

Connecticut Town Guides:

Compiled from Collections at the CT State Library



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Introduction

Many people visit the Connecticut State Library to research their family history. We hold one of the best genealogy collections in Connecticut including our indexes to pre-1850 vital records, cemetery inscriptions, church & family bible records, marriage & death notices, and probate estate papers. Though these indexes are state-wide by surname, we also hold records for each town. As any person who attempts to do genealogy research in Connecticut discovers, knowing what town a family lived in is very important. Connecticut currently has one hundred and sixty-nine towns each with their own vital, land, and probate district chronology. As towns in Connecticut were created, most were set off from a parent town. County boundaries also changed throughout Connecticut's history, so knowing a parent town or knowing in which county a town was located over time can help researchers search for court and other records.

The purpose of these Town Guides is to have in one place basic information about each town. This includes the year it was established, the parent town, historical county information, vital and church record information, a probate district chronology, and a list of cemeteries that were inventoried in the Hale Collection. For town vital records and church records, both the Connecticut State Library (CSL) microfilm number and the Latter-Day Saint (LDS) microfilm number are given where applicable. Researchers are encouraged to search by film number within the LDS catalog as many vital records can be found online. The LDS catalog record will also give additional information about what the microfilm contains.

The Barbour Collection Index of pre-1850 Connecticut Vital Records is well known to many genealogists. What is not as well known are the sources used to compile the index. Researchers will note that vital records for some towns begin later than when the town was established. This is because many towns kept their vital records within other sources such as land or town meeting books. Where this is the case as noted in the Barbour Collection volume, it is included in the Town Guides. However, in many instances, the Barbour Collection Volume notes only that the "entire record of the town prior to 1850 is found in one volume." In these cases, the compiler imagines that he was referencing the vital records of the town, the originals of which are still mostly at each Town Hall in the state. Also a few towns published their vital records, or a published source was used for the Barbour Collection Index. In these cases, the Index references the published copy, not the original record. This information is given in the Town Guides as well.

A note about church records. The church record listings in these guides only include information about possible vital records kept by the church. For information about society records, sermons, historical addresses, seating charts, membership rolls, etc., please refer to the compiled *List of Church Records in the Connecticut State Library* (CSL call # ConnDoc St292 Lich) and to the finding aid to State Archives Record Group 070: Church Records.

A note about probate records. Though a probate district chronology is given for each town, researchers much check the Probate Court Finding Aids on our website or in person at the History & Genealogy Unit reference desk to determine what records we hold.

Besides our microfilm collection of town vital and church records, also represented in these guides are records held within State Archives Record Group 072, Vital Records, Record Group 070, Church Records, and our Manuscripts & Archives catalog. Only original town records that may include vital records and are held by the State Archives are listed. What is *not* included are references to Photostat or typescript copies, or references to compilations kept by private individuals.

Also not included are records located within Record Group 062, Town Records. Finding Aids to these materials can be found on our website under Local Government. Information about land records is omitted as well. As is the case with vital records, most original land records are still located at each town and microfilm copies are available here or through a Latter-day Saint Family History Center.

A note about access. Any original records held in the State Archives are subject to the "Rules & Procedures for Using Archival Collections," a copy of which can be found in Appendix I. As some materials may be located at an off-site facility, it is recommended that people call (860) 757-6580 or contact us in advance to ensure availability of the materials.

A note about sources. The information used to compile the Town Guides comes from different databases and materials made by staff over the years. However, any mistakes are mine alone and will be corrected when discovered.

A note about use. Following the Introduction is information about using the Town Guides. Appendix II contains a larger map of Connecticut and a list of all the towns and their dates of establishment. Keep in mind that these guides are merely a starting point for historical & genealogical Connecticut research. Be sure to check our catalogs for published and manuscript resources. Examples of additional resources include town & county histories, genealogies, cemetery inscriptions, diaries & journals, tax information, account books, maps, other town records, newspapers, and more.

Codes/ Abbreviations used

Barbour Collection:	The time period and/or sources indexed in the Barbour Collection of Town Vital Records
CSL # :	The Connecticut State Library microfilm number or call number
D.A.R.:	Daughters of the American Revolution
LDS # :	The Latter-day Saint microfilm number
Main Vault:	Reference to a collection in the State Archives
RG:	Record Group. Reference to a collection in the State Archives
<u>SLI</u> :	Indicates whether the Church Records appear in our Church Records Index

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Included in this resource are most of the town records for Fairfield county and a few adjacent towns.

Danbury



Date established: 1687
Parent town(s): None
County: Fairfield

Town vital records: Births, Marriages, Deaths, 1703-1895, CSL # 647; LDS # 1435525
Births, Marriages, Deaths, 1845-1910, CSL # 648; LDS # 1435526
Births, Marriages, Deaths, 1871-1905, CSL # 649; LDS # 1435527

Barbour Collection: 1685-1847; Vital records prior to 1848 found scattered through vols. 1, 2 of Town Records, and a Record of Marriages, 1820-1848

Church records: Congregational Church Records, 1754-1930; SLI; CSL # 166; 168; LDS # 0004035; 0004036
King Street Christian Church Records, 1830-1914; CSL # 169; LDS # 0004038
Methodist Church Records, 1811-1931; CSL # 464; 465; 466; LDS # 1008335; 1008336; 1008337
Saint James Episcopal Church Records, 1784-1923; CSL # 170; 171; LDS # 0004039; 0004040

