

# WATERVILLE

## *POPULATION PROFILE*

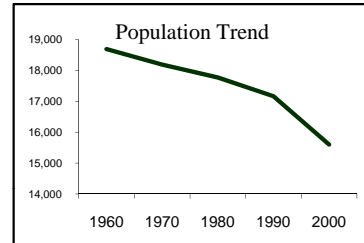
2008 Estimate: 15,368

Rank in County: 2 of 29

|                       | <i>1960</i> | <i>1970</i> | <i>1980</i> | <i>1990</i> | <i>2000</i> |
|-----------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| Population History    | 18,695      | 18,192      | 17,779      | 17,173      | 15,605      |
| Decennial Growth Rate |             | -2.7%       | -2.3%       | -3.4%       | -9.1%       |

|                  |                           |                    |
|------------------|---------------------------|--------------------|
| 2030 Population: | Best Estimate:            | 14,500             |
|                  | Mathematical Projections: | 13,333      13,580 |

|                    |                            |       |
|--------------------|----------------------------|-------|
| <u>Components:</u> | Net Migration (1990-2000): | -1400 |
|                    | Natural Change (90-00):    | -168  |
|                    | (2000-date)                | -238  |



|                             | <i>1980</i> | <i>1990</i> | <i>2000</i> |
|-----------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| Under Age 18                | 4,158       | 3,454       | 3,075       |
| Over Age 65                 | 2,603       | 2,910       | 2,832       |
| Median Age                  | 29          | 32          | 36          |
| High School Grads.          | n/a         | 7,735       | 8,019       |
| College Grads.              | n/a         | 2,309       | 2,036       |
| Enrolled in public schools: | 2,848       | 2,191       | 2,043       |
| 2007 Enrollment:            | 2,012       |             |             |

## *HOUSING PROFILE*

|                                      | <i>1970</i> | <i>1980</i> | <i>1990</i> | <i>2000</i> |
|--------------------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| Total Housing Units                  | 5,773       | 6,648       | 7,008       | 6,819       |
| Year-round Occupied Units            | 5,516       | 6,201       | 6,583       | 6,218       |
| % Owner-occupied                     | n/a         | 50.7        | 50          | 49.1        |
| Persons per household                | 2.95        | 2.5         | 2.63        | 2.13        |
| Seasonal Units                       |             |             |             |             |
| number                               | n/a         | 5           | 27          | 67          |
| percent                              |             | 0.1%        | 0.4%        | 1.0%        |
| Mobile Homes                         |             |             |             |             |
| number                               | n/a         | 140         | 126         | 205         |
| percent                              |             | 2.1%        | 1.8%        | 3.0%        |
| Median Home Value                    | n/a         | \$38,900    | \$74,400    | \$78,500    |
| Local Property tax on Median Home    |             | \$822       | \$1,210     | \$1,956     |
| Decennial Inflation-adjusted change: |             |             | -12%        | 30%         |

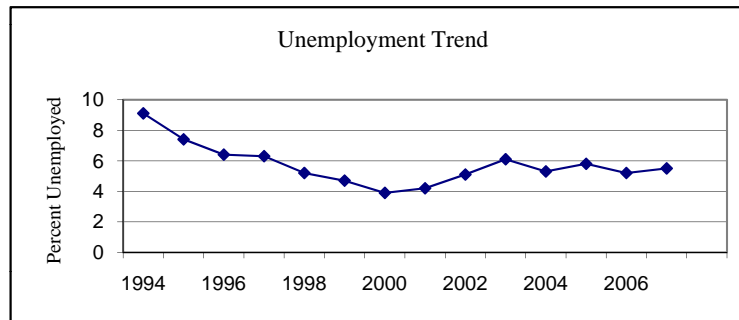
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| Net change in Housing Units,<br>2000- 2008 | 44 Single Family |
|  | -4 Multi-family  |
|  | 28 Mobile Home   |
|  | 0 Seasonal       |

