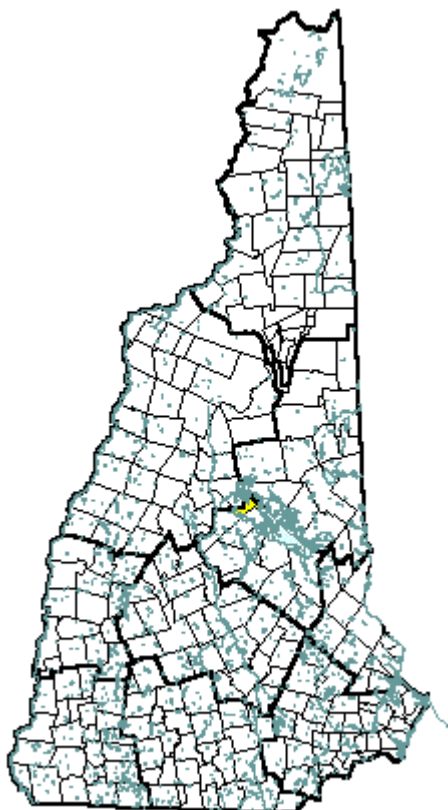


# Center Harbor, NH



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Municipal Office Hours	<b>Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday, 9 am - 3 pm, Wednesday, 9 am - 12 noon and 6:30 pm - 8:30 pm</b>
County	<b>Belknap</b>
Labor Market Area	<b>Moultonborough NH LMA</b>
Tourism Region	<b>Lakes</b>
Planning Commission	<b>Lakes Region</b>
Regional Development	<b>Belknap County Economic Development Council</b>
Election Districts	
US Congress	<b>District 1</b>
Executive Council	<b>District 1</b>
State Senate	<b>District 2</b>
State Representative	<b>Belknap County District 1</b>

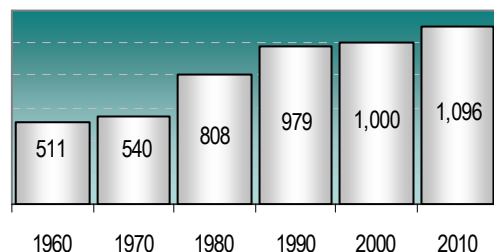
**Incorporated:** 1797

**Origin:** Center Harbor gets its name from two sources: from its location, centered between Meredith and Moultonborough Harbors, and also for the Senter family, who were owners of a large amount of property in the area. The town was incorporated in 1797 after being separated from New Hampton. Center Harbor was a landing place for lake steamers and stagecoaches, making it a popular summer resort. Center Harbor was a favorite spot of John Greenleaf Whittier, and the home of Dudley Leavitt, author and publisher of the first Farmers Almanac in 1797.

**Villages and Place Names:** West Center Harbor

**Population, Year of the First Census Taken:** 263 residents in 1800

**Population Trends:** Population change for Center Harbor totaled 585 over 50 years, from 511 in 1960 to 1,096 in 2010. The largest decennial percent change was a 50 percent



increase between 1970 and 1980, accounting for nearly half of the total numeric change. The 2010 Census estimate for Center Harbor was 1,096 residents, which ranked 182nd among New Hampshire's incorporated cities and towns.

**Population Density and Land Area, 2010 (US Census Bureau):** 82.1 persons per square mile of land area. Center Harbor contains 13.4 square miles of land area and 3.2 square miles of inland water area.



