Gun Violence

A survey of 10 Eastern cities that are similar in size and demographics shows Hartford has among the highest rates of people shot and of people murdered by gunfire this year.

| | Population | People Shot Includes fatalities | | | | |
|----------------|-------------|------------------------------------|------|----------|-------|--|
| City | 2000 Census | 2004 | 2005 | Change . | Rate* | |
| Syracuse, N.Y. | 147,306 | 85 | 179 | 111% | 121.5 | |
| Hartford | 121,578 | 55 | 90 | 64% | 74 | |
| Richmond, VA | 197,790 | 113 | 99 | -12% | 50.1 | |
| New Haven | 123,626 | 45 | 49 | 9% | 39.6 | |
| Providence, RI | 173,618 | 42 | 61 | 45% | 35.1 | |
| Bridgeport | 139,529 | 25 | 25 | 0% | 17.9 | |
| Paterson, NJ | 149,222 | 16 | 20 | 25% | 13.4 | |
| Fall River, MA | 91,938 | N/A** | 9 | N/A | 9.8 | |
| Waterbury | 108,203 | 13 | 9 | -31% | 8.3 | |
| Worcester, MA | 172,648 | 33 | 10 | -70% | 5.8 | |

| | People Murdered By gunfire | | | | | |
|----------------|----------------------------|------|--------|-------|--|--|
| City | 2004 | 2005 | Change | Rate* | | |
| Richmond, VA | 29 | 35 | 21% | 17.7 | | |
| Hartford | 6 | 9 | 50% | 7.4 | | |
| New Haven | - 5 | 5 | 0% | 4.0 | | |
| Providence, Rl | 2 | - 6 | 200% | 3.5 | | |
| Syracuse, NY | 3 | 5 | 67% | 3.4 | | |
| Bridgeport | 3 | 4 | 33% | 2.9 | | |
| Paterson, NJ | 2 | 2 | 0% | 1.3 | | |
| Worcester, MA | i 8 | 2 | -75% | 1.2 | | |
| Waterbury | 1 | 1 | 0% | 0.9 | | |
| Fall River, MA | N/A | 0 | N/A | 0 | | |

Note: All figures are year to date through June 20 of 2004 and 2005

^{*} Per 100,000 people. ** Not available