SHOOTING INCIDENTS 1999-2013

TOTALS     # of Shootings    # Killed    # Wounded
          (incl. perpetrator)
On or withdrawing from psychiatric drugs  33       127       126
Suspected psychiatric drug use            16       154       127
No published psychiatric drug use          26       166       104
TOTALS OF ALL SHOOTINGS                   75       447       357

SHOOTING INCIDENTS WHERE PERPETRATOR WAS KNOWN TO BE ON OR WITHDRAWING FROM PSYCHIATRIC DRUGS:

April 16, 1999:  Notus, ID – Shawn Cooper – Antidepressant and Ritalin.  0 Dead, 1 Wounded.
April 20, 1999:  Columbine, CO – Eric Harris and Dylan Klebold – Harris was taking Luvox. Klebold’s medical records were sealed.  15 Dead (including perps), 26 Wounded.
May 20, 1999:   Conyers, GA – T. J. Solomon – Ritalin and treated for depression.  0 Dead, 6 Wounded.
August 10, 1999: Los Angeles, CA – Buford Furrows – Was taking prescribed psychiatric drugs for depression and was in a mental hospital before the shootings.  1 Dead, 5 Wounded.
Jan 10, 2001:   Oxnard, CA – Richard Lopez – Prozac, Paxil and “drugs that helped him go to sleep.”  1 Dead (the perp), 0 Wounded.
Mar. 22, 2001:  El Cajon, CA – Jason Hoffman – Celexa and Effexor and had been seeing a psychiatrist.  0 Dead, 5 Wounded.
July 8, 2003:   North Meridian, FL – Doug Williams – Celexa and Zoloft.  6 Dead (including perp), 9 Wounded.
Nov. 28, 2001:  Charleston, WV – Christopher Pittman – Paxil and Zoloft.  2 Dead, 0 Wounded.
Feb. 2004:     Greenbush, NY – Jon Romano – Xanax and had previously spent time in a psychiatry care facility.  0 Dead, 1 Wounded.
Mar 21, 2005:  Red Lake, MN – Jeff Weise – Prozac.  10 Dead (including perp), 7 Wounded.


Dec. 5, 2007: Omaha, NE – Robert Hawkins – On Ritalin and Zoloft since 5 years old. Valium in his system at time of shooting. 9 Dead (including perp), 5 Wounded.

Feb. 14, 2008: DeKalb, IL – Steven Kazmierczak – Prozac, Xanax and Ambien. 6 Dead (including perp), 21 Wounded.

Aug. 14, 2008: Little Rock, AR – Timothy Johnson – Effexor. 2 Dead (including perp), 0 Wounded.

Jan. 11, 2009: Concord, CA – Jason Montes – Prozac. 2 Dead (including perp), 0 Wounded.


Apr. 17, 2009: Middletown, MD – Christopher Wood – Antidepressants Bupropion (Wellbutrin), Amitriptyline (Elavil), Nortriptyline (Pamelor) and the antianxiety drugs Zolpidem (Ambien) and Alprazolam (Xanax). 5 Dead (including perp), 0 Wounded.


May 3, 2009: Lakeland, FL – Troy Bellar – Tegretol. 4 Dead (including perp), 0 Wounded.


Feb. 5, 2010: Huntsville, AL – Hammad Memon – History of being treated for ADHD and depression. On antidepressant Zoloft and “other drugs for the conditions.” 1 Dead, 0 Wounded.

July 7, 2011: Grand Rapids, MI – Roderick Dantzler – Reported to have stopped medication for “Bipolar” before the shooting. 8 Dead (including perp), 2 Wounded.

Sept. 6, 2011: Carson City, NV – Eduardo Sencion – Had been taking psychiatric drugs since his teens and several of the drugs were switched just months before the shooting. 5 Dead (including perp), 7 Wounded.

Sept. 21, 2011: Myrtle Beach, SC – Christian Helms – Drugs for ADD and depression. 0 Dead, 1 Wounded.


Sept. 8, 2012: Jackson County, MI – Michael Hamilton – His dosage of Adderall was doubled just months before shooting. 1 Dead, 0 Wounded.

Jan. 15, 2013: St. Louis, MO – Sean Johnson – Drugs for mental illness. 0 Dead, 2 Wounded (including perp).


SHOOTING INCIDENTS WHERE PERPETRATOR WAS SUSPECTED OF BEING ON PSYCHIATRIC DRUGS (SUCH AS DRUGS FOUND IN APARTMENT OR CAR, SAW PSYCHIATRISTS IN THE PAST, ETC.):


July 29, 1999: Stockbridge, GA – Mark Orrin Barton – Police found Prozac in his van after the shootings. 13 Dead (including perp), 12 Wounded.

