



CONNECTICUT STATE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Update on Students Displaced By Hurricanes

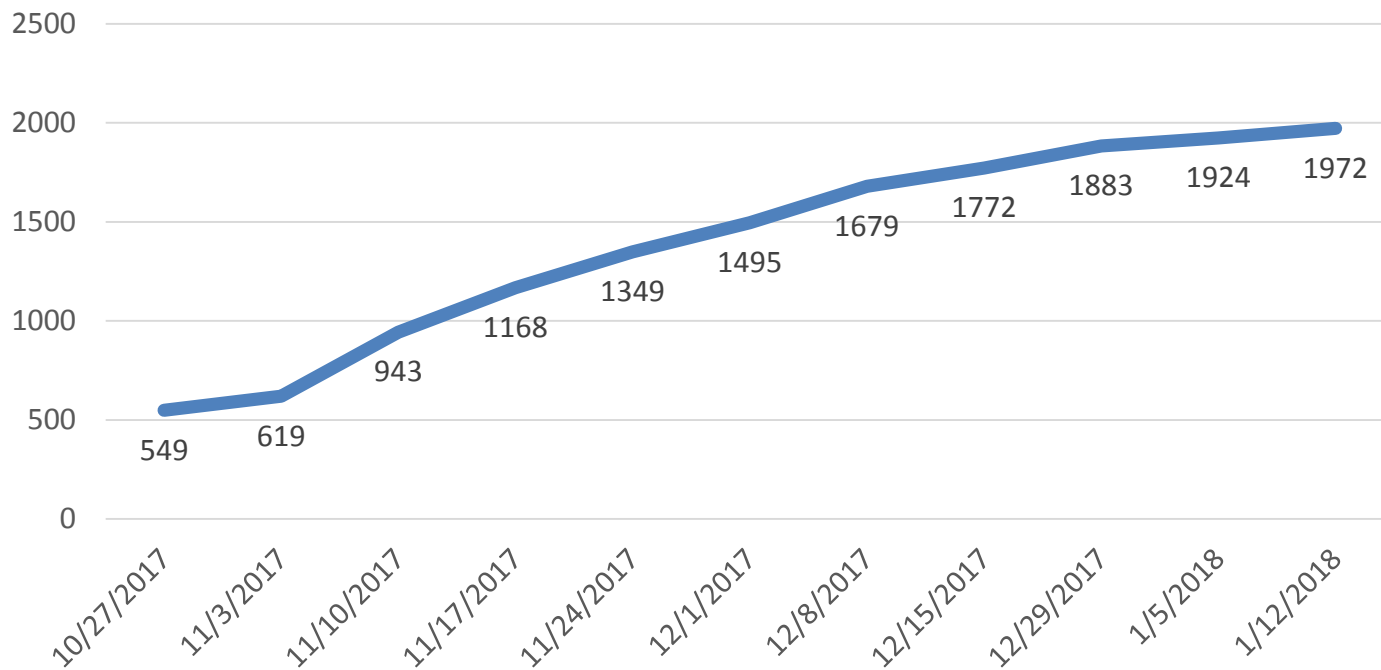
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Statewide Efforts

