22's (All are Rim Fires and all begin with 50)

Next after muzzleloaders was shells and rim fire was the first shells.

At this time you can only get 22's in rim fire.

The most predominate model is the 597. This was the first fire arm not to be produced in Ilian. We started shipping this gun again in 1997 from the Mayfield Kentucky factory. This factory has 75,000 square feet. A couple hours north of Mayfield in Elizabethtown is where our research and development facility is located.

Model 597 is semi-auto (autoloader) magazine fed 22. This gun directly compares with the Ruger 1022. We are much more accurate. We make regular long rifle and magnum. Magnum is just the same case with more powder.

YOU CANNOT INTERCHANGE THE AMMO

This gun retails for between \$140 and \$150

It is offered in a synthetic stock or a laminated stock and there is a stainless version.

We make a 552 and a 572 that have also been out on the market for 40 to 45 years. Other than the 870 these are our oldest gams.

The 572 is pump action.

The 552 is semi-auto.

These guns are twice as expensive as the 597. They are tube fed, better wood, and fancier overall than the 597.

The 552 is the only semi-auto on the market that shoots all three kinds of ammo (Long-Long Rifle-Short)

We haven't made a bolt action 22 since '98. These models were the 541 and the 581.

Some companies make a 17 caliber but not us

On the magazine (or clip) the orange (or whatever color) piece that pushes the cartridges up is called the follower.

The magazine on the long rifle holds 10 rounds. The magnum holds 8 rounds. It is against federal law to make any magazine that holds more than 10 rounds. This started in 1993.

The chamber on the gun is cut and shaped like a shell.

Never dry fire a 22. This caused what is called rim burst...

Todd knows the 597 and the 510 by heart.