



**Connecticut Town Profiles 1996-1997**

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# West Haven

## Connecticut

### Government

Government Form Mayor- Council

1993-1994		Total Expenditures	\$89,292,016	Equalized Grand List	\$2,324,224,065
Total revenue	\$94,178,993	Education	\$47,071,976	Per capita	\$44,089
Tax revenue	\$59,615,636	Other	\$42,220,040	As % of state average	56.3
Non-tax revenue	\$34,563,357	Total Indebtness	\$69,629,948	Date of last revaluation	10/1/91
Intergovernmental	33.6%	As % of expenditures	78.0	Moody's Bond Rating	Baa
Per capita tax	\$1,131	Per capita	\$1,321	Actual mill rate	36.92
As % of state average	56.7	As % of state average	68.6	Equalized mill rate	25.94
		Annual Debt Service	\$7,743,997	Voting districts	10
		As % of expenditures	8.7		

### 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)	22,768	334,842	1,351,825	Less than \$75,000	247	3,243	11,328
% Single unit detached	49.3	57.2	62.4	\$75,001-\$150,000	322	5,201	19,828
New Permits Authorized (total)	20	1,968	9,439	\$150,001-\$250,000	35	2,256	11,132
% Single unit detached	100.0	85.0	80.6	\$250,001-\$400,000	1	538	4,662
As % of Existing Units	0.1	0.6	0.7	\$400,001 or more	1	133	3,137
<i>Residential Sales</i>							
Number	606	11,371	50,087				
Average price	\$83,992	\$121,959	\$171,382				
Median price	\$86,000	\$110,000	\$126,000				

### Labor Force

1994	<i>Town</i>	<i>County</i>	<i>State</i>	<i>Commuters (1990)</i>			
Labor Force	29,143	414,224	1,726,000	Commuters into Town from	Town Residents Commuting to		
Employed	27,302	389,601	1,630,000	1. West Haven	7,315	West Haven	7,315
Unemployed	1,841	24,623	96,000	2. New Haven	2,318	New Haven	6,518
Unemployment Rate	6.3%	5.9%	5.6%	3. Hamden	818	Milford	2,394
Total Employment	15,810	344,890	1,538,980	4. Milford	738	Orange	1,828
Manufacturing	3,210	60,190	270,250	5. East Haven	562	Hamden	1,236
				6. Orange	560	North Haven	1,083
				7. Branford	542	Bridgeport	1,021
				8. North Haven	327	Stratford	960
				9. Guilford	311	Branford	589
				10. Wallingford	281	Wallingford	335

### 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	40		Total books and serials	135,296	Electric Company	
Visitor Attractions	1	488	Weekly hours open	60	CT Light and Power	
Banks	10	1,188	Circulation per capita	4.4	Typical basic rate	\$9.00 + 10.599c/kwh
Lodging	2	467	Crime rate (1994)		Typical heat rate	\$10.50 + 9.648c/kwh
Number of units	169	26,540	per 1,000 residents	54.1	Gas Company	
Day Care Facilities	11	1,669	Hospitals in county (1995)	7	Southern CT Gas	
			Total beds	2,550	Typical rate	\$8.25 + 98.18c/Ccf