



8-30j, Affordable Housing, & CRCOG's Regional Housing Assessment

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Affordability in CT today

CT cities have some of the highest concentrations of extreme poverty and wealth in the nation

CT is one of the most expensive states to live in

Cost of living has increased over time while wages have stagnated

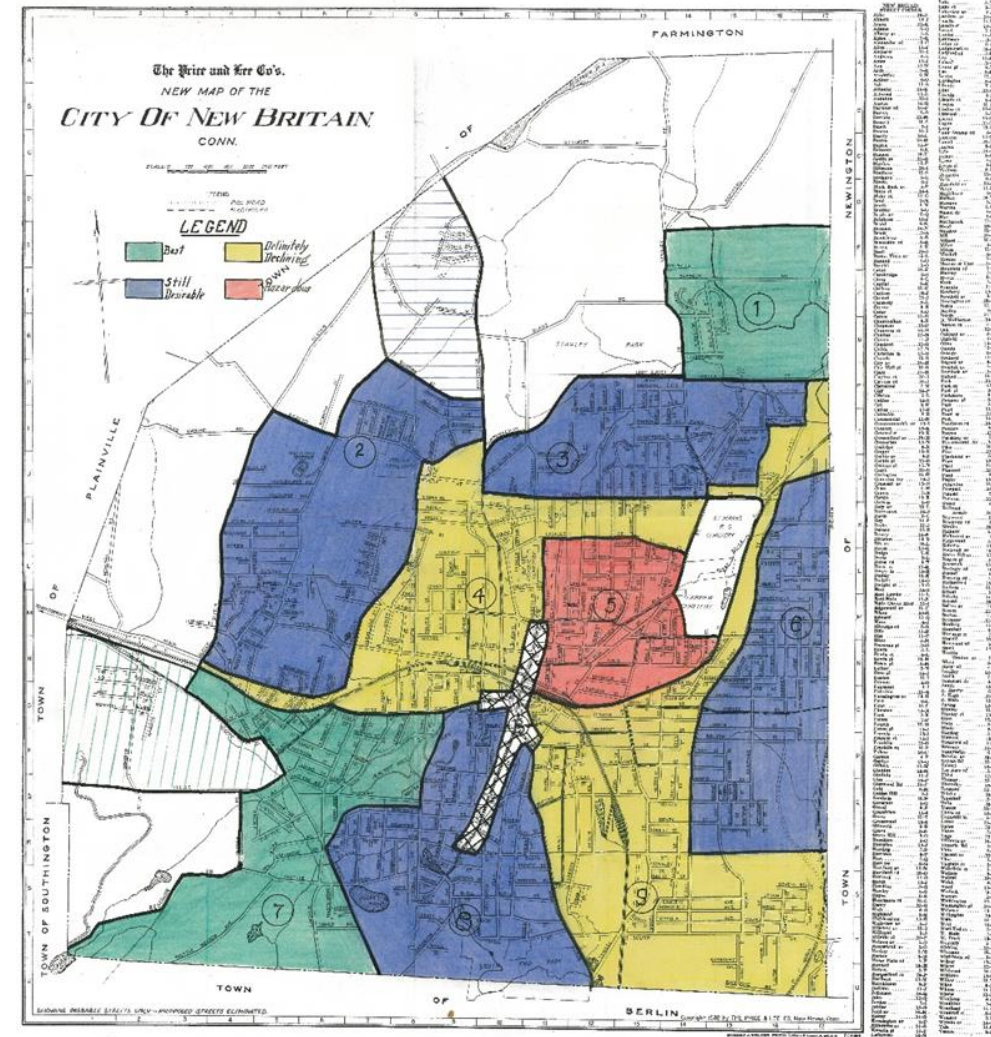


A History of Housing in CT

Mortgage security maps evaluated the mortgage lending risk for areas of a city

- Quality of housing
- Recent history of sale and rent values
- ***Racial and ethnic identity and class*** of the residents

