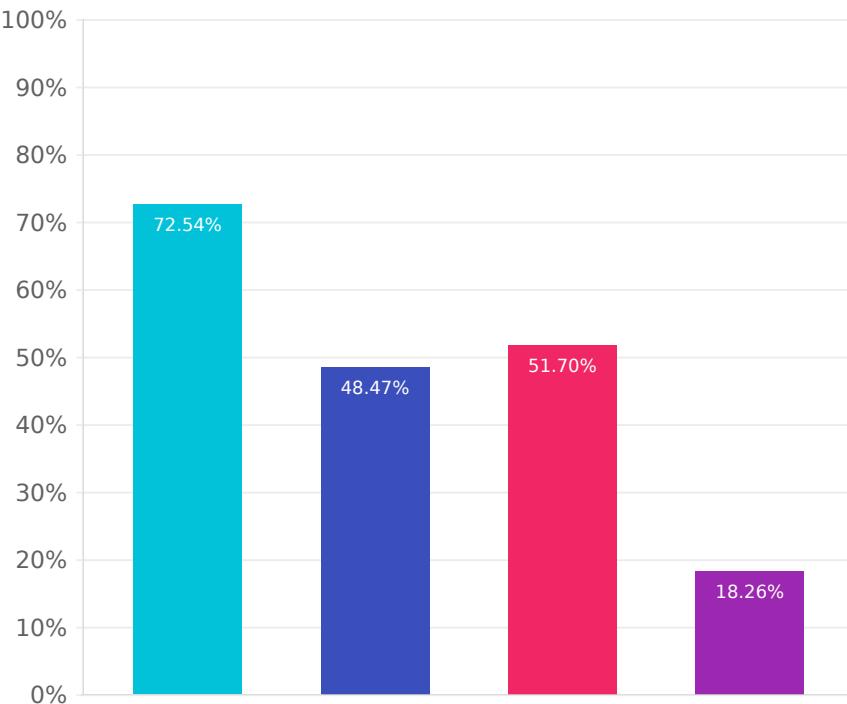


Why do you think people move out of Woodbridge? (Check all that apply)

Answered: 619 Skipped: 0



- Cost of housing too high: taxes, property maintenance
- Need for accessible or smaller (downsized) housing
- Desirable alternatives (climate, closer to family, social or public amenities, etc.)
- Other (Please specify)

Choices	Response percent	Response count
Cost of housing too high: taxes, property maintenance	72.54%	449
Need for accessible or smaller (downsized) housing	48.47%	300
Desirable alternatives (climate, closer to family, social or public amenities, etc.)	51.70%	320
Other (Please specify)	18.26%	113

Other (Please specify)

1. lack of retail/commercial areas for convenient shopping and jobs
2. Children graduate school
3. When the town decides to make housing for low income. People here work their ass off to live here, now it is a free for all
4. children are grown
5. I don't know
6. Have educated their children in Woodbridge and no longer wish to pay for those services
7. Poor access to services: trash, sewer, water

8. Businesses to help offset tax burden
9. when they're children exit the Beecher/Amity school system
10. Because they seek employment out of State
11. Taxes are higher than other towns
12. Uncoolest town in America. Boring, no public services, next to no public space, no sidewalks or bike routes, no community activities, limited rec programs, etc. Also it's old, falling apart, residents have an obnoxious sense of importance.
13. they move in for the schools and out when their children are independent
14. Taxes too high
15. Taxes here are criminally high.
16. They do not need to live in Woodbridge any longer for the schools
17. Because its disgustingly liberal and democrat ran
18. children have aged out of school system and parents move to less expensive towns
19. People move to the town for the school, once their children are done with Beecher or Amity, they need affordable housing to downsize
20. Badly managed town
21. limited housing options, older housing stock
22. Woodbridge has little to offer for families and is lacking in a sense of community. Could also use a better area with small businesses to support.
23. Repeating poor fiscal choices and spending this town into debt.
24. Town has no life. Taxes are too high and no services are provided.
25. When they realize the school system isn't worth the hype
26. Frustration a lack of governmental leadership and rising uncontrolled costs
27. Neighbors cutting down their trees
28. There is poor sense of community here. high taxes for poor return
29. Children out of school.
30. Politics
31. they move once the kids are done with local school
32. High taxes with lack of town services.
33. Job relocation, retirement
34. The absurd mill rate.
35. job relocation
36. Forced affordable housing in town
37. High taxes
38. They die and their kids sell their house.
39. Children graduate from high school/no longer need public school
40. to be less dependent on cars for transportation
41. No longer have children in schools. No real community spaces for gathering. Unfriendly neighbors.
42. I don't know
43. A rotten town government that is making Woodbridge into a mini slum. Thanks so much for ruining our upscale town. I'm outta here.
44. Children have completed their education so the family moves out.
45. Economic opportunity and jobs
46. Access to amenities.
47. Affordable housing projects
48. That's what I think, but I really don't know.
49. I don't think people move out of Woodbridge for any of these reasons.

