

Bradford, NH



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County
 Labor Market Area
 Tourism Region
 Planning Commission
 Regional Development

Merrimack
New London, NH LMA
Dartmouth-Lake Sunapee
Central NH Regional
Capital Regional Development Council

Election Districts

US Congress
 Executive Council
 State Senate
 State Representative

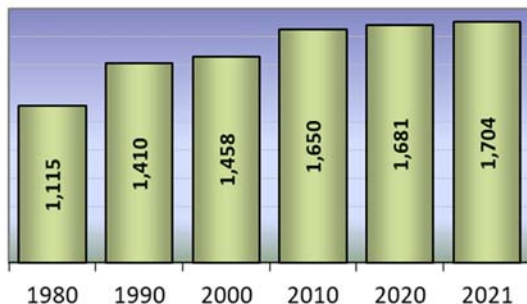
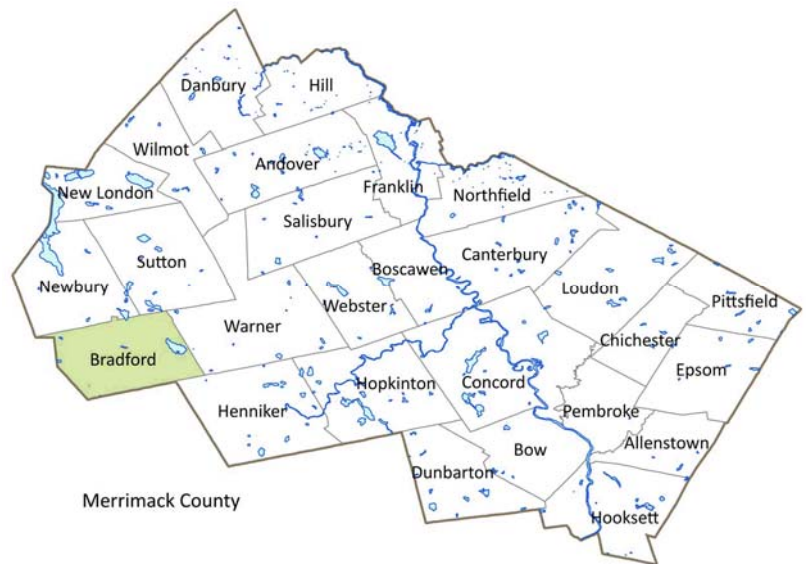
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Merrimack County District 8

Incorporated: 1787

Origin: First granted in 1771, the town was named New Bradford, then Bradfordton, most likely because many settlers were from Bradford, Massachusetts. It was incorporated as Bradford in 1787, the year of the Constitutional Convention. Meeting in Exeter, Anti-Federalist members of the New Hampshire delegation were opposed the Constitution. However, political maneuvering postponed the state convention. When reconvened in Concord several months later, under the leadership of moderator Colonel Thomas Stickney, the delegation approved ratification on June 21, 1788. New Hampshire was the ninth and deciding state to ratify, thus making the United States Constitution binding.

Villages and Place Names: Box Corner, Bradford Center

Population, Year of the First Census Taken: 217 residents in 1790



Population Trends: Population change for Bradford totaled 589 over 41 years, from 1,115 in 1980 to 1,704 in 2021. The largest decennial percent change was a 26 percent increase between 1980 and 1990. The 2021 Census estimate for Bradford was 589 residents, which ranked 155st among New Hampshire's incorporated cities and towns.

Population Density and Land Area, 2021 (US Census Bureau): 48.4 persons per square mile of land area. Bradford contains 35.2 square miles of land area and 0.7 square miles of inland water area.

MUNICIPAL SERVICES	
Type of Government	Selectmen
Budget: Municipal Appropriations, 2021	\$3,347,171
Budget: School Appropriations, 2020-2021	\$3,768,259
Zoning Ordinance	1989/20
Master Plan	2020
Capital Improvement Plan	Yes
Industrial Plans Reviewed By	

Boards and Commissions	
Elected:	Selectmen; Planning; Zoning; Library; Budget; Cemetery; Trust Funds
Appointed:	Conservation; Energy
Public Library	Brown Memorial

EMERGENCY SERVICES		
Police Department		Full-time
Fire Department		Part-time
Emergency Medical Service		Volunteer
Nearest Hospital(s)	Distance	Staffed Beds
New London Hospital, New London	13 miles	25
Concord Hospital, Concord	26 miles	238

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

PROPERTY TAXES (NH Dept. of Revenue Administration)	
2021 Total Tax Rate (per \$1000 of value)	\$23.91
2021 Equalization Ratio	79.6
2021 Full Value Tax Rate (per \$1000 of value)	\$18.98
2021 Percent of Local Assessed Valuation by Property Type	
Residential Land and Buildings	91.8%
Commercial Land and Buildings	5.8%
Public Utilities, Current Use, and Other	2.4%

HOUSING (ACS 2016-2020)	
Total Housing Units	879
Single-Family Units, Detached or Attached	822
Units in Multiple-Family Structures:	
Two to Four Units in Structure	42
Five or More Units in Structure	5
Mobile Homes and Other Housing Units	10

