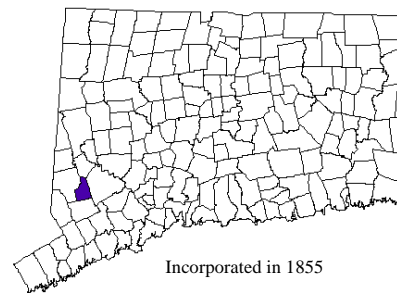


Bethel, Connecticut

CERC Town Profile 2011

Town Hall
1 School Street
Bethel, CT 06801
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Belongs to
Fairfield County
LMA Danbury
Housatonic Valley Economic Dev. Region
Housatonic Valley Planning Area



Incorporated in 1855

Demographics

<i>Population (2010)</i>				<i>Race/Ethnicity (2010)</i>				
	<i>Town</i>	<i>County</i>	<i>State</i>		<i>Town</i>	<i>County</i>	<i>State</i>	
1990	17,541	827,645	3,287,116	White	16,452	696,534	2,786,761	
2000	18,067	882,567	3,405,565	Black	403	91,016	337,299	
2010	18,380	898,137	3,511,137	Asian Pacific	902	40,545	128,651	
2015	18,702	908,999	3,545,169	Native American	16	907	6,418	
'10-'15 Growth / Yr	0.3%	0.2%	0.2%	Other/Multi-Race	607	69,135	252,008	
				Hispanic (any race)	954	137,979	411,629	
Land Area (sq. miles)	17	626	5,009	<i>Poverty Rate (2009)</i>	4.8%	7.5%	8.7%	
Pop./ Sq. Mile (2010)	1,095	1,435	701	<i>Educational Attainment (2010)</i>				
Median Age (2010)	40	40	40	Persons Age 25 or Older	<i>Town</i>	<i>%</i>	<i>State</i>	<i>%</i>
Households (2010)	6,595	327,670	1,337,758	High School Graduate	3,461	28%	689,864	29%
Med HH Inc. (2010)	\$77,625	\$77,620	\$65,686	Some College	2,801	23%	585,203	25%
				Bachelors or More	4,905	40%	842,517	35%
<i>Age Distribution (2010)</i>								
	<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	579 3%	1,843 10%	804 4%	3,085 17%	1,897 10%	878 5%	9,086	
Female	568 3%	1,734 9%	697 4%	3,145 17%	1,928 10%	1,222 7%	9,294	
County Total	57,382 6%	160,277 18%	81,440 9%	291,013 32%	183,490 20%	124,535 14%	898,137	
State Total	211,807 6%	586,571 17%	330,532 9%	1,173,203 33%	708,910 20%	500,114 14%	3,511,137	

Economics

<i>Business Profile (2005)</i>			<i>Top Five Grand List (2009)</i>		
<i>Sector</i>	<i>Establishments</i>	<i>Employment</i>		<i>Amount</i>	<i>% of Net</i>
Agriculture	3.4%	2.3%	CT Light & Power Co.	\$72,652,380	0.3%
Const. and Mining	17.8%	9.5%	Duracell	\$60,411,250	0.3%
Manufacturing	9.4%	25.1%	Steiner Inc.	\$25,793,630	0.1%
Trans. and Utilities	2.8%	8.9%	Bethel Associates	\$14,807,300	0.1%
Trade	20.4%	19.0%	Target Corporation	\$11,630,310	0.1%
Finance, Ins. and Real Estate	5.4%	3.7%	Net Grand List (2009)	\$22,958,815,380	
Services	37.0%	30.3%	<i>Top Five Major Employers (2006)</i>		
Government	3.7%	1.1%	Duracell Inc	Bethel Food Market Inc	
			Eaton Corporation	Cannondale Corporation	
			Consolidated Controls		
				<i>Town</i>	<i>State</i>
			<i>Retail Sales (2007)</i>	\$326,027,658	\$136,936,194,241
			<i>All Outlets</i>		

