

Bridgeport is Connecticut's largest city and is a major banking and transportation hub between New York and Boston. The city is connected to New York City by Amtrak passenger rail with service to Washington DC and Boston, also by Metro-North commuter rail service. Bridgeport is located along Interstate 95 and the Route 8/Route 25 connectors. You can cross the picturesque Long Island Sound, on the Bridgeport & Port Jefferson Ferry boat service for cars and people between Bridgeport and Long Island. Total Mortgage Arena and the Hartford Healthcare Amphitheater serve as the city's sports and hospitality centers. Each offering various forms of live entertainment throughout the year. The city offers many employment opportunities; St. Vincent's Medical Center, Bridgeport Hospital, and M & T Bank are the top employers in the city. Home to the University of Bridgeport and Housatonic Community College.

Bridgeport's beaches and salt marshes form the longest public waterfront in the state. Seaside Park, a 325-acre expanse was donated to the city by P.T. Barnum and designed by Frederick Law Olmsted (renowned landscape artist) and Calvert Vaux(architect and land-scape designer). St. Mary's-by-the-Sea is one of the prettiest spots along the Connecticut Coast.

NerdWallet ranked Bridgeport the 100th most foodie city in the United States, 2nd in Connecticut behind New Haven (which was ranked #97). Nerdwallet in 2022 ranked Bridgeport as the 17th most ethnically diverse city in the United States, making it the most diverse in New England, and the third most diverse in the New York Metropolitan Area in an annual ranking.

The city is marked by its attachment to its famous resident, circus-promoter and once mayor P.T. Barnum who built three houses in the city, and housed his circus in town during winters. The city was home to the Frisbie Pie Company and therefore it has been argued that Bridgeport is the birthplace of the Frisbee.

The city is undergoing a multi-billion-dollar makeover which will include large scale commercial, hotel, and luxury condo investments at the city's Steel Point development. The Bridgeport Real Estate market is diverse, ranging from multi-million dollar mansions in the city's Black Rock neighborhood to stately homes in Brooklawn, historic homes in the North End, and apartments for rent. There are Real Estate opportunities for both homeowners and investors in the newly revitalized city of Bridgeport.

County: Fairfield Population: 148,333 Square Miles: 19

**Distance to New York City:** 62 miles



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