

Regional Bicycle Plan

Planners Lunch Presentation

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GOALS: GENERAL

- Improve bicyclist **SAFETY** and **MOBILITY**
- Create a **COHESIVE NETWORK**, built on existing studies' recommendations
- Support cycling as a viable transportation mode – **IMPROVING** public **HEALTH**, increasing transportation **OPTIONS**, and spurring **ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT**

Recent Plans in the Region	Identifies Merritt Pkwy Trail	Identifies Norwalk River Valley Trail
Norwalk Pedestrian & Bikeway Transportation Plan (2012)	√	√
Southwestern Region Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan (2013)	√	√
Greater Danbury Regional Bike Plan (2015)	√	√
Long Range Transportation Plan Update (2015)	√	√
Connecticut (Statewide) Active Transportation Plan (2019)	√	√
Stamford Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan (2019)	√	N/A

Reference to Merritt and Norwalk R. Valley Trails

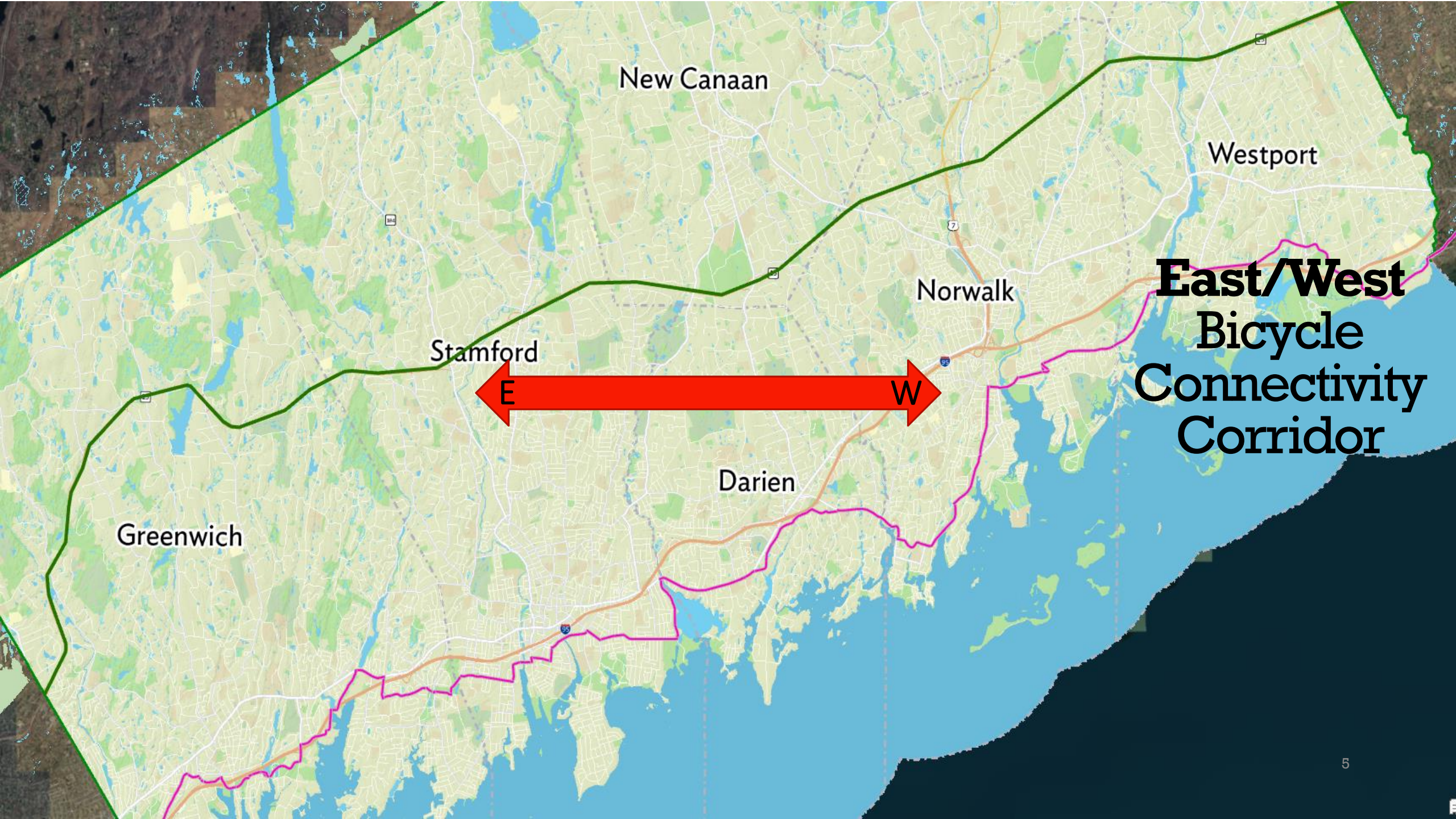
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GOALS: CONNECT

