

**WILMINGTON SHOOTINGS 2006**  
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**VICTIMS AND SUSPECTS**  
**IN WILMINGTON, DELAWARE**

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## INTRODUCTION

Since 1996, the Delaware Criminal Justice Council has worked with the Wilmington Police Department on analyzing the shooting incidents in the city. This report continues the effort of the Delaware Criminal Justice Council to collect and present data on the shooting victims and suspects in the City of Wilmington.<sup>1</sup> The 2006 report continues to review the nature of shootings in Wilmington by looking at various demographics of victims and known suspects including criminal history, age, race and sex. This report includes a multi-year shooting chart (Appendix A). It is anticipated that future reports on shootings in Wilmington will include additional multi-year comparison charts along with statistical analysis, trends, and projections.

Although this report focuses on the shootings that occurred in 2006, data will be presented from previous year's shooting reports when appropriate. The reader is referred to previous reports for more detail on shooting victims in Wilmington in previous years. All tables and data discussion is related to 2006 shootings unless otherwise noted.

The following information was collected for completion of this report:

1. Case status
2. Victim / suspect sex
3. Victim / suspect race
4. Victim / suspect age
5. Victim / suspect criminal history
6. Incident Classification
7. Neighborhood
8. Date and time of incident
9. Area(s) of body shot
10. Firearm type used
11. Motive for shooting
12. Drug(s) involved
13. Victim cooperation

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<sup>1</sup> Garrison, A. (2004). **Wilmington Shootings 2002: A Comprehensive Study of Victims and Offenders in Wilmington, Delaware.** Delaware Criminal Justice Council: Wilmington, Delaware. See also, Garrison, A. (2002). **Wilmington Shootings 2001: A Comprehensive Study of Victims and Offenders in Wilmington, Delaware.** Delaware Criminal Justice Council: Wilmington, Delaware.

## METHODOLOGY

The data used for this report was obtained from the Wilmington Police Department (WPD) and Delaware Criminal Justice Information System (DELJIS) criminal history and crime report information.

The analysis in this study, as with prior reports, is the result of taking information gathered from the crime reports for all of the 2006 complaints reported by WPD as having at least one person being shot and placing them in a database. Criminal history and incident information was obtained through DELJIS searches. The nature of the data for this report requires some limitations on the analysis of and conclusions about the nature of shootings in Wilmington. Of the 95 shooting incidents, 56.8% of those did not have an identifiable suspect. Analysis of criminal history is grouped into the following categories: misdemeanor, felony, drug, and weapons arrests. Drug arrests include both felony and misdemeanor arrests for Title 16 offenses. Felony and misdemeanor arrests do not include drug arrests.

There are minor variations in this report from a previous version released in February 2007. Most of these changes are accounted for by the fact that initial information is updated as more time passes from the date of the shooting incident. For example, updated data may include additional suspect information not available in the initial reports.

## EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

In 2006, there were 95 shootings incidents in the City of Wilmington resulting in 101 shooting victims and 57 known suspects. In 2004, juveniles accounted for 7.9% of the known suspects. In 2006, 22.8% of known shooting suspects were juveniles. The nine-year average (excluding 2005 and 2006) for known suspects that were juveniles at the time of the shooting incident is 10.5%.

### **Analysis of the shooting victims revealed the following:**

- 16.8%, or 17, of the shooting victims (N=101) died as a result of their injuries.
- Males accounted for 93.1% of the shooting victims.
- Black males accounted for 84.2% of the shooting victims.
- The plurality of victims (28.7%) were between the ages of 18 and 21 years old.

### **Analysis of the shooting suspects revealed the following**

- In the seventy-seven shooting incidents where at least one suspect was identified by race and sex, there were a total of 124 suspects.
  - 100% of those identified by race and sex were minority males
  - 94.4% of those identified by race and sex were black males.
- Of the 57 suspects identified by age:
  - 22.8% were juveniles between 14 and 17 years old.
  - 33.3% were adults between 18 and 21 years old.
  - 26.3% were adults between 22 and 25 years old.
  - In total, 81.5% of the suspects were less than 26 years old.

