

Canterbury

Connecticut

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Belongs to
Windham County
New London Labor Market Area
Northeast Economic Dev. Region
Northeastern Connecticut Planning Area

Incorporated in 1703

Demographics

<i>Population (1998)</i>				<i>Race/Ethnicity (1998)</i>			
	<i>Town</i>	<i>County</i>	<i>State</i>		<i>Town</i>	<i>County</i>	<i>State</i>
1980	3,426	92,313	3,107,580	White	4,525	96,816	2,648,212
1990	4,467	102,525	3,287,116	Black	21	1,131	274,213
1998	4,651	105,074	3,271,239	Asian Pacific	31	1,128	73,304
2003	4,721	105,698	3,272,149	Native American	26	349	5,952
'98-'03 Growth	1.51%	0.59%	0.03%	Other	1	119	5,336
				Hispanic (any race)	47	5,531	264,222
Land Area (sq. miles)	39.90	512.80	4,845	<i>Poverty Rate (1990)</i>	3.94%	8.03%	6.61%
Pop./ Sq. Mile (1998)	116.57	204.90	653	<i>Educational Attainment (1990)</i>			
Per Capita Inc. (1998)	\$18,865	\$19,067	\$27,078	Persons Age 25 or Older	<i>Town</i>	<i>%</i>	<i>State</i>
Households (1998)	1,549	37,859	1,229,087	High School Graduate	1,083	38.8%	648,366
Median Age (1997)	36.2	35.5	37.2	Some College	635	22.8%	495,696
				Bachelors or More	499	17.9%	597,693
<i>Age Distribution (1998)</i>							
	<i>0-4</i>	<i>5-17</i>	<i>18-24</i>	<i>25-49</i>	<i>50-64</i>	<i>65+</i>	<i>Total</i>
Male	155 7%	463 20%	231 10%	876 38%	364 16%	198 9%	2,287
Female	146 6%	455 19%	225 10%	926 39%	348 15%	264 11%	2,364
County Total	7,374 7%	19,288 18%	10,266 10%	39,269 37%	15,064 14%	13,813 13%	105,074
State Total	216,119 7%	550,400 17%	280,101 9%	1,257,928 38%	499,093 15%	467,598 14%	3,271,239

Economics

<i>Business Profile (1997)</i>				<i>Top Five Grand List (1997)</i>			
<i>Sector</i>	<i>Firms</i>	<i>% of Total</i>	<i>Emp. Total</i>		<i>Amount</i>	<i>% of Total</i>	
Agriculture	6	4.2%	22	4.0%	Connecticut Light & Power Company	\$2,700,420	1.46%
Const. and Mining	58	40.3%	144	26.0%	345 Folsom Street Joint Venture	\$908,460	0.49%
Manufacturing	4	2.8%	6	1.1%	Lester Gorin	\$801,850	0.43%
Trans. And Utilities	6	4.2%	13	2.3%	Knoll Brook Village Partnership	\$728,350	0.39%
Trade	19	13.2%	151	27.3%	Yaworski Trucking, Inc.	\$643,150	0.35%
Finance, Ins. and Real Estate	8	5.6%	22	4.0%	Grand List Total (1996)	\$184,607,794	
Services	40	27.8%	178	32.1%	<i>Top Five Major Employers (1997)</i>		
Government	3	2.1%	18	3.2%	Canterbury Public Sch. System	Yaworski Trucking, Inc.	
Total	144	100.0%	554	100.0%	Town of Canterbury	Wright's Mill Tree Farm	
					Better Val-U Supermarket		
						<i>Town</i>	<i>State</i>
					<i>Retail Sales (1996)</i>	\$4,537,907	\$30,837,967,729

Education

<i>1995-1996 School Year</i>				<i>Connecticut Mastery Test Percent Above Goal</i>						
	<i>Town</i>	<i>State</i>		Grade 4		Grade 6		Grade 8		
				<i>Town</i>	<i>State</i>	<i>Town</i>	<i>State</i>	<i>Town</i>	<i>State</i>	
Total Students	665	461,203		Reading	65	55	62	60	64	64
Total Expenditures Per Pupil	\$8,262	\$8,300		Math	58	59	38	52	47	51
Average Teacher's Salary	\$42,230	\$48,598		Writing	48	46	46	46	82	51
Students Attending Public School	94.6%	89.2%								
Student/Teacher Ratio	14.2	14.5		<i>Average SAT Score</i>						
Grads Pursuing Post-Sec. Education	61.6%	75.8%		Verbal					481	503
High School Dropout Rate	3.1%	4.6%		Math					483	499
<i>Average Class Size</i>										
Kindergarten 19.0	Grade 2	18.0								
Grade 5 17.5	Grade 7	22.0	High School	17.2						

