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1.	Yes	01/29/2011	10:02AM	St. Croix	2 3 ½ 12ga buckshot in upper chest in left lung and right shoulder	No	SP	Shooter and victim were hunting coyotes when shooter shot at coyote using an over/under .223 rifle on top and 12ga shotgun below. Rifle round was fired, within seconds after the first shot shooter shoots one round of 3.5in 12ga buckshot which penetrated victim approx. 75 yards away.	27 Yr. M Yes	23 Yr. M Yes	Shotgun 12ga Pump Action
2.	Yes	03/06/2011	07:45AM	Kenosha	#7 pellet to face, below right eye	No	SP	Shooter and victim pheasant hunting on game farm. Shooter shot at pheasant between him and victim 25 yards away.	10 Yr. M No	18 Yr. M Yes	Shotgun 20ga Pump Action
3.	Yes	04/16/2011	06:15PM	Shawano	.22 bullet into left foot	No	SI	Shooter attempted to cock rifle before shooting at blackbird. Gun discharged into left foot.	11 Yr. M No	Same	.22 Bolt Action Rifle
4.	Yes	04/17/2011	10:30AM	Washington	#6 shot to right side of body	No	N/A	Shooter was hunting turkey when he discharged the firearm at what he stated was a tom turkey in full strut approx. 41 yards away. 5 yr old Non hunting Victim stood up to leave when the shooter discharged his firearm.	27 Yr. M Yes	5 Yr. M No – non hunter	Shotgun 12ga Pump Action
5.	Yes	04/17/2011	11:42AM	St. Croix	Bullet through back of head	YES	SI	Victim/Shooter appeared to be crossing a barbed wire fence with safety in the off position and loaded firearm.	55 Yr. M Yes	Same	7.62x39 Semi Automatic Action Rifle

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6.	Yes	05/04/2011	09:30AM	Sauk	#6 shot to right side of head, neck, hand and knee	No	SP	Shooter and victim were hunting turkey on private property. Victim was located south of the shooter by approx 48 yards. Shooter thought victim was 100 yards to his east. Victim observed shooter stand up and victim stood up as well. Shooter observed movement behind him, saw the orange colored throat patch of the victims reversible camo/blaze orange coveralls and shot one time at what he believed to be a turkey that just hopped up on a branch.	54 Yr. M Yes	50 Yr. M Yes	Shotgun 12 gauge Semi-Auto Action
7.	Yes	05/19/2011	09:15AM	Grant	2 grazing pellet wounds to the scalp front to back with one pellet remaining embedded in the scalp	No	SP	Shooter was hunting turkey with a guide/victim. Guide/victim got up after sitting for 30-45 min and walked out further into the field to see if he could locate any turkeys with his field glasses. Guide/victim started to head back towards the shooter approx. 25 yards away when shooter fire one shot thinking the victim was a turkey.	79 Yr. M Yes	27 Yr. M Yes	Shotgun 12 gauge Semi-Auto Action

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8.	Yes	09/06/2011	05:45PM	Manitowoc	Left thumb shot off below knuckle in middle of thumb, two pellet wounds to left side of head in hair, one pellet wound in right forearm, and one pellet wound in right chest	No	SP	Victim and shooter were in layout blinds within three feet of each other hunting Canada goose. Victim and shooter agreed that shooter would take first shot by shooting over victim who was in between shooter and goose. Shooter shot once. Victim sat up and shooter shot at goose a second time, striking victims gun in the area of the receiver on the shotgun.	18 Yr. M Yes	17 Yr. M Yes	Shotgun 12 gauge Pump Action
9.	Yes	09/17/2011	07:44AM	Winnebago	.22 round to mouth area, traveled to right ear, no exit.	No	N/A	Shooter attempting to bag squirrel on public hunting grounds and struck bow hunter in tree approx. 90 yards away.	59 Yr. M No	27 Yr. M Yes	.22 Semi-Auto Rifle
10.	YES	10/04/2011	07:00AM	Columbia	Pellet struck right eye	No	SP	Shooter and victim sitting on opposite sides of pond. Duck landed and shooter fired striking victim.	53 Yr. M Yes	42 Yr. M Yes	Shotgun 12 gauge Semi-Auto Action
11.	Yes	10/08/2011	01:00PM	Chippewa	One pellet struck right wrist.	No	SP	Shooter and victim in separate canoes while waterfowl hunting. Shooter loading gun and it went off passing through his canoe and striking victim.	25 Yr. M Yes	26 Yr. M Yes	Shotgun 12ga Pump Action
12.	YES	10/12/2011	10:06AM	Racine	.410 shotgun round into top of right foot	No	SI	Shooter loaded firearm in garage and walked out attempting to bag a squirrel. Gun discharged a load of #6 shot into foot.	55 Yr. F No	Same	.410 Pump Shotgun