*In 2006, for the fourth year in a row, there were no known shooting suspects less than 14 years old.*

### **Analysis of the shooting incidents revealed the following:**

- There were more shooting victims in the 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter of 2006 (42) than in any other quarter since 1996, when Criminal Justice Council published the first report on Wilmington shootings.
- The day of the week with the most shooting victims was Friday.
- 8:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. was the hour of the day with the most victims.
- The two most common motives for shootings, non-drug related robbery and non-drug related argument, together accounted for over one-half (51%) of known motives for shooting victims.
- Of the 84 shooting non-fatal victims, 46.4% were found to be non-cooperative in the shooting investigation.

## GENERAL SHOOTING STATISTICS

**Table One – Shooting Victims in the City of Wilmington: 1996 – 2006**

Year	Number
1996	107
1997	107
1998	73
1999	56
2000	60
2001	61
2002	87
2003	60
2004	95
2005	82
2006	101
<b>Total</b>	<b>889</b>

In 2006, there were 19 more shooting victims than in 2005, representing a 23% increase in the total number of shooting victims. In the ten-year period prior to 2006 there were 788 shooting victims, for a yearly average of 78.8 victims. This makes the number of victims in 2006 28% higher than the average of the previous ten years.

**Table Two - Case Status for Shooting Victims: 1997-2006 (Percentage)**

Case Status	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	Averag
Arrest	29.9	32.9	39.3	26.7	52.5	33.3	35.0			36.6	37.2
Open	59.8	63.0	57.1	61.7	8.2	12.6	1.7			0.0	23.6
Pending	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.7	3.3	1.1	0.0			8.9	2.5
Suspended	0.0	0.0	3.6	1.7	32.8	47.1	48.3			49.5	30.5
Warrant	5.6	4.1	0.0	8.3	1.6	2.3	3.3			3.0	3.1
Closed	4.7	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.6	3.4	0.0			2.0	1.2
Missing	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	11.7			0.0	1.9
<b>Total</b>	<b>100.0</b>			<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>						

Table Two is a summary of the case status for shooting victims. It should be noted that there is no data available for 2004 and 2005. The percentage of cases that were cleared by arrest of at least one suspect has remained relatively constant at approximately one-third of all shooting victims. It is not possible to make valid multi-year comparisons for the Open, Pending, and Suspended categories as there was a change in definitions and counting practices between 2000 and 2001.

<b>Table Three - Clearance Rates for Shooting Victims: 1997-2006 (Percentage)</b>										
<b>1997</b>	<b>1998</b>	<b>1999</b>	<b>2000</b>	<b>2001</b>	<b>2002</b>	<b>2003</b>	<b>2004</b>	<b>2005</b>	<b>2006</b>	<b>Average</b>
<b>34.6</b>	<b>32.9</b>	<b>39.3</b>	<b>26.7</b>	<b>54.1</b>	<b>36.8</b>	<b>35.0</b>			<b>38.6</b>	<b>37.3</b>

The clearance rate for 2006 of 38.6% is not significantly different than the average for prior years for which there is available data.

## VICTIM DEMOGRAPHICS

<b>Table Four - Shooting Victims by Sex: 2006</b>		
	<b>Number</b>	<b>Percentage</b>
<b>Male</b>	<b>94</b>	<b>93.1</b>
<b>Female</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>6.9</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>101</b>	<b>100.0</b>

Table One shows that 93.1% of the shooting victims in 2006 were males and the remaining 6.9% were females.

<b>Table Five - Shooting Victims by Race and Sex: 2006</b>		
<b>Victim's Race</b>	<b>Number</b>	<b>Percentage</b>
<b>Black Male</b>	<b>85</b>	<b>84.2</b>
<b>Black Female</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>6.9</b>
<b>White Male</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>4.0</b>
<b>White Female</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0.0</b>
<b>Hispanic Male</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>5.0</b>
<b>Hispanic Female</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0.0</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>101</b>	<b>100.0</b>

In 2006, 96.1% of shooting victims were either **Black or Hispanic**.

<b>Table Six - Shooting Victims by Age: 2006</b>		
<b>Victim's Age</b>	<b>Number</b>	<b>Percentage</b>
<b>Under 14 years old</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1.0</b>
<b>14 – 17 years old</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>5.9</b>
<b>18 – 21 years old</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>28.7</b>
<b>22 – 25 years old</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>16.8</b>
<b>26 – 30 years old</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>20.8</b>
<b>31 – 35 years old</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>11.9</b>
<b>36 – 40 years old</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>5.0</b>
<b>41 – 45 years old</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>4.0</b>
<b>46 – 50 years old</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>3.0</b>
<b>Over 50 years old</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>3.0</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>101</b>	<b>100.0</b>

Two-thirds of all shooting victims were between the ages of eighteen and thirty.