Probate Chronology: October 1687 - May 1744, Fairfield District
May 1744 - Present, Danbury District

Cemeteries: Wooster; Wooster Street; North Main Street; St. James; Kenosia or Lake; Miry Brook;
Great Plain; Pembroke; Baptist; Comes; Old Westville; Upper Starr's Plain; Mill Plain;
New Catholic; Children of Israel (Jewish); Old Catholic; Lutheran; Christian Church;
St. Playton's; Old Long Ridge; Lower Starr's Plain

Fairfield



Date established: 1639
Parent town(s): None
County: Fairfield, 1666 -

Town vital records: Births, Marriages, and Deaths, 1820-1902, CSL # 1120; LDS # 1434093
Fairfield, Town Records, 5 vols., 1649-1826; CSL Call # Main Vault 974.62 ff15to¹
Fairfield, Family Book, 1696-1855 (some dates 1628-1880); CSL Call # Main Vault 974.62 ff15fa¹

Barbour Collection: 1639-1850; Early vital records are found scattered through 3 vols. of Land Records, a vol. of Vital Records, and a Book of Marriages

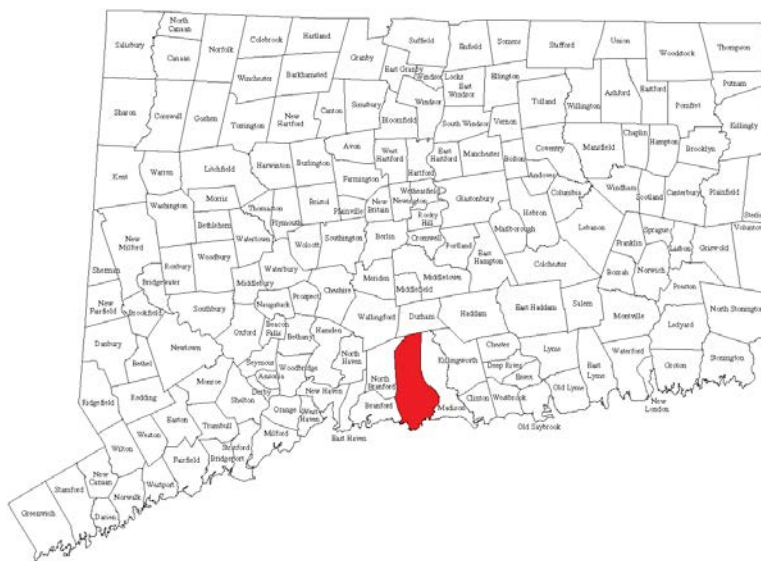
Church records: First Congregational Church Records, 1694-1806; SLI; CSL call number Main Vault 974.62 ff151c re¹
Greenfield Hill Congregational Church Records, 1668-1878; CSL # 197; LDS # 0004199
St. Paul's (Protestant Episcopal) Church Records, 1853-1947; CSL # 196; LDS # 0004198
Stratfield Baptist Church Records, 1751-1938; CSL # 198; LDS # 0004200

Probate Chronology: 1639 - circa 1648, Hartford Colonial Jurisdiction
Circa 1648 - May 1666, Fairfield Particular Court
May 1666 - Present, Fairfield County Court & District

Cemeteries: East; Oak Lawn; West; Greenfield Hill; St. Thomas; Old; Congregation B'Nai Israel; Congregation Rodeph Sholem; Lawncroft; Jewish; Wakeman

¹ Please refer to Appendix I for the "Rules and Procedures for Using Archival Materials"

Guilford



Date established: 1643

Parent town(s): None

County: New Haven, 1666 -

Town vital records: Births, Marriages, Deaths, 1645-1879; CSL # 1421; LDS # 1428110

Births, Marriages, Deaths, 1875-1904; CSL # 1422; LDS # 1428111

Barbour Collection: 1639-1850; References to "A" may refer to a copy of the originals

Church records: Christ Episcopal Church Records, 1744-1909; [SLI](#), CSL # 7; LDS # 0004366

First Congregational Church Records, 1717-1921; [SLI](#); CSL # 214; 215; LDS # 0004369; 0004370

Methodist Episcopal Church Records, 1855-1901; CSL #77; LDS # 0004365

St. John's Church (Protestant Episcopal), 1749-1869; CSL #7; LDS # 0004366

Second Congregational Church [North Guilford] Records, 1720-1859; [SLI](#); CSL #19; LDS # 0004367

Probate Chronology: 1639 - October 1719, New Haven Colony, County Court & District

October 1719 - January 4, 2011, Guilford District

January 5, 2011 - Present, Madison - Guilford District

Cemeteries: Alderbrook; West Side; St. George's; North Guilford; Leete's Island; Nut Plains; Goldsmith; Fowler; Clapboard Hill; Private; Murray; Griswold; Foote; Griswold-Leete; Private; Bluff; Green; Frisbie; Episcopal Church; Congregational Church; Godfrey; Parmele; Footstones; Baldwin

Kent



Date established:

1739

Parent town(s):

None

County:

New Haven, 1722-1738; Hartford, 1738-1751; Litchfield, 1751-

Town vital records:

Births, Marriages, Deaths, 1755-1904; CSL # 1797; LDS # 1516999

Barbour Collection:

