Bristol, Connecticut

General

ACS, 2020–2024	Bristol	State
Current Population	61,462	3,624,508
Land Area *mi²*	26	4,842
Population Density *people per mi²*	2,327	748
Number of Households	24,453	1,434,007
Median Age	38	41
Median Household Income	$79,076	$95,781
Poverty Rate	11%	10%

Economy

Top Industries

Lightcast, 2024 (2 and 3 digit NAICS)	Jobs	Share of Industry
1 Government	4,889	
Local Government		*76%*
2 Health Care and Social Assistance	4,660	
Hospitals		*30%*
3 Information	3,041	
Broadcasting & Content Providers		*75%*
4 Manufacturing	2,292	
Fabricated Metal Product Mfg		*67%*
5 Retail Trade	2,092	
Motor Vehicle and Parts Dealers		*25%*
Total Jobs, All Industries	23,417	

SOTS Business Registrations

Secretary of the State, March 2026

New Business Registrations by Year

Year	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
Total	499	567	603	583	683

Total Active Businesses 4,047

Key Employers

Data from Municipalities, 2026

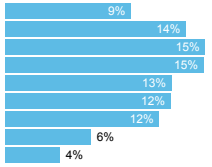
1. ESPN Inc.
2. Bristol Health
3. Amazon
4. Arthur G. Russell Co.
5. Bauer Aerospace

Demographics

ACS, 2020–2024

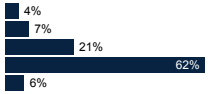
Age Distribution

		State
Under 10	5,801	10%
10 to 19	8,348	13%
20 to 29	9,230	13%
30 to 39	9,165	13%
40 to 49	7,685	12%
50 to 59	7,636	14%
60 to 69	7,107	13%
70 to 79	3,955	8%
80 and over	2,535	5%



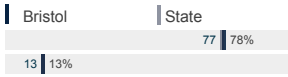
Race and Ethnicity

	State
Asian	5%
Black	10%
Hispanic or Latino/a	18%
White	62%
Other	5%



Hispanic includes those of any race. Remaining racial groups include only non-hispanic. 'Other' includes American Indian, Alaska Native, Native Hawaiian, Pacific Islander, two or more races.

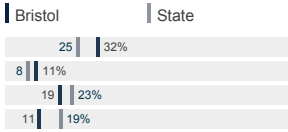
Language Spoken at Home



English

Spanish

Educational Attainment



High School Diploma Only

Associate Degree

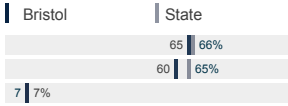
Bachelor's Degree

Master's Degree or Higher

Housing

ACS, 2020–2024

	Bristol	State
Median Home Value	$277,800	$366,900
Median Rent	$1,338	$1,488
Housing Units	26,369	1,541,822



Owner-Occupied

Detached or Semi-Detached

Vacant

Schools

CT Department of Education, 2025-26

School Districts

	Available Grades	Total Enrollment	Pre-K Enrollment	4-Year Grad Rate (2023-24)
Bristol School District	PK-12	7,597	260	91%
Statewide	-	497,764	20,604	89%

Smarter Balanced Assessments

Met or Exceeded Expectations, 2024-25

	Math	ELA
Bristol School District	41%	48%
Statewide	46%	50%

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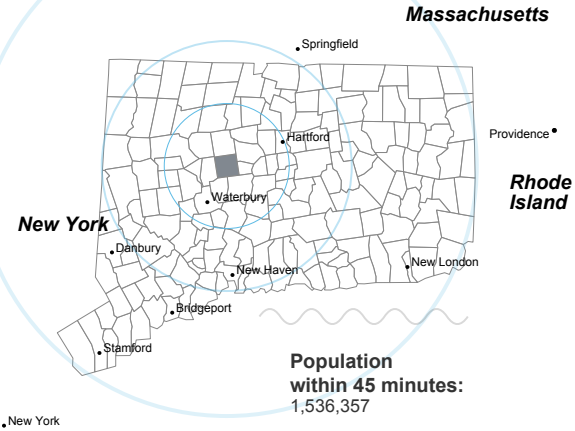
Labor Force

CT Department of Labor, 2025

	Bristol	State
Employed	33,420	1,869,450
Unemployed	1,463	76,777
Unemployment Rate	4 4%	
Self-Employment Rate*	8 10%	

*ACS, 2020–2024

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



Population within 45 minutes: 1,536,357

Access

ACS, 2020–2024

	Bristol	State
Mean Commute Time *	23 min	26 min
No Access to a Car	8 9%	
No Internet Access	5 6%	

Commute Mode

Public Transport	0 3%
Walking or Cycling	2 3%
Driving	77 85%
Working From Home *	11 16%

Public Transit

CT*transit* Service	Local, Hartford metro, Express, CTfastrak
Other Public Bus Operations	-
Train Service	-

** 5 year estimates include Covid-19 pandemic data*

Fiscal Indicators

CT Office of Policy and Management, State FY 2022-23

Municipal Revenue

Total Revenue	$248,255,425
Property Tax Revenue	$161,139,567
per capita	$2,616
per capita, as % of state avg.	78%
Intergovernmental Revenue	$77,394,240
Revenue to Expenditure Ratio	106%

Municipal Expenditure

Total Expenditure	$233,860,189
Educational	$155,434,689
Other	$78,425,500

Grand List

Equalized Net Grand List	$8,295,442,178
per capita	$134,664
per capita, as % of state avg.	67%
Commercial/Industrial Share of Net Grand List	16%
Actual Mill Rate	32.46
Equalized Mill Rate	19.20

Municipal Debt

Moody's Rating (2025)	Aa2
S&P Rating (2025)	AA+
Total Indebtedness	$139,568,081
per capita	$2,266
per capita, as % of state avg.	77%
as percent of expenditures	60%
Annual Debt Service	$15,337,915
as % of expenditures	7%

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