

## BETHLEHEM FAMILY RESOURCE CENTER

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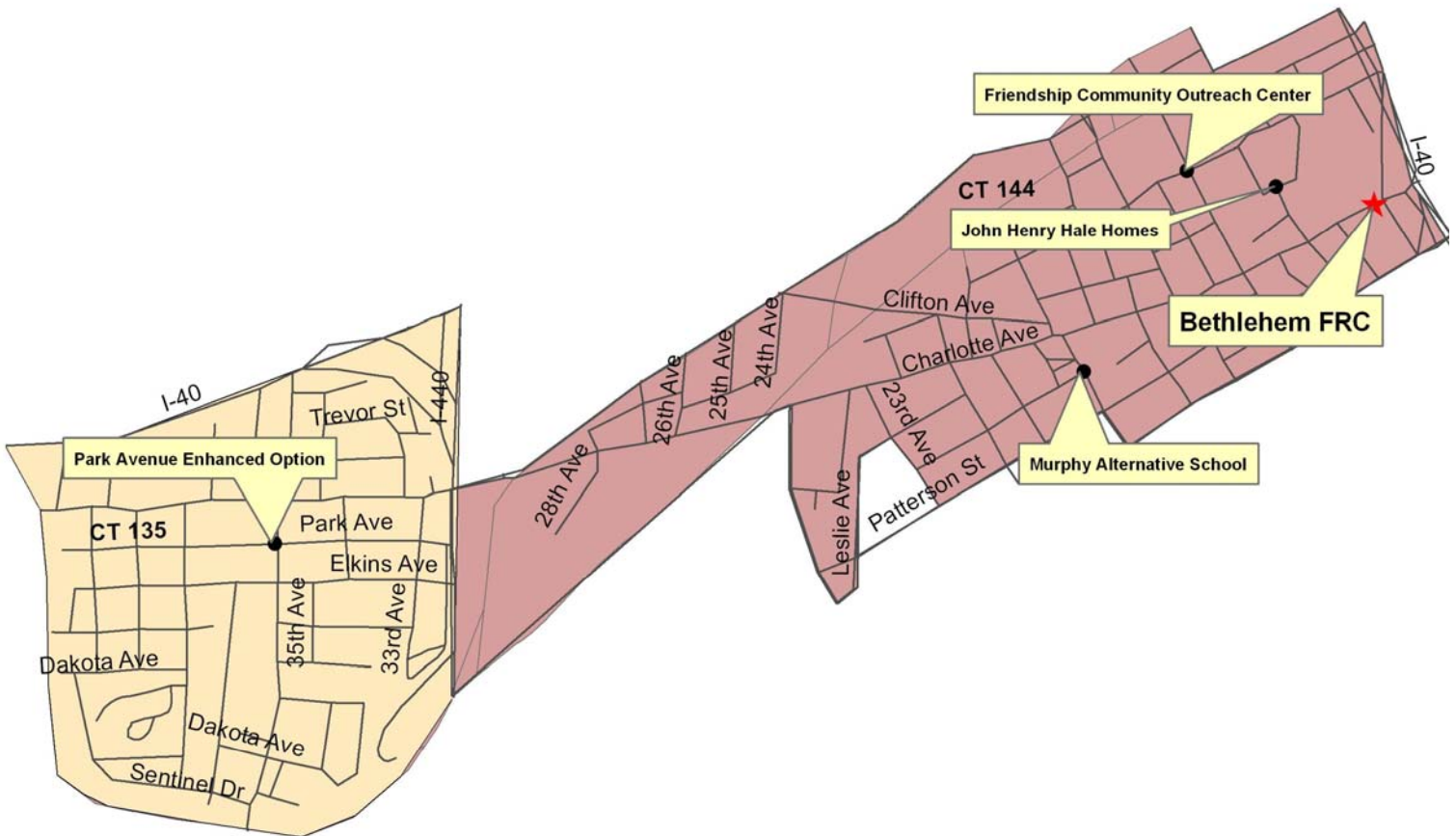
### Measures for Community Goals

**Service Area:** The Bethlehem Family Resource Center (FRC) is located at 1417 Charlotte Avenue.

Bethlehem FRC service area comprises census tracts 135 and 144. Interstate 40 East from Herman to Hynes Street comprises the eastern border. Beginning at the eastern border, the southern border begins at Hynes and 14<sup>th</sup> Street, jogs south on McMillan to State Street, west on

State, north on 20<sup>th</sup> to Patterson, west on Murphy, north on 21<sup>st</sup> Avenue North, west on Charlotte and south on I-440 until it crosses the railroad. The border follows the railroad south of Sentinel and Medial Streets to 42<sup>nd</sup> Avenue. The border then goes north on 42<sup>nd</sup> Avenue to I-40. The northern border follows I-40 East to Clifton, then Booker to 22<sup>nd</sup> Street to Herman to I-40 East. The Bethlehem FRC area appears on the map below.

### Bethlehem Family Resource Center Service Area



**History:** Bethlehem Centers of Nashville (BCN) resulted from the work of Nashville women associated with the Methodist Church in 1894. In 1907, Sallie Hill Sawyer, teacher and graduate of Fisk University, approached the Methodist Training School about extending services to African-Americans. In 1913, Estelle Haskins, of the Training School, and Sallie Sawyer began a kindergarten, a well-baby clinic, sewing circle, and recreation programs for African-Americans in the basement of St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church. In 1914, the Tennessee Conference Woman's Missionary Society provided funds for building a BCN facility at 10<sup>th</sup> and Cedar Streets. The center moved to its present location at 1417 Charlotte in 1923. For many years, BCN provided outreach to the Andrew Jackson and John Henry Hale, Tony Sudekum, and J.C. Napier public housing

communities, as well as the downtown area. BCN began receiving funds from United Way (then United Givers Fund) in 1969.

Today, BCN provides life skills training, youth development, enhanced academic training, childcare centers, nutrition instruction, family literacy programs, senior outreach services, and business training and sports programs for youth. BCN began receiving funding as a United Way Family Resource Center in July 2002. Source: United Way of Metropolitan Nashville and Tennessee State University Library: <http://www.tnstate.edu/library/digital/BETH.htm>

The priority chosen for Bethlehem FRC is "Families and Children are Safe".