1739-1852; Vital records prior to 1850 are found scattered through vol.1 of Land Records and vols. 1-3 of Vital Records

Church records:

Congregational Church Records, 1741-1915; [SLI](#); CSL # 66; LDS # 0004654

Congregational Church, Records, 1739-1823; CSL # 66; 550; LDS # 0004654; 1010733

St. Andrew's Church Records, 1847-1953; CSL # 550; LDS # 1010733

Probate Chronology:

October 1739 - October 1742, Hartford District

October 1742 - October 1755, Litchfield District

October 1755 - May 1786, Litchfield District (covered only the East Greenwich Society of Kent, which became the Town of Warren in May 1786)

October 1755 - May 1787, Sharon District (covered the Town of Kent, except the East Greenwich Society)

May 1787 - May 25, 1831, New Milford District

May 26, 1831 - January 2, 2007, Kent District

January 3, 2007 - January 4, 2011, Litchfield District

January 5, 2011 - Present, Litchfield Hills District

Cemeteries:

Congregational; St. Andrew's; Good Hill; Skiff Mountain; Schaghtikoke; Bull's Bridge; Kent Hollow; Morehouse; Fanton; Alder City

Milford



Date established: 1639
Parent town(s): None
County: New Haven, 1666-

Town vital records: Births, Marriages, and Deaths, 1640-1936, Index only; CSL # 2300; LDS # 1428120
Births, Marriages, and Deaths, 1868-1921; CSL # 2301; LDS # 1428121
Births, Marriages, and Deaths, 1649-1874, 6 vols.; CSL call # Main Vault 974.62 M594bi ¹
vol. 1, A Statistical Account of the Town of Milford by Erastus Scranton; vol. 2 Births, Marriages & Deaths, 1649-1718; vol. 3 Births, Marriages & Deaths, 1653-1803; vol. 4 Deaths, 1776-1805; vol. 5 Deaths, 1799-1840; vol. 6 Deaths, 1841-1874

Barbour Collection: 1640-1850; Supplementing the Town Records are records from other sources. "OL" Old Long Book (vol.2); "SM" Book of Mortality by Samuel Bryan Marshall (vol. 4); "BP" Death Records of the Rev. Bezeleel Pineo (vol. 5); "ES" A Statistical Account by Erastus Scranton (vol. 1); "LL" Loose Leaves in vol. 3

Church records: First Church of Christ (Congregational) Records, 1639-1926; SLI; CSL # 282; 615; LDS # 0004936; 1012263
First Church of Christ Baptisms, 1640-1675, copied by the D.A.R.; CSL # 615; LDS # 1012263
Plymouth Congregational Church Records, 1747-1926 (formerly Second Congregational Church); SLI; CSL # 565; #283; LDS # 1010750; 0004937
St. Peter's Church (Protestant Episcopal) Records, 1832-1868, (formerly St. George's Church, copied by the D.A.R); LDS # 924067; Online through the Family Search catalog
St. Peter's Church Records, 1764-1869; CSL # 284; LDS # 0004938

Probate Chronology: 1639 - 1665, New Haven Colonial Jurisdiction
1664 - 1665, Hartford Colonial Jurisdiction (overlap of Hartford & New Haven authority)
1665 - May 29, 1832, New Haven County Court and District
May 30, 1832 - January 4, 2011, Milford District
January 5, 2011 - Present, Milford - Orange District

Cemeteries: Milford Center; St. Mary's; Founders

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Monroe



- Date established:** 1823
- Parent town(s):** Huntington (now Shelton)
- County:** Fairfield
- Town vital records:** Births, Marriages, Deaths, 1847-1901; CSL # 2336; LDS # 1435631
- Barbour Collection:** 1823-1854
- Church records:** Congregational Church Records, 1762-1812; CSL # 285; LDS # 0004943
St. Peter's Church (Protestant Episcopal) Records, 1823-1908; CSL # 285; LDS # 0004944
- Probate Chronology:** May 1823 – June 1840, Stratford District
June 1840 – January 6, 1959, Bridgeport District
January 7, 1959 – Present, Trumbull District
- Cemeteries:** Elm Street; East Village; Stepney; Walker's Farm; Center

New Canaan



- Date established:** 1801
- Parent town(s):** Norwalk; Stamford
- County:** Fairfield
- Town vital records:** Births, Marriages, Deaths, 1793-1937; CSL # 2436; LDS # 1450629
Births, Marriages, Deaths, 1852-1900; CSL # 2437; LDS # 1450630
- Barbour Collection:** 1801-1854
- Church records:** Congregational Church Records, 1733-1899; [SLI](#); CSL # 289; LDS # 0004960
St. Marks Church Records, 1835-1930; CSL # 643; LDS # 1010758
- Probate Chronology:** May 1801 – May 1802, Fairfield District
May 1801 – May 1802, Stamford District
May 1802 – June 21, 1937, Norwalk District
June 22, 1937 – January 4, 2011, New Canaan District
January 5, 2011 – Present, Darien-New Canaan District
- Cemeteries:** Talmadge Hill; Smith; Stevens; Weed; Parade Ground; Lakeview; Park Street; Old; Crissey; Young; Selleck's Corner; Church Hill; Carter; Valley Road; Hickok; Seeley-Stevens; Silvermine; White Oak Shade; Crissey-Young; Hoyt; New Richards; Old Richards; Old Mather; Waters; Clinton

