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1.	Yes	02/15/2014	9:15AM	Jefferson	#6 lead fine shot to left and right leg, 1 bb hit left collar bone	No	SI	The shooter was hunting rabbit. Shooter shot a running rabbit next to gravity box causing fine shot to ricochet.	26 yr. F Yes	Same as Shooter	12 Gauge Pump Shotgun
2.	Yes	05/01/2014	7:00AM	Dane	Pellet wounds to right arm, shoulder and face	No	Neither	The shooter was hunting turkey. Shooter failed to identify target and shot at movement 50 yards away hitting victim.	50 yr. M Yes	46 yr. M Yes	12 Gauge Semi-Automatic Shotgun
3.	Yes	08/07/2014	2:30PM	Winnebago	Pellet wounds to front of legs, right arm, torso, neck and nose	No	SP	The shooter was hunting nuisance chipmunk. Shooter shot towards the ground hitting concrete cinder blocks causing ricochet and fine shot to go towards victim. Victim was hit by pellets and concrete shrapnel approximately 15 feet apart from shooter.	46 yr. M Yes	44 yr. F No	.410 Gauge Break\Hinge Shotgun
4.	Yes	09/21/2014	8:30AM	Douglas	Pellet wounds to arm and legs	No	SP	The shooter was hunting grouse and woodcock. Shooter and victim flushed woodcock while walking back to vehicle. Shooter and victim lost site of one	29 yr. M Yes	28 yr. M Yes	20 Gauge Semi-Automatic Shotgun

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								another in thick brush. Woodcock flushed, shooter shot three times hitting victim from first shot approximately 30 yards apart.			
5.	Yes	09/21/2014	5:20PM	Marathon	.22 caliber bullet entered upper left chest puncturing lung	No	SP	The shooter was hunting turkey. The shooter was in excess of 50 feet away from another hunter. Shooter was lying down along fence line facing east and thought he saw a turkey walking towards him. Shooter shot one time striking victim in upper left chest approximately 113 yards away.	11 yr. M No	42 yr. M No	.22 Caliber Semi-Automatic Rifle
6.	Yes	09/27/2014	11:49AM	Sawyer	One shotgun pellet just below eye	No	Neither	The shooter was hunting waterfowl on public land. The shooter was dropped off near shore were a small lagoon was protected and surrounded by trees. Two wood ducks flushed and shooter shot twice hitting victim who was standing in	28 yr. M Yes	57 yr. M No	12 Gauge Pump Shotgun

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								maintained yard of a friend's private residence. The victim and shooter were approximately 315 feet apart.			
7.	Yes	10/05/2014	8:40AM	Brown	Top of left big toe shot off	No	SI	The shooter was hunting geese. The shooter was lying inside of his ground blind with one round chambered in his shotgun. The shooter was adjusting his position in his blind when the firearm discharged, causing him to shoot himself in the left foot.	23 yr. M Yes	Same as Shooter	12 Gauge Pump Shotgun
8.	Yes	10/11/2014	Unknown	Waupaca	Bullet penetrated left foot and traveled into big toe. Lacerated the top of the foot with damage to other toes.	No	SP	The shooter was hunting deer. The shooter was standing along a corn field while other hunters were driving deer towards shooter. Victim yelled "deer" and the deer ran between the shooter and the victim, shooter took one shot hitting the victim on the inside of the left foot.	13 yr. M Yes	17 yr. M No	20 Gauge Break/Hinge Shotgun
9.	Yes	10/14/2014	1:30PM	Ashland	Close range discharge striking the	No	SI	The shooter was a passenger in a	76 yr. M No	Same as Shooter	20 Gauge Break/Hinge

