



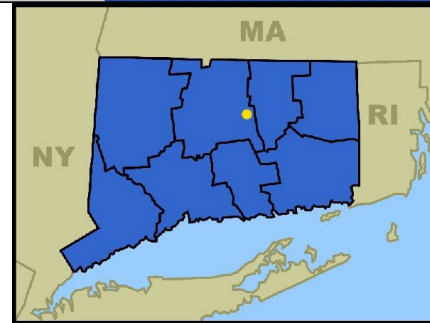
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ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DATA & INFORMATION
for Connecticut & Western Massachusetts

Manchester, CT Hartford County

Location:

Manchester is a thriving small city strategically located in Connecticut's capitol region. We offer a full range of public services and community facilities to our residents and to the Hartford region's fast growing eastern section. With over 55,000 residents, and 2,000 business establishments Manchester offers a diverse choice of neighborhoods and a local economy woven into a vibrant community fabric.



Business Climate:

Manchester has long been a manufacturing center, and is now a leader in precision machining, technology, and warehouse distribution and professional services. Three interstate highways provide superior access to labor and markets. We provide streamlined planning and development services and consider ourselves business partners.

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Demographic Information

Population

	2000	2005
Population:	54,740	57,079
Labor Market Population:	43,596	46,186

Households

	2000	2005	2010
Total Number of Households:	23,197	24,319	25,385
Average Household Size:	0	2.3	2.29
Median Household Income:	\$49,426.00	\$53,777.00	\$59,376.00

Educational Attainment: Population - Age 25 Plus

	2005
Associate Degree:	7 %
Bachelor's Degree:	22 %
Graduate or Professional Degree:	14 %

Metro Area Distances

City	Driving Distance (miles)	Flight Time	Days by Truck	Days by Rail
Albany, NY	120	40	1	1
Boston, MA	94	160	1	1
New York, NY	125	55	1	1
Providence, RI	83	108	1	1
Washington, DC	353	80	1	1

Labor Force Characteristics

Total Labor Force: 30926 Employed: 29460 Unemployed: 1466 Unemployment Rate: 4.74 Year: 2004

Leading Employers

	Product or Service	Employees
Allied Printing Services	Printing	375
Cox Communications	Broadcasting, cable television	375
J.C. Penney Warehouse	Distribution Center	1300
Journal Publishing Company	Newspaper	275
Manchester Memorial Hospital	Healthcare Facility	1489
Silktown Roofing	Roofing	300
Smiths Aerospace Components	Manufacturing	510
Teleflex, Inc.	Plating & polishing	330
The May Department Stores, Co.		500
Wal-Mart Stores	General Merchandise	400

Local Government

Type of Government:	Council/Town Mgr/CAO
Comprehensive City Plan:	Yes
Year Plan Completed:	
Strategic City Plan:	Unknown
Year Plan Completed:	
City Zoning Ordinance in Effect:	Yes
County Zoning Ordinance in Effect:	Unknown
Percent of Streets Paved:	100.0

Local Government Services

John Hogan	Local Government Services-Building Dept
Mark Pellegrini	Local Government Services-ED
Maryann Cherniak Lexius	Local Government Services-Health Dpt
Mark Pellegrini	Local Government Services-P&Z
John Rainaldi	Local Government Services-Tax Assessors

Utilities

Water

Provider Name: Town of Manchester Water & Sewer Department
Rated Capacity (mgd): 8.25
Average Capacity (mgd): 0
Peak Demand (mgd): 16
Storage Capacity (gallons): 0

Sewer

Provider Name:
Rated Capacity (mgd): 0
Average Daily Demand (mgd): 0
Peak Demand (mgd): 0

Electric

Provider Name: Connecticut Light and Power
Peak Demand (kW): 0
Generation Capacity (MW): 0
Customers Served (state): 1,121,000
Customers Served (system): 0

Natural Gas

Provider Name:
Pipeline Source:
Customers Served (state): 0
Customers Served (system): 0

Telecommunications

Provider Name: SBC/SNET
Service Type: Phone/Internet/DSL
DSL: Yes
Fiber Optics: Yes
Switch Services:
Customers Served (state): 0
Customers Served (system): 54,000,000

Transportation

Interstates and Highways

I-84; I-384; I-291; CT Rt. 6/44; CT Rt. 83

Motor Carriers: 4
Local Terminals: 0

Railroads

null
Piggyback Ramp Available: Unknown
Distance to Nearest Piggyback: 0
Intermodal Services Available: Unknown

Airport

Brainard Airport, Hartford - 10 miles from Manchester

Waterway

Connecticut River

Public Transportation Network

Ct Transit (bus service)

General Comments

Taxation Structure

Actual Valuation:	\$3,226,514,320.00
Bond Indebtedness	
General Obligation:	\$ 45,721,394.00
Revenue:	\$ 123,151,000.00
County:	
School:	

General Comments:

Manchester residents and businesses benefit from the Town's highly competitive tax rate. A leader in financial planning and management, our bond rating of Aa2 (Moody's), ranks among the top municipalities in the state. Cost control, conservative budgeting, and low debt levels allow a full complement of municipal services and top tier infrastructure with a manageable tax burden.

Quality of Life

Commercial Services

Number of Hotels and Motels:	8
Number of Rooms Available:	639
Number of Conference Centers:	0
Capacity of Largest Conference Center:	0

Financial Institutions

Number of Banks:	8
Number of Savings and Loans:	1
Number of Credit Unions:	6

Education

Elementary and Secondary Education Overview

Higher Education Overview

Manchester Community College is the largest institution in the state's community college system. The 431 teaching faculty serve over 12,000 students a year. MCC offers associate degree and certificate programs in a broad range of career fields. A Business Development Center offers general as well as customized training for businesses and employees. The Learning and Resource Center opened in 2000, and the Arts, Sciences & Technology Center, and athletic and fitness facilities opened in 2003.

Health Facilities and Personnel

Number of Hospitals:	0
Total Number of Beds:	249
Number of Outpatient Clinics:	0
Number of Medical Doctors:	0
Number of Dentists:	0
Number of Registered Nurses:	0
Number of Practitioning Nurses:	0