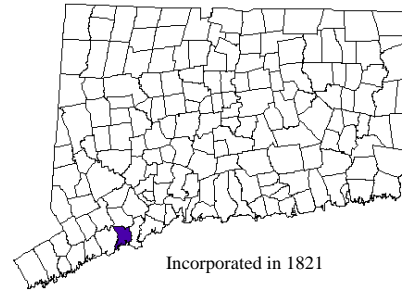


# Bridgeport, Connecticut

## CERC Town Profile 2005

Town Hall  
45 Lyon Terrace  
Bridgeport, CT 06604  
(203) 576-7201

*Belongs to*  
Fairfield County  
Bridgeport Labor Market Area  
Greater Bridgeport Economic Dev. Region  
Greater Bridgeport Planning Area



Incorporated in 1821

### Demographics

<i>Population (2005)</i>	<i>Town</i>	<i>County</i>	<i>State</i>	<i>Race/Ethnicity (2005)</i>	<i>Town</i>	<i>County</i>	<i>State</i>
1990	141,686	827,645	3,287,116	White	65,924	708,206	2,858,875
2000	139,529	882,567	3,405,565	Black	40,511	88,379	318,835
2005	143,937	909,263	3,534,280	Asian Pacific	6,330	38,839	117,997
2010	147,265	933,729	3,656,299	Native American	1,032	2,792	14,298
'05-'10 Growth / Yr	0.5%	0.5%	0.7%	Other/Multi-Race	30,140	71,047	224,275
				Hispanic (any race)	51,385	122,324	370,958
Land Area (sq. miles)	16	626	5,009	<i>Poverty Rate (1999)</i>	18.4%	6.9%	7.9%
Pop./ Sq. Mile (2005)	8,996	1,453	706	<i>Educational Attainment (2000)</i>			
Median Age (2005)	33	39	39	Persons Age 25 or Older	<i>Town</i>	<i>%</i>	<i>State</i>
Households (2005)	51,262	329,567	1,336,674	High School Graduate	26,406	31%	653,300
Med HH Inc. (2005)	\$37,553	\$72,573	\$59,761	Some College	18,137	22%	553,667
				Bachelors or More	10,332	12%	720,994
<i>Age Distribution (2005)</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	5,471 4%	14,724 10%	9,169 6%	23,346 16%	9,951 7%	6,621 5%	69,282
Female	5,224 4%	13,969 10%	9,036 6%	24,432 17%	11,772 8%	10,222 7%	74,655
County Total	60,909 7%	165,561 18%	75,102 8%	319,196 35%	167,537 18%	120,958 13%	909,263
State Total	214,308 6%	614,744 17%	320,277 9%	1,251,454 35%	650,169 18%	483,328 14%	3,534,280

### Economics

<i>Business Profile (2005)</i>	<i>% of Firms</i>	<i>% of Total</i>	<i>% of Emp.</i>	<i>% of Total</i>	<i>Top Five Grand List (2004)</i>	<i>Amount</i>	<i>% of Net</i>
Agriculture	53	1.2%	148	0.3%	PSEG Power Connecticut LLC	\$79,644,430	1.5%
Const. and Mining	484	10.6%	2,111	4.8%	Bridgeport Energy LLC	\$55,285,406	1.1%
Manufacturing	277	6.1%	6,990	15.8%	United Illuminating	\$48,174,765	0.9%
Trans. and Utilities	172	3.8%	2,026	4.6%	At & T Wireless PCS LLC	\$47,517,664	0.9%
Trade	1,081	23.7%	6,805	15.4%	Peoples Real Est Investment	\$28,728,630	0.5%
Finance, Ins. and Real Estate	291	6.4%	2,695	6.1%	Net Grand List (2004)	\$5,252,616,564	
Services	1,986	43.6%	19,463	44.0%	<i>Top Five Major Employers (2002)</i>		
Government	98	2.2%	3,990	9.0%	Bridgeport Hospital	Bridgeport Health Care Center	
Total	4,552	100.0%	44,231	100.0%	St. Vincents Medical Center	Sikorsky Aircraft	
					People's Bank		
					<i>Retail Sales (2002)</i>	<i>Town</i>	<i>State</i>
					All Outlets	\$3,002,296,662	\$105,014,859,890

### Education

<i>2000-2001 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>	
Total Town School Enrollment	23,262	542,193	<i>Town</i>	<i>State</i>	<i>Town</i>	<i>State</i>	<i>Town</i>	<i>State</i>
Most public school students in Bridgeport attend Bridgeport School District, which has 22,432 students.			Reading	21 58	25 64	30 66		
			Math	25 61	25 61	17 55		
			Writing	31 61	30 60	30 59		
<b>For more education data please see:</b>	<i>Students per Computer</i>	<i>Town</i>	<i>State</i>	<i>Average Class Size</i>			<i>Average SAT Score</i>	
<a href="http://www.state.ct.us/sde/">http://www.state.ct.us/sde/</a>	Elementary:	6.2	5.3	Grade K	20.7	Grade 2	22.9	<i>Town</i>
	Middle:		4.4	Grade 5	26.3	Grade 7	24.6	<i>State</i>
	Secondary:	5.1	4.1	High School	20.9	Math	394	502
							394	503