<b>Table Seven - Shooting Victims with Criminal History: 2006</b>		
<b>Criminal History</b>	<b>Number</b>	<b>Percentage</b>
<b>Yes</b>	<b>90</b>	<b>89.1</b>
<b>No</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>10.9</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>101</b>	<b>100.0</b>

Almost ninety percent (89.1%) of the shooting victims in 2006 had previously been arrested for criminal charges.<sup>2</sup>

<b>Table Eight - Shooting Victims by # of Misdemeanor Arrests: 2006</b>		
<b>Arrests</b>	<b>Number</b>	<b>Percentage</b>
<b>None</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>12.9</b>
<b>One – Two</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>19.8</b>
<b>Three or more</b>	<b>68</b>	<b>67.3</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>101</b>	<b>100.0</b>

Just over two-thirds of shooting victims (67.3%) had three or more misdemeanor arrests, excluding those that involved weapons or drugs, at the time of the shooting incident.

<b>Table Nine - Shooting Victims by # of Felony Arrests: 2006</b>		
<b>Arrests</b>	<b>Number</b>	<b>Percentage</b>
<b>None</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>29.7</b>
<b>One – Two</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>32.7</b>
<b>Three or more</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>37.6</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>101</b>	<b>100.0</b>

Over seventy percent of victims had at least one prior felony arrest at the time of the shooting incident. Just over one-third of the shooting victims (37.6%) had three or more felony arrests, excluding those that involved weapons or drugs.

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<sup>2</sup> Criminal charges include offenses enumerated in Titles 11 and 16 and local ordinances that substantially mirror those parts of the Delaware Code.

<b>Table Ten - Shooting Victims by # of Drug Arrests: 2006</b>		
<b>Arrests</b>	<b>Number</b>	<b>Percentage</b>
<b>None</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>35.6</b>
<b>One</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>8.9</b>
<b>Two or more</b>	<b>56</b>	<b>55.4</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>101</b>	<b>100.0</b>

The majority of shooting victims (55.4%) had been arrested on two or more occasions for either misdemeanor or felony drug-related charges.

<b>Table Eleven - Shooting Victims by # of Weapons Arrests: 2006</b>		
<b>Arrests</b>	<b>Number</b>	<b>Percentage</b>
<b>None</b>	<b>54</b>	<b>53.5</b>
<b>One</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>32.7</b>
<b>Two or more</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>13.9</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>101</b>	<b>100.0</b>

46.6% of shooting victims had previously been arrested for misdemeanor or felony weapons-related charges.

<b>Table Twelve - Shooting Victims by Career Criminal Candidate (CCC) Designation: 2006</b>		
<b>CCC</b>	<b>Number</b>	<b>Percentage</b>
<b>Yes</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>23.8</b>
<b>No</b>	<b>77</b>	<b>76.2</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>101</b>	<b>100.0</b>

23.8% of the victims in 2006 qualified for designation as Career Criminal Candidates as of the date of the shooting incident. In order to achieve this status, an individual must have a minimum of two convictions for Class A or B felonies as enumerated in Title 11, Sec. 4214(b) or a minimum of three convictions for any class of felony. Each conviction must be incurred as a result of a separate criminal act.

<b>Table Thirteen - Shooting Victims by Drug Dealer Designation: 2006</b>		
	<b>Number</b>	<b>Percentage</b>
<b>Yes</b>	<b>46</b>	<b>45.5</b>
<b>Suspected</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>49.5</b>
<b>No</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>5.0</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>101</b>	<b>100.0</b>

95% of shooting victims were previously charged with drug-dealing offenses or were identified in the crime report narrative of the shooting incident as being involved in the drug trade.

## SUSPECT DEMOGRAPHICS

<b>Table Fourteen - Shooting Suspects by Sex: 2006</b>		
	<b>Number</b>	<b>Percentage</b>
<b>Male</b>	<b>124</b>	<b>100.0</b>
<b>Female</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0.0</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>124</b>	<b>100.0</b>

Table Fourteen shows that 124 individuals were identified as suspects in shooting incidents. 100.0% of these suspects were identified as being male.

