# Bristol, Connecticut

## General

| ACS, 2019–2023 | Bristol | State |
|---|---|---|
| Current Population | 61,129 | 3,598,348 |
| Land Area *mi²* | 26 | 4,842 |
| Population Density *people per mi²* | 2,315 | 743 |
| Number of Households | 24,737 | 1,420,170 |
| Median Age | 38 | 41 |
| Median Household Income | $83,458 | $93,760 |
| Poverty Rate | 8% | 10% |

## Economy

### Top Industries

| Lightcast, 2023 (2 and 3 digit NAICS) | Jobs | Share of Industry |
|---|---|---|
| 1 Government | 5,180 | |
| *Local Government* | | *67%* |
| 2 Health Care and Social Assistance | 4,659 | |
| *Hospitals* | | *31%* |
| 3 Information | 3,133 | |
| *Broadcasting & Content Providers* | | *75%* |
| 4 Manufacturing | 2,345 | |
| *Fabricated Metal Product Mfg* | | *68%* |
| 5 Retail Trade | 2,232 | |
| *Motor Vehicle and Parts Dealers* | | *24%* |
| Total Jobs, All Industries | 24,017 | |

### SOTS Business Registrations

Secretary of the State, March 2025

New Business Registrations by Year

| Year | 2020 | 2021 | 2022 | 2023 | 2024 |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Total | 337 | 499 | 569 | 603 | 576 |

Total Active Businesses 3,733

### Key Employers

Data from Municipalities, 2025

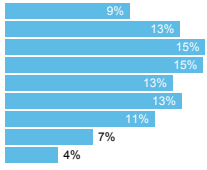
1. ESPN Inc.
2. Bristol Health
3. Amazon
4. Arthur G. Russell Co.
5. Bauer Aerospace

## Demographics

ACS, 2019–2023

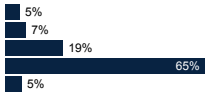
### Age Distribution

| | | State |
|---|---|---|
| Under 10 | 5,716 | 10% |
| 10 to 19 | 8,041 | 13% |
| 20 to 29 | 9,194 | 13% |
| 30 to 39 | 9,093 | 13% |
| 40 to 49 | 7,692 | 12% |
| 50 to 59 | 8,107 | 14% |
| 60 to 69 | 6,864 | 13% |
| 70 to 79 | 4,006 | 8% |
| 80 and over | 2,416 | 4% |




### Race and Ethnicity

| | State |
|---|---|
| Asian | 5% |
| Black | 10% |
| Hispanic or Latino/a | 18% |
| White | 63% |
| Other | 5% |



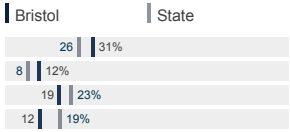

*Hispanic includes those of any race. Remaining racial groups include only non-hispanic. 'Other' includes American Indian, Alaska Native, Native Hawaiian, Pacific Islander, two or more races.*

### Language Spoken at Home

English

Spanish

### Educational Attainment




High School Diploma Only

Associate Degree

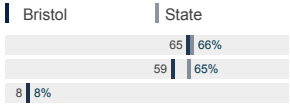
Bachelor's Degree

Master's Degree or Higher

## Housing

ACS, 2019–2023

| | Bristol | State |
|---|---|---|
| Median Home Value | $252,300 | $343,200 |
| Median Rent | $1,305 | $1,431 |
| Housing Units | 26,744 | 1,536,049 |




Owner-Occupied

Detached or Semi-Detached

Vacant

## Schools

CT Department of Education, 2024-25

### School Districts

| | Available Grades | Total Enrollment | Pre-K Enrollment | 4-Year Grad Rate (2022-23) |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Bristol School District | PK-12 | 7,713 | 295 | 88% |
| Statewide | - | 508,402 | 20,762 | 88% |

### Smarter Balanced Assessments

Met or Exceeded Expectations, 2023-24

| | Math | ELA |
|---|---|---|
| Bristol School District | 42% | 49% |
| Statewide | 44% | 49% |

# Bristol, Connecticut

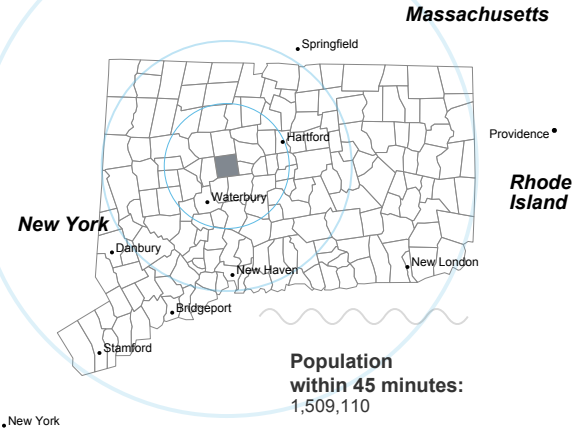
## Labor Force

CT Department of Labor, 2024

| | Bristol | State |
|---|---|---|
| Employed | 31,727 | 1,842,285 |
| Unemployed | 1,314 | 67,181 |
| Unemployment Rate | 4 4% | |
| Self-Employment Rate* | 7 10% | |

*ACS, 2019–2023

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




**Population within 45 minutes:** 1,509,110

## Access

ACS, 2019–2023

| | Bristol | State |
|---|---|---|
| Mean Commute Time * | 24 min | 26 min |
| No Access to a Car | 7 9% | |
| No Internet Access | 6 7% | |

### Commute Mode

| | |
|---|---|
| Public Transport | 1 3% |
| Walking or Cycling | 2 3% |
| Driving | 78 87% |
| Working From Home * | 10 14% |

### Public Transit

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

** 5 year estimates include pre-pandemic data*

## Fiscal Indicators

CT Office of Policy and Management, State FY 2021-22

### Municipal Revenue

| | |
|---|---|
| Total Revenue | $235,459,435 |
| Property Tax Revenue | $159,024,301 |
| *per capita* | $2,593 |
| *per capita, as % of state avg.* | 79% |
| Intergovernmental Revenue | $68,987,639 |
| Revenue to Expenditure Ratio | 106% |

### Municipal Expenditure

| | |
|---|---|
| Total Expenditure | $221,687,333 |
| Educational | $149,182,036 |
| Other | $72,505,297 |

### Grand List

| | |
|---|---|
| Equalized Net Grand List | $6,909,893,694 |
| *per capita* | $112,667 |
| *per capita, as % of state avg.* | 63% |
| Commercial/Industrial Share of Net Grand List | 21% |
| Actual Mill Rate | 38.35 |
| Equalized Mill Rate | 22.71 |

### Municipal Debt

| | |
|---|---|
| Moody's Rating (2024) | Aa2 |
| S&P Rating (2024) | AA+ |
| Total Indebtedness | $123,603,788 |
| *per capita* | $2,015 |
| *per capita, as % of state avg.* | 69% |
| *as percent of expenditures* | 56% |
| Annual Debt Service | $14,143,970 |
| *as % of expenditures* | 6% |

### About Town Profiles

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