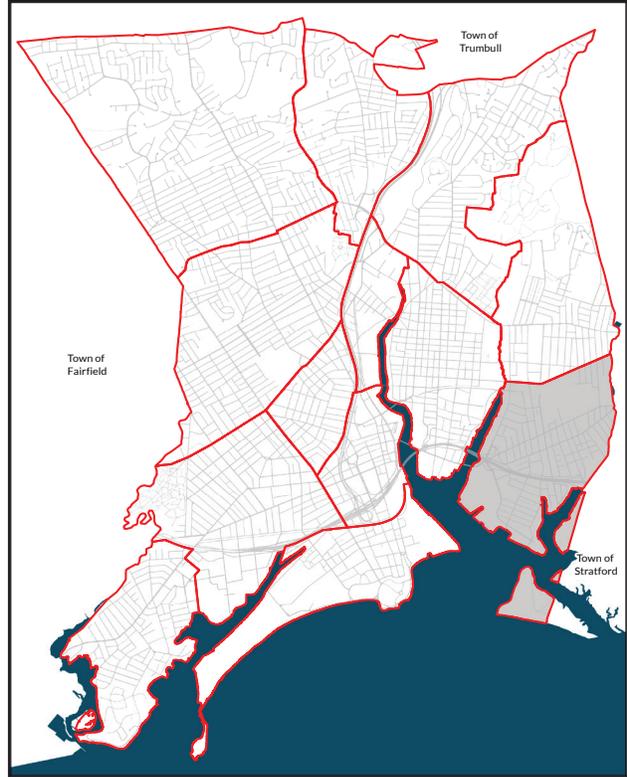


4.5 East End Neighborhood Profile

The East End neighborhood is located in the south-eastern corner of Bridgeport. It is bounded by the Mill Hill neighborhood to the north, Yellow Mill Channel to the west, Bridgeport Harbor to the south, and the town of Stratford to the east. Stratford, Connecticut and Barnum Avenues are the commercial corridors of this neighborhood, with the latter two serving as gateways from Stratford. Seaview Avenue serves as an industrial corridor along the western edge of the neighborhood. Residential units are a mixture of single- through multi-family structures. Elevated railroad tracks and Interstate 95 bisect this neighborhood.

Census tracts 743 and 744 make up the East End neighborhood, as do Bridgeport City Council District 139, Connecticut Senatorial District 23 and Connecticut Assembly District 124. As with all of Bridgeport, this neighborhood falls within the 4th United States Congressional District.



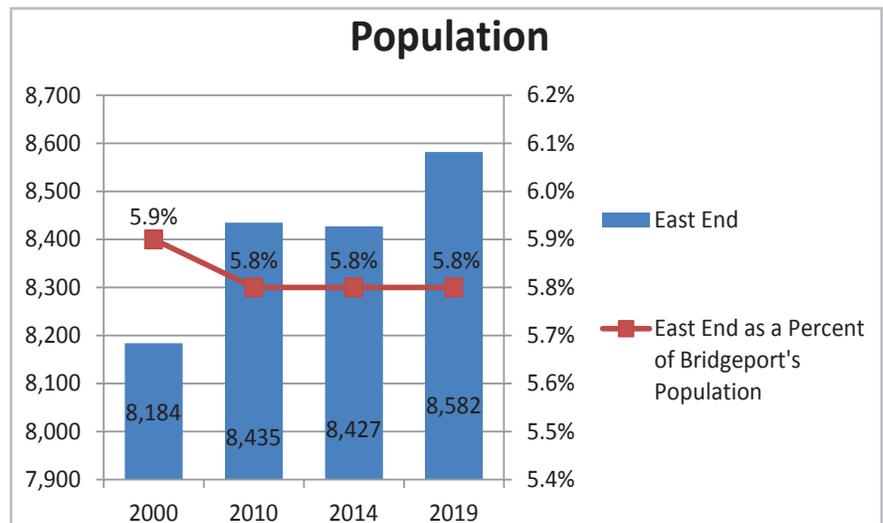
Map 32- East End

Source: Office of Planning and Economic Development

4.5.A Demographics

The East End population increased by 3% between 2000 and 2010, and is projected to continue increasing through 2019. Nearly forty-two percent of the East End population is under the age of 24, a higher percentage than Bridgeport's at 37%. The East End has a low population density with 6,427 persons per square mile, compared to Bridgeport's population density of 9,014.