<b>Table Fifteen - Shooting Suspects by Race and Sex: 2006</b>		
	<b>Number</b>	<b>Percentage</b>
<b>Black Male</b>	<b>117</b>	<b>94.4</b>
<b>Black Female</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0.0</b>
<b>White Male</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0.0</b>
<b>White Female</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0.0</b>
<b>Hispanic Male</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>5.6</b>
<b>Hispanic Female</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0.0</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>124</b>	<b>100.0</b>

In 2006, 100.0% of shooting suspects were identified as being black or Hispanic males.

<b>Table Sixteen - Shooting Suspects by Age: 2006</b>		
<b>Suspect's Age</b>	<b>Number</b>	<b>Percentage</b>
<b>Under 14 years old</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0.0</b>
<b>14 – 17 years old</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>22.8</b>
<b>18 – 21 years old</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>33.3</b>
<b>22 – 25 years old</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>26.3</b>
<b>26 – 30 years old</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>15.8</b>
<b>31 – 35 years old</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0.0</b>
<b>36 – 40 years old</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0.0</b>
<b>41 – 45 years old</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0.0</b>
<b>46 – 50 years old</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1.8</b>
<b>Over 50 years old</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0.0</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>57</b>	<b>100.0</b>

All but one (98.2%) of the identified shooting suspects were thirty years of age or younger. In 2006, for the fourth year in a row, there were no known shooting suspects less than 14 years old.

<b>Table Seventeen - Shooting Suspects with Criminal History: 2006</b>		
<b>Criminal History</b>	<b>Number</b>	<b>Percentage</b>
<b>Yes</b>	<b>55</b>	<b>96.5</b>
<b>No</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3.5</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>57</b>	<b>100.0</b>

Fifty-five out of fifty-seven suspects had a prior criminal history.

<b>Table Eighteen - Shooting Suspects by # of Misdemeanor Arrests: 2006</b>		
<b>Arrests</b>	<b>Number</b>	<b>Percentage</b>
<b>None</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>7.0</b>
<b>One – Two</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>15.8</b>
<b>Three or more</b>	<b>44</b>	<b>77.2</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>57</b>	<b>100.0</b>

Three out of four suspects had three or more misdemeanor arrests prior to the shooting incident.

<b>Table Nineteen - Shooting Suspects by # of Felony Arrests: 2006</b>		
<b>Arrests</b>	<b>Number</b>	<b>Percentage</b>
<b>None</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>17.5</b>
<b>One – Two</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>29.8</b>
<b>Three or more</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>52.6</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>57</b>	<b>100.0</b>

82.5% of suspects have at least one prior felony arrest and over one-half have been arrested three or more times for felony charges.

<b>Table Twenty - Shooting Suspects by # of Drug Arrests: 2006</b>		
<b>Arrests</b>	<b>Number</b>	<b>Percentage</b>
<b>None</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>12.3</b>
<b>One</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>19.3</b>
<b>Two or more</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>68.4</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>57</b>	<b>100.0</b>

Over two-thirds of shooting suspects were arrested on two or more occasions for drug charges prior to the 2006 shooting incident.

<b>Table Twenty-One - Shooting Suspects by # of Weapons Arrests: 2006</b>		
<b>Arrests</b>	<b>Number</b>	<b>Percentage</b>
<b>None</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>47.4</b>
<b>One</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>17.5</b>
<b>Two or more</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>35.1</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>57</b>	<b>100.0</b>

Slightly more than one-half (52.6%) had prior arrests for weapons.

<b>Table Twenty-Two - Shooting Suspects by Career Criminal Candidate (CCC) Designation: 2006</b>		
<b>CCC</b>	<b>Number</b>	<b>Percentage</b>
<b>Yes</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>26.3</b>
<b>No</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>73.7</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>57</b>	<b>100.0</b>

26.3% of the suspects in 2006 qualified for designation as Career Criminal Candidates as of the date of the shooting incident. 23.8% of shooting victims for the same time period qualified for CCC designation.

<b>Arrests</b>	<b>Number</b>	<b>Percentage</b>
<b>Yes</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>71.9</b>
<b>Suspected</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>22.8</b>
<b>No</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>5.3</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>57</b>	<b>100.0</b>

94.7% of shooting victims were previously charged with drug-dealing offenses or were identified in the crime report narrative of the shooting incident as being involved in the drug trade.

