

VALLEY UNITED WAY

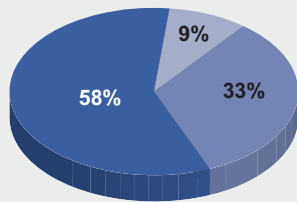
Number of Households – 38,102

How many households are struggling?

ALICE is an acronym for **A**sset **L**imited, **I**ncome **C**onstrained, **E**mloyed – households that earn more than the Federal Poverty Level, but less than the basic cost of living for the area (the ALICE Threshold). Combined, the number of ALICE and poverty-level households equals the total population struggling to afford basic needs.

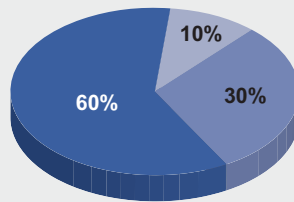
Town	Total HH	% ALICE & Poverty
Ansonia	6,897	60%
Derby	4,949	52%
Oxford	4,390	21%
Seymour	6,063	36%
Shelton	15,803	38%

Valley United Way service area



- Poverty: 3,413 HH, 9%
- ALICE: 12,441 HH, 33%
- Above ALICE: 22,248 HH, 58%

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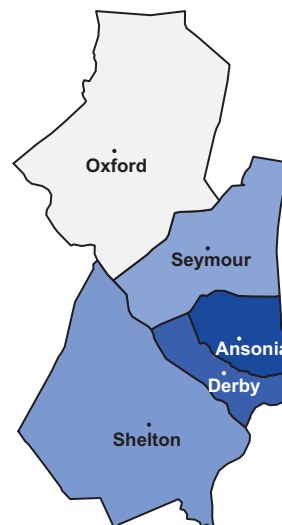
- Poverty: 134,494 HH, 10%
- ALICE: 406,673 HH, 30%
- Above ALICE: 816,102 HH, 60%

Note: Municipal-level data often relies on 5-year averages, is not available for the smallest towns that don't report income, and may overlap with Census Designated Places (CDP).

Why do so many households struggle?

The Household Survival Budget reflects the bare minimum that a household needs to live and work today. It does not include savings for emergencies or future goals like college. In 2016, costs were well above the Federal Poverty Level of \$11,880 for a single adult and \$24,300 for a family of four.

Sources: U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, U.S. Department of Agriculture, Bureau of Labor Statistics, Internal Revenue Service, Tax Foundation, and Connecticut 211Childcare, 2016; American Community Survey.



Below ALICE Threshold
21% 60%

Household Survival Budget		
	SINGLE ADULT	2 ADULTS, 1 INFANT, 1 PRESCHOOLER
Monthly Costs		
Housing	\$1,002 - \$1,121	\$1,274 - \$1,775
Child Care	\$-	\$1,718 - \$1,845
Food	\$182	\$603
Transportation	\$341	\$682
Health Care	\$213	\$792
Technology	\$55	\$75
Miscellaneous	\$219 - \$235	\$609 - \$696
Taxes	\$396 - \$441	\$944 - \$1,182
Monthly Total	\$2,408 - \$2,588	\$6,697 - \$7,650
ANNUAL TOTAL	\$28,896 - \$31,056	\$80,364 - \$91,800
Hourly Wage	\$14.45 - \$15.53	\$40.18 - \$45.90

Where does ALICE live?

ALICE and poverty-level households live in every town in Connecticut. Towns with the highest percentage of households below the ALICE Threshold are shaded in the darkest blue; towns with the lowest percentage of households below the ALICE Threshold are shaded in lightest blue.