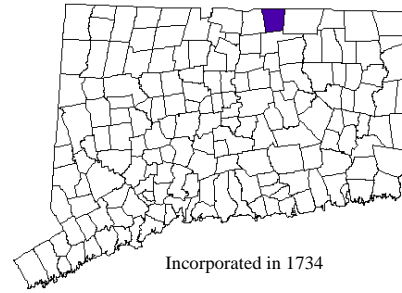


# Somers, Connecticut

## CERC Town Profile 2008

Town Hall  
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*Belongs to*  
Tolland County  
Hartford Labor Market Area  
Capitol Area Economic Dev. Region  
Capitol Region Planning Area



Incorporated in 1734

### 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	9,108	128,699	3,287,116	White	10,492	142,133	2,875,466						
2000	10,417	136,364	3,405,565	Black	491	1,742	324,251						
2007	11,799	151,968	3,549,606	Asian Pacific	139	4,658	125,880						
2012	12,629	161,522	3,647,526	Native American	18	86	8,220						
'07-'12 Growth / Yr	1.4%	1.2%	0.5%	Other/Multi-Race	659	3,349	215,789						
				Hispanic (any race)	1,296	5,542	405,662						
Land Area (sq. miles)	28	410	5,009	<i>Poverty Rate (1999)</i>	4.6%	5.6%	7.9%						
Pop./ Sq. Mile (2007)	416	371	709	<i>Educational Attainment (2000)</i>									
Median Age (2007)	39	37	39	Persons Age 25 or Older	<i>Town</i>	<i>%</i>	<i>State</i>	<i>%</i>					
Households (2007)	2,996	51,967	1,332,283	High School Graduate	2,380	33%	653,300	28%					
Med HH Inc. (2007)	\$78,186	\$72,088	\$65,859	Some College	2,030	28%	553,667	24%					
				Bachelors or More	1,670	23%	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	203	2%	913	8%	920	8%	3,373	29%	1,253	11%	626	5%	7,288
Female	176	2%	839	7%	217	2%	1,572	13%	1,046	9%	661	6%	4,511
County Total	7,213	5%	24,381	16%	19,923	13%	54,577	36%	28,806	19%	17,068	11%	151,968
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 (2006)</i>		
<i>Sector</i>	<i>Establishments</i>	<i>Employment</i>		<i>Amount</i>	<i>% of Net</i>
Agriculture	5.8%	4.6%	Grower Direct Inc	\$1,944,000	0.3%
Const. and Mining	18.0%	9.5%	Phoenix Somers LLC	\$1,589,920	0.2%
Manufacturing	5.8%	7.0%	Somers Recreation Inc	\$1,479,940	0.2%
Trans. and Utilities	3.5%	4.7%	Gerald E Damour	\$1,341,480	0.2%
Trade	18.7%	12.3%	Khalida S Moghul	\$1,258,190	0.2%
Finance, Ins. and Real Estate	5.8%	2.6%	Net Grand List (2006)	\$664,806,125	
Services	33.6%	29.0%	<i>Top Five Major Employers (2006)</i>		
Government	8.6%	30.4%	State Prison System	Grower Direct, Inc.	
			Board of Education	Power Systems Inc.	
			Conval, Inc.		
				<i>Town</i>	<i>State</i>
			<i>Retail Sales (2006)</i>	\$85,357,449	\$131,862,299,674
			<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	1,731	567,138	Reading	68	0	76	0	83	0	
Most public school students in Somers attend Somers School District, which has 1,730 students.			Math	75	0	74	0	67	0	
			Writing	76	0	58	0	78	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:	7.2	4.2	Grade K	17.8	Grade 2	20.0	<i>Town</i>	<i>State</i>	
	Middle:	5.3	3.5	Grade 5	22.7	Grade 7	24.5	Verbal	532	504
	Secondary:	4.6	3.4	High School	17.9	Math	536	508		

