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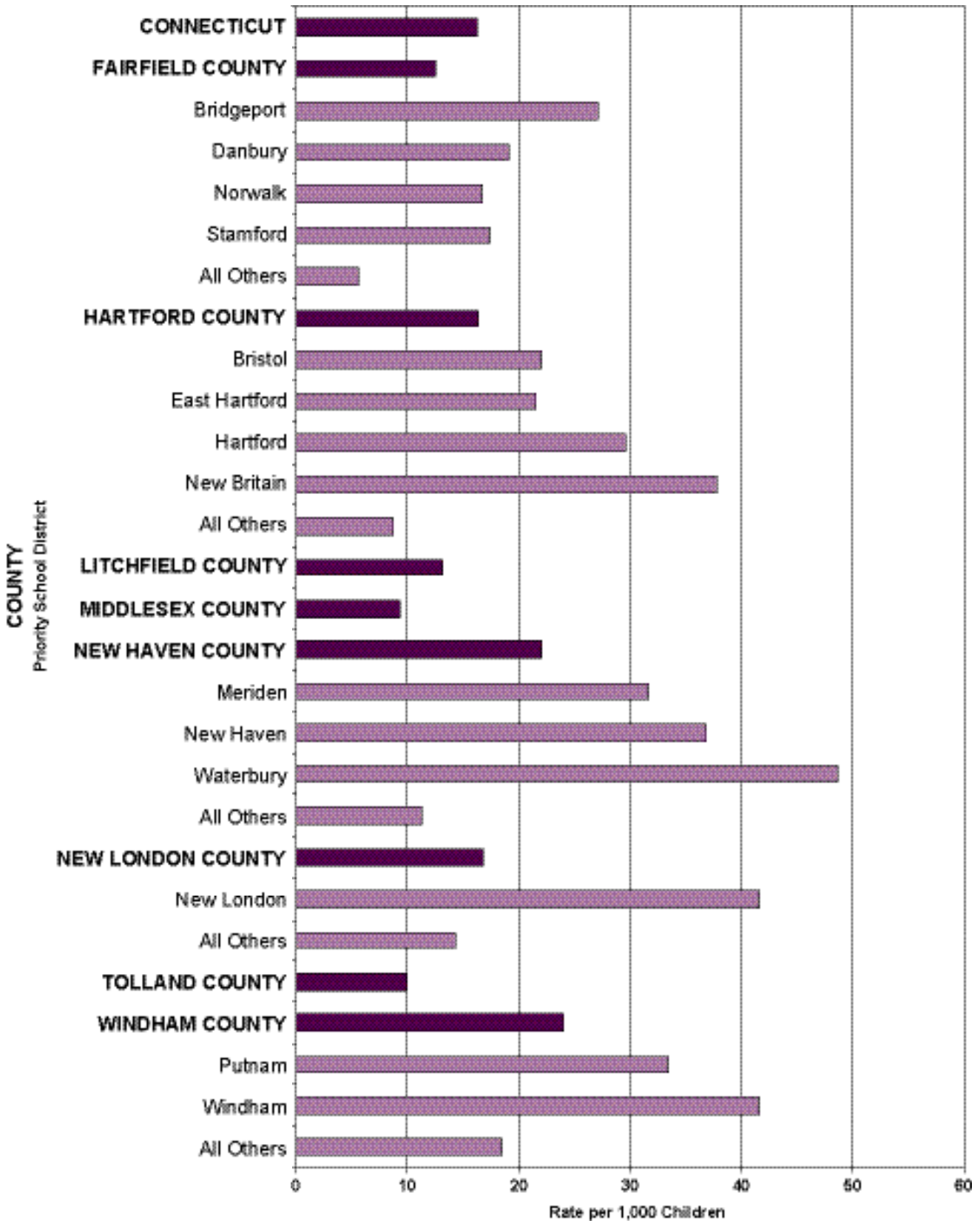


On nine of twelve indicators with trend data, the trends were positive during the 1990s. Child Deaths and Low Birthweight were the only exceptions, with School Meal Eligibility virtually unchanged.

