

Facts of Interest About South Hadley

South Hadley area was first part of Old Hadley.

- 1675-1719 Individual grants of land were made by Hadley for settlement south of Mt. Holyoke Range.
- 1725 Settlement (delayed by fear of Indian attacks) began.
- 1732 Settlement became "South Hadley Precinct of Hadley."
- 1753 South Hadley Precinct was made a "district" by General Court with local self-government.
- 1755 South Hadley was incorporated as a town with its own representative in General Government.
- 1795 First navigable canal in U.S. began operation at Falls Village, whose mailing address became "South Hadley Canal."

Location

On east side of Connecticut River, about 14 miles North of Springfield, just across the river from Holyoke. Home of Mount Holyoke College.

Latitude of Town Hall

42 12'50" N

Longitude of Town Hall

72 35'40" W

Elevation

(Above sea level)
Town Hall top step 78.16 ft.
Mount Holyoke 878 ft.
Mount Hitchcock (at east end of Holyoke Range) 1,002 ft.

Area

18.3 square miles 11,712 acres

Requirements of Voting

A person must be 18 years old, American born or fully naturalized. May register first day move into Town. Register at Town Clerk's Office (see Directory and Calendar page), by mail or by motor vehicle registration renewal.

Population

Federal Census 2000-17,067
Federal Census 1990-16,685
(Includes registered voters at Mt. Holyoke College)
Local Census 2007 – 14,559

Form of Government

Representative Town Meeting (1933 Charter)

Tax Rate

\$12.56 - FY 2009

Total Valuation of Taxable Property \$1,583,416,154 - FY 2009

Miles of State Highway

10.00

Miles of Town Highway

95.00

National, State and County Officials

Governor:

Deval Patrick

Secretary of the Commonwealth:

William Francis Galvin

Attorney General:

Martha Coakley

United States Senators:

John F. Kerry, Boston
Edward M. Kennedy, Boston

Representative in Congress:

(1st Congressional District)
Richard E. Neal

State Senator:

(Franklin/Hampshire District)
Stanley C. Rosenberg

Representative in General Court:

(2nd Hampshire)
John W. Scibak

Member of Governor's Council:

(8th Councilor District)
Thomas T. Merrigan

District Attorney:

Elizabeth Scheibel
(Hampshire County)