

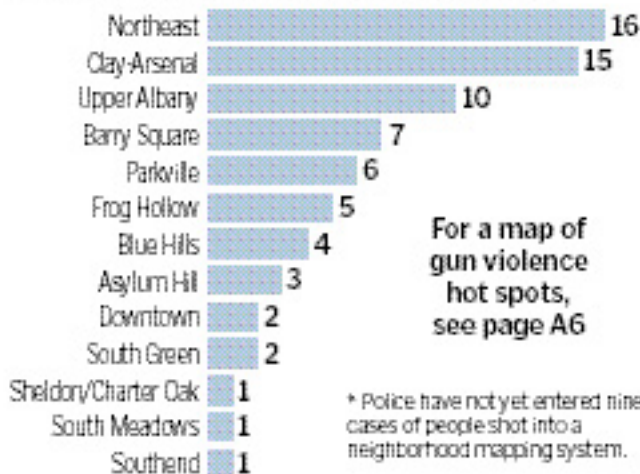
City Crime Down But Shootings On The Rise

As he finishes his first year on the job, Hartford Police Chief Patrick J. Harnett frequently points out that serious crime is down. Rapes, robberies, larcenies and auto thefts are down dramatically, but many people are on edge, particularly in the North End, because of significant increases in homicides and gun violence.

In one year, a 51.9 percent increase in the number of shooting victims:



Shooting victims by neighborhood*:



SOURCE: Hartford Police Department statistics as of June 11, 2005, compared with same period a year ago