Safety

- **Substantiated Allegations of Child Abuse/Neglect**
- **Child Deaths**
- **Preventable Teen Deaths**

Substantiated Allegations of Child Abuse/Neglect 2000



Substantiated Child Abuse/Neglect

County / Town	2000		2000	
	#	Per 1000	#	Per 1000
Fairfield County	2,844	12.6		
Bethel	70	14.2	Bridgeport	1,077 27.1
Brookfield	18	4.2	Danbury	311 19.2
Darien	21	3.3	Easton	0 0.0
Fairfield	60	4.4	Greenwich	130 8.4
Monroe	13	2.3	New Canaan	10 1.7
New Fairfield	23	5.5	Newtown	51 7.0
Norwalk	305	16.7	Redding	21 8.7
Ridgefield	20	2.8	Shelton	55 6.1
Sherman	8	7.8	Stamford	450 17.4
Stratford	129	11.2	Trumbull	21 2.4
Weston	5	1.5	Westport	30 4.2
Wilton	16	2.9		
Hartford County	3,452	16.4		
Avon	4	1.0	Berlin	21 4.5
Bloomfield	60	14.3	Bristol	307 22.1
Burlington	9	3.9	Canton	14 6.2
East Granby	5	4.0	East Hartford	256 21.4
East Windsor	24	11.0	Enfield	125 12.2
Farmington	25	4.3	Glastonbury	26 3.0
Granby	12	4.2	Hartford	1,085 29.7
Hartland	11	20.0	Manchester	285 22.9
Marlborough	13	8.3	New Britain	654 37.8
Newington	65	10.7	Plainville	50 13.6
Rocky Hill	16	4.5	Simsbury	19 2.8
South Windsor	27	4.0	Southington	103 10.9
Suffield	17	5.7	West Hartford	91 6.5
Wethersfield	31	5.9	Windsor	70 10.1
Windsor Locks	27	9.5		
Litchfield County	586	13.1		
Barkhamsted	6	6.9	Bethlehem	10 11.6
Bridgewater	0	0.0	Canaan	7 27.5
Colebrook	1	2.8	Cornwall	0 0.0
Goshen	2	3.3	Harwinton	8 6.0
Kent	9	13.8	Litchfield	12 5.7
Morris	3	5.3	New Hartford	9 5.5
New Milford	127	17.1	Norfolk	3 7.6
North Canaan	4	5.1	Plymouth	43 14.3
Roxbury	4	8.2	Salisbury	6 6.7

Substantiated Child Abuse/Neglect

County / Town	2000		2000		
	#	Per 1000	#	Per 1000	
Sharon	5	7.9	Thomaston	11	5.8
Torrington	188	23.2	Warren	0	0.0
Washington	7	8.0	Watertown	40	7.5
Winchester	61	24.6	Woodbury	20	9.0
Middlesex County	336	9.3			
Chester	0	0.0	Clinton	31	9.4
Cromwell	22	7.9	Deep River	15	13.4
Durham	3	1.6	East Haddam	15	7.1
East Hampton	36	12.6	Essex	9	6.3
Haddam	3	1.7	Killingworth	2	1.2
Middlefield	11	10.6	Middletown	157	16.8
Old Saybrook	10	4.4	Portland	14	6.3
Westbrook	8	5.8			
New Haven County	4,441	22.0			
Ansonia	97	21.6	Beacon Falls	22	16.6
Bethany	3	2.2	Branford	53	8.9
Cheshire	23	3.2	Derby	56	20.8
East Haven	95	15.2	Guilford	24	4.4
Hamden	129	10.9	Madison	13	2.6
Meriden	475	31.7	Middlebury	3	1.9
Milford	117	10.0	Naugatuck	228	27.4
New Haven	1,159	36.9	North Branford	7	2.0
North Haven	30	5.8	Orange	2	0.6
Oxford	15	5.6	Prospect	12	5.5
Seymour	68	18.4	Southbury	15	3.5
Wallingford	66	6.4	Waterbury	1,383	48.6
West Haven	277	22.9	Wolcott	57	14.4
Woodbridge	12	4.8			
New London County	1,066	16.9			
Bozrah	4	7.2	Colchester	43	9.9
East Lyme	27	6.8	Franklin	6	13.5
Griswold	23	8.3	Groton	171	17.2
Lebanon	17	8.8	Ledyard	32	7.7
Lisbon	11	10.4	Lyme	0	0.0
Montville	74	16.9	New London	244	41.7
North Stonington	8	6.4	Norwich	273	31.4
Old Lyme	11	6.2	Preston	9	8.6
Salem	4	3.5	Sprague	14	18.1
Stonington	45	11.6	Voluntown	8	11.9
Waterford	42	10.0			

