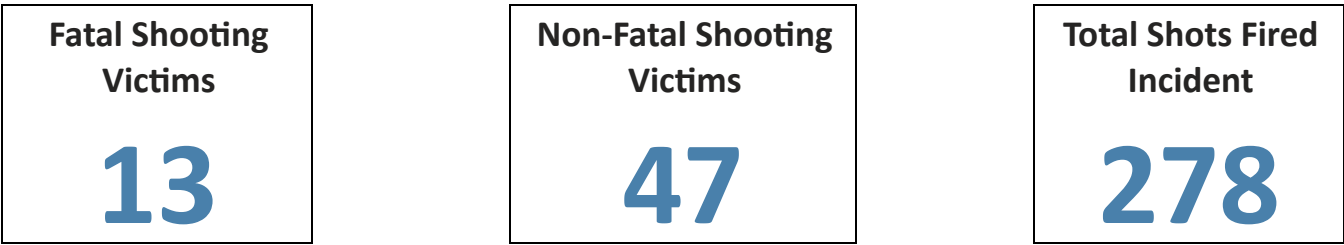# 2025 Q1 King County Quarterly Shots Fired Report

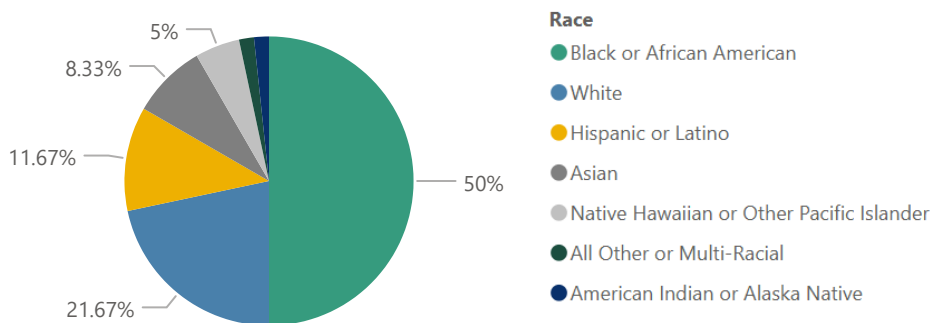## Total Reported Shots Fired Incidents and Shooting Victims

The number of shooting homicide victims, non-fatal shooting victims, and total shots fired in King County for Q1 2025 are listed below. This data was reported to the King County Prosecuting Attorney's Office by the following King County police agencies: Auburn, Bellevue, Des Moines, Kent, King County Sheriff's Office, Lake Forest Park, Renton, Seattle, Tukwila, and Washington State Patrol. This data does not include suicides, confirmed self-inflicted shootings, self-defense, or officer involved shootings.

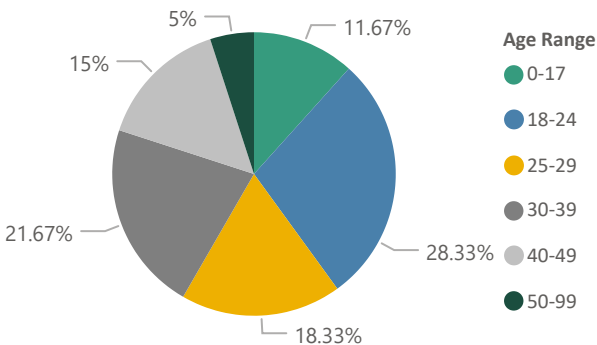| Fatal Shooting Victims	Non-Fatal Shooting Victims	Total Shots Fired Incident
13	**47**	**278**

Shooting Victim Demographics

Of the 60 shooting victims in Q1, precisely half were identified as Black or African American and 87% were identified as male. At 28%, the majority age range of shooting victims was 18-24, followed by ages 30-39 at 22% and ages 25-29 trailing closely behind. Compared to Q1 of 2024, there was a 41% decrease in the overall number of shooting victims but Black or African American males remained the majority of shooting victims in both years and in Q1 of the last five years.

