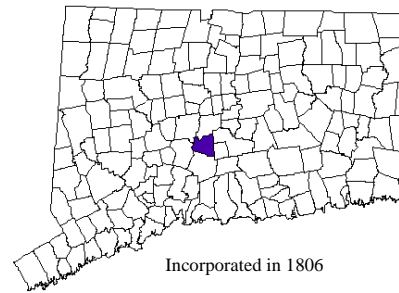


# Meriden, Connecticut

## CERC Town Profile 2008

Town Hall  
142 East Main Street  
Meriden, CT 06450  
(203) 630-4125

*Belongs to*  
New Haven County  
New Haven Labor Market Area  
South Central Economic Dev. Region  
South Central Connecticut Planning Area



Incorporated in 1806

### Demographics

<i>Population (2007)</i>				<i>Race/Ethnicity (2007)</i>				
	<i>Town</i>	<i>County</i>	<i>State</i>		<i>Town</i>	<i>County</i>	<i>State</i>	
1990	59,479	804,219	3,287,116	White	47,905	676,386	2,875,466	
2000	58,244	824,008	3,405,565	Black	4,201	96,649	324,251	
2007	59,494	855,457	3,549,606	Asian Pacific	1,325	29,620	125,880	
2012	60,418	877,523	3,647,526	Native American	147	1,380	8,220	
'07-'12 Growth / Yr	0.3%	0.5%	0.5%	Other/Multi-Race	5,916	51,422	215,789	
				Hispanic (any race)	15,576	108,246	405,662	
Land Area (sq. miles)	24	606	5,009	<i>Poverty Rate (1999)</i>	11.0%	9.5%	7.9%	
Pop./ Sq. Mile (2007)	2,506	1,412	709	<i>Educational Attainment (2000)</i>				
Median Age (2007)	38	39	39	Persons Age 25 or Older	<i>Town</i>	<i>%</i>	<i>State</i>	<i>%</i>
Households (2007)	23,098	326,684	1,332,283	High School Graduate	13,467	35%	653,300	28%
Med HH Inc. (2007)	\$52,742	\$58,854	\$65,859	Some College	10,112	26%	553,667	24%
				Bachelors or More	6,309	16%	720,994	31%
<i>Age Distribution (2007)</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	1,990 3%	5,354 9%	2,727 5%	10,336 17%	5,221 9%	3,272 5%	28,900	
Female	1,850 3%	5,021 8%	2,714 5%	10,509 18%	5,610 9%	4,890 8%	30,594	
County Total	50,587 6%	145,630 17%	82,770 10%	297,311 35%	159,565 19%	119,594 14%	855,457	
State Total	211,025 6%	609,581 17%	332,254 9%	1,223,861 34%	683,396 19%	489,489 14%	3,549,606	

### Economics

<i>Business Profile (2005)</i>			<i>Top Five Grand List (2004)</i>		
<i>Sector</i>	<i>Establishments</i>	<i>Employment</i>		<i>Amount</i>	<i>% of Net</i>
Agriculture	1.8%	0.5%	Meriden Square #3 LLC et al	\$49,320,460	2.1%
Const. and Mining	11.4%	6.6%	Connecticut Light & Power Co.	\$26,924,220	1.1%
Manufacturing	5.6%	18.9%	MERIDEN SQUARE PARTNERSHIP	\$26,318,530	1.1%
Trans. and Utilities	3.3%	8.6%	Radio Freq. Systems, Inc.	\$19,654,120	0.8%
Trade	27.3%	22.9%	YANKEE GAS	\$17,335,740	0.7%
Finance, Ins. and Real Estate	6.4%	4.2%	Net Grand List (2004)	\$2,373,439,165	
Services	40.7%	34.0%	<i>Top Five Major Employers (2006)</i>		
Government	3.5%	4.3%	SBC/SNET	Hunters Ambulance	
			MidState Medical Center	Cuno, Inc.	
			TI Automotive		
				<i>Town</i>	<i>State</i>
			<i>Retail Sales (2002)</i>	\$776,749,741	\$105,014,859,890
			<i>All Outlets</i>		

### Education

<i>2004-2005 School Year</i>			<i>Connecticut Mastery Test Percent Above Goal</i>						
	<i>Town</i>	<i>State</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	9,673	567,138	Reading	40	0	41	0	47	0
Most public school students in Meriden attend Meriden School District, which has 8,886 students.			Math	52	0	45	0	31	0
			Writing	61	0	46	0	42	0
<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:	4.8	4.2	Grade K	18.0	Grade 2	20.7	<i>Town</i>	<i>State</i>
	Middle:	5.1	3.5	Grade 5	22.6	Grade 7	24.7	Verbal	494
	Secondary:	3.6	3.4	High School	19.5	Math	486	504	508

