Abstract

It seems that, in recent years, the number of violent crimes has been increasing in cities around the United States. This research paper will look at a couple of factors that I believe have some impact on this number. I believe that the percent of people who own a gun and the number of police officers a city employs can lower the number of violent crimes within an area. Both topics are heavily debated and I hope to shed some light on what the facts are. I will be using data regarding the demographics of cities to perform a regression analysis to determine the likelihood that these variables have an effect on violent crime.

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