

General

ACS, 2015–2019	Essex	State
Land Area <i>mi</i> ²	10	4,842
Population Density <i>people per mi</i> ²	635	738
Number of Households	3,074	1,370,746
Median Age	54.6	41.0
Median Household Income	\$89,261	\$78,444
Poverty Rate	5%	10%

Economy

Top Industries

CT Department of Labor, 2019	Employment	Employers	Av. Wages
1 Health Care & Social Assistance	752	36	\$43,215
2 Manufacturing	670	20	\$69,597
3 Construction	296	43	\$71,579
4 Profess., Sci., & Tech Services	284	54	\$89,634
5 Accommodation & Food Services	275	24	\$23,842
All Industries	3,743	390	\$59,183

SOTS Business Registrations

Secretary of the State, June 2021

Total Active Businesses 1,248

New Business Registrations by Year

2001	73	2006	79	2011	58	2016	69
2002	79	2007	69	2012	55	2017	66
2003	80	2008	74	2013	87	2018	79
2004	78	2009	68	2014	66	2019	75
2005	90	2010	68	2015	69	2020	59

Key Employers

Data from municipalities, 2021

- 1 Lee Company
- 2 Essex Meadows
- 3 Tower Laboratories
- 4 Overabove
- 5 Essex Savings Bank

Demographics

ACS, 2015–2019

Age Distribution

		State
Under 10	307 5%	11%
10 to 19	813 12%	13%
20 to 29	449 7%	13%
30 to 39	364 6%	12%
40 to 49	846 13%	13%
50 to 59	1,426 22%	15%
60 to 69	1,070 16%	12%
70 to 79	704 11%	7%
80 and over	625 9%	5%

Race and Ethnicity

		State
Asian <i>Non-Hispanic (NH)</i>	4%	4%
Black <i>NH</i>	4%	10%
Hispanic or Latino/a <i>Of any race</i>	3%	16%
White <i>NH</i>	87%	67%
Other <i>NH, incl. American Indian, Alaska Native, Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander</i>	2%	3%

Language Spoken at Home

	Essex	State
English	78	95%
Spanish	1	12%

Educational Attainment

	Essex	State
High School Diploma Only	23	27%
Associate Degree	8	8%
Bachelor's Degree	22	30%
Master's Degree or Higher	17	23%

Housing

ACS, 2015–2019

	Essex	State
Median Home Value	\$376,300	\$275,400
Median Rent	\$1,125	\$1,180
Housing Units	3,494	1,516,629

Owner-Occupied
Detached or Semi-Detached
Vacant

	Essex	State
Owner-Occupied	66	73%
Detached or Semi-Detached	64	80%
Vacant	10	12%

Schools

CT Department of Education, 2020-21

School Districts

	Available Grades	Total Enrollment	Pre-K Enrollment	4-Year Grad Rate (2018-19)
Essex School District	PK-6	313	33	
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
Essex School District	72%	82%
Regional School District 04	56%	68%
Statewide	48%	56%

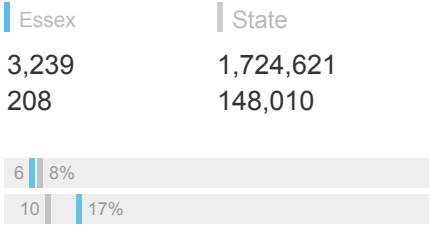
Labor Force

CT Department of Labor, 2020

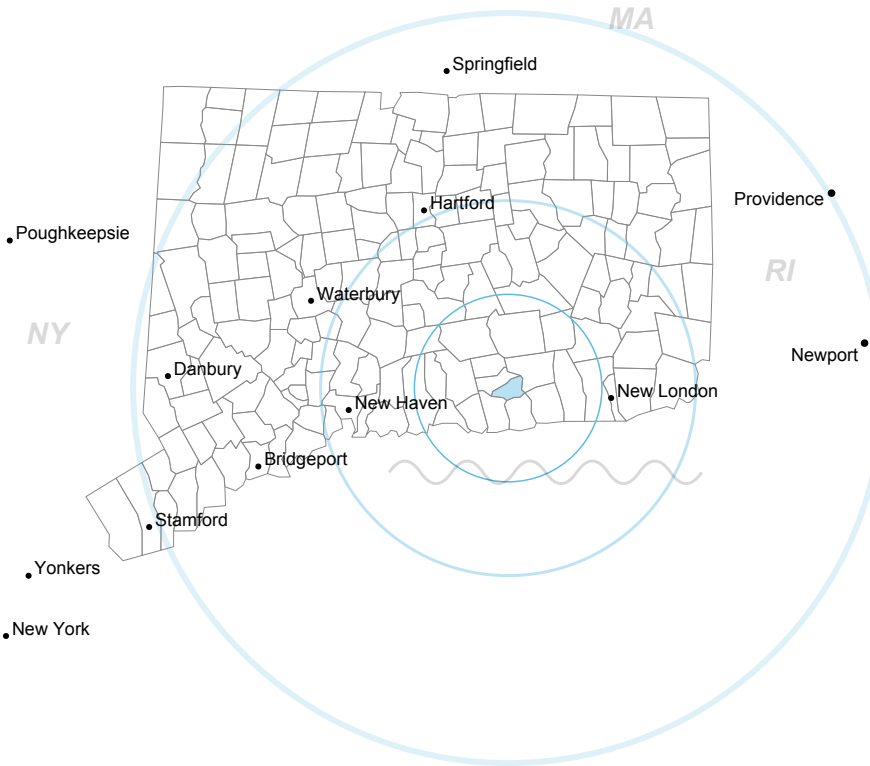
Employed	3,239	1,724,621
Unemployed	208	148,010

Unemployment Rate
Self-Employment Rate*

*ACS, 2015–2019



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

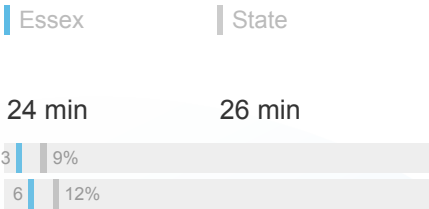


Access

ACS, 2015–2019

Mean Commute Time <i>Pre-Covid</i>	24 min	26 min
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No Access to a Car
No Internet Access



Commute Mode

Public Transport
Walking or Cycling
Driving
Working From Home *Pre-Covid*



Public Transit

CTtransit Service
Other Public Bus Operations
Train Service

Express
Estuary Transit District d.b.a. 9 Town Transit
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Fiscal Indicators

CT Office of Policy and Management, SFY 2017-18

Municipal Revenue

Total Revenue	\$25,325,765
Property Tax Revenue	\$23,179,381
per capita	\$3,450
per capita, as % of state av.	114%
Intergovernmental Revenue	\$1,080,492
Revenue to Expenditure Ratio	104%

Boston*

Municipal Expenditure

Total Expenditure	\$24,394,560
Educational	\$16,679,611
Other	\$7,714,949

Grand List

Equalized Net Grand List	\$1,558,722,413
per capita	\$233,551
per capita, as % of state av.	152%
Comm./Indust. Share of Net Grand List	14%

Actual Mill Rate	21.96
Equalized Mill Rate	14.77

Municipal Debt

Moody's Rating	Aa2
Total Indebtness	\$15,552,055
per capita	\$2,330
per capita, as % of state av.	90%
as percent of expenditures	64%

Annual Debt Service	\$1,068,663
as % of expenditures	4%

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