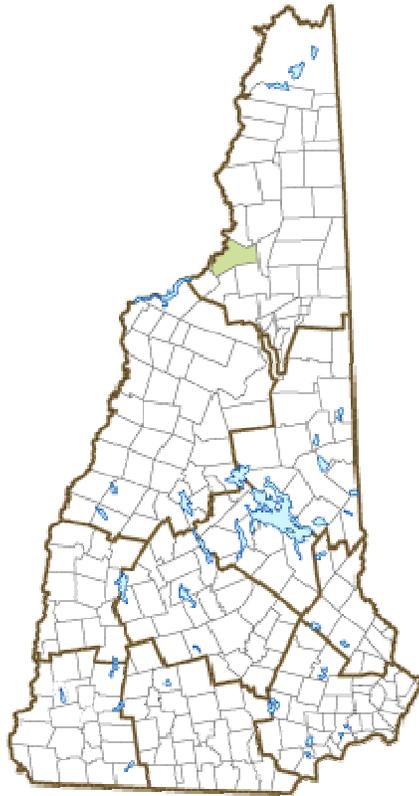


Lancaster, NH



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Web Site	www.lancasternh.org
Municipal Office Hours	Monday through Thursday, 8:30 am - 5 pm, Friday, 8:30 am - 4:30 pm
County	Coös
Labor Market Area	Littleton, NH-VT LMA, NH part
Tourism Region	Great North Woods
Planning Commission	North Country Council
Regional Development	Coös Economic Development Corp.
Election Districts	
US Congress	District 2
Executive Council	District 1
State Senate	District 1
State Representative	Coös County Districts 4, 7

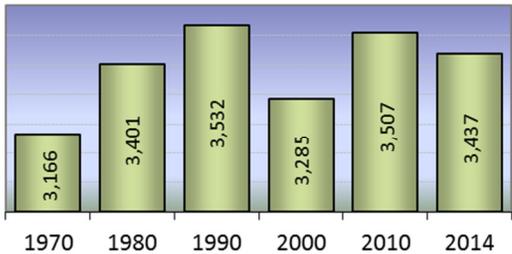
Incorporated: 1763

Origin: Lancaster was first granted to Captain David Page and others in 1763, an early settlement on the northern portion of the Connecticut River. The town was subject to many Indian troubles, and a grant renewal was issued in 1769. The town was named for Lancaster, Massachusetts, hometown of Joseph Wilder, an early settler. Reverend Joshua Weeks, also a grantee, was among the group of explorers who named the mountains in the Presidential Range. Another resident was Benjamin Sawyer, who, with Timothy Nash, discovered the "White Mountain Notch," making a shorter route to Portland possible.

Villages and Place Names: Coos Junction, Grange, Lost Nation, South Lancaster

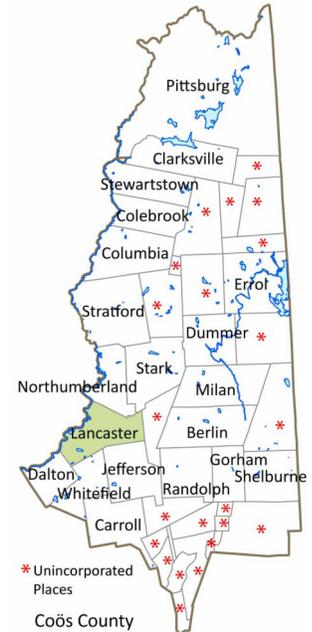
Population, Year of the First Census Taken: 161 residents in 1790

Population Trends: Population change for Lancaster totaled 299 over 54 years, from 3,138 in 1960 to 3,437 in 2014. The largest decennial percent change was seven percent occurring between 1970 and 1980, and between 2000 and 2010. The 2014 Census estimate for Lancaster was 3,437 residents, which ranked 104th among New Hampshire's incorporated cities and towns.



Population Density and Land Area, 2014

(US Census Bureau): 68.5 persons per square mile of land area. Lancaster contains 50.2 square miles of land area and 1.0 square miles of inland water area.