Preference towards single-family housing
> exclusionary zoning barriers



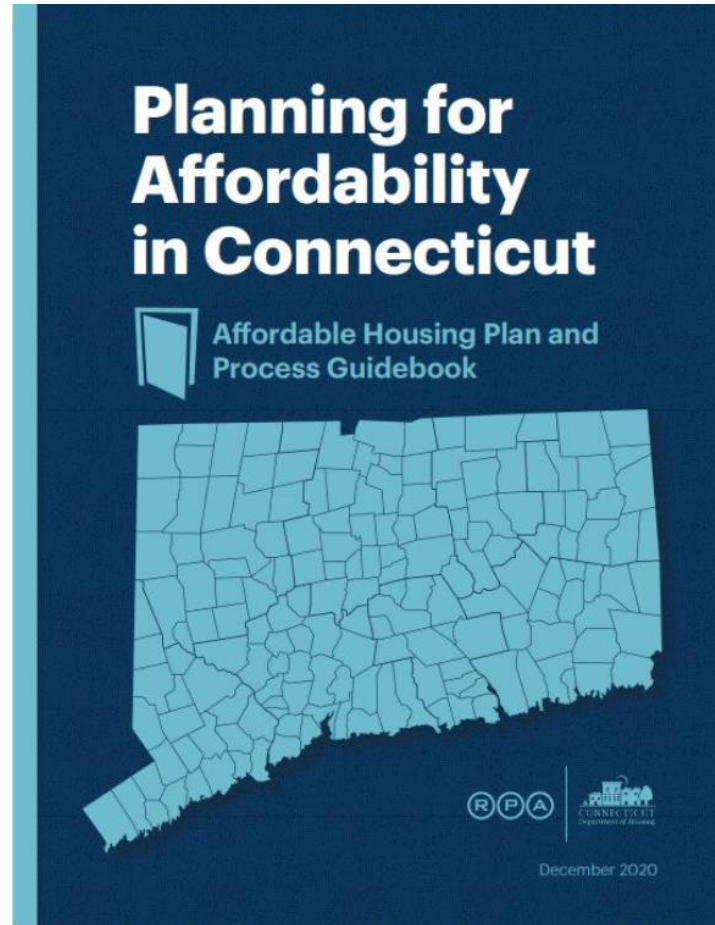
CGS 8-30j Legislation

Per CT General Statutes section 8-30j:

- At least once every 5 years each CT municipality must prepare, amend, or adopt an Affordable Housing Plan
- The plan must specify how the municipality intends to increase the number of affordable housing developments in the municipality
- Effective as of July 2017, compliance required by July 2022

Affordable Housing Plan

What is it and what should be included?



Affordable Housing Plan Checklist

Planning Process

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Establish leadership team/affordable housing committee |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Design & carry out community engagement & communications strategy |

Plan Document

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Community values statement |
| <input type="checkbox"/> History of affordable housing in your town |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Housing needs assessment |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Land use and zoning assessment |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Plan principles, goals & actions |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Implementation strategy |

<https://rpa.org/work/reports/connecticut-affordable-housing-plan-process-guidebook>

Affordable Housing Plan

A chance to be proactive vs reactive (8-30j vs 8-30g)

Recognition of people impacted and conversations around community goals

Affordable housing *and* housing affordability

Housing is the cornerstone of opportunity in CT and across the country



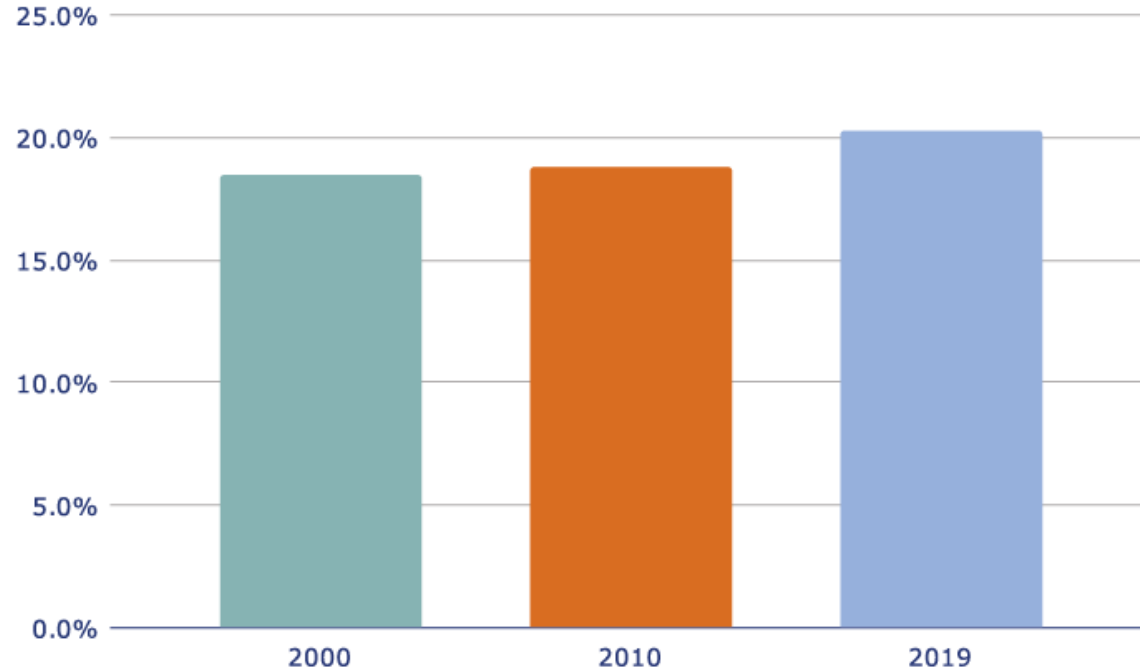
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- Gather and analyze a variety of demographic, housing, & economic data
- Report presents a snapshot of town's current conditions
- Solutions will vary between towns



