

# Hartford Data Snapshot

Children & Youth in Poverty



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Twenty-eight percent of Hartford residents live in poverty, and that percentage increases to 37% for children under 18. We reviewed the available data about Hartford children under 18 who lived below the poverty by neighborhood. The data are based on 5-year estimates from the US Census American Community Survey. The Census Bureau uses family income and size to determine poverty levels.

## Hartford and Connecticut Poverty Rates are Declining, However More Than a Third of Hartford Children Live Below Poverty



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Hartford neighborhoods have varying percentages of children that live in poverty. Blue Hills stands at about 9%, and Clay Arsenal stands at 67%, being the highest and the lowest percentages, respectively.

### Percentage of Children Below Poverty By Neighborhood

Below poverty accounts for the money income before taxes that falls below the poverty threshold.

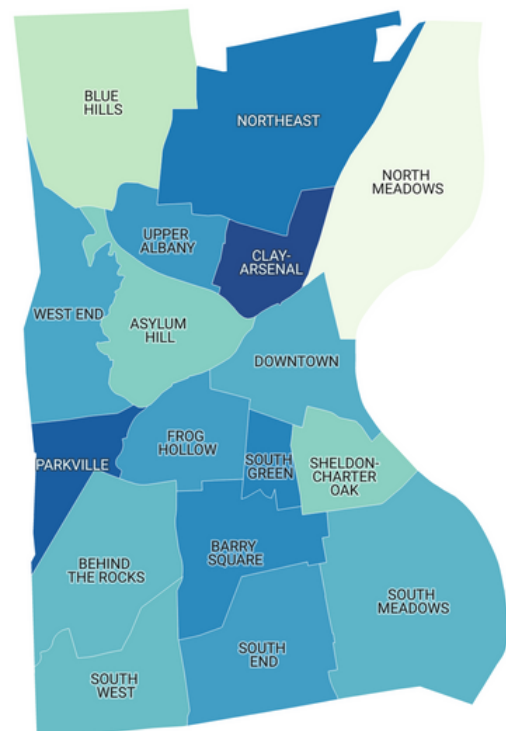


### Percentage of Children Below Poverty By Neighborhood

Below poverty accounts for the money income before taxes that falls below the poverty threshold.

ASYLUM HILL	20%
PARKVILLE	60%
SHELDON-CHARTER OAK	19%
SOUTH END	37%
SOUTH GREEN	46%
SOUTH MEADOWS	29%
SOUTH WEST	26%
UPPER ALBANY	39%
WEST END	34%
BARRY SQUARE	44%
BEHIND THE ROCKS	27%
BLUE HILLS	9%
CLAY-ARSENAL	67%
DOWNTOWN	31%
FROG HOLLOW	37%
NORTHEAST	50%
NORTH MEADOWS	0%

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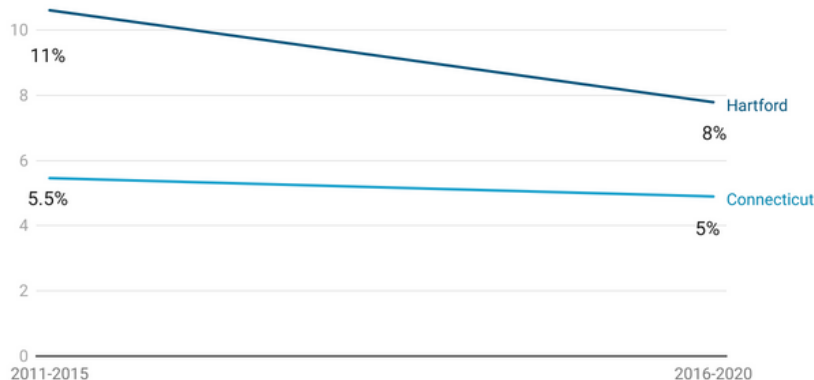
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## Disengaged Youth

This graph details the percentage of young people ages 16-19 that are neither engaged in education nor the workforce (disengaged youth). The data describes how the percentage of disengaged youth in the state of Connecticut overall and the city of Hartford changed between 2011 and 2020. The most recent data show a difference between the percentage of disengaged youth in Hartford and the state overall was about three percentage points.

### Percentage of Disengaged Youth in CT and Hartford (2011-2020)

Disengaged youths are not enrolled in school, not employed and/or not in the labor force.



Source: American Community Survey estimates, Table B14005

## Family Structure

Roughly a third of Hartford children live in single parent households. U.S. Census data illustrates that while the percentage of single-parent households has gone down in recent years, there is still quite a disparity between the state overall and the city of Hartford. In the years of 2011-2015, the percentage point difference was 22% and in the years of 2016-2020 the difference was 19%.

### Percentage of Single Parent Families (2011-2020)

These charts account for single parents in the state of Connecticut and the City of Hartford that have their own children and have never been married, widowed or divorced.



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