

Canton

Connecticut

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Belongs to
 Hartford County
 Hartford Labor Market Area
 Capitol Area Economic Dev. Region
 Capitol Region Planning Area

Incorporated in 1806

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	7,635	807,769	3,107,580	White	7,806	633,007	2,648,212	
1990	8,268	851,783	3,287,116	Black	52	84,182	274,213	
1998	8,077	824,956	3,271,239	Asian Pacific	86	18,711	73,304	
2003	7,978	811,828	3,272,149	Native American	1	1,196	5,952	
'98-'03 Growth	-1.23%	-1.59%	0.03%	Other	11	1,531	5,336	
				Hispanic (any race)	121	86,329	264,222	
Land Area (sq. miles)	24.57	735.50	4,845	<i>Poverty Rate (1990)</i>	3.89%	7.90%	6.61%	
Pop./ Sq. Mile (1998)	328.73	1,121.63	653	<i>Educational Attainment (1990)</i>				
Per Capita Inc. (1998)	\$30,391	\$24,032	\$27,078	Persons Age 25 or Older	<i>Town</i>	<i>%</i>	<i>State</i>	<i>%</i>
Households (1998)	3,133	315,031	1,229,087	High School Graduate	1,428	25.0%	648,366	29.7%
Median Age (1997)	39.3	37.4	37.2	Some College	1,420	24.9%	495,696	22.7%
<i>Age Distribution (1998)</i>				Bachelors or More	2,334	40.9%	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	253 6%	712 18%	294 7%	1,573 40%	708 18%	383 10%	3,923	
Female	249 6%	671 16%	269 6%	1,680 40%	758 18%	527 13%	4,154	
County Total	53,562 6%	137,485 17%	68,473 8%	316,772 38%	126,906 15%	121,758 15%	824,956	
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	21	3.7%	74	2.6%	Bahre, Henry & Sheila	\$5,088,260	0.84%
Const. and Mining	97	17.2%	403	14.1%	Connecticut Light & Power Company	\$4,843,460	0.80%
Manufacturing	28	5.0%	245	8.5%	New Horizons Inc	\$4,521,360	0.74%
Trans. And Utilities	12	2.1%	63	2.2%	Maple Glen Apartments	\$2,178,550	0.36%
Trade	147	26.1%	793	27.6%	Inertia Dynamics, Inc.	\$2,086,760	0.34%
Finance, Ins. and Real Estate	30	5.3%	140	4.9%	Grand List Total (1996)	\$608,988,608	
Services	224	39.7%	1,109	38.7%	<i>Top Five Major Employers (1997)</i>		
Government	5	0.9%	41	1.4%	Town of Canton	Funny Bone Interactive	
Total	564	100.0%	2,868	100.0%	Cherry Brook Health Center	Mitchell Subaru	
					Inertia Dynamics		
						<i>Town</i>	<i>State</i>
					<i>Retail Sales (1996)</i>	\$122,619,295	\$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	1,415	461,203		Reading	75	55	79	60	76	64
Total Expenditures Per Pupil	\$7,687	\$8,300		Math	79	59	79	52	73	51
Average Teacher's Salary	\$47,906	\$48,598		Writing	51	46	64	46	68	51
Students Attending Public School	93.7%	89.2%		<i>Average SAT Score</i>						
Student/Teacher Ratio	14.9	14.5		Verbal			<i>Town</i>	<i>State</i>		
Grads Pursuing Post-Sec. Education	78.9%	75.8%		Math			527	503		
High School Dropout Rate	2.0%	4.6%					535	499		
<i>Average Class Size</i>										
Kindergarten	19.2	Grade 2	22.0							
Grade 5	21.6	Grade 7	21.4	High School	17.9					

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Government

Government Form	Selectman- Town Meeting		Annual Debt Service (1996)	\$1,280,272	
			As % of Expenditures	8.0%	
Total Revenue (1996)	\$16,769,846	Total Expenditures (1996)	\$16,053,918		
Tax Revenue	\$13,169,501	Education	\$10,412,068	Equalized Grand List (1996)	\$655,404,402
Non-tax Revenue	\$621,050	Other	\$5,641,850	Per Capita	\$77,143
Intergovernmental	\$2,979,295	Total Indebtness (1996)	\$11,560,936	As % of State Average	98.9%
Per Capita Tax (1996)	\$1,533	As % of Expenditures	72.0%	Date of Last Revaluation	10/ 1/88
As % of State Average	107.7%	Per Capita	\$1,361	Moody's Bond Rating (1997)	A1
		As % of State Average	130.7%	Actual Mill Rate (1997)	21.77
				Equalized Mill Rate (1996)	19.53
				% of Grand List Com/Ind (1995)	10.9%

Housing

Housing Stock (1997)	Town	County	State	Sales Price Distribution (1996)			
				Town	County	State	
Existing Units (total)	3,475	353,247	1,374,566	Number of Sales			
% Single Unit	79.5%	59.3%	62.9%	Less than \$100,000	33	5,843	22,254
New Permits Auth. (1997)	30	2,246	9,349	\$100,001-\$200,000	104	5,470	20,713
As % Existing Units	0.86%	0.64%	0.68%	\$200,001-\$300,000	40	1,158	6,600
Demolitions (1997)	5	236	1,193	\$300,001-\$400,000	12	293	2,730
Residential Sales (1996)	192	13,027	56,333	\$400,001 or More	3	263	4,036
Average Price	\$161,701	\$141,257	\$194,596	1996 Characteristics			
Median Price	\$148,000	\$123,500	\$138,000	Owner Occupied Dwellings	2,503	203,609	807,559
				Housing Stock Age - Pre-1950	28.6%	32.6%	33.9%
				Subsidized Housing Units	168	45,714	148,930

Labor Force

1997	Town	County	State	Commuters (1990)			
				Commuters into Town from	Town Residents Commuting to		
Labor Force	4,543	421,856	1,723,300	1. Canton	689	Hartford	755
Employed	4,369	398,219	1,635,400	2. Torrington	236	Canton	689
Unemployed	174	23,637	87,900	3. Avon	209	Simsbury	578
Unemployment Rate	3.8%	5.6%	5.1%	4. Simsbury	184	Avon	470
Total Employment	2,390	489,360	1,581,700	5. New Hartford	133	West Hartford	297
Manufacturing	260	66,350	265,850	6. Bristol	99	Farmington	294
'92-'97 Growth Rate	12.7%	0.4%	4.3%	7. Farmington	87	Bloomfield	230
Daytime Population	3,584	553,573	1,740,247	8. Barkhamsted	82	Torrington	163
				9. Winchester	82	Windsor Locks	106
				10. Burlington	55	Windsor	95

Quality of Life

	Town	State	Library (1996-1997)	Town	Residential Utilities	
Banks (1997)	3	1,378	Total Volumes	46,788	Electric Provider	
Lodging (1997)	1	756	Circulation Per Capita	4.2	Connecticut Light & Power	
Day Care Facilities (1998)	7	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	18.9	40	Hartford	14	CTG Resources	
% Open Land (1990)	83.4%	68.8%	Boston	102	860-727-3000	
			New York City	99	Water Provider	
			Providence	77	Connecticut Water Company	
Hospitals (1997)	0	9			1-800-286-5700	
Total Beds	0	2,602			Cable Provider	
					TCI Cable of Central CT	
					860-505-6248	