**County Facts: Windham County, CT**
Population 116,000

**The Local Economy**

- **Unemployment rate**: 5.0% (Windham County), 4.7% (CT), 4.4% (United States)
- **Poverty rate**: 15.1% (Windham County), 16% (CT), 15.1% (United States)
- **Median family income (000s)**: $74 (Windham County), $57 (CT), $57 (United States)
- **Population growth 2000-2017**: 16% (Windham County), 5% (CT), 7% (United States)
- **Manufacturing share of workforce**: 11% (Windham County), 10% (CT), 10% (United States)
- **Farming share of workforce**: 1.9% (Windham County), 1.7% (CT), 1.7% (United States)
- **Great Recession unemployment spike (pp)**: 4.7% (Windham County), 3.5% (CT), 3.5% (United States)

**How Local Kids' Lives Turn Out**

- **Percent graduating any college**: 60% (Windham County), 49% (CT), 46% (United States)
- **Percent reaching upper-middle class**: 31% (Windham County), 22% (CT), 20% (United States)
- **Percent achieving American Dream**: 13% (Windham County), 10% (CT), 10% (United States)
- **Percent giving birth as a teen**: 20% (Windham County), 14% (CT), 11% (United States)
- **Percent landing in jail**: 1.5% (Windham County), 1.2% (CT), 1.1% (United States)
- **Local school expenditure per student (000s)**: $9.8 (Windham County), $8.9 (CT), $6.4 (United States)
Local Colleges and Upward Mobility

### 4-Year Colleges
- **Low-income share of students**: 4.4% (Eastern Connecticut State Univ.), 5.6% (Connecticut 4-year-college average), 9.3% (U.S. 4-year-college average)
- **Low-income student success rate**: 45.3% (Eastern Connecticut State Univ.), 51.3% (Connecticut 4-year-college average), 59.1% (U.S. 4-year-college average)

### 2-Year Colleges
- **Low-income share of students**: 10.6% (Eastern Connecticut State Univ.), 12.2% (Connecticut 2-year-college average), 15.6% (U.S. 2-year-college average)
- **Low-income student success rate**: 30.3% (Eastern Connecticut State Univ.), 37.1% (Connecticut 2-year-college average), 32.9% (U.S. 2-year-college average)

* Data refers to the full college system, not just this campus. †: In nearby county

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Local Demographics

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Definitions and Sources

The Local Economy
- Unemployment rate (August 2018, BLS)
- Poverty rate (2012-2016 ACS)
- Median family income (2016 ACS)
- Manufacturing share of workforce (2012-2016 ACS)
- Farming share of workforce (2012-2016 ACS)
- Great Recession unemployment spike (BLS LAUS)

How Local Kids’ Lives Turn Out
- Percent graduating any college (2-yr or 4-yr, Tax Data 2, N/A for some counties)
- Percent reaching upper middle-class (top 20% of the U.S. income distribution, Tax Data 1, N/A for some counties)
- Percent achieving American Dream (share of local low-income kids—i.e. those with 25th-income-percentile parents—who reach the top 20% of the U.S. income distribution as adults, Tax Data 1, N/A for some counties)
- Percent (of local female kids) giving birth as a teen (Tax Data 1, N/A for some counties)
- Percent landing in jail (percent of local kids in jail on 1 April 2010, Tax Data 1 and 2010 Census, N/A for some counties)
- Local school expenditure per student (in public schools, NCES, N/A for some counties)

Local Colleges and Upward Mobility
- Low-income share of students (share of age-18-22 students with bottom-20% parents, Tax Data 2)
- Low-income student success rate (share of low-income age-18-22 students who reach the top 40% of the U.S. income distribution as adults, Tax Data 2)

Local Demographics
- Percent Black (2012-2016 ACS)
- Percent Hispanic (2012-2016 ACS)
- Percent over age 65 (2010 Census)
- Percent college grad (4-yr college, 2012-2016 ACS)
- Crime rate (serious violent and property arrests per 10,000 residents, FBI Uniform Crime Reports, N/A for some counties)
- Life expectancy (at age 40, Tax Data 3, N/A for some counties)
- Opioid deaths (per 10,000 residents in 2017, CDC, N/A for some counties and some counties report population weighted commuting zone average)

Sources Legend
- ACS: U.S. Census Bureau American Community Surveys, 2012-2016
- CDC: Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, National Center for Health Statistics. Multiple Cause of Death 1999-2017 on CDC WONDER Online Database.
- Census: U.S. Census Bureau