## ANALYSIS OF SHOOTINGS

Quarter	Number	Percentage
1 (January – March)	15	14.9
2 (April – June)	19	18.8
3 (July – September)	25	24.8
4 (October – December)	42	41.6
<b>Total</b>	<b>101</b>	<b>100.0</b>

Two-thirds of the shooting victims (66.4%) were shot in the second-half of 2006. There were more shooting victims in the 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter of 2006 (42) than in any other quarter since 1996, when the Criminal Justice Council published the first report on Wilmington shootings.

	Number	Percentage
<b>Murder I</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>15.8</b>
<b>Attempted Murder I</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>14.7</b>
<b>Assault I</b>	<b>54</b>	<b>56.8</b>
<b>Assault II</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>11.6</b>
<b>Accident</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1.1</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>95</b>	<b>100.0</b>

The leading crime involved in the majority of shooting incidents (56.8%) was Assault I. There were fatalities in fifteen of the shooting incidents and therefore they were classified as Murder I.<sup>3</sup>

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<sup>3</sup> While there were fifteen fatal shooting incidents in 2006, two of those were double-homicides. There were 17 gun homicides in 2006.

<b>Table Twenty-Six - Incidents by Neighborhood: 2006</b>		
<b>Neighborhood</b>	<b>Number</b>	<b>Percentage</b>
<b>West Side</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>16.8</b>
<b>East Side</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>14.7</b>
<b>Prices Run</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>14.7</b>
<b>Boulevard</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>13.7</b>
<b>Riverside / 11<sup>th</sup> St. Bridge</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>11.6</b>
<b>Browntown / Hedgeville</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>10.5</b>
<b>West Center City</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>8.4</b>
<b>Midtown Brandywine</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>3.2</b>
<b>South Wilmington</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>2.1</b>
<b>Northwest</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>2.1</b>
<b>Southwest</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>2.1</b>
<b>Central</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0.0</b>
<b>Cherry Island</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0.0</b>
<b>Delaware Avenue</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0.0</b>
<b>Bancroft Parkway</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0.0</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>95</b>	<b>100.0</b>

Table Twenty-Five shows the shooting incidents by neighborhood. For additional information concerning locations of shooting incidents, refer to Appendix B beginning on p. 24.

<b>Table Twenty-Seven - Victims by Day of Week and Hour of Day Shot: 2006</b>								
	<b>Sunday</b>	<b>Monday</b>	<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>Wednes day</b>	<b>Thursda y</b>	<b>Friday</b>	<b>Saturda y</b>	<b>Total</b>
0000-0100		1	5				1	7
0100-0200		1				1	2	4
0200-0300	1				1	1	3	6
0300-0400	1							1
0400-0500	2						1	3
0500-0600								0
0600-0700								0
0700-0800						1		1
0800-0900								0
0900-1000								0
1000-1100	2	1						3
1100-1200								0
1200-1300		2	1		2	1		6
1300-1400				2	1	2		5
1400-1500		1				1		2
1500-1600		1	1				2	4
1600-1700	1		1		1	1		4
1700-1800	2	2	1			1		6
1800-1900		1	1	3		1		6
1900-2000		2		1		2		5
2000-2100	2	3		1	2	1	2	11
2100-2200			3	2	1	1	1	8
2200-2300	3	1	1		2	2	1	10
2300-0000	1	1	2		2	2	1	9
<b>Total</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>14</b>	

The day of the week with the most shooting victims was Friday. 8:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. was the hour of the day with the most victims. The day of the week with the fewest shooting victims was Wednesday. The one-hour period in a week with the most shooting victims was Tuesday morning from midnight until 1:00 a.m.

<b>Area of Body Shot</b>	<b>Number</b>	<b>Percentage</b>
Head, neck & face	14	13.9
Chest	17	16.8
Abdominal area	8	7.9
Hips, legs, groin & feet	59	58.4
Shoulders, arms & hands	15	14.9
Back	8	7.9
Unknown	0	0.0
<b>Total</b>	<b>121</b>	<b>119.8</b>

The plurality of victims (58.4%) sustained gunshot wounds to their hips, legs, groin, or feet. The explanation for the total percentage exceeding the standard 100% total is accounted for in the fact that some victims sustained wounds in more than one area of the body.