New Fairfield



- Date established:** 1740
- Parent town(s):** None
- County:** Fairfield, 1723-
- Town vital records:** Births, Marriages, Deaths, 1867-1960; CSL # 2457; LDS # 1435634
"The town records burned in 1867" per Kemp's *Connecticut Researcher's Handbook*;
CSL call # History Reference Z 1265 .K45 1981
- Barbour Collection:** Town not represented in the Barbour Collection
- Church records:** Congregational Church Records, 1742-1900; [SLI](#); CSL # 290; LDS # 0005351
- Probate Chronology:** May 1740 – May 1744, Fairfield District
May 1744 – January 7, 1975, Derby District
May 1787 – October 1822, New Milford District (covered the north society of town which became the Town of Sherman), October 1802
January 8, 1975 – January 4, 2011, New Fairfield District
January 5, 2011 – Present, Housatonic Probate District
- Cemeteries:** New Fairfield; Old; New Wood Creek; Gerow; Balls Pond; Mountain View

New Haven



Date established: 1638
Parent town(s): None
County: New Haven, 1666

Town vital records: Births, Marriages, Deaths, 1649-1888; CSL # 2481; LDS # 1405824
Births, Marriages, Deaths, 1864-1895; CSL# 2482; LDS # 1405825
Births, Marriages, Deaths, 1877-1914; CSL # 2483; LDS # 1405826
Births, Marriages, Deaths, 1877-1914; CSL # 2484; LDS # 1405827
Births, Marriages, Deaths, 1850-1897; CSL # 2485; LDS # 1405828
Births, Marriages, Deaths, 1878-1907; CSL # 2486; LDS # 1405829
Births, Marriages, Deaths, 1649-1750; CSL # 2487; LDS # 1405830
Births, Marriages, Deaths, 1798-1852; CSL # 2488; LDS # 1405858
Marriages, 1835-1854; CSL # 2488.5; 0005344 LDS # 0005344
Births, Marriages, Deaths, 1847-1860; CSL # 2489; LDS # 1405859
Births, Marriages, Deaths, 1856-1868; CSL # 2490; LDS # 1405860
Births, Marriages, Deaths, 1864-1876; CSL # 2491; LDS # 1405861
Births, Marriages, Deaths, 1869-1878; CSL # 2492; LDS # 1405862
Births, Marriages, Deaths, 1875-1884; CSL # 2493; LDS # 1405863
Births & Deaths, 1879-1891; CSL # 2494; LDS # 1405864
Deaths, 1888; CSL # 2495; LDS # 1405865
Deaths, 1888-1899; CSL # 2496; LDS # 1405866
Deaths & Births, 1886-1899; CSL # 2497; LDS # 1405867
Births, 1888-1894; CSL # 2498; LDS # 1405868
Births & Marriages, 1881-1894; CSL # 2499; LDS # 1405869
Marriages & Births, 1891-1896; CSL # 2500; LDS # 1405870
Births & Marriages, 1894-1900; CSL # 2501; LDS # 1405871
Births, Marriages, Deaths, 1887-1902; CSL # 2502; LDS # 1405872
Births, Marriages, Deaths, 1899-1904; CSL # 2503; LDS # 1405873
Marriages, 1900-1904; CSL # 2504; LDS # 1405874

Barbour Collection: Entries located in the state wide slip index reference the published *Vital Records of New Haven, 1659-1850*; CSL call # History Reference F104 .N69 A2 1917

Church records: Christ Church Records, 1856-1939; CSL # 297; 298; LDS # 0005335; 0005336
Church of the Redeemer Records, 1838-1933, (formerly Chapel Street Congregational Church); CSL # 302; LDS # 0005340
Dwight Place Church, Vital Records copied by Clara Louise Weed, 1838-1865; CSL # 644; LDS # 1010761
Fair Haven Congregational Church, 1769-1891 (See also United Church Records); CSL # 577; LDS # 1011941
Fair Haven Congregational Church Records, 1830-1894, (Name changed in 1890 to Grand Avenue Congregational Church); CSL # 296; LDS # 0005334
First Baptist Church Records, 1816-1941; CSL #101; LDS # 0005331
First Baptist Society Records, 1824-1902; CSL # 293; 294; LDS # 0005329; 0005330
First Church of Christ & Ecclesiastical Society Records, 1639-1937; SLI ; CSL #107; LDS # 0005343
Grace Church, Records, 1871-1898; CSL # 645; LDS # 1010764
Hope Baptist Church Records, 1887-1902; CSL # 292; LDS # 0005332
St. James at Fair Haven Records, 1843-1925; CSL # 576; LDS # 1011939
St. Paul's Church Records 1845-1940; CSL # 299; LDS # 0005337
St. Thomas' Church Records, 1848-1931; CSL # 300; 301; LDS # 0005338; 0005339
Second Baptist Church Records, 1842-1865; CSL # 292; LDS # 0005333
Swedish Evangelical Lutheran Bethesda Church Records, 1883-1925; CSL # 655; LDS # 1011940
Trinity Church Records, 1767-1939; SLI; CSL # 303; 304; LDS # 0005341; 0005342
United Church Records, 1742-1933; CSL # 577; 578; LDS # 1011941; 1011942

