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Universal Reference Publications announces the First Edition of *Profiles of Connecticut & Rhode Island—Facts, Figures and Statistics for all 303 Populated Places in Connecticut and 72 Populated Places in Rhode Island*

Universal Reference Publications, an imprint of Grey House Publishing, is proud to announce the publication of the First Edition of *Profiles of Connecticut & Rhode Island—Facts, Figures & Statistics for all 303 Populated Places in Connecticut and 72 Populated Places in Rhode Island*.

Profiles of Connecticut & Rhode Island is the eleventh volume in our *Profiles of...* series. This new work is based on Grey House Publishing's *Profiles of America*, a 4-volume compilation of information on more than 42,000 places in the United States. From here, we added entire chapters of specific demographics plus ranking sections, so that *Profiles of Connecticut & Rhode Island* is the most comprehensive portrait ever published of the State of Connecticut and of the State of Rhode Island.

This first edition is divided into separate sections for each state and provides data on all populated communities and counties in the state of Connecticut and those in the state of Rhode Island, from bustling urban centers to the hard-to-find outposts. It includes seven major chapters in each section that cover everything from Education to Ethnic Backgrounds to Climate. All chapters include Comparative Statistics or Rankings, and full-color Maps at the back of the book provide valuable information in a quickly processed, visual format. Here's an overview of each chapter:

1. Profiles

Originally drawn from the 2000 Census data, this chapter gives detailed profiles of 303 places in Connecticut and 72 places in Rhode Island. This core Census data has been so extensively updated, however, that nearly 80% of these first chapters have 2006 numbers. These chapters also contain alphabetical place indexes and comparative statistics that organize Connecticut's 100 largest communities and Rhode Island's 39 incorporated communities and 15 Census Designated Places according to dozens of criteria.

2. Education

These chapters begin with an *Educational State Profile*, summarizing number of schools, students,
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diplomas granted and educational dollars spent. Following the state profile are School District Rankings on 16 topics ranging from *Teacher/Student Ratios* to *High School Drop-Out Rates*. Following these rankings are results from *the National Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP)* along with results from the *Connecticut Mastery Test (CMT)* and *Connecticut Academic Performance Test (CAPT)* in the Connecticut section and *The New England Common Assessment Program (NECAP)* in the Rhode Island section.

3. Ancestry

These chapters provide a detailed look at the ancestral and racial makeup of Connecticut and Rhode Island. 217 ethnic categories are ranked three ways: 1) by number, based on all places regardless of population; 2) by percent, based on all places regardless of population; 3) by percent, based on places with populations of 10,000 or more.

4. Hispanic Population

These chapters define Connecticut's and Rhode Island's Hispanic population by 23 Hispanic backgrounds from *Argentinian* to *Venezuelan*. It ranks each of 15 categories, from Median Age to Median Home Value, by each Hispanic background.

5. Asian Population

Similar in format to the chapter on Hispanic Population, these chapters define Connecticut's and Rhode Island's Asian population by 21 Asian backgrounds from *Bangladeshi* to *Vietnamese*. It ranks each of 14 categories, from *Median Age* to *Median Home Value*, by each Asian background

6. Weather

This important topic is explored in detail in these chapters, which include a *State Summary*, and profiles of both *National* and *Cooperative Weather Stations*. In addition, you'll find *Weather Station Rankings*.

7. Maps

For a more visual point of view, there are 32 full-color maps (16 of each state) at the back of the book. They provide information on topics such as Core-Based Statistical Areas and Counties, Population Demographics, Household Size, Median Age, Income, Educational Attainment, Median Home Values and Congressional Districts, as well as another look at who voted for George Bush and John Kerry in 2004.

Praise for other volumes in the *Profiles of...Series*:

"*Profiles of Florida* is a comprehensive portrait of the economic and social condition of this state. This volume includes countless facts, figures, statistics, and beautiful color maps...The book includes a wide variety of data including answers to frequently asked demographic and economic questions...This is an excellent reference tool for all types of libraries." *-Journal of Business & Finance Librarianship*

"*Profiles of Texas* is highly recommended for all libraries in the state." *-ARBA*

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