<b>Type of Weapon</b>	<b>Number</b>	<b>Percentage</b>
.22	6	9.7
.25	4	6.5
.32	3	4.8
9mm	20	32.3
.357	5	8.1
.380	5	8.1
.38	2	3.2
.40	11	17.7
.44	1	1.6
.45	1	1.6
Shotgun	3	4.8
Assault Rifle	1	1.6
<b>Total</b>	<b>62</b>	<b>100.0</b>

There were twelve categories of weapons identified as being used in shootings. Two categories, the 9mm and the .40 cal., accounted for exactly one-half (50.0%) of the 62 weapons identified by calibre or other type as being used in 2006 shootings.

<b>Table Thirty - Known Motives for Shooting Victims: 2006</b>		
<b>Motive</b>	<b>Number</b>	<b>Percentage</b>
<b>Robbery not drug related</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>25.5</b>
<b>Argument not drug related</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>25.5</b>
<b>Money not drug related</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>7.3</b>
<b>Fight not drug related</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>5.5</b>
<b>Burglary not drug related</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>5.5</b>
<b>Revenge not drug related</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>5.5</b>
<b>Bystander not drug related</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3.6</b>
<b>Domestic Violence</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1.8</b>
<b>Gang related</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1.8</b>
<b>Accident</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1.8</b>
<b>Drug related robbery</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>7.3</b>
<b>Drug related innocent bystander</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3.6</b>
<b>Drug related argument</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1.8</b>
<b>Shot during drug sale</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1.8</b>
<b>Protection of drug territory</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1.8</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>55</b>	<b>100.0</b>

Fifty-five of the shooting victims in 2006 for whose case a motive was identified. The two most common motives, non-drug related robbery and non-drug related argument, together accounted for over one-half (51%) of known motives for shooting victims.

<b>Table Thirty-One - Shooting Incident by Drug Involved: 2006</b>		
<b>Drug</b>	<b>Number</b>	<b>Percentage</b>
<b>Marijuana</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>3.2</b>
<b>Cocaine (Powder &amp; Crack)</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>9.5</b>
<b>Heroin</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1.1</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>12<sup>4</sup></b>	<b>12.6</b>

Of the 95 shooting incidents in 2006, 12.6% were related to one or more identified drug.

<sup>4</sup> In one case, both marijuana and cocaine were identified as being related to the shooting incident. Therefore, we have avoided counting it twice in the table totals.

<b>Table Thirty-Two - Victim Cooperation: 2006</b>		
<b>Cooperative?</b>	<b>Number</b>	<b>Percentage</b>
<b>Yes</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>53.6</b>
<b>No</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>46.4</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>84</b>	<b>100.0</b>

Of the 84 shooting non-fatal victims, 46.4% were found to be non-cooperative in the shooting investigation.

## VICTIM / SUSPECT RELATIONSHIPS

<b>Table Thirty-Three - Known Suspect / Victim: Race and Sex Correlation: 2006</b>			
<b>Suspect</b>	<b>Victim</b>	<b>Number</b>	<b>Percentage of Total</b>
<b>Black Male</b>	<b>Black Male</b>	<b>107</b>	<b>79.3</b>
<b>Black Male</b>	<b>Black Female</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>8.9</b>
<b>Black Male</b>	<b>White Male</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>3.0</b>
<b>Black Male</b>	<b>Hispanic Male</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>3.7</b>
<b>Hispanic Male</b>	<b>Black Male</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>2.2</b>
<b>Hispanic Male</b>	<b>Hispanic Male</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>3.0</b>
<b>Total Known</b>		<b>134</b>	<b>100.0</b>

In 2006, there were 134 instances of an individual being identified by race and sex as a suspect shooting a victim that was also identified by race and sex. In 119, or 88.2%, of those instances, it involved a black male shooting either another black male or a black female.

