## UNITED WAY OF CENTRAL AND NORTHEASTERN CONNECTICUT 🧃

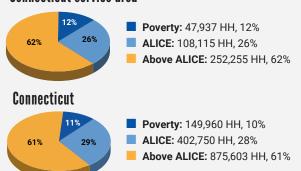
Number of Households - 408,307



## **Meet ALICE**

**ALICE** is an acronym for **A**sset **L**imited, **I**ncome **C**onstrained, **E**mployed — households that earn more than the Federal Poverty Level, but less than the basic cost of living for the county. Households below the ALICE Threshold — ALICE households plus those in poverty — can't afford the basics in the communities where they live.

## United Way of Central and Northeastern Connecticut service area



Note: Municipal-level data on this page is 5-year averages for Census County Subdivisions. Geographies with fewer than 100 households are not included.

Town	Total Households	% ALICE & Poverty
Andover	1,158	12%
Ashford	1,806	24%
Avon	7,579	24%
Berlin	8,221	29%
Bloomfield	8,984	36%
Bolton	1,917	25%
Brooklyn	2,925	35%
Canterbury	2,308	23%
Canton	4,221	29%
Chaplin	918	38%
Columbia	2,161	27%
Coventry	4,931	28%
East Granby	1,947	25%
East Hartford	20,086	51%
East Windsor	5,075	30%
Eastford	591	29%
Ellington	6,477	27%
Enfield	16,394	35%
Farmington	11,027	30%
Glastonbury	14,161	23%
Granby	4,277	27%
Hampton	681	25%
Hartford	48,277	67%
Hebron	3,528	23%
Killingly	7,137	39%
Manchester	24,900	37%

Town	Total Households	% ALICE & Poverty
Mansfield	6,672	49%
Marlborough	2,096	17%
New Britain	28,575	59%
Newington	12,514	28%
Plainfield	6,009	39%
Pomfret	1,692	34%
Putnam	4,010	47%
Rocky Hill	8,768	28%
Scotland	626	18%
Simsbury	9,187	21%
Somers	3,430	24%
South Windsor	9,865	22%
Stafford	4,693	35%
Sterling	1,205	41%
Suffield	5,307	21%
Thompson	3,819	28%
Tolland	5,319	24%
Union	397	27%
Vernon	12,980	40%
West Hartford	26,100	26%
Wethersfield	11,362	29%
Willington	2,660	37%
Windham	9,307	58%
Windsor	11,217	30%
Windsor Locks	5,417	35%
Woodstock	3,393	22%

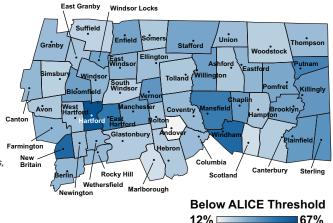
Household Survival Budget, 2022			
	SINGLE ADULT	2 ADULTS, 1 INFANT, 1 PRESCHOOLER	
Monthly Costs and Credits			
Housing - Rent	\$705	\$998	
Housing – Utilities	\$163	\$310	
Child Care	_	\$1,910	
Food	\$500	\$1,363	
Transportation	\$424	\$1,074	
Health Care	\$195	\$693	
Technology	\$86	\$116	
Miscellaneous	\$207	\$646	
Tax Payments	\$404	\$1,435	
Tax Credits	\$0	(\$433)	
Monthly Total	\$2,684	\$8,112	
ANNUAL TOTAL	\$32,208	\$97,344	
Hourly Wage*	\$16.10	\$48.67	

Sources: Sources: AAA, 2022; Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality, 2022; American Community Survey, 2022; Bureau of Labor Statistics, 2022—Consumer Expenditure Surveys; Bureau of Labor Statistics, 2022—Occupational Employment Statistics; Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services, 2023—Medicare - Chronic Conditions; Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services, 2020—Medicare Current Beneficiary Survey; Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services, 2023; Connecticut Office of Early Childhood, 2022; Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta—Policy Rules Database; Federal Highway Administration, 2017; Feeding America, 2023; Frank, 2022; Internal Revenue Service, 2022; Medicare.gov; The Zebra, 2022; U.S. Department of Agriculture, 2022—Official USDA Food Plans; U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, 2022—Fair Market Rents; USTelecom, 2022.

## The Cost of Basics Outpaces Wages

The Household Survival Budget reflects the minimum costs of household necessities (housing, child care, food, transportation, health care, and technology), plus taxes. It does not include savings for emergencies or future goals like college or retirement. In 2022, wage increases in low-wage jobs helped fill the gap when pandemic assistance expired, but wasn't enough for many workers to keep up with the rising costs of necessities.

To see costs for different household compositions and locations in Connecticut, visit <u>UnitedForALICE.org/Household-Budgets/Connecticut</u>



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