HOMETOWN TRIVIA · LYME, CT

How well do you know Lyme?

Circle the answer you think is right. Answers are on the last page.

1. About how many people lived in Lyme in 1950?

A. 860
B. 340
C. 2,000

2. Lyme's Gillette Castle State Park dates back to about which year?

A. 1888
B. 1943
C. 1973

3. Did Lyme have more people in 1960 or in 2020?

A. More in 2020
B. More in 1960

4. About how many people lived in Lyme in 1900?

A. 2,000
B. 260
C. 750

How well do you know Lyme?

5. Which county is Lyme in?

A. New Haven County
B. New London County
C. Tolland County

REMEMBER WHEN · LYME

Let's talk about home

Read one aloud and let the stories come. There are no wrong answers on this page.

- In 1950 about 860 people lived in Lyme. What is the biggest change you have seen in town since then?
- Lyme's Gillette Castle State Park dates back to 1943. Have you ever been there, or driven past it?
- Where did people in Lyme go for an ice cream cone on a summer night?
- What was downtown Lyme like on a Saturday when you were young?
- Where did you go to school, and how did you get there each morning?
- What did a loaf of bread or a gallon of gas cost when you first went shopping on your own?

WORD SEARCH · LYME

Around Lyme

L A D U T O T E D S E U A O A
Y L W B A K E R Y C B Y E R T
M W C A P W A L F L A A W K L
E I A V A T O B I I T W H I D
Y L S W R O E E B B T I S O P
B O T Y A E T H A I R L R L O
T P L W D T T V N C O A T I S
L G E I E K P S D E L E R L T
A O A L U I A E S C L R S Y O
N E L M A I N S T R E E T M F
E I T K R N M U A E Y H A C F
G A T E Y I Y L N A O I T N I
D O N A V R A S D M B I E I C
R I L A E R F I R E H O U S E
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- [ ] BAKERY
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- [ ] GILLETTE
- [ ] ICECREAM
- [ ] LIBRARY
- [ ] LYME
- [ ] MAINSTREET
- [ ] PARADE
- [ ] POSTOFFICE
- [ ] STATE
- [ ] TROLLEY

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Answers and sources

1. 860 The 1950 census counted 857 people in Lyme.

Sources: https://portal.ct.gov/sots/register-manual/section-vii/population-1900-1960 · https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Lyme,_Connecticut

2. 1943 Lyme's Gillette Castle State Park dates back to 1943.

Sources: https://www.wikidata.org/wiki/Q1524551 · https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Gillette_Castle_State_Park

3. More in 2020 Lyme counted 1,183 people in 1960 and 2,352 in 2020.

Sources: https://portal.ct.gov/sots/register-manual/section-vii/population-1900-1960 · https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Lyme,_Connecticut

4. 750 The 1900 census counted 750 people in Lyme.

Sources: https://portal.ct.gov/sots/register-manual/section-vii/population-1900-1960 · https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Lyme,_Connecticut

5. New London County Lyme is in New London County, Connecticut.

Sources: https://api.census.gov/data/2020/dec/pl · https://www.wikidata.org/wiki/Q754630

Word search answers. Every word reads left to right, top to bottom, or diagonally downward. None run backwards.

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Y	L	W	B	A	K	E	R	Y	C	B	Y	E	R	T
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B	O	T	Y	A	E	T	H	A	I	R	L	R	L	O
T	P	L	W	D	T	T	V	N	C	O	A	T	I	S
L	G	E	I	E	K	P	S	D	E	L	E	R	L	T
A	O	A	L	U	I	A	E	S	C	L	R	S	Y	O
N	E	L	M	A	I	N	S	T	R	E	E	T	M	F
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