



Waterbury Newspapers Available Through the Silas Bronson Library and Online

Newspaper databases

Database	Access
Chronicling America	Free from anywhere
Newsbank <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • America’s Historical Newspapers • Black Life in America • Access World News 	Anyone can access within library wifi network. Waterbury library card needed if outside library.
CT State Library	Free from anywhere

How to access the databases:

- Visit bronsonlibrary.org. Click on “Genealogy & Local History” in the left column and scroll to “Waterbury Newspapers Online.”
- You can also visit Chronicling America directly at chroniclingamerica.loc.gov

Newspapers and Years Available: Microfilm and Electronic

Newspaper	Years on microfilm	Years in electronic databases
Waterbury American	January 4, 1850 – March 30, 1990	December 14, 1844 - December 29, 1865 Newsbank (America’s Historical Newspapers) May 22, 1866 – June 13, 1877 Newsbank (Black Life in America)
Waterbury Democrat	December 5, 1887 - December 28, 1946	December 5, 1887 - December 31, 1908 January 1, 1931 - December 28, 1946 Chronicling America
Waterbury Republican	January 2, 1884 - March 31, 1990	none

Newspaper	Years on microfilm	Years in electronic databases
Waterbury Republican-American	April 1, 1990 – December 31, 2019	June 11, 2004 - present Newsbank (Access World News) Newsbank (Black Life in America)
Sunday Herald (weekly)	none	February 24, 1889 - February 16, 1890 CT State Library
Waterbury Observer (biweekly)	October 29, 1993 - October 22, 1997	none
La Verita (weekly, Italian language)	February 26, 1926 - December 27, 1946	February 27, 1926 - July 7, 1939 Chronicling America

So through the library, you have free electronic access to at least one English language Waterbury newspaper for the periods of 1844-1877, 1887-1908, 1931-1946, and 2004-present.

Finding and Searching Online Newspapers

Chronicling America – Waterbury Democrat, 1887-1908, 1931-1946

Searching Waterbury newspapers

- Select “Advanced search” tab.
- Under “Select Newspaper(s),” scroll down and select “Waterbury Democrat.” Hold shift button and click “Waterbury evening Democrat” at bottom of Waterbury newspaper list. This will select all editions of the paper.
- Enter search terms, date range (optional), and click Search button.

Finding other digitized newspapers

- Select “All Digitized Newspapers 1770-1963” tab.
- Select from the State list and click Go button

Newsbank (America’s Historical Newspapers) - Waterbury American, 1844-1865

Searching Waterbury newspapers

- Click “A-Z Source List” at top of page.
- Type in the keyword “Waterbury.” Click the box next to Waterbury American and then click “Search Within These Selections.”
- Enter your search terms and click the search button. To choose a date range, click Advanced Search.

Finding other digitized newspapers

- From home page, click “A-Z Source List” at top of page.

- Type in the name of a newspaper, city, or state. Click the boxes next to the titles you are interested in and then click “Search Within These Selections.”

Newsbank (Black Life in America) - Waterbury American, 1866-1877; Waterbury Republican-American, 2004-present

Searching Waterbury newspapers

- Enter search terms. You also have the option of choosing More Search Options and selecting a date range. Click the Search button.
- In the left column, next to “Source Name,” click the + sign, and then select More options. Type in “Waterbury” and click the box next to the newspaper name(s). Click Apply.

Finding other digitized newspapers

- Enter search terms. You also have the option of choosing More Search Options and selecting a date range. Click the Search button.
- In the left column, next to “Source Name,” click the + sign, and then select More options.” Type in the newspaper, city, or state you are interested in. Click the box next to the newspaper name(s), and click Apply.

Newsbank (Access World News) – 2004-present Waterbury Republican-American

Searching Waterbury newspapers

- Enter search terms. You also have the option of choosing Advanced Search and selecting a date range.

Finding other digitized newspapers

- From home page, click “A-Z Source List” at top of page.
- Type in the name of a newspaper, city, or state. Click the boxes next to the titles you are interested in and select “Search Within These Selections.”

More online sources for Connecticut, New York and other newspapers

Database	Focus	Free or paid	Web address
Advantage Archives	Nationwide	Free	directory.advantage-preservation.com/SiteDirectory
Chronicling America	Nationwide including New Haven Journal Courier	Free	chroniclingamerica.loc.gov
Elephind	Nationwide	Free	elephind.com

Database	Focus	Free or paid	Web address
Genealogy Bank	Nationwide, including Bridgeport, Hartford, New Haven papers	Paid	genealogybank.com
Google News Archive	Nationwide	Free	news.google.com/newspapers
HRVH Historical Newspapers	Hudson River Valley, New York	Free	news.hrvh.org
Newspaper Archive	Nationwide	Paid (free through CT State Library with CT State Library card)	newspaperarchive.com
Newspapers.com	Nationwide, including Hartford Courant, Bridgeport Post, Bridgeport Telegram, Naugatuck Daily News	Paid	newspapers.com
NYS Historic Newspapers	New York State	Free	nyshistoricnewspapers.org
Old Fulton New York Postcards	New York State and others	Free	fultonsearch.org www.fultonhistory.com/fulton.html
Research It CT	Hartford Courant and others	Free with CT town library card	researchitct.org

Other sources for newspapers on microfilm

- Public libraries in the city or town of the newspaper
- Connecticut State Library, 231 Capitol Ave, Hartford – thousands of microfilms for daily and weekly newspapers throughout the state

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