**FRC Partners:**

The lead agency for Bethlehem FRC is Bethlehem Centers of Nashville. Additional partners are listed below.

Affordable Housing Resources  
AmeriChoice  
Bass Middle School  
Bethlehem Centers of Nashville Comprehensive  
Child Development  
Bethlehem Centers of Nashville Seniors Club  
Big Brothers/Big Sisters of Middle Tennessee  
Davidson County Relative Caregivers  
Dollar General  
Family and Children's Service  
Greater Charlotte Hot Lunch Cooperative  
Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity Inc.  
Matthew Walker Comprehensive Health Center  
Memorial Foundation  
Metropolitan Housing and Development Agency  
Middle Tennessee Mental Health Association  
Napier Enhanced Option Elementary School  
Nashville Career Center

Nashville Predators  
Nashville Reach 2010  
Nashville Red Cross  
Nashville Rotary Club  
NUPACE: Youth Violence Prevention Coalition  
Pearl-Cohn High School: I Have A Future  
Program  
PENCIL Foundation (Math Partners)  
Payback Foundation/Safe and Sound Program  
Regions Bank  
Tennessee Department of Mental Health and  
Disabilities: SYTS  
Tennessee State University Service Learning  
Tennessee Titans  
Too Smart To Start Prevention Outreach  
United Way of Metropolitan Nashville  
Watkins Community Center

## NOTES RELATED TO CRIME DATA:

Crime reports were provided by Neighborhoods Resource Center using Metropolitan Nashville Police Department 2005, 2006, and 2007 Crime Incident Databases and United States Census Bureau "Census of Population and Housing, 2000 (Tennessee)."

Crime charts for 2005-2008 crimes against persons include Robbery rather than Offense Against the Family category due to extremely low incident rates for the latter. Due to the variation in crime data provided by Metropolitan Nashville Police Department for 2005-2008, trend comparisons are not possible with previous years. Therefore, crime charts for 2002-2005 years that utilized previously "reported" crime data appear in the Appendix for those Family Resource Centers that requested data during these years.

### Crime Rate

The crime rate is the number of crimes per thousand persons.

### Crime Incidents

Crime incidents refer to events in which a crime took place, a victim reported the crime, and an incident report was filed by a police officer. Multiple incidents may be filed by a single victim.

### Restrictions

In 2008, the Metropolitan Nashville Police Department stopped providing public access to crime incident data for open investigations. Therefore, the tables summarize only those crime incidents that have been cleared by arrest, or cases in which prosecution was declined, or the victim refused to cooperate.

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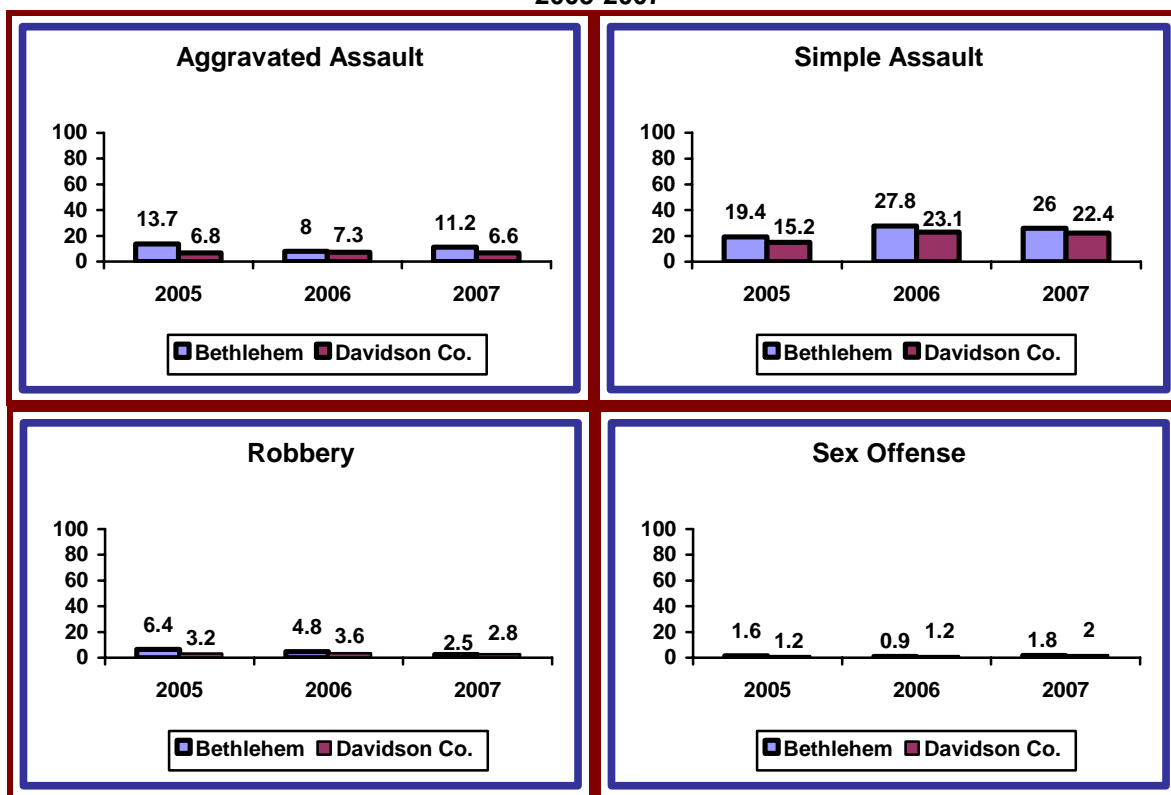
**Measure:** Crime incidents refer to events in which a crime took place, a victim reported the crime, and an incident report was filed by a police officer.

**Description:** Crimes against persons include violence against individuals, such as aggravated and simple assault, robbery, and sex offense.

