

# FAIRFIELD

## POPULATION PROFILE

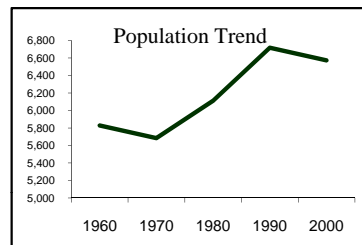
2008 Estimate: 6,654

Rank in County: 2 of 27

	1960	1970	1980	1990	2000
Population History	5,829	5,684	6,113	6,718	6,573
Decennial Growth Rate		-2.5%	7.5%	9.9%	-2.2%

2030 Population:	Best Estimate:	7,200
	Mathematical Projections:	7,079
		7,112

<u>Components:</u>	Net Migration (1990-2000):	-390
	Natural Change (90-00):	245
	(2000-date)	148



	1980	1990	2000
Under Age 18	1,935	1,862	1,761
Over Age 65	702	786	795
Median Age	29	32	37
High School Grads.	2,428	2,243	3,745
College Grads.	346	546	560
Enrolled in public schools:	1,402	1,346	1,260
2007 Enrollment:	869		

## HOUSING PROFILE

	1970	1980	1990	2000
Total Housing Units	1,877	2,271	2,658	2,801
Year-round Occupied Units	1,773	2,105	2,475	2,586
% Owner-occupied	n/a	71.6	72	75.7
Persons per household	3.17	2.83	2.72	2.47
Seasonal Units				
number	n/a	10	8	27
percent		0.4%	0.3%	1.0%
Mobile Homes				
number	n/a	254	360	471
percent		11.2%	13.5%	16.8%
Median Home Value	n/a	\$35,700	\$66,600	\$78,300
Local Property tax on Median Home		\$692	\$1,013	\$1,687
Decennial Inflation-adjusted change:			-13%	34%

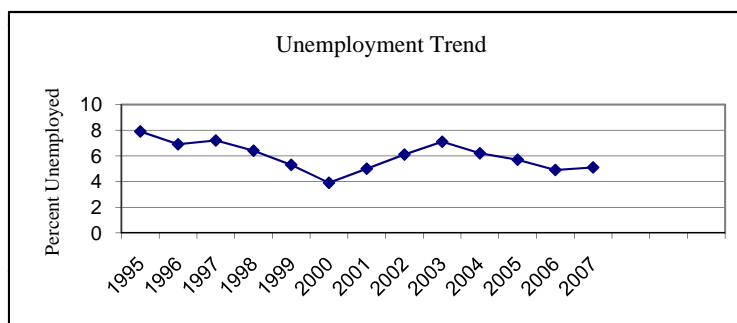
Net change in Housing Units, 2000- 2008	83 Single Family
	0 Multi-family
	53 Mobile Home
	0 Seasonal

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## LOCAL ECONOMY

<i>Income Characteristics:</i>	<b>1979</b>	<b>1989</b>	<b>1999</b>
Median Household Income:	\$13,852	\$26,868	\$36,462
Per Capita Income:	\$5,077	\$10,913	\$16,335
Decennial Inflation-adjusted change:		56%	18%
% of population below poverty:	13.2	10.3	10.4
% households paying more than 30% of Income for Housing Costs:		26	24.8

<i>Labor Force:</i>	<b>1980</b>	<b>1990</b>	<b>2000</b>
Adult population (16 and over)	4,459	5,166	5,020
Percentage in labor force:	57.5	66.1	67.6
Female adult population (16 and over)	2363	2731	2616
Percentage of female adults in L.F.	49.2	56.7	62.8
Commuting Balance (work-in-town vs. resident workers):		881	-63
Average travel time to work (minutes):		17.1	19.3
Average Annual Unemployment Rate (MDOL):		5.8%	3.9%
<b>2007</b> Unemployment Rate:	5.1		



<i>Occupational Profile:</i>	<b>1990 #</b>	<b>Percent</b>	<b>2000 #</b>	<b>Percent</b>
Executive & Managerial	297	8.7%	870	27.2%
Professional	363	10.6% *		
Sales	343	10.0%	834	26.1%
Administration & Support	377	11.0% *		
Service	571	16.7%	500	15.6%
Farm & Forestry	62	1.8%	46	1.4%
Skilled Labor	402	11.8%	945	29.6%

\* occupational categories recombined in 2000 census

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## ***MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENT***

Type of Government: Town Council, Town Meeting  
 Chief Executive Officer: Paul Blanchette, Town Manager  
 Town Office Hours: 8:30-4:30 M-F  
 Phone: 453-7911 Fax: 453-4280  
 Website: www.fairfieldme.com email: pblanchette@fairfieldme.com

**Municipal Facilities:**

Police	Full-time
Fire	Full-time
Water	Kennebec Water District
Sewer	Kennebec Sanitary Treatment District
Other	Community Development Office, Community Center

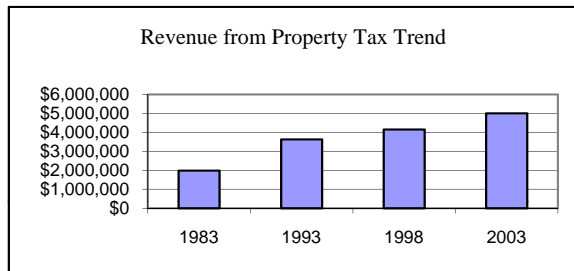
**Local Development Regulations:**

1996 Comprehensive Plan  
 Land Use (zoning), Subdivision Ordinances

**Property Tax:**

"State" Valuation: \$100.5 million in 1985  
 \$209.8 million in 1995  
 \$214.8 million in 2000  
 \$252.2 million in 2005

	<b>1983</b>	<b>1993</b>	<b>1998</b>	<b>2003</b>
Full Value Mill Rate:	19.78	17.34	20.48	20.91
Assessment (\$ raised from property tax)	\$1,987,247	\$3,638,051	\$4,161,808	\$5,014,093



**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)