Figure 15a



Source: U.S. Census Bureau Decennial 2010

Racial makeup of East End is predominantly black, at 57%. Those also reporting Hispanic Origin make up 38% of the population. It is important to note the distinction between Hispanic Origin and Racial Makeup. The U.S. Census Bureau places every individual into a racial makeup category such as black alone, white alone, asian alone, other race alone, or two or more races. In addition, persons may also identify as being of Hispanic Origin. This allows for some individuals to be, for example, both white alone and Hispanic.

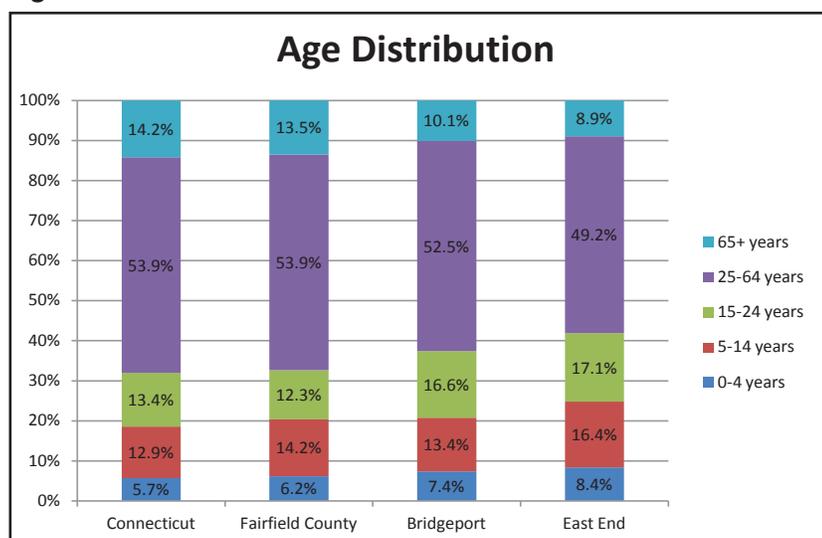
Population Density:

6,547
Persons per square mile in EAST END

9,014
Persons per square mile in BRIDGEPORT

Source: U.S. Census Bureau Decennial 2010

Figure 15b



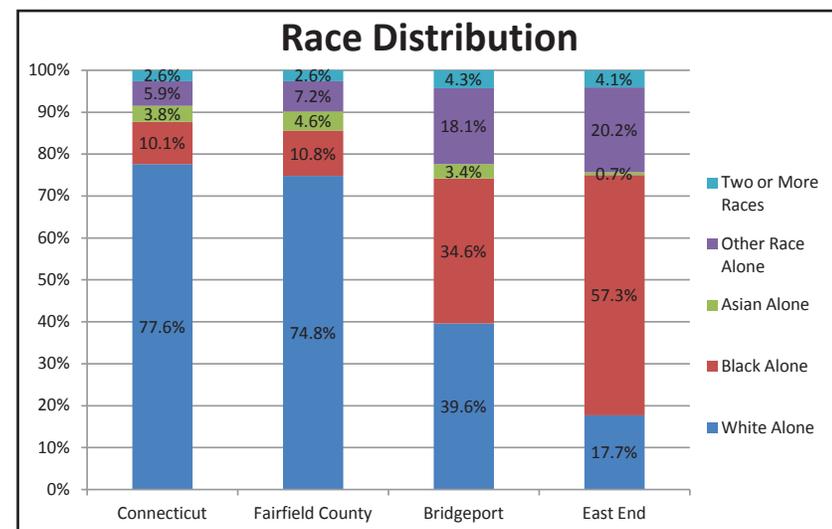
Source: U.S. Census Bureau Decennial 2010

Hispanic Origin:

