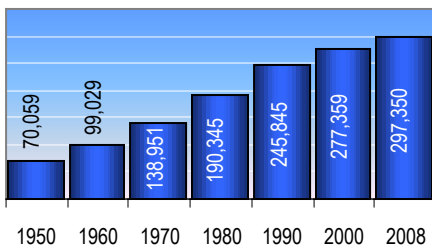
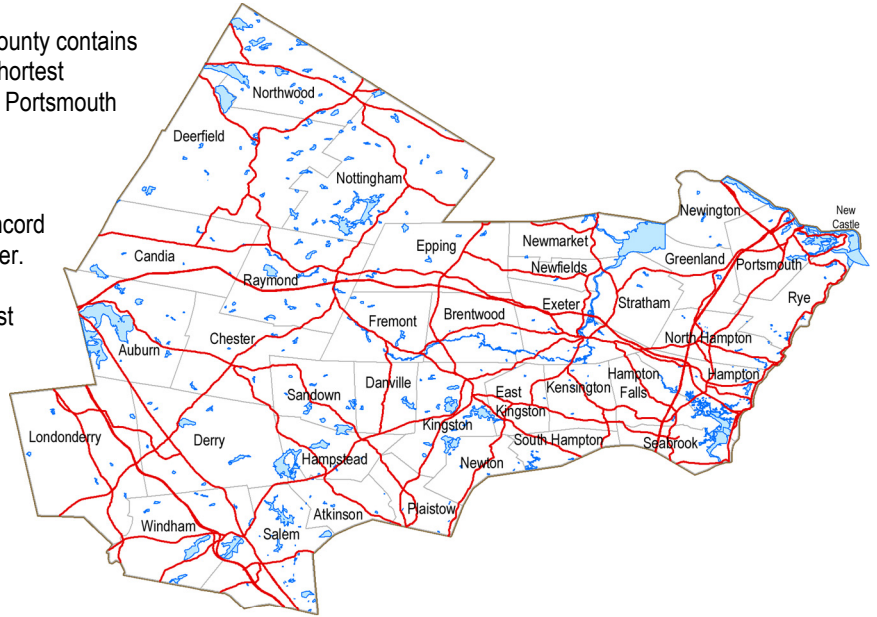


Rockingham County

Covering the southeast corner of the state, Rockingham County contains all of the state's 17 miles of Atlantic Ocean coastline, the shortest coastline of any state in the US. The Piscataqua River and Portsmouth Harbor separate it from Maine on a nine-mile stretch to the northeast, and it shares a 56-mile border to the south with Massachusetts. Rockingham was one of the five original counties established in 1769, and at one time covered Concord and all Merrimack County towns east of the Merrimack River. It was named for Charles Watson-Wentworth, Marquis of Rockingham, a staunch friend of the colonies. The seacoast town of Rye was one of the first two places to be settled in New Hampshire.

Rockingham County contains 697.2 square miles of land area and 29.6 square miles of inland water area. Based on the estimated 2008 population, the population density is 426.5 persons per square mile. Rockingham County includes one city, Portsmouth, and 36 towns. The county seat is Exeter.



Population Trends: Rockingham County is the location of the first settlements and seat of government for the young State of New Hampshire, and had the largest population from the first Census in 1783 through 1840. After 160 years of modest growth, this county saw a population explosion between 1950 and 1990. Population increased over 40 percent each decade from 1950 to 1970, added 37 percent from 1970 to 1980, and 29 percent from 1980 to 1990. The rate of growth has slowed since, increasing by 12.8 percent from 1990 to 2000 and 7.8 percent from 2000 to 2008.

Population		(US Census Bureau)		
2008	2000	1990	1980	1970
297,350	277,359	245,845	190,345	138,951

Demographics		
(2005-2007 3-Year Average, American Community Survey [ACS])		
By Gender:		
	Male	Female
Total	146,178	148,920
18 years and over	109,448	113,990
65 years and over	14,114	18,368
By Age Group		
	Under age 5	17,617
	Age 5 to 19	60,423
	Age 20 to 34	45,385
	Age 35 to 54	102,923
	Age 55 to 64	36,268
	Age 65 and over	32,482
	Median Age (years)	40.2