**What the data show:** Incidents of simple assault and robbery declined in 2007 in the Bethlehem area with robbery incidents below those for the county. Incidents of sex offense doubled from 2006 to 2007 although remaining below those for the county in 2007.

**Measure implications:** Reduction in crime rates is essential to neighborhood safety.

**RATES OF CLOSED CRIME INCIDENTS AGAINST PERSONS IN THE BETHLEHEM AREA 2005-2007**



**Source:** Neighborhoods Resource Center

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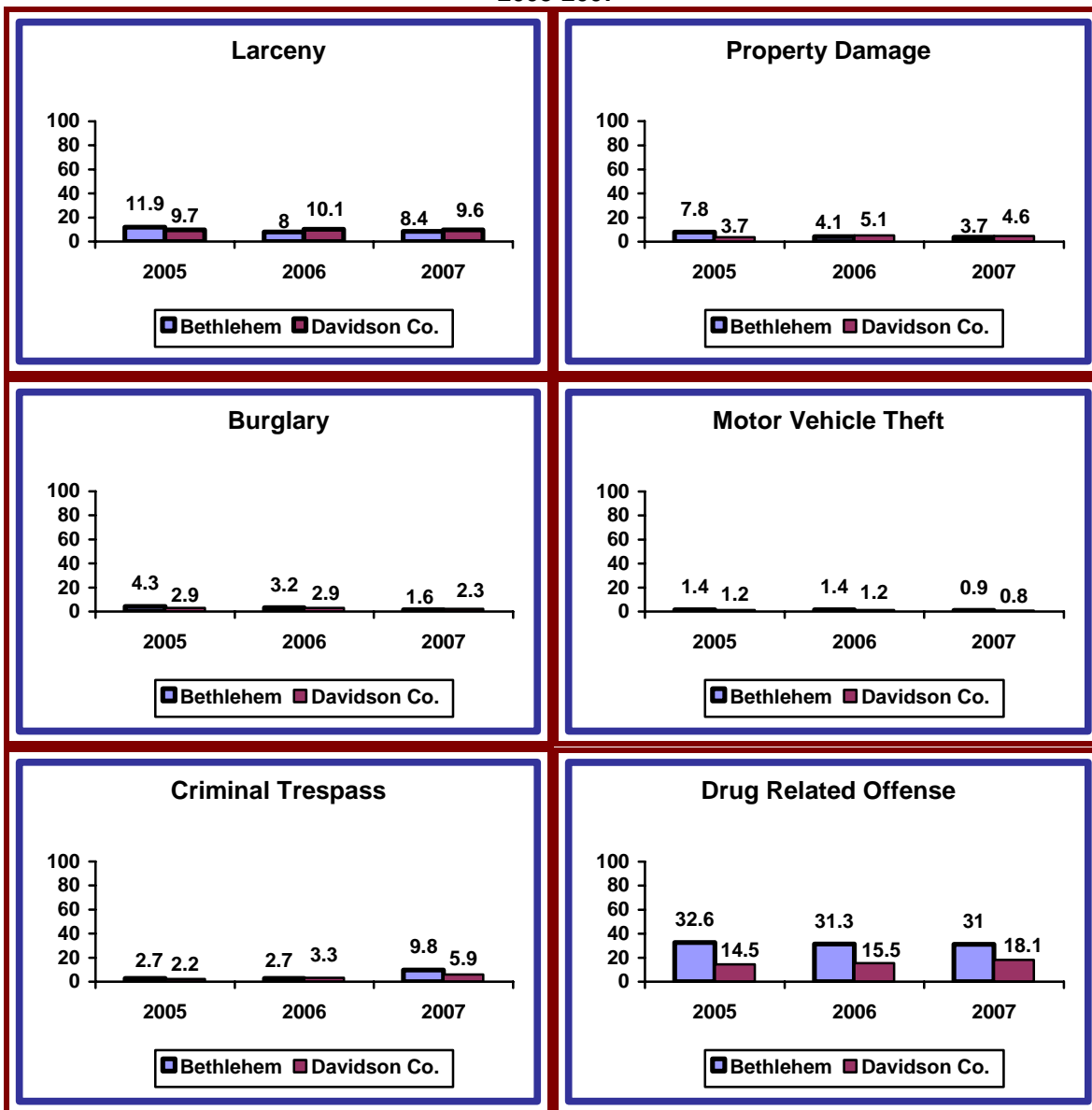
**Measure:** Crime incidents refer to events in which a crime took place, a victim reported the crime, and an incident report was filed by a police officer.

**Description:** Property/other crimes include larceny, property damage/vandalism, burglary, motor vehicle theft, harassment/criminal trespass, and drug related offense.

**What the data show:** Bethlehem area incidents of property/other crime for 2007 declined in all areas except larceny and criminal trespass; the criminal trespass crimes increased measurably. Criminal trespass and drug related offense incidents were well above like county incident rates.