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					top of right foot			vehicle while road hunting for grouse on a gravel fire lane. Shooter observed grouse and started to load his firearm while still in the vehicle as driver reversed vehicle the shooters firearm discharged into the top of his right foot.			Shotgun
10.	Yes	10/14/2014	4:30PM	Ashland	Pellet wounds penetrated the skin on back of legs	No	SP	The shooter was hunting grouse. The shooter was walking up hill when he saw a grouse on the ground. The shooter quickly raised his gun and shot the grouse on the ground hitting victim approximately 30-40 feet away. Shooter lost track and sight of other hunters.	19 yr. M Yes	34 yr. M Yes	12 Gauge Break/Hinge Shotgun
11.	Yes	10/18/2014	1:00PM	Juneau	Pellet wounds to the lower right leg	No	Neither	The shooter was hunting pheasant. The shooter was walking one row inside a corn field along a drainage ditch. Shooter and hunting party were un-aware that another group of hunters had	22 yr. M Yes	11 yr. M Yes	12 Gauge Semi-Automatic Shotgun

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								permission to hunt the same private property. The victims were walking east bound in the field wearing dark clothing and no blaze orange. The shooter shot at a pheasant on the ground and missed. The shooter saw the same pheasant shortly after and shot two more times at the running pheasant hitting two victims that were approximately 25 yards in front of the shooter. Only one of the victims was treated.			
12.	Yes	11/1/2014	Unknown	Trempealeau	Single gunshot wound to the head, above the right eye	No	Neither	Shooter was hunting squirrels on same private property that victim was crossbow hunting. Neither party knew the other was there. The shooter shot at what he believed was a squirrel climbing up the base of a tree, then saw the victim fall. The shooter and victim were	55 yr. M Yes	55 yr. M Yes	.22 Caliber Semi-Automatic Rifle

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								approximately 183 feet apart.			
13.	Yes	11/26/2014	11:15AM	Portage	One round striking the victim in right foot	No	Neither	Shooter was hunting deer. Shooter was approximately 467 yards from the victims elevated tower stand. Shooter fired multiple rounds at deer with one round striking the tower stand, passing through the wall, and striking the victim in the right foot.	53 yr. M Yes	41 yr. M Yes	30.06 Caliber Slide/Pump Rifle
14.	Yes	11/27/2014	9:15AM	La Crosse	Bullet wound/graze to upper right thigh	No	SI	Shooter was hunting deer from a treestand. The shooter was lowering his loaded rifle which had a rope tied around the barrel causing the muzzle to be pointed upwards. While lowering the rifle the firearm discharged hitting the shooter/victim in the upper right thigh	65 yr. M No	Same as Shooter	.30-30 Caliber Lever Rifle
15.	Yes	11/29/2014	Unknown	Manitowoc	Gunshot wound to pelvic area	No	SP	Shooter was hunting deer. Shooter and victim walked out to their hunting area together. Victim then walked to his tree stand located north	16 yr. M Yes	24 yr. M Yes	12 Gauge Semi-Automatic Shotgun

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								of an open cornfield in a wooded area. Shooter did a short deer drive and then sat on the southern edge of the cornfield on the ground. Shooter saw doe walk out and shot once. Doe started to run, shooter shot two more times, striking victim who was walking out from his treestand in thick wooded area.			
16.	Yes	11/29/2014	11:40AM	Eau Claire	Bullet wound to left foot near little toe	No	SI	Shooter was hunting deer. Shooter seen deer while in his blind and took the safety off. After deer was gone, shooter decided to exit the blind to stretch. Firearm was pointed towards shooters feet when shooter entered the blind the firearm discharged.	63 yr. M No	Same as Shooter	30-06 Caliber Semi-Automatic Rifle
17.	Yes	12/8/2014	Unknown	Buffalo	Damage to left inside wrist area	No	SI	Shooter was hunting deer. Shooter shot once at deer while standing near the driver's door of his pick-up. The muzzleloader blew apart into multiple	48 yr. M Yes	Same as Shooter	Muzzleloader

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								pieces. Driver window was shattered. Parts of the muzzleloader were scattered causing damage to left inside wrist area.			
18.	Yes	12/9/2014	10:00PM	Rock	Skin broken by grazing of bullet on left shin	No	SI	Shooter was hunting raccoon. Shooter pulled over vehicle to let his dog out on the raccoon. Shooter said he loaded single shot .22 in his right hand and was about to exit the truck when the firearm discharged.	27 yr. M Yes	Same as Shooter	.22 Caliber Bolt Action Rifle