Probate Chronology: 1638 - 1665, New Haven Colony Jurisdiction
1665 - May 1666, Hartford Colonial Jurisdiction (estates could be processed in either of the Hartford or New Haven Districts
May 1666 - Present, New Haven County Court & District

Cemeteries: Grove Street; Evergreen; Mapledale; Fair Haven Union; Center Church Crypt; St. Bernard's; Westville; Beavertown Memorial Park; Mishkan Israel; Independent Israel Society; Bnai Jacob; Independent Connecticut Lodge #1 & 2; Old Potter's Field; Herzl; Congregation Beth Israel; Independent Wilner Lodge; Warshaver Relief Soc.; Independent Adas Israel Assoc.; Mt. Sinai Memorial Park; United Independent; Blake Street; Dog; Vault; Yale Art School

New Milford



- Date established:** 1712
- Parent town(s):** None
- County:** New Haven, 1706-1751; Litchfield, 1751-
- Town vital records:** Births, Marriages, Deaths, 1702-1888; CSL # 3308; LDS # 1516559
Births, Marriages, Deaths, 1862-1878; CSL # 3309; LDS # 1516811
Births, Marriages, Deaths, 1879-1902; CSL # 3310; LDS # 1516860
- Barbour Collection:** 1712-1860; Vital records prior to 1850 found scattered through vols. 2, 4-13 of Land Records and vols. 1 & 2 of Vital Records
- Church records:** All Saints Memorial Church Records, 1880-1926; CSL # 581; LDS # 1011945
First Congregational Church Records, 1712-1938; CSL # 582; LDS # 1011946; 0005222
Northville Baptist Church Records, 1814-1939; CSL # 51; LDS # 0005221
Saint John's Church Records, 1784-1925; CSL # 632; LDS # 1011947
- Probate Chronology:** October 1712 - October 1719, New Haven District
October 1719 - May 1787, Woodbury District
May 1787 - January 4, 2011, New Milford District
January 5, 2011 - Present, Housatonic District
- Cemeteries:** Center; St. Francis Xavier; Morningside; Gaylordsville; Quaker; Prickett District; Lower Meryall; Northville; Upper Merryall; Long Mountain; Gallows Hill; South Kent Fanton; Old Lanesville; Peet

Newtown



Date established: 1711
Parent town(s): None
County: Fairfield, 1714

Town vital records: Births, Marriages, Deaths, 1754-1927; CSL # 3372; LDS # 1435629
Births, Marriages, Deaths, 1896-1927; CSL # 3373; LDS # 1435630

Barbour Collection: 1711-1852; Vital records prior to 1852 are found scattered through Proprietor's records, vols. 2, 8, 10, 19 of Land records, vols. 1 & 2 of Vital Records, two Books of Marriages and a Book of Deaths

Church records: Congregational Church Records, 1715-1946; [SLJ](#); CSL # 441; 442;
LDS # 0004991; 0004992
Congregational Church Baptisms & Marriages, 1800-1875, Copied by Mary Silliman Chapter D.A.R.; CSL # 314; LDS # 0004989
Methodist Episcopal Church Records, 1805-1932; CSL # 314; LDS # 0004989
St. John's Church at Sandy Hook Register, 1880-1913; CSL # 660; LDS # 0004990
Trinity Church Records, 1764-1921; CSL # 660; LDS # 0004990

Probate Chronology: October 1711 - May 1744 Fairfield District
May 1744 - May 1820 Danbury District
May 1820 - January 4, 2011 Newtown District
January 5, 2011 - Present Northern Fairfield County District

Cemeteries: Village & Town Plot; Land's End; Berkshire; Taunton; Huntingtown; Sandy Hook; Flat Swamp 1 & 2; Bradleyville; Hopewell; Platt's Old Morgan's; Botsford; St. Rose's; Bronze Plaque; McCartan; Bennett

Norwalk



- Date established:** 1651
- Parent town(s):** None
- County:** Fairfield, 1666
- Town vital records:** Births, Marriages, Deaths, 1848-1909; CSL # 3479; LDS # 1434202
Births, Deaths, 1879-1902; CSL # 3480; LDS # 1434203
Births, 1879-1899; CSL # 3481; LDS # 1434204
Births, 1899-1904; CSL # 3482; LDS # 1480169
Norwalk, Marriages records, 1834-1853, (Burton Collection); CSL call # 974.62 N83m¹
- Barbour date range:** 1651-1850; Vital records prior to 1850 are found scattered among vols. 1, 4, 9, 13, 16-19 of Land records and vol. 1 of Vital Records
- Church records:** Grace Church Records, 1890-1939; CSL # 584; LDS # 1011949
Church of England in Norwalk, Ridgefield, Stamford, and Greenwich Records, 1742-1746; CSL # 60; LDS # 0005815
Christ Church (Protestant Episcopal) at East Norwalk Records, 1905-1953; CSL # 584; LDS # 1011949
St. Paul's Church (Protestant Episcopal) Records, 1741-1925; CSL # 4; 5; LDS # 0005019; LDS # 0005020
South Norwalk First Methodist Episcopal Church Records, 1850-1890; CSL # 60; LDS # 0005815
Trinity Church at South Norwalk Records, 1867-1948; CSL # 71; LDS # 0005021
- Probate Chronology:** September 1651 - May 1666 Particular Court Jurisdiction at Hartford, later at Fairfield
May 1666 - May 1802 Fairfield County Court & District
May 1802 - Present Norwalk District
- Cemeteries:** Norwalk; Riverside; St. Mary's; Union; Pine Island; East Norwalk; Old; Witch Lane; Town House Hill; Hebrew; Silvermine; St. Paul's; Reed; Raymond; Gregory; St. John's; Old Five Mile River; Bouton or Huguenot; Smith; Ferndale; Sheffield Island; Reid; Kellogg-Comstock¹
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Ridgefield