Labor Force		
(NHES-ELMI)		
Annual Average	1998	2008
Civilian Labor Force	155,660	173,780
Employed	150,090	166,490
Unemployed	5,570	7,290
Unemployment Rate	3.6%	4.2%

2008 Annual Average Unemployment Rate by Town					
Atkinson	5.0%	Hampstead	4.8%	No. Hampton	2.9%
Auburn	3.0%	Hampton	4.0%	Plaistow	5.7%
Brentwood	4.4%	Hampton Falls	4.1%	Portsmouth	3.2%
Candia	3.0%	Kingston	4.5%	Raymond	4.5%
Chester	3.2%	Kingston	5.2%	Rye	3.4%
Danville	5.2%	Londonderry	3.7%	Salem	5.3%
Deerfield	3.5%	Northwood	3.9%	Sandown	5.4%
Derry	4.4%	Nottingham	3.3%	Seabrook	6.6%
East Kingston	4.2%	New Castle	2.7%	So. Hampton	3.9%
Epping	4.6%	Newfields	3.2%	Stratham	3.2%
Exeter	3.9%	Newington	2.5%	Windham	3.5%
Fremont	4.4%	Newmarket	3.1%		
Greenland	3.1%	Newton	5.3%		

Largest Businesses	Community	Product/Service	Employees
Insight Technologies	Londonderry	Manufacturing	1,300
Columbia HCA Hospital	Portsmouth	Health care services	1,150
Exeter Hospital	Exeter	Health care services	1,000
FPL Energy	Seabrook	Electric utility services	1,000
City of Portsmouth	Portsmouth	Municipal services	937
US Dept of State, National Passport Center	Portsmouth	Passport services	900
Liberty Mutual Insurance	Portsmouth	Insurance services	837
Timberlane Regional School District	Plaistow	Education	740
Derry Cooperative School System	Derry	Education	690
Rockingham County Home & Jail	Brentwood	Nursing home & correctional facility	690
Timberland	Stratham	Retail outdoor sport equipment, catalog	650
Lonza Biologies	Portsmouth	Biotechnology	650
Fox Run Mall	Newington	Retail stores	600
Wal-Mart	Raymond	Distribution center	600
Neslab	Newington	Light manufacturing lab equipment	600
HCA Health Services of NH	Derry	Health care administration	589
US Dept of State National Visa Center	Portsmouth	Visa services	550
Philips Exeter Academy	Exeter	Education	520
Harvey Industry	Londonderry	Window manufacturer	500
Crossings at Fox Run	Newington	Retail store	500
Londonderry School District	Londonderry	Education	493
Pinkerton Academy	Derry	Education	474
Stonyfield Farms	Londonderry	Yogurt producer	375
Sanborn School District	Kingston	Education	353
Wal-Mart	Epping	Retail store, supermarket	350
Erie Scientific/Sybron Lab Products	Portsmouth	Laboratory equipment	350
Osram Sylvania	Exeter	Electronics	318
Hutchinson Sealing	Newfields	Automotive products	300
Northeast Rehabilitation Hospital	Salem	Comprehensive physical rehabilitation	300
Market Basket	Plaistow	Supermarket	300

Note: All employer information, including number of employees, was provided by the individual communities.

Covered Employment & Wages	(NHES-ELMI)	
Annual Average Covered Employment	1997	2007
Goods Producing Industries		
Average Employment	21,454	22,407
Average Weekly Wage	\$731	\$1,053
Service Providing Industries		
Average Employment	81,505	101,273
Average Weekly Wage	\$530	\$813
Total Private Industry		
Average Employment	102,959	123,679
Average Weekly Wage	\$572	\$856
Government (Federal, State, and Local)		
Average Employment	11,946	14,702
Average Weekly Wage	\$562	\$788
Total, Private Industry plus Government		
Average Employment	114,905	138,382
Average Weekly Wage	\$571	\$849

Income	(2005-2007 3-Year Average, ACS)	
Per Capita Income		\$34,324
Median Family Income		\$85,361
Median Household Income		\$72,600
Median Earnings (Full-Time Year-Round)	Male	\$58,414
	Female	\$39,750

Housing Supply, 2007	(NH Office of Energy & Planning)
Total Housing Units	81,104
Single-Family Units	72,944
Residential Permits, Net Change of Units	585
Multi-Family Units	32,500
Residential Permits, Net Change of Units	138
Manufactured Housing Units	7,579