38.1%
of EAST END population

38.2%
of BRIDGEPORT population

Figure 15c



Source: U.S. Census Bureau Decennial 2010

16.9%
of FAIRFIELD COUNTY population

13.4%
of CONNECTICUT population

Source: U.S. Census Bureau Decennial 2010

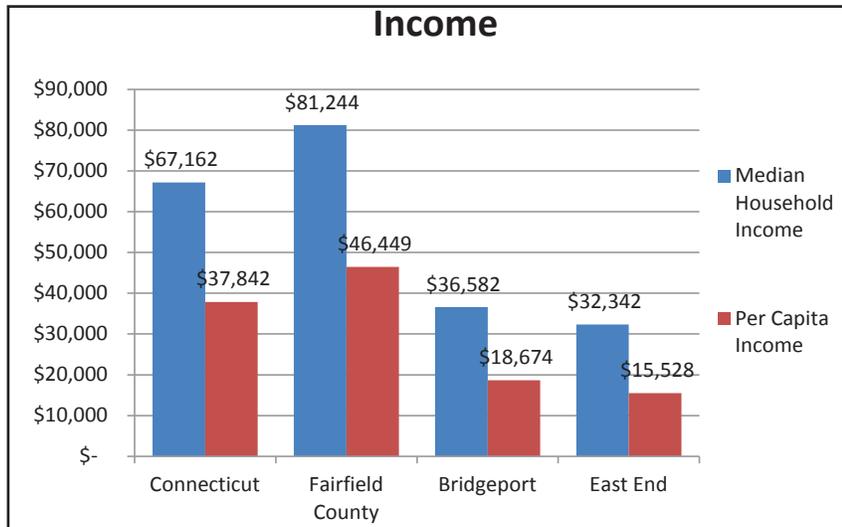
Figure 15d

Educational Attainment (Adults over 25 years of age)						
	Bridgeport			East End		
	1990	2000	2010	1990	2000	2010
Less than High School or GED	37.7%	35.0%	26.1%	42.0%	36.4%	28.6%
High School or GED	31.3%	31.3%	32.7%	39.2%	36.7%	39.1%
Some college, no degree	14.9%	16.8%	19.2%	11.5%	16.5%	18.4%
Associate's Degree	4.2%	4.7%	6.1%	4.3%	4.7%	7.3%
Bachelor's Degree	7.6%	7.7%	10.1%	2.0%	3.7%	3.5%
Master's/Professional Degree	4.0%	4.5%	5.8%	1.0%	1.9%	3.1%
Total Population	104,675	84,458	88,981	6,735	4,538	4,584

Source: American Community Survey 2008-2012

Educational attainment by those persons aged 25 and older has improved since 1990 in the East End. The percentage obtaining a degree in higher education ranged from a 75% increase to a 320% increase, de-

pending upon the type of degree. Those persons with less than a high school degree dropped in population by 32% during that same timeframe.

Figure 15e

Source: U.S. Census Bureau Decennial 2010

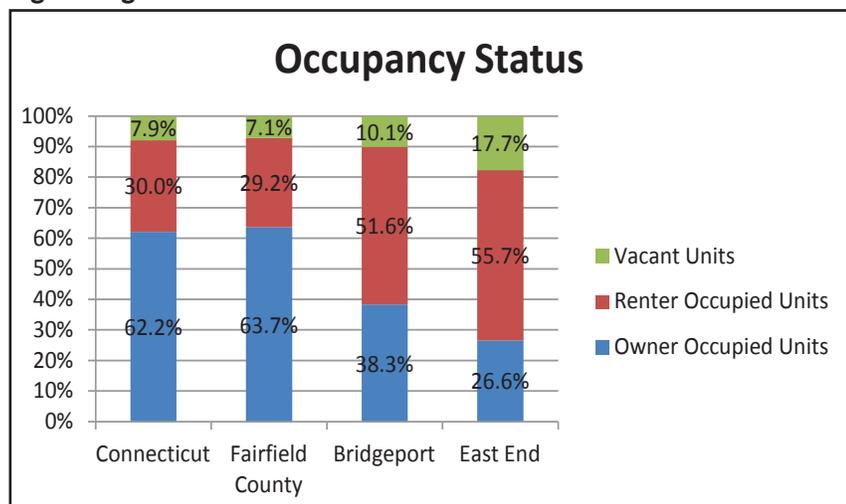
4.5.B Housing

Figure 15f

	Households	Average Household Size
East End	8,761	2.72
Bridgeport	50,824	2.72
Fairfield County	332,968	2.68
Connecticut	1,360,184	2.52

