

# Brookfield

## Connecticut

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*Belongs to*  
Fairfield County  
Danbury Labor Market Area  
Housatonic Valley Economic Dev. Region  
Housatonic Valley Planning Area

Incorporated in 1788

### 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	12,872	807,143	3,107,580	White	13,834	636,147	2,648,212	
1990	14,113	827,645	3,287,116	Black	111	82,879	274,213	
1998	14,597	836,207	3,271,239	Asian Pacific	377	25,592	73,304	
2003	14,863	843,924	3,272,149	Native American	7	939	5,952	
'98-'03 Growth	1.82%	0.92%	0.03%	Other	1	1,610	5,336	
				Hispanic (any race)	267	89,040	264,222	
Land Area (sq. miles)	19.80	625.85	4,845	<i>Poverty Rate (1990)</i>	2.36%	6.09%	6.61%	
Pop./ Sq. Mile (1998)	737.22	1,336.11	653	<i>Educational Attainment (1990)</i>				
Per Capita Inc. (1998)	\$34,739	\$37,252	\$27,078	Persons Age 25 or Older	<i>Town</i>	<i>%</i>	<i>State</i>	<i>%</i>
Households (1998)	5,103	308,221	1,229,087	High School Graduate	2,214	23.6%	648,366	29.7%
Median Age (1997)	38.6	38.1	37.2	Some College	2,415	25.8%	495,696	22.7%
<i>Age Distribution (1998)</i>				Bachelors or More	3,873	41.4%	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	475 7%	1,301 18%	644 9%	2,830 39%	1,356 19%	640 9%	7,246	
Female	451 6%	1,231 17%	586 8%	2,895 39%	1,371 19%	817 11%	7,351	
County Total	54,813 7%	139,006 17%	64,748 8%	322,604 39%	137,401 16%	117,635 14%	836,207	
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	2.2%	69	0.9%	Connecticut Light & Power Company	\$13,489,980	1.34%
Const. and Mining	171	15.9%	699	9.2%	Young Roy	\$8,613,150	0.86%
Manufacturing	70	6.5%	816	10.8%	Pension Commissioners BD of LA	\$6,010,060	0.60%
Trans. And Utilities	39	3.6%	395	5.2%	Brookfield Commercial Assoc. LP	\$5,761,070	0.57%
Trade	270	25.1%	2,259	29.9%	Michael Gary R & Dennis N	\$5,274,920	0.53%
Finance, Ins. and Real Estate	60	5.6%	329	4.3%	Grand List Total (1996)	\$1,004,414,715	
Services	432	40.1%	2,499	33.0%	<i>Top Five Major Employers (1997)</i>		
Government	10	0.9%	499	6.6%	Datahr Rehab. Institute, Inc.	Wentworth Laboratories, Inc.	
Total	1,076	100.0%	7,565	100.0%	Photronic Laboratories, Inc.	Town of Brookfield	
					Rapid Power Technologies, Inc.		
					<i>Retail Sales (1996)</i>	<i>Town</i>	<i>State</i>
						\$330,733,687	\$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	2,609	461,203		Reading	74	55	72	60	82	64
Total Expenditures Per Pupil	\$7,577	\$8,300		Math	74	59	52	52	80	51
Average Teacher's Salary	\$51,305	\$48,598		Writing	55	46	47	46	69	51
Students Attending Public School	88.1%	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	86.2%	75.8%		Math			528	503		
High School Dropout Rate	1.4%	4.6%								
<i>Average Class Size</i>										
Kindergarten 22.7	Grade 2	23.3								
Grade 5 23.0	Grade 7	19.9	High School	19.4						

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## Government

Government Form	Selectman- Town Meeting		Annual Debt Service (1996)	\$1,886,372	
Total Revenue (1996)	\$27,460,237	Total Expenditures (1996)	\$27,206,776	As % of Expenditures	6.9%
Tax Revenue	\$23,511,740	Education	\$18,786,541	Equalized Grand List (1996)	\$1,589,212,786
Non-tax Revenue	\$1,221,392	Other	\$8,420,235	Per Capita	\$107,234
Intergovernmental	\$2,727,105	Total Indebtness (1996)	\$17,053,338	As % of State Average	137.5%
Per Capita Tax (1996)	\$1,538	As % of Expenditures	62.7%	Date of Last Revaluation	10/ 1/93
As % of State Average	108.0%	Per Capita	\$1,151	Moody's Bond Rating (1997)	Aa2
		As % of State Average	110.6%	Actual Mill Rate (1997)	24.70
				Equalized Mill Rate (1996)	14.44
				% of Grand List Com/Ind (1995)	14.6%

## Housing

Housing Stock (1997)	Town	County	State	Sales Price Distribution (1996)	Town	County	State
Existing Units (total)	5,666	335,017	1,374,566	Number of Sales			
% Single Unit	87.4%	64.2%	62.9%	Less than \$100,000	65	4,504	22,254
New Permits Auth. (1997)	57	2,045	9,349	\$100,001-\$200,000	133	4,830	20,713
As % Existing Units	1.01%	0.61%	0.68%	\$200,001-\$300,000	92	3,211	6,600
Demolitions (1997)	3	449	1,193	\$300,001-\$400,000	42	1,901	2,730
Residential Sales (1996)	364	17,795	56,333	\$400,001 or More	32	3,349	4,036
Average Price	\$203,940	\$314,650	\$194,596	1996 Characteristics			
Median Price	\$180,000	\$221,000	\$138,000	Owner Occupied Dwellings	4,326	208,121	807,559
				Housing Stock Age - Pre-1950	10.6%	34.1%	33.9%
				Subsidized Housing Units	108	30,502	148,930

## Labor Force

1997	Town	County	State	Commuters (1990)	Commuters into Town from	Town Residents Commuting to	
Labor Force	8,075	446,996	1,723,300	1. Brookfield	1672	Danbury	2359
Employed	7,835	427,779	1,635,400	2. Danbury	1529	Brookfield	1672
Unemployed	240	19,217	87,900	3. New Milford	671	New York	940
Unemployment Rate	3.0%	4.3%	5.1%	4. Bethel	260	New Milford	338
Total Employment	7,030	411,650	1,581,700	5. New Fairfield	241	Ridgefield	259
Manufacturing	1,130	75,610	265,850	6. Newtown	229	Bethel	221
'92-'97 Growth Rate	12.8%	5.7%	4.3%	7. New York	173	Norwalk	211
Daytime Population	7,695	472,065	1,740,247	8. Waterbury	138	Wilton	153
				9. Ridgefield	84	Stamford	148
				10. Southbury	83	Newtown	107

## Quality of Life

	Town	State	Library (1996-1997)	Town	Residential Utilities
Banks (1997)	6	1,378	Total Volumes	60,042	Electric Provider
Lodging (1997)	3	756	Circulation Per Capita	10.8	Connecticut Light & Power
Day Care Facilities (1998)	8	1,651			1-800-286-2000
Infant Mortality Rate Per 1,000 Res. (1995)	0.358	0.099	Distance to Major Cities	Miles	Gas Provider
Crime Rate (1996) Per 1,000 Residents	16.2	40	Hartford	42	Yankee Gas Company
% Open Land (1990)	65.1%	68.8%	Boston	136	1-800-989-0900
			New York City	63	Water Provider
			Providence	105	Municipal Provider
Hospitals (1997)	0	16			Contact local provider
Total Beds	0	2,184			Cable Provider
					Charter Communications of Western CT
					860-355-1131