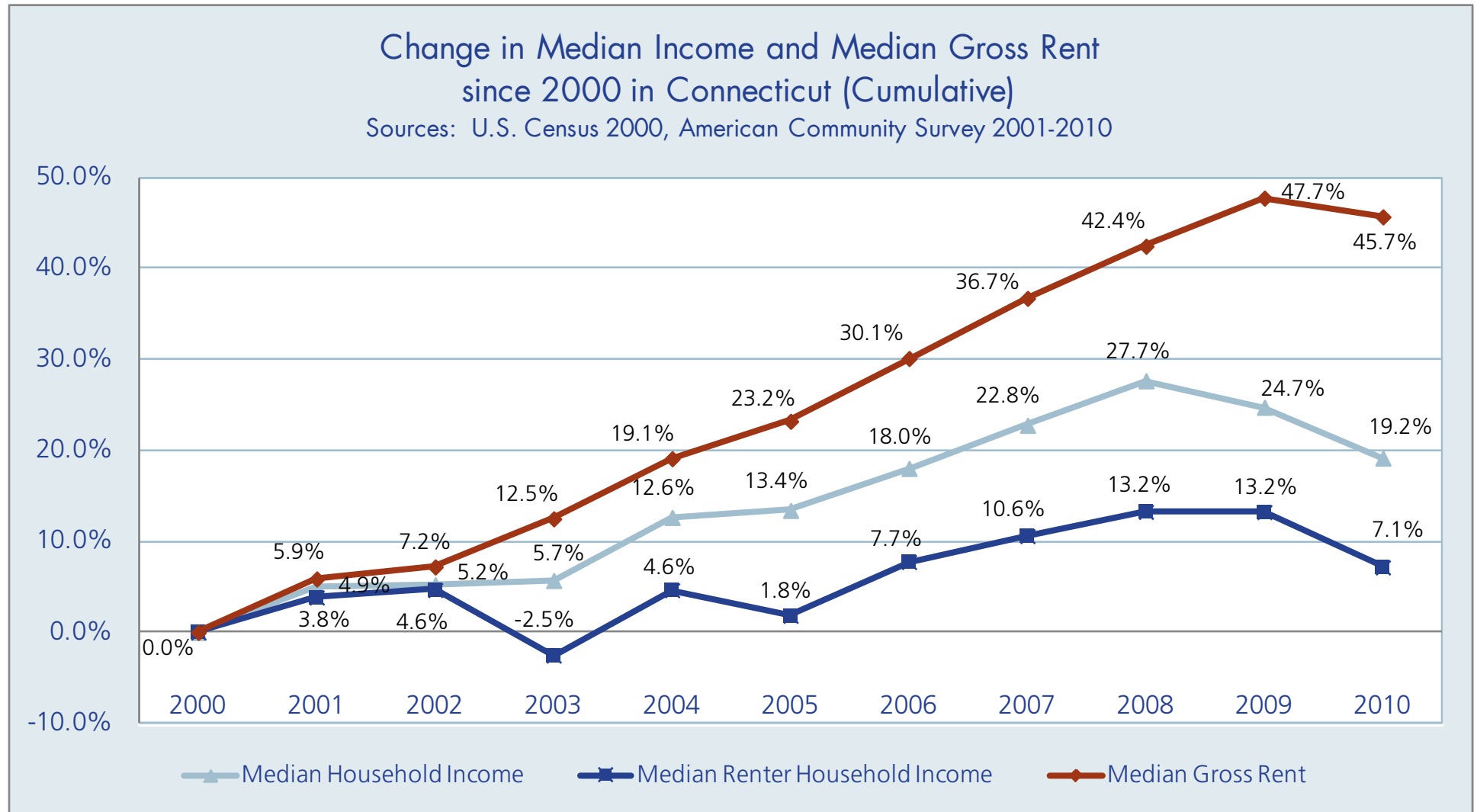


Rental costs in Connecticut have risen faster than incomes from 2000 to 2010, as shown in the chart below.



From 2000 to 2010, median gross rent rose in Connecticut by 45.7%, while the median household income of renters rose by just 7.2% and median household income for all households rose by 19.2%. According to 2010 American Community Survey data, 50.5% of renters in Connecticut spent over 30% of their income on housing and 27.0% of renters spend more than 50% of their income on housing.

The table below shows median household income and median gross rent from 2000 to 2010.

Growth in CT Median Gross Rent Compared to Median Renter Income 2000-2010									
Year	CT Median Household Income	Annual % Change	CT Median Household Income Index, 2000= 100.0	CT Median Renter Household Income	Annual % Change	CT Median Renter Household Income Index, 2000= 100.0	CT Median Gross Rent	Annual % Change	CT Median Gross Rent, 2000= 100.0
2000	\$53,736		100.00	\$31,318		100.00	\$681		100.00
2001	\$56,390	4.94	104.94	\$32,519	3.83	103.83	\$721	5.87	105.87
2002	\$56,543	0.27	105.22	\$32,774	0.78	104.65	\$730	1.25	107.20
2003	\$56,803	0.46	105.71	\$30,520	-6.88	97.45	\$766	4.93	112.48
2004	\$60,528	6.56	112.64	\$32,771	7.38	104.64	\$811	5.87	119.09
2005	\$60,941	0.68	113.41	\$31,889	-2.69	101.82	\$839	3.45	123.20
2006	\$63,422	4.07	118.03	\$33,741	5.81	107.74	\$886	5.60	130.10
2007	\$65,967	4.01	122.76	\$34,634	2.65	110.59	\$931	5.08	136.71
2008	\$68,595	3.98	127.65	\$35,465	2.40	113.24	\$970	4.19	142.44
2009	\$67,034	-2.28	124.75	\$35,459	-0.02	113.22	\$1,006	3.71	147.72
2010	\$64,032	-4.48	119.16	\$33,556	-5.37	107.15	\$992	-1.39	145.67
Average Annual % Change		1.8			0.8			3.9	
Cumulative % Growth			19.2%			7.2%			45.7%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau - Census 2000, American Community Survey 2001-2010