Young Adult Population

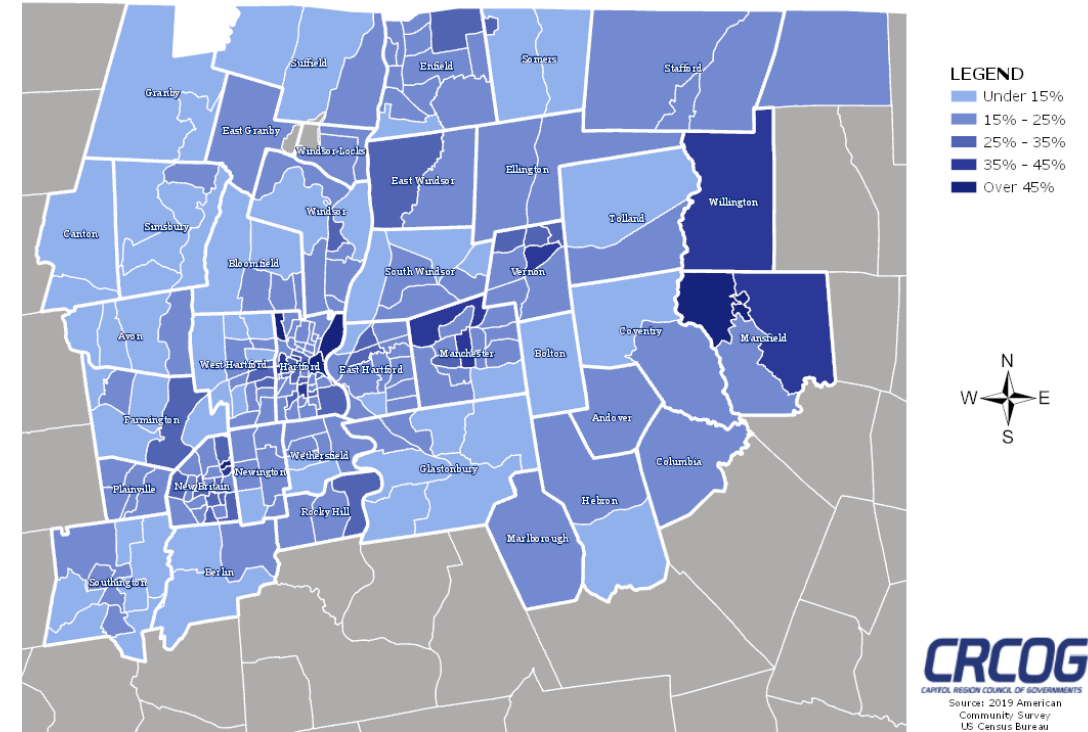
Percent of Regional Population - Ages 20-34



Source: 2019 American Community Survey
United States Census Bureau

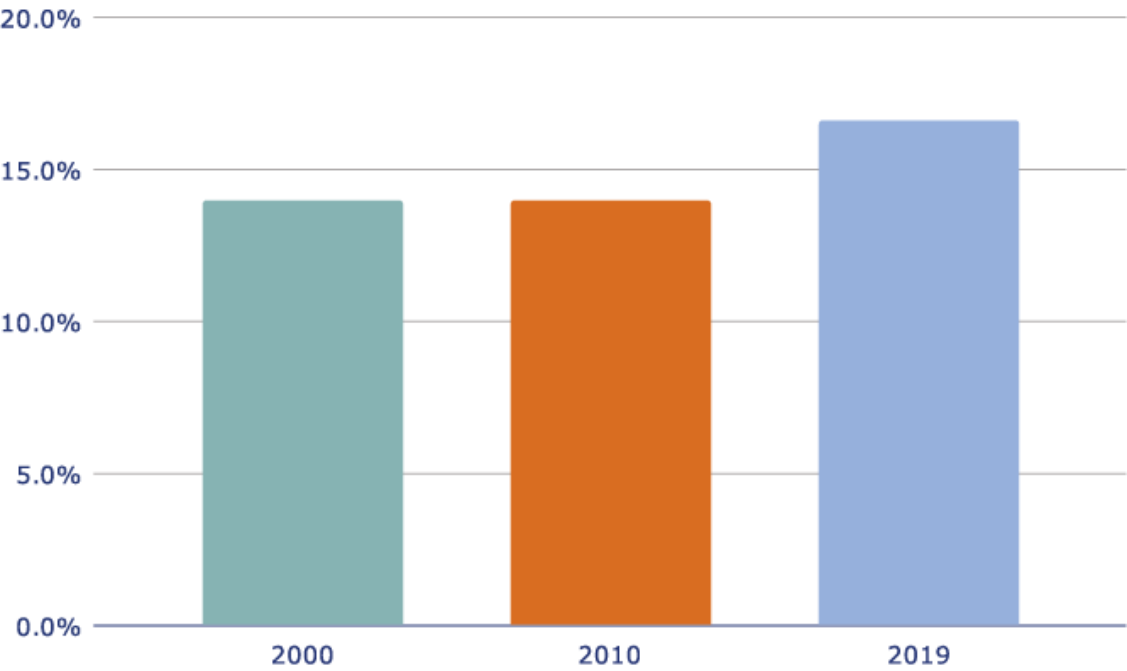
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YOUNG ADULT POPULATION (PERCENT OF POPULATION)



