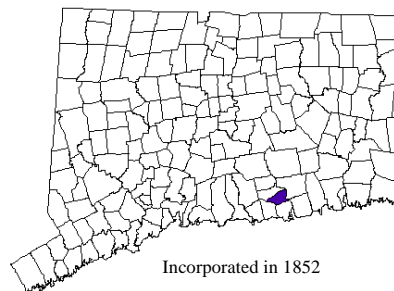


Essex, Connecticut

CERC Town Profile 2010

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Demographics

<i>Population (2009)</i>	<i>Town</i>	<i>County</i>	<i>State</i>	<i>Race/Ethnicity (2009)</i>	<i>Town</i>	<i>County</i>	<i>State</i>
1990	5,904	143,196	3,287,116	White	6,461	148,059	2,756,861
2000	6,505	155,071	3,405,565	Black	43	5,933	319,730
2009	6,706	164,892	3,497,398	Asian Pacific	62	3,760	120,457
2014	6,543	166,731	3,485,122	Native American	23	999	9,990
'09-'14 Growth / Yr	-0.5%	0.2%	-0.1%	Other/Multi-Race	117	6,141	290,360
				Hispanic (any race)	133	6,840	426,255
Land Area (sq. miles)	10	369	5,009	<i>Poverty Rate (1999)</i>	2.8%	4.6%	7.9%
Pop./ Sq. Mile (2009)	647	447	698	<i>Educational Attainment (2009)</i>			
Median Age (2009)	47	42	40	Persons Age 25 or Older	<i>Town</i>	<i>%</i>	<i>State</i>
Households (2009)	2,795	63,185	1,311,307	High School Graduate	1,072	21%	688,198
Med HH Inc. (2009)	\$86,406	\$74,860	\$68,055	Some College	1,042	20%	537,908
				Bachelors or More	2,759	54%	854,541
<i>Age Distribution (2009)</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	167 2%	479 7%	169 3%	1,000 15%	796 12%	589 9%	3,200
Female	165 2%	465 7%	159 2%	1,055 16%	836 12%	826 12%	3,506
County Total	7,963 5%	26,007 16%	15,334 9%	55,425 34%	35,625 22%	24,538 15%	164,892
State Total	210,817 6%	588,675 17%	330,112 9%	1,182,009 34%	696,537 20%	489,248 14%	3,497,398

Economics

<i>Business Profile (2005)</i>	<i>% of Total</i>		<i>Top Five Grand List (2006)</i>	<i>Amount</i>	<i>% of Net</i>
<i>Sector</i>	<i>Establishments</i>	<i>Employment</i>			
Agriculture	2.2%	1.7%	Essex Meadows Inc	\$21,713,000	2.4%
Const. and Mining	10.6%	9.9%	Lee Co	\$4,597,200	0.5%
Manufacturing	7.5%	13.4%	River Prop Inc	\$2,574,000	0.3%
Trans. and Utilities	3.3%	4.8%	Macbeth Ventures LLC	\$2,230,500	0.2%
Trade	22.8%	25.2%	Provident Bokum LLC	\$2,149,200	0.2%
Finance, Ins. and Real Estate	7.2%	5.7%	Net Grand List (2006)	\$921,696,900	
Services	43.7%	37.6%	<i>Top Five Major Employers (2006)</i>		
Government	2.7%	1.8%	Tower Laboratories	Essex Credit Corporation	
			The Lee Company	Essex Elementary	
			Essex Meadows Inc		
				<i>Town</i>	<i>State</i>
			<i>Retail Sales (2007)</i>	\$541,176,836	\$136,936,194,241
			<i>All Outlets</i>		

Education

<i>2005-2006 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	894	566,606	Reading	71	53	71	60	87	65	
Most public school students through grade 6 attend Essex School District, which has 543 students. Students then go to Regional School District 4, which has 862 Students.			Math	64	57	64	61	77	56	
			Writing	71	63	63	61	86	61	
For more education data please see:	<i>Students per Computer</i>	<i>Town</i>	<i>State</i>	<i>Average Class Size</i>			<i>Average SAT Score</i>			
http://www.state.ct.us/sde/	Elementary:	3.0	4.0	Grade K	15.0	Grade 2	18.0	<i>Town State</i>		
	Middle:	2.0	3.0	Grade 5	18.0	Grade 7	20.0	Verbal	525	508
	Secondary:	2.0	3.2	High School	14.4	Math	524	508		

