

# Manchester, NH



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## Municipal Office Hours

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County  
 Labor Market Area  
 Tourism Region  
 Planning Commission  
 Regional Development

**Hillsborough**  
**Manchester, NH Metropolitan NECTA**  
**Merrimack Valley**  
**Southern NH**  
**Capital Regional Development Council**

## Election Districts

US Congress  
 Executive Council  
 State Senate

**District 1 (All Wards)**  
**District 4 (All Wards)**  
**District 16 (Wards 1, 2, & 12), 18 (Wards 5-9), and 20 (Wards 3, 4, 10, & 11)**  
**Hillsborough County Districts 8, 42 (Ward 1) 9, 42 (Ward 2) 10, 42 (Ward 3) 11, 43 (Ward 4) 12, 43 (Ward 5) 13, 43 (Ward 6) 14, 43 (Ward 7) 15, 44 (Ward 8) 16, 44 (Ward 9) 17, 45 (Ward 10) 18, 45 (Ward 11) 19, 45 (Ward 12)**

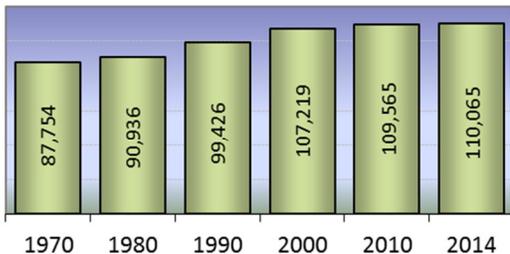
## State Representative

## Incorporated: 1751

**Origin:** This territory, first known as Harrytown, was granted in 1735 as Tyng's Town to Captain William Tyng's "snow-shoe men" who had fought in the French and Indian War during the winter of 1703. In 1751, it was incorporated as Derryfield, and included part of Chester and Londonderry. The name Manchester was suggested by Samuel Blodgett, a businessman who found that the Amoskeag Falls impeded shipping on the Merrimack River. He had visited Manchester, England, and was determined to build a canal like those in England. The canal was opened in May 1807, and though Mr. Blodgett died later that year, the town was renamed Manchester in 1810. The first cotton spinning mill opened in 1804, and the Amoskeag Cotton and Wool Manufacturing Company opened in 1810. Manchester was incorporated as a city in 1846.

**Villages and Place Names:** Goffs Falls, Massabesic, Youngsville, Bakersville, Amoskeag

**Population, Year of the First Census Taken:** 362 residents in 1790



**Population Trends:** The state's largest city, population change for Manchester was the fifth largest, totaling 21,783 over 54 years, from 88,282 in 1960 to 110,065 in 2014. The largest decennial percent change was just nine percent, between 1980 and 1990. The 2014 Census estimate for Manchester was 110,065 residents, which ranked first among New Hampshire's incorporated cities and towns.

**Population Density and Land Area, 2014 (US Census Bureau):** 3,330.3 persons per square mile of land area, the state's highest population density. Manchester contains 33.1 square miles of land area and 1.9 square miles of inland water area.



<b>MUNICIPAL SERVICES</b>	
Type of Government	<b>Mayor &amp; 14 Aldermen</b>
Budget: Municipal Appropriations, 2015-2016	<b>\$143,966,865</b>
Budget: School Appropriations, 2015-2016	<b>\$166,858,680</b>
Zoning Ordinance	<b>1927/12</b>
Master Plan	<b>2010</b>
Capital Improvement Plan	<b>Yes</b>
Industrial Plans Reviewed By	<b>City Planning Board</b>

<b>Boards and Commissions</b>	
Elected:	<b>Mayor; Aldermen; School</b>
Appointed:	<b>Planning; Conservation; Zoning; Library; 25 others</b>
Public Library	<b>Manchester City; West Side Community</b>

<b>EMERGENCY SERVICES</b>		
Police Department		<b>Full-time</b>
Fire Department		<b>Full-time</b>
Emergency Medical Service		<b>Full-time</b>
Nearest Hospital(s)	Distance	Staffed Beds
<b>Elliot Hospital, Manchester</b>	<b>Local</b>	<b>266</b>
<b>Catholic Medical Center, Manchester</b>	<b>Local</b>	<b>240</b>