Substantiated Child Abuse/Neglect

County / Town	2000		2000	
	#	Per 1000	#	Per 1000
Tolland County	317	10.1		
Andover	10	12.1	Bolton	9 6.9
Columbia	8	6.1	Coventry	43 13.8
Ellington	17	5.2	Hebron	11 4.3
Mansfield	38	13.8	Somers	14 6.5
Stafford	30	10.4	Tolland	3 0.8
Union	1	6.7	Vernon	117 18.9
Willington	16	12.8		
Windham County	658	24.0		
Ashford	6	5.7	Brooklyn	32 18.8
Canterbury	34	28.5	Chaplin	8 14.4
Eastford	4	9.4	Hampton	9 19.8
Killingly	149	35.2	Plainfield	67 17.0
Pomfret	11	10.9	Putnam	71 33.4
Scotland	3	6.8	Sterling	7 8.0
Thompson	28	12.6	Windham	219 41.6
Woodstock	10	5.3		
CONNECTICUT	13,700	16.3		

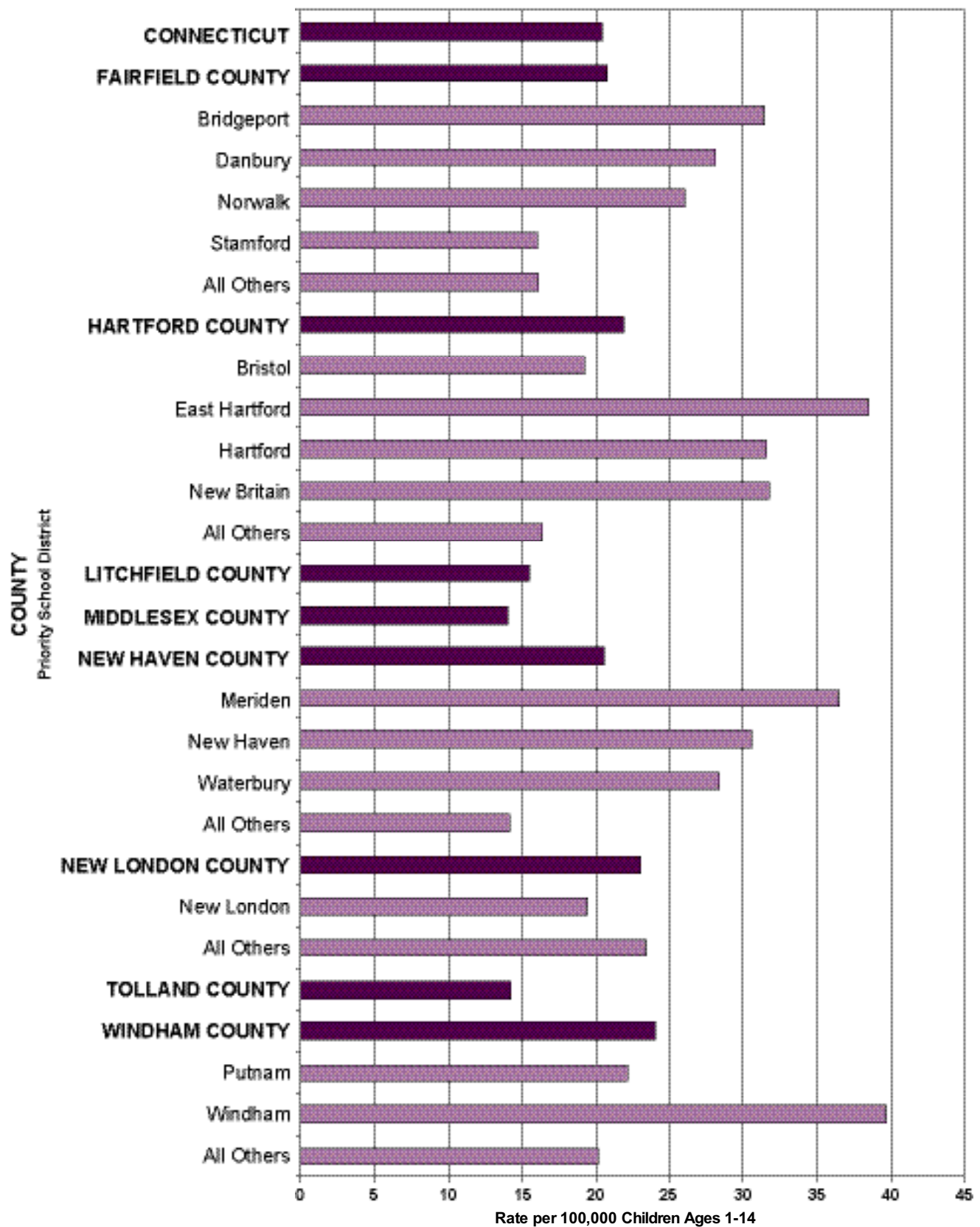
Definition: Rate per 1,000 children under age 18 of substantiated cases of child abuse or neglect. This rate is calculated as the total number of children whose cases have been confirmed by the Department of Children and Families during the state fiscal year (July-June), divided by the total number of children under 18 years of age, then multiplied by 1,000. The total number of children is derived from the 2000 Census.

