

UNITED WAY OF CENTRAL AND NORTHEASTERN CONNECTICUT

Number of Households – 395,386

How many households are struggling?

ALICE is an acronym for Asset Limited, Income Constrained, Employed – 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.

United Way of Central and Northeastern Connecticut service area



Connecticut



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).

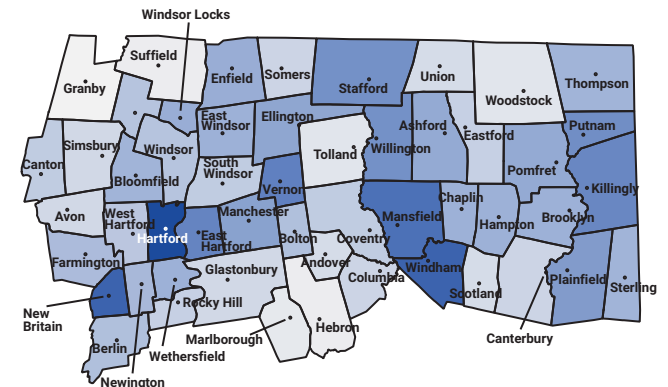
Town	Total HH	% ALICE & Poverty
Andover	1,235	19%
Ashford	1,780	32%
Avon	6,968	20%
Berlin	8,243	26%
Bloomfield	8,613	29%
Bolton	1,803	26%
Brooklyn	3,126	30%
Canterbury	1,839	21%
Canton	4,076	23%
Chaplin	910	30%
Columbia	2,073	21%
Coventry	4,774	23%
East Granby	2,125	25%
East Hartford	19,060	43%
East Windsor	4,802	30%
Eastford	698	22%
Ellington	7,141	33%
Enfield	16,472	31%
Farmington	10,455	27%
Glastonbury	13,562	20%
Granby	4,193	14%
Hampton	773	30%
Hartford	45,879	64%
Hebron	3,476	15%
Killingly	6,875	42%
Manchester	23,942	34%

Town	Total HH	% ALICE & Poverty
Mansfield	5,514	49%
Marlborough	2,350	16%
New Britain	28,383	54%
Newington	12,394	28%
Plainfield	5,710	36%
Pomfret	1,665	32%
Putnam	3,949	40%
Rocky Hill	8,599	22%
Scotland	634	19%
Simsbury	9,279	20%
Somers	3,466	21%
South Windsor	9,847	23%
Stafford	4,662	39%
Sterling	1,405	29%
Suffield	5,032	15%
Thompson	3,551	29%
Tolland	5,159	17%
Union	360	19%
Vernon	13,086	44%
West Hartford	24,491	24%
Wethersfield	10,843	30%
Willington	2,483	39%
Windham	8,491	54%
Windsor	10,844	25%
Windsor Locks	5,253	31%
Woodstock	3,043	17%

Household Survival Budget		
	SINGLE ADULT	2 ADULTS, 1 INFANT, 1 PRESCHOOLER
Monthly Costs		
Housing	\$752 - \$861	\$1,049 - \$1,204
Child Care	\$-	\$1,604 - \$1,854
Food	\$298 - \$314	\$821 - \$951
Transportation	\$357	\$826
Health Care	\$222	\$742
Technology	\$55	\$75
Miscellaneous	\$200 - \$211	\$602 - \$661
Taxes	\$317 - \$344	\$907 - \$1,053
Monthly Total	\$2,201 - \$2,321	\$6,626 - \$7,271
ANNUAL TOTAL	\$26,412 - \$27,852	\$79,512 - \$87,252
Hourly Wage	\$13.21 - \$13.93	\$39.72 - \$43.63

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 2018, costs were well above the Federal Poverty Level of \$12,140 for a single adult and \$25,100 for a family of four.



Below ALICE Threshold
14% 64%

Sources: AAA, 2018; Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality, 2018; American Community Survey, 2018; Bureau of Labor Statistics, 2018—Consumer Expenditure Surveys; Bureau of Labor Statistics, 2019—Consumer Expenditure Survey; Bureau of Labor Statistics, 2018—Occupational Employment Statistics; Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services, 2016—Medicare Current Beneficiary Survey; Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services, 2019; Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services, 2019—Medicare - Chronic Conditions; Connecticut Office of Early Childhood, 2018; Federal Highway Administration, 2017; Feeding America, 2019; Fowler, 2019; Internal Revenue Service, 2020; Internal Revenue Service—FICA, 2020; Medicare.gov; Scarborough, 2018; The Zebra, 2018; U.S. Department of Agriculture, 2018—Official USDA Food Plans; U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, 2018—Fair Market Rents; Walczak, 2019.