**Measure implications:** Reduction in crime rates is essential to neighborhood safety.

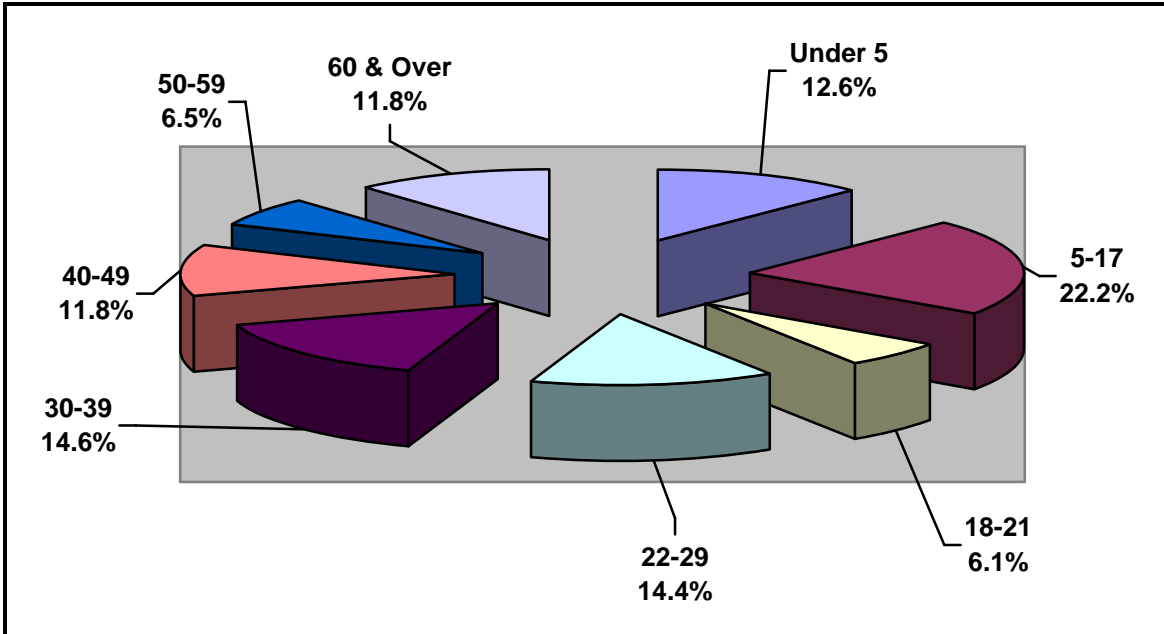
**RATES OF CLOSED CRIME INCIDENTS AGAINST PROPERTY/OTHER IN THE BETHLEHEM AREA 2005-2007**



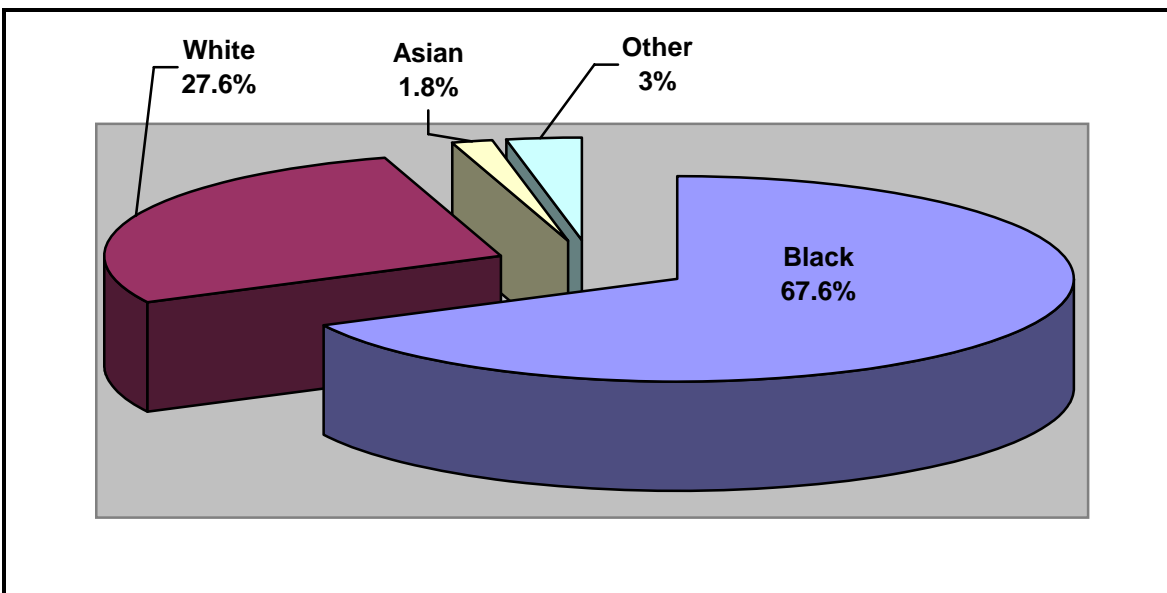
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**SELECTED DEMOGRAPHICS:** The charts on the following pages provide demographic information for the Bethlehem FRC service area (census tracts 135 and 144).

