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A LOOK AT LONG TERM OVERALL CRIME TRENDS

Sometimes, rather than looking at monthly, quarterly, or even annual crime figures, it's more valuable to look at longer term crime trends.

The overall "Group A" crime rate is tracked by the Tennessee Bureau of Investigation and based on 54 separate categories of crime - from murder to vandalism.

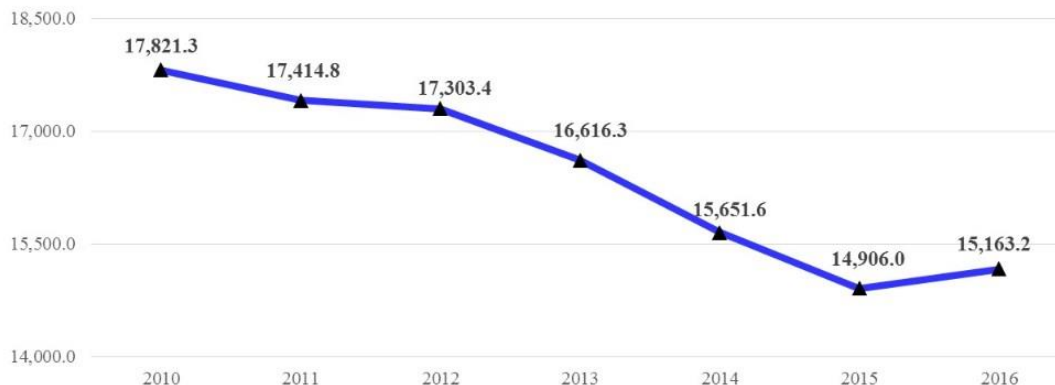
In this edition, we take a look at this overall crime rate over the past seven years for both the city of Memphis and all of Shelby County. Both show a steady downward trend until 2016, when there was a slight uptick.

A lot of people ask me about crime in Nashville. Nashville and Davidson County have a consolidated government, (commonly called Metro Nashville). So, any crime data you see for Nashville is really for all of Davidson County. As shown in the accompanying chart, Shelby and Davidson Counties are pretty much neck-in-neck in their overall Group A crime rates. The bottom line: both communities have had reductions since 2010 but need to make more progress in reducing their overall crime rates.

Next month, we'll take a look at some juvenile crime figures.

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**OVERALL CRIME TREND FOR
THE CITY OF MEMPHIS 2010-2016
(Incidents per 100,000 population¹)**



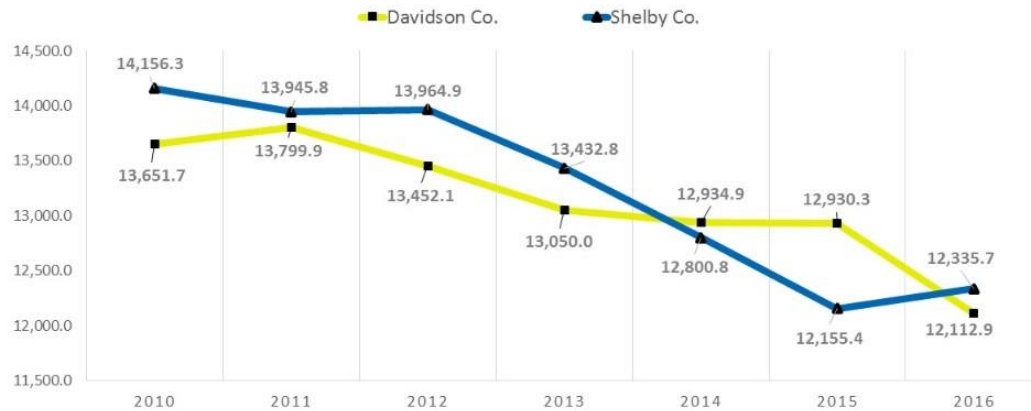
¹ Total reported incidents of Group A offenses. Source: TIBRS (Tennessee Incident Based Reporting System). Rates calculated using U.S. Census Bureau population estimates except for 2010 for which the Census actual count was used.

**OVERALL CRIME TREND
FOR ALL OF SHELBY COUNTY 2010-2016
(Offenses per 100,000 population¹)**



¹ Total reported incidents of Group A offenses. Source: TIBRS (Tennessee Incident Based Reporting System). Rates calculated using U.S. Census Bureau population estimates except for 2010 for which the Census actual count was used.

**OVERALL CRIME TRENDS FOR
SHELBY AND DAVIDSON COUNTIES FOR 2010 - 2016
(INCIDENTS PER 100,000 POPULATION¹)**



¹ The overall crime rate is measured by 54 separate categories of "Group A crimes" tracked by the T.B.I.
Source: Tennessee Bureau of Investigation (TBI). Rates are calculated using the U.S. Census Bureau population estimates except for 2010 for which the Census actual count is used.

***cityCURRENT Spotlights the
Memphis Shelby Crime Commission***

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**cityCURRENT Charity Spotlight:
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