Source: *Connecticut Department of Children and Families*, unpublished data, state fiscal year 2000.

Note: As this publication was going to press, the Department of Children and Families released more recent data on substantiated allegations of child abuse and neglect for most towns. Please see <http://www.state.ct.us/def/townnpgs.htm>

Child Deaths

1995-1999



Child Deaths by County and Town

County/Town	1990-94 Annual Avg Rate per # 100,000		1995-99 Annual Avg Rate per # 100,000		1990-94 Annual Avg Rate per # 100,000		1995-99 Annual Avg Rate per # 100,000		
	#	100,000	#	100,000	#	100,000	#	100,000	
Fairfield County	34.4	21.1	30.8	20.5					
Bethel	0.6	-	1.0	-	Bridgeport	12.6	43.4	9.0	31.4
Brookfield	0.8	-	0.0	-	Danbury	2.4	-	3.2	-
Darien	0.6	-	0.8	-	Easton	0.2	-	0.6	-
Fairfield	1.0	-	1.6	-	Greenwich	1.4	-	2.4	-
Monroe	1.0	-	0.0	-	New Canaan	1.0	-	0.4	-
New Fairfield	0.2	-	0.6	-	Newtown	1.0	-	0.8	-
Norwalk	1.2	-	3.2	-	Redding	0.2	-	0.0	-
Ridgefield	0.4	-	0.0	-	Shelton	1.2	-	0.2	-
Sherman	0.2	-	0.4	-	Stamford	3.8	-	2.8	-
Stratford	1.6	-	1.0	-	Trumbull	0.6	-	1.0	-
Weston	0.2	-	0.2	-	Westport	1.0	-	0.6	-
Wilton	1.2	-	1.0	-					
Hartford County	34.0	16.6	32.4	17.1					
Avon	0.0	-	0.2	-	Berlin	0.0	-	0.4	-
Bloomfield	0.8	-	0.6	-	Bristol	3.2	-	2.0	-
Burlington	0.2	-	0.0	-	Canton	0.2	-	0.4	-
East Granby	0.0	-	0.2	-	East Hartford	0.8	-	2.8	-
East Windsor	0.2	-	0.2	-	Enfield	1.4	-	1.6	-
Farmington	0.6	-	0.6	-	Glastonbury	0.6	-	0.4	-
Granby	0.0	-	0.2	-	Hartford	11.2	36.9	9.2	31.4
Hartland	0.0	-	0.0	-	Manchester	1.0	-	1.8	-
Marlborough	0.6	-	0.0	-	New Britain	4.8	-	3.8	-
Newington	0.4	-	0.8	-	Plainville	0.4	-	0.8	-
Rocky Hill	0.2	-	0.2	-	Simsbury	1.0	-	0.6	-
South Windsor	0.6	-	0.2	-	Southington	1.6	-	1.0	-
Suffield	0.6	-	0.0	-	West Hartford	1.2	-	1.2	-
Wethersfield	0.8	-	0.6	-	Windsor	1.4	-	2.0	-
Windsor Locks	0.2	-	0.6	-					
Litchfield County	7.2	21.6	5.2	18.7					
Barkhamsted	0.0	-	0.2	-	Bethlehem	0.0	-	0.0	-
Bridgewater	0.0	-	0.0	-	Canaan	0.0	-	0.0	-
Colebrook	0.0	-	0.2	-	Cornwall	0.0	-	0.0	-
Goshen	0.2	-	0.0	-	Harwinton	0.2	-	0.2	-
Kent	0.0	-	0.0	-	Litchfield	0.4	-	0.2	-
Morris	0.0	-	0.0	-	New Hartford	0.4	-	0.2	-
New Milford	1.4	-	0.4	-	Norfolk	0.4	-	0.0	-
North Canaan	0.0	-	0.0	-	Plymouth	0.4	-	0.4	-