Date established: 1709
Parent town(s): None
County: Fairfield

Town vital records: Births, Marriages, Deaths, 1711-1926; Index; CSL # 3907; LDS # 1435729
Births, Marriages, Deaths, 1711-1926; CSL # 3908; LDS # 1435730

Barbour Collection: 1709-1850; Vital records prior to 1850 are found scattered among vol. 1 of Land records and vol. 1 of Vital Records

Church records: First Congregational Church Records, 1761-1931; [SLI](#); CSL # 339; LDS # 0005509
Church of England in Norwalk, Ridgefield, Stamford, and Greenwich Records, 1742-1746; CSL # 60; LDS # 0005815
Ridgebury Congregational Church Records, 1769-1857; [SLI](#); CSL # 605; LDS # 1011971
Ridgebury Congregational Church Records, 1761-1916; CSL # 605; LDS # 1011971
St. Stephen's Church Records, 1784-1918; CSL # 605; # 606; LDS # 1011971; 1012867

Probate Chronology: October 1709 - May 1728, Fairfield District
May 1728 - October 1746, Stamford District
October 1746 - June 9, 1841, Danbury District
June 10, 1841 - January 4, 2011, Ridgefield District
January 5, 2011 - Present, Northern Fairfield County District

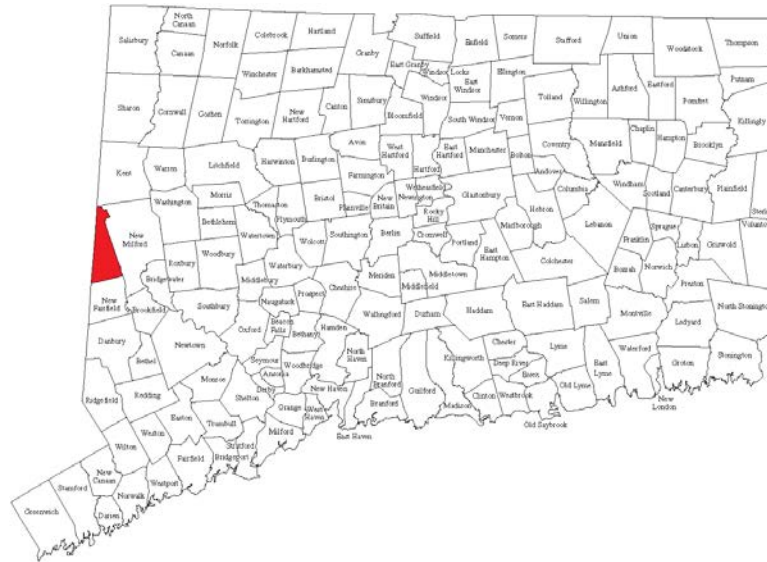
Cemeteries: Old Town; Catholic; Branchville; Beers; Davis; Seymour; Gamaliel Smith; Old Florida; Florida; Selleck; Ridgebury; Town; Mapleshade; Scott; Hurlbutt; Loungsbury; Fair Lawn; Smith; Old Episcopal Church; Revolutionary Battle Ground

Shelton



- Date established:** 1789 [Name of town was Huntington until 1919]
- Parent town(s):** Stratford
- County:** Fairfield
- Town vital records:** Births, Marriages, Deaths, 1743-1912, CSL # 4045; LDS # 1435632
Births, Marriages, Deaths, 1879-1912, CSL # 4046; LDS # 1435633
- Barbour date range:** 1789-1850
- Church records:** Congregational Church Records, 1892-1922; CSL # 70; LDS # 0005767
Huntington Congregational Church & Ecclesiastical Society Records, 1717-1946; [SLI](#); CSL # 10; 348; LDS # 0005766; 0005769
St. Paul's Church Records, 1755-1907; CSL # 667; LDS # 0005765
White Hills Baptist Church Records, 1838-1932; CSL # 349; LDS # 0005768
- Probate Chronology:** January 1789 – June 1840, Stratford District
June 1840 – May 1889, Bridgeport District
March 1880 – May 1889, Derby District (covering the first voting district only)
May 1889 – Present, Shelton District
- Cemeteries:** Old Coram; Riverview; Upper White Hills; Lower White Hills; Long Hill; Lawn; Cong. Sons of Israel; St. Paul's; Old Huntington Center

Sherman



- Date established:** 1802
- Parent town(s):** New Fairfield
- County:** Fairfield
- Town vital records:** Births, Marriages, Deaths, 1782-1900; CSL # 4064; LDS # 1435635
- Barbour Collection:** 1802-1850
- Church records:** Congregational Church Records, 1786-1949; SLI (only vol. 2); CSL # 94; LDS # 0005560
North Congregational Church, Records 1744-1921; SLI; CSL # 94; LDS # 0005560
- Probate Chronology:** October 1802 - June 3, 1846, New Milford District
June 4, 1846 - January 7, 2003, Sherman District
January 8, 2003 - January 4, 2011, New Fairfield District
January 5, 2011 - Present, Housatonic District
- Cemeteries:** Graves; North Sherman; Center; Leach; Wanzer & Pepper; Briggs; Hungerford

