

Prospect Connecticut

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Belongs to
New Haven County
Waterbury Labor Market Area
Naugatuck Valley Economic Dev. Region
Central Naugatuck Valley Planning Area



Incorporated in 1827

Demographics

<i>Population (2001)</i>				<i>Race/Ethnicity (2001)</i>								
	<i>Town</i>	<i>County</i>	<i>State</i>		<i>Town</i>	<i>County</i>	<i>State</i>					
1990	7,775	804,219	3,287,116	White	8,541	711,824	2,997,210					
2000	8,707	824,008	3,405,565	Black	176	79,304	266,880					
2001	8,787	825,138	3,414,784	Asian Pacific	44	10,584	52,248					
2006	9,109	834,574	3,465,947	Native American	9	1,455	6,660					
'01-'06 Growth (AAGR)	0.72%	0.23%	0.30%	Hispanic (any race)	185	82,824	318,289					
Land Area (sq. miles)	14	606	5,009	<i>Poverty Rate (1990)</i>	1.8%	7.9%	6.6%					
Pop./ Sq. Mile (2001)	614	1,362	682	<i>Educational Attainment (1990)</i>								
Per Capita Inc. (2001)	\$27,228	\$28,013	\$32,317	Persons Age 25 or Older	<i>Town</i>	<i>%</i>	<i>State</i>	<i>%</i>				
Households (2001)	2,929	314,465	1,285,210	High School Graduate	1,745	33.4%	648,366	29.6%				
Median Age (2001)	38	36	37	Some College	1,224	23.4%	495,696	22.6%				
<i>Age Distribution (2001)</i>				Bachelors or More	1,048	20.0%	597,693	27.3%				
	<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	273 3%	782 9%	377 4%	1,641 19%	737 8%	468 5%	4,278					
Female	274 3%	763 9%	328 4%	1,702 19%	762 9%	680 8%	4,509					
County Total	52,621 6%	143,398 17%	72,491 9%	309,223 37%	125,417 15%	121,988 15%	825,138					
State Total	213,561 6%	597,220 17%	279,666 8%	1,294,651 38%	544,994 16%	484,692 14%	3,414,784					

Economics

<i>Business Profile (2001)</i>					<i>Top Five Grand List (2001)</i>		
<i>Sector</i>	<i>Firms</i>	<i>% of Total</i>	<i>Emp.</i>	<i>% of Total</i>		<i>Amount</i>	<i>% of Net</i>
Agriculture	13	3.4%	66	2.7%			
Const. and Mining	78	20.1%	270	11.2%			
Manufacturing	32	8.2%	279	11.5%			
Trans. and Utilities	24	6.2%	117	4.8%			
Trade	79	20.4%	366	15.1%			
Finance, Ins. and Real Estate	24	6.2%	99	4.1%			
Services	136	35.1%	1,208	49.9%			
Government	2	0.5%	14	0.6%			
Total	388	100.0%	2,419	100.0%			
					<i>Net Grand List ()</i>		
					<i>Top Five Major Employers (1997)</i>		
					J. Cunningham, Inc.	Oliver's Supermarket	
					Dufour Transportation Services	Regional Water Authority	
					Northeast Waste Systems		
					<i>Retail Sales (1999)</i>	<i>Town</i>	<i>State</i>
						\$88,390,752	\$76,264,820,474

Education

<i>1995-1996 School Year</i>				<i>Connecticut Mastery Test: Percent Above Goal</i>					
	<i>Town</i>	<i>State</i>		<i>Grade 4</i>		<i>Grade 6</i>		<i>Grade 8</i>	
				<i>Town</i>	<i>State</i>	<i>Town</i>	<i>State</i>	<i>Town</i>	<i>State</i>
Total Students	3,171	461,203		58	55	56	60	70	64
Total Expenditures Per Pupil	\$6,859	\$8,300		70	59	50	59	59	51
Average Teacher's Salary	\$46,622	\$48,598		53	46	67	46	81	51
Students Attending Public School	94.4%	89.2%		<i>Average SAT Score</i>					
Student/Teacher Ratio	15.4	14.5		<i>Verbal</i>		<i>Town</i>		<i>State</i>	
Grads Pursuing Post-Sec. Education	71.2%	75.8%				488		503	
High School Dropout Rate	2.6%	4.6%		<i>Math</i>		495		499	
<i>Average Class Size</i>									
Kindergarten 15.1	Grade 2 19.3								
Grade 5 22.8	Grade 7 25.6	High School 21.1							