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County/Town	1990-94 Annual Avg Rate per # 100,000		1995-99 Annual Avg Rate per # 100,000		1990-94 Annual Avg Rate per # 100,000		1995-99 Annual Avg Rate per # 100,000		
	#		#		#		#		
Roxbury	0.2	-	0.0	-	Salisbury	0.0	-	0.0	-
Sharon	0.0	-	0.2	-	Thomaston	0.2	-	0.0	-
Torrington	1.2	-	1.0	-	Warren	0.2	-	0.4	-
Washington	0.2	-	0.0	-	Watertown	0.6	-	0.6	-
Winchester	0.2	-	0.8	-	Woodbury	1.0	-	0.4	-
Middlesex County	5.8	17.9	3.6	17.4					
Chester	0.2	-	0.2	-	Clinton	1.0	-	0.0	-
Cromwell	0.2	-	0.0	-	Deep River	0.2	-	0.4	-
Durham	0.2	-	0.2	-	East Haddam	0.6	-	0.4	-
East Hampton	0.6	-	0.2	-	Essex	0.0	-	0.0	-
Haddam	0.0	-	0.0	-	Killingworth	0.4	-	0.2	-
Middlefield	0.0	-	0.6	-	Middletown	2.4	-	1.2	-
Old Saybrook	0.0	-	0.2	-	Portland	0.0	-	0.0	-
Westbrook	0.0	-	0.0	-					
New Haven County	38.8	21.8	29.4	15.1					
Ansonia	1.0	-	0.2	-	Beacon Falls	0.0	-	0.0	-
Bethany	0.2	-	0.0	-	Branford	0.6	-	0.6	-
Cheshire	1.4	-	0.6	-	Derby	1.0	-	0.0	-
East Haven	0.6	-	0.4	-	Guilford	0.8	-	0.4	-
Hamden	0.8	-	1.0	-	Madison	0.2	-	0.8	-
Meriden	3.0	-	4.0	-	Middlebury	0.0	-	0.0	-
Milford	1.2	-	0.8	-	Naugatuck	1.4	-	0.8	-
New Haven	10.6	43.8	7.2	30.5	North Branford	0.2	-	0.4	-
North Haven	1.2	-	1.0	-	Orange	0.6	-	0.2	-
Oxford	0.6	-	0.6	-	Prospect	0.2	-	0.2	-
Seymour	1.0	-	0.4	-	Southbury	1.0	-	0.6	-
Wallingford	1.0	-	0.8	-	Waterbury	7.4	36.7	5.6	28.4
West Haven	2.6	-	2.0	-	Wolcott	0.2	-	0.8	-
Woodbridge	0.0	-	0.0	-					
New London County	9.2	16.6	10.8	27.2					
Bozrah	0.2	-	0.2	-	Colchester	0.2	-	0.2	-
East Lyme	0.0	-	0.6	-	Franklin	0.0	-	0.0	-
Griswold	0.2	-	0.6	-	Groton	3.0	-	1.2	-
Lebanon	0.0	-	0.6	-	Ledyard	0.2	-	0.6	-
Lisbon	0.2	-	0.4	-	Lyme	0.0	-	0.0	-
Montville	0.2	-	1.2	-	New London	1.4	-	0.8	-
North Stonington	0.4	-	0.0	-	Norwich	1.4	-	2.2	-
Old Lyme	0.4	-	0.2	-	Preston	0.2	-	0.0	-
Salem	0.2	-	0.8	-	Sprague	0.0	-	0.4	-