Northern New England Real Estate Network Statistics*	
YTD 2008 Median Sale Price, Residential	\$285,000
NHHFA Residential Rental Cost Survey**	
2008 Median Monthly Gross Rent, 2 Bedroom	\$1,182

* **Source:** Monthly Statistics Report – December 2008 for New Hampshire. Copyright 2009 Northern New England Real Estate Network, Inc. The reproduction of these statistics is done with the permission of NNEREN. The statistics referenced herein are based solely upon listings submitted to the multiple listing service database of NNEREN and do not include all properties sold and marketed for sale. ALL INFORMATION DEEMED RELIABLE BUT NOT GUARANTEED. Any analysis or commentary related to these statistics is that of the commentator, and not that of NNEREN. <www.nneren.com>

** **Source:** 2008 Residential Rental Cost Survey, New Hampshire Housing Finance Authority. Copyright NHHFA 2008. <www.nhhfa.org>

Educational Attainment (2005-2007 3-Year Average, ACS)

Population, Age 25 and Over	201,955
Less than 9th grade	4,178
9th to 12th grade, no diploma	11,467
High school graduate (includes equivalency)	57,243
Some college, no degree	38,442
Associate's degree	18,543
Bachelor's degree	46,240
Graduate or professional degree	25,842
Percent high school graduates or higher	92.3%
Percent bachelor's degree or higher	35.7%

Educational Facilities*School Districts:*

Auburn (Grades K-8)	Nottingham (Grades K-8)
Brentwood (Grades K-5)	Portsmouth (Grades K-12)
Candia (Grades K-8)	Raymond (Grades 1-12)
Chester (Grades 1-8)	Rye (Grades K-8)
Deerfield (Grades K-8)	Salem (Grades 1-12)
Derry (Grades 1-12)	Seabrook (Grades K-8)
East Kingston (Grades K-5)	South Hampton (Grades 1-8)
Epping (Grades K-12)	Stratham (Grades K-5)
Exeter (Grades K-5)	Windham (Grades 1-8)
Fremont (Grades 1-8)	Exeter Region Co-op – Exeter, Brentwood, Newfields, Stratham, Kensington, East Kingston (Grades 6-12)
Greenland (Grades K-8)	Sanborn Regional – Kingston, Newton (Grades 1-12)
Hampstead (Grades 1-8)	Timberlane Regional – Atkinson, Danville, Plaistow, Sandown (Grades 1-12)
Hampton (Grades K-8)	Winnacunnet Co-op – Hampton, Hampton Falls, North Hampton, Seabrook (Grades 9-12)
Hampton Falls (Grades K-8)	
Kensington (Grades K-5)	
Londonderry (Grades 1-12)	
New Castle (Grades K-6)	
Newfields (Grades K-5)	
Newington (Grades K-6)	
Newmarket Grades K-12)	
North Hampton (Grades K-8)	
Northwood (Grades K-12)	

Career Technology Centers:

Pinkerton Academy (Derry); Portsmouth Career Tech Center; Salem Vocational Center; Seacoast School of Technology (Exeter); Dover Vocational Center, Somersworth Vocational Center; Creteau Vocational Center (Rochester)

Nearest Community College: Great Bay (Portsmouth); Manchester; Nashua; NH Technical Institute (Concord)

Nearest Colleges/Universities:

Chester of New England (Chester); University of NH (Durham); Daniel Webster (Nashua); Hesser College (Manchester); Rivier College (Nashua); Saint Anselm College (Manchester); Southern NH University (Manchester); UNH-Manchester; Northern Essex (MA)

NH Licensed Child Care Facilities, 2008

(NH Bureau of Child Care Licensing)

Total Facilities: 249 Total Capacity: 11,083

Property Tax Rates, 2007 (NH Dept. of Revenue Admin.)

