

Torrington

Connecticut

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Belongs to
Litchfield County
Torrington Labor Market Area
Litchfield Hills Economic Dev. Region
Litchfield Hills Planning Area

Incorporated in 1740

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	30,987	156,768	3,107,580	White	32,868	174,776	2,648,212	
1990	33,687	174,092	3,287,116	Black	623	1,786	274,213	
1998	34,688	181,874	3,271,239	Asian Pacific	679	2,258	73,304	
2003	35,053	185,084	3,272,149	Native American	50	321	5,952	
'98-'03 Growth	1.05%	1.76%	0.03%	Other	25	140	5,336	
				Hispanic (any race)	443	2,593	264,222	
Land Area (sq. miles)	39.79	920.01	4,845	<i>Poverty Rate (1990)</i>	5.24%	3.97%	6.61%	
Pop./ Sq. Mile (1998)	871.78	197.69	653	<i>Educational Attainment (1990)</i>				
Per Capita Inc. (1998)	\$19,684	\$24,032	\$27,078	Persons Age 25 or Older	<i>Town</i>	<i>%</i>	<i>State</i>	<i>%</i>
Households (1998)	14,297	69,599	1,229,087	High School Graduate	7,988	34.2%	648,366	29.7%
Median Age (1997)	38.0	38.3	37.2	Some College	5,348	22.9%	495,696	22.7%
<i>Age Distribution (1998)</i>				Bachelors or More	3,678	15.7%	597,693	27.4%
	<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	1,167 7%	2,924 17%	1,156 7%	6,864 41%	2,191 13%	2,408 14%	16,710	
Female	1,122 6%	2,683 15%	1,134 6%	6,787 38%	2,343 13%	3,909 22%	17,978	
County Total	11,904 7%	31,016 17%	13,820 8%	70,482 39%	27,967 15%	26,685 15%	181,874	
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	24	1.4%	76	0.4%	The Torrington Company	\$10,196,340	0.64%
Const. and Mining	311	17.8%	1,474	8.6%	Devcon Torrington LLC	\$7,996,110	0.50%
Manufacturing	107	6.1%	5,674	33.1%	Torrington Associates	\$7,350,000	0.46%
Trans. And Utilities	32	1.8%	340	2.0%	TP Associates LTD Partnership	\$5,065,270	0.32%
Trade	468	26.7%	3,200	18.6%	O & G Industries Inc.	\$5,033,570	0.31%
Finance, Ins. and Real Estate	111	6.3%	553	3.2%	Grand List Total (1996)	\$1,605,413,898	
Services	678	38.7%	5,282	30.8%	<i>Top Five Major Employers (1997)</i>		
Government	19	1.1%	561	3.3%	Torrington Company	Board of Education	
Total	1,750	100.0%	17,160	100.0%	Charlotte Hungerford Hospital	City of Torrington	
					O & G Industries		
						<i>Town</i>	<i>State</i>
					<i>Retail Sales (1996)</i>	\$279,054,794	\$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>		<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	4,908	461,203		Reading	60	55	61	60	60	64
Total Expenditures Per Pupil	\$7,494	\$8,300		Math	61	59	48	52	46	51
Average Teacher's Salary	\$47,857	\$48,598		Writing	53	46	52	46	61	51
Students Attending Public School	89.4%	89.2%		<i>Average SAT Score</i>						
Student/Teacher Ratio	15.9	14.5		Verbal			<i>Town</i>	<i>State</i>		
Grads Pursuing Post-Sec. Education	76.9%	75.8%		Math			482	503		
High School Dropout Rate	7.5%	4.6%					488	499		
<i>Average Class Size</i>										
Kindergarten	21.2	Grade 2	20.0							
Grade 5	22.9	Grade 7	21.6	High School	23.2					

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Government

Government Form	Mayor- Council			Annual Debt Service (1996)	\$5,583,659
				As % of Expenditures	8.9%
Total Revenue (1996)	\$64,160,559	Total Expenditures (1996)	\$62,907,667	Equalized Grand List (1996)	\$1,828,402,166
Tax Revenue	\$38,697,966	Education	\$32,537,600	Per Capita	\$53,696
Non-tax Revenue	\$2,194,248	Other	\$30,370,067	As % of State Average	68.9%
Intergovernmental	\$23,268,345	Total Indebtness (1996)	\$56,559,334	Date of Last Revaluation	10/ 1/88
Per Capita Tax (1996)	\$1,148	As % of Expenditures	89.9%	Moody's Bond Rating (1997)	A1
As % of State Average	80.7%	Per Capita	\$1,661	Actual Mill Rate (1997)	25.12
		As % of State Average	159.6%	Equalized Mill Rate (1996)	21.16
				% of Grand List Com/Ind (1995)	15.4%

Housing

Housing Stock (1997)	Town	County	State	Sales Price Distribution (1996)	Town	County	State
Existing Units (total)	15,703	78,684	1,374,566	Number of Sales			
% Single Unit	54.5%	74.6%	62.9%	Less than \$100,000	397	1,251	22,254
New Permits Auth. (1997)	65	732	9,349	\$100,001-\$200,000	175	1,355	20,713
As % Existing Units	0.41%	0.93%	0.68%	\$200,001-\$300,000	9	367	6,600
Demolitions (1997)	20	54	1,193	\$300,001-\$400,000	0	98	2,730
Residential Sales (1996)	581	3,192	56,333	\$400,001 or More	0	121	4,036
Average Price	\$99,881	\$157,833	\$194,596	<i>1996 Characteristics</i>			
Median Price	\$95,950	\$130,000	\$138,000	Owner Occupied Dwellings	8,704	48,584	807,559
				Housing Stock Age - Pre-1950	42.8%	37.1%	33.9%
				Subsidized Housing Units	1,879	4,308	148,930

Labor Force

1997	Town	County	State	<i>Commuters (1990)</i>	
Labor Force	18,683	99,974	1,723,300	Commuters into Town from	Town Residents Commuting to
Employed	17,724	95,692	1,635,400	1. Torrington	9295 Torrington
Unemployed	959	4,282	87,900	2. Winchester	1063 Litchfield
Unemployment Rate	5.1%	4.3%	5.1%	3. Harwinton	763 Winchester
Total Employment	16,340	63,800	1,581,700	4. Litchfield	640 Hartford
Manufacturing	4,380	17,490	265,850	5. New Hartford	590 Waterbury
'92-'97 Growth Rate	4.5%	5.5%	4.3%	6. Waterbury	327 New Hartford
Daytime Population	18,426	75,784	1,740,247	7. Goshen	306 Farmington
				8. Thomaston	180 Morris
				9. Canton	163 Simsbury
				10. Watertown	146 Avon

Quality of Life

	Town	State	Library (1996-1997)	Town	Residential Utilities
Banks (1997)	10	1,378	Total Volumes	62,696	Electric Provider
Lodging (1997)	5	756	Circulation Per Capita	2.7	Connecticut Light & Power
Day Care Facilities (1998)	12	1,651			1-800-286-2000
Infant Mortality Rate Per 1,000 Res. (1995)	1.788	0.099	Distance to Major Cities	Miles	Gas Provider
Crime Rate (1996) Per 1,000 Residents	21.5	40	Hartford	23	Yankee Gas Company
% Open Land (1990)	70.0%	68.8%	Boston	114	1-800-989-0900
			New York City	91	Water Provider
			Providence	88	Municipal Provider
Hospitals (1997)	1	3			Contact local provider
Total Beds	109	276			Cable Provider
					Laurel Cablevision, Inc.
					860-567-3103