Southbury



Date established:

1787

Parent town(s):

Woodbury

County:

New Haven

Town vital records:

Births, Marriages, Deaths, 1787-1905; CSL # 4134; LDS # 1420657
RG 072:002, Vital Records, Southbury circa 1845-1905; Box 22 ¹

Barbour Collection:

1787-1830; 1847-1878

Church records:

Church of the Epiphany Records, 1863-1940; CSL # 352; LDS # 0005813
Congregational Church Records, 1732-1922; SLI; CSL # 352; LDS # 0005813
Congregational Church Pastor's Record Book, 1872-1878, kept by Rev. John Hartwell;
CSL # 354; LDS # 0014772
Methodist Episcopal Church Records, 1847-1938; CSL # 352; LDS # 0005813
Methodist Episcopal Church Records, 1832-1896; CSL # 353; LDS # 0005812
Mission of the Good Sheppard at Southford Records, 1921-1929; CSL # 431; LDS # 0005811
South Britain Congregational Church Records, 1766-1884; CSL # 353; LDS # 0005812

Probate Chronology:

January 1787 – January 3, 1967, Woodbury District
January 4, 1967 – January 4, 2011, Southbury District
January 5, 2011 – Present, Region #22 District

Cemeteries:

Pierce Hollow; South Britain; George's Hill; Pine Hill; White Oak; Sacred Heart; Warner;
French Family Vault; Old Middle; Udelmessenger

¹Please refer to Appendix I for the "Rules and Procedures for Using Archival Materials"

Stamford



Date established: 1641
Parent town(s): None
County history: Fairfield, 1666

Town vital records: Town Meeting & Vital Records, 1630-1852; CSL # 4240.5; LDS # N/A ¹
Town Meeting & Vital Records, 1630-1806 (Original manuscript of transcribed records found on CSL # 4240.5); CSL # 4240.6; LDS # N/A
Birth, Marriage, Death, 1719-1779; CSL # 4240.7; LDS # N/A
Birth, Marriage, Death, 1779-1852; CSL # 4240.8; LDS # N/A
Birth, Marriage, Death, 1848-1890; CSL # 4241; LDS # 1434311
Birth, Marriage, Death, 1848-1906; CSL # 4242; LDS # 1434312
Birth, Marriage, Death, CSL # 4243; LDS # 1434313
Town records, 1630-1806; CSL # 4244; LDS # 0005570

Barbour Collection: 1641-1852

Church records: First Congregational Church Records, 1747-1907; [SLI](#); CSL # 97; LDS # 0005589
Methodist Episcopal Church Records, 1848-1896; CSL # 365; 654; LDS # 0005590; 1013279
Methodist Episcopal Church in CT Stamford Circuit, Records of Members Baptisms, Marriages, Deaths, 1788-1846; CSL # 365; LDS # 0005590
North Stamford Congregational Church Records, 1782-1928; CSL # 364; LDS # 0005591
Abstract of Church Records from the earliest records extant to 1850 by S.P. Mead; CSL # 612; LDS # 1013277; 0005561

Probate Chronology: 1640 - May 1666, New Haven Colony Jurisdiction
May 1666 - May 1728, Fairfield County Court & District (Wills are recorded in Stamford town records 1646-1695)
May 1728 - Present, Stamford District

¹ Non-LDS film. Microfilmed by the Stamford Town Clerk's Office

Cemeteries:

Old Woodland; Simsbury; Old; Jewish; Roxbury; Westover; Palmer Hill; Stillwater Road
North Street; St John's & St. Andrew's; West Stamford; Long Ridge; High Ridge; North
Stamford; Scofieldtown & Lockwood; Turn of the River; Newfield; Belltown; Scofield;
Emanuel Chapel; Hoyt; Brush; Rundle; Green; New Jewish; New Woodland; Smith;
Knapp; June; Dean; Hebard; Belltown; Hunting Ridge; Webb Hill; Lockwood; Hait; Hoyt-
Miller; Hebard; Weed

Stratford



Date established: 1639
Parent town(s): None
County: Fairfield, 1666

Town vital records: Births, Marriages, Deaths, 1640-1914; CSL # 4394; LDS # 1428083

Barbour date range: 1635-1852; Vital records prior to 1852 are found scattered through vols. 1, 2, 5 of Land Records and a Book of Marriages, Book "A"

Church records:
Christ Church Records, 1722-1932; CSL # 367; LDS # 0005799
First Congregational Church Records, 1688-1927; CSL # 370; LDS # 0005800
First Congregational Church, Baptisms & Marriages, 1814-1849 copy by Mary Chaffee Hart Copy; CSL # 370; LDS # 0005800
Methodist Episcopal Church Records, 1813-1931; CSL # 367; 371; LDS # 0005802

Probate Chronology:
1639 - 1665, New Haven Colony Jurisdiction
1639 - May 1666, Hartford Particular Court Jurisdiction
1649 - May 1666, Fairfield Particular Court Jurisdiction
May 1666 - May 1782, Fairfield County Court & District
May 1782 - Present, Stratford District

