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ESTIMATED POPULATIONS IN CONNECTICUT AS OF JULY 1, 2020

Population estimates of Connecticut’s eight counties and 169 towns for 2020 were prepared for distribution by the Connecticut Department of Public Health (DPH), Surveillance Analysis and Reporting Unit within the section of Health Statistics and Surveillance. These estimates constitute the basis of birth, death, and other population-based rates for 2020 and forward.

Method of Estimation

The April 1, 2020 Census count released in the 2020 Census State Redistricting Data (Public Law 94-171) Summary File was used as the base population for each town.^(1,2) The change in population for the three months between April 1, 2020 and July 1, 2020 was estimated by calculating the “natural increase” in population (i.e., births minus deaths) for each town using the provisional 2020 birth and death files.⁽³⁾ During the three-month period, Connecticut had 9,420 births and 11,924 deaths resulting in a natural decrease of 2,496 residents. The estimated three-month population change was added to the base April 1, 2020 population for each town to calculate the July 1, 2020 population estimate.

Net migration also affects population change and has been estimated in the past using migration patterns from previous years. During the first few months of the COVID-19 pandemic, Connecticut experienced atypical in-migration limiting the applicability of historical data. Alternative sources for migration estimates are not available at the town-level and do not explicitly cover the three-month period of April 1 to July 1. As such, the official state and town estimates provided here do not account for migration between April 1, 2020 and July 1, 2020.

2020 Population Estimates

The July 1, 2020 population estimate for the state of Connecticut is 3,603,448. The 2020 estimate was 25,603 persons higher than the July 1, 2010 population estimate of 3,577,845.^(4,5) Population estimates for Connecticut’s counties and towns are given in the attached table.

ESTIMATED POPULATION OF CONNECTICUT AS OF JULY 1, 2020

Estimated Population	Change in Population, 2010-2020	
	Number	Percent
3,603,448	25,603	0.72%

CONNECTICUT POPULATION ESTIMATES AS OF JULY 1, 2020

BY COUNTY AND TOWN

(State Total = 3,603,448)

County	Est. Pop.	County	Est. Pop.
Fairfield	957,050	New Haven	864,094
Hartford	898,682	New London	268,450
Litchfield	184,938	Tolland	149,767
Middlesex	164,063	Windham	116,404

