

		SCOREBOARD: CONNECTICUT vs. SELECT HIGH-GROWTH STATES - Sept 2025							
	Source	Date / Period	Denomination	CONN	TX	TN	UT	U. S.	
COST OF LIVING - KEY ITEMS									
Average State Income Taxes Paid Per Household	U.S. Census: Annual Survey of State Tax Collections	FY 2024	Calculated Per Household	\$9,098	\$0	\$1,041	\$6,055	\$4,997	
Average Sales Tax Paid Per Houseold		FY 2024	Calculated Per Household	\$6,308	\$6,544	\$6,199	\$4,830	\$5,226	
Median Property Taxes Per Home Owner		Nov 2023 / 2022	Per Home Owner	\$8,300	\$5,066	\$1,789	\$2,650	NA	
Average Electricity Costs Per Household	Energy Info Admin	LTM as of Jul 25	Per Household	\$2,564	\$2,199	\$1,875	\$1,120	\$1,945	
Total				\$26,269	\$13,809	\$10,904	\$14,655		
DEMOGRAPHICS									
Population	U.S. Census	07-01-24	(000)	3,675	31,291	7,228	3,504	340,111	
Population Race - % White Only	U.S. Census	2020	(% of total)	65%	47%	69%	73%	62%	
Populatn change (Net Migration - Domestic)	U.S. Census	4/1/2020 - 7/1/2024	(000)	-24	748	252	52	NA	
Populatn change (Net Migratn - Foreign, inc P Rico)	U.S. Census	4/1/2020 - 7/1/2024	(000)	95	821	73	78	7,170	
Number of Households	U.S. Census	2024	(000)	1,455	11,450	2,929	1,184	129,871	
No. of Individuals Covered by Fedl Tax Returns	IRS	2022	(000)	3,203	26,776	6,113	3103	293,617	
AGI: Average Federal AGI (Per Indiv Covered)	IRS	2022	Per Individual	\$67,845	\$46,762	\$43,766	\$45,515	\$50,346	
ECONOMY									
Gross Domestic Product	U.S. BEA	2024	Current \$ Billions	\$366	\$2,709	\$550	\$301	\$29,185	
Real GDP Growth	U.S. BEA	2019-2024	CAGR in 2019 Dollars	0.8%	4.2%	3.5%	4.0%	2.40%	
Change in Civilian Labor Force	U.S. BLS	Aug 2024 - Aug 2025	(000); % Chng over Period	-10; -0.5%	209; 1.3%	86; 2.5%	-3; -0.2%	1,118; 0.7%	
TAXATION									
Top state income tax rate	Tax Foundation	2025	Tax Rate	6.99%	0.00%	0.00%	4.55%	NA	
Combined state sales & avg local sales tax rate	Tax Foundation	As of 2/6/24	Tax Rate	6.35%	8.20%	9.61%	7.42%	NA	
Property Taxes on Owner-Occupied Home Value [Highest rank = worst]	Tax Foundation	2023	Tax Rate (Rank)	1.48% (#3)	1.36% (#7)	0.49% (#43)	0.47% (#46)	NA	
Median: Home Value (Property Tax)	Bankrate/RedFin	Apr-25	(\$000)	\$466 (\$8.3)	\$340 (\$5.1)	\$389 (\$1.8)	\$589 (\$2.6)	NA	
State Gas Tax (Excise tax at the pump)	Tax Foundation	07-01-25	Cents per Gallon	25.0¢	20.0¢	27.4¢	39.15¢	NA	
BUSINESS CONSIDERATIONS									
Corporate Tax Rate - CT inclg 10% surcharge	Tax Foundation	2025	Tax Rate	8.25%	0.00%	6.50%	4.55%	NA	
Electricity Rates: Residentl (R) / Commercl (C)	U.S. EIA	LTM as of Sep-2025	Cents per Kilowatt Hour	27.24 (R) 21.36 (C)	15.23 (R) 8.6 (C)	13.98 (R) 13.49 (C)	13.12 (R) 10.58 (C)	17.10 (R) 13.30 (C)	
Interstate Highway Congestion: Number of Top 100 Bottlenecks	Amer. Transpo Research Inst	2025	No. of Top 100 in State	4	12	7	NA	90 in 20 states	
STATE FINANCES - Aggregate (\$B) / Per Capita									
Bonded Debt: Total / Per Capita	ACFR	2024	\$B / \$ Per Capita	\$27.5B / \$7,483	\$63B / \$2,013	\$1.9B / \$260	\$1.7B / \$485	NA	
Genl Fund Spending: Total / Per Capita	NASBO	Fiscal 2024	\$B / \$ Per Capita	\$22.7B / \$6,176	\$83.7B / \$2,675	\$23.9B / \$3,306	\$11.5B / \$3,281	\$1,288B / \$3,787	