- Support continued development of North/South & East/West travel corridors
- Connect major routes* and destinations** to the corridors

* including: Merritt Parkway, Routes 1 & 7, Western New England Greenway segments

** including: Metro-North Stations, employer sites, parks



New Canaan

Westport

East/West Bicycle Connectivity Corridor

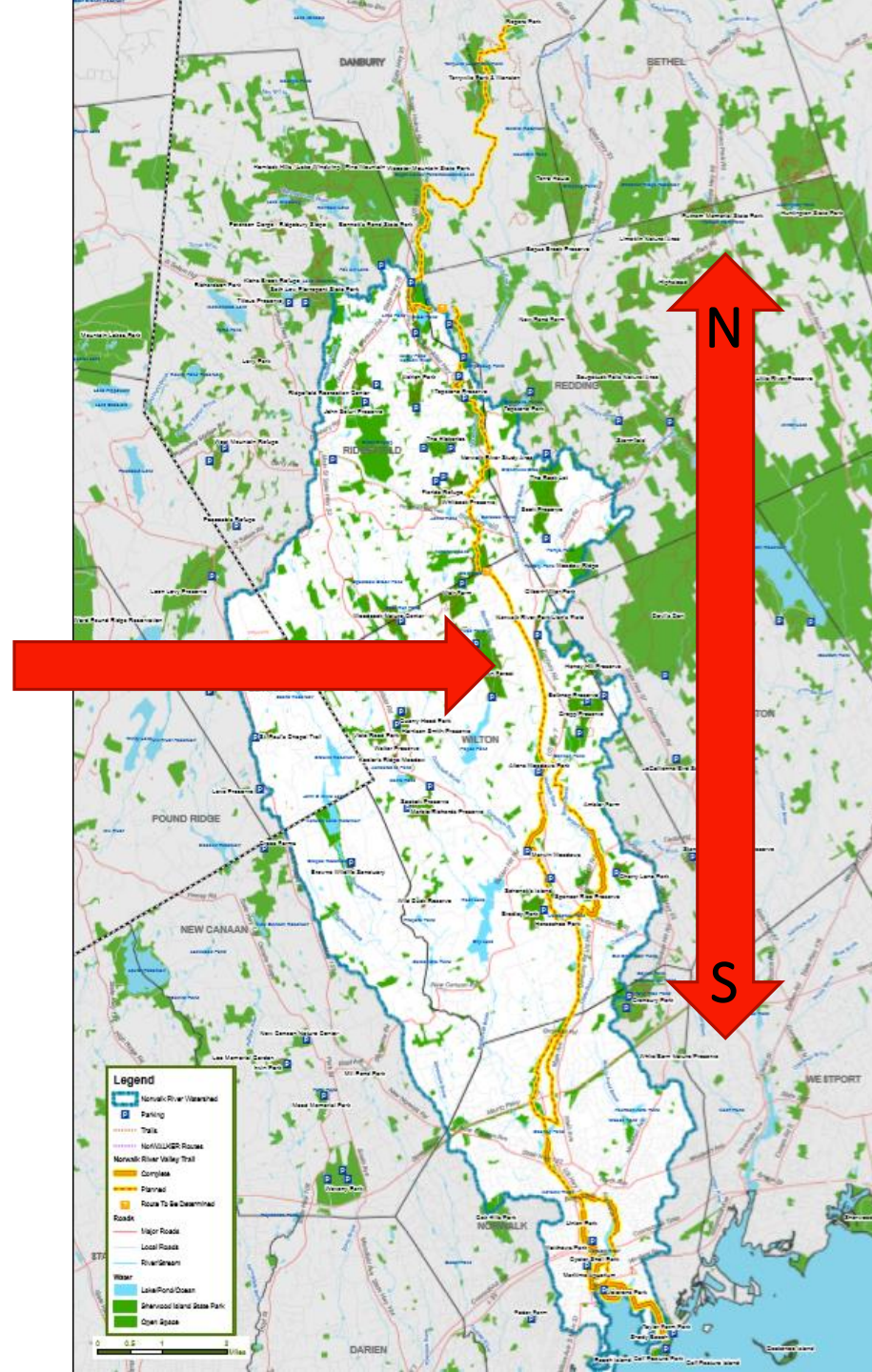
Norwalk

Stamford



Darien

Greenwich



North/South Bicycle Connectivity Corridor

On-Road Bicycle Network

----- State Road

----- Town Road

Trail Status

— Constructed

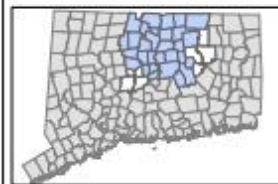
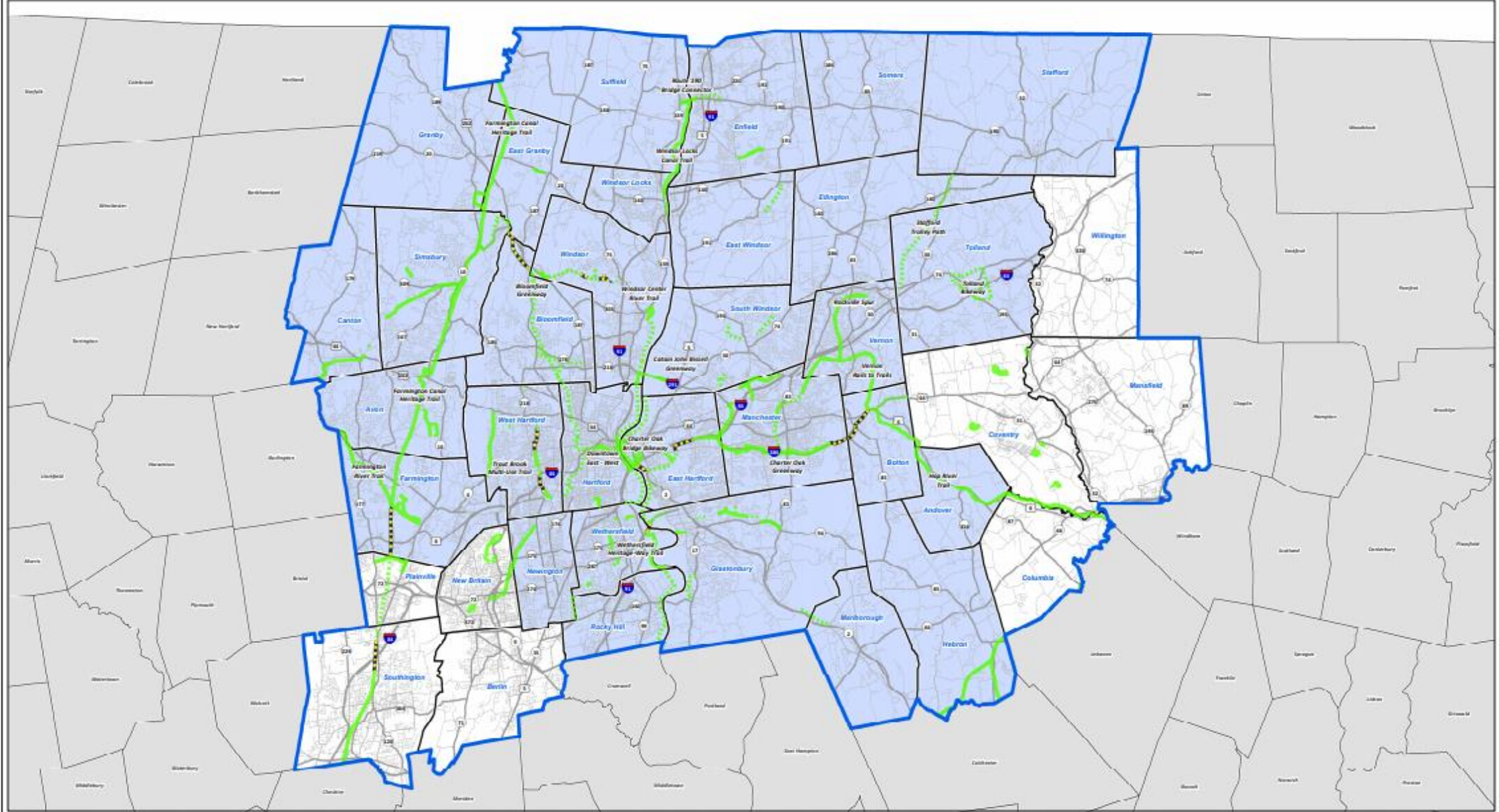
— In Construction