**MUNICIPAL SERVICES**

Type of Government	<b>Selectmen</b>
Budget: Municipal Appropriations, 2011	<b>\$2,476,818</b>
Budget: School Appropriations, 2011	<b>\$2,781,469</b>
Zoning Ordinance	<b>1969/05</b>
Master Plan	<b>1990</b>
Capital Improvement Plan	<b>Yes</b>
Industrial Plans Reviewed By	<b>Planning Board</b>

## Boards and Commissions

Elected:	<b>Selectmen</b>
Appointed:	<b>Planning; Conservation; Library; Zoning</b>

Public Library **James E. Nichols Memorial****EMERGENCY SERVICES**

Police Department	<b>Full-time</b>
Fire Department	<b>Part-time</b>
Emergency Medical Service	<b>Volunteer</b>

Nearest Hospital(s)	Distance	Staffed Beds
<b>Speare Memorial, Plymouth</b>	<b>15 miles</b>	<b>25</b>
<b>Lakes Region General, Laconia</b>	<b>16 miles</b>	<b>110</b>

**UTILITIES**

Electric Supplier	<b>NH Electric Coop</b>
Natural Gas Supplier	<b>None</b>
Water Supplier	<b>Private wells</b>

Sanitation	<b>Private septic &amp; municipal</b>
Municipal Wastewater Treatment Plant	<b>Yes</b>
Solid Waste Disposal	
Curbside Trash Pickup	<b>None</b>
Pay-As-You-Throw Program	<b>No</b>
Recycling Program	<b>Mandatory</b>

Telephone Company	<b>Fairpoint</b>
Cellular Telephone Access	<b>Limited</b>
Cable Television Access	<b>Limited</b>
Public Access Television Station	<b>No</b>
High Speed Internet Service: Business	<b>Yes</b>
Residential	<b>Yes</b>

**PROPERTY TAXES** (NH Dept. of Revenue Administration)

2010 Total Tax Rate (per \$1000 of value)	<b>\$10.95</b>
2010 Equalization Ratio	<b>113.3</b>
2010 Full Value Tax Rate (per \$1000 of value)	<b>\$12.40</b>

2010 Percent of Local Assessed Valuation by Property Type	
Residential Land and Buildings	<b>95.7%</b>
Commercial Land and Buildings	<b>3.9%</b>
Public Utilities, Current Use, and Other	<b>0.4%</b>

**HOUSING** (ACS 2006-2010)

Total Housing Units	<b>712</b>
Single-Family Units, Detached or Attached	<b>641</b>
Units in Multiple-Family Structures:	
Two to Four Units in Structure	<b>14</b>
Five or More Units in Structure	<b>26</b>
Mobile Homes and Other Housing Units	<b>31</b>

**DEMOGRAPHICS**

(US Census Bureau)

Total Population	Community	County
2010	<b>1,096</b>	<b>60,088</b>
2000	<b>1,000</b>	<b>56,576</b>
1990	<b>979</b>	<b>49,294</b>
1980	<b>808</b>	<b>42,884</b>
1970	<b>540</b>	<b>32,367</b>

**Demographics, American Community Survey (ACS) 2006-2010**

Population by Gender			
Male	<b>384</b>	Female	<b>515</b>

## Population by Age Group

Under age 5	<b>23</b>
Age 5 to 19	<b>145</b>
Age 20 to 34	<b>92</b>
Age 35 to 54	<b>251</b>
Age 55 to 64	<b>171</b>
Age 65 and over	<b>217</b>
Median Age	<b>49.6 years</b>

## Educational Attainment, population 25 years and over

High school graduate or higher	<b>93.6%</b>
Bachelor's degree or higher	<b>40.5%</b>

**INCOME, 2010 INFLATION ADJUSTED \$** (ACS 2006-2010)

Per capita income	<b>\$33,197</b>
Median 4-person family income	<b>\$66,563</b>
Median household income	<b>\$56,838</b>

## Median Earnings, full-time, year-round workers

Male	<b>\$50,547</b>
Female	<b>\$37,083</b>

Families below the poverty level	<b>5.8%</b>
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**LABOR FORCE** (NHES - ELMI)

Annual Average	2000	2010
Civilian labor force	<b>620</b>	<b>677</b>
Employed	<b>606</b>	<b>638</b>
Unemployed	<b>14</b>	<b>39</b>
Unemployment rate	<b>2.3%</b>	<b>5.8%</b>

