Chichester, NH

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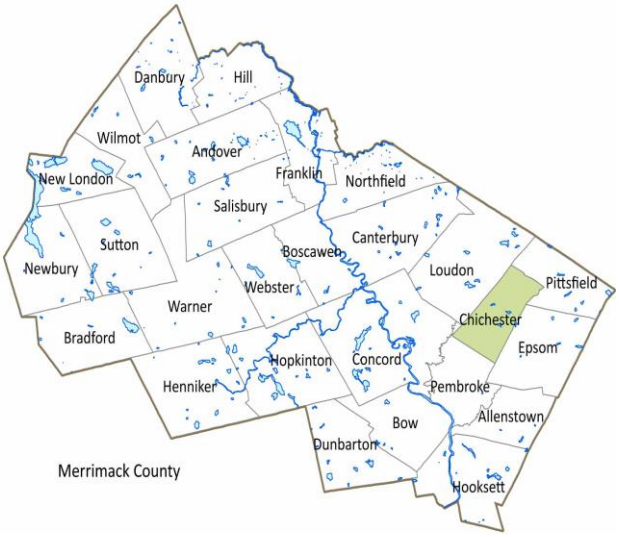
County	**Merrimack**
Labor Market Area	**Concord, NH Micropolitan NECTA**
Tourism Region	**Merrimack Valley**
Planning Commission	**Central NH Regional**
Regional Development	**Capital Regional Development Council**
Election Districts	
US Congress	**District 2**
Executive Council	**District 4**
State Senate	**District 17**
State Representative	**Merrimack County District 20**

Incorporated: 1727

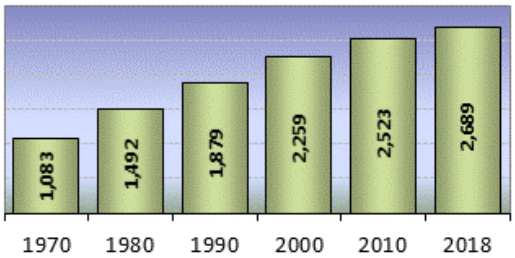
Origin: Chichester is one of seven towns granted in 1727 when New Hampshire was still a part of Massachusetts. As were several other towns, it was named in honor of Thomas Pelham Holles, Duke of Newcastle, Earl of Chichester, and England's Secretary of State (1724-1754). Holles was in charge of colonial policy, and was very involved in relations between the American Colonies and England. The charter for Chichester was a pattern for other town charters, requiring the planting and cultivation of land, and building dwelling houses, roads, a schoolhouse, and a church, all within three to five years.



Villages and Place Names: Horse Corner, Kelleys Corner, North Chichester

Population, Year of the First Census Taken: 491 residents in 1790

Population Trends: Population change for Chichester totaled 1,868 over 58 years, from 821 in 1960 to 2,689 in 2018. The largest decennial percent change was a 38 percent increase between 1970 and 1980, followed by a 26 percent increase between 1980 and 1990. The 2018 Census estimate for Chichester was 2,689 residents, which ranked 116th among New Hampshire's incorporated cities and towns.



Population Density and Land Area, 2018 *(US Census Bureau)***:** 126.9 persons per square mile of land area. Chichester contains 21.2 square miles of land area and 0.1 square miles of inland water area.

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Municipal Services

Type of Government	**Selectmen**
Budget: Municipal Appropriations, 2016	**$2,839,736**
Budget: School Appropriations, 2017-2018	**$6,332,963**
Zoning Ordinance	**1962/15**
Master Plan	**2004**
Capital Improvement Plan	**Yes**
Industrial Plans Reviewed By	**Planning Board**

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

Public Library **Chichester Town**

Emergency Services

Police Department	**Full-time**
Fire Department	**Volunteer**
Emergency Medical Service	**Volunteer**

Nearest Hospital(s)	Distance	Staffed Beds
Concord Hospital, Concord	**10 miles**	**245**

Utilities

Electric Supplier	**Eversource Energy; Concord Electric**
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	**No**
Recycling Program	**Voluntary**
Telephone Company	**Fairpoint; TDS Telecom**
Cellular Telephone Access	**Yes**
Cable Television Access	**Yes**
Public Access Television Station	**No**
High Speed Internet Service: Business	**Yes**
Residential	**Yes**

Property Taxes *(NH Dept. of Revenue Administration)*

2018 Total Tax Rate (per $1000 of value)	**$27.72**
2018 Equalization Ratio	**90.9**
2018 Full Value Tax Rate (per $1000 of value)	**$25.03**

2018 Percent of Local Assessed Valuation by Property Type

Residential Land and Buildings	**82.9%**
Commercial Land and Buildings	**16.0%**
Public Utilities, Current Use, and Other	**2.0%**

Housing *(ACS 2014-2018)*

Total Housing Units	**1,021**
Single-Family Units, Detached or Attached	**882**
Units in Multiple-Family Structures:	
Two to Four Units in Structure	**75**
Five or More Units in Structure	**0**
Mobile Homes and Other Housing Units	**64**