Elderly Population

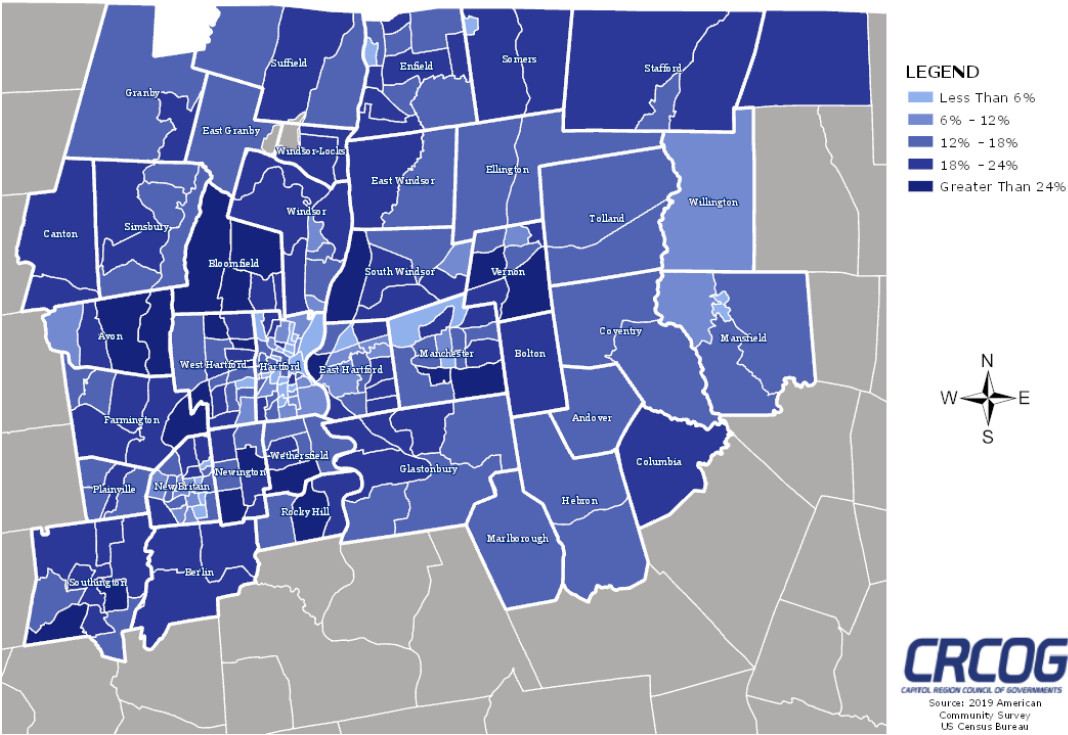
Percent of Regional Population - Elderly (65+)



Source: 2019 American Community Survey
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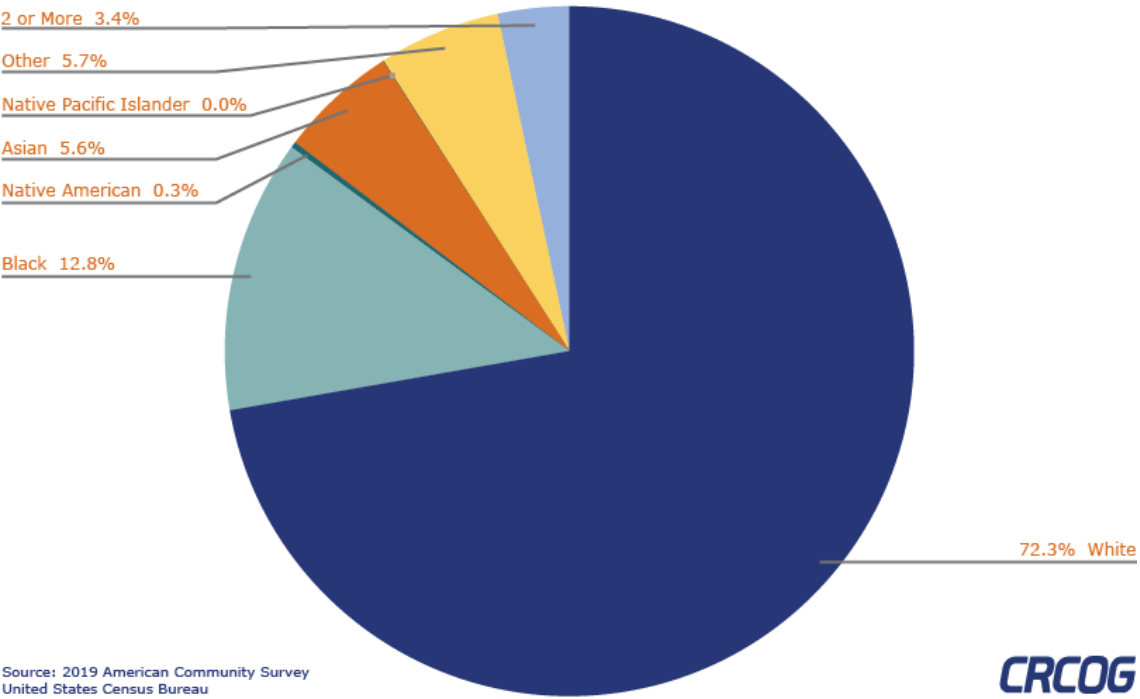


ELDERLY POPULATION (PERCENT OF POPULATION)

