Community Needs and Resources

WESTFIELD

April 2023







Westfield Profile

Census Data



Census Data: Age



Median Age Westfield

The median age of Our Community is

40.0 years-old

This is **older than** the U.S. median age of 38.1 years.

Median age of the population versus U.S. for the 1city area (ACS 2015-2019).

Source: Broadstreet, ACS 2015-2019

Total Population: 40,834

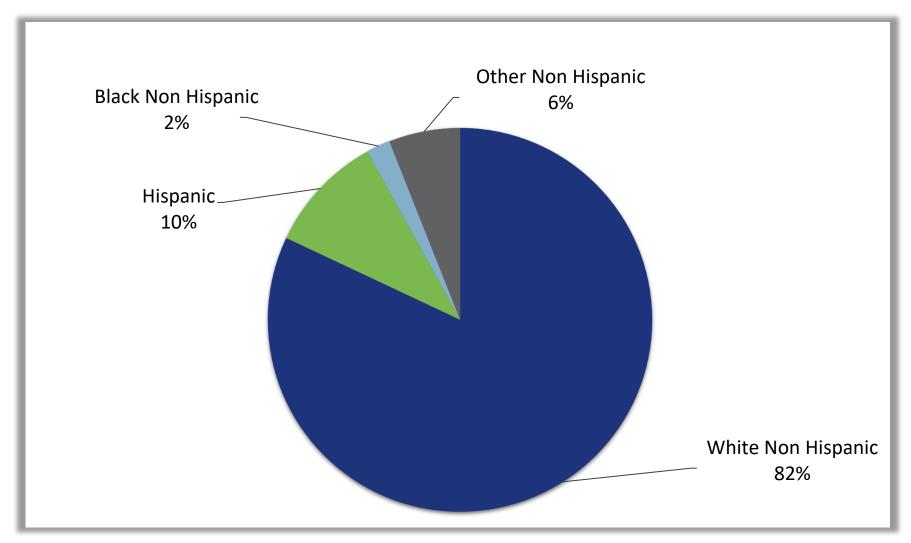
Number of Children Under 5 Years Westfield 1,747 children under 5 yrs United States 6% 4% of Our Community are children under 5 yrs old Children under 5-years-old for the 1-city area (ACS 2015-2019).

Number of Seniors in Our Community Westfield 7,169 seniors United States 16% 17% of Our Community are seniors 65+ yrs old Seniors ages 65 years and older for the 1-city area (ACS 2015-2019).

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2020 Census Redistricting Data (Public Law 94-171)



