

Chicago's Strategic Subject List — A Decade of Predictive Policing Without Evidence It Reduced Violence

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Quality score: 20/100

Evidence strength: Cautionary / limited

Summary

Chicago Police scored nearly 400,000 people on an algorithmic gun-violence risk list from 2012-2019. RAND's independent evaluation found no reduction in violence, and the city's own Inspector General ordered it shut down.

Key dimensions

Dimension	Score
Evidence of impact / measured public value	1/3
Transparency, fairness & accountability	0/3
Transferability / demonstrated replication	0/3
Scalability beyond pilot	1/3
Governance, capability & sustainability	1/3

Evaluated by C-NAPSE

Data sources

[C-NAPSE web research](#) — accessed 2026-09-02

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[Chicago Sun-Times: CPD ends use of Strategic Subject List](#) — accessed 2026-09-02

[Chicago OIG: Advisory on CPD's Predictive Risk Models](#) — accessed 2026-09-02

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