

# Chester, Connecticut

# 4,234

## General

ACS, 2015–2019

	Chester	State
Land Area <i>mi<sup>2</sup></i>	16	4,842
Population Density <i>people per mi<sup>2</sup></i>	264	738
Number of Households	1,772	1,370,746
Median Age	50.0	41.0
Median Household Income	\$88,167	\$78,444
Poverty Rate	4%	10%

## Economy

### Top Industries

CT Department of Labor, 2019

	Employment	Employers	Av. Wages
1 Manufacturing	953	12	\$80,539
2 Health Care & Social Assistance	481	12	\$33,398
3 Accommodation & Food Services	243	10	\$22,287
4 Local Government	89	13	\$36,426
5 Profess., Sci., & Tech Services	79	21	\$74,890
All Industries	2,094	148	\$57,064

### SOTS Business Registrations

Secretary of the State, June 2021

Total Active Businesses 510

#### New Business Registrations by Year

2001	36	2006	29	2011	31	2016	31
2002	42	2007	33	2012	30	2017	28
2003	43	2008	33	2013	25	2018	23
2004	31	2009	35	2014	41	2019	32
2005	42	2010	21	2015	19	2020	28

### Key Employers

Data from municipalities, 2021

- Greenwald Industries
- Norma Terris Theatre
- Roto Frank Of America Inc
- Whelen Engineering Co Inc
- YMCA

## Demographics

ACS, 2015–2019

### Age Distribution

Age Group	Chester	State
Under 10	292 (7%)	11%
10 to 19	571 (13%)	13%
20 to 29	203 (5%)	13%
30 to 39	454 (11%)	12%
40 to 49	596 (14%)	13%
50 to 59	670 (16%)	15%
60 to 69	670 (16%)	12%
70 to 79	458 (11%)	7%
80 and over	320 (8%)	5%

### Race and Ethnicity

Race/Ethnicity	Chester	State
Asian <i>Non-Hispanic (NH)</i>	1%	4%
Black <i>NH</i>	<1%	10%
Hispanic or Latino/a <i>Of any race</i>	2%	16%
White <i>NH</i>	96%	67%
Other <i>NH, incl. American Indian, Alaska Native, Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander</i>	<1%	3%

### Language Spoken at Home

Language	Chester	State
English	78	94%
Spanish	2	12%

### Educational Attainment

Education Level	Chester	State
High School Diploma Only	24	27%
Associate Degree	8	8%
Bachelor's Degree	22	22%
Master's Degree or Higher	15	17%

## Housing

ACS, 2015–2019

	Chester	State
Median Home Value	\$348,700	\$275,400
Median Rent	\$1,219	\$1,180
Housing Units	2,027	1,516,629

	Chester	State
Owner-Occupied	66	76%
Detached or Semi-Detached	64	79%
Vacant	10	13%

## Schools

CT Department of Education, 2020-21

### School Districts

School District	Available Grades	Total Enrollment	Pre-K Enrollment	4-Year Grad Rate (2018-19)
Chester School District	PK-6	201	0	
Regional School District 04	7-12	838	0	92%
Statewide	-	513,079	15,300	88%

### Smarter Balanced Assessments

Met or exceeded expectations, 2018/19

	Math	ELA
Chester School District	74%	82%
Regional School District 04	56%	68%
Statewide	48%	56%

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## Labor Force

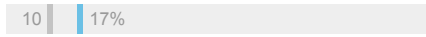
CT Department of Labor, 2020

	Chester	State
Employed	2,219	1,724,621
Unemployed	145	148,010

Unemployment Rate



Self-Employment Rate\*



\*ACS, 2015-2019

## Catchment Areas of 15mi, 30mi, and 60mi



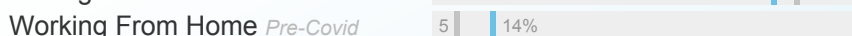
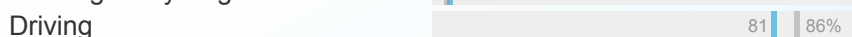
## Access

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	Chester	State
Mean Commute Time <i>Pre-Covid</i>	28 min	26 min



## Commute Mode



## Public Transit

CTtransit Service	Express
Other Public Bus Operations	Estuary Transit District d.b.a. 9 Town Transit
Train Service	-

## Fiscal Indicators

CT Office of Policy and Management, SFY 2017-18

### Municipal Revenue

Total Revenue	\$13,728,425
Property Tax Revenue	\$11,678,130
<i>per capita</i>	\$2,758
<i>per capita, as % of state av.</i>	91%
Intergovernmental Revenue	\$1,476,290
Revenue to Expenditure Ratio	105%

Boston\*

### Municipal Expenditure

Total Expenditure	\$13,069,999
Educational	\$9,282,173
Other	\$3,787,826

### Grand List

Equalized Net Grand List	\$655,781,424
<i>per capita</i>	\$155,068
<i>per capita, as % of state av.</i>	101%
Comm./Indust. Share of Net Grand List	16%

Actual Mill Rate	26.36
Equalized Mill Rate	17.78

### Municipal Debt

Moody's Rating	-
Total Indebtness	\$2,269,063
<i>per capita</i>	\$537
<i>per capita, as % of state av.</i>	21%
<i>as percent of expenditures</i>	17%

Annual Debt Service	\$222,483
<i>as % of expenditures</i>	2%



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