Town	Total Tax Rate/\$1000	Equalization Ratio	Full Value Rate/\$1000
Atkinson	\$14.10	103.0	\$14.39
Auburn	\$13.71	100.0	\$12.70
Brentwood	\$20.42	95.4	\$19.67
Candia	\$18.59	80.8	\$14.83
Chester	\$17.64	103.2	\$18.06
Danville	\$17.57	100.0	\$17.38
Deerfield	\$17.53	103.1	\$18.46
Derry	\$22.05	100.0	\$21.88
East Kingston	\$22.26	85.9	\$19.48
Epping	\$19.53	94.6	\$18.45
Exeter	\$20.07	94.8	\$18.62
Fremont	\$21.23	96.8	\$20.61
Greenland	\$17.30	82.6	\$14.22
Hampstead	\$18.54	90.6	\$16.57
Hampton	\$19.79	75.8	\$14.85
Hampton Falls	\$20.49	81.4	\$16.60
Kensington	\$17.54	91.0	\$15.73
Kingston	\$20.66	86.9	\$17.89
Londonderry	\$18.22	98.8	\$17.91
New Castle	\$4.78	83.3	\$3.98
Newfields	\$22.66	79.7	\$17.84
Newington	\$8.91	85.2	\$7.51
Newmarket	\$21.20	89.6	\$18.67
Newton	\$18.28	105.1	\$19.17
North Hampton	\$16.82	91.6	\$15.24
Northwood	\$17.43	100.0	\$17.24
Nottingham	\$13.27	100.0	\$13.20
Plaistow	\$19.00	95.5	\$18.07
Portsmouth	\$16.34	92.3	\$14.82
Raymond	\$17.50	100.0	\$17.37
Rye	\$8.91	90.7	\$8.04
Salem	\$13.21	100.0	\$13.13
Sandown	\$21.89	76.4	\$16.55
Seabrook	\$13.08	91.5	\$11.71
South Hampton	\$13.99	108.6	\$15.11
Stratham	\$19.10	85.1	\$16.32
Windham	\$16.10	100.0	\$15.95

2007 Local Assessed Valuation by Property Type, County Totals

Residential Land and Buildings	77.8%
Commercial Land and Buildings	16.3%
Public Utilities, Current Use, and Other	5.9%

Hospitals (NH Hospital Assoc.)

Hospital	Staffed Beds
Exeter Hospital, Exeter	100
Portsmouth Regional, Portsmouth	209
Parkland Medical Center, Derry	86
Frisbie Memorial, Rochester	112
Wentworth-Douglass, Dover	178
Catholic Medical Center, Manchester	330
Elliot Hospital, Manchester	296
Concord Hospital, Concord	295

Commuting to Work (2005-2007 3-Year Average, ACS)

Workers, 16 years and over	155,970
Car, truck or van: drove alone	132,663
Car, truck or van: carpooled	10,656
Public transportation (excluding taxi)	971
Walked	2,956
Other means	1,425
Worked at home	7,299
Mean travel time to work (minutes)	28.8
Percent of working residents:	
Working in county of residence	52.9%
Commuting to some other NH county	17.0%
Commuting out-of-state/country	30.1%

Transportation

Road Access	US Routes	1; 4; 202
	State Routes	1A; 1B; 1 Bypass; 9; 16; 27; 28; 28 Bypass; 33; 38; 43; 84; 85; 87; 88; 97; 101; 101E; 102; 107; 107A; 108; 111; 111A; 121; 121A; 125; 128; 150; 151; 152; 156; 202A; 286
Nearest Interstates	I-93, Exits 1-8; I-95, Exits 1-7; Spaulding Tpk., Exit 6; I-495 (MA), Exits 51-54	
Nearest Airports with Scheduled Service	Manchester-Boston Regional	Passenger Airlines 8