<b>Table Thirty-Four – Known Suspect / Victim: Age Correlation: 2006</b>				
<b>Suspect Age Group</b>	<b>Victim Age Group</b>	<b>Number in Victim Age Group by Suspect Age Group</b>	<b>Total Number / Percentage of Victims by Suspect Age Group</b>	<b>Percentage of Total</b>
14 – 17	< 14	1	13 / 20.6	1.6
14 – 17	18 – 21	4		6.5
14 – 17	22 – 25	2		3.2
14 – 17	26 – 30	3		4.8
14 – 17	41 – 45	2		3.2
14 – 17	46 – 50	1		1.6
18 – 21	14 – 17	3	21 / 33.3	4.8
18 – 21	18 – 21	6		9.7
18 – 21	22 – 25	2		3.2
18 – 21	26 – 30	5		8.1
18 – 21	31 – 35	2		3.2
18 – 21	36 – 40	1		1.6
18 – 21	41 – 45	2	3.2	
22 – 25	< 14	1	18 / 28.6	1.6
22 – 25	14 – 17	1		1.6
22 – 25	18 – 21	6		9.7
22 – 25	22 – 25	4		6.5
22 – 25	26 – 30	2		3.2
22 – 25	31 – 35	2		3.2
22 – 25	36 – 40	1	1.6	
22 – 25	41 – 45	1	1.6	
26 – 30	14 – 17	1	10 / 15.9	1.6
26 – 30	18 – 21	1		1.6
26 – 30	22 – 25	3		4.8
26 – 30	26 – 30	2		3.2
26 – 30	31 – 35	2		3.2
26 – 30	36 – 40	1		1.6
46 – 50	> 50	1	1 / 1.6	1.6
<b>Total</b>		<b>63</b>	<b>63 / 100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>

In 2006, there were 63 instances of an individual being identified by age as a suspect shooting a victim that was also identified by age. 38.1% of those instances involved a 14-25 year old suspect shooting an 18-25 year old victim.

APPENDIX A  
ELEVEN-YEAR CHART OF SHOOTINGS IN WILMINGTON

Number of shooting victims in the City of Wilmington between calendar years 1996 – 2006

Year	1 <sup>st</sup> Quarter				2 <sup>nd</sup> Quarter				3 <sup>rd</sup> Quarter				4 <sup>th</sup> Quarter				Total
	Jan	Feb	Mar	Total	Apr	May	June	Total	July	Aug	Sept	Total	Oct	Nov	Dec	Total	
1996	6	7	5	18	13	7	5	25	21	6	12	39	4	11	10	25	107
1997	10	6	2	18	9	13	17	39	14	6	5	25	9	8	8	25	107
1998	9	3	6	18	3	9	3	15	3	14	3	20	11	7	2	20	73
1999	4	7	2	13	1	1	6	8	3	4	7	14	9	4	8	21	56
2000	4	3	1	8	7	4	4	15	7	9	6	22	3	5	7	15	60
2001	5	3	5	13	5	4	4	13	9	11	1	21	2	6	6	14	61
2002	2	16	5	23	7	9	4	20	6*	2	4	12	15	10	7	32	87
2003	7	2**	5**	14	6	6	4	16	7	6	**3*	16	5	7	2	14	60***
2004	7	5*	8	20	9	12	6	27	4	8	10	22	8	12	6	26	95
2005	6	11	8	25	3	8	5	16	5	6	12	23	4	8	6	18	82
2006	6	4	5	15	8	4	7	19	11	5	9	25	17	11	14	42	101

Area in gray shows shootings since the implementation of Operation Safe Streets in June 1997.

Data Source: WPD Crime Analysis Dept. 1/17/07

\* Does not include an incident in which a police officer discharged his weapon.

\*\*Does not include self-inflicted shooting victims.

\*\*\*Disregard reporting of 2003 / 2004 shootings (prior July 12, 2004 memo). Data shown in this report shows corrections.

## APPENDIX B

### 2006 SHOOTING INCIDENT LOCATIONS

The following pages are satellite images that show the locations of many of the 95 shooting incidents in 2006. For ease of use, the locations are broken down by neighborhood with each image showing several Wilmington neighborhoods.

- Image B(1) shows the neighborhoods of Boulevard, Northwest, Prices Run, and Riverside / 11<sup>th</sup> St. Bridge.
- Image B(2) shows the neighborhoods of West Side, West Center City, and Browntown / Hedgeville.
- Image B(3) shows the neighborhood of East Side.

The shooting incidents are ordered chronologically. The position of the number indicates the location of a shooting incident. Numbers in red indicate fatal shooting incidents. Numbers in yellow indicate non-fatal shooting incidents.