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## *LOCAL ECONOMY*

| <i>Income Characteristics:</i>                                 | <b>1979</b> | <b>1989</b> | <b>1999</b> |
|--|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| Median Household Income:                                       | \$13,044    | \$22,617    | \$26,816    |
| Per Capita Income:   | \$5,741     | \$12,002    | \$16,430    |
| Decennial Inflation-adjusted change:                           |             | 50%         | 5%          |
| % of population below poverty:                                 | 16          | 16          | 19.2        |
| % households paying more than 30% of Income for Housing Costs: |             | 27          | 29.9        |

| <i>Labor Force:</i>                                    | <b>1980</b> | <b>1990</b> | <b>2000</b> |
|--|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| Adult population (16 and over)                         | 14,224      | 14,121      | 12,916      |
| Percentage in labor force:                             | 54.5        | 58.2        | 56.7        |
| Female adult population (16 and over)                  | 7856        | 7761        | 7073        |
| Percentage of female adults in L.F.                    | 44.4        | 50.4        | 53.6        |
| Commuting Balance (work-in-town vs. resident workers): |             | 6190        | 5459        |
| Average travel time to work (minutes):                 |             | 13.8        | 18.1        |
| Average Annual Unemployment Rate (MDOL):               |             | 4.9%        | 3.9%        |
| <b>2007</b> Unemployment Rate:                         | 5.5         |             |             |



| <i>Occupational Profile:</i> | <b>1990 #</b> | <b>Percent</b> | <b>2000 #</b> | <b>Percent</b> |
|------------------------------|---------------|----------------|---------------|----------------|
| Executive & Managerial       | 700           | 8.5%           | 2283          | 33.3%          |
| Professional                 | 1550          | 18.9% *        |               |                |
| Sales                        | 825           | 10.0%          | 1871          | 27.3%          |
| Administration & Support     | 1091          | 13.3% *        |               |                |
| Service                      | 1257          | 15.3%          | 1352          | 19.7%          |
| Farm & Forestry              | 29            | 0.4%           | 26            | 0.4%           |
| Skilled Labor                | 779           | 9.5%           | 1331          | 19.3%          |

\* occupational categories recombined in 2000 census

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## ***MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENT***

Type of Government: City Manager, Council  
 Chief Executive Officer: Michael Roy, City Manager  
 Town Office Hours: 8-5 M-F  
 Phone: 873-7131 Fax: 877-7539  
 Website: www.waterville-me.gov email: mroy@waterville-me.gov

**Municipal Facilities:**

|        |   |
|--------|---|
| Police | Full-time                               |
| Fire   | Full-time                               |
| Water  | Kennebec Water District                 |
| Sewer  | Kennebec Sanitary Treatment District    |
| Other  | Economic Development, Recreation Dep'ts |

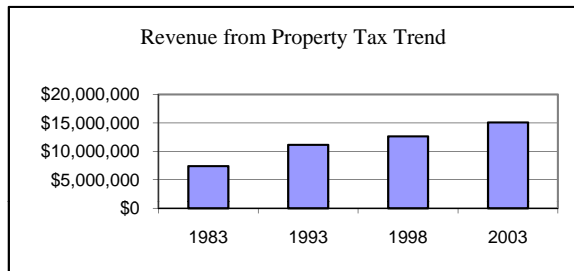
**Local Development Regulations:**

1997 Comprehensive Plan  
 Zoning, Subdivision Ordinances, City Planner

*Property Tax:*

"State" Valuation: \$317.9 million in 1985  
 \$544.6 million in 1995  
 \$539.8 million in 2000  
 \$610.1 million in 2005

|   | <i><b>1983</b></i> | <i><b>1993</b></i> | <i><b>1998</b></i> | <i><b>2003</b></i> |
|---|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| Full Value Mill Rate:                       | 23.36              | 20.48              | 23.95              | 24.72              |
| Assessment<br>(\$ raised from property tax) | \$7,426,996        | \$11,154,862       | \$12,657,197       | \$15,106,710       |



*Information Sources for this profile:*

- U.S. Census
- Maine Department of Health and Human Services (vital statistics)
- Maine Department of Labor (unemployment statistics)
- Municipal Valuation Returns
- KVCOG
- Maine Municipal Association (local government and taxation data)