2025 Q3 King County Quarterly Shots Fired Report

Total Reported Shots Fired Incidents and Shooting Victims

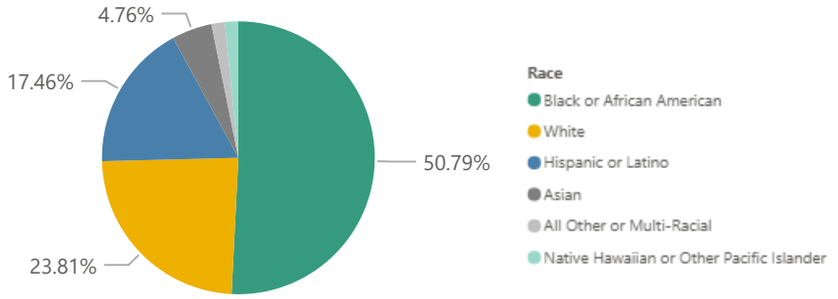
The number of shooting homicide victims, non-fatal shooting victims, and total shots fired in King County for Q3 2025 are listed below. This data was reported to the King County Prosecuting Attorney's Office by the following King County police agencies: Auburn, Bellevue, Des Moines, Federal Way, Kent, Kirkland, King County Sheriff's Office, Renton, Seattle, Tukwila, and Washington State Patrol. This data does not include suicides or officer involved shootings. Individuals shot in confirmed self-defense cases and confirmed self-inflicted shootings are not counted toward the total fatal and non-fatal victim count.

Fatal Shooting Victims	Non-Fatal Shooting Victims	Total Shots Fired Incident
18	45	292

Shooting Victim Demographics

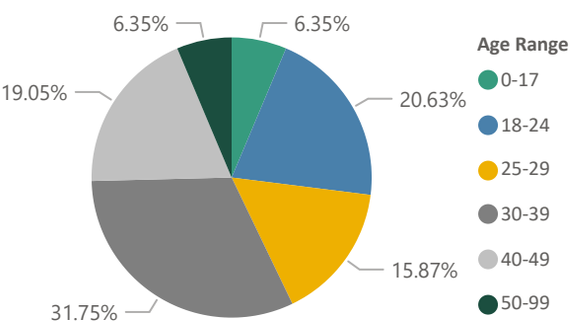
Of the 63 shooting victims in Q3, *approximately half were identified as Black or African American, 86% were identified as male, and a majority of victims were between the ages of 30-39. Compared to Q3 of 2021, there was a* ***65% decrease in the overall number of shooting victims*** *and a 57% decrease from Q3 of 2023 but Black or African American males remained the majority of shooting victims in Q3 of the last five years.*

Shooting Victim Race/Ethnicity Q3 2025



*All other or multi-racial and Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander victims each accounted for 1.59% of the total number of victims.

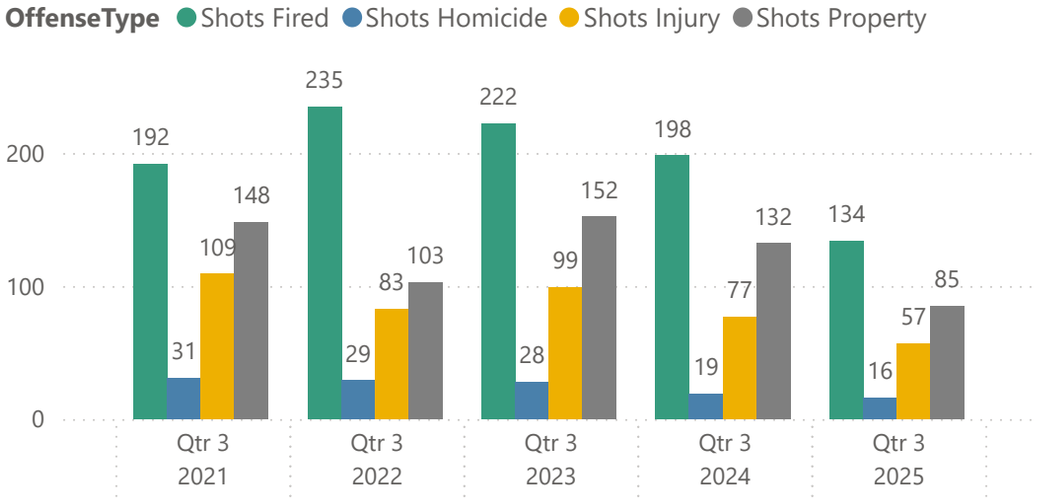
Shooting Victim Age Range Q3 2025



**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 Q3

Number and Type of Shots Fired Incidents Q3 2021-2025



Q3 of 2025 saw the lowest number of *shots fired* incidents since prior to Q3 of 2021, with *shots homicide* and *shots injury* incident numbers reaching a low that has not been seen in Q3 of the last four years. Both *shots homicide* and *shots injury* numbers experienced almost a 50% decrease from Q3 2021 numbers.

Overall shots fired incidents in Q3 of 2025 (292) decreased from Q3 of 2024 (426) by over 130 and were the lowest they have been since Q3 of 2019. There was also a 42% decrease in *overall* shots fired incidents compared to Q3 of 2023 (501).