Cemeteries: Old; Union; St. Michael's; Stratford; Episcopal; St. John's Greek Catholic; Putney; St. Joseph's Polish

Trumbull



- Date established:** 1797
- Parent town(s):** Stratford
- County:** Fairfield
- Town vital records:** Births, Marriages, Deaths, 1796-1838; CSL # 4571; LDS # 1491334
Births, Marriages, Deaths, 1848-1904; CSL # 4572; LDS # 1491335
- Barbour Collection:** Town not represented in Barbour Collection
- Church records:** Christ Church at Tashua Records, 1787-1923; CSL# 378; LDS # 0005871
Church of Christ (Congregational) Records, 1730-1937; [SLJ](#); CSL # 379; 627;
LDS # 0005872; 1014186
Church of Christ, Transcript of Births Baptisms & Marriages, 1731-1808; CSL # 628;
LDS # 1014187
Grace Church (Protestant Episcopal) Records, 1829-1945; CSL # 628; LDS # 1014187
- Probate Chronology:** October 1787 – June 1840, Stratford District (records included with Bridgeport District)
June 1840 – January 6, 1959, Bridgeport District
January 7, 1959 – Present, Trumbull District
- Cemeteries:** Nichols; Curtis-Nichols; Unity; Brinsmade; Riverside; Booth or Daniels; Tashua Hill;
Long Hill; Northwest

Weston



Date established: 1787
Parent town(s): Fairfield
County: Fairfield

Town vital records: Births, Marriages, Deaths, 1848-1905; CSL # 4891; LDS # 1435804

Barbour Collection: 1787-1850; Vital records prior to 1850 can be found scattered through vols. 1, 11, & 16 of Land Records, and a Book of Marriages, 1835-1852

Church records: Emmanuel Church Records, 1845-1942; CSL # 408; LDS # 0006244
Emmanuel Church Records, 1835-1897; CSL # 622; LDS # 1014195
Norfield Congregational Church and Society Records, 1757-1941; CSL # 57;
LDS # 0006243

Probate Chronology: October 1787 - May 21, 1832, Fairfield District
May 22, 1832 - July 22, 1875, Weston District
July 23, 1875 - Present, Westport District

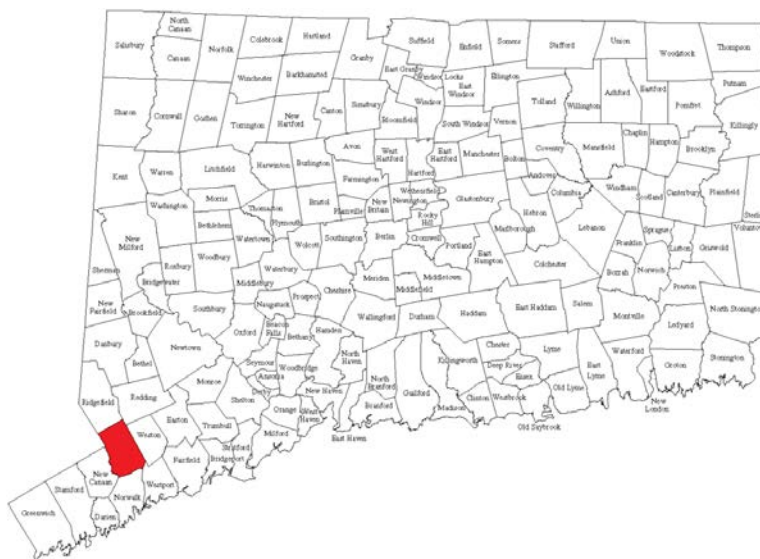
Cemeteries: Norfield; Lyons Plain; Osborn; Rollins; Tharp; Devil's Den

Westport



- Date established:** 1835
- Parent town(s):** Fairfield; Norwalk; Weston
- County:** Fairfield
- Town vital records:** Births, Marriages, Deaths, 1847-1903; CSL # 4910; LDS # 1480168
- Barbour Collection:** 1835-1850
- Church records:** Saugatuck Congregational Church Records, 1830-1926; CSL # 407; LDS # 0006259
- Probate Chronology:** May 1835 – Present, Westport District
- Cemeteries:** Willowbrook; Upper Greens Farms; Lower Greens Farms; Catholic & Christ Churches; Evergreen; Post Road; King's Highway; Taylor; Compo Colonial

Wilton



Date established:

1802

Parent town(s):

Norwalk

County:

Fairfield

Town vital records:

Births, Marriages, Deaths, 1776-1880; CSL # 4976; LDS # 1435805

Births, Marriages, Deaths, 1881-1901; CSL # 4977; LDS # 1435806

Barbour Collection:

1802-1850

Church records:

Congregational Church Records, 1698-1820, copied by David H. Van Hoosear; [SLJ](#);

CSL # 649; LDS # 1015121

Methodist Church at Bald Hill [ca. 1822--1900], copied by Lester Card; CSL # 649; LDS # 1015121

St. Matthews Episcopal Church Records, 1802-1952; CSL # 413; 649; LDS # 0006254; 1015121

Probate Chronology:

May 1802 – Present, Norwalk District

Cemeteries:

Sharp's Hill; Joe's Hill; Old; Comstock; St. Matthew's; Hillside; Davis; Zion Hill; Ruscoe; DeForest; Beers



