“I am a trauma surgeon, and I’ve seen what AR-15s can do… a typical 9mm handgun wound to the liver will produce a pathway of tissue destruction in the order of 1-2 inches. In comparison, an AR-15 round to the liver will literally pulverize it, much like dropping a watermelon onto concrete results in the destruction of the watermelon.”

- Dr. Ernest E. Moore

What is an Assault Weapon?
Assault weapons are semi-automatic rifles with at least one military-style feature making the weapons easier to fire more accurately and rapidly than a typical hunting rifle. [See picture on the back] Seven states have banned the sale of assault weapons, allowing reasonable exemptions for law enforcement, military members, and shooting ranges. Multiple federal courts have upheld these public safety bans as constitutional.

11X Assault Weapons are 11x more likely to be used in a mass shooting than a handgun. When assault weapons or high capacity magazines are used in a mass shooting, more than twice as many people are shot.

7X Compared to any other firearm, an assault weapon is 7x more likely to kill law enforcement. A study analyzing FBI data showed that 20% of the law enforcement officers killed in the line of duty from 1998 to 2001 were killed with assault weapons.

2 PERCENT Less than 2% of all Americans own assault weapons.

3,251 FPS The bullet of a 9mm handgun travels at 1,200 feet per second and delivers a kinetic energy of 400 foot pounds. By comparison, the standard AR-15 .223 caliber bullet travels at 3,251 feet per second and delivers 1300 foot pounds. Tissue destruction of the AR-15 is enhanced by cavitation – the destruction of tissue beyond the direct pathway of the bullet – caused by high velocity bullets with kinetic energies over 2,500 foot pounds.
Anatomy of an Assault Weapon

- Telescoping stock: more compact for better maneuverability
- Detachable High Capacity Magazine: Allows rapid reloading for sustained fire
- Forward Grip: Provides greater control over recoil for rapid fire
- Pistol Grip: Provides greater control during rapid fire
- Combination Flash Suppressor and Muzzle Brake: Reduces muzzle climb and preserves shooter’s eyesight

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