Unfunded Pensions & OPEBs: Total / Per Capita	ACFR	2024	\$B, \$ Per Capita	\$54.8B / \$14,911	\$82.2B / \$2,627	\$2.1B / \$287	\$0.85B / \$242	NA	
Medicaid-CHIP Enrollmt (000)	Kaiser (KFF)	May-25	(000)	917	4,174	1,433	337	78,578	
State Medicaid Spending: \$Billion (% of FY23 Gen Fd)	Kaiser (KFF)	Fed FY 2023	\$B (% of SF Gen Fund)	\$3.8B (36.6%)	\$19.9B (34.7%)	\$3.6B (29.1%)	\$1.1B (24.5%)	\$273.8B (31.1%)	
Rainy Day Fund: \$Billion (% of Genl Fund)	NASBO	Fiscal 2024	\$B / % of Genl Fund	\$4.11B (18.4%)	\$14.2B (20.3%)	\$2.1B (7.5%)	\$1.5B (12.5%)	(Median: 14.4%)	
Long Term Fiscal Surplus/(Shortfall) Total; Per Capita; Rank [50=worst]	Truth in Accounting	Fiscal 2024	\$B; \$ Per Capita; Rank	(\$62B); (\$44,500); #50	(\$11B); (\$1,100); #27	\$25B; \$10,900; #5	\$17B; \$14,400; # 4		
STATE EMPLOYEE COMPENSATION									
State Employee Pension Fund: Funded Ratio; Unfunded Liability (UAAL)	BC Retirement Center	2023	%; \$Billions (US \$Trillions)	63.6%; \$38.3M	76.2%; \$93.1M	83.44%; \$1.3M	94.6%; \$2.8M	NA	
State Gov: FTE Headcount; Payroll; Average Comp	U.S. Census	As of Mar 2024; Mar 2024 annualized	(000); (US payroll in billions)	59; \$5.8B; \$98	321; \$25.8B; \$80	80; \$5.9B; \$73	71; \$5.8B; \$82	5,529; \$371B; \$67	
Local Gov: FTE Headcount; Payroll; Average Comp	U.S. Census			128; \$10.1B; \$79	1,282; \$80.1B; \$62	267; \$15.5B; \$58	104; \$7.0B; \$67	12,591; \$916B; \$73	
Averg Salary - Public & Private Workers	U.S. Census	2024	Per Individual	\$56,190	\$41,614	\$40,729	\$41,806	\$45,256	
EDUCATION - PUBLIC SCHOOLS									
8th Grade Math - NAEP Score; (Rank)	NAEP Test	2024	Score / Rank	277 (#17)	269 (#34)	276 (#19)	282 (#4)	272	
8th Grade Reading - NAEP Score; (Rank)	NAEP Test	2024	Score / Rank	263 (#5)	252 (#44)	259 (#20)	261 (#8)	257	
Total public school enrollment	Ntl. Center Ed Stats	Fall, 2023	Actual Enrollment	512,652	5,532,518	1,004,625	689,883	49,516,361	
Per Pupil Spending: Pre-K - 12	U.S. Census	2023	50 States & DC	\$25,081	\$12,304	\$12,197	\$10,333	\$16,526	
Special Ed Population: Age 5 to 21 (% of Total School Population)	IDEA ClicData	2023	Headcount (000)	84 (16%)	735 (13.5%)	125 (15%)	87 (14%)	7301 (15%)	
PUBLIC SAFETY									
Violent Crime - Number of Incidences	50-state-crime-data	2019 / 2024	(000) for U.S.	6,583 / 4,998	122,263 / 121,845	40,908 / 42,807	7,588 / 8,045	1,250 / 1,269	
Urban Shootings - Police Dept Reports	State Comptroller	YTD 2025	No. of Shootings: Fatal & Non-Fatal ⁽³⁾	96 - New Haven 48 - Hartford	93 - Dallas 175 - Houston	146 - Memphis 216 - Nashville	5 - Salt Lake City	NA	
State Shootings	FBI	YTD Sep 2025 Annualized	No. of Shootings: Fatal	64	1983	709	144	12427	
Population: Hartford & N Haven; Houston & Dallas; Nashville & Memphis; SLC	U.S. Census	07-01-24	(000)	255	3,608	1,322	1,185	NA	
Urban Shootings per 100K	Calculated	Full Yr Projection 2025	Rate per 100,000	56.47	7.43	27.38	0.42	NA	
Drug OD Deaths: Total; Rate per 100K; Rank [lowest=worst]	Stateline / CDC	2024	Total; Rate; Rank	1,254; 35; #19	5,688; 19; #45	3,476; 48; #3	722; 21; #44	101; 168; #29	