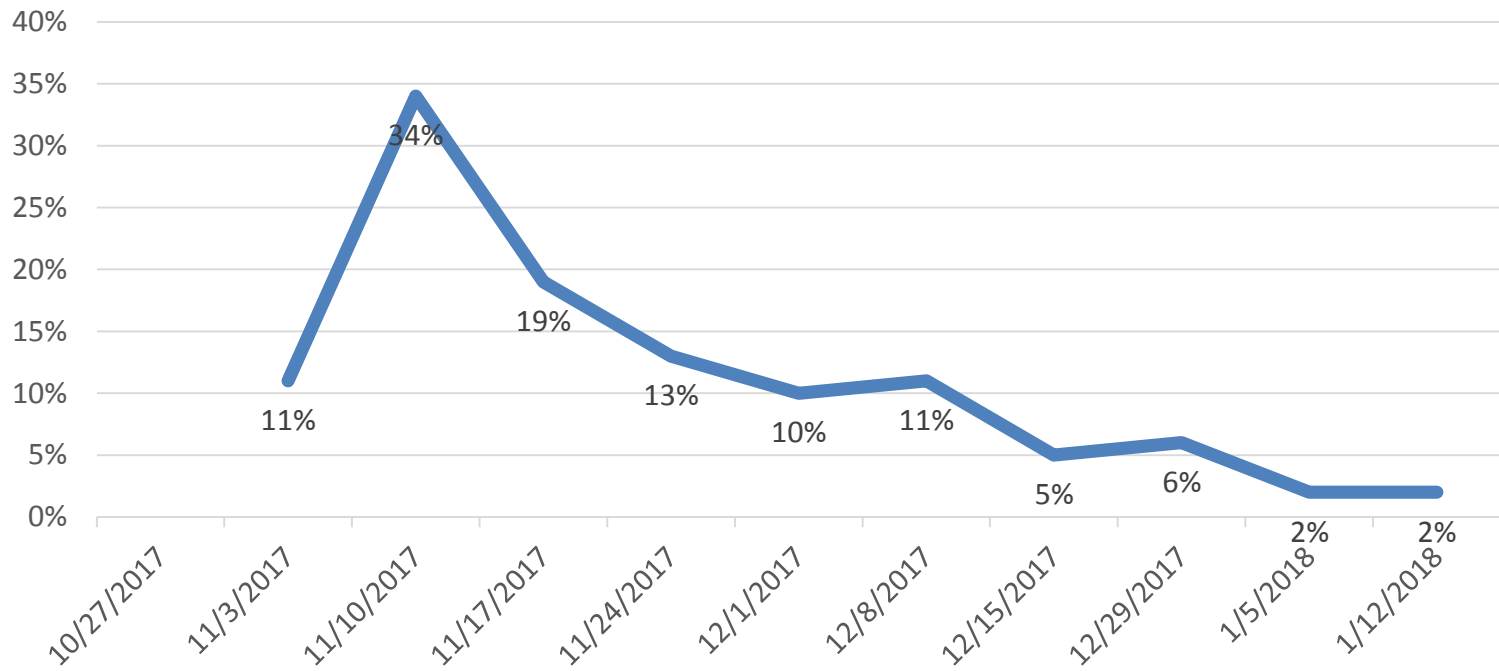
- Governor's Unified Command
- *Hurricane Relief Evacuee Support Planning Group* convened by the Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection
- Hurricane Relief Evacuee Support Legislative Roundtable
- Congressional Staff Briefing
- New – Working Group on Persons Displaced by Hurricane Maria