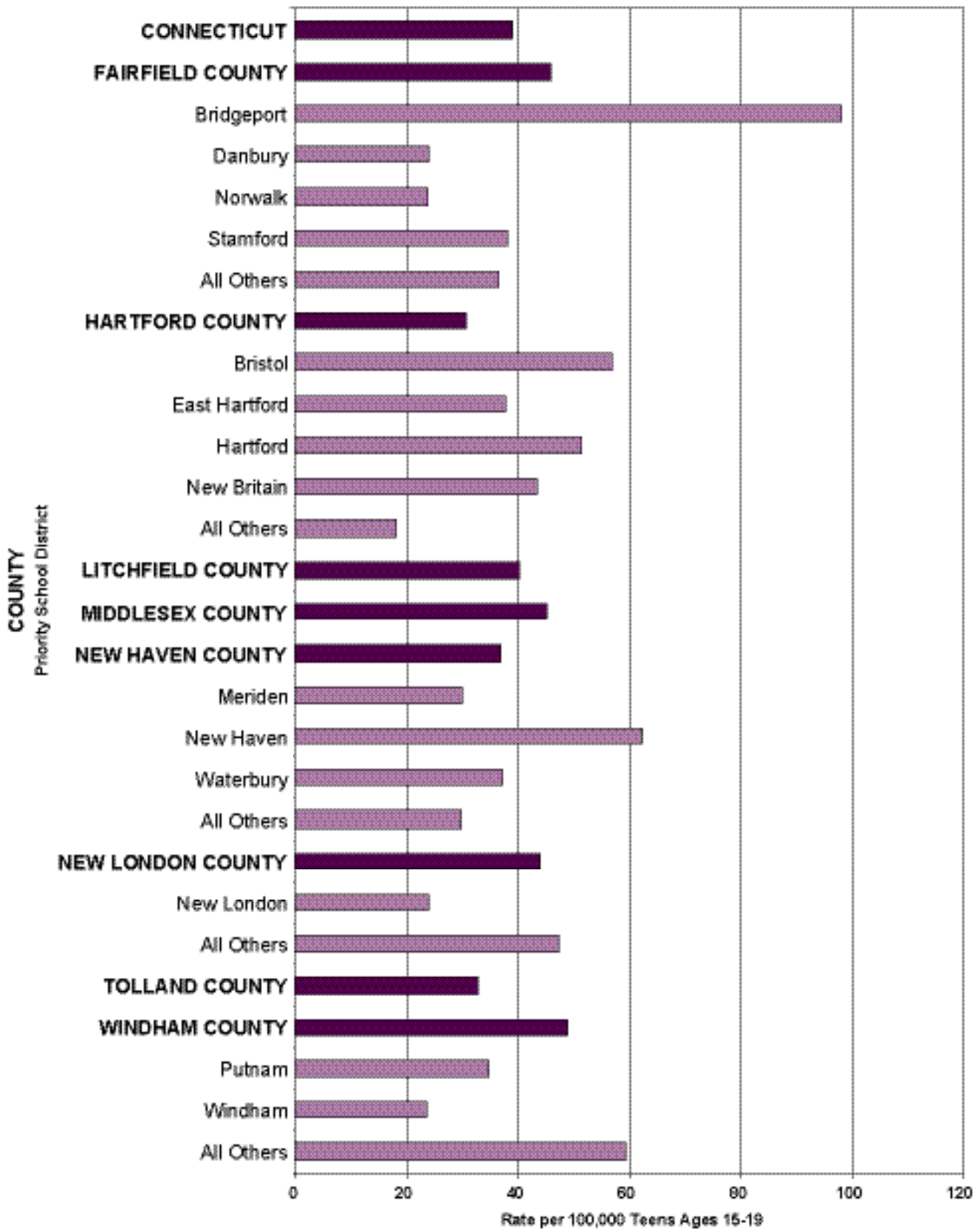
Child Deaths

County/Town	1990-94		1995-99		1990-94		1995-99		
	Annual Avg Rate per #	100,000	Annual Avg Rate per #	100,000	Annual Avg Rate per #	100,000	Annual Avg Rate per #	100,000	
Stonington	0.6	-	0.0	-	Voluntown	0.0	-	0.2	-
Waterford	0.4	-	0.6	-					
Tolland County	3.6	14.2	3.4	13.0					
Andover	0.0	-	0.0	-	Bolton	0.0	-	0.2	-
Columbia	0.0	-	0.0	-	Coventry	0.2	-	0.4	-
Ellington	0.0	-	0.4	-	Hebron	0.4	-	0.4	-
Mansfield	0.4	-	0.2	-	Somers	1.2	-	0.2	-
Stafford	0.2	-	0.4	-	Tolland	0.6	-	0.0	-
Union	0.0	-	0.0	-	Vernon	0.4	-	0.8	-
Willington	0.2	-	0.4	-					
Windham County	4.4	14.8	5.2	27.4					
Ashford	0.4	-	0.0	-	Brooklyn	0.0	-	0.4	-
Canterbury	0.2	-	0.0	-	Chaplin	0.0	-	0.2	-
Eastford	0.0	-	0.2	-	Hampton	0.0	-	0.0	-
Killingly	0.4	-	0.6	-	Plainfield	0.8	-	0.6	-
Pomfret	0.2	-	0.4	-	Putnam	0.0	-	0.4	-
Scotland	0.0	-	0.2	-	Sterling	0.0	-	0.0	-
Thompson	0.2	-	0.4	-	Windham	1.8	-	1.6	-
Woodstock	0.4	-	0.2	-					
CONNECTICUT	137.4	18.6	120.8	19.4					