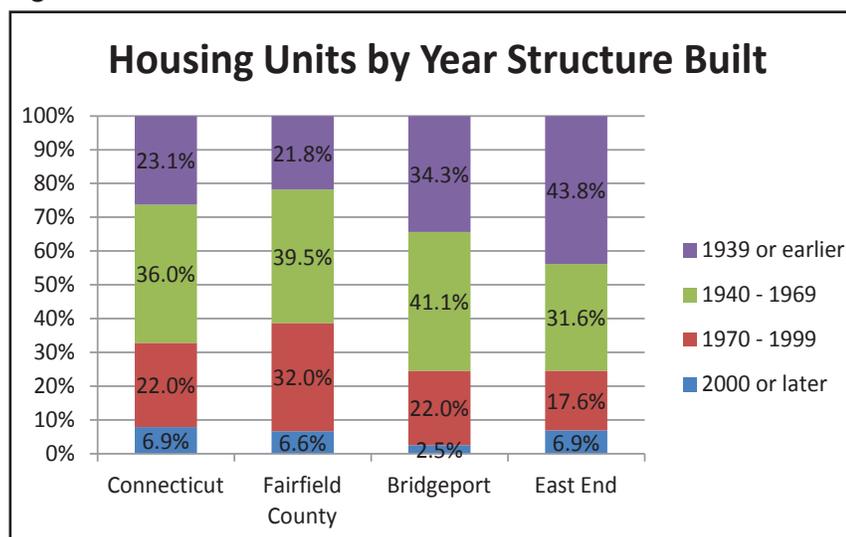
Source: U.S. Census Bureau Decennial 2010

Figure 15g



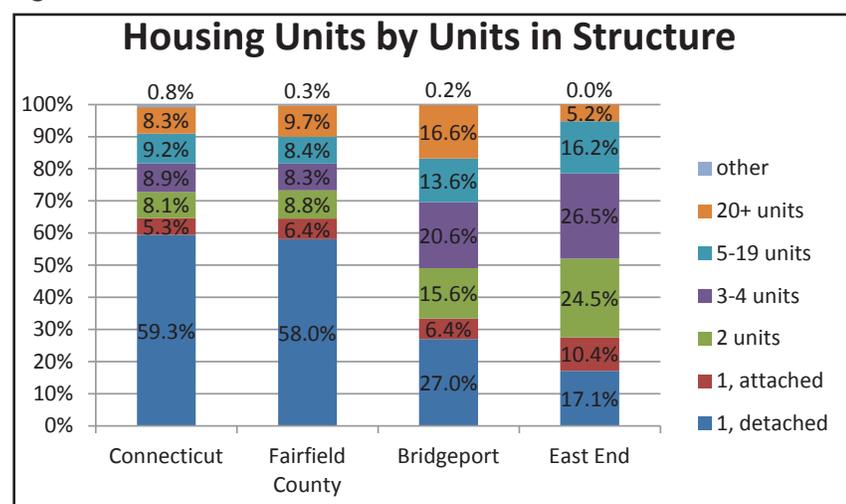
Source: U.S. Census Bureau Decennial 2010

Figure 15h



Source: American Community Survey 2008-2012

Figure 15i



Source: American Community Survey 2008-2012

**Median year
built: 1944**

2014 Median
Home Value:
\$167,799
for EAST END homes

\$184,633
for BRIDGEPORT
homes

\$398,703
for FAIRFIELD
COUNTY homes

\$247,842
for CONNECTICUT
homes

Source: U.S. Census Bureau Decennial 2010

4.5.C Employment

The majority of businesses located in the East End are classified in the NAICS codes as Other Services (except Public Administration) or Construction, at 26%. As for jobs in the East End, the majority, 28%, are classified as Manufacturing. Bridgeport's manufacturing jobs only constitute 5% of the jobs, which further indicates a concentration of manufacturing firms are located in this neighborhood.

The East End has over 4,400 jobs. Several of the top employers include Lacey Manufacturing, American Medical Response, Greater Bridgeport Transit, Northeast Builders Supply & Home Center, Moore Tool Company/PMT Group, Rotair Industries, Valley Container, Viking Construction and Alloy Engineering.

The top five categories of types of businesses physically located within the East End neighborhood are the following:

Figure 15k

Business Categories	East End	Bridgeport
Other Services (except Public Administration)	14.2%	10.2%
Construction	11.6%	12.4%
Retail Trade	11.3%	9.6%
Administrative & Support & Waste Mgmt & Remediation Services	9.6%	12.2%
Professional, Scientific & Tech Services	9.5%	3.1%

Source: Dun & Bradstreet 2014

The top five categories for all jobs within the East End are the following:

Figure 15l

Employee Categories	East End	Bridgeport
Manufacturing	28.4%	4.7%
Retail Trade	10.3%	4.5%
Health Care & Social Assistance	9.1%	4.9%
Construction	8.5%	3.5%
Other Services (except Public Administration)	8.4%	3.4%

Source: Dun & Bradstreet 2014

4.5.D Community Assets



Map 33- East End Community Assets

Source: City of Bridgeport, BEGIS 2014

Schools

Dunbar School, 445 Union Avenue, is a public school with grades K-8 and a student enrollment of 303 for the 2013-2014 academic year. The Lighthouse Program, an after school program, is offered at this school. This school offers a school-based health center, which provides medical, dental, mental health counseling, outreach and parent aide services. Additionally, a

Family Resource Center is located on site to provide a variety of resources to parents and students. www.bridgeportedu.com

Jettie Tisdale School, 250 Hollister Avenue, is a public school with grades Pre-Kindergarten through 8th grade and a 2013-2014 enrollment of 655 students.

