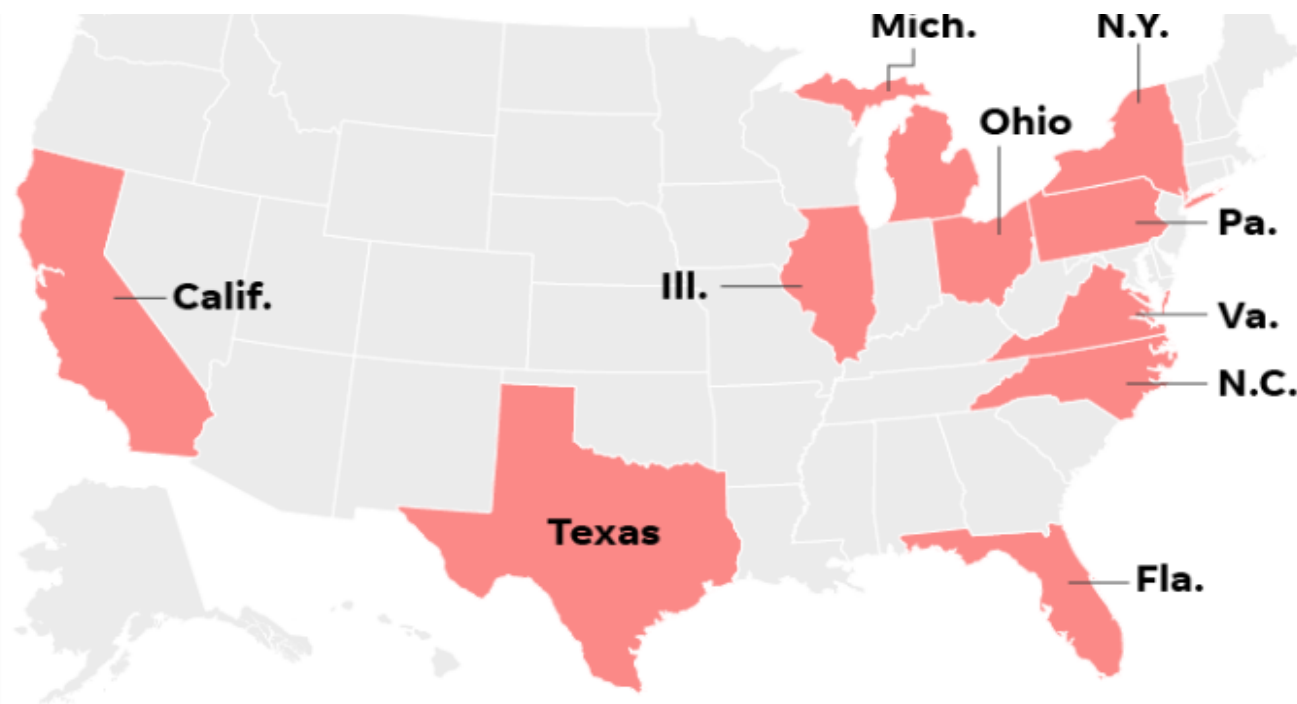


Pennsylvania Ranked Among the Worst States for School Violence

10 Worst States for School Violence

Reflects the states with the most number of threats and incidents during the 2017-2018 school year



Source: Educator's School Safety Network

In the 2017-2018 school year, threats of violence in schools increased 62% from the year before.

Actual incidents of violence increased by 113% from the prior school year. More than half (51%) of all school based threats and incidents of violence in the 2017-2018 school year occurred in just 11 states.

California, Florida, New York, Michigan, Pennsylvania, Ohio, Texas, Illinois, North Carolina and Virginia, which are ranked the top 10 "states of concern," according to the Educator's School Safety Network.

According to the 2016-17 Safe Schools Statewide Report, Pennsylvania schools reported over 43,000 incidents of violence, including acts such as assault, bullying, and sexual harassment.