**EMPLOYMENT & WAGES** (NHES - ELMI)

Annual Average Covered Employment	2000	2010
Goods Producing Industries		
Average Employment	<b>43</b>	<b>47</b>
Average Weekly Wage	<b>\$1,126</b>	<b>\$1,106</b>

Service Providing Industries		
Average Employment	<b>416</b>	<b>287</b>
Average Weekly Wage	<b>\$321</b>	<b>\$560</b>

Total Private Industry		
Average Employment	<b>459</b>	<b>334</b>
Average Weekly Wage	<b>\$396</b>	<b>\$638</b>

Government (Federal, State, and Local)		
Average Employment	<b>17</b>	<b>27</b>
Average Weekly Wage	<b>\$582</b>	<b>\$651</b>

Total, Private Industry plus Government		
Average Employment	<b>476</b>	<b>361</b>
Average Weekly Wage	<b>\$403</b>	<b>\$638</b>

n = indicates that data does not meet disclosure standards

**EDUCATION AND CHILD CARE***(NH Dept. of Education)*

Schools students attend: **Grades K-12 are part of Inter-Lakes Cooperative (Center Harbor, Meredith, Sandwich)** District: **SAU 2**

Career Technology Center(s): **J. Oliva Huot Technical Center, Laconia; Winnisquam Regional High School, Tilton** Region: **08**

Educational Facilities	Elementary	Middle/Junior High	High School	Private/Parochial
Number of Schools				<b>1</b>
Grade Levels				<b>7-12</b>
Total Enrollment				<b>38</b>

2011 NH Licensed Child Care Facilities (*DHHS – Bureau of Child Care Licensing*): Total Facilities: **1** Total Capacity: **14**

Nearest Community/Technical College: **Lakes Region**  
 Nearest Colleges or Universities: **Plymouth State University**

LARGEST BUSINESSES	PRODUCT/SERVICE	EMPLOYEES	ESTABLISHED
EM Heath, Inc.	Hardware, rental center, groceries	50	1945
Keepsake Quilting	Quilting supplies	30	1991
Bay Gull	Bagel shop	10	1995
Maxwell Real Estate	Real estate	10	2007

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

Road Access	US Routes	<b>3</b>
	State Routes	<b>25, 25B</b>
Nearest Interstate, Exit	<b>I-93, Exit 23</b>	
Distance	<b>13 miles</b>	
Railroad		<b>No</b>
Public Transportation		<b>No</b>
Nearest Public Use Airport, General Aviation		
<b>Moultonborough Airport</b>	Runway	<b>3,475 ft. asphalt</b>
Lighted? <b>Yes</b>	Navigation Aids?	<b>No</b>
Nearest Airport with Scheduled Service		
<b>Manchester-Boston Regional</b>	Distance	<b>68 miles</b>
Number of Passenger Airlines Serving Airport		<b>6</b>
Driving distance to select cities:		
Manchester, NH		<b>62 miles</b>
Portland, Maine		<b>75 miles</b>
Boston, Mass.		<b>113 miles</b>
New York City, NY		<b>318 miles</b>
Montreal, Quebec		<b>228 miles</b>

**COMMUTING TO WORK** (*ACS 2006-2010*)

Workers 16 years and over	
Drove alone, car/truck/van	<b>87.0%</b>
Carpooled, car/truck/van	<b>1.6%</b>
Public transportation	<b>0.0%</b>
Walked	<b>8.3%</b>
Other means	<b>0.0%</b>
Worked at home	<b>3.1%</b>
Mean Travel Time to Work	<b>21.4 minutes</b>

**Percent of Working Residents: ACS 2006-2010**

Working in community of residence	<b>15.2%</b>
Commuting to another NH community	<b>80.3%</b>
Commuting out-of-state	<b>4.5%</b>

**RECREATION, ATTRACTIONS, AND EVENTS**

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