Town	Est. Pop.	Town	Est. Pop.	Town	Est. Pop.	Town	Est. Pop.
Andover	3,149	East Hartford	51,016	Monroe	18,808	Sherman	3,521
Ansonia	18,902	East Haven	27,874	Montville	18,377	Simsbury	24,516
Ashford	4,185	East Lyme	18,645	Morris	2,250	Somers	10,254
Avon	18,918	Easton	7,603	Naugatuck	31,517	Southbury	19,786
Barkhamsted	3,650	East Windsor	11,167	New Britain	74,125	Southington	43,447
Beacon Falls	5,993	Ellington	16,428	New Canaan	20,605	South Windsor	26,903
Berlin	20,154	Enfield	42,128	New Fairfield	13,570	Sprague	2,973
Bethany	5,294	Essex	6,713	New Hartford	6,652	Stafford	11,460
Bethel	20,331	Fairfield	61,472	New Haven	134,052	Stamford	135,511
Bethlehem	3,380	Farmington	26,673	Newington	30,464	Sterling	3,581
Bloomfield	21,460	Franklin	1,863	New London	27,376	Stonington	18,288
Bolton	4,868	Glastonbury	35,108	New Milford	28,106	Stratford	52,265
Bozrah	2,422	Goshen	3,148	Newtown	27,154	Suffield	15,725
Branford	28,220	Granby	10,891	Norfolk	1,585	Thomaston	7,426
Bridgeport	148,698	Greenwich	63,502	North Branford	13,535	Thompson	9,185
Bridgewater	1,659	Griswold	11,411	North Canaan	3,198	Tolland	14,552
Bristol	60,786	Groton	38,445	North Haven	24,237	Torrington	35,422
Brookfield	17,517	Guilford	22,045	North Stonington	5,152	Trumbull	36,742
Brooklyn	8,451	Haddam	8,449	Norwalk	91,194	Union	784
Burlington	9,520	Hamden	61,065	Norwich	40,152	Vernon	30,218
Canaan	1,081	Hampton	1,729	Old Lyme	7,615	Voluntown	2,564
Canterbury	5,041	Hartford	121,026	Old Saybrook	10,442	Wallingford	44,317
Canton	10,125	Hartland	1,900	Orange	14,255	Warren	1,348
Chaplin	2,141	Harwinton	5,470	Oxford	12,702	Washington	3,644
Cheshire	28,728	Hebron	9,102	Plainfield	14,984	Waterbury	114,426
Chester	3,744	Kent	3,014	Plainville	17,516	Waterford	19,516
Clinton	13,174	Killingly	17,738	Plymouth	11,668	Watertown	22,083
Colchester	15,548	Killingworth	6,173	Pomfret	4,270	Westbrook	6,757
Colebrook	1,360	Lebanon	7,142	Portland	9,371	West Hartford	64,019
Columbia	5,263	Ledyard	15,420	Preston	4,784	West Haven	55,536
Cornwall	1,566	Lisbon	4,191	Prospect	9,403	Weston	10,360
Coventry	12,238	Litchfield	8,165	Putnam	9,219	Westport	27,128
Cromwell	14,203	Lyme	2,352	Redding	8,742	Wethersfield	27,272
Danbury	86,570	Madison	17,658	Ridgefield	25,009	Willington	5,568
Darien	21,527	Manchester	59,693	Rocky Hill	20,780	Wilton	18,465
Deep River	4,412	Mansfield	25,883	Roxbury	2,260	Winchester	10,226
Derby	12,326	Marlborough	6,127	Salem	4,214	Windham	24,426
Durham	7,151	Meriden	60,794	Salisbury	4,191	Windsor	29,413
Eastford	1,650	Middlebury	7,577	Scotland	1,576	Windsor Locks	12,592
East Granby	5,218	Middlefield	4,217	Seymour	16,707	Wolcott	16,117
East Haddam	8,872	Middletown	47,676	Sharon	2,675	Woodbridge	9,074
East Hampton	12,709	Milford	51,954	Shelton	40,756	Woodbury	9,711
						Woodstock	8,228

Notes:

- (1) U.S. Census Bureau, 2020 Census State Redistricting Data (Public Law 94-171) Summary File, August 2021 (<https://www.census.gov/data/datasets/2020/dec/2020-census-redistricting-summary-file-dataset.html>).
- (2) These town population estimates count incarcerated individuals in their place of incarceration, consistent with the [U.S. Census Bureau's decision](#) to maintain its practice of counting prisoners at the correctional facility. While [Connecticut passed legislation in 2021](#) that requires the reallocation of most incarcerated persons to their place of residence prior to incarceration, this reallocation is limited to the purposes of determining state legislative and municipal voting districts. The Census Bureau will not make any changes to the official decennial census counts as a result of state legislative redistricting and therefore Census products based on Decennial 2020 Census data will count prisoners in their place of incarceration.
- (3) CT Department of Public Health, Provisional 2020 Birth and Provisional 2020 Death Counts for Connecticut by Town of Residence, August 2021.
- (4) Backus, K, Mueller, LM (2011) Town-level Population Estimates for Connecticut, 2010, Connecticut Department of Public Health, Health Statistics and Surveillance, Statistics Analysis & Reporting, Hartford, CT.
- (5) July 1, 2010 population estimates were estimated by CT DPH in 2011 (as described below) and may be slightly higher or lower than the USCB's estimate for July 1, 2010 published on June 28, 2013. The April 1, 2010 Census count was used as the base population figure for each town. The change in population for the three months between April 1, 2010 and July 1, 2010 was estimated by calculating the "natural increase" in population (i.e. births minus deaths) and the estimated net migration during this period. Three-month birth and death counts were based on tabulations of provisional 2010 birth and death files. Net migration was estimated for each town based on the population change and the natural increase in population over the last decade (2000-2010). The estimated three-month population change was added to the base April 1, 2010 population figure for each town to calculate the July 1, 2010 population estimate.

Citation:

Backus, K (2021) Town-level Population Estimates for Connecticut, July 1, 2020, Connecticut Department of Public Health, Health Statistics and Surveillance, Surveillance Analysis & Reporting, Hartford, CT.

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