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Firearms Safety

Consider this:

- Nearly two-thirds of firearm-owning parents with school-age children believe they keep their firearm safely away from their children. However, one study found that when a gun was in the home, 75 percent to 80 percent of first- and second-graders knew where it was kept.
- Few children under age 8 can reliably distinguish between real and toy guns or fully understand the consequences of their actions. Yet children as young as age 3 are strong enough to pull the trigger of many handguns.

These facts point to some significant gaps – gaps that hundreds of children fall through every year. In 2002, nearly 800 children ages 14 and under were treated in hospital emergency rooms for unintentional firearm-related injuries. In 2001, 72 children died from those injuries.

**Nothing outweighs the loss or serious injury of a child.
Storing firearms safely and reducing their accessibility are
essential steps in protecting our children.**

www.usa.safekids.org