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1.	Yes	01/26/2013	3:45PM	La Crosse	Bullet entered the outside of left thigh above knee and exited near inside of left knee	No	SP	The shooter and victim was hunting squirrel. Shooter mistook the victim, who was moving his legs through cover for squirrel.	71 yr. M Yes	62 yr. M No	.22 Caliber Bolt Action Rifle
2.	Yes	02/22/2013	10:15AM	Dodge	Fine shot struck nose and nostril lodging into jaw	No	SP	The shooter and victim were hunting rabbit. Victim and third hunter were pushing brushy area when rabbit ran towards the shooter. Shooter shot at rabbit hitting victim.	76 yr. M No	47 yr. M Yes	20 Gauge Semi-Automatic Shotgun
3.	Yes	03/17/2013	4:00PM	Vernon	Four #5 shot in right arm, right leg and left leg	No	SP	The shooter and victim were hunting pheasant. Shooter shot at flushed bird and the bird shot ricochet from a branch on a tree and came back and hit the victim.	66 yr. M No	37 yr. M Yes	12 Gauge Break/Hinge Shotgun
4.	Yes	04/01/2013	05:30PM	Grant	.22 caliber entrance and exit wounds in the skin and muscle above left knee	No	SI	The shooter was hunting blackbirds and sparrows with a friend. The shooter had safety off and was crossing a steep ravine when shooter slipped and gun discharged striking him in the knee.	16 yr. M Yes	Same	.22 Caliber Semi-Automatic Rifle
5.	Yes	04/30/2013	07:24AM	St. Croix	#5 shot to upper left	No	N/A	The shooter was	27 yr. M	54 yr. M	12 Gauge

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					torso, left shoulder, left neck and face			hunting turkey. The shooter made a series of turkey calls and approximately 5 to 10 minutes later the shooter heard some noise, observed some movement and observed blue color and believed it to be a turkey. Shooter shot once hitting the victim at 29 yards.	Yes	Yes	Semi-Automatic Shotgun
6.	Yes	05/10/2013	07:00PM	Trempealeau	Shot in left shin and left hand. One pellet in each location	No	SP	The shooter was hunting nuisance squirrels. The victim and third hunter were attempting to drive squirrels out of heavy brush cover. The shooter lost sight of victim, observed squirrel running and shot once hitting the victim at approximately 20-25 yards.	18 yr. M No	17 yr. M Yes	20 Gauge Pump Shotgun
7.	Yes	05/19/2013	05:59AM	Manitowoc	Seven pellet wounds to face and neck	No	SP	The shooter was hunting turkey. The shooter was unaware of the victims exact location. Victim had a red shirt exposed through top	22 yr. M Yes	47 yr. M Yes	12 Gauge Pump Shotgun

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								unzipped portion of camouflage jacket. Shooter mistook red for turkey and fired once with 3 1/2 #5 shot shell from approximately 76 yards hitting victim with seven bbs.			
8.	Yes	9/14/2013	12:45PM	Columbia	Single gunshot wound to the left hand	No	SP	The shooter was hunting squirrels. The shooter and the shooters son were facing west. The victim was located approximately 15yds to the east of the shooter. Victim was rubbing quarters together to simulate a squirrel eating. Shooter's son saw the movement and notified the shooter who stood up and shoot towards the movement thinking it was a squirrel, hitting victim in hand.	41 yr. M Yes	32 yr. M Yes	.22 Caliber Bolt Action Rifle
9.	Yes	9/15/2013	2:30PM	Marathon	Single gunshot wound to the right side of abdomen	No	N/A	The victim and his brother were hunting squirrels on private property enrolled in FCL. The shooter was also hunting squirrels on the	52 yr. M No	20 yr. M Yes	.22 Caliber Lever Action Rifle

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								property, but was not part of the same hunting group. The victim and his brother harvested a squirrel and placed the squirrel in their hunting bag. The shooter thought he saw a squirrel where the victim and his brother were standing. Shooter fired one round striking the victim in the abdomen.			
10.	Yes	9/22/2013	9:00AM	Marathon	Single gunshot wound to the head	Yes	SP	Shooter was hunting squirrel. Shooter observed a squirrel running in the woods. Shooter shot one time with a .17 caliber rifle. When shooter went to retrieve the squirrel he believed he shot, he found his friend face down with an apparent bullet wound in the head.	33 yr. M Yes	29 yr. M Yes	.17 Caliber Bolt Action Rifle
11.	Yes	9/29/2013	7:00AM	Dodge	12 fine shot #2 steel shot struck right cheek, forehead, chest, hand, forearm, right thumb and upper leg	No	SP	Shooter was hunting ducks. Duck started landing in the decoys in heavy fog. Shooter shot once striking victim approx. 30-40yds	17 yr. M Yes	15 yr. M Yes	12 Gauge Semi-Automatic Shotgun

