# Canterbury, Connecticut

## General

ACS, 2020–2024

| | Canterbury | State |
|---|---|---|
| Current Population | 5,124 | 3,624,508 |
| Land Area *mi²* | 40 | 4,842 |
| Population Density *people per mi²* | 128 | 748 |
| Number of Households | 2,132 | 1,434,007 |
| Median Age | 48 | 41 |
| Median Household Income | $103,198 | $95,781 |
| Poverty Rate | 5% | 10% |

## Economy

### Top Industries

Lightcast, 2024 (2 and 3 digit NAICS)

| | Jobs | Share of Industry |
|---|---|---|
| 1 Government | 326 | |
| *Local Government* | | *66%* |
| 2 Construction | 100 | |
| *Specialty Trade Contractors* | | *100%* |
| 3 Accommodation and Food Services | 90 | |
| *Food Services and Drinking Places* | | *100%* |
| 4 Retail Trade | 70 | |
| *Food and Beverage Stores* | | *56%* |
| 5 Agriculture, Forestry & Hunting | 58 | |
| *Animal Production and Aquaculture* | | *64%* |
| Total Jobs, All Industries | 807 | |

### SOTS Business Registrations

Secretary of the State, March 2026

New Business Registrations by Year

| Year | 2021 | 2022 | 2023 | 2024 | 2025 |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Total | 33 | 25 | 52 | 47 | 44 |

Total Active Businesses 319

### Key Employers

Data from Municipalities, 2026

1. Canterbury Board of Education and the Town of Canterbury
2. Better Val U Supermarket
3. Hart's Greenhouse & Florist
4. Ed's Garage
5. Rawson Materials

## Demographics

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### Age Distribution

| | | | State |
|---|---|---|---|
| Under 10 | 509 | 10% | 10% |
| 10 to 19 | 320 | 6% | 13% |
| 20 to 29 | 426 | 8% | 13% |
| 30 to 39 | 600 | 12% | 13% |
| 40 to 49 | 817 | 16% | 12% |
| 50 to 59 | 508 | 10% | 14% |
| 60 to 69 | 1,014 | 20% | 13% |
| 70 to 79 | 648 | 13% | 8% |
| 80 and over | 282 | 6% | 5% |

### Race and Ethnicity

| | | State |
|---|---|---|
| Asian | <1% | 5% |
| Black | 3% | 10% |
| Hispanic or Latino/a | 4% | 18% |
| White | 87% | 62% |
| Other | 6% | 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

| | Canterbury | State |
|---|---|---|
| English | 77 | 95% |
| Spanish | 2 | 13% |

### Educational Attainment

| | Canterbury | State |
|---|---|---|
| High School Diploma Only | 25 | 38% |
| Associate Degree | 8 | 8% |
| Bachelor's Degree | 14 | 23% |
| Master's Degree or Higher | 13 | 19% |

## Housing

ACS, 2020–2024

| | Canterbury | State |
|---|---|---|
| Median Home Value | $334,200 | $366,900 |
| Median Rent | $924 | $1,488 |
| Housing Units | 2,248 | 1,541,822 |

| | Canterbury | State |
|---|---|---|
| Owner-Occupied | 66 | 89% |
| Detached or Semi-Detached | 65 | 92% |
| Vacant | 5 | 7% |

## Schools

CT Department of Education, 2025-26

### School Districts

| | Available Grades | Total Enrollment | Pre-K Enrollment | 4-Year Grad Rate (2023-24) |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Canterbury School District | PK-8 | 495 | 39 | |
| Statewide | - | 497,764 | 20,604 | 89% |

### Smarter Balanced Assessments

Met or Exceeded Expectations, 2024-25

| | Math | ELA |
|---|---|---|
| Canterbury School District | 55% | 52% |
| Statewide | 46% | 50% |

# Canterbury, Connecticut

## Labor Force

CT Department of Labor, 2025

| | Canterbury | State |
|---|---|---|
| Employed | 2,626 | 1,869,450 |
| Unemployed | 97 | 76,777 |
| Unemployment Rate | 4 4% | |
| Self-Employment Rate* | 10 18% | |

*ACS, 2020–2024

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




**Population within 45 minutes:** 608,181

## Access

ACS, 2020–2024

| | Canterbury | State |
|---|---|---|
| Mean Commute Time * | 31 min | 26 min |
| No Access to a Car | 3 9% | |
| No Internet Access | 6 10% | |

### Commute Mode

| | |
|---|---|
| Public Transport | 0 3% |
| Walking or Cycling | 1 3% |
| Driving | 77 84% |
| Working From Home * | 15 16% |

### Public Transit

| | |
|---|---|
| CT*transit* Service | - |
| Other Public Bus Operations | Northeastern Connecticut Transit District |
| 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 | $17,346,209 |
| Property Tax Revenue | $10,508,882 |
| *per capita* | $2,045 |
| *per capita, as % of state avg.* | 61% |
| Intergovernmental Revenue | $6,161,394 |
| Revenue to Expenditure Ratio | 108% |

### Municipal Expenditure

| | |
|---|---|
| Total Expenditure | $16,012,353 |
| Educational | $12,982,841 |
| Other | $3,029,512 |

### Grand List

| | |
|---|---|
| Equalized Net Grand List | $814,551,677 |
| *per capita* | $158,473 |
| *per capita, as % of state avg.* | 79% |
| Commercial/Industrial Share of Net Grand List | 5% |
| Actual Mill Rate | 23.00 |
| Equalized Mill Rate | 12.82 |

### Municipal Debt

| | |
|---|---|
| Moody's Rating (2025) | - |
| S&P Rating (2025) | - |
| Total Indebtedness | $492,880 |
| *per capita* | $96 |
| *per capita, as % of state avg.* | 3% |
| *as percent of expenditures* | 3% |
| Annual Debt Service | $293,967 |
| *as % of expenditures* | 2% |

### About Town Profiles

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