MUNICIPAL SERVICES	
Type of Government	Selectmen
Budget: Municipal Appropriations, 2015	\$5,763,028
Budget: School Appropriations, 2014-2015	\$6,285,582
Zoning Ordinance	1908/05
Master Plan	2011
Capital Improvement Plan	Yes
Industrial Plans Reviewed By	Planning Board

Boards and Commissions

Elected: **Selectmen; Library; Town Clerk**
 Appointed: **Planning; Zoning; Conservation; Tax Collector**

Public Library **Weeks Memorial**

EMERGENCY SERVICES	
Police Department	Full-time
Fire Department	Municipal
Emergency Medical Service	Municipal
Nearest Hospital(s)	Distance Staffed Beds
Weeks Medical Center, Lancaster	Local 25

UTILITIES	
Electric Supplier	Eversource Energy
Natural Gas Supplier	None
Water Supplier	Lancaster Water Department
Sanitation	Municipal
Municipal Wastewater Treatment Plant	Yes
Solid Waste Disposal	
Curbside Trash Pickup	Municipal & private
Pay-As-You-Throw Program	Yes
Recycling Program	Voluntary
Telephone Company	Fairpoint
Cellular Telephone Access	Yes
Cable Television Access	Yes
Public Access Television Station	No
High Speed Internet Service: Business	Yes
Residential	Yes

PROPERTY TAXES <i>(NH Dept. of Revenue Administration)</i>	
2015 Total Tax Rate (per \$1000 of value)	\$27.49
2015 Equalization Ratio	112.4
2015 Full Value Tax Rate (per \$1000 of value)	\$31.38
2015 Percent of Local Assessed Valuation by Property Type	
Residential Land and Buildings	69.8%
Commercial Land and Buildings	23.5%
Public Utilities, Current Use, and Other	6.7%

HOUSING <i>(ACS 2010-2014)</i>	
Total Housing Units	1,746
Single-Family Units, Detached or Attached	1,272
Units in Multiple-Family Structures:	
Two to Four Units in Structure	79
Five or More Units in Structure	173
Mobile Homes and Other Housing Units	222

DEMOGRAPHICS <i>(US Census Bureau)</i>		
Total Population	Community	County
2014	3,437	32,202
2010	3,507	33,055
2000	3,285	33,156
1990	3,532	34,879
1980	3,401	35,014
1970	3,166	34,189

Demographics, American Community Survey (ACS) 2010-2014

Population by Gender
 Male **1,628** Female **1,809**

Population by Age Group
 Under age 5 **135**
 Age 5 to 19 **696**
 Age 20 to 34 **390**
 Age 35 to 54 **994**
 Age 55 to 64 **590**
 Age 65 and over **632**
 Median Age **46.6 years**

Educational Attainment, population 25 years and over
 High school graduate or higher **91.4%**
 Bachelor's degree or higher **24.5%**

INCOME, INFLATION ADJUSTED \$ <i>(ACS 2010-2014)</i>	
Per capita income	\$26,877
Median family income	\$61,776
Median household income	\$47,292

Median Earnings, full-time, year-round workers
 Male **\$40,496**
 Female **\$41,316**

Individuals below the poverty level **8.9%**

LABOR FORCE <i>(NHES – ELMII)</i>		
Annual Average	2005	2015
Civilian labor force	1,701	1,779
Employed	1,644	1,713
Unemployed	57	66
Unemployment rate	3.4%	3.7%

EMPLOYMENT & WAGES <i>(NHES – ELMII)</i>		
Annual Average Covered Employment	2004	2014
Goods Producing Industries		
Average Employment	239	254
Average Weekly Wage	\$ 565	\$ 641
Service Providing Industries		
Average Employment	1,350	1,171
Average Weekly Wage	\$ 568	\$ 757
Total Private Industry		
Average Employment	1,588	1,425
Average Weekly Wage	\$ 567	\$ 736
Government (Federal, State, and Local)		
Average Employment	212	256
Average Weekly Wage	\$ 546	\$ 690
Total, Private Industry plus Government		
Average Employment	1,800	1,681
Average Weekly Wage	\$ 565	\$ 729