**POPULATION BY AGE**

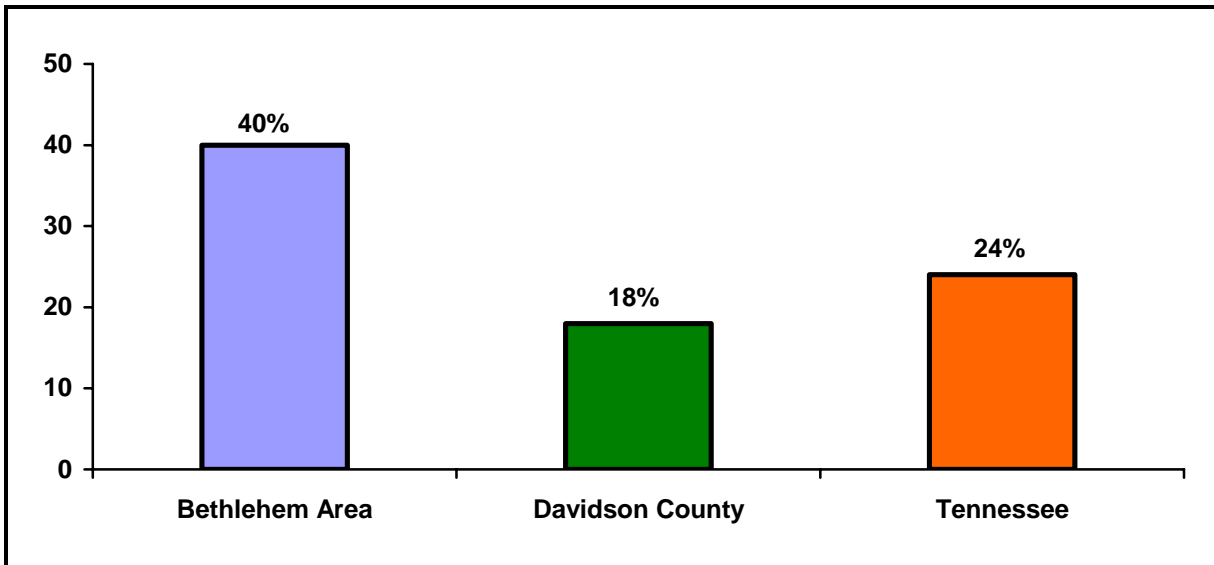


**POPULATION BY RACE**

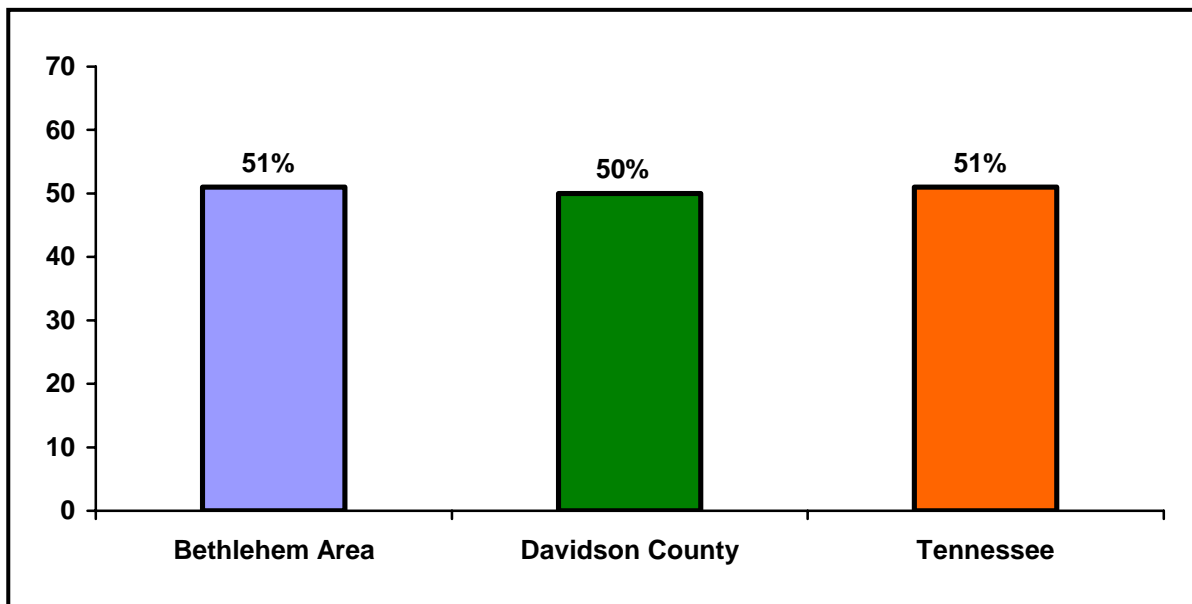


**Source:** U.S. Census Bureau, Census 2000, Summary File 1 (Age Data: Table P12; Race Data: Table P7)

**PERCENT OF POPULATION AGE 25+ WITH LESS THAN A HIGH SCHOOL DIPLOMA OR GED**

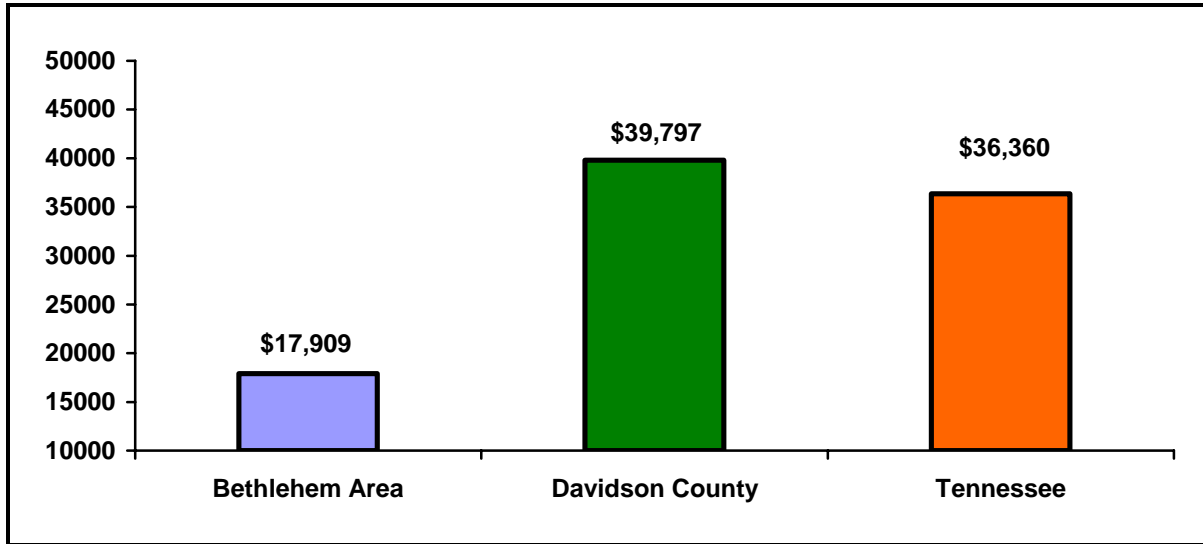


**PERCENT OF GRANDPARENTS RESPONSIBLE FOR CARE OF GRANDCHILDREN (< AGE 18) RESIDING IN SAME HOUSEHOLD**



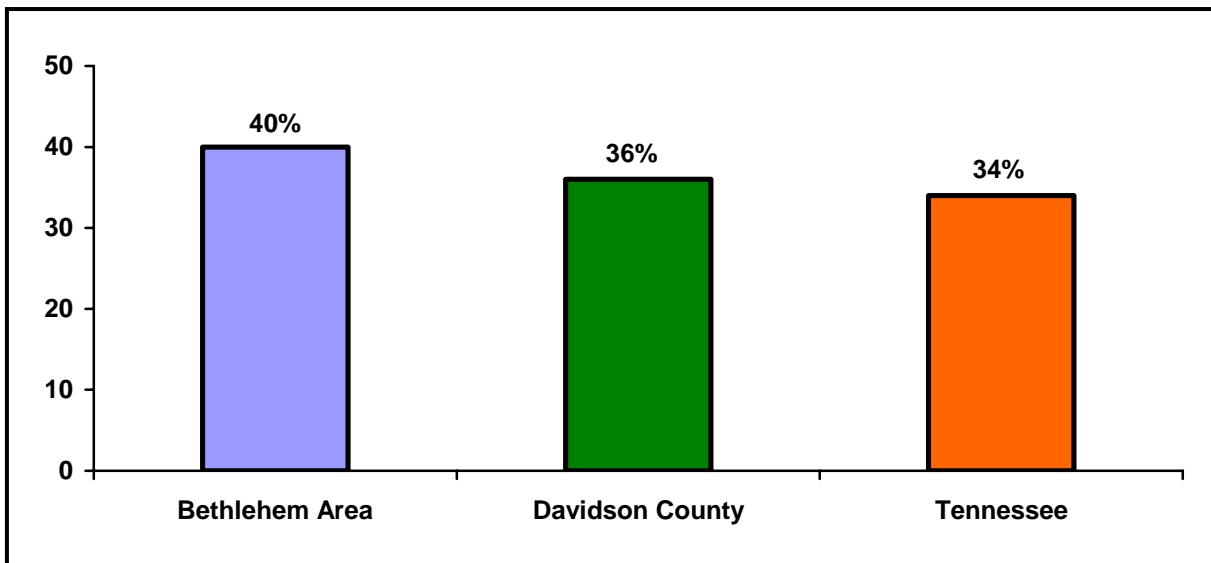