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12.	Yes	9/29/2013	7:15AM	Juneau	9 pellets struck the victim 2 in the face	No	SP	Shooter was hunting ducks. Shooter shot at crippled duck on river striking victim.	45 yr. M Yes	16 yr. M Yes	12 Gauge Semi-Automatic Shotgun
13.	Yes	10/12/2013	3:15PM	Iowa	Gunshot wound to left big toe	No	SI	Shooter was hunting squirrels and switched the safety off. Shooter was stalking squirrel when shooter tripped and stumbled on some brush causing firearm to discharge.	27 yr. M Yes	SAME	.22 Caliber Semi-Automatic Rifle
14.	Yes	10/19/2013	12:08PM	Washington	#2 shot through top of left thigh and left elbow	No	SI	The shooter was hunting pheasant. Shooter has a class A disabled permit to hunt from vehicle and also had a dog in the vehicle. Shooter spotted pheasant and started to adjust the firearm into a shooting position. The Dog got excited and shooter was trying to settle the dog down while attempting to get the gun to a shooting position when the gun discharged	61 yr. F No	SAME	20 Gauge Pump Shotgun
15.	Yes	10/19/2013	12:35PM	Washington	One pellet struck and entered right cheek and lodged next to	No	N/A	The shooter was hunting pheasant. Shooter's dog	75 yr. M No	48 yr. M Yes	12 Gauge Semi-Automatic

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					cheek bone.			flushed a rooster pheasant. Shooter shot twice striking the pheasant and then striking the victim on second shot.			Shotgun
16.	Yes	10/19/2013	10:25PM	Price	Right hand posterior to right index finger gunshot wound and powder burn at entry site.	No	SI	The shooter was attempting to shoot a raccoon in tree. Shooter climbed the tree and tried shooting at raccoon, adjusted his shot and ended up shooting himself in the hand.	22 yr. M Yes	Same	.22 Caliber Semi-Automatic Action Handgun
17.	Yes	11/02/2013	11:00PM	Dodge	.22 bullet to top of right foot	No	SP	Shooter attempted to point blank shoot the raccoon as it wrapped around the victims leg/foot.	23 yr. F Yes	23 yr. M Yes	.22 Caliber Semi-Automatic Action Rifle
18.	Yes	11/02/2013	3:30PM	Oconto	Pellets in the face and neck area, along with bruising on the victims right arm	No	SP	Shooter and victim were hunting grouse. Victim was out of sight of shooter when shooter shot at grouse hitting victim with pellets.	39 yr. M Yes	57 yr. M Yes	12 Gauge Semi-Automatic Action Shotgun
19.	Yes	11/23/2013	6:30AM	Grant	Entry wound to left hand palm, ¾ below junction of ring finger and palm, exiting on back side of the hand 1" from junction of little finger and palm	No	SI	Shooter was handling his concealed carry pistol, removed the magazine and then inserted the magazine when	32 yr. M Yes	Same	.45 Caliber Semi-Automatic Action Handgun

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20.	Yes	11/23/2013	7:10AM	Green Lake	Bullet to base of right thumb, broken bone, much of thumb removed, possible complete loss of thumb	No	SI	firearm discharged. Victim/Shooter picked up the rifle towards the muzzle end when it slipped from his hand, the butt stock struck the ground and the firearm discharged.	53 yr. M Yes	Same	30-30 Caliber Lever Action Rifle
21.	Yes	11/23/2013	9:46AM	Kewaunee	Gunshot wound entering inside lower left leg (shin) exiting outside left ankle (downward angle).	No	SI	Victim/shooter was tying off his rifle to the haul line when the rifle discharged.	41 yr. M Yes	Same	.270 Caliber Bolt Action Rifle
22.	Yes	11/23/2013	1:04PM	Monroe	Bruise with broken skin	No	N/A	Bullet from unknown shooter traveled through residence before striking victim inside the home.	Unknown	88 yr. M Non-Hunter	Unknown
23.	Yes	11/24/2013	10:07AM	Sheboygan	Slug passed through victims leg above the knee	No	SP	Shooter was not able to see victim. Slug possibly skipped off frozen ground hitting victim	53 yr. M No	53 yr. M Yes	20 Gauge Pump Action Shotgun
24.	Yes	11/24/2013	03:00PM	Oconto	Gunshot entrance and exit wounds to left thigh	No	SI	Victim/Shooter had gotten down from his deer stand and was attempting to remove his firearm from the bungee cord when firearm discharged.	68 yr. M Yes	Same	20 Gauge Semi-Automatic Action Shotgun
25.	Yes	11/27/2013	7:55AM	Pierce	Victim was struck by a bullet in the upper left pelvic area and the bullet exited the right lower butt cheek	No	SP	Shooter and victim were part of a 7 man deer drive. Shooter shot at running deer that was between	68 yr. M No	45 yr. M Yes	30-06 Caliber Pump Action Rifle

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26.	Yes	11/28/2013	10:30AM	Dunn	Victim struck by bullet in abdomen	No	SP	Shooter and victim were part of 20 man deer drive . Shooter shot at running buck that was between the shooter and victim.	53yr M Yes	52yr M Yes	30-30 Caliber Lever Action Rifle
27.	Yes	12/07/2013	2:30PM	Rusk	Gunshot wound through upper right arm/bicep	No	SI	Shooter/victim placed un-cocked loaded handgun on ATV seat and reached for object on front of ATV rack. Firearm fell from its location causing firearm to fire one round	61yr M No	Same	.44 Magnum Handgun Revolver