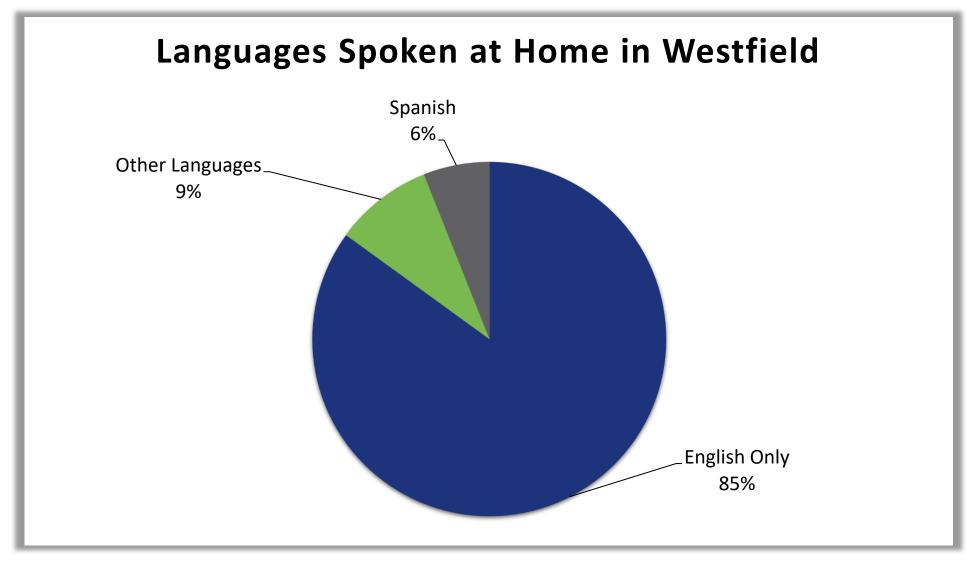




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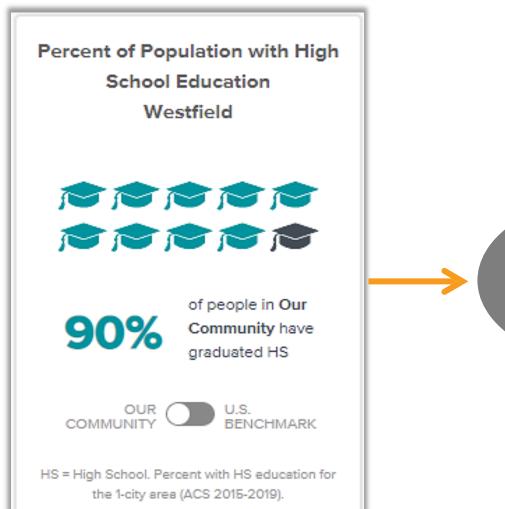




