
APPENDIX B: CONNECTICUT METROPATTERNS

COMMUNITY CLASSIFICATION

❖ **Cities**: severely distressed areas with great social needs, less than average tax resources and high rates of poverty

Bridgeport
New Haven
Waterbury
Hartford

❖ **Stressed**: significant and growing social needs and diminishing fiscal resources

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| Norwalk | Meriden |
| Stratford | New Britain |
| Ansonia | East Hartford |
| Derby | Windham |
| West Haven | Norwich |
| Bristol | New London |

❖ **At-Risk**: stable in many respects but showing higher than average growth in poverty rates and below average growth in property tax base

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| Danbury | North Haven | Haddam | Sprague |
| Milford | Wallingford | Manchester | Eastford |
| Naugatuck | Plainville | East Windsor | Canterbury |
| Thomaston | Branford | Enfield | Brooklyn |

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| Torrington | Newington | Vernon | North Stonington |
| Winchester | Bloomfield | Coventry | Griswold |
| Colebrook | Middletown | Stafford | Plainfield |
| Hamden | Wethersfield | Montville | Killingly |
| Prospect | Windsor | Chaplin | Putnam |
| Plymouth | Windsor Locks | Ashford | Thompson |
| East Haven | Clinton | Groton | |

❖ **Fringe-Developing: experiencing most rapid population gains and associated infrastructure needs with below average growth in tax base**

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| Sherman | Durham | Ellington | Lisbon |
| Goshen | Rocky Hill | Salem | Scotland |
| Oxford | Killingworth | Lebanon | Hampton |
| Bethany | Old Lyme | Andover | Pomfret |
| Burlington | East Haddam | Tolland | Woodstock |
| Hartland | Colchester | Mansfield | Voluntown |
| Avon | Hebron | Union | Sterling |
| Granby | Bolton | Preston | |

❖ **Bedroom-Developing: prototypical suburbs whose level of growth has resulted in loss of open space, traffic congestion and slow property tax base growth**

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| New Fairfield | Watertown | Berlin | East Hampton |
| Bethel | Seymour | West Hartford | Glastonbury |
| Brookfield | Beacon Falls | East Granby | Marlborough |
| New Milford | Harwinton | Guilford | Somers |
| Newtown | New Hartford | Middlefield | East Lyme |
| North Canaan | Barkhamstead | Suffield | Columbia |
| Trumbull | Orange | Madison | Willington |
| Monroe | Woodbridge | Cromwell | Waterford |
| Southbury | Wolcott | Portland | Bozrah |
| Woodbury | Cheshire | South Windsor | Franklin |
| Bethlehem | Southington | Westbrook | Ledyard |

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| Morris | Farmington | Deep River | Stonington |
| Litchfield | Canton | Old Saybrook | |
| Shelton | Simsbury | Essex | |
| Middlebury | North Branford | Chester | |

❖ **Affluent: have tax bases that are three times the state average and are growing more rapidly than other community types while having a small share of social strains**

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| Greenwich | Bridgewater |
| Stamford | Roxbury |
| New Canaan | Washington |
| Darien | Kent |
| Wilton | Warren |
| Ridgefield | Sharon |
| Westport | Cornwall |
| Weston | Salisbury |
| Redding | Canaan |
| Easton | Norfolk |
| Fairfield | Lyme |



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