— In Design

— Planned

— Conceptual





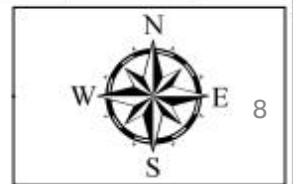
- EXISTING AND PROPOSED MULTI-USE PATHS -

0 2.5 5 10 Miles

— Completed Trail

- - - Under Construction / Funding Committed

..... Planned Trail



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GOALS: FACILITATE

- Identify some “Quick Build” projects
- Identify sources of funding for bicycle trails and on-road improvements
- Provide a means for bicyclists to report bicycle facility and accessibility issues

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GOALS: EDUCATE

- Work with BikeWalk CT and other partners to bring bike safety and skills into the elementary school PE curriculum

What is the Connecticut Statewide Transportation Study?

The study collected information on average daily travel behavior of representative group of residents in the state of Connecticut including how they travel, where they go, why they travel, and how long it takes. Additionally, the study collected household and person level demographic information.

How are the statistics compiled?

The statistics were generated using travel survey data from the 2016 Connecticut Statewide Transportation Study. All statistics reported are based on weighting analysis to match characteristics of CT residents from the 2009-2013 American Community Survey.

What else should I know about the statistics reported?

Where appropriate, imputed, or logically estimated, values are utilized to supplement the collected data from the survey. As with any survey, the statistics are subject to error and bias.

How can I learn more about the study?

Please visit:
ct.gov/dot/cwp/view.asp?a=1383&Q=586922
for more information.



CT Household Transportation Study Western CT COG Statistics





Key Travel Characteristics

How many trips do CT Residents make on an average weekday?

Total individual trips made is about 2.0 million. These are made by nearly 0.6 million CT residents residing in 0.2 million households.



2.0M



0.6M



0.2M

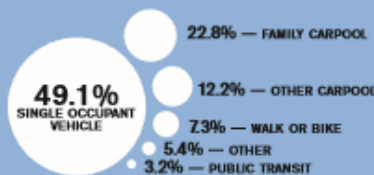


AVERAGE NUMBER OF TRIPS MADE DAILY BY A HOUSEHOLD



AVERAGE NUMBER OF TRIPS MADE DAILY BY A PERSON

How do they travel?



How long do they travel for?



23.5 MINS

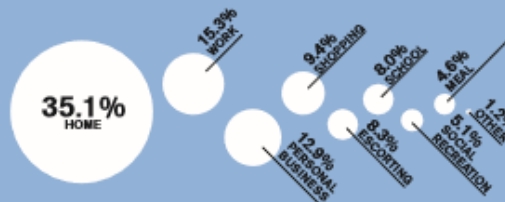
AVERAGE REPORTED GENERAL TRAVEL DURATION



33.2 MINS

AVERAGE REPORTED WORK TRAVEL DURATION

Why do they travel?



Key Household Characteristics

What is the composition of households?



2.60

AVERAGE NUMBER OF PERSONS



1.28

AVERAGE NUMBER OF WORKERS



0.64

AVERAGE NUMBER OF CHILDREN

What is the profile of vehicle ownership?



0 VEHICLE HOUSEHOLDS



1 VEHICLE HOUSEHOLDS



41.4%

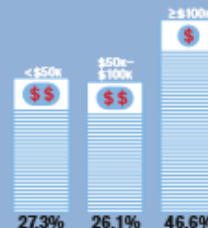
2 VEHICLE HOUSEHOLDS



22.1%

3+ VEHICLE HOUSEHOLDS

What is the distribution of household income?

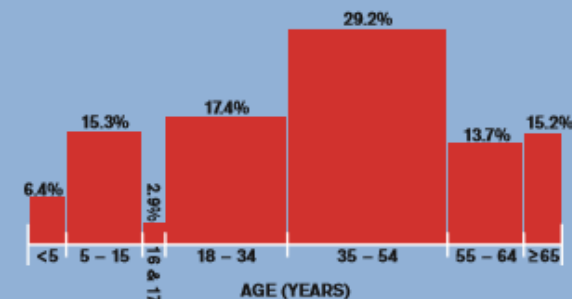


What are the different housing types?



Key Person Characteristics

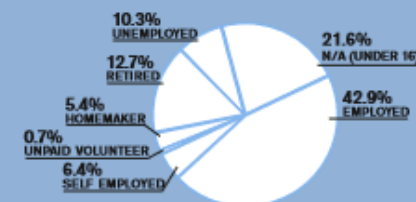
What is the age distribution of residents?