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Census Data: Education





compared to 88% of US population

Source: Broadstreet, ACS 2015-2019

Census Data: Income





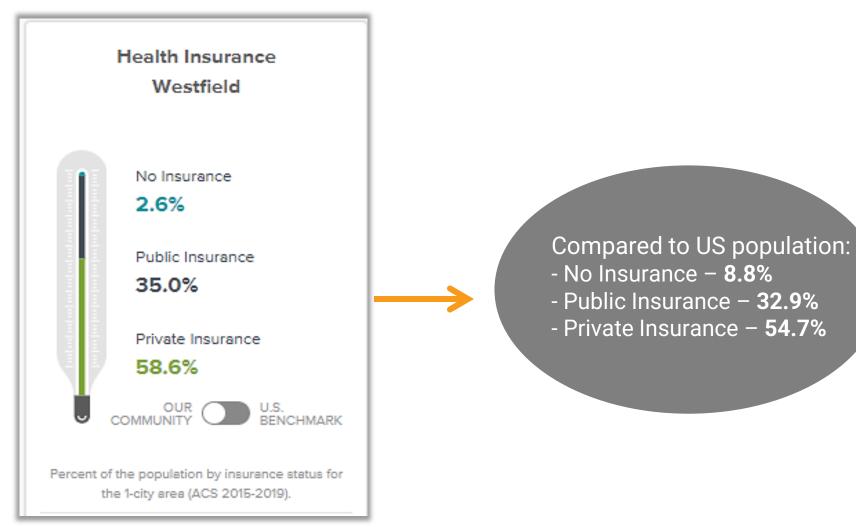


compared to 22% of US population

Source: Broadstreet, ACS 2015-2019

Census Data: Health





Source: Broadstreet, ACS 2015-2019

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COVID-19 Data



COVID Data: Westfield

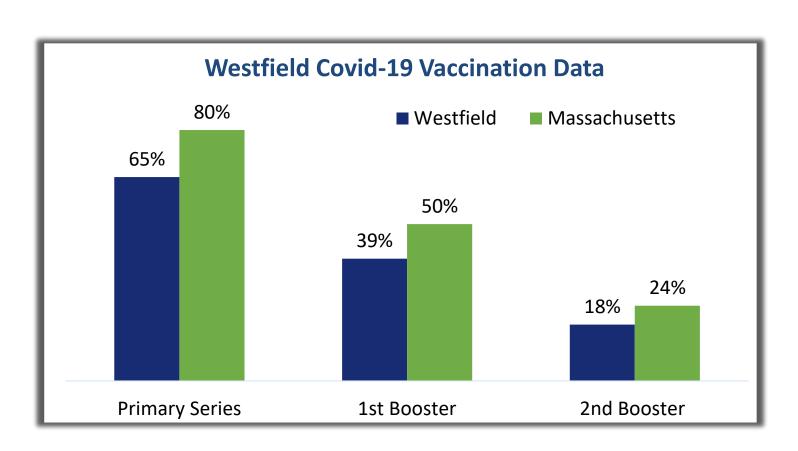


Total Population: 40,834

Total COVID Cases: 11,389

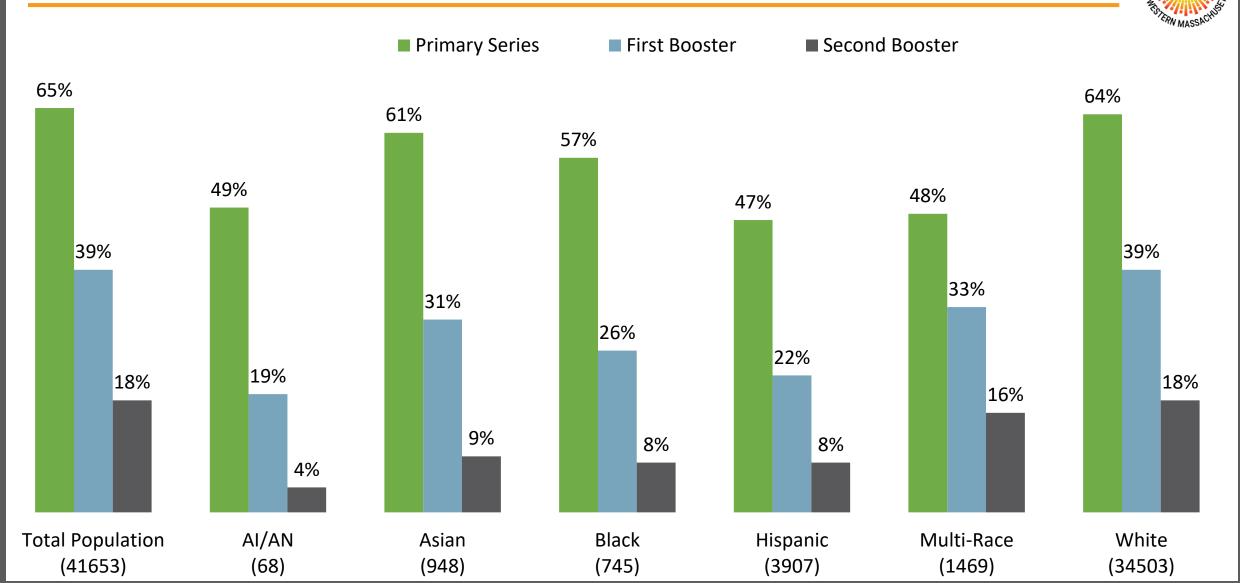
Total COVID Deaths: 149

*death total from 2020, 2021 and 2022.





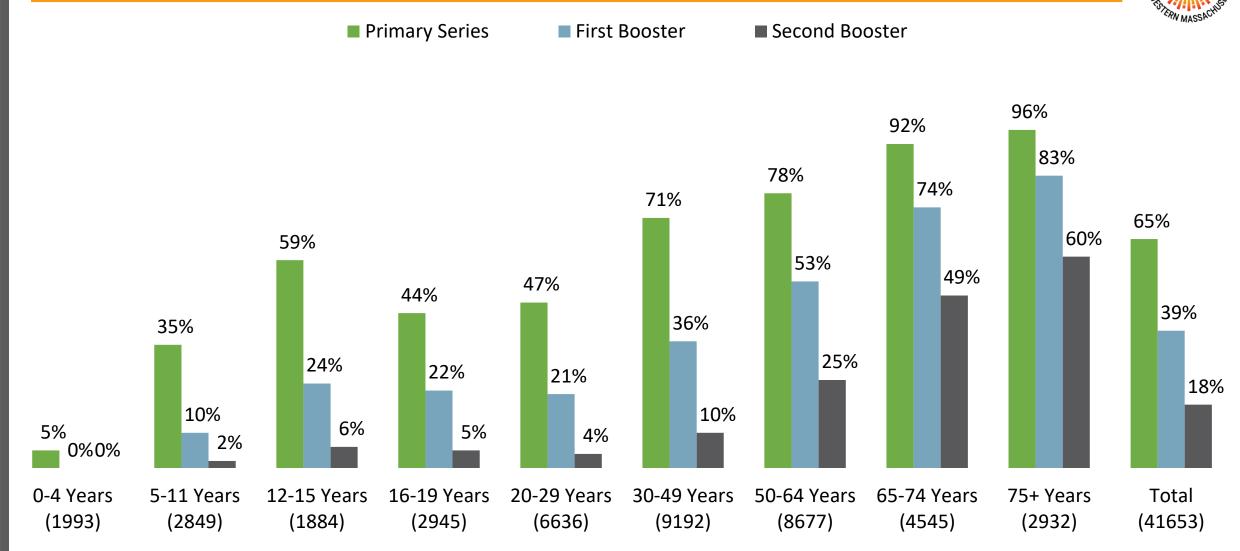




Source: MA Department of Public Health <u>Covid-19 Response Reporting</u>, April 2023

Vaccination Rates By Age in Westfield









In **November 2020**, the MA Department of Public Health implemented the survey to better understand the most pressing health needs facing the Commonwealth due to the pandemic, including the social and economic consequences

- Over 33,000 adult respondents and over 3,000 youth (under 25) in the final sample.
- DPH targeted priority populations. There was good participation from LGBTQ,
 Indigenous, non-English speaking, Asian American, Latinx, deaf/hard of hearing, and black communities.
- In Westfield, there were 220 respondents.

