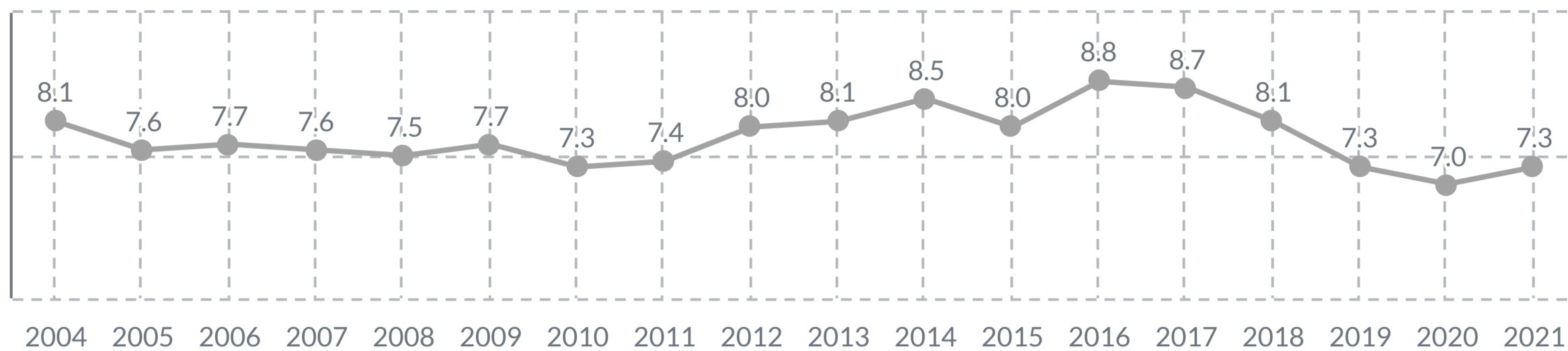


# GLOBAL VIOLENT DEATHS IN 2021\*

## Global Violent Deaths: Rates per 100,000 population, 2004–21

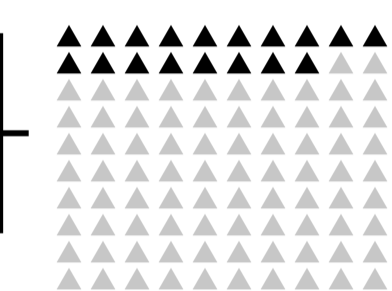
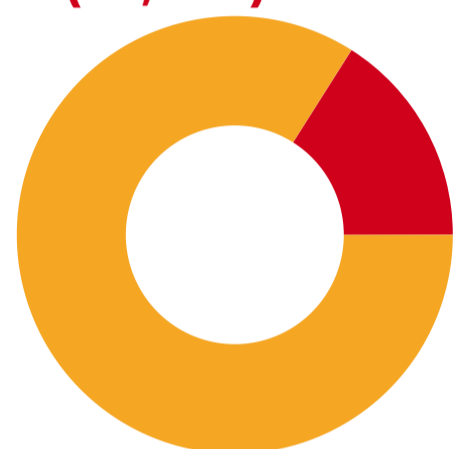


7.3 violent deaths per 100,000 in 2021 is the first increase in violent death rates registered since 2016