**Source:** U.S. Census Bureau, Census 2000, Summary File 3 (Table DP-2)

**MEDIAN HOUSEHOLD INCOME, 1999**



**Source:** U.S. Census Bureau, Census 2000, Summary File 3 (Table DP-3)

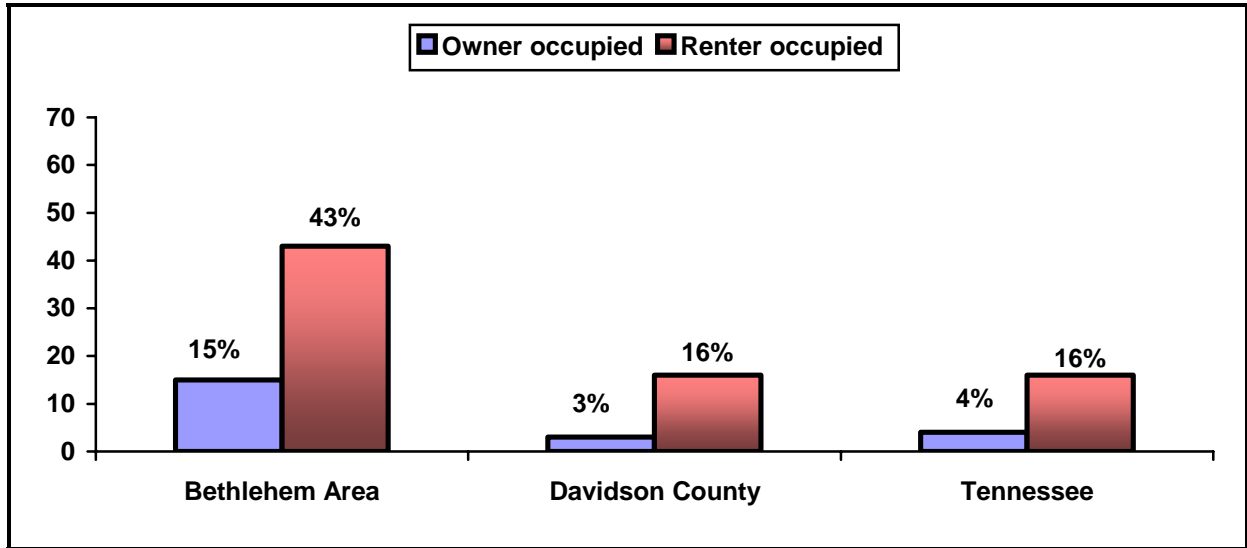
**PERCENTAGE OF FAMILIES WITH RENT BURDEN**



**Source:** U.S. Census Bureau, Census 2000, Summary File 3 (Quick Table QT-H13)

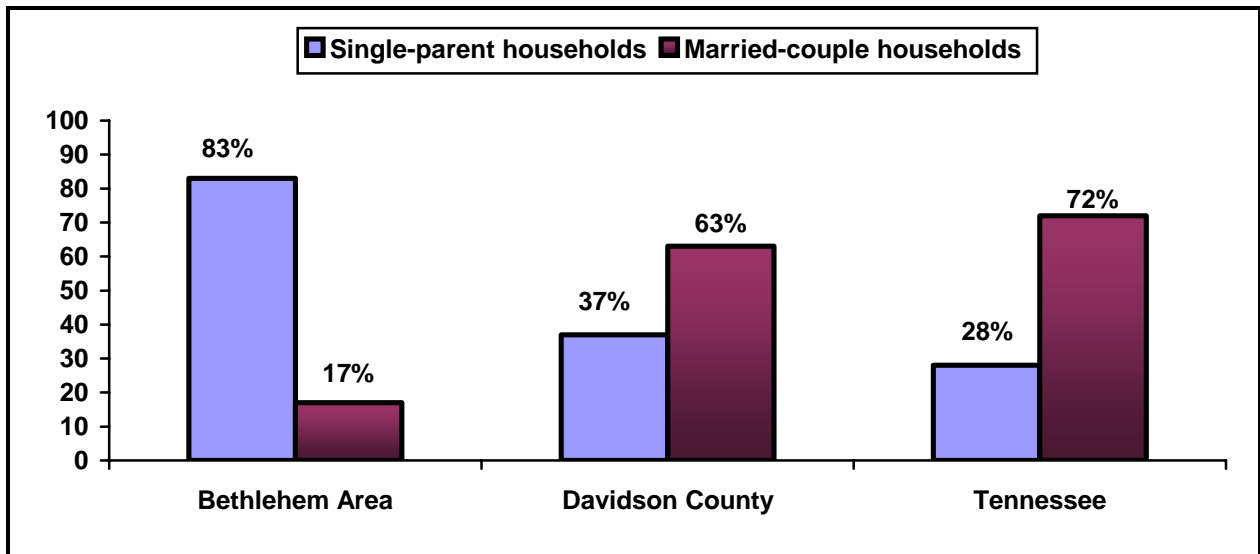
**Notes:** Households that spend more than 30% of their monthly income on rent are considered "rent burdened." Rent-burdened families have less money available for present and future needs.