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13.	Yes	10/15/2011	08:00AM	Rusk	Pellet graze to outside of big toe on left foot.	No	SI	Gun discharged while hunter was in layout blind attempting to shoot at geese. Not known if finger was on trigger or got caught on cornstalk.	33 Yr. F Yes	Same	Shotgun 12 gauge Semi-Auto Action
14.	YES	11/03/2011	08:30AM	Buffalo	.22 bullet through left calf muscle above ankle exiting 5" above ankle.	No	SI	Victim unloaded magazine of lever action rifle and apparently forgot to remove round inside chamber. Gun discharged while walking back to his vehicle.	22 Yr. M Yes	Same	.22 Lever Action Rifle
15.	YES	11/11/2011	03:00PM	Waukesha	2 shotgun pellets into right nostril, 1 into throat	No	N/A	Victim shot at pheasant between him and shooter on trail in PHG spraying shooter with pellets. Before victim could fire again shooter fired into ground to get victims attention with pellets ricocheting and striking victim.	65 Yr. M No	75 Yr. M No	Shotgun 12ga Pump Action
16.	Yes	11/17/2011	2-3:45PM	Waushara	Wound to front right side of neck	YES	SI	Victim/shooter was turkey hunting in red pine plantation. Found lying on his back with wound to his neck.	71 Yr. M No	Same	Shotgun 12ga Pump Action
17.	YES	11/19/2011	9:30AM	Iowa	Graze wound to inside right foot near heel	No	SI	Victim had just looked through scope on rifle, set gun on ground between legs when it discharged.	17 Yr. M Yes	Same	.223 Semi- Auto Action Rifle
18.	YES	11/20/2011	07:43AM	Clark	Wound to upper right leg	No	SP	Victim was a non-hunting member of party. Shooter attempting to find doe that was hit earlier. Jumped	19 Yr. M Yes	17 Yr. F No – non hunter	30-30 Lever Action Rifle

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								injured doe at close range and struck victim who was approx. 60 yards away.			
19.	YES	11/21/2011	11:56AM	Waukesha	Upper left chest w/ slug penetrating the skin	No	SP	The victim and shooter were each flankers on a deer drive through a creek bottom. One flanker shot at a deer and the slug ricocheted and hit the victim who was on the other side of the creek.	63 Yr. M No	61 Yr. M No	Shotgun 12ga Pump Action
20.	YES	11/23/2011	10:45AM	Shawano	Slug wound to right foot	No	SP	Victim and shooter were both standers in deer drive. Shooter not exactly aware of victim's location in dense brush when he fired. Slug hit a tree and a branch before striking victim.	23 Yr. M Yes	65 Yr. M No	Shotgun 12 gauge Semi-Auto Action
21.	YES	11/24/2011	7:20AM	Iowa	Soft tissue wound to right armpit	No	SI	Victim attempting to let hammer down on lever action rifle with stock resting on ground. Muzzle pointed toward victim. Gun was borrowed and he was not familiar with its use.	16 Yr. M Yes	Same	30-30 Lever Action Rifle
22.	YES	11/25/2011	10:45AM	Kenosha	Shotgun pellet wounds to left side of face, neck, right hand, left forearm and top of head.	No	SP	Victim and shooter hunting pheasants when pheasant flushed between them. Shooter fired three times at bird. Victim 50 yds away	42 Yr. M No	68 Yr. M No	Shotgun 12ga Pump Action
23.	No	11/27/2011	Unknown	Monroe	Slug wound that entered and exited the left elbow	No	SI	Victim had shotgun slung over his shoulder with the hammer cocked. Rubber sling broke and gun	26 Yr. M Yes	Same	Shotgun 12 gauge Break/Hinge Action

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								discharged into elbow. Victim drove himself home.			
24.	YES	11/27/2011	11:00AM	Polk	Bullet fragments in hand and chest	No	N/A	Shooter fired once from the hip at a deer running away from him. Heard victim yelling in swamp and went over to him when victim observed finger bleeding. Later found out he had a bullet fragment in his chest.	50 Yr. M No	31 Yr. M Yes	.270 Bolt Action Rifle
25.	YES	12/10/2011	6:30AM	Adams	Bullet wound through left foot	No	SI	Victim/shooter loading rifle and while lowering the hammer, gun discharged into his foot. Victim did not have control of the muzzle	14 yr. M Yes	Same	30-30 Lever Action Rifle
26.	YES	12/30/2011	8:15AM	Grant	Bullet wound through left ankle bone with exit on bottom of left foot	No	SP	Victim walking ahead of shooter a couple of steps. Safety was off and gun discharged into victim's foot. On a late deer season hunt on family property.	12 yr. M Yes	42 yr. M Yes	.243 Bolt Action Rifle