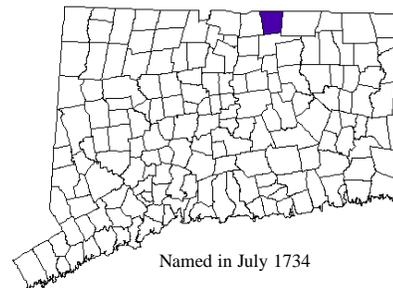


Somers

Connecticut

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Belongs to
Tolland County
Hartford Labor Market Area
Capitol Area Economic Development Region
Capitol Region Planning Area



Named in July 1734

Demographics

| <i>Population</i> | <i>Town</i> | <i>County</i> | <i>State</i> | <i>Race/Ethnicity (1990)</i> | <i>Town</i> | <i>County</i> | <i>State</i> |
|--------------------------------|-------------|---------------|--------------|---|--------------|---------------|-------------------|
| 1990 | 9,108 | 128,699 | 3,287,116 | White | 8,291 | 122,785 | 2,859,353 |
| 1995 | 9,260 | 129,200 | 3,289,090 | Black | 710 | 2,625 | 274,269 |
| 2000 | 9,390 | 132,450 | 3,316,120 | Asian Pacific | 66 | 2,446 | 50,698 |
| 2005 | 9,540 | 136,830 | 3,364,080 | Native American | 10 | 221 | 6,654 |
| | | | | Other | 31 | 622 | 96,142 |
| '95-'05 Growth | 3.0% | 5.9% | 2.3% | Hispanic origin (may be of any race) | 275 | 2,216 | 213,116 |
| Land Area | 28.3 | 410.1 | 4,845.4 | <i>Educational Attainment (1990)</i> | | | |
| Population per square mile | 326.7 | 315.1 | 678.8 | Persons age 25 or older | <i>Town</i> | <i>State</i> | |
| Households | 2,713 | 45,360 | 1,237,000 | High school graduate | 2,077 | 648,366 | |
| <i>Age Distribution (1995)</i> | | | | Some College | 1,753 | 495,696 | |
| | 0-4 | 5-14 | 15-34 | 35-49 | 50-64 | 65+ | Total |
| Male | 4% | 12% | 34% | 26% | 16% | 8% | 5,252 |
| Female | 5% | 15% | 23% | 25% | 18% | 13% | 4,008 |
| State Total | 7% | 13% | 27% | 24% | 14% | 14% | 3,289,090 |
| | | | | | | | Bachelors or more |
| | | | | | | | 1,374 |
| | | | | | | | 597,693 |

Economics

| <i>Number of Establishments (1995)</i> | <i>Town</i> | <i>County</i> | <i>State</i> | <i>Top Ten Assessments (1994)</i> | | | |
|--|-------------|---------------|--------------|------------------------------------|-------------|--|--|
| Manufacturing | 13 | 140 | 6,068 | 1. CT Light & Power Company | \$2,781,450 | | |
| Services | 62 | 944 | 39,011 | 2. Somers Historic Mill Associates | 1,515,810 | | |
| Trade - Retail | 39 | 580 | 20,251 | 3. Silo Greenhouse Company | 1,221,830 | | |
| Trade - Wholesale | 13 | 166 | 9,858 | 4. Somers Recreation Inc | 1,141,520 | | |
| Finance, Insurance and Real Estate | 9 | 205 | 8,809 | 5. Moghul Sabir H & Khalida S | 1,117,070 | | |
| Total Establishments | 204 | 2,744 | 104,409 | 6. Franklin Woods Development Corp | 1,052,200 | | |
| Per Capita Income | \$24,163 | \$23,307 | \$30,303 | 7. Connecticut Water Company | 939,940 | | |
| Retail Sales (thousands) | \$22,573 | \$27,231,413 | | 8. Mountain Ridge Development Co | 879,510 | | |
| | | | | 9. Stimpson, Garry F III | 863,490 | | |
| | | | | 10. Somersville Associates | 812,650 | | |
| | | | | As % of Grand List | 2.2 | | |

Education

Grade organization (number of schools): K-2, 3, 4-8, 9-12

1994-1995 School Year

| | |
|---------------------------------------|----------|
| Total students | 1,456 |
| Total expenditures per pupil | \$7,754 |
| Average teacher's salary | \$47,711 |
| Students attending public school | 92.7 % |
| Students in extended day kindergarten | 0 |
| Graduates attending four year college | 62.9 % |

Connecticut Mastery Test Percent Above Goal

| | Grade 4 | Grade 6 | Grade 8 |
|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| Reading | 48.8 | 64.8 | 78.4 |
| Math | 63.9 | 48.6 | 69.3 |
| Writing | 48.3 | 37.4 | 38.3 |

Average Class Size

| | | | | | |
|--------------|------|---------|------|-------------|------|
| Kindergarten | 18.2 | Grade 5 | 22.6 | High School | 20.9 |
| Grade 2 | 22.0 | Grade 7 | 23.9 | | |

