

6. In respect to grip size -

- the findings parallel those appertaining to rifles.

29.49% specify a "small" grip
64.48% specify a "medium" grip, and
6.03% call for a "large" grip

The median palm size reported by shotgun respondents is 8.499 inches. There seems to be a direct relationship between size of grip and size of palm as shown below:

<u>Grip Size Specified</u>	<u>Median Palm Size</u>
Large	8.949 inches
Medium	8.577 inches
Small	8.375 inches

The grip of shotguns apparently should be designed for a hand that is 8.499 inches in girth. However, further study of finger lengths, etc., is indicated.

7. As to the color, shade, and finish of shotgun stocks and barrels -

- the majority of respondents' opinions call for brown stocks, medium to dark in shade, and with a dull finish - and for dull blue black barrels with a velvet texture.

These findings parallel those concerned with rifles.

The results:

a. Stock color

	<u>Brown</u>	<u>Red Brown</u>	<u>Mahogany Red</u>
"Gun nut"	52.8%	30.1%	17.1%
Regular shooters	59.4	27.8	12.8
Occasional shooters	46.1	36.5	17.4
"Seldom" shooters	54.8	28.0	17.2
All shooters	55.3	29.8	14.9

b. Stock shade

	<u>Medium</u>	<u>Dark</u>	<u>Light</u>
"Gun nuts"	48.3%	42.0%	9.7%
Regular shooters	51.6	39.8	8.6
Occasional shooters	55.9	37.2	6.9
"Seldom" shooters	52.9	32.2	14.9
All shooters	51.3	39.7	9.0