

# Griswold

## Connecticut

Town Hall  
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Jewett City, CT 06351  
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*Belongs to*  
New London County  
New London Labor Market Area  
Southeast Economic Dev. Region  
Southeastern Connecticut Planning Area

Incorporated in 1815

### 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	8,967	238,410	3,107,580	White	10,432	221,517	2,648,212
1990	10,384	254,957	3,287,116	Black	96	12,225	274,213
1998	10,786	251,177	3,271,239	Asian Pacific	69	4,718	73,304
2003	11,076	252,769	3,272,149	Native American	40	1,321	5,952
'98-'03 Growth	2.69%	0.63%	0.03%	Other	8	438	5,336
				Hispanic (any race)	141	10,958	264,222
Land Area (sq. miles)	34.97	666.08	4,845	<i>Poverty Rate (1990)</i>	9.02%	6.37%	6.61%
Pop./ Sq. Mile (1998)	308.44	377.10	653	<i>Educational Attainment (1990)</i>			
Per Capita Inc. (1998)	\$19,017	\$23,627	\$27,078	Persons Age 25 or Older	<i>Town</i>	<i>%</i>	<i>State</i>
Households (1998)	4,034	93,856	1,229,087	High School Graduate	2,628	39.6%	648,366
Median Age (1997)	34.3	35.4	37.2	Some College	1,443	21.8%	495,696
				Bachelors or More	727	11.0%	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	448 8%	1,092 20%	466 9%	2,164 40%	666 12%	519 10%	5,355
Female	443 8%	1,045 19%	464 9%	2,108 39%	630 12%	741 14%	5,431
County Total	17,896 7%	43,485 17%	24,337 10%	97,191 39%	35,483 14%	32,785 13%	251,177
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.</i>	<i>% of Total</i>		<i>Amount</i>	<i>% of Total</i>
Agriculture	11	3.1%	31	1.2%	Triangle Wire & Cable	\$2,535,470	0.79%
Const. and Mining	99	28.3%	251	9.7%	Albemarle Griswold Limited Partners	\$1,996,680	0.62%
Manufacturing	13	3.7%	590	22.9%	Jewett City Savings Bank	\$1,975,610	0.62%
Trans. And Utilities	11	3.1%	146	5.7%	Goldstein et al	\$1,759,590	0.55%
Trade	86	24.6%	543	21.1%	Estate of Alfred Goldstein	\$1,599,850	0.50%
Finance, Ins. and Real Estate	16	4.6%	60	2.3%	Grand List Total (1996)	\$319,580,220	
Services	105	30.0%	590	22.9%	<i>Top Five Major Employers (1997)</i>		
Government	9	2.6%	368	14.3%	Griswold Public Schools	Jewett City Fire Department	
Total	350	100.0%	2,579	100.0%	Town of Griswold	The A D Tripp Company	
					Ames Department Store		
						<i>Town</i>	<i>State</i>
					<i>Retail Sales (1996)</i>	\$35,843,810	\$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	2,112	461,203		Reading	45	55	56	60	64	64
Total Expenditures Per Pupil	\$8,677	\$8,300		Math	46	59	36	52	57	51
Average Teacher's Salary	\$44,488	\$48,598		Writing	38	46	16	46	34	51
Students Attending Public School	93.5%	89.2%								
Student/Teacher Ratio	14.0	14.5		<i>Average SAT Score</i>			<i>Town</i>	<i>State</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 16.6	Grade 2	18.5								
Grade 5 24.8	Grade 7	20.4	High School	17.2						

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## Government

Government Form	Selectman- Town Meeting	Annual Debt Service (1996)	\$3,447,274
		As % of Expenditures	15.7%
Total Revenue (1996)	\$23,137,615	Total Expenditures (1996)	\$21,892,952
Tax Revenue	\$7,421,430	Education	\$14,673,755
Non-tax Revenue	\$3,175,785	Other	\$7,219,197
Intergovernmental	\$12,540,400	Total Indebtness (1996)	\$23,115,500
Per Capita Tax (1996)	\$697	As % of Expenditures	105.6%
As % of State Average	49.0%	Per Capita	\$2,266
		As % of State Average	217.7%
		Annual Debt Service (1996)	\$3,447,274
		As % of Expenditures	15.7%
		Equalized Grand List (1996)	\$457,277,670
		Per Capita	\$44,831
		As % of State Average	57.5%
		Date of Last Revaluation	10/ 1/92
		Moody's Bond Rating (1997)	
		Actual Mill Rate (1997)	22.75
		Equalized Mill Rate (1996)	15.69
		% of Grand List Com/Ind (1995)	11.7%

## Housing

Housing Stock (1997)	Town	County	State	Sales Price Distribution (1996)	Town	County	State
Existing Units (total)	4,511	109,981	1,374,566	Number of Sales			
% Single Unit	63.4%	66.5%	62.9%	Less than \$100,000	105	1,923	22,254
New Permits Auth. (1997)	39	825	9,349	\$100,001-\$200,000	60	1,682	20,713
As % Existing Units	0.86%	0.75%	0.68%	\$200,001-\$300,000	0	247	6,600
Demolitions (1997)	9	67	1,193	\$300,001-\$400,000	1	72	2,730
Residential Sales (1996)	166	4,000	56,333	\$400,001 or More	0	76	4,036
Average Price	\$94,949	\$127,398	\$194,596	1996 Characteristics			
Median Price	\$94,500	\$114,000	\$138,000	Owner Occupied Dwellings	2,614	60,315	807,559
				Housing Stock Age - Pre-1950	26.7%	35.6%	33.9%
				Subsidized Housing Units	305	11,508	148,930

## Labor Force

1997	Town	County	State	Commuters (1990)	Commuters into Town from	Town Residents Commuting to
Labor Force	5,734	133,951	1,723,300	1. Griswold	807	Norwich 1147
Employed	5,410	126,435	1,635,400	2. Plainfield	156	Griswold 807
Unemployed	324	7,516	87,900	3. Norwich	147	Groton 799
Unemployment Rate	5.7%	5.6%	5.1%	4. Lisbon	111	New London 245
Total Employment	1,770	126,990	1,581,700	5. Voluntown	73	Plainfield 201
Manufacturing	170	20,790	265,850	6. Sprague	49	Lisbon 200
'92-'97 Growth Rate	9.3%	16.7%	4.3%	7. Canterbury	39	Waterford 154
Daytime Population	2,106	119,632	1,740,247	8. Sterling	27	Stonington 120
				9. Rhode Island	26	Montville 108
				10. Preston	21	Preston 91

## Quality of Life

	Town	State	Library (1996-1997)	Town	Residential Utilities
Banks (1997)	5	1,378	Total Volumes	17,598	Electric Provider
Lodging (1997)	2	756	Circulation Per Capita	1.4	Connecticut Municipal Electric Energy Coop.
Day Care Facilities (1998)	2	1,651			860-889-4088
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	16.2	40	Hartford	41	na
% Open Land (1990)	72.4%	68.8%	Boston	70	na
			New York City	123	Water Provider
			Providence	31	Municipal Provider
Hospitals (1997)	0	2			Contact local provider
Total Beds	0	563			Cable Provider
					Eastern CT Cable Television, Inc.
					860-739-5437