Total Number of Students Who Have Been Displaced -- Weekly Count



Total Number of Students Who Have Been Displaced – Rate of Change

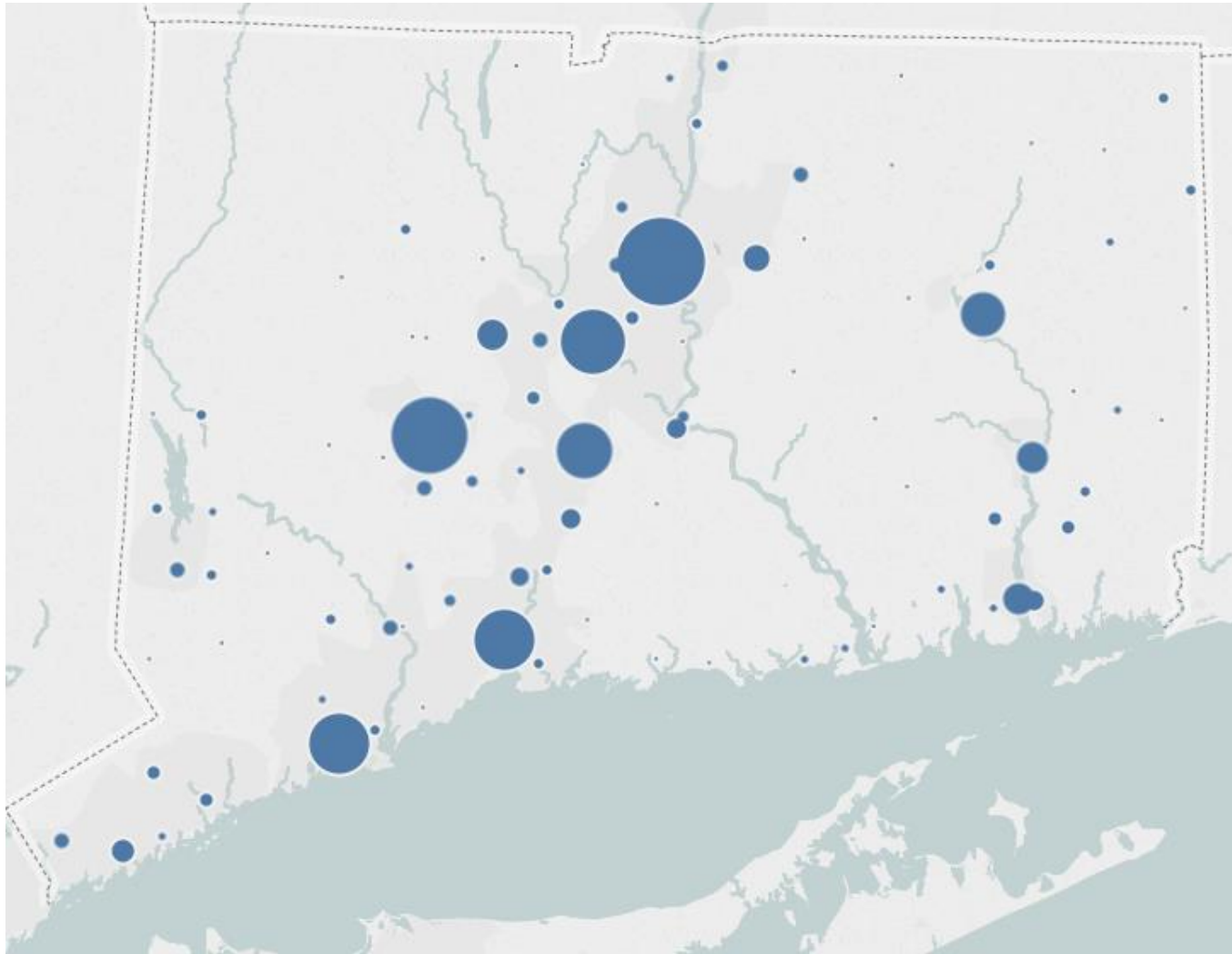


Locations of Origin of New Arrivals

- Most new arrivals have been displaced from Puerto Rico (Hurricane Maria).
- Students who have been displaced from the following locations have also been reported:
 - U.S. Virgin Islands (Hurricane Maria)
 - British Virgin Islands (Hurricane Irma)
 - St. Maarten (Hurricane Irma)
 - Florida (Hurricane Irma)
 - Texas (Hurricane Harvey)
 - Mexico (Earthquakes and Hurricane Katia)