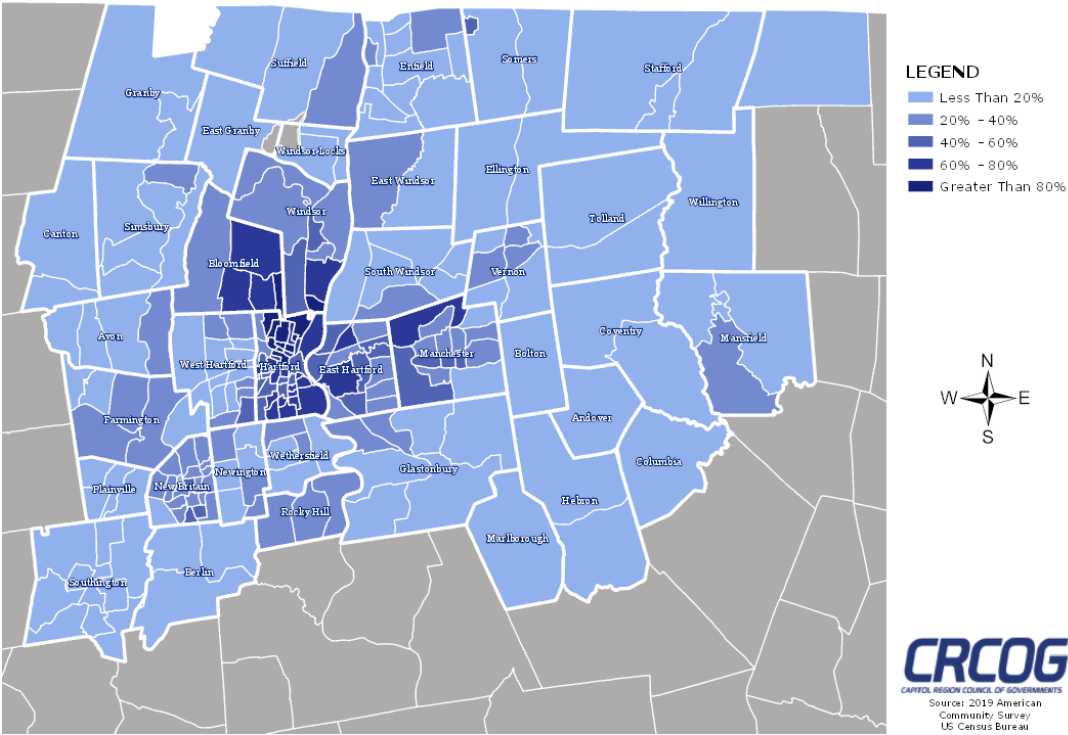


Racial Minority Population

Region Wide Demographic Data - Race

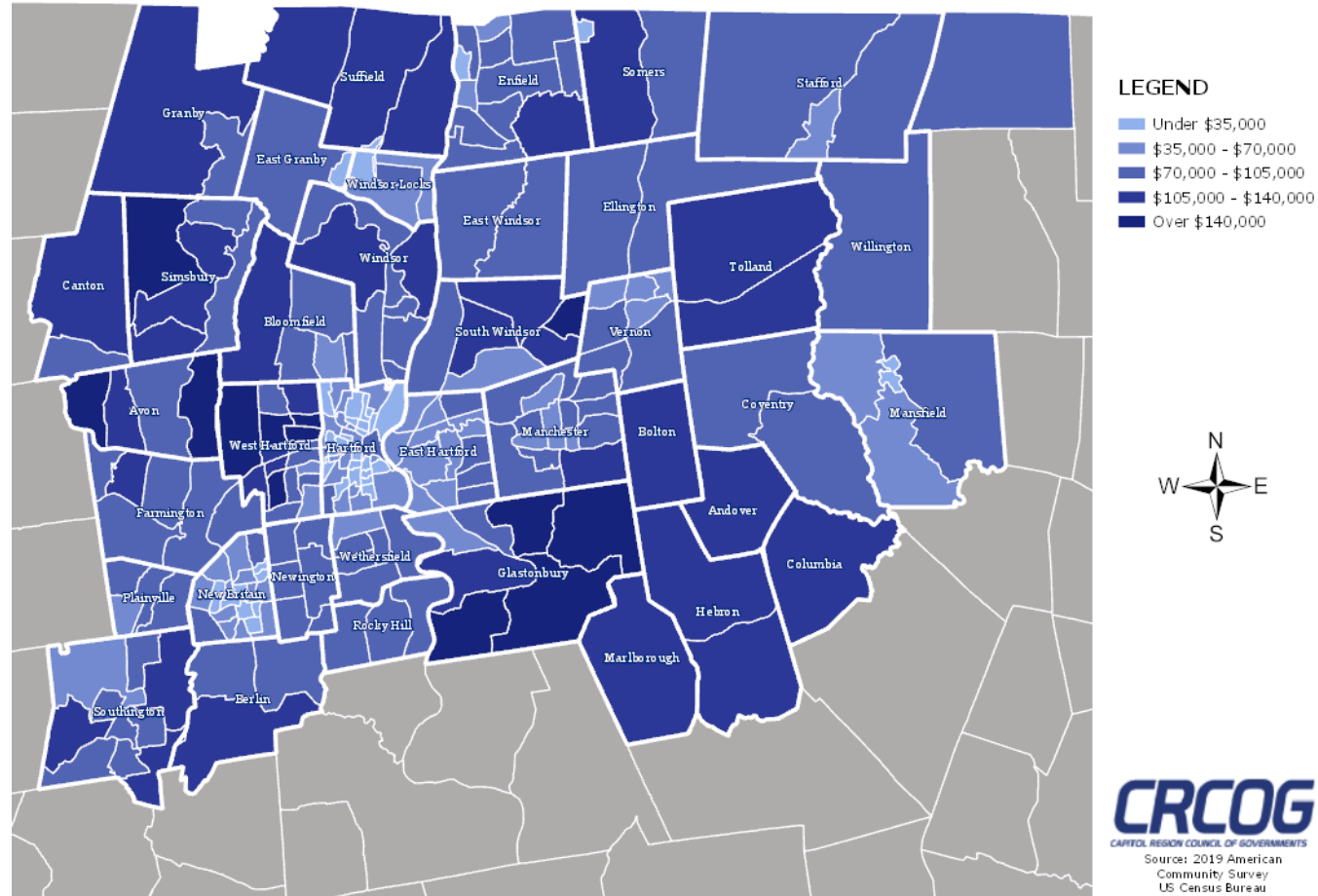


RACIAL MINORITY POPULATION (PERCENT OF POPULATION)