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Government

Government Form	Selectman- Town Meeting		Annual Debt Service (1996)	\$1,119,685	
Total Revenue (1996)	\$9,260,612	Total Expenditures (1996)	\$9,722,094	As % of Expenditures	11.5%
Tax Revenue	\$3,444,427	Education	\$6,963,684	Equalized Grand List (1996)	\$237,129,840
Non-tax Revenue	\$171,121	Other	\$2,758,410	Per Capita	\$50,701
Intergovernmental	\$5,645,064	Total Indebtness (1996)	\$6,653,393	As % of State Average	65.0%
Per Capita Tax (1996)	\$709	As % of Expenditures	68.4%	Date of Last Revaluation	10/ 1/90
As % of State Average	49.8%	Per Capita	\$1,423	Moody's Bond Rating (1997)	A
		As % of State Average	136.7%	Actual Mill Rate (1997)	21.56
				Equalized Mill Rate (1996)	14.51
				% of Grand List Com/Ind (1995)	3.9%

Housing

Housing Stock (1997)	Town	County	State	Sales Price Distribution (1996)	Town	County	State
Existing Units (total)	1,684	42,880	1,374,566	Number of Sales			
% Single Unit	90.6%	65.0%	62.9%	Less than \$100,000	26	909	22,254
New Permits Auth. (1997)	18	323	9,349	\$100,001-\$200,000	35	411	20,713
As % Existing Units	1.07%	0.75%	0.68%	\$200,001-\$300,000	0	27	6,600
Demolitions (1997)	5	28	1,193	\$300,001-\$400,000	1	6	2,730
Residential Sales (1996)	62	1,355	56,333	\$400,001 or More	0	2	4,036
Average Price	\$121,629	\$99,084	\$194,596	1996 Characteristics			
Median Price	\$114,900	\$93,825	\$138,000	Owner Occupied Dwellings	1,315	24,954	807,559
				Housing Stock Age - Pre-1950	23.4%	36.4%	33.9%
				Subsidized Housing Units	126	5,189	148,930

Labor Force

1997	Town	County	State	Commuters (1990)	Commuters into Town from	Town Residents Commuting to	
Labor Force	2,697	55,776	1,723,300	1. Canterbury	279	Norwich	327
Employed	2,535	52,071	1,635,400	2. Plainfield	128	Canterbury	279
Unemployed	162	3,705	87,900	3. Brooklyn	39	Groton	230
Unemployment Rate	6.0%	6.6%	5.1%	4. Windham	17	Plainfield	175
Total Employment	460	34,800	1,581,700	5. Killingly	13	Killingly	137
Manufacturing	0	8,480	265,850	6. Griswold	12	Windham	122
'92-'97 Growth Rate	15.0%	7.7%	4.3%	7. Lebanon	10	New London	68
Daytime Population	734	42,607	1,740,247	8. Sprague	9	Sprague	56
				9. Colchester	8	Lisbon	51
				10. Massachusetts	7	Hartford	49

Quality of Life

	Town	State	Library (1996-1997)	Town	Residential Utilities
Banks (1997)	2	1,378	Total Volumes	13,024	Electric Provider
Lodging (1997)	0	756	Circulation Per Capita	3.2	Connecticut Light & Power
Day Care Facilities (1998)	1	1,651			1-800-286-2000
Infant Mortality Rate Per 1,000 Res. (1995)	0	0.099	Distance to Major Cities	Miles	Gas Provider
Crime Rate (1996) Per 1,000 Residents	14.0	40	Hartford	35	na
% Open Land (1990)	81.9%	68.8%	Boston	67	na
			New York City	124	Water Provider
			Providence	32	Municipal Provider
Hospitals (1997)	0	2			Contact local provider
Total Beds	0	234			Cable Provider
					Charter Communications of Northeastern CT
					800-872-7299