Population (1-Year Estimates/Decennial) *(US Census Bureau)*

Total Population	Community	County
2018	**2,689**	**151,132**
2010	**2,523**	**146,445**
2000	**2,259**	**136,716**
1990	**1,879**	**120,618**
1980	**1,492**	**98,302**
1970	**1,083**	**80,925**

Demographics — American Community Survey *(ACS) 2014-2018*

Population by Gender

Male	**1,325**	Female	**1,300**

Population by Age Group

Under age 5	**159**
Age 5 to 19	**484**
Age 20 to 34	**407**
Age 35 to 54	**765**
Age 55 to 64	**405**
Age 65 and over	**405**
Median Age	**44.6 years**

Educational Attainment, population 25 years and over

High school graduate or higher	**94.7%**
Bachelor's degree or higher	**33.3%**

Income, Inflation Adjusted $ *(ACS 2014-2018)*

Per capita income	**$37,484**
Median family income	**$92,813**
Median household income	**$89,167**

Median Earnings, full-time, year-round workers

Male	**$68,650**
Female	**$50,708**

Individuals below the poverty level	**5.6%**

Labor Force *(NHES – ELMI)*

Annual Average	2008	2018
Civilian labor force	**1,516**	**1,549**
Employed	**1,469**	**1,520**
Unemployed	**47**	**29**
Unemployment rate	**3.1%**	**1.9%**

Employment & Wages *(NHES – ELMI)*

Annual Average Covered Employment	2008	2018
Goods Producing Industries		
Average Employment	**105**	**181**
Average Weekly Wage	**$ 587**	**$ 938**
Service Providing Industries		
Average Employment	**414**	**522**
Average Weekly Wage	**$ 704**	**$ 909**
Total Private Industry		
Average Employment	**520**	**703**
Average Weekly Wage	**$ 680**	**$ 916**
Government (Federal, State, and Local)		
Average Employment	**88**	**85**
Average Weekly Wage	**$ 674**	**$ 703**
Total, Private Industry plus Government		
Average Employment	**608**	**788**
Average Weekly Wage	**$ 679**	**$ 893**

Education and Child Care

Schools students attend: **Chichester operates grades K-8; grades 9-12 are tuitioned to Pembroke** District: **SAU 53**
Career Technology Center(s): **Concord Regional Technical Center** Region: **11**

Educational Facilities (includes Charter Schools)	Elementary	Middle/Junior High	High School	Private/Parochial
Number of Schools	**1**			
Grade Levels	**K 1-8**			
Total Enrollment	**211**			

Nearest Community College: **NHTI-Concord**
Nearest Colleges or Universities: **UNH School of Law**

2020 NH Licensed Child Care Facilities (DHHS-Bureau of Child Care Licensing) Total Facilities: **2** Total Capacity: **33**

Largest Businesses	Product/Service	Employees	Established
Weathervane Seafood	Restaurant	100	1983
Avitar Associates of New England, Inc.	Assessing	27	1985
Clarks Grain Store	Feed dealer	17	1960
Harris Furniture	Retail furniture store	12	1985
Domenic's	Restaurant	8	2004
Hess Station	Convenience store, gas	6	1988
Chuckster's	Mini golf		2007
Tractor Supply Co	Rural retail store		2010

Employer Information Supplied by Municipality

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

Road Access	US Routes	**4, 202**
	State Routes	**9, 28, 107**
Nearest Interstate, Exit		**I-393, Exit 3; I-93, Exit 15**
	Distance	**4 miles; 8 miles**
Railroad		**No**
Public Transportation		**No**

Nearest Public Use Airport, General Aviation
Concord Municipal Runway **6,005 ft. asphalt**
Lighted? **Yes** Navigation Aids? **Yes**

Nearest Airport with Scheduled Service
Manchester-Boston Regional Distance **26 miles**
Number of Passenger Airlines Serving Airport **4**

Driving distance to select cities:

Manchester, NH	**27 miles**
Portland, Maine	**89 miles**
Boston, Mass.	**77 miles**
New York City, NY	**274 miles**
Montreal, Quebec	**256 miles**

Commuting to Work *(ACS 2014-2018)*

Workers 16 years and over	
Drove alone, car/truck/van	**80.5%**
Carpooled, car/truck/van	**5.3%**
Public transportation	**0.0%**
Walked	**3.3%**
Other means	**10.9%**
Worked at home	**9.9%**
Mean Travel Time to Work	**27.4 minutes**

Percent of Working Residents: ACS 2014-2018

Working in community of residence	**14.7**
Commuting to another NH community	**81.3**
Commuting out-of-state	**4.0**

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
X	Youth Organizations (i.e., Scouts, 4-H)
X	Youth Sports: Baseball
X	Youth Sports: Soccer
	Youth Sports: Football
X	Youth Sports: Basketball
	Youth Sports: Hockey
X	Campgrounds
X	Fishing/Hunting
	Boating/Marinas
X	Snowmobile Trails
	Bicycle Trails
X	Cross Country Skiing
	Beach or Waterfront Recreation Area
	Overnight or Day Camps

Nearest Ski Area(s): **Pat's Peak**

Other: **Chuckster's**