<b>UTILITIES</b>		
Electric Supplier	<b>Eversource Energy</b>	
Natural Gas Supplier	<b>Liberty Utilities</b>	
Water Supplier	<b>Manchester Water Works</b>	
Sanitation	<b>Municipal</b>	
Municipal Wastewater Treatment Plant	<b>Yes</b>	
Solid Waste Disposal	<b>Municipal</b>	
Curbside Trash Pickup	<b>Municipal</b>	
Pay-As-You-Throw Program	<b>No</b>	
Recycling Program	<b>Yard waste-Mandatory; Recyclables-Voluntary</b>	
Telephone Company	<b>Fairpoint</b>	
Cellular Telephone Access	<b>Yes</b>	
Cable Television Access	<b>Yes</b>	
Public Access Television Station	<b>Yes</b>	
High Speed Internet Service:	Business	<b>Yes</b>
	Residential	<b>Yes</b>

<b>PROPERTY TAXES</b>		(NH Dept. of Revenue Administration)
2015 Total Tax Rate (per \$1000 of value)	<b>\$23.44</b>	
2015 Equalization Ratio	<b>93.9</b>	
2015 Full Value Tax Rate (per \$1000 of value)	<b>\$21.62</b>	
2015 Percent of Local Assessed Valuation by Property Type		
Residential Land and Buildings	<b>61.5%</b>	
Commercial Land and Buildings	<b>35.1%</b>	
Public Utilities, Current Use, and Other	<b>3.4%</b>	

<b>HOUSING</b>		(ACS 2010-2014)
Total Housing Units	<b>49,251</b>	
Single-Family Units, Detached or Attached	<b>21,096</b>	
Units in Multiple-Family Structures:		
Two to Four Units in Structure	<b>12,888</b>	
Five or More Units in Structure	<b>15,120</b>	
Mobile Homes and Other Housing Units	<b>147</b>	

<b>DEMOGRAPHICS</b>			(US Census Bureau)
Total Population	Community	County	
2014	<b>110,065</b>	<b>402,776</b>	
2010	<b>109,565</b>	<b>400,721</b>	
2000	<b>107,219</b>	<b>382,384</b>	
1990	<b>99,426</b>	<b>336,549</b>	
1980	<b>90,936</b>	<b>276,608</b>	
1970	<b>87,754</b>	<b>223,941</b>	

#### Demographics, American Community Survey (ACS) 2010-2014

<b>Population by Gender</b>			
Male	<b>54,994</b>	Female	<b>55,071</b>

<b>Population by Age Group</b>	
Under age 5	<b>6,548</b>
Age 5 to 19	<b>18,468</b>
Age 20 to 34	<b>26,845</b>
Age 35 to 54	<b>31,003</b>
Age 55 to 64	<b>13,357</b>
Age 65 and over	<b>13,844</b>
Median Age	<b>36.8 years</b>

<b>Educational Attainment, population 25 years and over</b>	
High school graduate or higher	<b>86.8%</b>
Bachelor's degree or higher	<b>26.4%</b>

<b>INCOME, INFLATION ADJUSTED \$</b>		(ACS 2010-2014)
Per capita income		<b>\$28,189</b>
Median family income		<b>\$67,192</b>
Median household income		<b>\$55,306</b>

<b>Median Earnings, full-time, year-round workers</b>	
Male	<b>\$47,956</b>
Female	<b>\$38,605</b>
Individuals below the poverty level	<b>14.3%</b>

<b>LABOR FORCE</b>			(NHES – ELMI)
Annual Average	2005	2015	
Civilian labor force	<b>60,944</b>	<b>61,986</b>	
Employed	<b>58,510</b>	<b>59,120</b>	
Unemployed	<b>2,434</b>	<b>2,866</b>	
Unemployment rate	<b>4.0%</b>	<b>4.6%</b>	

<b>EMPLOYMENT &amp; WAGES</b>			(NHES – ELMI)
Annual Average Covered Employment	2004	2014	
Goods Producing Industries			
Average Employment	<b>9,535</b>	<b>7,378</b>	
Average Weekly Wage	<b>\$ 893</b>	<b>\$1,155</b>	
Service Providing Industries			
Average Employment	<b>49,368</b>	<b>52,972</b>	
Average Weekly Wage	<b>\$ 784</b>	<b>\$ 987</b>	
Total Private Industry			
Average Employment	<b>58,903</b>	<b>60,350</b>	
Average Weekly Wage	<b>\$ 802</b>	<b>\$1,008</b>	
Government (Federal, State, and Local)			
Average Employment	<b>7,543</b>	<b>6,758</b>	
Average Weekly Wage	<b>\$ 878</b>	<b>\$1,163</b>	
Total, Private Industry plus Government			
Average Employment	<b>66,446</b>	<b>67,108</b>	
Average Weekly Wage	<b>\$ 810</b>	<b>\$1,024</b>	