POPULATION (1-YEAR ESTIMATES/DECENNIAL)		(US Census Bureau)	
Total Population	Community	County	
2021	1,704	155,238	
2020	1,682	153,922	
2010	1,650	146,445	
2000	1,458	136,716	
1990	1,410	120,618	
1980	1,115	98,302	

DEMOGRAPHICS			AMERICAN COMMUNITY SURVEY (ACS) 2016-2020	
Population by Gender				
Male	753	Female	666	
Population by Age Group				
Under age 5	46			
Age 5 to 19	210			
Age 20 to 34	213			
Age 35 to 54	300			
Age 55 to 64	307			
Age 65 and over	343			
Median Age	51.9 years			

Educational Attainment, population 25 years and over	
High school graduate or higher	94.0%
Bachelor's degree or higher	38.9%

INCOME, INFLATION ADJUSTED \$		(ACS 2016-2020)	
Per capita income	\$42,006		
Median family income	\$92,813		
Median household income	\$71,250		
Median Earnings, full-time, year-round workers			
Male	\$50,063		
Female	\$41,908		
Individuals below the poverty level	1.1%		

LABOR FORCE			(NHES – ELMII)	
Annual Average	2011	2021		
Civilian labor force	953	941		
Employed	908	901		
Unemployed	45	40		
Unemployment rate	4.7%	4.3%		

EMPLOYMENT & WAGES			(NHES – ELMII)	
Annual Average Covered Employment	2011	2021		
Goods Producing Industries				
Average Employment	67	n		
Average Weekly Wage	\$ 844	n		
Service Providing Industries				
Average Employment	206	n		
Average Weekly Wage	\$ 429	n		
Total Private Industry				
Average Employment	273	376		
Average Weekly Wage	\$ 530	\$ 847		
Government (Federal, State, and Local)				
Average Employment	86	77		
Average Weekly Wage	\$ 611	\$ 816		
Total, Private Industry plus Government				
Average Employment	359	454		
Average Weekly Wage	\$ 550	\$ 842		

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EDUCATION AND CHILD CARE

Schools students attend: **Grades K-12 are part of Kearsarge Regional (Bradford, Newbury, New London, Springfield, Sutton, Warner, Wilmot)** District: **SAU 65**

Career Technology Center(s): **Concord Regional Technical Center**

Educational Facilities (includes Charter Schools)	Elementary	Middle/Junior High	High School	Private/Parochial
Number of Schools	1			
Grade Levels	K 1-5			
Total Enrollment	150			

Nearest Community College: **NHTI-Concord; River Valley**
 Nearest Colleges or Universities: **Colby-Sawyer; Northeast Catholic College; New England**

2021 NH Licensed Child Care Facilities (DHHS-Bureau of Child Care Licensing) Total Facilities: **2** Total Capacity: **86**

LARGEST BUSINESSES	PRODUCT/SERVICE	EMPLOYEES	ESTABLISHED
Kearsarge Regional Elementary School	Education	50	1986
Appleseed Restaurant	Restaurant	25	1977
Lumber Barn	Retail store	25	2003
Tyler's Lawn Care	Landscaping Service	12	2011
Barns of Bradford	Retail home furnishings	3	1970
Bradford Machine, Inc.	Machine job shop	3	1974

*Employer Information Supplied by Municipality***TRANSPORTATION** (distances estimated from city/town hall)

Road Access	US Routes	
	State Routes	103, 114
Nearest Interstate, Exit		I-89, Exit 9
	Distance	7 miles
Railroad		No
Public Transportation		No
Nearest Public Use Airport, General Aviation		
Parlin Field, Newport	Runway	3,450 ft. asphalt
Lighted?	No	Navigation Aids? No
Nearest Airport with Scheduled Service		
Manchester-Boston Regional	Distance	48 miles
Number of Passenger Airlines Serving Airport		4
Driving distance to select cities:		
Manchester, NH		41 miles
Portland, Maine		134 miles
Boston, Mass.		92 miles
New York City, NY		262 miles
Montreal, Quebec		224 miles

COMMUTING TO WORK (ACS 2016-2020)

Workers 16 years and over	
Drove alone, car/truck/van	79.6%
Carpooled, car/truck/van	6.8%
Public transportation	1.3%
Walked	1.5%
Other means	0.3%
Worked at home	10.4%
Mean Travel Time to Work	32.9 minutes
Percent of Working Residents: ACS 2016-2020	
Working in community of residence	70.8%
Commuting to another NH community	24.7%
Commuting out-of-state	4.5%

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
	Tourist Attractions
X	Youth Organizations (i.e., Scouts, 4-H)
X	Youth Sports: Baseball
X	Youth Sports: Soccer
	Youth Sports: Football
	Youth Sports: Basketball
	Youth Sports: Hockey
X	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): Pat's Peak, Mount Sunapee
	Other: Lake Massasecum; Outdoor Ice Skating Rink