PERCENT OF HOUSEHOLDS WITH NO VEHICLES AVAILABLE



Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Census 2000, Summary File 3 (Quick Table QT-H11)

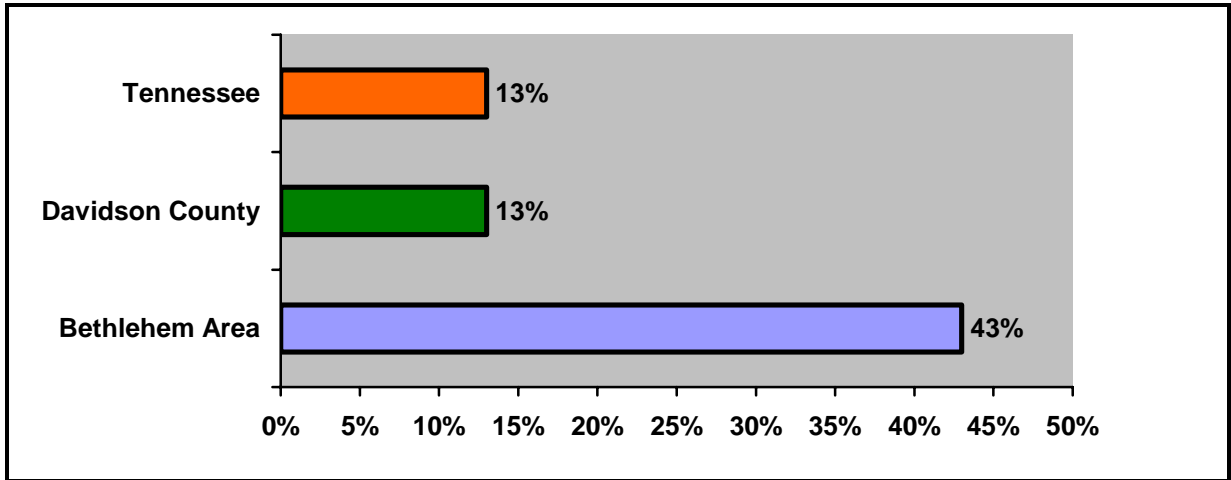
PERCENT OF SINGLE-PARENT AND MARRIED-COUPLE HOUSEHOLDS WITH CHILDREN AGES 18 AND UNDER



Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Census 2000, Summary File 3 (Table P10)

Notes: Children who grow up in single-parent households are more likely to be poor.

**POVERTY RATES, 1999**



**Source:** U. S. Census Bureau, Census 2000, Summary File 3 (Table P87)

**EMPLOYMENT STATISTICS**

	Bethlehem Area	Davidson County	Tennessee
Civilians ages 16 and over in the labor force	1,531	307,250	2,805,234
Percent of total civilian population ages 16 and over unemployed	10%	5.2%	5.5%

**Source:** U. S. Census Bureau, Census 2000, Summary File 3 (Table DP-3)

## APPENDIX

### Goal: Families and Children are Safe

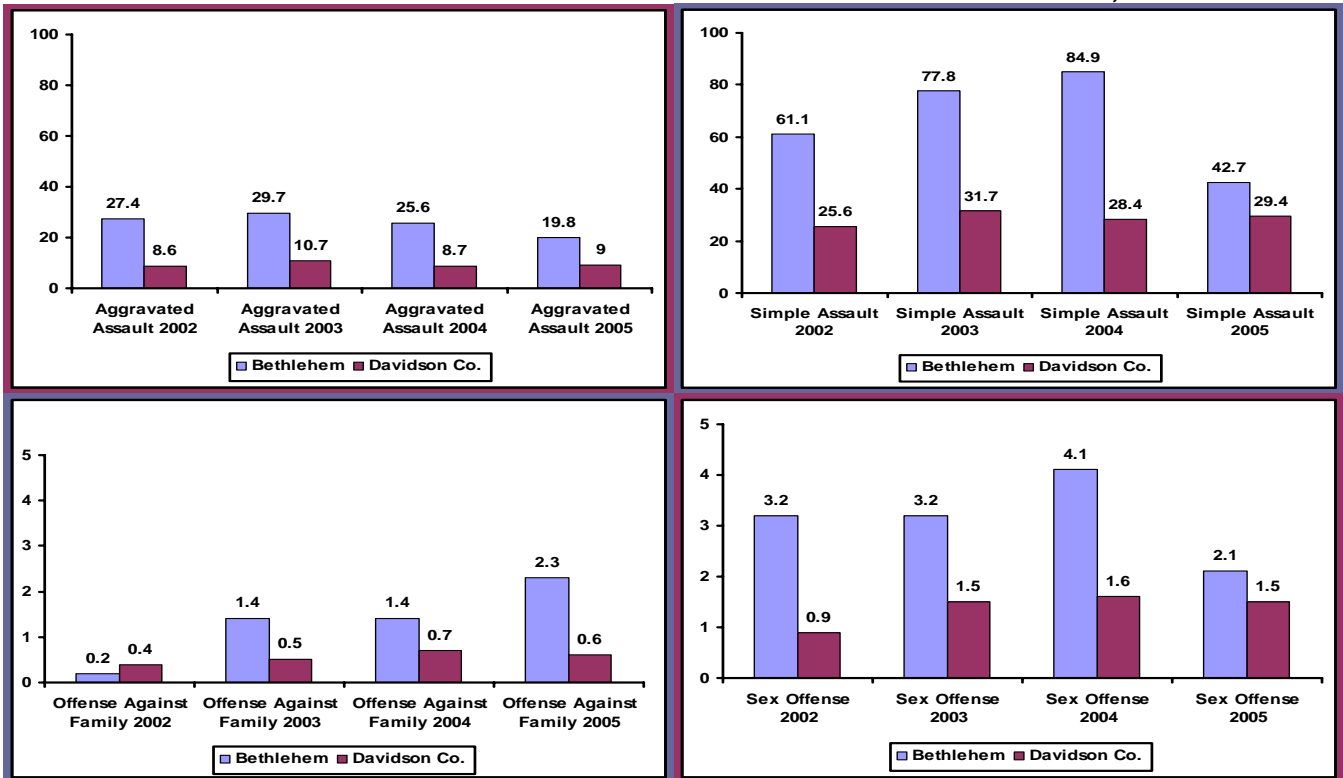
**Measure:** Rates of reported crimes against persons.

