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Read on for our **top three** latest research updates from the last few weeks.

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1. **[Do violent video games contribute to youth violence?](#)** - Video games are a \$21.5 billion industry in the United States, and more than half of the 50 top-selling video games contain violence. Critics argue that violent video games desensitize players to violence and reward them for simulating violence. Proponents argue that violent video games provide a safe outlet for aggressive feelings and help to reduce crime. Our updated website features many new sources, statistics, arguments, and other research in the debate over violent video games.



2. **[US Obesity Levels, 1990-2014](#)** - Find maps and charts showing the obesity rates for each US state from 1990 to 2014, including Arkansas as the most obese state in 2014 (35.9% of the population) and Colorado as the least obese state (21.3% of the population).



3. **[Concealed Carry Permit Laws by State](#)** - Carrying a concealed handgun in public is permitted in all 50 states and DC. In Alaska, Arizona, Kansas, Maine, and Wyoming, no permit is necessary to carry a concealed handgun. For more information about each state, please see our newly updated resource.

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