# Meriden Connecticut



## Government

Government Form: Mayor-Council-City Manager				Annual Debt Service (2006)	\$17,959,146
				As % of Expenditures	10.8%
Total Revenue (2006)	\$167,382,288	Total Expenditures (2006)	\$167,040,866	Eq. Net Grand List (2004)	\$5,016,026,552
Tax Revenue	\$95,955,630	Education	\$93,307,731	Per Capita	\$84,863
Non-tax Revenue	\$71,426,658	Other	\$73,733,135	As % of State Average	61%
Intergovernmental	\$60,209,360	Total Indebtness (2006)	\$80,476,709	Date of Last Revaluation (2005)	2001
Per Capita Tax (2006)	\$1,614	As % of Expenditures	48.2%	Moody's Bond Rating (2006)	Baa1
As % of State Average	77.2%	Per Capita	\$1,353	Actual Mill Rate (2006)	40.34
				Equalized Mill Rate (2006)	19.35
				% of Grand List Com/Ind (2003)	23.5%

## Housing/Real Estate

<i>Housing Stock (2005)</i>	<b>Town</b>	<b>County</b>	<b>State</b>	Owner Occupied Dwellings (2000)	13,732	201,349	869,742
Existing Units (total)	25,131	348,703	1,431,569	As % Total Dwellings	56%	59%	63%
% Single Unit	54.5%	59.3%	64.7%	Subsidize Housing (2001)	4,558	42,124	148,930
New Permits Auth. (2006)	60	1,654	9,236	<i>Distribution of House Sales (2006)</i>			
As % Existing Units	0.24%	0.47%	0.64%	Number of Sales			
Demolitions (2006)	9	204	1,584	Less than \$100,000	37	374	1,332
House Sales (2006)	817	8,490	37,483	\$100,000-\$199,999	347	1,878	7,461
Median Price	\$201,000	\$253,000	\$275,000	\$200,000-\$299,999	382	3,173	11,804
Built Pre 1950 share (2000)	35.9%	33.2%	31.5%	\$300,000-\$399,999	45	1,600	6,393
				\$400,000 or More	6	1,465	10,493

## Labor Force

<i>Place of Residence (2006)</i>				<i>Commuters (2000)</i>			
	<b>Town</b>	<b>County</b>	<b>State</b>	Commuters into Town from:	Town Residents Commuting to:		
Labor Force	31,533	440,949	1,844,244	Meriden	10,158	Meriden	10,158
Employed	29,827	420,204	1,765,083	Wallingford	2,110	Wallingford	4,212
Unemployed	1,706	20,745	79,161	Southington	1,027	Middletown	1,147
Unemployment Rate	5.4%	4.7%	4.3%	Middletown	767	New Haven	1,087
<i>Place of Work (2006)</i>				Waterbury	729	Hartford	968
# of Units	1,299	22,379	103,662	New Haven	585	North Haven	857
Total Employment	24,780	366,697	1,672,161	Cheshire	579	Cheshire	831
'92-'06 Growth AAGR	0.2%	0.5%	0.7%	Hamden	442	Southington	718
Mfg Employment	2,843	42,083	193,727	New Britain	371	Waterbury	685
				Bristol	342	Hamden	385

## Quality of Life

Banks (2007)	<b>Town</b>	<b>State</b>	Library (2001)	<b>Town</b>	<i>Residential Utilities</i>		
Lodging (1998)	11	1,029	Total Volumes	234,103	Electric Provider		
Day Care Facilities (1999)	14	756	Circulation Per Capita	7.7	Connecticut Light & Power		
Infant Mortality Rate	22	1,721			(800) 286-2000		
Per 1,000 births (2001)	no calc	4.5	<i>Distance to Major Cities Miles</i>		Gas Provider		
Crime Rate (1999)			Hartford	17	Yankee Gas Company		
Per 1,000 Residents	39	33	Boston	107	(800)-989-0900		
Hospitals (1999)			New York City	85	Water Provider		
Total Beds			Providence	74	City of Meriden Water Department		
	<b>Town</b>	<b>County</b>			(203) 630-4256		
	1	7			Cable Provider		
	94	2,487			Cox Communications CT, Inc.		
				203-514-4269			