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Government

Government Form Selectman- Town Meeting

| | | | | | |
|-----------------------|--------------------|-----------------------|----------------------|--------------------------|----------|
| 1993-1994 | Total Expenditures | \$15,180,062 | Equalized Grand List | \$566,242,421 | |
| Total revenue | \$15,026,535 | Education | \$9,649,915 | Per capita | \$58,605 |
| Tax revenue | \$7,802,959 | Other | \$5,530,147 | As % of state average | 74.9 |
| Non-tax revenue | \$7,223,576 | Total Indebtness | \$21,768,700 | Date of last revaluation | 10/1/94 |
| Intergovernmental | 44.2% | As % of expenditures | 143.4 | Moody's Bond Rating | A1 |
| Per capita tax | \$808 | Per capita | \$2,253 | Actual mill rate | 30.30 |
| As % of state average | 40.5 | As % of state average | 116.9 | Equalized mill rate | 13.89 |
| | | Annual Debt Service | \$1,818,881 | Voting districts | 2 |
| | | As % of expenditures | 12 | | |

Housing

| | | | | | | | |
|--------------------------------|-------------|---------------|--------------|---------------------------------|-------------|---------------|--------------|
| 1994 | | | | <i>Sales Price Distribution</i> | | | |
| <i>Housing Stock</i> | <i>Town</i> | <i>County</i> | <i>State</i> | Number of Sales | <i>Town</i> | <i>County</i> | <i>State</i> |
| Existing Units (total) | 2,846 | 48,487 | 1,351,825 | Less than \$75,000 | 10 | 473 | 11,328 |
| % Single unit detached | 89.3 | 72.1 | 62.4 | \$75,001-\$150,000 | 39 | 914 | 19,828 |
| New Permits Authorized (total) | 31 | 507 | 9,439 | \$150,001-\$250,000 | 57 | 371 | 11,132 |
| % Single unit detached | 100.0 | 97.0 | 80.6 | \$250,001-\$400,000 | 7 | 41 | 4,662 |
| As % of Existing Units | 1.1 | 1.0 | 0.7 | \$400,001 or more | 3 | 7 | 3,137 |
| <i>Residential Sales</i> | | | | | | | |
| Number | 116 | 1,806 | 50,087 | | | | |
| Average price | \$166,126 | \$113,894 | \$171,382 | | | | |
| Median price | \$160,750 | \$115,000 | \$126,000 | | | | |

Labor Force

| | | | | | | | |
|-------------------|-------------|---------------|--------------|--------------------------|-----------------------------|---------------|-----|
| 1994 | <i>Town</i> | <i>County</i> | <i>State</i> | <i>Commuters (1990)</i> | | | |
| Labor Force | 4,048 | 70,294 | 1,726,000 | Commuters into Town from | Town Residents Commuting to | | |
| Employed | 3,824 | 66,842 | 1,630,000 | 1. Somers | 525 | Enfield | 827 |
| Unemployed | 224 | 3,452 | 96,000 | 2. Massachusetts | 518 | Somers | 525 |
| Unemployment Rate | 5.5% | 4.9% | 5.6% | 3. Enfield | 317 | Massachusetts | 479 |
| Total Employment | 1,840 | 34,220 | 1,538,980 | 4. Vernon | 88 | Windsor Locks | 348 |
| Manufacturing | 150 | 3,900 | 270,250 | 5. Stafford | 64 | Hartford | 256 |
| | | | | 6. Ellington | 47 | Windsor | 205 |
| | | | | 7. Windsor | 45 | East Hartford | 130 |
| | | | | 8. Thompson | 31 | East Windsor | 103 |
| | | | | 9. Tolland | 29 | Bloomfield | 101 |
| | | | | 10. Hartford | 23 | Vernon | 97 |

Quality of Life

| | | | | | | |
|------------------------|-------------|--------------|----------------------------|-------------|-------------------------------------|------------------------|
| 1995 | <i>Town</i> | <i>State</i> | <i>Library (1993-1994)</i> | <i>Town</i> | <i>Residential Utilities (1995)</i> | |
| Miles to State Capitol | 23 | | Total books and serials | 29,202 | Electric Company | |
| Visitor Attractions | 2 | 488 | Weekly hours open | 49 | CT Light and Power | |
| Banks | 3 | 1,188 | Circulation per capita | 7.3 | Typical basic rate | \$9.00 + 10.599c/kwh |
| Lodging | 1 | 467 | Crime rate (1994) | | Typical heat rate | \$10.50 + 9.648c/kwh |
| Number of units | 5 | 26,540 | per 1,000 residents | 11.7 | Gas Company | No Natural Gas Service |
| Day Care Facilities | 2 | 1,669 | Hospitals in county (1995) | 2 | Typical rate | |
| | | | Total beds | 191 | | N/A |