It is important to note that these findings are only representative of those who participated in the survey and may not be representative of the experiences of everyone in Westfield or have good representation from priority populations.



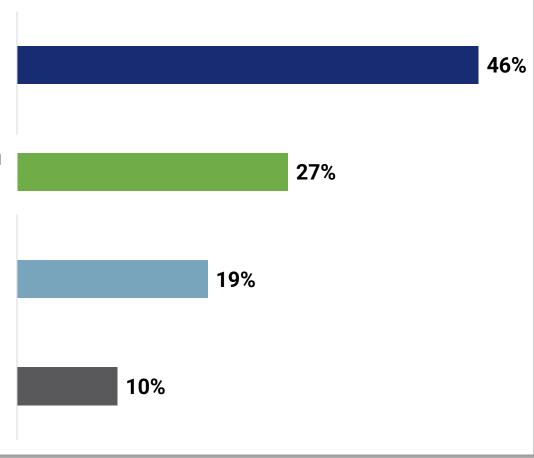


% worried about paying for 1 or more types of **expense or bills** in the coming few weeks

% worried about getting **food or groceries** in the coming weeks

% worried about getting **medication** in the coming weeks

% worried about getting **broadband** in the coming weeks





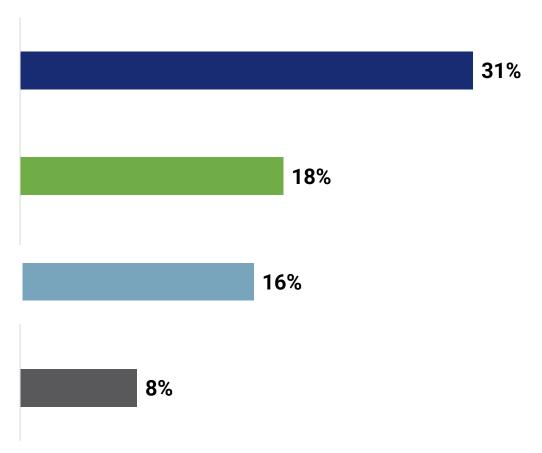


% worried about paying mortgage, rent, or utilities related expenses

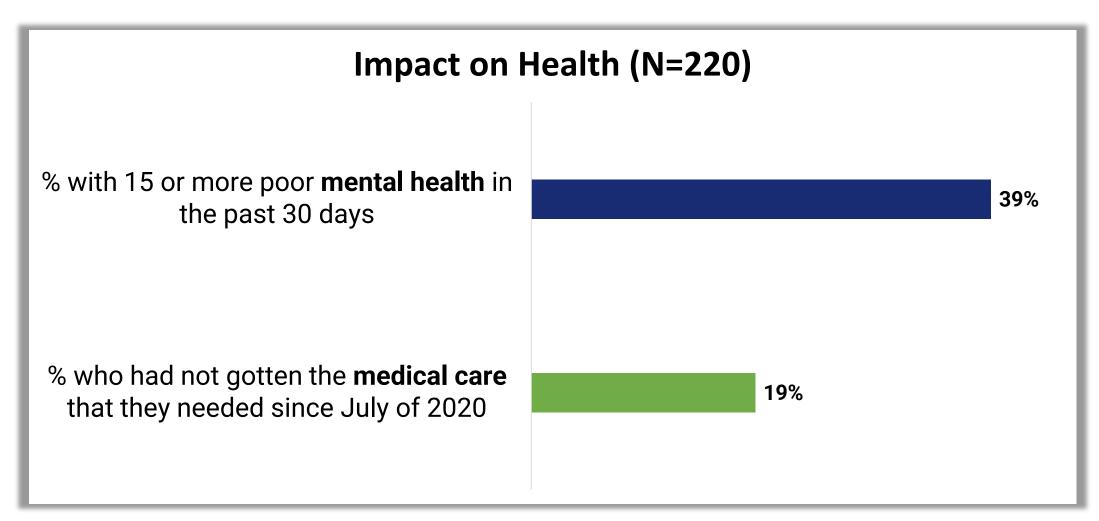
% of employed residents who experienced reduced work hours

% worried they may have to **move out** of where they live in the next few months

