

Cornish, NH



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County
 Labor Market Area
 Tourism Region
 Planning Commission
 Regional Development

Sullivan
Lebanon, NH-VT Micropolitan NECTA, NH part
Dartmouth-Lake Sunapee
Upper Valley Lake Sunapee
Capital Regional Development Council

Election Districts
 US Congress
 Executive Council
 State Senate
 State Representative

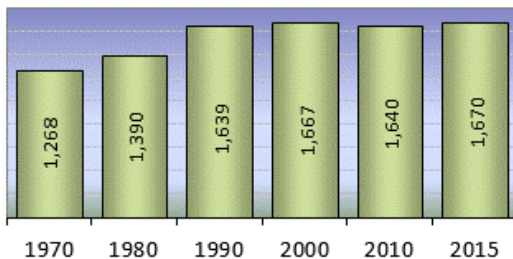
District 2
District 1
District 5
Sullivan County Districts 1, 9

Incorporated: 1765

Origin: Established in 1763, the town was once known as Mast Camp, because it was the shipping point for the tall masts floated down the river by the English for use by the Royal Navy. Cornish was named for Sir Samuel Cornish, a distinguished admiral of the Royal Navy. Cornish is known as a summer resort for artists and writers, with residents including Maxfield Parrish and Augustus Saint-Gaudens. Saint-Gaudens' home and studio were named a national historic site in 1964. Cornish also is the site of four covered bridges all on the National Register of Historic Places, including the Cornish-Windsor Bridge, which is the longest two-span covered bridge in the world.

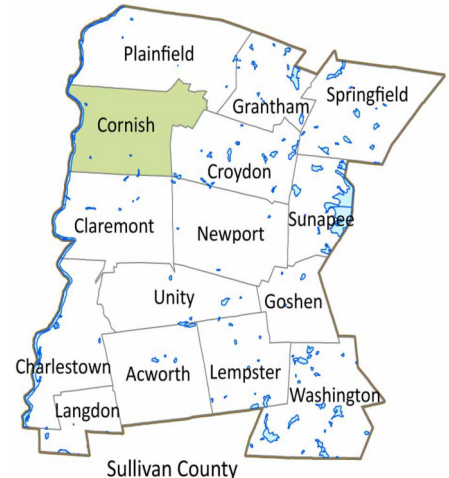
Villages and Place Names: Ballock, Cornish Center, Cornish City, Cornish Flat, Cornish Mills, South Cornish, Squag City

Population, Year of the First Census Taken: 982 residents in 1790



Population Trends: Population change for Cornish totaled 564 over 55 years, from 1,106 in 1960 to 1,670 in 2015. The largest decennial percent change was an 18 percent increase between 1980 and 1990; the smallest change was a two percent increase between 1990 and 2000. The 2015 Census estimate for Cornish was 1,670 residents, which ranked 153rd among New Hampshire's incorporated cities and towns.

Population Density and Land Area, 2015 (US Census Bureau): 39.8 persons per square mile of land area. Cornish contains 42.0 square miles of land area and 0.7 square miles of inland water area.



MUNICIPAL SERVICES	
Type of Government	Selectmen
Budget: Municipal Appropriations, 2016	\$1,602,810
Budget: School Appropriations, 2016-2017	\$3,358,533
Zoning Ordinance	1955/15
Master Plan	2006
Capital Improvement Plan	Yes
Industrial Plans Reviewed By	Planning Board

Boards and Commissions
 Elected: **Selectmen**
 Appointed: **Planning; Conservation; Library; Zoning**

Public Library **George H. Stowell Free**

EMERGENCY SERVICES		
Police Department		Part-time
Fire Department		Volunteer
Emergency Medical Service		Private
Nearest Hospital(s)	Distance	Staffed Beds
Mt. Ascutney Hospital, Windsor VT	3 miles	35
Valley Regional, Claremont	10 miles	25

UTILITIES		
Electric Supplier	NH Electric Coop; Eversource Energy; Liberty Utilities	
Natural Gas Supplier	None	
Water Supplier	Private wells	
Sanitation	Private septic	
Municipal Wastewater Treatment Plant	No	
Solid Waste Disposal		
Curbside Trash Pickup	Private	
Pay-As-You-Throw Program	Yes	
Recycling Program	Voluntary	
Telephone Company	Fairpoint; Comcast	
Cellular Telephone Access	Limited	
Cable Television Access	Limited	
Public Access Television Station	No	
High Speed Internet Service:	Business	Limited
	Residential	Limited

PROPERTY TAXES		(NH Dept. of Revenue Administration)
2015 Total Tax Rate (per \$1000 of value)	\$22.99	
2015 Equalization Ratio	97.3	
2015 Full Value Tax Rate (per \$1000 of value)	\$22.33	
2015 Percent of Local Assessed Valuation by Property Type		
Residential Land and Buildings	93.9%	
Commercial Land and Buildings	1.3%	
Public Utilities, Current Use, and Other	4.7%	

