Gun

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Brother Man nowadays living in the ghetto
Where the danger's sure enough real
Well when he's out late at night
And if he's got his head on right
Well, I lay you 9 to 5 he's walking with steal.Brother Man says he's 'fraid of gangsters
Messing with people just for fun
He don't want to be next
He got a family to protect
So just last week he bought himself a gun.[Chorus]
Everybody got a pistol, everybody got a 45
And the philosophy seem to be
At least as near as I can see
When other folks give up theirs, I'll give up mine.This is a violent civilization
If civilization's where I am
Every channel that I stop on
Got a different kind of cop on
Killing them by the million for Uncle SamSaturday night just ain't that special
Yeah, I got the constitution on the run
'Cause even though we've got the right
To defend our home, to defend our life
Got to understand to get it in hand about the guns[Chorus]Saturday night just ain't that special
Freedom to be afraid is all you want
Yes if you don't want to be next
You've got a family to protect
9 out of 10, you've got a friend, you've got a gun.[Chorus]Everybody got a pistol, this mosty be the N-R-A
Yeah 'cause when it's time to shine up
You know damn well they're gonna line up
EverybodyAnd the philosophy seem to be
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