Education

<i>2009-2010 School Year</i>	<i>Town</i>	<i>State</i>	<i>Connecticut Mastery Test Percent Above Goal</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 Town School Enrollment	3,102	552,782	Reading	82 61	79 69	88 69			
Most public school students in Bethel attend Bethel School District, which has 3,073 students.			Math	84 64	89 69	80 65			
			Writing	81 64	70 62	81 67			
			<i>Average SAT Score</i>						
			<i>Average Class Size</i>			<i>Town</i>			<i>State</i>
For more education data please see:	<i>Students per Computer</i>	<i>Town</i>	<i>State</i>	Grade K	Grade 2	Grade 7	Reading	508 503	
http://www.state.ct.us/sde/	Elementary:	4.1	4.1	23.5	19.3	24.8	Writing	517 506	
	Middle:	2.6	2.8	High School	18.6		Math	509 508	
	Secondary:	2.8	2.7						

Government

Government Form: Selectman-Town Meeting				Annual Debt Service (2009)	\$4,042,927
				As % of Expenditures	6.6%
Total Revenue (2009)	\$62,695,305	Total Expenditures (2009)	\$61,580,957	Eq. Net Grand List (2007)	\$3,294,934,129
Tax Revenue	\$48,953,127	Education	\$39,762,463	Per Capita	\$179,982
Non-tax Revenue	\$13,742,178	Other	\$17,775,567	As % of State Average	108%
Intergovernmental	\$12,650,886	Total Indebtness (2009)	\$40,663,511	Date of Last Revaluation (2009)	2007
Per Capita Tax (2009)	\$2,719	As % of Expenditures	66.0%	Moody's Bond Rating (2009)	Aa3
As % of State Average	111.6%	Per Capita	\$2,258	Actual Mill Rate (2007)	27.75
				Equalized Mill Rate (2007)	13.53
				% of Grand List Com/Ind (2007)	13.8%

Housing/Real Estate

<i>Housing Stock (2009)</i>	Town	County	State	Owner Occupied Dwellings (2009)	4,542	204,640	812,964
Existing Units (total)	7,032	352,621	1,452,007	As % Total Dwellings	68%	58%	57%
% Single Unit	76.5%	65.1%	64.8%	Subsidize Housing (2008)	334	28,382	149,355
New Permits Auth. (2009)	47	1,199	3,786	<i>Distribution of House Sales (2009)</i>			
As % Existing Units	0.67%	0.34%	0.26%	Town County State			
Demolitions (2009)	2	384	1,219	Number of Sales			
House Sales (2009)	76	3,045	14,696	Less than \$100,000			
Median Price	\$344,250	\$495,000	\$265,000	\$100,000-\$199,999			
Built Pre 1950 share (2000)	23.7%	31.5%	31.5%	\$200,000-\$299,999			
				\$300,000-\$399,999			
				\$400,000 or More			

Labor Force

<i>Place of Residence (2009)</i>				<i>Commuters (2000)</i>			
	Town	County	State	Commuters into Town from:		Town Residents Commuting to:	
Labor Force	10,823	471,964	1,889,947	Bethel	2,118	Danbury	2,557
Employed	10,025	435,361	1,734,291	Danbury	1,897	Bethel	2,118
Unemployed	798	36,603	155,656	Newtown	361	Norwalk	490
Unemployment Rate	7.4%	7.8%	8.2%	Brookfield	317	Stamford	484
<i>Place of Work (2009)</i>				New Milford	291	Ridgefield	476
# of Units	627	32,886	104,314	Southbury	178	Brookfield	385
Total Employment	6,357	399,983	1,615,355	New Fairfield	157	Wilton	295
2000-'09 Growth AAGR	0.8%	-0.7%	-0.4%	Norwalk	153	Newtown	233
Mfg Employment	n.a.			Waterbury	136	New Milford	159
				Bridgeport	130	Manhattan, NY	151

Other Information

				<i>Residential Utilities</i>				
<i>Banks (2007)</i>	Town	State	Electric Provider					
	8	1,029	Connecticut Light & Power					
			(800) 286-2000					
<i>Crime Rate (2009)</i>			<i>Distance to Major Cities</i>		<i>Miles</i>			
Per 100,000 Residents	5	298	Hartford	46	Gas Provider			
			Boston	140	Yankee Gas Company			
			New York City	56	(800) 989-0900			
<i>Library (2010)</i>	Town	Water Provider						
Total Volumes	118,847	Municipal Provider						
Circulation Per Capita	9.3	local Contact						
			Cable Provider					
			COMCAST/DANBURY					
			(800) 266-2278					