EDUCATION AND CHILD CARE

Schools students attend: **Grades K-12 are part of White Mountains Regional (Carroll, Dalton, Jefferson, Lancaster, Whitefield)** District: **SAU 36**
 Career Technology Center(s): **Hugh J. Gallen Career & Technical Center** Region: **3**

Educational Facilities (includes Charter Schools)	Elementary	Middle/Junior High	High School	Private/Parochial
Number of Schools	1			1
Grade Levels	P K 1-8			4-12
Total Enrollment	373			13

Nearest Community College: **White Mountains**
 Nearest Colleges or Universities: **Granite State College-Littleton or Berlin**

2016 NH Licensed Child Care Facilities (DHHS-Bureau of Child Care Licensing) Total Facilities: **4** Total Capacity: **132**

LARGEST BUSINESSES	PRODUCT/SERVICE	EMPLOYEES	ESTABLISHED
Weeks Memorial Hospital	Health care services	320	
Country Village Health Care	Health care services	112	
Lancaster School	Education	70	
Pak 2000	Four color shopping bags	53	1987
Shaw's Supermarket	Supermarket	48	
Town of Lancaster	Municipal services	40	
PJ Noyes Company, Inc.	Pharmaceutical	30	1868
Eversource Energy	Utility	25	
North Country Ford Sales & Service	Car dealership	21	
Salmon Press, LLC	Newspaper	6	

Employer Information Supplied by Municipality

TRANSPORTATION (distances estimated from city/town hall)

Road Access	US Routes	2, 3
	State Routes	
Nearest Interstate, Exit	I-93, Exit 41	
	Distance	20 miles
Railroad	Boston & Maine	
Public Transportation	NCT	
Nearest Public Use Airport, General Aviation		
Mt Washington Reg, Whitefield	Runway	4,001 ft. asphalt
Lighted? Yes	Navigation Aids?	Yes
Nearest Airport with Scheduled Service		
Lebanon Municipal	Distance	82 miles
Number of Passenger Airlines Serving Airport		1
Driving distance to select cities:		
Manchester, NH		116 miles
Portland, Maine		19 miles
Boston, Mass.		166 miles
New York City, NY		350 miles
Montreal, Quebec		170 miles

COMMUTING TO WORK*(ACS 2010-2014)*

Workers 16 years and over	
Drove alone, car/truck/van	83.1%
Carpooled, car/truck/van	9.1%
Public transportation	0.1%
Walked	1.2%
Other means	0.5%
Worked at home	6.0%
Mean Travel Time to Work	23.8 minutes

Percent of Working Residents: ACS 2010-2014

Working in community of residence	48.6
Commuting to another NH community	43.8
Commuting out-of-state	7.6

RECREATION, ATTRACTIONS, AND EVENTS

X	Municipal Parks
	YMCA/YWCA
	Boys Club/Girls Club
	Golf Courses
X	Swimming: Indoor Facility
	Swimming: Outdoor Facility
X	Tennis Courts: Indoor Facility
	Tennis Courts: Outdoor Facility
	Ice Skating Rink: Indoor Facility
	Bowling Facilities
	Museums
X	Cinemas
	Performing Arts Facilities
	Tourist Attractions
X	Youth Organizations (i.e., Scouts, 4-H)
X	Youth Sports: Baseball
X	Youth Sports: Soccer
X	Youth Sports: Football
X	Youth Sports: Basketball
X	Youth Sports: Hockey
X	Campgrounds
X	Fishing/Hunting
X	Boating/Marinas
X	Snowmobile Trails
	Bicycle Trails
	Cross Country Skiing
	Beach or Waterfront Recreation Area
	Overnight or Day Camps
	Nearest Ski Area(s): Bretton Woods
	Other: Lancaster Fair; Weeks Historic Site; Farmers Market