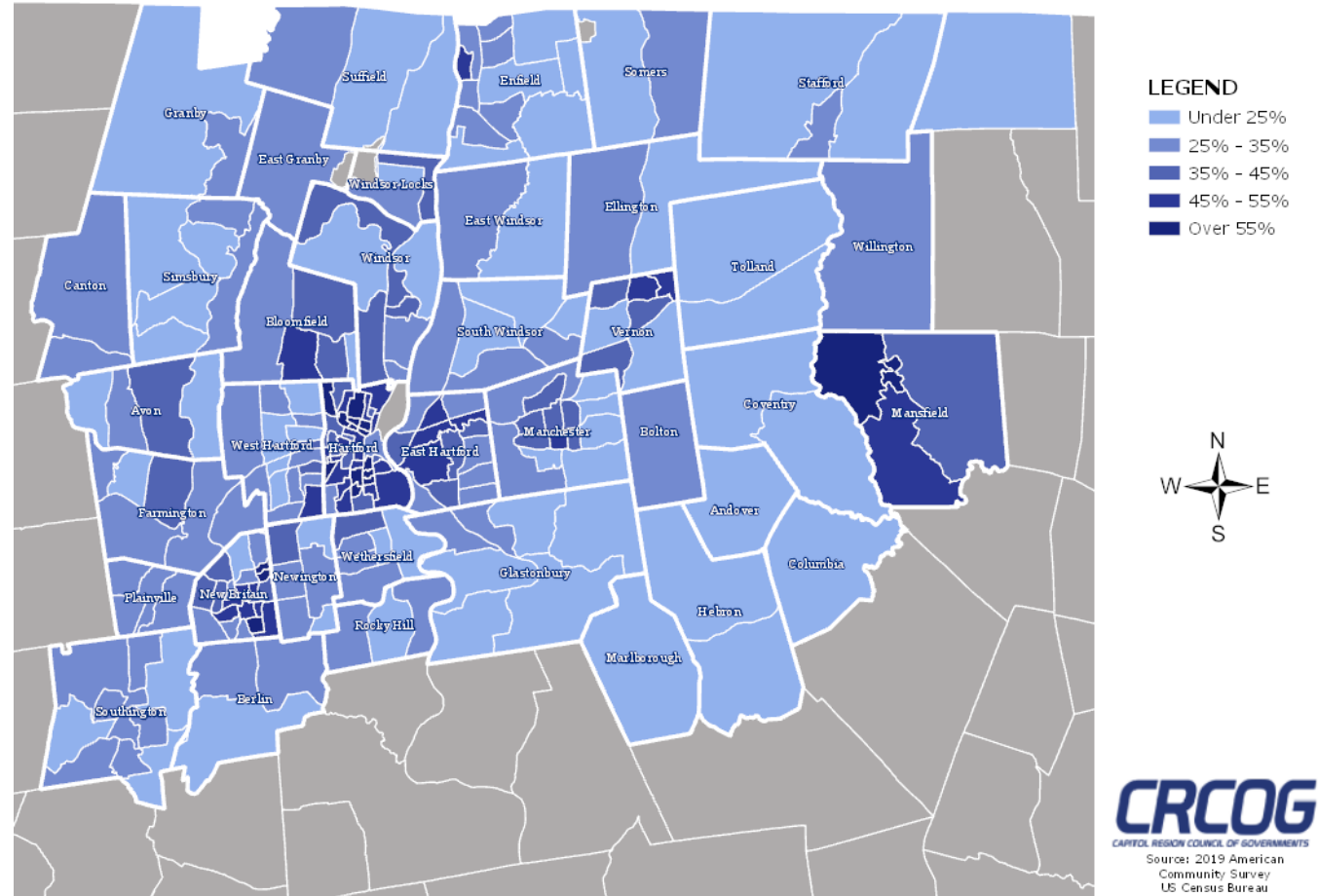
Median Household Income

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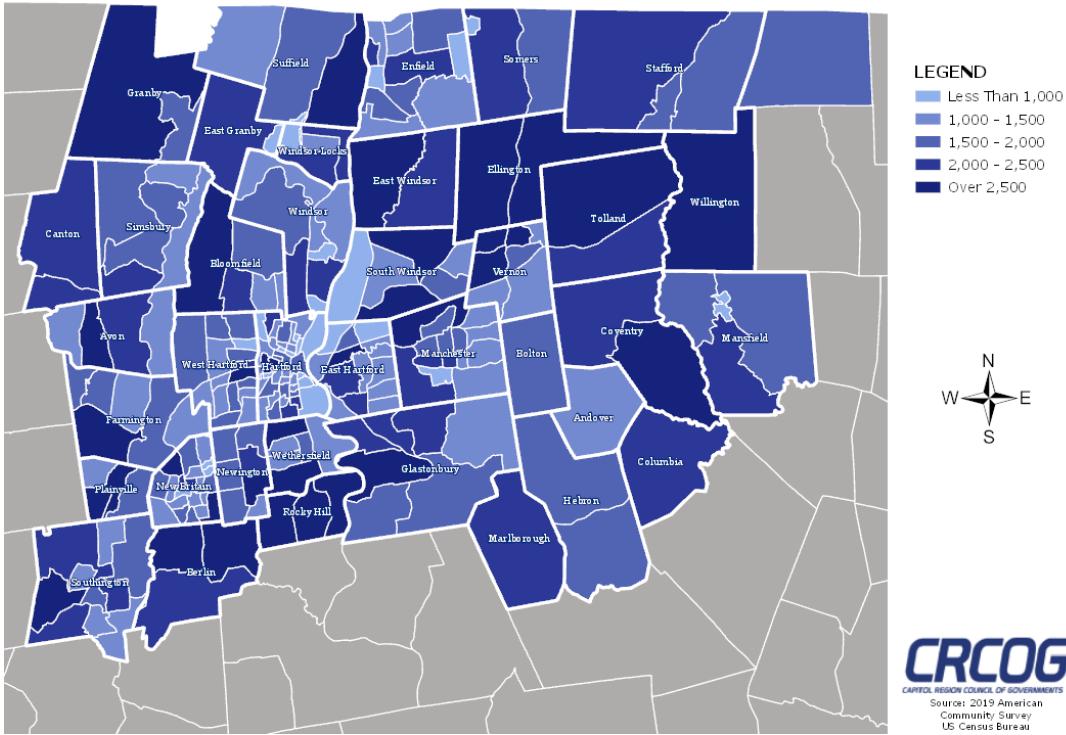
High Housing Cost Burden

HIGH COST BURDENED HOUSEHOLDS (% OF HOUSEHOLDS)