Sept. 15, 1999: Fort Worth, TX – Larry Gene Ashbrook – Prescribed Prozac. 8 Dead (including perp), 7 Wounded.

Nov. 2, 1999: Honolulu, HI – Byran Uyesugi – Underwent psychiatric evaluation and Anger Management in 1993. 7 Dead, 0 Wounded.

Oct. 24, 2002: Tucson, AZ – Robert S. Flores – In a letter he wrote prior to the shooting and suicide, he said, “I realize that I am depressed but even with treatment it will not change my future…. It’s not about anger because I don’t feel anything right now.” A professor at the university where the shooting occurred said that it was “common knowledge among the faculty that Flores was depressed.” 4 Dead (including perp), 0 Wounded.

Dec. 8, 2004: Columbus, OH – Nathan Gale – Diagnosed with paranoid schizophrenia a year before the shooting. His mother said that “he came home with his medications” but didn’t “know if he took them or not.” 5 Dead (including perp), 2 Wounded.

Mar. 12, 2005: Brookfield, WI – Terry Michael Ratzmann – It was reported that he suffered from bouts of depression. 8 Dead (including perp), 0 Wounded.


Sept. 27, 2006: Bailey, CO – Duane Morrison – Antidepressants found among his effects. 2 Dead (including perp), 0 Wounded.

reported that, “He also took a prescription medicine. Neither Mr. Aust [Cho’s roommate] nor Mr. Grewal [another student in the same suite] knew what the medicine was for, but officials said prescription medications related to the treatment of psychological problems had been found among Mr. Cho’s effects.” 33 Dead (including perp), 17 Wounded.

Jan. 19, 2010: Appomattox, VA – Christopher Speight – Relatives said he began having “mental problems” after his mom died in 2006. 8 Dead, 0 Wounded.

Mar. 8, 2012: Pittsburgh, PA – John Shick – 9 antidepressants were found in his apartment. 2 Dead (including perp), 6 Wounded.


Sept. 27, 2012: Minneapolis, MN – Andrew Engeldinger – Police found prescription bottles of Mirtazapine, Trazodone, Wellbutrin and Temazepam in his home, in his name. 6 Dead (including perp), 3 Wounded.

Dec. 14, 2012: Newtown, CT – Adam Lanza – According to the search warrant records from the police department, “prescriptions” were found in the Lanza home. He was reported to have been autistic and a majority of the drugs prescribed for this are psychiatric drugs. 28 Dead (including perp), 2 Wounded.

Jun. 7, 2013: Santa Monica, CA – John Zawahri – Zawahri was hospitalized in UCLA’s psychiatric ward in 2006 after police found bomb-making materials in his home. 6 Dead (including perp), 3 Wounded.

SHOOTING INCIDENTS WHERE THERE WAS NO RELEASED INFORMATION OR PUBLISHED REPORT OF THE PERPETRATOR BEING ON PSYCHIATRIC DRUGS:


Aug. 27, 2003: Chicago, IL – Salvador Tapia – 7 Dead (including perp), 0 Wounded.


Feb. 12, 2007: Salt Lake City, UT – Sulejman Talovic – 6 Dead (including perp), 4 Wounded.

Oct. 7, 2007: Crandon, WI – Tyler Peterson – 7 Dead (including perp), 1 Wounded.


June 25, 2008: Henderson, KY – Wesley Neal Higdon – 6 Dead (including perp), 0 Wounded.


Nov. 29, 2009: Parkland, WA – Maurice Clemmons – 5 Dead (including perp), 0 Wounded.

Aug. 3, 2010: Manchester, CT – Omar Thornton – 9 Dead (including perp), 2 Wounded.


May 29, 2012: Seattle, WA – Ian Stawicki – 6 Dead (including perp), 1 Wounded.

Aug 5, 2012: Oak Creek, WI – Wade Michael Page – 7 Dead (including perp), 4 Wounded.

Oct. 21, 2012: Brookfield, WI – Radcliffe Haughton – 4 Dead (including perp), 4 Wounded.

Dec. 11, 2012: Portland, OR – Jacob Tyler Roberts – 3 Dead (including perp), 1 Wounded.


Apr. 21, 2013: Federal Way, WA – Dennis Clark III – 5 Dead (including perp), 0 Wounded.

Jul. 26, 2013: Hialeah, FL – Pedro Vargas – 7 Dead (including perp), 0 Wounded.