

# Demographic Profile of Puerto Rican Citizenship Voting Age Population (CVAP) in Connecticut, 2022

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## **About This Report**

This data sheet documents the Puerto Rican Citizenship Voting Age Population (CVAP) counts for the year 2022 in Connecticut. It provides a summary demographic and socio-economic profile of U.S. citizens (older than 18) of Puerto Rican descent residing in the state of Connecticut who are eligible to vote in the 2024 primaries and subsequent elections. We use microdata from the American Community Survey (1-year estimates) harmonized by IPUMS USA.

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## What Is CVAP?

- CVAP stands for Citizen Voting Age Population, and it is a count of individuals that are 18 years or older who should be able to vote.
- This categorization should not be confused with the registered voter count.
- This data is useful to understand the potential voting profile of a particular population.
- This presentation provides a demographic and socio-economic profile of the Latino CVAP counts for Connecticut for 2022.
- This count can help us identify the potential political power of Latinos residing in Connecticut.

## **Total Latino CVAP Counts for Connecticut**

In 2022, Latinos accounted for 10% of the population of Connecticut, but only 6% of the CVAP. In contrast, Puerto Ricans accounted for 8.2% of the state's population, but only 7% of the CVAP.

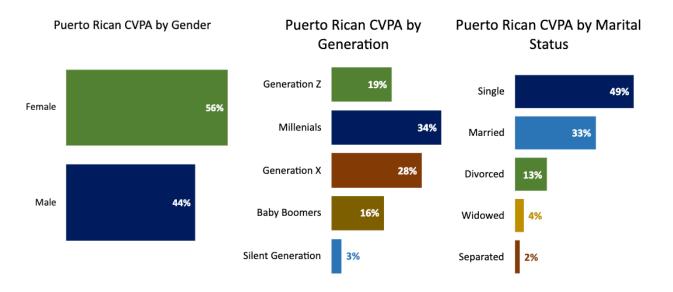
Group	Count	⁰∕₀
All other Hispanics	165,371	6%
Puerto Ricans	197,639	7%
Non-Hispanic population	2,276,000	86%
Total population	2,639,010	100%

The majority of Puerto Ricans (101,784) and Latinos (78,938) CVAP are between the ages of 35 and 64.

	Not Hispanic		Puerto Rican		All Other Hispanics	
Age	Count	%	Count	%	Count	%
18-34	577,490	25%	70,766	36%	70,112	42%
35-64	1,104,630	49%	101,784	51%	78,938	48%
65+	593,880	26%	25,089	13%	16,321	10%
Total CVAP	2,276,000	100%	197,639	100%	165,371	100%

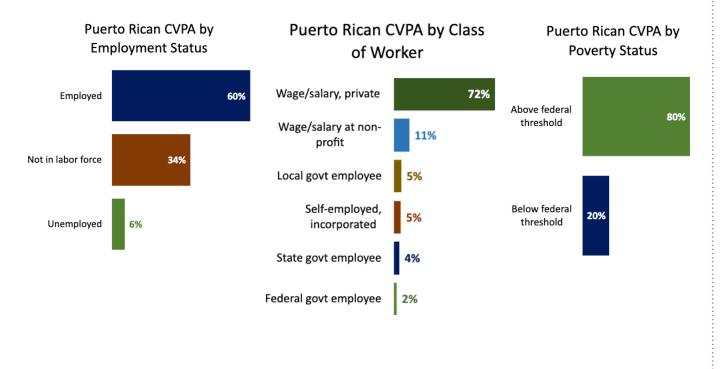
## **Social Profile**

In 2022, the largest Puerto Rican CVAP in Connecticut was more likely to be a single, millennial (between the ages of 28 and 43) woman.



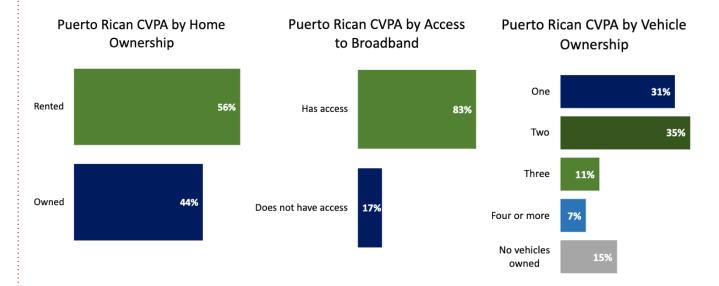
#### **Economic Profile**

In 2022, the largest Puerto Rican CVAP in Connecticut was more likely to be a wage or salaried worker employed in the private sector and living above the federal poverty threshold.



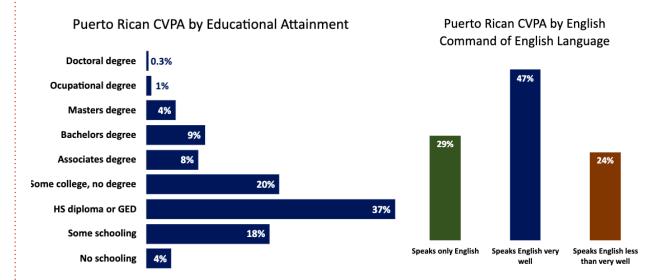
## **Housing Profile**

In 2022, the largest Puerto Rican CVAP in Connecticut was more likely to rent, with access to broadband internet, and owned one or two cars.



#### **Educational Profile**

In 2022, the largest Puerto Rican CVAP in Connecticut was more likely to have a High School Diploma or GD (37%), followed by Puerto Ricans with some college education (20%). They are also more likely to speak only English or bilingual (speak English very well).



### Where Did We Get This Information From?

We use microdata from the American Community Survey (1 year) harmonized by IPUMS USA. Using microdata, we estimate the profile statistics of the Puerto Ricans in Connecticut. The profile incorporates demographic, social, and economic variables.

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