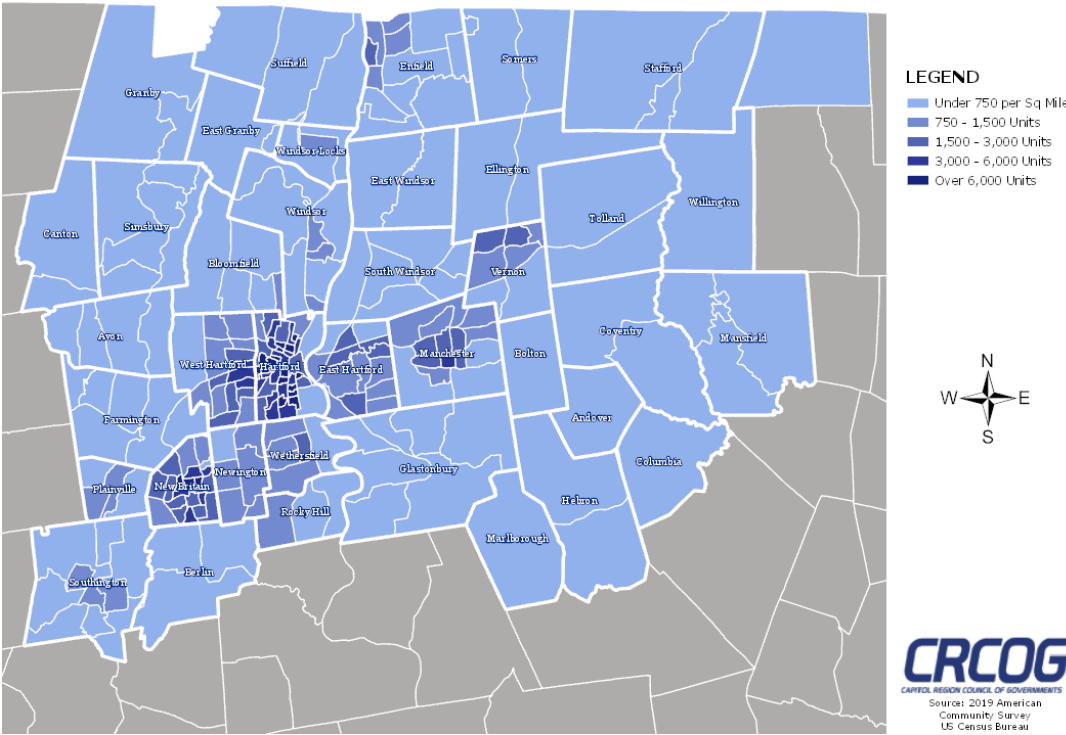


Housing Stock

TOTAL HOUSING UNITS

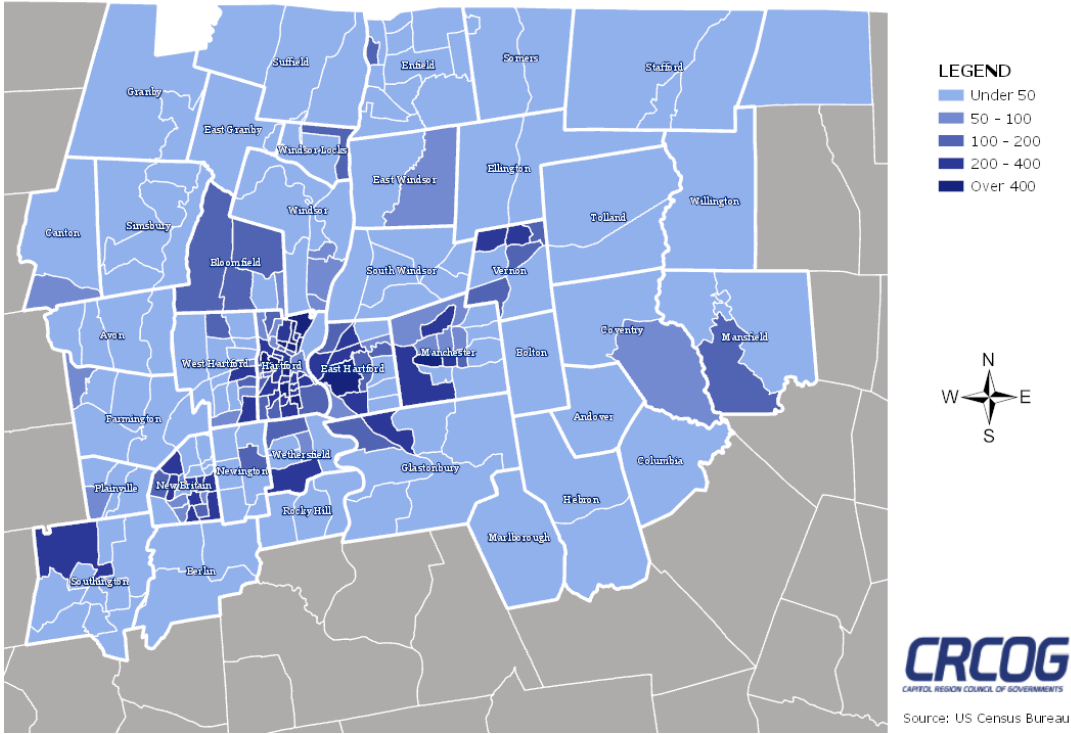


HOUSING DENSITY (UNITS PER SQUARE MILE)

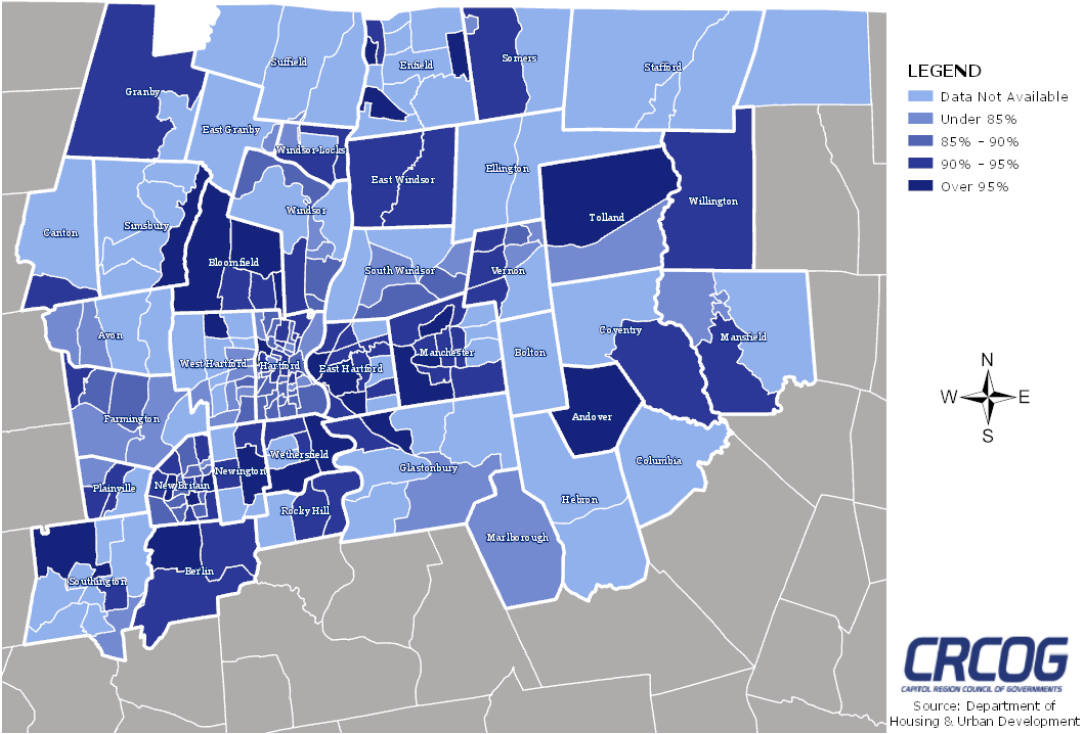


Subsidized Housing Units

TOTAL SUBSIDIZED UNITS



PERCENT SUBSIDIZED UNITS OCCUPIED



Affordable Housing Toolkit

Affordable Housing Toolkit

CRCOG is providing to our Member Towns an Affordable Housing Toolkit to help give additional context when shaping their upcoming Affordable Housing Plans. This Toolkit provides town demographic and housing data in respective dashboards; further analysis of important topics, and downloadable data at the town and census tract levels.

Data Dashboards

[Demographic Data Dashboard](#) | [Housing Data Dashboard](#)

To view the town level data on the dashboards, click on the town name in the upper left corner.

Downloadable Data

[Town Level Data](#) | [Census Tract Level Data](#) | [Data Identification Key](#)

Important Topic Analysis