Definition: The child death rate per 100,000 children. This rate is calculated as the number of deaths from all causes of children ages 1-14 divided by the total number of children ages 1-14, then multiplied by 100,000. The total number of children ages 1-14 is estimated by applying the 1990 Census proportions to the population estimates from the Connecticut Department of Public Health for that year.

Source: Connecticut Department of Public Health, unpublished data, 1990-94 and 1995-99.

Preventable Teen Deaths 1995-1999



Preventable Teen Deaths by County and Town

County/Town	1990-94		1995-99		1990-94		1995-99		
	Annual Avg #	Rate per 100,000	Annual Avg #	Rate per 100,000	Annual Avg #	Rate per 100,000	Annual Avg #	Rate per 100,000	
Fairfield County	149	58.0	119	45.9					
Bethel	2	-	2	-	Bridgeport	74	155.7	46	98.1
Brookfield	3	-	3	-	Danbury	2	-	5	24.0
Darien	0	-	4	-	Easton	0	-	1	-
Fairfield	9	47.0	6	31.2	Greenwich	7	42.5	3	-
Monroe	2	-	2	-	New Canaan	2	-	3	-
New Fairfield	1	-	2	-	Newtown	2	-	3	-
Norwalk	8	38.1	5	23.9	Redding	1	-	0	-
Ridgefield	1	-	5	68.0	Shelton	4	-	4	-
Sherman	0	-	3	-	Stamford	10	35.4	11	38.2
Stratford	9	66.0	2	-	Trumbull	5	50.4	2	-
Weston	2	-	1	-	Westport	3	-	4	-
Wilton	2	-	2	-					
Hartford County	131	48.5	81	30.7					
Avon	1	-	2	-	Berlin	3	-	1	-
Bloomfield	1	-	1	-	Bristol	14	77.9	10	56.9
Burlington	2	-	0	-	Canton	0	-	0	-
East Granby	1	-	2	-	East Hartford	7	50.7	5	37.7
East Windsor	1	-	2	-	Enfield	7	52.7	2	-
Farmington	4	-	1	-	Glastonbury	5	56.6	1	-
Granby	0	-	0	-	Hartford	39	68.3	28	51.2
Hartland	0	-	0	-	Manchester	5	33.5	2	-
Marlborough	1	-	2	-	New Britain	15	62.6	10	43.5
Newington	2	-	0	-	Plainville	1	-	3	-
Rocky Hill	2	-	0	-	Simsbury	4	-	1	-
South Windsor	3	-	0	-	Southington	5	37.3	3	-
Suffield	0	-	1	-	West Hartford	5	27.0	3	-
Wethersfield	0	-	1	-	Windsor	3	-	0	-
Windsor Locks	0	-	0	-					
Litchfield County	18	33.8	22	40.1					
Barkhamsted	0	-	0	-	Bethlehem	0	-	1	-
Bridgewater	0	-	0	-	Canaan	0	-	0	-
Colebrook	1	-	0	-	Cornwall	0	-	0	-
Goshen	0	-	0	-	Harwinton	0	-	0	-
Kent	0	-	1	-	Litchfield	0	-	3	-
Morris	1	-	0	-	New Hartford	1	-	1	-
New Milford	4	-	7	86.5	Norfolk	0	-	1	-
North Canaan	0	-	0	-	Plymouth	3	-	0	-
Roxbury	0	-	0	-	Salisbury	0	-	1	-