Contacts	Address	ZIP	Phone/Fax*	E-Mail/Web	Office Hours
Atkinson Planning Board	21 Academy Ave Atkinson NH	03811	P: 362-5761 F: 362-5305	sgalvin@atkinson-nh.gov www.town-atkinsonnh.com	Town Administrator: M-F 8-4
Town of Auburn	PO Box 309 Auburn NH	03032 -0309	P: 483-5052 F: 483-0518	adminassist@townofauburnnh.com www.auburnnh.us	Selectmen: M-F 8-4:30; Town Clerk/Tax Collector: M 10-7, WTh 8-2, F 8-12
Town of Brentwood	1 Dalton Road Brentwood NH	03833	P: 642-6400 F: 642-6310	selectmen@brentwoodnh.gov http://brentwoodnh.gov	Town Clerk/Tax Collector: MWTh 9-4:30, T 9-4:30 & 7-9, F 9-4, S 9-12; Selectmen: M-Th 8:15-4, F 9-1
Candia Selectmen's Office	74 High Street Candia NH	03034	P: 483-8101 F: 483-0252	not available www.candianh.org	M-F 8-3
Town of Chester Planning Dept.	84 Chester St. Municipal Office Bldg. Chester NH	03036	P: 887-5629 F: 887-4404	chstrpl@gsinet.net www.chesternh.org	M-F 8-4; Town Clerk/Tax Collector: MWThF 8-12:30, T 8-3:30
Danville Board of Selectmen	PO Box 11 Danville NH	03819	P: 382-8253 F: 382-3363	selectadmin@townofdanville.org www.townofdanville.org	Selectmen's Clerk: M-F 8:30-4:30; Town Clerk: MT 8-1, W 8-2:30, Th 8-1 & 3-8
Town of Deerfield	PO Box 159 Deerfield NH	03037	P: 463-8811 F: 463-2820	dfdbos@metrocast.net www.ftownofdeerfieldnh.com	M 8-7, T-F 8-2:30
Derry Planning Dept.	14 Manning Street Derry NH	03038	P: 432-6110 x5477 F: 432-6109	georgesioras@ci.derry.nh.us www.derry-nh.org	M-F 7-4; Town Clerk/Tax Collector: MTThF 7-4, W 10-7
Town of East Kingston	24 Depot Road East Kingston NH	03827	P: 642-8406 F: 642-8406	eastking@verizon.net not available	Selectmen: M-F 8-2; Town Clerk/Tax Collector: M 8-2:30 & 6-8, TThF 8-2:30, closed Wed
Town of Epping	157 Main Street Epping NH	03042	P: 679-5441 F: 679-3002	administrator@townofeppping.com www.ci.epping.nh.us	M-Th 8-4, F 8-12; Town Clerk/Tax Collector: M 12-8, W 9-6, F 9-3
Town of Exeter	10 Front Street Exeter NH	03833	P: 778-0591 F: 772-4709	rdean@exeternh.org www.town.exeter.nh.us	M-F 8-4:30; Town Clerk: M-F 8:30-3:30
Town of Fremont	295 Main Street PO Box 120 Fremont NH	03044 -0120	P: 895-2226 F: 895-3149	administrator@fremont.nh.gov www.Fremont.NH.gov	Selectmen/Assessor/Town Admin: MF 8:30-12, TW 8:30-4, Th 11-5; Town Clerk: MF 8:30-12, TW 8:30-4, Th 11-8; Tax Collector: Th 6-8
Greenland Board of Selectmen	575 Portsmouth Ave PO Box 100 Greenland NH	03840	P: 431-7111 F: 430-3761	kanderson@greenland-nh.com www.greenland-nh.com	M 11-7, T-F 9-4:30
Hampstead Board of Selectmen	11 Main Street Hampstead NH	03841	P: 329-4100 F: 329-6628	sallytheriault@comcast.net www.hampsteadnh.us	M 8-7, TWTh 8-4, F 8-12
Town of Hampton	100 Winnacunnet Rd. Hampton NH	03842	P: 929-5908 F: 926-6853	fwelch@town.hampton.nh.us www.hamptonnh.gov	M-F 9-5; Town Clerk: M-F 9-4:30
Hampton Falls Board of Selectmen	1 Drinkwater Road Hampton Falls NH	03844	P: 926-4618 F: 926-1848	townadministrator@hamptonfalls.org www.hamptonfalls.org	MTTh 8:30-12 & 1-4