Shooting Victim Race/Ethnicity Q1 2025

- 50% — Black or African American
- 21.67% — White
- 11.67% — Hispanic or Latino
- 8.33% — Asian
- 5% — Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander

Race
- Black or African American
- White
- Hispanic or Latino
- Asian
- Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander
- All Other or Multi-Racial
- American Indian or Alaska Native

Shooting Victim Age Range Q1 2025

- 11.67% — 0-17
- 28.33% — 18-24
- 18.33% — 25-29
- 21.67% — 30-39
- 15% — 40-49
- 5% — 50-99

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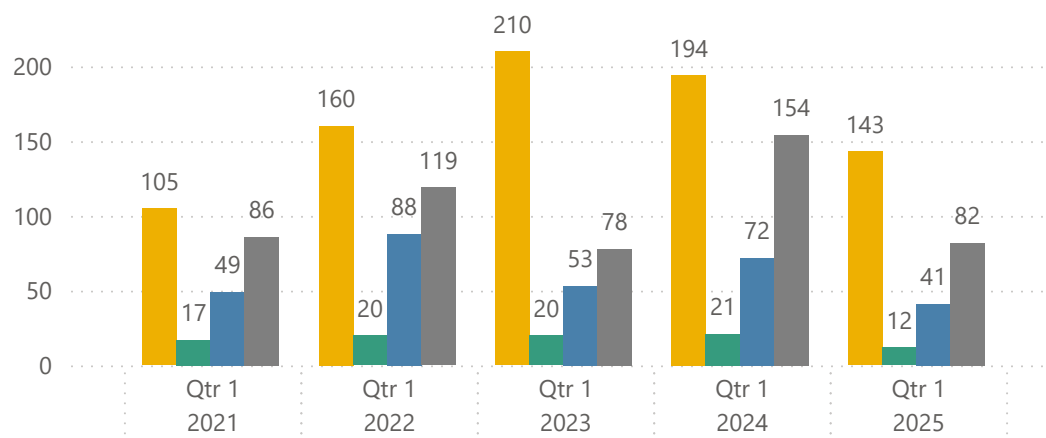- 18-24
- 25-29
- 30-39
- 40-49
- 50-99

*The KCPAO relies on law enforcement reports for the demographic information about victims, including race/ethnicity. Each law enforcement agency has separate policies and systems for collecting demographic data, which can result in varying levels of reporting. KCPAO is aware that this race/ethnicity data may not accurately reflect the demographics of victims of gun violence in our community.

Historical Comparisons for Q1

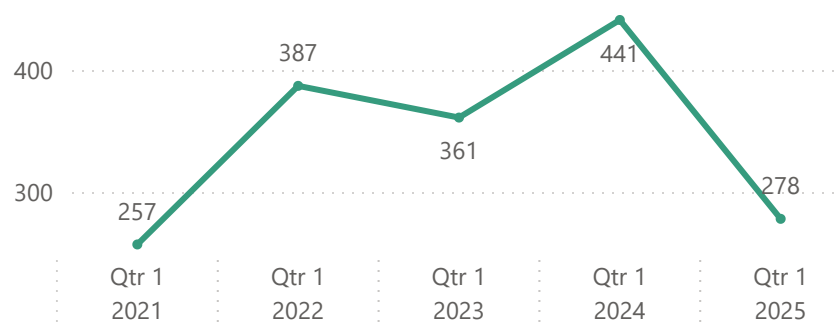## Number and Type of Shots Fired Incidents Q1 2021-2025

OffenseType ● Shots Fired ● Shots Homicide ● Shots Injury ● Shots Property

Q1 of 2025 saw the lowest number of *shots fired* and *shots injury* incidents since Q1 of 2021, with *shots homicide* numbers reaching a low that has not been seen in the last four years.
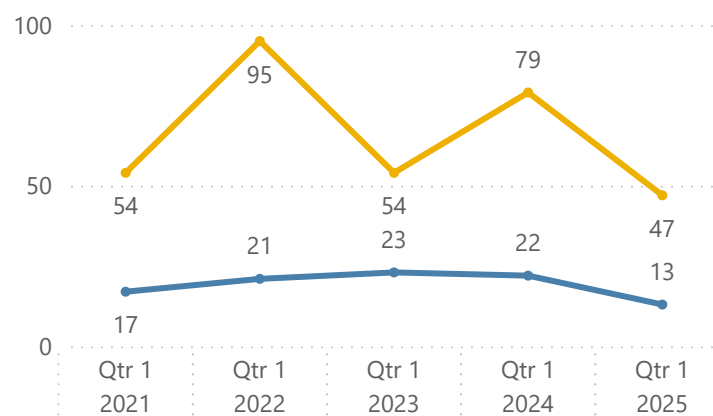
Overall shots fired incidents in Q1 of 2025 (278) decreased significantly from Q1 of 2024 (441) and were the lowest they have been since Q1 of 2021 (257). While this number is promising, the first quarter of the year has traditionally seen the lowest overall shots fired incidents over the last 5 years, with the exception of Q1 of 2024.