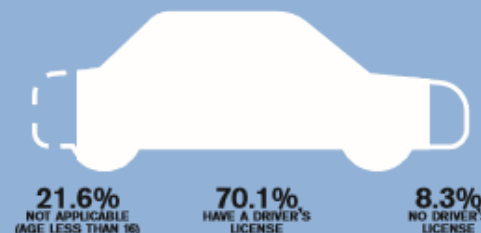
What is the gender profile?



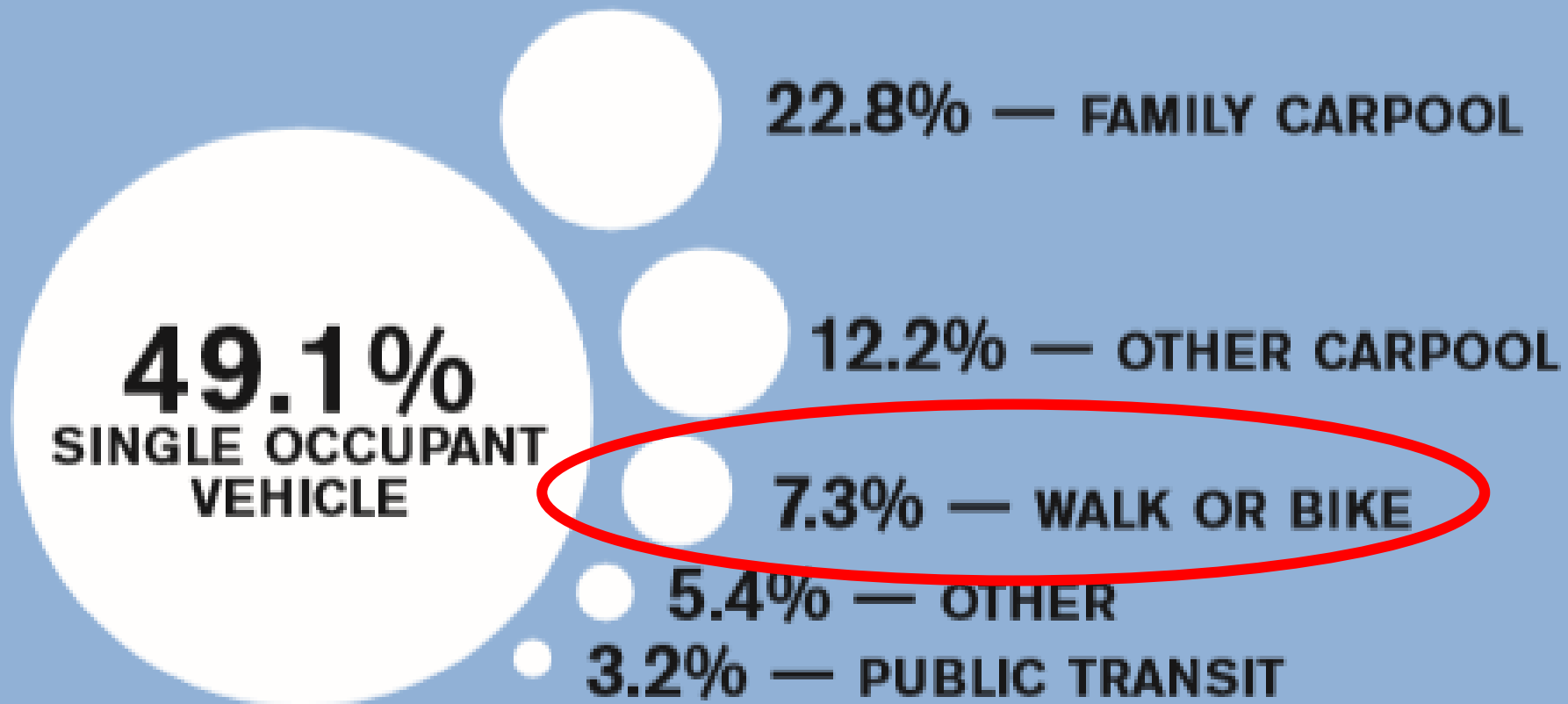
What is the distribution of employment status?



What is the distribution of driver's license status?



How do they travel?



What's Next?

- Determine where needs and opportunities are to support all types of cyclists and all abilities
 - Exercise: draw on-street connections for bicyclists on the map in BLACK / Off-street (trail) connections in RED
 - Distribute Bicycle survey
- Plan a consistent region-wide network

Questions/Comments?

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