

Department of Economics presents **Economics Workshop**

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“Trauma at School: The Impacts of Shootings on Students’ Human Capital and Economic Outcomes”

We examine how shootings at schools---an increasingly common form of gun violence in the United States---impact the educational and economic trajectories of students. Using linked schooling and labor market data in Texas from 1992--2018, we compare within-student and across-cohort changes in outcomes following a shooting to those experienced by students at matched control schools. We find that school shootings increase absenteeism and grade repetition; reduce high school graduation, college enrollment, and college completion; and reduce employment and earnings at ages 24--26. These effects span student characteristics, suggesting that the economic costs of school shootings are universal.

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