Total Number of Shots Fired Incidents Q1 2021-2025

Number of Shooting Victims Q1 2021-2025
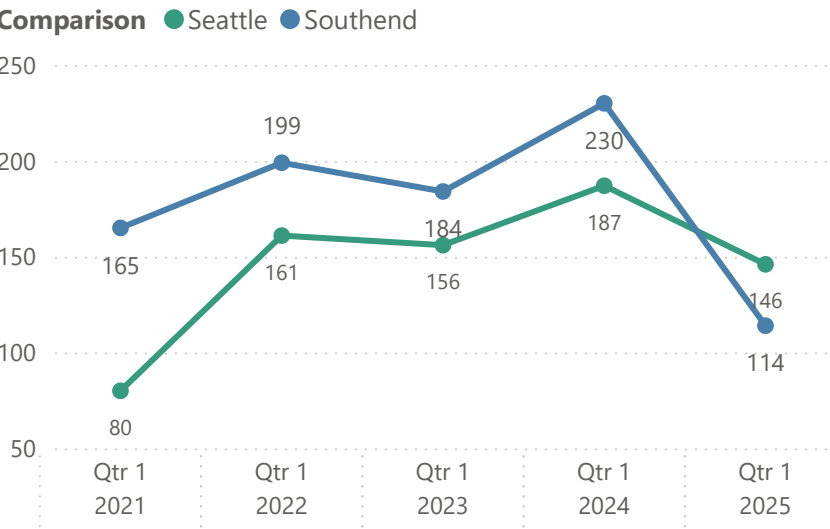
● Shots Homicide ● Shots Injury

Almost mirroring the trend that was seen with the number of shots homicide incidents, the number of *shots homicide victims* in Q1 of 2025 reached a low that has not been seen since Q1 of 2021. While there were peaks in the number of *shots injury victims* in the first quarters over the past few years, the number of *shots injury victims* in Q1 of 2025 reached a low that has not been seen since before Q1 of 2021.
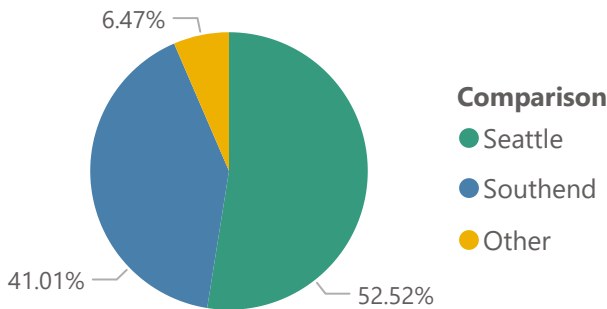
Area Comparisons for Q1

Number of Overall Shots Fired Incidents by Area Q1 2025

Comparison ● Seattle ● Southend

Line chart data:

	Qtr 1 2021	Qtr 1 2022	Qtr 1 2023	Qtr 1 2024	Qtr 1 2025
Southend	165	199	184	230	114
Seattle	80	161	156	187	146

Total Shots Fired Incidents by Area Q1 2025

- 6.47%
- 41.01%
- 52.52%

Comparison
● Seattle
● Southend
● Other

In Q1 of 2025, 53% of overall shots fired incidents took place in the Seattle area and 41% occurred in the south end of King County. While the number of total shots fired incidents in Seattle did not come close to surpassing the number of total shots fired incidents in the south end during previous first quarters, this is the first time in recent years that shots fired incidents in the south end did not surpass the number of shots fired incidents in the Seattle area during Q1. Additionally, this is the first time that the number of total shots fired incidents from the first quarter in the south end has experienced such a dramatic decline.

Thank you to these law enforcement agencies for sharing their shots fired data with us for Q1 2025:

*The data represented in this report is reported to us directly from the listed police agencies and includes data from each participating police agency. We encourage every police agency to submit data to the KCPAO, which is the only agency that keeps a county-wide report with this level of detail, and we strive to provide the most accurate and complete information possible. This information is being regularly reviewed and updated by the KCPAO. This data may be updated.

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