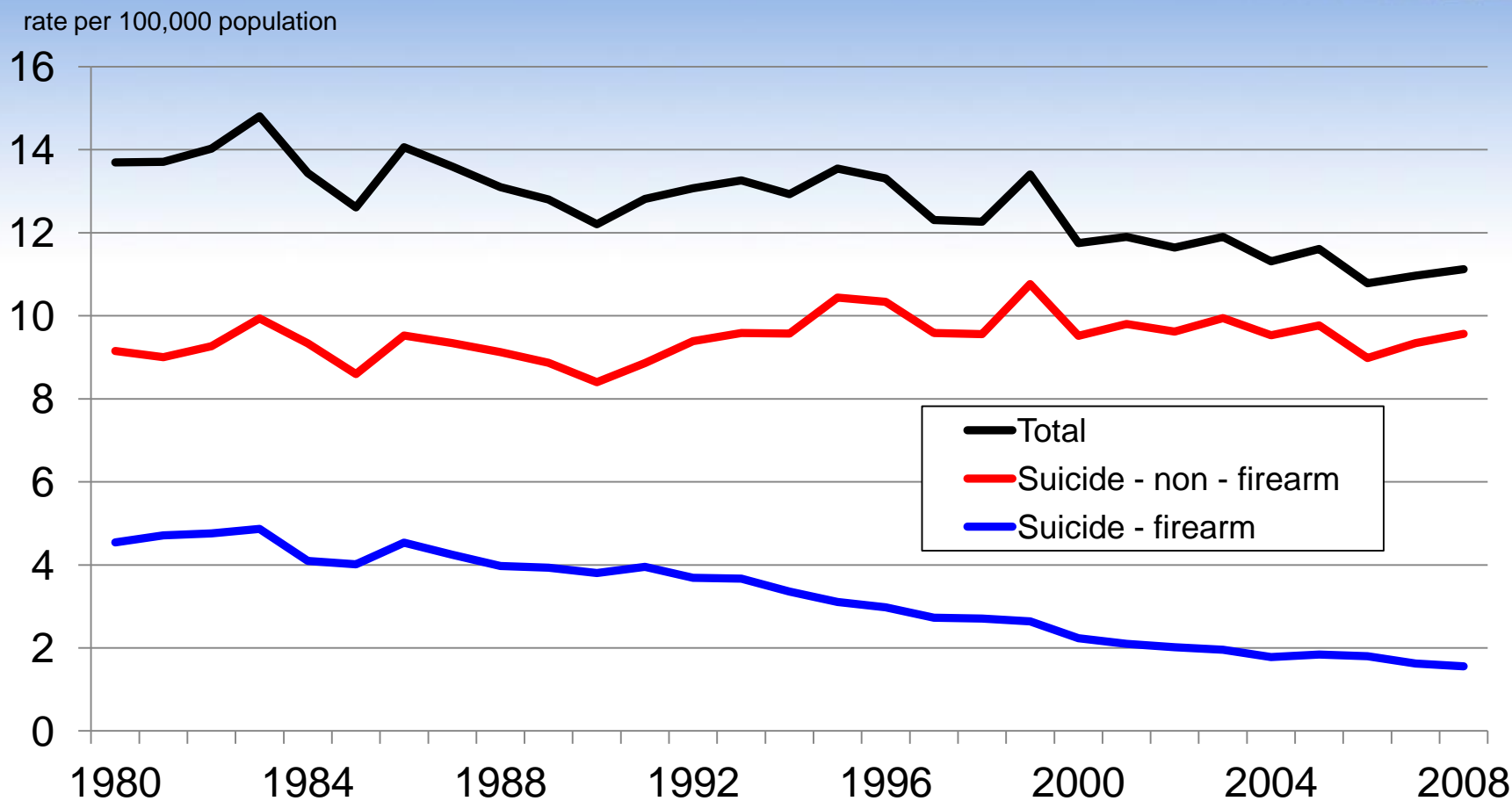
Persons accused of violent crime committed with a firearm, by age, Canada, 2010

rate per 100,000 population



Source: Statistics Canada, Canadian Centre for Justice Statistics, Uniform Crime Reporting Survey.

Suicide, by type of weapon, Canada, 1980 to 2008



Source: Statistics Canada, Health Statistics Division, Canadian Vital Statistics, Death Database.