Government

Government Form: Selectman-Town Meeting				Annual Debt Service (2007)	\$630,627
				As % of Expenditures	3.4%
Total Revenue (2007)	\$19,112,220	Total Expenditures (2007)	\$18,288,811	Eq. Net Grand List (2006)	\$1,842,671,127
Tax Revenue	\$16,401,807	Education	\$12,310,835	Per Capita	\$255,820
Non-tax Revenue	\$2,710,413	Other	\$5,977,976	As % of State Average	159%
Intergovernmental	\$1,666,801	Total Indebtness (2007)	\$10,992,162	Date of Last Revaluation (2009)	2003
Per Capita Tax (2007)	\$2,298	As % of Expenditures	60.1%	Moody's Bond Rating (2007)	Aa3
As % of State Average	104.0%	Per Capita	\$1,540	Actual Mill Rate (2007)	16.20
				Equalized Mill Rate (2007)	9.24
				% of Grand List Com/Ind (2006)	13.2%

Housing/Real Estate

<i>Housing Stock (2008)</i>	Town	County	State	Owner Occupied Dwellings (2000)	2,226	44,216	869,742
Existing Units (total)	3,156	72,662	1,449,440	As % Total Dwellings	75%	66%	63%
% Single Unit	81.4%	74.3%	64.8%	Subsidize Housing (2008)	42	5,025	149,355
New Permits Auth. (2008)	7	355	5,220	<i>Distribution of House Sales (2007)</i>			
As % Existing Units	0.22%	0.49%	0.36%	Town County State			
Demolitions (2008)	2	44	1,462	Number of Sales			
House Sales (2007)	88	1,848	32,395	Less than \$100,000			
Median Price	\$415,000	\$303,000	\$295,000	0 32 495			
Built Pre 1950 share (2000)	35.1%	27.6%	31.5%	\$100,000-\$199,999			
				0 219 5,866			
				\$200,000-\$299,999			
				12 637 10,094			
				\$300,000-\$399,999			
				28 506 5,655			
				\$400,000 or More			
				48 454 10,285			

Labor Force

<i>Place of Residence (2008)</i>				<i>Commuters (2000)</i>			
	Town	County	State	Commuters into Town from:		Town Residents Commuting to:	
Labor Force	3,813	93,981	1,876,144	Essex	902	Essex	902
Employed	3,653	89,439	1,769,233	Old Saybrook	313	Middletown	246
Unemployed	160	4,542	106,911	Deep River	270	Old Saybrook	218
Unemployment Rate	4.2%	4.8%	5.7%	Westbrook	192	Clinton	136
<i>Place of Work (2008)</i>				Chester	161	Chester	125
# of Units	388	5,008	105,005	East Haddam	146	Hartford	122
Total Employment	3,797	70,462	1,676,493	Clinton	141	Old Lyme	103
2000-'08 Growth AAGR	0.0%	0.6%	0.0%	Old Lyme	118	New Haven	101
Mfg Employment	714	10,589	186,522	Killingworth	107	Groton	95
				Middletown	84	Westbrook	84

Quality of Life

	Town	State	Library (2001)	Town	<i>Residential Utilities</i>			
Banks (2007)	9	1,029	Total Volumes	33,800	Electric Provider			
Lodging (1998)	4	756	Circulation Per Capita	5.7	Connecticut Light & Power			
Day Care Facilities (1999)	5	1,721			(800) 286-2000			
Infant Mortality Rate			<i>Distance to Major Cities Miles</i>		Gas Provider			
Per 1,000 births (2001)	0.0	4.5	Hartford	32	na			
Crime Rate (2004)			Boston	100	na			
Per 100,000 Residents	541	2,981	New York City	92	Water Provider			
				Providence	62	Connecticut Water Company		
				(800) 286-5700				
				Cable Provider				
Hospitals (1999)	0	1					COMCAST/CLINTON	
Total Beds	0	275					(800) 266-2278	