



## Are mass shootings 'normal' for US?



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### Talking Points

1. How do these cartoonists use much different images to make similar comments about mass shootings in the United States?
2. Should Americans just get used to living – or dying – with frequent mass shootings? Why or why not?
3. Since 20 first graders were murdered in Sandy Hook Elementary School in 2012, 13 states toughened gun laws while 14 made it much easier to carry guns. What has your state done?
4. Why won't Congress vote for stricter background checks for people trying to buy guns?

### Between the lines

"People are already on edge, and rightly. I don't see why the frequency of mass shootings in America before the pandemic will look any different once it passes."

- Yale sociologist Grace Kao.

<https://www.latimes.com/world-nation/story/2021-03-23/la-na-colorado-shooting-covid-mood>

### Additional resources

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<https://www.cagle.com/author/dave-granlund/>

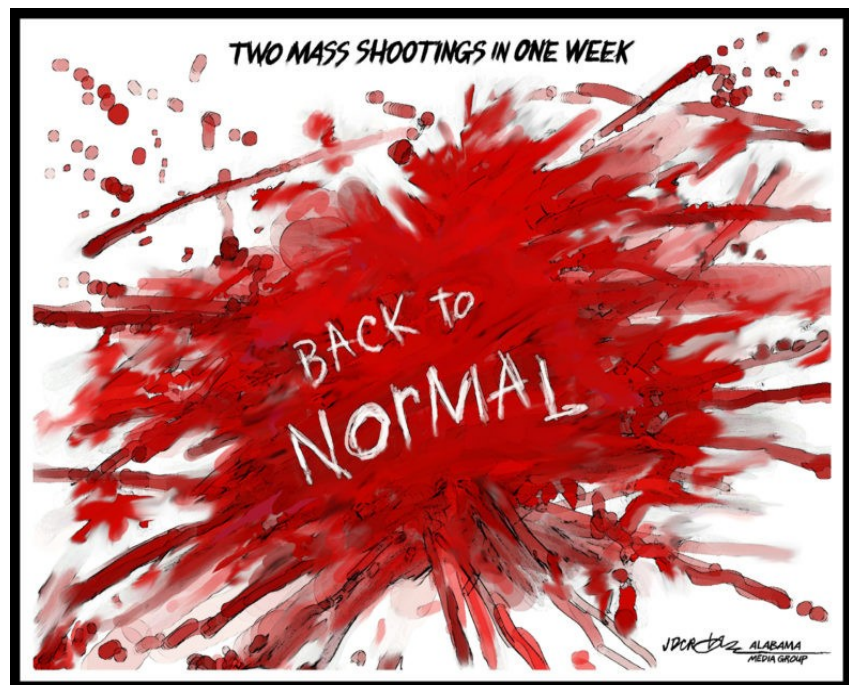
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