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Kingston Board of Selectmen	163 Main Street PO Box 716 Kingston NH	03848	P: 642-3342 F: 642-4108	admin@kingstonnh.org www.kingstonnh.org	MTThF 9-4, W 9-12; Town Clerk & Tax Collector: MT 8:30-4 & 7-9, W-F 8:30-4
Londonderry Community Development Dept.	268 B Mammoth Rd. Londonderry NH	03053	P: 432-1100 F: 432-1128	agarron@londonderrynh.org www.londonderrynh.org	M-F 8:30-5
Town of New Castle	PO Box 367 New Castle NH	03854	P: 431-6710 F: 433-6198	newcastlenh@comcast.net www.newcastlenh.org/Town/	MWThF 8-2; Town Clerk: M 3-6, WTh 11-2; Tax Collector: WThF 8-2
Newfields Board of Selectmen	65 Main Street Newfields NH	03856	P: 772-5070 F: 772-9004	selectmen@newfieldsnh.gov www.newfieldsnh.gov	M-F 8:30-2:30; T 6-8
Newington Board of Selectmen	205 Nimble Hill Rd. Newington NH	03801	P: 436-7640 F: 436-7188	selectmen@newington.nh.us www.newington.nh.us	Administration: M-F 9-4:30; Town Clerk: TWTh 10-3
Town of Newmarket	186 Main Street Newmarket NH	03857	P: 659-3617 F: 659-8508	ewojnowski@newmarketnh.gov www.newmarketnh.gov	M-F 8-4:30; Town Clerk & Tax Collector: M 7-7, TWTh 8-4:30, F 8-12
Town of Newton	2 Town Hall Road PO Box 378 Newton NH	03858	P: 382-4096 F: 382-2596	newtontownclerknh@comcast.net www.newton-nh.gov	MTW 8-4, Th 12-8
Town of North Hampton	233 Atlantic Ave North Hampton NH	03862	P: 964-8087 F: 964-1514	sfournier@northhampton-nh.gov www.northhampton-nh.gov	M-F 8-4
Town of Northwood	818 First NH Turnpike Northwood NH	03261	P: 942-5586 F: 942-9107	administration@town.northwood.nh.us www.town.northwood.nh.us	M-F 8-4
Town of Nottingham	PO Box 114 Nottingham NH	03290	P: 679-5022 F: 679-1013	bospc@nottingham-nh.gov www.nottingham-nh.gov	M-Th 8:30-3:30, F 8:30-12; Town Clerk: MW 3-7, T 1-5, Th 9-1, last Sat 9-1; Tax Collector: W 7-9, Th & Sat 9-12
Plaistow Board of Selectmen	145 Main Street Plaistow NH	03865	P: 382-8469 F: 382-7183	tmsecretary@plaistow.com www.plaistow.com	M-F 8-4:30; Town Clerk: M-Th 8-4:30, F 7am -12pm
Portsmouth Economic Development Comm.	1 Junkins Ave Portsmouth NH	03801	P: 610-7220 F: 427-1593	nmcarmer@ch.cityofportsmouth.com http://cityofportsmouth.com	M-F 8-4:30
Raymond Town Office	4 Epping Street Raymond NH	03077	P: 895-4735 F: 895-0903	crose@townofraymondnh.com www.raymond-nh.com	M-F 8-4:30
Town of Rye	10 Central Road Rye NH	03870	P: 964-5523 F: 964-1516	nancyw@town.rye.nh.us www.town.rye.nh.us/	M-Th 8-4:30, F 8-12
Salem Planning Dept.	33 Geremonty Drive Salem NH	03079	P: 890-2080 F: 898-1223	rmoldoff@ci.salem.nh.us www.townofsalemnh.org	M-F 8:30-5
Sandown Board of Selectmen	320 Main Street PO Box 1756 Sandown NH	03873	P: 887-3646 F: 887-5163	townofsandown@comcast.net www.sandown.us/	M 8-12 & 1-7, T-Th 8-4
Town of Seabrook	PO Box 456 Seabrook NH	03874	P: 474-3311 F: 474-8007	bbrenner@seabrooknh.org www.seabrooknh.org	M-F 8-12:30 & 1-4
Town of South Hampton	3 Hilldale Ave South Hampton NH	03827	P: 394-7696 F: 394-7696	not available not available	MT 7-8:30, W 12:30-2, F 9:30-11:30; Admin Asst/Assessor: MW 12:30-2:30
Town of Stratham	10 Bunker Hill Ave Stratham NH	03885	P: 772-7391 F: 775-0517	strathamta@comcast.net www.strathamnh.org	M-F 8:30-4
Town of Windham	3 North Lowell Road PO Box 120 Windham NH	03087	P: 432-7732 F: 425-6582	dsullivan@windhamnewhampshire.com www.windhamnewhampshire.com	M-F 8-4

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