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## History of guns in Brazil

I know most of people here are Americans, and is very easy to buy a gun in USA, but sometimes when someone speak about disarmament maybe you don't understand that is not that simple, is not like: today i can buy a gun and tomorrow no, the society changes completely, and i will take example of my country: Brazil.

In the 80's Brazil and USA had similar murder rates (10 murders by 100k people), and was very easy to buy guns in both countries at this epoch, but from this epoch USA start relaxing carry gun laws, and Brazil did the opposite, started to strict gun ownership and carry. While murder rates was dropping in USA, the firsts stricter gun laws was approved here in 1997 by a social- democrat government, the result of this was increase of murder, rape and rob rates.

The workers party (socialists) won the power in 2002, with help of one of biggest scandal of vote buying (Mensalão) in 2003 they passed a very strict gun law called statute of disarmament (one of requirements is be 25 old or more) the result was a brief decrease of murder rate, and later a large increase of this rate. After this epoch some courts, delegates, and politicians here began to consider the self defense almost a crime, today you can go to jail if you shoot a rapist in head. The only people here that are armed to the teeth is the politicians security guards and the drug dealers.

22 years later that laws was approved, my country have the highest murder number in the world (62,517 in 2016), in the last decade half a million Brazilian was murdered (most than 3 times what happened in Las Vegas, every day). While this in USA, where in some states you need no permit to carry guns, that rate drops year after year.

The disarmament is a instrument of control, and almost a genocide against the population itself, no honest man advocates for that. "They who can give up essential liberty to obtain a little temporary safety deserve neither liberty nor safety." -Benjamin Franklin