**EDUCATION AND CHILD CARE**

Schools students attend: **Manchester operates grades K-12** District: **SAU 37**  
 Career Technology Center(s): **Manchester School of Technology; Pinkerton Academy Center for CTE; Salem HS Career & Technical Ed Ctr** Region:

Educational Facilities (includes Charter Schools)	Elementary	Middle/Junior High	High School	Private/Parochial
Number of Schools	16	6	6	12
Grade Levels	P K 1-6	6-8	9-12	P K 1-12
Total Enrollment	7,167	3,226	4,460	1,969

Nearest Community College: **Manchester**

Nearest Colleges or Universities: **Hesser; St. Anselm; Southern NH University; UNH-Manchester**

2016 NH Licensed Child Care Facilities (DHHS-Bureau of Child Care Licensing)

Total Facilities: **58** Total Capacity: **4,690**

LARGEST BUSINESSES	PRODUCT/SERVICE	EMPLOYEES	ESTABLISHED
Elliott Hospital	Health care services	3,375	
Catholic Medical Center	Health care services	2,100	
Eversource Energy	Utility	1,500	
Fairpoint Communications	Utility	1,300	
TD Bank	Banking services	1,100	
Comcast	Utility	1,025	
Southern NH University	Education	1,000	
Citizens Bank	Banking services	1,000	
Saint Anselm College	Education	663	
Anthem Blue Cross & Blue Shield	Health insurance services	650	

Employer Information Supplied by Municipality

**TRANSPORTATION** (distances estimated from city/town hall)

Road Access	US Routes	<b>3</b>
	State Routes	<b>3A, 28, 28A 101, 114, 114A</b>
Nearest Interstate, Exit	<b>I-93, Exits 6 - 8; I-293, Exits 1 - 7</b>	
	Distance	<b>Local access</b>
Railroad	<b>Guilford Rail Service</b>	
Public Transportation	<b>MTA</b>	
Nearest Public Use Airport, General Aviation		
<b>Manchester-Boston Regional</b>	Runway	<b>9,250 ft. asphalt</b>
Lighted? <b>Yes</b>	Navigation Aids?	<b>Yes</b>
Nearest Airport with Scheduled Service		
<b>Manchester-Boston Regional</b>	Distance	<b>Local</b>
Number of Passenger Airlines Serving Airport		<b>4</b>
Driving distance to select cities:		
Manchester, NH		<b>0 miles</b>
Portland, Maine		<b>95 miles</b>
Boston, Mass.		<b>55 miles</b>
New York City, NY		<b>251 miles</b>
Montreal, Quebec		<b>259 miles</b>

**COMMUTING TO WORK**

(ACS 2010-2014)

Workers 16 years and over	
Drove alone, car/truck/van	<b>80.3%</b>
Carpooled, car/truck/van	<b>10.8%</b>
Public transportation	<b>1.3%</b>
Walked	<b>3.0%</b>
Other means	<b>1.0%</b>
Worked at home	<b>3.6%</b>
Mean Travel Time to Work	<b>23.4 minutes</b>

**Percent of Working Residents: ACS 2010-2014**

Working in community of residence	<b>48.9</b>
Commuting to another NH community	<b>43.0</b>
Commuting out-of-state	<b>8.1</b>

**RECREATION, ATTRACTIONS, AND EVENTS**

X	Municipal Parks
X	YMCA/YWCA
X	Boys Club/Girls Club
X	Golf Courses
X	Swimming: Indoor Facility
X	Swimming: Outdoor Facility
X	Tennis Courts: Indoor Facility
X	Tennis Courts: Outdoor Facility
X	Ice Skating Rink: Indoor Facility
X	Bowling Facilities
X	Museums
X	Cinemas
X	Performing Arts Facilities
X	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
	Campgrounds
X	Fishing/Hunting
X	Boating/Marinas
X	Snowmobile Trails
X	Bicycle Trails
X	Cross Country Skiing
X	Beach or Waterfront Recreation Area
	Overnight or Day Camps

Nearest Ski Area(s): **McIntyre**

Other: **Currier Museum of Art; Amoskeag Fishways Learning Center; Verizon Wireless Arena; Palace Theatre; NH Fishercats Baseball; Manchester Monarchs Hockey; SEE Science Center; Millyard Museum; Franco-American Center**