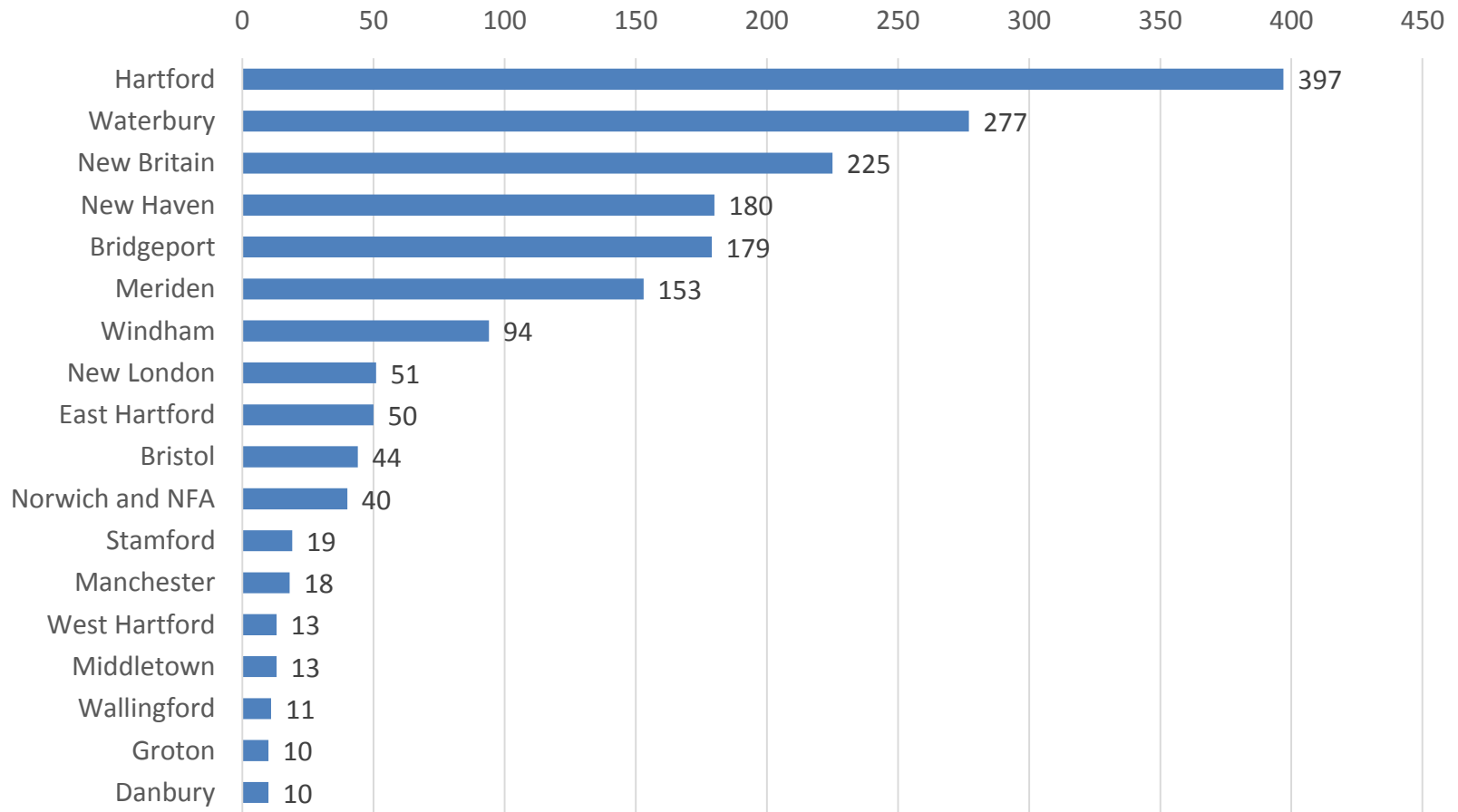


Enrollment Locations of New Arrivals



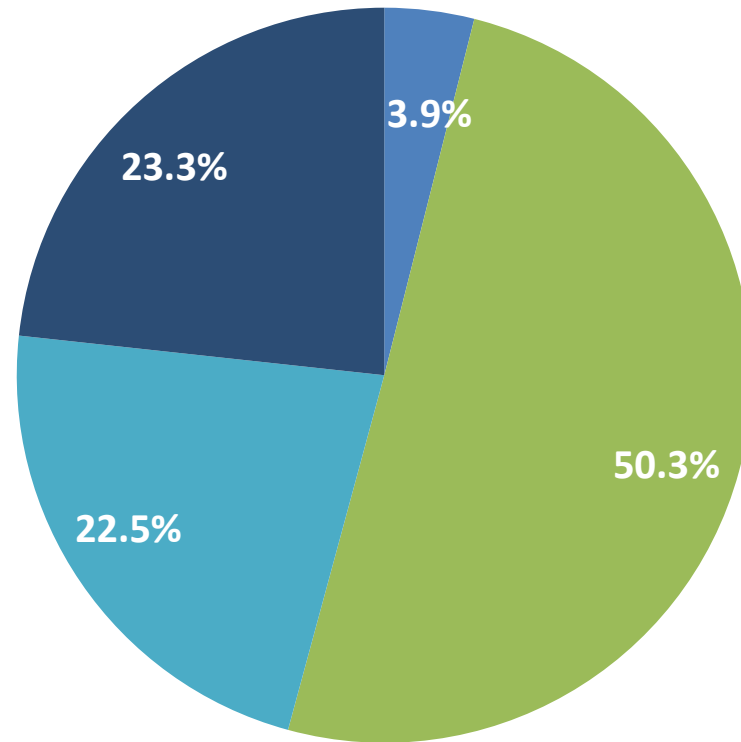
Districts Receiving 10+ Students

Number of Students as of 1/5/2018



Student Enrollment By School Level

New Arrivals By School Level



■ Pre-K ■ Elementary ■ Middle School ■ High School



Reported Challenges

- Space and capacity
- English as a Second Language certification shortage area
- Lack of academic records and placement challenges
- Identifying and accommodating students' special needs
- Lack of medical records and meeting medical needs
- Unaccompanied youth and legal guardianship
- Stress, trauma and mental health
- Material needs, e.g., school supplies and winter clothing



CSDE Continued Supports

- Commissioner's Memo
- Information packets on the educational rights and meeting the needs of students displaced by disasters
- FEMA registration and services information
- Real time support regarding the McKinney Vento Homeless Assistance Act, health assessments, immunizations, and immediate enrollment
- Fall Meeting of Superintendents' Secretaries, Administrative Assistants and Executive Assistants
- Updates to the CT Association of Public School Superintendents
- Guidance for Educators Displaced by the 2017 Hurricanes (English and Spanish)
- Forthcoming guidance regarding grade level advancement and graduation



CSDE Resources

The following resources are available on the CSDE website:

- [A Guide for Parents Guardians and Caregivers](#)
- [McKinney-Vento Education of Homeless Children and Youth](#)
- [Social-Emotional and Behavioral Health](#)
- [Standby Guardian Forms for Hurricane Evacuees](#)
- [Students Living with Caregivers](#)
- [Support for Displaced Students - Health and Immunization Information](#)
- [Surrogate Parent Program - Request for a Surrogate](#)
- [Trauma-Focused Treatments Map](#)
- [Trauma-informed practices](#)
- [Una Guía para Padres, Tutores, y Encargados](#)
- [Resources for parents in English and en Español](#)