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Government

Government Form	Mayor-Council			Annual Debt Service (1999)	\$5,150,933
				As % of Expenditures	27.6%
Total Revenue (1999)	\$14,388,847	Total Expenditures (1999)	\$18,672,046	Equalized Grand List (2001)	\$714,504,256
Tax Revenue	\$9,699,558	Education	\$10,142,955	Per Capita	\$85,981
Non-tax Revenue	\$4,689,289	Other	\$8,529,091	As % of State Average	0.5%
Intergovernmental	\$4,353,458	Total Indebtness (1999)	\$14,304,025	Date of Last Revaluation (2001)	2000
Per Capita Tax (1999)	\$1,167	As % of Expenditures	76.6%	Moody's Bond Rating (1999)	A3
As % of State Average	75.3%	Per Capita	\$1,721	Actual Mill Rate (1999)	25.80
		As % of State Average	124.9%	Equalized Mill Rate (1999)	15.52
				% of Grand List Com/Ind (1999)	7.1%

Housing

Housing Stock (1999)	Town	County	State	Sales Price Distribution (2000)	Town	County	State
Existing Units (total)	3,021	343,158	1,392,233	Number of Sales			
% Single Unit	91.8%	58.2%	63.4%	Less than \$100,000	10	3,449	12,351
New Permits Auth. (1999)	62	2,413	10,794	\$100,001-\$200,000	74	5,858	24,349
As % Existing Units	2.05%	0.70%	0.78%	\$200,001-\$300,000	50	1,752	9,063
Demolitions (1998)	1	626	2,968	\$300,001-\$400,000	10	620	4,013
Residential Sales (2000)	144	12,102	56,032	\$400,001 or More	0	423	6,256
Average Price	\$161,088	\$150,331	\$219,784	<i>1996 Characteristics</i>			
Median Price	\$148,000	\$119,900	\$135,500	Owner Occupied Dwellings	2,380	191,583	807,559
				Housing Stock Age - Pre-1950	16.7%	36.0%	33.9%
				Subsidized Housing Units	22	42,124	148,930

Labor Force

(2000)	Town	County	State	<i>Commuters (1990)</i>		
Labor Force	4,781	420,463	1,746,503	Commuters into Town from	Town Residents Commuting to	
Employed	4,691	409,831	1,707,150	Prospect	542	Waterbury 1,032
Unemployed	90	10,632	39,353	Waterbury	411	Prospect 542
Unemployment Rate	1.9%	2.5%	2.3%	Naugatuck	229	Cheshire 252
Total Employment	2,210	367,510	1,693,400	Cheshire	60	Naugatuck 232
'92-'00 Growth (AAGR)	1.7%	0.9%	1.3%	Bethany	48	New Haven 224
Manufacturing	320	58,590	268,400	Wolcott	35	Watertown 129
				Watertown	28	Stratford 106
				Middlebury	25	Wallingford 100
				Plymouth	24	Milford 95

Quality of Life

	Town	State	Library (1999)	Town	<i>Residential Utilities</i>	
Banks (2000)	3	1,183	Total Volumes	32,766	Electric Provider	
Lodging (1998)	1	756	Circulation Per Capita	7.1	Connecticut Light & Power (800) 286-2000	
Day Care Facilities (1999)	2	1,722			Gas Provider	
Infant Mortality Rate Per 1,000 births (1998)	0.0	7.0	<i>Distance to Major Cities</i>	<i>Miles</i>	Yankee Gas Company (800) 989-0900	
Crime Rate (1999) Per 1,000 Residents	8	33	Hartford	24	Water Provider	
% Open Land (1990)	83.0%	68.7%	Boston	116	Connecticut Water Company (800) 286-5700	
			New York City	77	Cable Provider	
Hospitals (1999)	0	7	Providence	83	Tele-Media of Waterbury 203-755-1178	
Total Beds	0	2,487				