**Description:** Crimes against persons include violence against individuals, such as aggravated and simple assault, offense against the family, and sex offense. It should be noted that all crimes were the number reported, not necessarily the number that occurred and the same person could have been the victim of one or more crimes.

**What the data show:** In 2005, Bethlehem rates of reported crimes against persons declined markedly in all the following areas except offense against family crimes which increased.

**Measure implications:** Reduction in crime rates is essential to neighborhood safety.

**RATES OF REPORTED CRIMES AGAINST PERSONS IN THE BETHLEHEM AREA, 2002-2005**



**Source:** Neighborhoods Resource Center, 2002 and 2003 FRC data recalculated.

**Notes:** The rate is the number of crimes per 1,000 persons.

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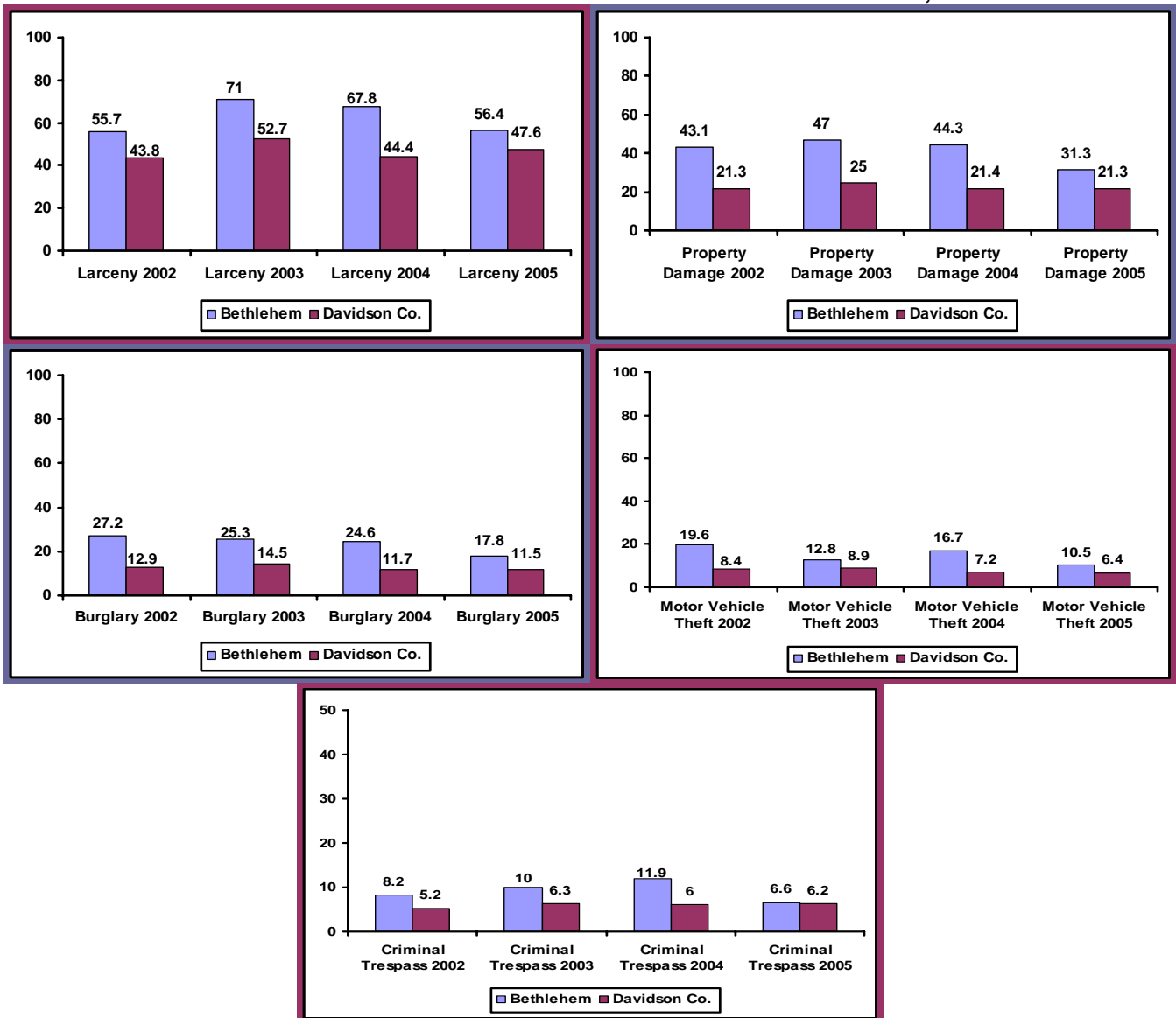
**Measure:** Rates of reported property crimes.

**Description:** Property crimes include burglary, harassment/criminal trespass, larceny, motor vehicle theft, and property damage/vandalism. It should be noted that all crimes were the number reported, not necessarily the number that occurred and the same person could have been the victim of one or more crimes.

**What the data show:** Bethlehem area reported property crime rates in all of the following graphs decreased measurably in 2005. County property crime rates in all categories in 2005 remained below Bethlehem area although criminal trespass was only slightly higher.

**Measure implications:** Reduction in crime rates is essential to neighborhood safety.

**RATES OF REPORTED PROPERTY CRIMES IN THE BETHLEHEM AREA, 2002-2005**



**Source:** Neighborhoods Resource Center, 2002 and 2003 FRC data recalculated.

**Notes:** The rate is the number of crimes per 1,000 persons.