## Government

Government Form: Selectman-Town Meeting				Annual Debt Service (2006)	\$2,832,494
Total Revenue (2006)	\$26,774,215	Total Expenditures (2006)	\$25,567,044	As % of Expenditures	11.1%
Tax Revenue	\$14,828,059	Education	\$17,558,919	Eq. Net Grand List (2004)	\$1,034,451,474
Non-tax Revenue	\$11,946,156	Other	\$8,008,125	Per Capita	\$91,707
Intergovernmental	\$10,677,406	Total Indebtness (2006)	\$18,781,996	As % of State Average	66%
Per Capita Tax (2006)	\$1,239	As % of Expenditures	73.5%	Date of Last Revaluation (2005)	2004
As % of State Average	59.3%	Per Capita	\$1,570	Moody's Bond Rating (2006)	A1
		As % of State Average	78.0%	Actual Mill Rate (2006)	20.25
				Equalized Mill Rate (2006)	14.15
				% of Grand List Com/Ind (2003)	4.4%

## Housing/Real Estate

<i>Housing Stock (2007)</i>	<b>Town</b>	<b>County</b>	<b>State</b>	Owner Occupied Dwellings (2000)	2,551	36,316	869,742
Existing Units (total)	3,283	56,299	1,445,682	As % Total Dwellings	85%	70%	63%
% Single Unit	91.6%	74.1%	64.8%	Subsidize Housing (2001)	85	4,509	148,930
New Permits Auth. (2007)	46	526	7,746	<i>Distribution of House Sales (2007)</i>			
As % Existing Units	1.40%	0.93%	0.54%	<b>Number of Sales</b>			
Demolitions (2007)	1	13	1,285	Less than \$100,000	1	21	495
House Sales (2007)	90	1,344	32,395	\$100,000-\$199,999	6	269	5,866
Median Price	\$301,500	\$256,000	\$295,000	\$200,000-\$299,999	36	630	10,094
Built Pre 1950 share (2000)	20.5%	21.7%	31.5%	\$300,000-\$399,999	33	271	5,655
				\$400,000 or More	14	153	10,285

## Labor Force

<i>Place of Residence (2007)</i>				<i>Commuters (2000)</i>			
	<b>Town</b>	<b>County</b>	<b>State</b>	Commuters into Town from:	Town Residents Commuting to:		
Labor Force	4,708	84,381	1,865,499	Somers	608	Enfield	922
Employed	4,493	81,061	1,780,481	Enfield	271	Somers	608
Unemployed	215	3,320	85,018	Springfield, MA	129	Springfield, MA	276
Unemployment Rate	4.6%	3.9%	4.6%	Vernon	106	Hartford	275
<i>Place of Work (2007)</i>				Stafford	104	Windsor	200
# of Units	241	3,008	104,094	Ellington	93	Bloomfield	132
Total Employment	2,395	41,341	1,686,262	Manchester	49	Windsor Locks	129
2000-'07 Growth AAGR	1.0%	1.3%	0.1%	East Hartford	46	Ellington	120
Mfg Employment	131	3,637	191,264	Agawam, MA	46	Stafford	116
				E. Longmeadow,	45	Vernon	111

## Quality of Life

	<b>Town</b>	<b>State</b>	Library (2001)	<b>Town</b>	<i>Residential Utilities</i>	
Banks (2007)	3	1,029	Total Volumes	43,480	Electric Provider	
Lodging (1998)	1	756	Circulation Per Capita	5.5	Connecticut Light & Power	
Day Care Facilities (1999)	4	1,721			(800) 286-2000	
Infant Mortality Rate			<i>Distance to Major Cities</i>	<b>Miles</b>	Gas Provider	
Per 1,000 births (2001)	no calc	4.5	Hartford	20	Yankee Gas Company	
Crime Rate (2004)			Boston	77	(800) 989-0900	
Per 100,000 Residents	576	2,981	New York City	120	Water Provider	
			Providence	55	Connecticut Water Company	
	<b>Town</b>	<b>County</b>			(800) 286-5700	
Hospitals (1999)	0	2			Cable Provider	
Total Beds	0	180			Cox Communications CT, Inc.	
					888-633-4266	