Colchester, Connecticut

General

ACS, 2020–2024

	Colchester	State
Current Population	15,648	3,624,508
Land Area *mi²*	49	4,842
Population Density *people per mi²*	320	748
Number of Households	6,388	1,434,007
Median Age	44	41
Median Household Income	$122,390	$95,781
Poverty Rate	4%	10%

Economy

Top Industries

Lightcast, 2024 (2 and 3 digit NAICS)

	Jobs	Share of Industry
1 Government	1,719	
Local Government		*69%*
2 Health Care and Social Assistance	963	
Nursing and Residential Care Facilities		*54%*
3 Retail Trade	744	
Food and Beverage Stores		*39%*
4 Accommodation and Food Services	494	
Food Services and Drinking Places		*90%*
5 Manufacturing	303	
Transportation Equip Mfg		*77%*
Total Jobs, All Industries	5,215	

SOTS Business Registrations

Secretary of the State, March 2026

New Business Registrations by Year

Year	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
Total	120	132	152	159	150

Total Active Businesses 1,241

Key Employers

Data from Municipalities, 2026

1. S&S Arts And Crafts Factory
2. Caring Community
3. Incord
4. Carefree Building Co
5. Alpha Q

Demographics

ACS, 2020–2024

Age Distribution

			State
Under 10	1,984	13%	10%
10 to 19	1,462	9%	13%
20 to 29	1,492	10%	13%
30 to 39	2,163	14%	13%
40 to 49	1,552	10%	12%
50 to 59	2,552	16%	14%
60 to 69	2,124	14%	13%
70 to 79	1,571	10%	8%
80 and over	748	5%	5%

Race and Ethnicity

		State
Asian	1%	5%
Black	3%	10%
Hispanic or Latino/a	4%	18%
White	89%	62%
Other	3%	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

	Colchester	State
English	77	95%
Spanish	2	13%

Educational Attainment

	Colchester	State
High School Diploma Only	22	25%
Associate Degree	8	8%
Bachelor's Degree	23	25%
Master's Degree or Higher	19	25%

Housing

ACS, 2020–2024

	Colchester	State
Median Home Value	$366,800	$366,900
Median Rent	$1,474	$1,488
Housing Units	6,710	1,541,822

	Colchester	State
Owner-Occupied	66	77%
Detached or Semi-Detached	65	79%
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)
Colchester School District	PK-12	2,070	97	94%
Statewide	-	497,764	20,604	89%

Smarter Balanced Assessments

Met or Exceeded Expectations, 2024-25

	Math	ELA
Colchester School District	62%	58%
Statewide	46%	50%

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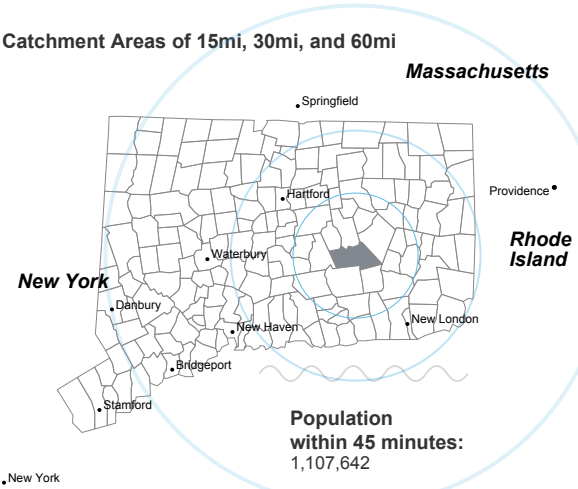
Labor Force

CT Department of Labor, 2025

	Colchester	State
Employed	8,333	1,869,450
Unemployed	310	76,777
Unemployment Rate	4 4%	
Self-Employment Rate*	8 10%	

*ACS, 2020–2024

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



Access

ACS, 2020–2024

	Colchester	State
Mean Commute Time *	30 min	26 min
No Access to a Car	6 9%	
No Internet Access	5 6%	

Commute Mode

Public Transport	0 3%
Walking or Cycling	1 3%
Driving	77 79%
Working From Home *	16 18%

Public Transit

CT*transit* Service	Express
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	$65,878,387
Property Tax Revenue	$42,264,302
per capita	$2,726
per capita, as % of state avg.	81%
Intergovernmental Revenue	$20,184,098
Revenue to Expenditure Ratio	104%

Municipal Expenditure

Total Expenditure	$63,190,173
Educational	$48,605,251
Other	$14,584,922

Grand List

Equalized Net Grand List	$2,206,523,392
per capita	$142,320
per capita, as % of state avg.	71%
Commercial/Industrial Share of Net Grand List	8%
Actual Mill Rate	26.82
Equalized Mill Rate	19.11

Municipal Debt

Moody's Rating (2025)	Aa3
S&P Rating (2025)	AA+
Total Indebtedness	$19,611,789
per capita	$1,265
per capita, as % of state avg.	43%
as percent of expenditures	31%
Annual Debt Service	$2,326,451
as % of expenditures	4%

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