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Timeline of events in Ferguson, Mo.

KEY DEVELOPMENTS *By Colby Itkowitz August 16, 2014*

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Sat
AUG
9

Michael Brown, an 18-year-old recent high school graduate, and a friend allegedly rob a convenience store for a box of cigars.

Walking with his friend about 10 minutes later, Brown is confronted by police officer. Darren Wilson. A confrontation occurs and Wilson shoots Brown multiple times. Brown dies in the middle of the street. The community outcry begins, and protesters gather in the streets.

Sun
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Ferguson police begin to provide details about the shooting, saying that Brown was unarmed, but that there had been a physical confrontation.

At night, a candle-light vigil for Brown turns violent as some protesters riot and loot nearby stores. Police arrest 32 people and two officers are injured.

Mon
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11

FBI announces it will be investigate Brown's death.

Brown's parents hold a news conference demanding justice for their son.

Protesters gather again and police use tear gas to disperse the crowd.

Tues
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12

Dorian Johnson, the friend who was with Brown when he was shot, gives an interview to MSNBC and says that Brown did not "touch the officer in any type of a threatening way." He said in another interview that Wilson had continued to shoot Brown even though Brown had his hands up.

For the third night, protesters and heavily armored police clash.

Weds
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In the very early morning, a protester is shot and wounded.

That afternoon, police arrest two reporters, Wesley Lowery of *The Washington Post* and Ryan Reilly of the *Huffington Post*, at a McDonald's in Ferguson.

Police in riot gear throw tear gas to clear the crowds as violence in the streets continues for a fourth night.

Thurs
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14

Missouri Gov. Jay Nixon comes to Ferguson. He announces security will be turned over to the Missouri Highway Patrol and that Capt. Ron Johnson, an African-American raised in the community, would be in charge.

President Obama addresses the Ferguson shooting for the first time. He says it's "time for healing."

The protests are peaceful on their fifth night as Johnson marches with protesters.

Fri
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15

Ferguson Police Chief Thomas Jackson names Darren Wilson as Brown's shooter. He also says Brown was a suspect in a robbery the morning he was shot. He releases reports and video surveillance of the robbery.

Hours later, Jackson says the robbery and the shooting were unrelated incidents. He says the confrontation began because Brown and his friend were walking in the street and "blocking traffic."

Late at night and into the early morning, protests turn violent again as some take to rioting and looting, though many peaceful protesters attempt to stop it. The militarized police return and tear gas is once again used to clear the crowd.

Sat
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16

At a rowdy press conference, Nixon declares a state of emergency and implements a curfew in Ferguson from midnight to 5 a.m.

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