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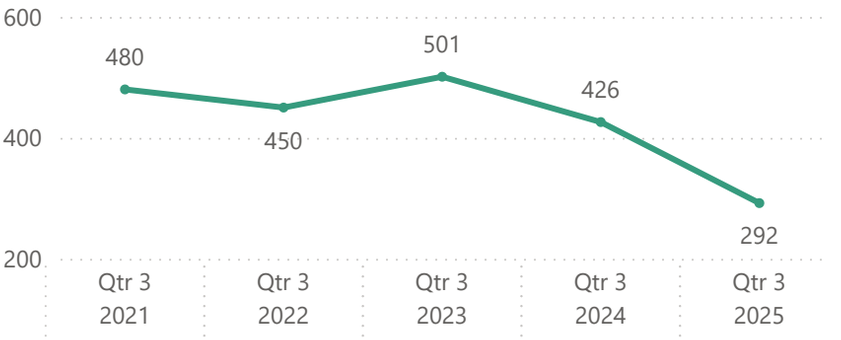
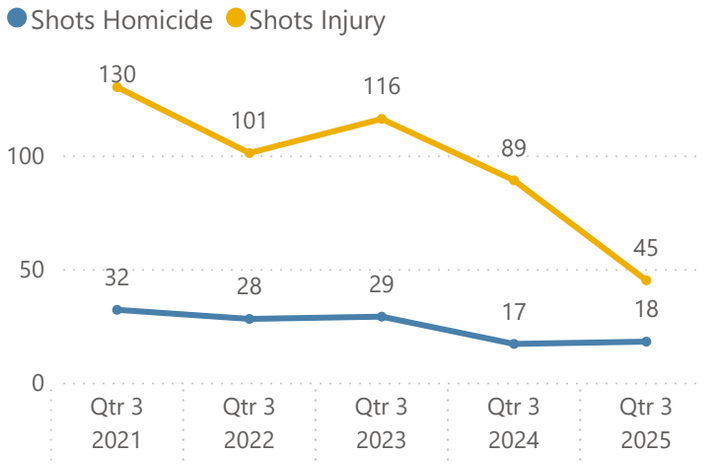


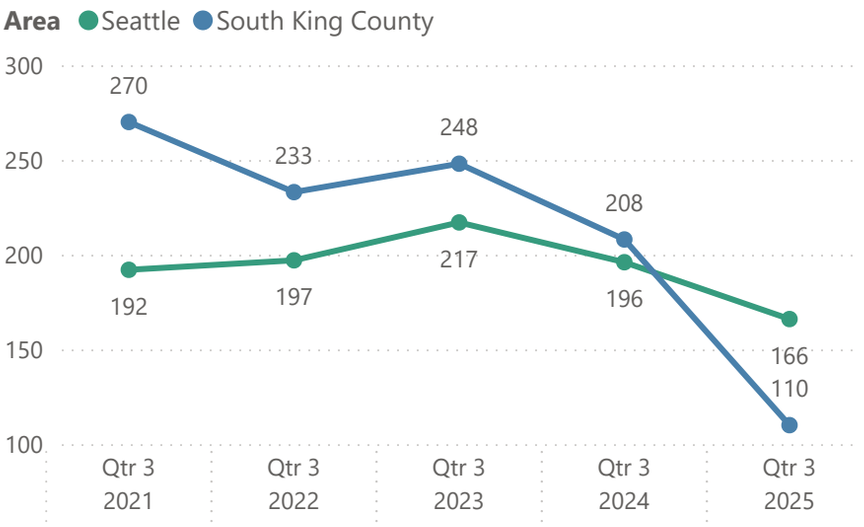
Number of Shooting Victims Q3 2021-2025



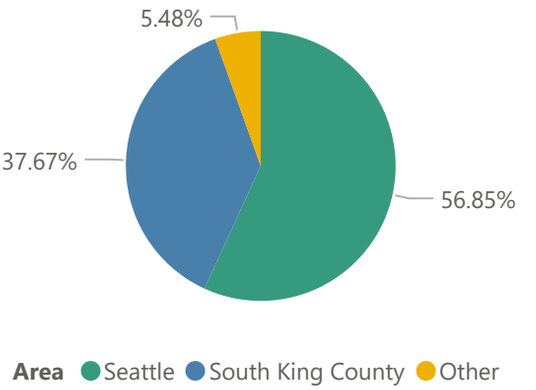
Mirroring the trend that was seen with the number of shots injury incidents, the number of *shots injury victims* in Q3 of 2025 reached a low that has not been seen since prior to Q3 of 2021. The number of *shots injury victims* in Q3 of 2025 experienced a decrease of **65%** and the number of *shots homicide victims* experienced a 44% decrease from Q1 of 2021.

Area Comparisons for Q3

Total Shots Fired in Seattle and South King County Q3 2025



Total Shots Fired Incidents by Area Q3 2025



In Q3 of 2025, 57% of overall shots fired incidents took place in the Seattle area and 38% occurred in south King County. While south King County had consistently surpassed the Seattle area for total shots fired incidents in Q3 of 2021 through Q3 of 2024, Seattle had slightly more incidents than south King County in Q3 of this year. Both areas had the lowest number of total shots fired incidents seen since prior to Q3 of 2021, with south King County experiencing a 59% decrease during a quarter that traditionally sees a large spike in the number of shots fired incidents.

Thank you to these law enforcement agencies for sharing their shots fired data with us for Q3 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.*