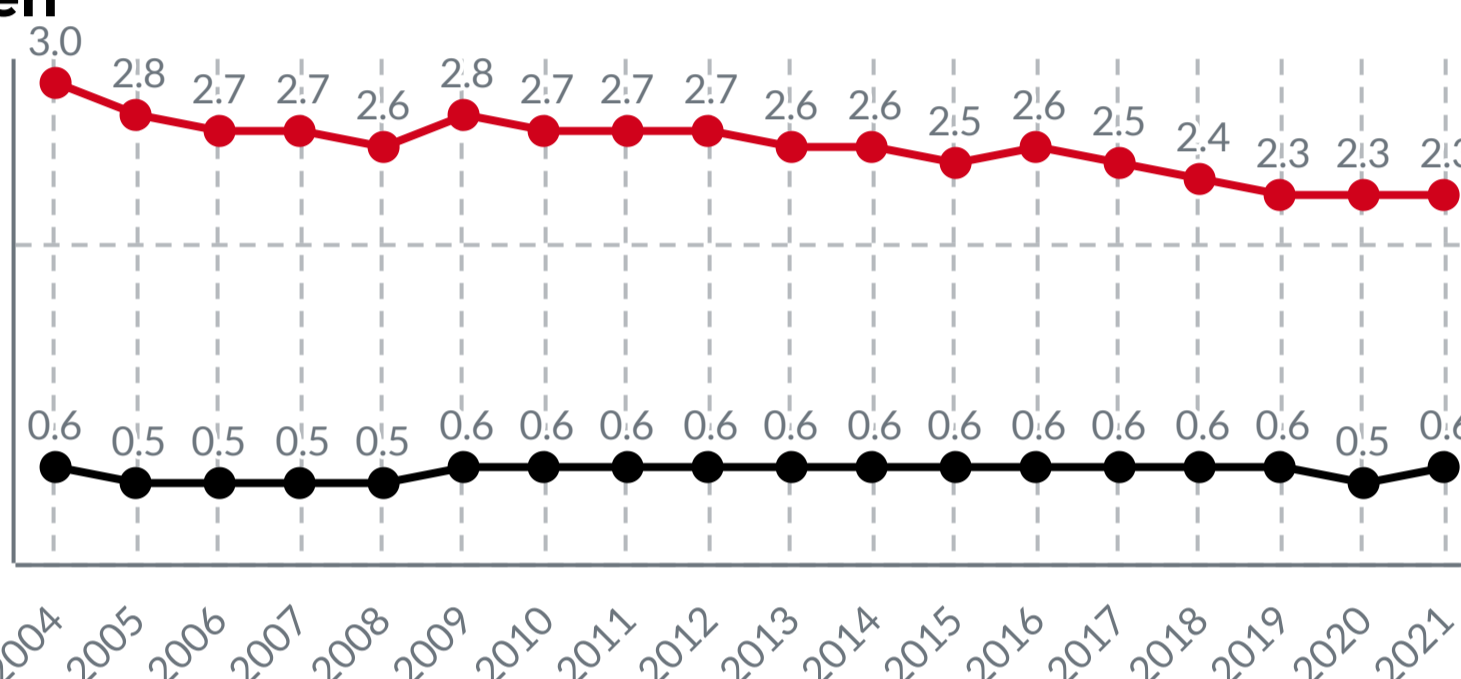
# 580,000 PEOPLE DIED VIOLENTLY IN 2021

## Global Violent Deaths in 2021: Women

84% (488,000) of victims were men; 16% (92,000) were women



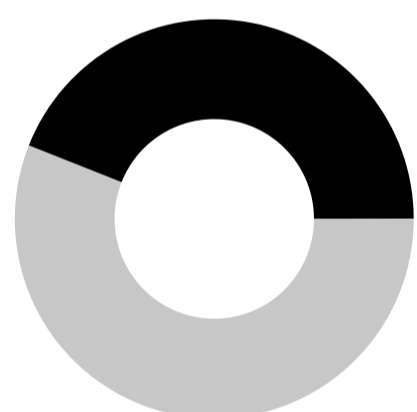
24% of female victims of lethal violence were killed by a firearm



2.3 female violent deaths per 100,000 in 2021 is the first increase in violent death rates for women registered since 2016

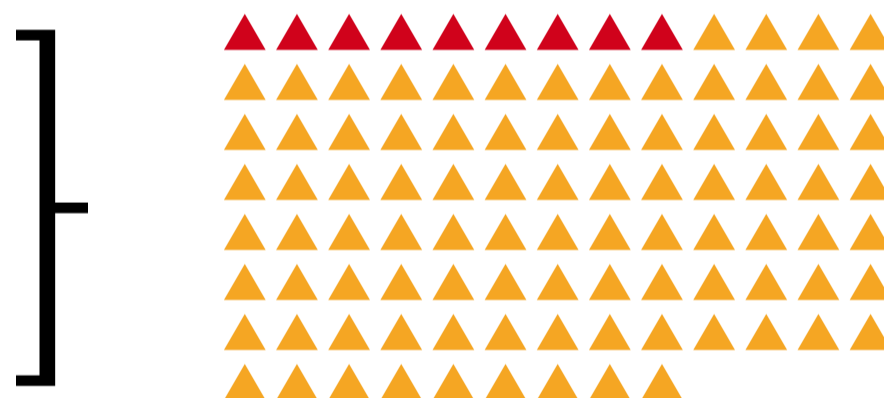
● Global female violent death rate (per 100,000 women)  
● Global rate of women killed by firearm (per 100,000 women)