50. Children are out of school
51. Child no longer in school system
52. Kids are not in school anymore
53. Once children are out of school, benefit of living in Woodbridge decreases 100%
54. no coffee shops, etc
55. see comments below
56. Poor town management
57. Sellers Market
58. It is a sellers market
59. Desire for more racial and economic diversity, ;lack of transportation into New Haven
60. Miss neighborhoods, proximity to amenities and no public transportation
61. new jobs
62. Kids are out of high school.
63. When kids leave the school system
64. Not many businesses in Woodbridge / restaurants
65. Over development. No longer small town feel
66. Woodbridge doesn't offer what other towns offer such as diversity and retail offerings. We need to attract younger people.
67. Moving for work elsewhere
68. After 58 years here I cannot afford the taxes
69. employment elsewhere
70. Lack of restaurants and Medical bldgs. Blight and lack of use in business district.. Homeless panhandling is the welcome to Woodbridge when getting off the park way.
71. When children have finished with the school system.
72. Need better services for elderly who wish to stay in their homes, since data shows 90% wish to do so.
73. insular town government overly controlled by a small group of people; excessive police and fire budgets and few amenities for others such as an arts or cultural center, a better senior center; desire to be in a less racist community
74. Downsizing after children grow up
75. underfunded police department, high taxes with zero public services
76. No sidewalks or services
77. People may move out because of this change
78. lack of public transportation
79. Many people come to Woodbridge for larger homes and lots. As residents age, retire and kids move out, the property becomes too much work to manage. Old trees and branches fall, causing power outages and property damage.
80. Decisions to begin building affordable housing.
81. children finished high school
82. Need for 55+ housing in a community setting, such as an HOA.
83. Poor Leadership, high taxes, school system is declining in educational performance. Closing of a proven monetary asset in the Country Club of Woodbridge. It is an eyesore.
84. Taxes and poor leadership.
85. Warmer climates
86. No children
87. Many reasons, related to their unique circumstances.
88. Kids graduated High School
89. Woodbridge is a great town for families ; but if you don't want to pay maintenance and taxes, you move lut

90. Lack of diversity
91. Move out of CT to escape CT taxes
92. Lack of diversity and acceptance. Lack of sidewalks and sense of community
93. move to less taxed states
94. I do not know why.
95. Move to warmer climates or near grandchildren or just done with the big house they shouldn't have bought in the first place.
96. Minimal commercial attractions restaurants, entertainment, etc.
97. Local and state taxes are too high.
98. Children graduated out of the school district, so they can downsize.
99. Too blue, tired of Gerry Weiner running the town
100. The town offers little sense of community. Even a single coffee shop next to the library could make a big difference.
101. No idea
102. Families may leave once their children no longer use the school system.
103. They move to other states to reduce overall tax burden, or they leave because they can no longer drive
104. High taxes and one party rule
105. it's not the cost of housing, it is the consistent rise in property taxes
106. High taxes and better job opportunities
107. children go to college/parents seek towns with lower mill rates or move to states with no state income tax
108. need high quality senior housing
109. needs senior housing
110. but I plan to leave once my kids are out of college. There is a natural cycle of turnover that makes sense. The very things that are appealing now will not be once I retire: large yard, emphasis on schools, large lots far from neighbors.
111. Their housing needs have changed
112. new job out of the area
113. Taxes keep going up without any new services provided or charging for previously free services.