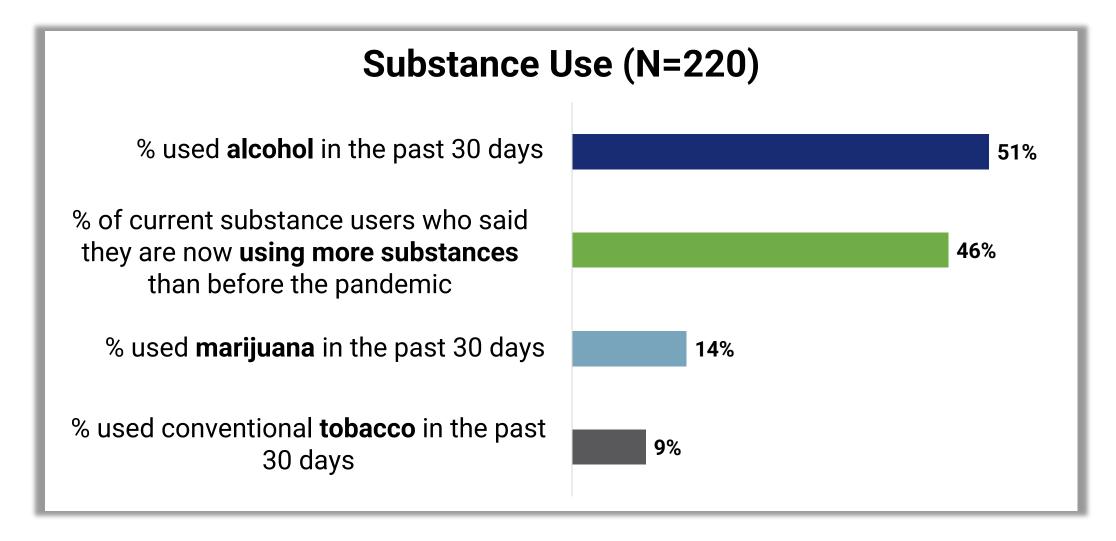
% of employed residents who experienced **job loss**











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413 Cares Resources



413Cares Overview



- Central place for up-to-date information about local community services and how to access them
- Input from social service and health care agencies
- Bi-directional referral capability and helpful tools for community-based organizations
- Completely FREE to use
- Funded by Baystate Health and the MA Department of Public Health
- Built on the findhelp.org national platform



Support and Vested Interest for 413 Cares







































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413 Cares Partnerships



Partnerships aim to direct people to specific types of needed resources

- <u>Digital Resources</u>
- Addiction and Recovery Resources
- Food Navigation
- Mentoring
- Breaking Stigma of Substance Use



More partnerships are on the horizon!

413Cares Engagement



As of March 2023



413Cares Growth



Activity	2021	2022	% Increase		
Searches	17,841	31,762	78%		
Users	4,812	8,065	68%		
Programs Added	325	481	48%		
Programs Claimed	113	202	79%		

What are people searching for in Westfield?



Search categories (all time) in Westfield

Health 11% Money 9% Work Transit Goods 5% 4% 4% Legal Educa... Housing 32% **Food 23%** Care 5% 3% 3%

Search terms (all time) in Westfield

Term	Searches
food	186
housing	130
help pay for housing	79
food pantry	72
financial assistance	70
help find housing	44
help pay for utilities	38
food delivery	35
utilities	33
emergency food	31
help pay for food	30
transportation	29
westfield food pantry	27
advocacy and legal aid	27
meals	26

Westfield Programs on 413Cares



- 1,212 programs serving Westfield on 413Cares
- 486 programs are claimed

	Food	Housing	Goods	Transit	Health	Money	Care	Education	Work	Legal
# of Local Programs	21	59	10	10	150	60	171	101	41	28

Local = Programs that provide services throughout a county, city, or a postal/zip code.

413 Cares Supporting Westfield



- Raising awareness of existing services
- Connecting people to needed services and programs
- Connecting service providers to each other







- Schedule trainings for community providers, offices, stakeholders, and constituent service staff to get more programs claimed and people connected to services
 - To schedule a training, contact 413Cares Staff:
 - Liv Anna Homstead, LHomstead@publichealthwm.org and
 - Francheska Bermudez, FBermudez@publichealthwm.org
- **Distribute materials** tip cards, posters
 - Available in English and Spanish, and other languages upon request
- Use the search widget on your site





Interested in More Data?

MA COVID Community Impact Survey (CCIS)

For CCIS questions and to submit a request, contact:

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www.publichealthwm.org/what-we-do/research-evaluation/reports/COVID-Impact-TA

2022 Baystate Community Health Needs Assessment

https://www.baystatehealth.org/about-us/community-programs/community-benefits/community-health-needs-assessment



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QUESTIONS?