## Global Violent Deaths in 2021: Firearms



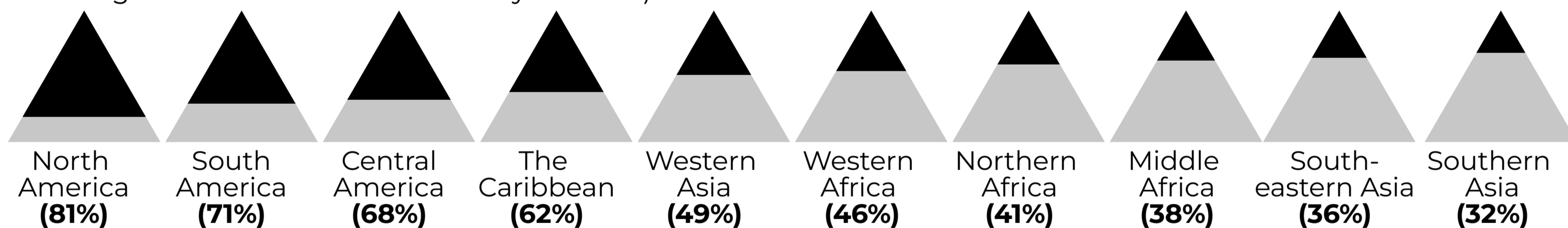
45% (260,000) of violent deaths in 2021 were committed by firearm\*\*

\*\*Not including suicides



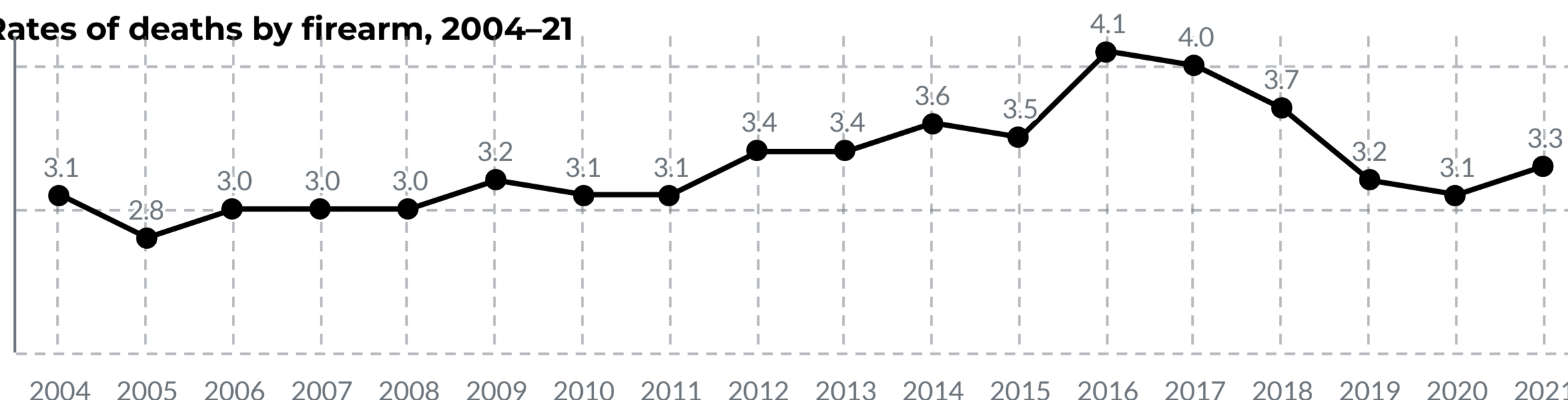
Of these, 91% (236,000) of victims were men; 8% (22,000) were women

## Regions\*\*\* with the highest proportion of firearms-related deaths (Percentage of violent deaths inflicted by firearms)



\*\*\* The database refers to UN Statistics Division (UNSD)-designated subregions.

## Rates of deaths by firearm, 2004–21



The rate of firearm killings in 2021 was 3.3 per 100,000 population which is the first increase registered since 2016

\* Updated in December 2023