

POPULATION

The Town of Westerly is home to a year-round population of approximately 22,700 residents and welcomes thousands of day trippers, vacationers and seasonal residents each year. Our actively-engaged community is a primary reason for the economic successes we've had reviving our downtown in the wake of the Great Recession and bringing back our beach after Hurricane Sandy.

DEMOGRAPHICS

Census Bureau data for the first half of the decade has indicated general stability throughout our local demographics. Females compose slightly more than half of residents and the median age remains above the national median. While the number of senior and elderly residents (aged 65+) has increased, in consistence with a regional trend, the number of young adults (aged 18-34) has also grown by just over 500.

EDUCATION

The number of West'lyans who hold an Associate's degree or higher has reached an all-time high (43.3%) as more young adults choose to continue their academic career and more educational opportunities are made available to adults. Significant progress, including the opening of the Westerly Education Center and the initiation of a P-TECH pathway at Westerly High School, is being made to invest in our residents and ensure we are supplying you candidates for employment who are tech-savvy, skilled and knowledgeable.

HOUSEHOLDS + INCOME

There are 9,600 households in Westerly, of which almost two-thirds (64.5%) are families. In the most recent estimates available, nearly four out of every ten residents live in a home with an income of \$75,000 or more. In contrast, one out of every ten residents live below the poverty level.

Gender Balance

2010



2011-15



- female
- male

2010 Census and 2011-15 ACS estimates

Median Age

2010

45.7 years

2011-15

45.1 years

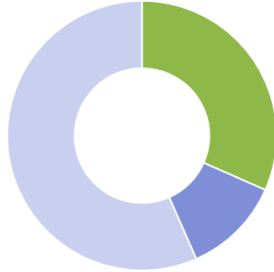
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Educational Attainment

2006-10



2011-15



- less than Associate's degree
- Associate's degree
- Bachelor's degree or higher

2006-10 and 2011-15 ACS estimates

Median Income

Households

\$61,500

Families

\$73,108

2011-2015 ACS estimates