

Lyme

Connecticut

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Belongs to
New London County
Lower River Labor Market Area
Southeast Economic Dev. Region
Connecticut River Estuary Planning Area

Incorporated in 1667

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	1,822	238,410	3,107,580	White	1,994	221,517	2,648,212	
1990	1,949	254,957	3,287,116	Black	4	12,225	274,213	
1998	2,040	251,177	3,271,239	Asian Pacific	26	4,718	73,304	
2003	2,100	252,769	3,272,149	Native American	5	1,321	5,952	
'98-'03 Growth	2.94%	0.63%	0.03%	Other	1	438	5,336	
				Hispanic (any race)	10	10,958	264,222	
Land Area (sq. miles)	31.86	666.08	4,845	<i>Poverty Rate (1990)</i>	3.35%	6.37%	6.61%	
Pop./ Sq. Mile (1998)	64.03	377.10	653	<i>Educational Attainment (1990)</i>				
Per Capita Inc. (1998)	\$41,406	\$23,627	\$27,078	Persons Age 25 or Older	<i>Town</i>	<i>%</i>	<i>State</i>	<i>%</i>
Households (1998)	854	93,856	1,229,087	High School Graduate	310	21.1%	648,366	29.7%
Median Age (1997)	44.2	35.4	37.2	Some College	375	25.5%	495,696	22.7%
<i>Age Distribution (1998)</i>				Bachelors or More	641	43.6%	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	54 5%	143 14%	57 6%	361 36%	213 21%	180 18%	1,008	
Female	53 5%	138 13%	57 6%	359 35%	198 19%	227 22%	1,032	
County Total	17,896 7%	43,485 17%	24,337 10%	97,191 39%	35,483 14%	32,785 13%	251,177	
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	23	4.2%	57	2.0%	Paul E. Taylor	\$1,524,810	0.56%
Const. and Mining	116	21.2%	365	12.6%	Mitchell Heffernan & Cheryl Kelly	\$1,311,030	0.48%
Manufacturing	24	4.4%	69	2.4%	Connecticut Light & Power Company	\$1,217,190	0.44%
Trans. And Utilities	18	3.3%	90	3.1%	Thomas & Virginia Ruberti	\$1,086,890	0.40%
Trade	125	22.9%	787	27.2%	Timothy Mellon	\$1,073,590	0.39%
Finance, Ins. and Real Estate	48	8.8%	220	7.6%	Grand List Total (1996)	\$273,627,230	
Services	188	34.4%	1,222	42.3%	<i>Top Five Major Employers (1997)</i>		
Government	4	0.7%	80	2.8%	Regional School District #18	Tiffany Farm	
Total	546	100.0%	2,890	100.0%	Reynolds Marine & Garage	Lyme Country Store	
					Town of Lyme		
					<i>Town</i>	<i>State</i>	
					Retail Sales (1996)	\$5,493,305	\$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	295	461,203		Reading	75 55	81 60	78 64		
Total Expenditures Per Pupil	\$8,942	\$8,300		Math	68 59	74 52	48 51		
Average Teacher's Salary	\$46,299	\$48,598		Writing	47 46	52 46	62 51		
Students Attending Public School	92.9%	89.2%		<i>Average SAT Score</i>					
Student/Teacher Ratio	13.3	14.5		Verbal	552		503		
Grads Pursuing Post-Sec. Education	84.1%	75.8%		Math	565		499		
High School Dropout Rate	1.9%	4.6%							
<i>Average Class Size</i>									
Kindergarten 13.7	Grade 2 18.3								
Grade 5 21.0	Grade 7 21.0	High School 19.5							

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Government

Government Form	Selectman- Town Meeting		Annual Debt Service (1996)	\$0	
			As % of Expenditures	0.0%	
Total Revenue (1996)	\$3,464,391	Total Expenditures (1996)	\$3,586,350		
Tax Revenue	\$2,963,219	Education	\$2,204,253	Equalized Grand List (1996)	\$326,386,126
Non-tax Revenue	\$387,018	Other	\$1,382,097	Per Capita	\$163,193
Intergovernmental	\$114,154	Total Indebtness (1996)	\$447,690	As % of State Average	209.3%
Per Capita Tax (1996)	\$1,404	As % of Expenditures	12.5%	Date of Last Revaluation	10/ 1/89
As % of State Average	98.6%	Per Capita	\$224	Moody's Bond Rating (1997)	Aa
		As % of State Average	21.5%	Actual Mill Rate (1997)	11.75
				Equalized Mill Rate (1996)	8.81
				% of Grand List Com/Ind (1995)	0.7%

Housing

Housing Stock (1997)	Town	County	State	Sales Price Distribution (1996)	Town	County	State
Existing Units (total)	1,077	109,981	1,374,566	Number of Sales			
% Single Unit	96.8%	66.5%	62.9%	Less than \$100,000	5	1,923	22,254
New Permits Auth. (1997)	14	825	9,349	\$100,001-\$200,000	8	1,682	20,713
As % Existing Units	1.30%	0.75%	0.68%	\$200,001-\$300,000	7	247	6,600
Demolitions (1997)	0	67	1,193	\$300,001-\$400,000	9	72	2,730
Residential Sales (1996)	39	4,000	56,333	\$400,001 or More	10	76	4,036
Average Price	\$257,500	\$127,398	\$194,596	1996 Characteristics			
Median Price	\$257,500	\$114,000	\$138,000	Owner Occupied Dwellings	674	60,315	807,559
				Housing Stock Age - Pre-1950	43.7%	35.6%	33.9%
				Subsidized Housing Units	6	11,508	148,930

Labor Force

1997	Town	County	State	Commuters (1990)	Commuters into Town from	Town Residents Commuting to	
Labor Force	1,130	133,951	1,723,300	1. Lyme	24	Old Lyme	215
Employed	1,096	126,435	1,635,400	2. Old Lyme	12	Old Saybrook	109
Unemployed	34	7,516	87,900	3. Chester	8	New London	68
Unemployment Rate	3.0%	5.6%	5.1%	4. East Lyme	8	Groton	51
Total Employment	130	126,990	1,581,700	5. Montville	8	Essex	41
Manufacturing	0	20,790	265,850	6. East Haddam	7	East Lyme	34
'92-'97 Growth Rate	-13.3%	16.7%	4.3%	7. Guilford	7	Middletown	33
Daytime Population	735	119,632	1,740,247	8. Waterford	7	New York	31
				9. Clinton	5	Hartford	28
				10.		Chester	27

Quality of Life

	Town	State	Library (1996-1997)	Town	Residential Utilities
Banks (1997)	4	1,378	Total Volumes	26,325	Electric Provider
Lodging (1997)	6	756	Circulation Per Capita	6.7	Connecticut Light & Power
Day Care Facilities (1998)	0	1,651			1-800-286-2000
Infant Mortality Rate Per 1,000 Res. (1995)	0	0.099	Distance to Major Cities	Miles	Gas Provider
Crime Rate (1996) Per 1,000 Residents	9.0	40	Hartford	31	na
% Open Land (1990)	81.4%	68.8%	Boston	95	na
			New York City	97	Water Provider
			Providence	57	Municipal Provider
Hospitals (1997)	0	2			Contact local provider
Total Beds	0	563			Cable Provider
					Century Cable Management Corporation
					860-886-2466