HOUSING		(ACS 2011-2015)
Total Housing Units	7,637	
Single-Family Units, Detached or Attached	684	
Units in Multiple-Family Structures:		
Two to Four Units in Structure	19	
Five or More Units in Structure	0	
Mobile Homes and Other Housing Units	34	

DEMOGRAPHICS			(US Census Bureau)
Total Population	Community	County	
2015	1,670	43,135	
2010	1,640	43,742	
2000	1,667	40,560	
1990	1,639	38,652	
1980	1,390	36,063	
1970	1,268	30,949	

Demographics, American Community Survey (ACS) 2011-2015

Population by Gender
 Male **885** Female **785**

Population by Age Group
 Under age 5 **41**
 Age 5 to 19 **344**
 Age 20 to 34 **200**
 Age 35 to 54 **441**
 Age 55 to 64 **390**
 Age 65 and over **254**
 Median Age **49.6 years**

Educational Attainment, population 25 years and over
 High school graduate or higher **94.4%**
 Bachelor's degree or higher **40.2%**

INCOME, INFLATION ADJUSTED \$		(ACS 2011-2015)
Per capita income		\$35,482
Median family income		\$84,688
Median household income		\$77,708

Median Earnings, full-time, year-round workers, 16 years and over
 Male **\$51,932**
 Female **\$46,250**

Individuals below the poverty level **6.7%**

LABOR FORCE				(NHES – ELMII)
Annual Average		2005	2015	
Civilian labor force	1,100		969	
Employed	1,075		939	
Unemployed	25		30	
Unemployment rate	2.3%		3.1%	

EMPLOYMENT & WAGES				(NHES – ELMII)
Annual Average Covered Employment		2005	2015	
Goods Producing Industries				
Average Employment	22		20	
Average Weekly Wage	\$ 385		\$ 568	
Service Providing Industries				
Average Employment	37		33	
Average Weekly Wage	\$ 371		\$ 505	
Total Private Industry				
Average Employment	59		53	
Average Weekly Wage	\$ 376		\$ 528	
Government (Federal, State, and Local)				
Average Employment	76		71	
Average Weekly Wage	\$ 517		\$ 680	
Total, Private Industry plus Government				
Average Employment	135		123	
Average Weekly Wage	\$ 455		\$ 615	

EDUCATION AND CHILD CARE

Schools students attend: **Cornish operates grades K-8; grades 9-12 are tuitioned to Claremont or the State of Vermont (Windsor and Hartford)** District: **SAU 6**

Career Technology Center(s): **Sugar River Valley RTC (Claremont)** Region: **10**

Educational Facilities (includes Charter Schools)	Elementary	Middle/Junior High	High School	Private/Parochial
Number of Schools	1			
Grade Levels	P K 1-8			
Total Enrollment	82			

Nearest Community College: **River Valley**

Nearest Colleges or Universities: **Dartmouth; Colby-Sawyer**

2016 NH Licensed Child Care Facilities (DHHS-Bureau of Child Care Licensing) Total Facilities: **1** Total Capacity: **24**

LARGEST BUSINESSES	PRODUCT/SERVICE	EMPLOYEES	ESTABLISHED
Cornish Elementary School	Education	30	1768
Dingee Machine Company	Fire apparatus	7	1979
Cornish Highway Department	Highway department	4	1768
12% Solution	Convenience store	4	1965

Employer Information Supplied by Municipality

TRANSPORTATION (distances estimated from city/town hall)

Road Access	US Routes	
	State Routes	12A, 120
Nearest Interstate, Exit		I-91 (VT), Exit 9
	Distance	6 miles
Railroad		Amtrak
Public Transportation		No
Nearest Public Use Airport, General Aviation		
Claremont Municipal	Runway	3,098 ft. asphalt
Lighted? Yes	Navigation Aids?	Yes
Nearest Airport with Scheduled Service		
Lebanon Municipal	Distance	15 miles
Number of Passenger Airlines Serving Airport		1
Driving distance to select cities:		
Manchester, NH		82 miles
Portland, Maine		174 miles
Boston, Mass.		132 miles
New York City, NY		251 miles
Montreal, Quebec		199 miles

COMMUTING TO WORK

(ACS 2011-2015)

Workers 16 years and over	
Drove alone, car/truck/van	80.3%
Carpooled, car/truck/van	10.8%
Public transportation	0.6%
Walked	0.9%
Other means	0.9%
Worked at home	6.4%
Mean Travel Time to Work	26.9 minutes

Percent of Working Residents: ACS 2011-2015

Working in community of residence	17.5
Commuting to another NH community	60.1
Commuting out-of-state	22.4

RECREATION, ATTRACTIONS, AND EVENTS

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