Preventable Teen Deaths

County/Town	1990-94		1995-99		1990-94		1995-99		
	Annual Avg #	Rate per 100,000	Annual Avg #	Rate per 100,000	Annual Avg #	Rate per 100,000	Annual Avg #	Rate per 100,000	
Sharon	1	-	0	-	Thomaston	1	-	1	-
Torrington	4	-	3	-	Warren	0	-	0	-
Washington	0	-	0	-	Watertown	0	-	3	-
Winchester	1	-	0	-	Woodbury	1	-	0	-
Middlesex County	15	32.0	22	45.3					
Chester	0	-	0	-	Clinton	3	-	1	-
Cromwell	2	-	0	-	Deep River	0	-	0	-
Durham	0	-	1	-	East Haddam	1	-	3	-
East Hampton	0	-	3	-	Essex	0	-	1	-
Haddam	1	-	1	-	Killingworth	0	-	0	-
Middlefield	0	-	2	-	Middletown	2	-	7	42.0
Old Saybrook	1	-	2	-	Portland	1	-	1	-
Westbrook	4	-	0	-					
New Haven County	145	56.6	94	37.0					
Ansonia	2	-	2	-	Beacon Falls	0	-	1	-
Bethany	2	-	1	-	Branford	2	-	1	-
Cheshire	3	-	1	-	Derby	1	-	1	-
East Haven	0	-	4	-	Guilford	3	-	3	-
Hamden	5	31.0	7	43.1	Madison	3	-	4	-
Meriden	8	46.5	5	29.9	Middlebury	0	-	0	-
Milford	7	47.9	1	-	Naugatuck	5	50.6	2	-
New Haven	49	95.6	31	62.3	North Branford	4	-	2	-
North Haven	2	-	2	-	Orange	3	-	0	-
Oxford	1	-	0	-	Prospect	1	-	1	-
Seymour	3	-	1	-	Southbury	1	-	1	-
Wallingford	5	40.7	2	-	Waterbury	28	84.9	12	37.1
West Haven	5	32.9	8	54.1	Wolcott	1	-	1	-
Woodbridge	1	-	0	-					
New London County	36	43.2	36	43.9					
Bozrah	0	-	0	-	Colchester	2	-	2	-
East Lyme	1	-	2	-	Franklin	0	-	0	-
Griswold	3	-	1	-	Groton	3	-	5	37.0
Lebanon	4	-	3	-	Ledyard	2	-	1	-
Lisbon	0	-	1	-	Lyme	0	-	0	-
Montville	1	-	3	-	New London	5	36.9	3	-
North Stonington	0	-	0	-	Norwich	4	-	5	49.1
Old Lyme	2	-	1	-	Preston	1	-	1	-
Salem	1	-	1	-	Sprague	1	-	1	-
Stonington	4	-	3	-	Voluntown	0	-	1	-
Waterford	2	-	2	-					

Preventable Teen Deaths

County/Town	1990-94		1995-99		1990-94		1995-99		
	Annual Avg #	Rate per 100,000	Annual Avg #	Rate per 100,000	Annual Avg #	Rate per 100,000	Annual Avg #	Rate per 100,000	
Tolland County	14	27.0	17	32.7					
Andover	1	-	0	-	Bolton	0	-	0	-
Columbia	1	-	0	-	Coventry	1	-	1	-
Ellington	0	-	3	-	Hebron	2	-	3	-
Mansfield	0	-	1	-	Somers	2	-	0	-
Stafford	1	-	5	132.5	Tolland	1	-	1	-
Union	0	-	0	-	Vernon	5	56.1	2	-
Willington	0	-	1	-					
Windham County	19	52.4	18	48.9					
Ashford	0	-	0	-	Brooklyn	0	-	1	-
Canterbury	1	-	0	-	Chaplin	0	-	0	-
Eastford	0	-	0	-	Hampton	0	-	0	-
Killingly	4	-	4	-	Plainfield	3	-	6	108.9
Pomfret	0	-	2	-	Putnam	1	-	1	-
Scotland	0	-	0	-	Sterling	1	-	2	-
Thompson	1	-	0	-	Windham	5	57.0	2	-
Woodstock	3	-	0	-					
CONNECTICUT	527	50.0	409	38.9					

Definition: The five-year total number of preventable deaths of teens ages 15-19 years old. Preventable deaths are defined as deaths from accidents, suicides, or homicides. Rates are per 100,000 teens. This rate is calculated as the number of preventable deaths of teens ages 15-19 years old divided by the total number of teens ages 15-19, then multiplied by 100,000. Many rates not calculated due to the low numbers of events.

Source: Connecticut Department of Public Health, unpublished data, 1990-94 and 1995-99.