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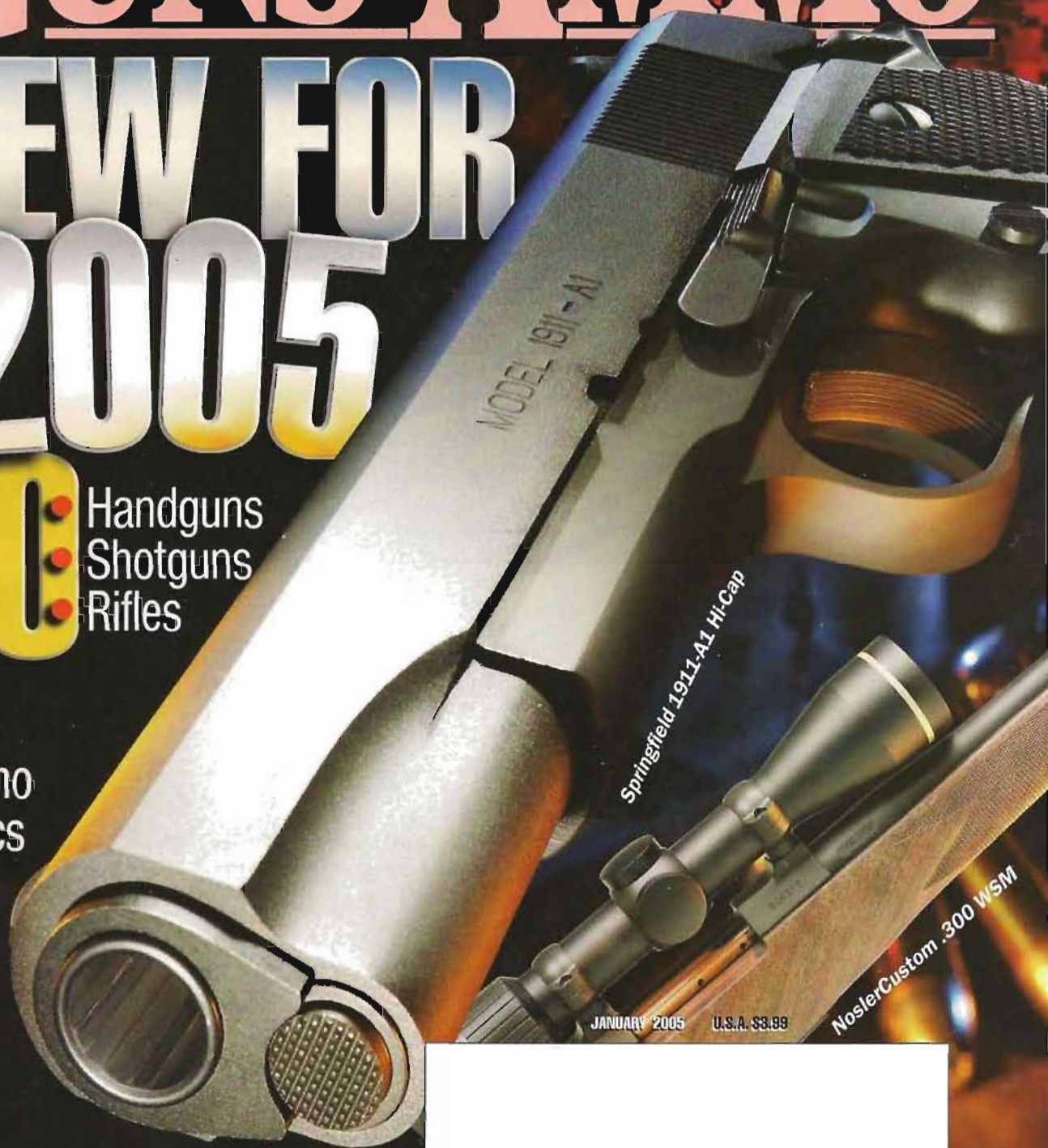
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A survey of centerfire, rimfire and shotgun fodder

It may indeed be possible to have too many firearms. After all, a guy with too many may not get around to shooting them all. But one thing is crystal clear: It's *impossible* to

have too much ammo. So with that bit of high-volume philosophy in mind, let's take a look at some of this year's most appealing introductions.



Buffalo Bore Heavy .38 Special

Heavier indeed: **Buffalo Bore** has turned its attention to the .38 Special with two new seriously enhanced loads featuring a 158-grain Lead Semi-Wadcutter HP at 1,000 fps and a 125-grain Gold Dot at 1,050 fps. Both velocity figures are taken from 2-inch S&W J-frames, and the loads feature flash-suppressed powders. In addition, the company has a pair of

heavy 10mm loads (a 200-grain FMJ FN at 1,200 fps and a 180-grain GDHP at 1,350 fps). For .44 Mag fans, Buffalo Bore also has a 340-grain LBT-LFN number at 1,478 fps.

buffalobore.com

Small-game special: There's been a lot of fuss over the varmint applications of the .17 HMR, but **CCI** has come up with a heavier, 20-grain GamePoint load at 2,375 fps that makes a lot of sense for hunters concerned about meat and pelts.

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Enhanced lineup: **Federal's** new centerfire rifle ammo features



CCI .17 HMR GamePoint



a boattail bullet (the tentative brand name is "Fusion") with a jacket that's chemically bonded to the core plus a nose that's been skived to produce controlled expansion over all velocities. The big news on the smoothbore side of the ledger is the

FliteControl wad system, which releases the shot farther from the muzzle than a traditional wad. This setup will be used in 12 separate loads this year, including two new turkey loads, which feature the company's new Mag-Shok Heavyweight high-density No. 5 and No. 6 shot. Slug shooters will be interested in the company's Vital-Shok TruBall rifled-slug loads that are claimed to be more accurate than the competition, thanks to a wad/slug system that centers the slug in the bore and separates cleanly after exiting the muzzle. Federal now offers a trio of 230-grain loadings for the .45 GAP—a Premium Hydra-Shok, a Premium HST for law enforcement and an FMJ in the American Eagle line.

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