# Bridgeport Connecticut



## Government

Government Form: Mayor-Council		Annual Debt Service (2002)	\$64,219,818
		As % of Expenditures	15.6%
Total Revenue (2002)	\$393,500,808	Total Expenditures (2002)	\$410,632,254
Tax Revenue	\$176,476,368	Education	\$162,216,090
Non-tax Revenue	\$217,024,440	Other	\$184,196,346
Intergovernmental	\$196,369,721	Total Indebtness (2002)	\$642,407,239
Per Capita Tax (2002)	\$1,269	As % of Expenditures	156.4%
As % of State Average	73.9%	Per Capita	\$4,621
		As % of State Average	267.6%
		Eq. Net Grand List (2001)	\$5,703,844,997
		Per Capita	\$40,976
		As % of State Average	
		Date of Last Revaluation (2001)	1999
		Moody's Bond Rating (2001)	Baa1
		Actual Mill Rate (2002)	55.00
		Equalized Mill Rate (2002)	19.00
		% of Grand List Com/Ind (2001)	18.9%

## Housing/Real Estate

<i>Housing Stock (2002)</i>	<b>Town</b>	<b>County</b>	<b>State</b>	Owner Occupied Dwellings (2000)	21,758	224,509	869,742
Existing Units (total)	54,105	342,403	1,401,802	As % Total Dwellings	40%	66%	63%
% Single Unit	33.5%	65.3%	64.4%	Subsidize Housing (2001)	12,238	30,502	148,930
New Permits Auth. (2002)	64	1,879	9,731	<i>Real Estate Sales Distribution (2004)</i>	<b>Town</b>	<b>County</b>	<b>State</b>
As % Existing Units	0.12%	0.69%	0.55%	Number of Sales			
Demolitions (2003)		478	1,275	Less than \$100,000	417	1,072	10,608
Residential Sales (2004)	3,051	21,570	83,255	\$100,001-\$200,000	1,162	2,746	26,425
Median Price	\$195,000	\$383,000	\$219,900	\$200,001-\$300,000	1,050	3,939	18,676
Built Pre 1950 share (2000)	45.8%	31.5%	31.5%	\$300,001-\$400,000	324	3,517	10,402
				\$400,001 or More	98	10,296	17,144

## Labor Force

<i>Place of Residence (2004)</i>	<b>Town</b>	<b>County</b>	<b>State</b>	<i>Commuters (2000)</i>			
Labor Force	61,738	454,668	1,797,361	Commuters into Town from:	Town Residents Commuting to:		
Employed	56,950	434,725	1,709,849	Bridgeport	19,089	Bridgeport	19,089
Unemployed	4,788	19,943	87,512	Stratford	3,997	Fairfield	4,940
Unemployment Rate	7.8%	4.4%	4.9%	Shelton	2,563	Stratford	4,419
<i>Place of Work (2004)</i>				Trumbull	2,288	Stamford	3,767
Total Employment	45,707	416,204	1,631,848	Fairfield	2,244	Norwalk	3,523
'92-'04 Growth AAGR	-1.2%	0.6%	0.6%	Milford	2,115	Trumbull	3,083
Manufacturing				Monroe	1,180	Shelton	2,205
				Stamford	995	Westport	2,034
				Norwalk	795	Milford	1,976
				West Haven	763	Danbury	998

## Quality of Life

	<b>Town</b>	<b>State</b>	Library (2001)	<b>Town</b>	<i>Residential Utilities</i>
Banks (2003)	26	1,226	Total Volumes	447,442	Electric Provider
Lodging (1998)	8	756	Circulation Per Capita	1.9	The United Illuminating Co.
Day Care Facilities (1999)	44	1,721			(800) 257-0141
Infant Mortality Rate Per 1,000 births (2001)	7.5	4.5	<i>Distance to Major Cities Miles</i>		Gas Provider
Crime Rate (1999) Per 1,000 Residents	60	33	Hartford	48	Southern Connecticut Gas Company
% Open Land (1990)	11.6%	68.7%	Boston	137	(203) 382-8111
			New York City	53	Water Provider
			Providence	102	Aquarion Water Company
	<b>Town</b>	<b>County</b>			(800) 732-9678
Hospitals (1999)	2	7			Cable Provider
Total Beds	816	1,954			Cablevision Systems of Southern CT
					203-336-2225