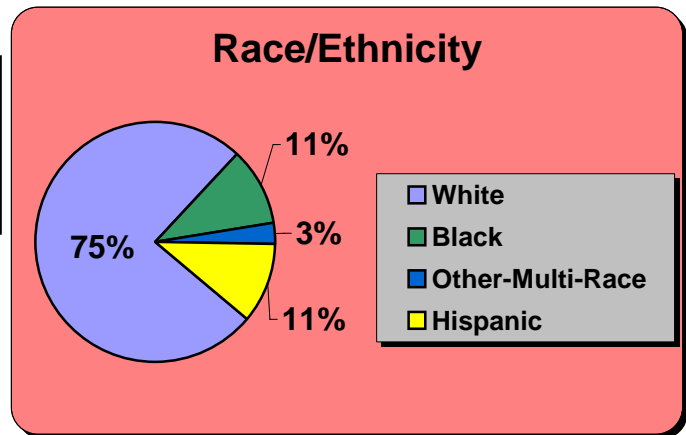




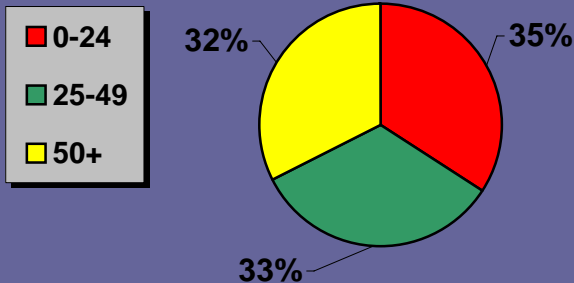
## Regional Workforce Profile

The 37-town region served by Capital Workforce Partners has a land area of 973 square miles and is home to 959,322 residents.

The region's population is comprised of 75% whites, 11% Blacks, 11% Hispanics and 3% Other/Multi-Race individuals.



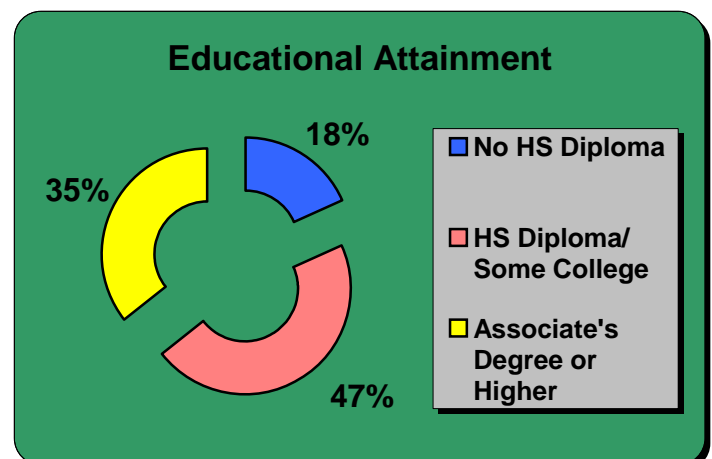
### Age Distribution



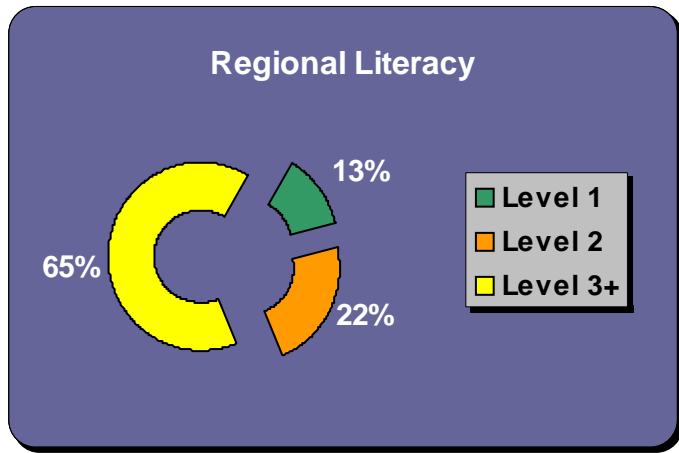
The region's median age is 39.7. The age distribution is demonstrated in the pie chart to the left.

Of residents age 25+, 18% do not have a high school diploma, 47% possess a diploma or some college, and 35% have earned an Associate's degree or higher.

The 2003 cumulative dropout rate was 7.8% (down 1.3% from previous year) and 84.1% of graduates pursue post-secondary education.



Thirty-five (35) percent of the region's population 16 and over function at literacy levels one and two (out of five levels, five being the highest). Individuals at levels one or two would not be able to perform the following tasks: read an ATM screen, decipher a bus schedule, read a newspaper, read the dosage on a medicine bottle, or fill out a job application.



**HOUSEHOLD INCOME IN 1999**

	<b>Number</b>	<b>Percent</b>
Households	384,628	49.49%
Less than \$10,000	29,063	3.74%
\$10,000 to \$14,999	19,742	2.54%
\$15,000 to \$24,999	38,238	4.92%
\$25,000 to \$34,999	41,085	5.29%
\$35,000 to \$49,999	57,062	7.34%
\$50,000 to \$74,999	80,209	10.32%
\$75,000 to \$99,999	52,243	6.72%
\$100,000 to \$149,999	43,223	5.56%
\$150,000 to \$199,999	12,174	1.57%
\$200,000 or more	11,589	1.49%

**Labor Force Information**

**OCCUPATION**

Management, professional, and related occupations	24.36%
Service occupations	8.61%
Sales and office occupations	17.07%
Farming, fishing, and forestry occupations	0.12%
Construction, extraction, and maintenance occupations	4.44%
Production, transportation, and material moving occupations	7.61%

**MISCELLANEOUS**

Labor Force – September 2005	50,3449
Unemployment Rate – September 2005	4.6%
Per Capita Income	\$51,521

Capital Workforce Partners is looking to support an effective workforce development system that strategically connects economic development and education resources to build and maintain a strong and vibrant workforce by researching and understanding the individual towns' growth and vitality.

Sources: 2000 Census, CT Department of Economic and Community Development, CT Department of Labor, CT Department of Education, National Institute for Literacy.