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The following table provides names and contact information for CRS experts on policy and legal issues related to gun control. In the wake of mass shootings and other firearms-related violence, several gun control issues are often raised. They include improving and expanding background checks, further regulating certain semiautomatic firearms (“assault weapons” or “military-style” firearms) that accept detachable ammunition feeding devices (“magazines”), combating illegal gun trafficking, interstate concealed carry of handguns, and enacting or repealing appropriations limitations related to gun control. For a complete list of CRS products on gun control, see the CRS Issues Before Congress webpage “Regulation of Firearms.”

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Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) National Instant Criminal Background Check System (NICS) Procedures and Operations			
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Expanding Background Checks to Include Intrastate Transfers Between Unlicensed Persons			
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Armor Piercing Ammunition and Ballistics Imaging			
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National Firearms Act Issues (Machine Guns, Short-Barreled Rifles and Shotguns, Mufflers/Silencers, and Other Destructive Devices)			
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Concealed Carry and Interstate Reciprocity			
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Firearms-Related State, Local, Tribal, and Territorial Law Enforcement Assistance			
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