The Lighthouse Program, an after school program, is offered at this school. This school is a new facility which opened in 2008, and replaced the former McKinley and Newfield Schools. www.bridgeportedu.com

Public Safety

Fire Engine #6 and Ladder #6 are located at 1035 Central Avenue.

The Police Training Academy is located at 405 Newfield Avenue.

Library

Newfield Library, 1230 Stratford Avenue, holds over 28,999 titles in its collection.

Senior & Community Centers

The Ralphola Taylor Community Center is located at 790 Central Avenue. This YMCA facility offers a wide range of programming for school-aged youth.

Open Space/Parks

There are several parks in the East End:

- Johnson Oak Park - Logan Street and Alex Street; a 2 acre park with a playground, picnic area and a hard court sport area.
- Newfield/Jessop Park - Newfield Avenue and Eagle Street; 7 acres with 3 hard court sport areas, 2 playgrounds, 1 splash pad and a pavilion.
- Pleasure Beach - Seaview Avenue and Central Avenue; is 63 acres of an island partially owned by Stratford. Access to the island is via pedestrian bridge and water taxi; beach, fishing areas, pavilion, and picnic areas are available.

Post Office

Central Commons post office is located at 1242 Stratford Avenue.

Places of Worship

There are several places of worship in the East End, including, but not limited to, St. Mark's Episcopal Church, Russell Temple CME Church, East End Tabernacle Church, Church of the Blessed Sacrament, Jesus Saves Ministries and United Kingdom Ministries.

4.5.E Development Activities/Plans

Activities

Several projects are in various stages within the East End. Seaview Industrial Park is an ongoing effort to expand and environmentally remediate portions of the park and create a buffer with nearby residential units. Seaview Village is a partially developed residential complex, while Seaview Plaza, Civic Block, Boot Camp Farms and 1801 Stratford Avenue are all commercial development projects. Barnum Landing involves relocating the Bridgeport/Port Jefferson Ferry to the East End. Refer to Chapter 3, Economic Development Initiatives for details on several of these projects.

Redevelopment Plans

The East End Neighborhood Revitalization Zone (NRZ) created a plan in 2005 which created strategies to increase housing density, attract a grocery store, improve access to health care, create buffers between industrial and residential areas, remove blight, create a walking trail along Yellow Mill Pond, and spur economic activity.

4.5.F Zoning/Historic Districts

The bulk of land in the East End, 37%, is zoned industrial, and substantial portions of land are zoned Residential-BB (2-3 family), 19%, and Mixed Use-Light Industrial (MU-LI), 14%. Industrial zones, both Light and Heavy, are found along both sides of the railroad tracks, along Seaview Avenue, and along Johnson's Creek and the Stratford town border.

Residential-BB is found entirely south of Stratford Avenue, where the bulk of residential is found in the neighborhood. Mixed Use-Light Industrial is concentrated along Seaview and Central Avenues.

Three national register historic districts are found in the East End. Deacon's Point is located near the railroad tracks along Seaview Avenue and represents

structures built prior to World War I. Wilmot Apartments and Gateway Village are both located along Connecticut Avenue and were built during World War I. Historic District Commission #1 oversees all exterior structural improvements within these districts.

4.5.G Transportation

Bus Routes

Three bus routes travel through the East End:

- Route 10 transects the neighborhood, connecting the Stratford Train Station with Fairfield via Connecticut and Stratford Avenues.
- Route 13 transects the neighborhood, connecting Success Park to the Bridgeport Bus Station via Central, Newfield and Seaview Avenues.
- Coastal Link travels along Stratford Avenue to connect the towns of Milford and Norwalk.

Other

Sikorsky Memorial Airport, 1000 Great Meadows Road in Stratford, is a City of Bridgeport owned and managed facility.

4.5.H Miscellaneous

The Bridgeport Innovation Center, 955 Connecticut Avenue, provides low cost space to entrepreneurs and small businesses to allow the businesses to get off the ground and be successful.