

Third-Grade Reading

Educators say that early reading ability is a critical foundation for academic success. Below is a ranking of Connecticut districts by the percentage of third-grade students who scored at or above the state goal in reading in 2008 on the Connecticut Mastery Test. The figure is one indicator among many to evaluate student performance.

Some towns are not listed because they had small numbers of students taking the test.

Franklin	87.0
New Canaan	85.5
New Hartford	83.3
Darien	82.2
Weston	80.9
Woodbridge	79.8
Wilton	79.3
Eastford	79.2
Westport	79.0
Madison	78.9
Redding	78.8
Hartland	78.6
Bethel	78.2
Marlborough	77.8
Avon	77.5
Farmington	77.1
Essex	76.9
Newtown	76.5
Regional District 15	76.0
Fairfield	75.7
Glastonbury	75.7
Bolton	75.4
Granby	75.2

Chester	73.2
Salisbury	72.3
Monroe	71.8
Regional District 10	71.5
Barkhamsted	71.4
Kent	71.4
Salem	71.4
Cheshire	71.1
Trumbull	70.8
Greenwich	70.7
Regional District 12	70.7
Easton	70.5
Ridgefield	70.4
Westbrook	70.3
Brookfield	70.2
East Lyme	69.5
Regional District 17	69.4
Guilford	69.3
Hebron	68.9
Sherman	68.9
Litchfield	68.8
Berlin	68.6
Stonington	68.5
Bozrah	68.0
Mansfield	68.0
Lisbon	67.8
Portland	67.8
North Stonington	67.6
Simsbury	66.9
Coventry	66.7
East Granby	66.7
Canton	66.2
Regional District 6	66.2
Newington	66.1
Tolland	65.7
North Haven	65.5
Regional District 18	65.5

Woodstock	65.5
Old Saybrook	65.3
West Hartford	65.1
Preston	65.0
Wallingford	65.0
Clinton	64.6
Rocky Hill	64.6
Andover	64.3
Ellington	64.2
Wolcott	64.1
East Haddam	63.7
Regional District 14	63.3
Southington	62.8
Regional District 16	62.6
Milford	62.4
Orange	62.4
Waterford	62.3
Ledyard	61.7
Montville	61.5
South Windsor	61.5
Shelton	60.9
Branford	60.8
Oxford	60.7
New Fairfield	60.0
Regional District 13	59.6
Lebanon	58.8
Pomfret	58.6
Norfolk	58.3
East Hampton	58.1
Somers	57.5
Bethany	57.3
Suffield	57.3
Deep River	56.8
Colchester	56.1
Seymour	55.0
Thomaston	54.9
Wethersfield	54.9

Thompson	53.6
Columbia	53.0
New Milford	52.9
Bristol	52.4
Voluntown	51.7
Stafford	51.6
Watertown	51.6
Middletown	51.5
Plainville	51.4
Cromwell	51.0
Plainfield	49.8
Groton	49.6
Manchester	49.0
North Branford	48.7
Winchester	48.6
Brooklyn	48.5
Stamford	48.3
Killingly	48.2
Sharon	48.0
Stratford	48.0
Vernon	48.0
Derby	47.5
Willington	47.3
Hamden	47.0
East Haven	46.2
North Canaan	46.2
West Haven	45.4
Chaplin	44.8
Plymouth	44.4
Sterling	44.4
Enfield	43.9
Griswold	43.8
Norwalk	43.4
Windsor Locks	43.4
Torrington	43.0
Canterbury	41.4
Ansonia	40.5

Ashford	40.4
Danbury	38.8
Bloomfield	38.6
Windsor	38.0
East Windsor	37.8
Sprague	36.4
Putnam	35.6
Naugatuck	35.1
Scotland	35.0
Norwich	34.6
Meriden	31.5
Waterbury	28.3
East Hartford	26.0
Windham	24.6
Bridgeport	21.2
New Haven	20.5
New Britain	20.0
New London	20.0
Hartford	16.4
Statewide	52.1