



Union County, New Jersey

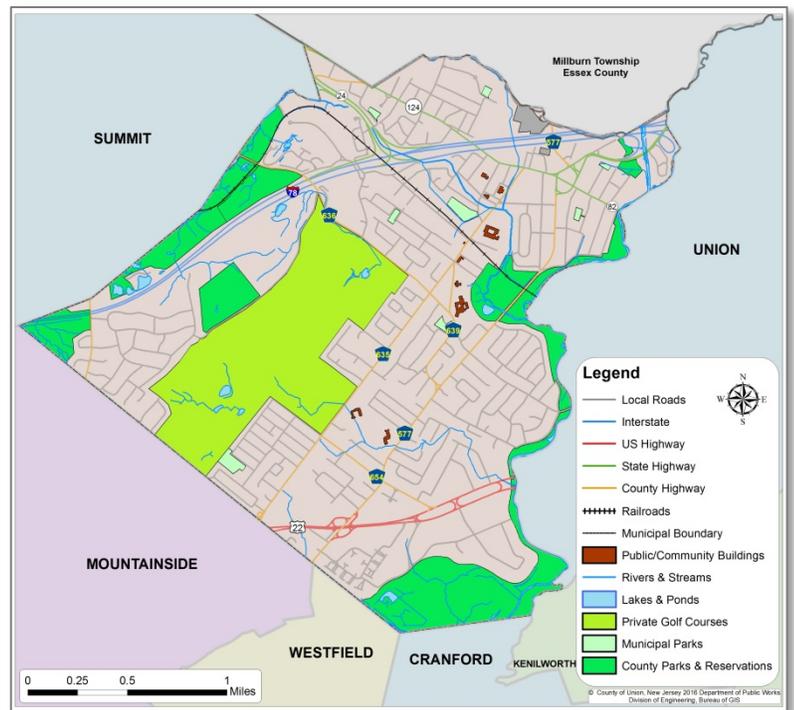


Township of Springfield
<http://springfield-nj.us/>

Demographics

Population	17,528
Land Area (sq. miles)	5.17
Per capita income	\$56,006
Percent below poverty	5.1%
Median household income	\$110,547
Median age	44.4
Total housing units	7,290
Median housing value	\$426,800
Average household size	2.5
Mean travel time to work	34
Age 3+ enrolled in school	3,755
Persons per square mile	2,698.8
Unemployment rate	4%

Source: US Census Bureau, American Community Survey 2013-2017 (5-Year Estimates)



GIS Website to Access High Detail Interactive Map :

<http://ucgis.ucnj.org/UnionCountyGIS/WebPages/Map/FundyViewer.aspx>

History, Location & Highlights

The Township of Springfield is located in the north of Union County and is bordered by Essex County to the north, Union to the east, Cranford and Westfield to the south, and Mountainside and Summit to the west. The Township is nestled at the foot of the Watchung Mountains and offers many restaurants, retail and entertainment centers. The Township has wonderful recreation amenities including Lenape Park, the Houdaille Quarry, Meisel Avenue Park and the world famous Baltusrol Golf Club. Springfield was formed as a township in 1798, and was officially incorporated as one of the first 104 townships in New Jersey. It has a rich Revolutionary War history and was the site of the famous Battle of Springfield in 1780. Springfield has a township form of government, with a five-member Township Committee.

Transportation

Interstate 78 runs through the northern part of Springfield and Route 22 runs through the southern part. Although the township does not have a train station, residents are currently served by stations in neighboring communities of Summit and Union. The township is also served by NJ Transit bus routes 52, 65, 66, 70, 95, 114 and 117. For workers in Springfield Township, 81.1% commute by private automobile (78.4% drive alone and 2.7% carpool), and 13.4% use public transportation. Approximately 50% worked outside of Union County and 13.6% worked outside of New Jersey. The average commute time for a worker from Springfield is 34 minutes.

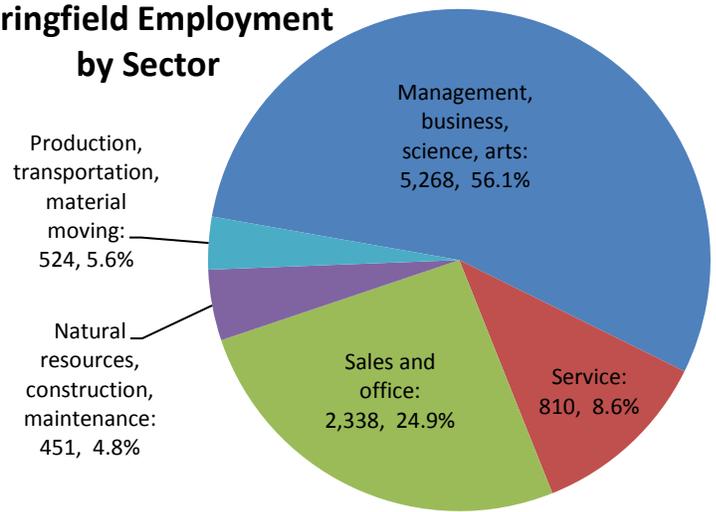


Springfield Municipal Building. Courtesy of Ziad Shehady.

Housing

The Township of Springfield has 7,416 housing units, of which 95% are occupied. Approximately 64.6% of these are owner-occupied and 35.4% are renter occupied. 55.4% of Springfield's housing stock is single-unit, detached, 6.7% is single-unit attached, 3.9% is in two-unit structures, and 34% is in three or more unit structures. Nearly half of the housing stock in Springfield was built prior to 1960. The median housing value in Scotch Plains is \$418,200 and the median gross rent is \$1,574 per month.

Springfield Employment by Sector



Source: US Census Bureau, American Community Survey 2013-2017 (5-Year Estimates)

Community Facilities, Services & Utilities

Public Schools:

- Jonathan Dayton High School (9-12)
- Florence M. Gaudineer Middle School (6-8)
- James Caldwell Elementary School (3-5)
- Thelma Sandmeier Elementary School (3-5)
- Edward V. Walton Early Childhood Center (PreK-2)

Private Schools:

- St. James The Apostle School (PreK-8)

Public Library:

- Located at 66 Mountain Ave.

Fire Department:

- Located at 200 Mountain Ave.
- Career/volunteer combination

Police Department:

- Located at 100 Mountain Ave.

Springfield Volunteer First Aid Squad:

- Independent non-profit corporation

Parks & Recreation:

- Briant Park
- Henshaw Park
- Irwin Park
- Lenape Park
- Meisel Avenue Park
- Rahway River Parkway
- Raymond Chisholm Community Center located at 100 South Springfield Avenue
- Springfield Community Swimming Pool
- Union County Open Space & Recreation Park



Baltusrol Golf Course. Source: www.reesjonesinc.com

Web Links:

- Township website: <http://springfield-nj.us/>
- Union County: <http://ucnj.org/>
- Public Schools: <http://www.springfieldschools.com/>
- Public Library: <http://www.springfieldpubliclibrary.com>