

Colebrook, NH



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County	Coös
Labor Market Area	Colebrook, NH-VT LMA, NH part
Tourism Region	Great North Woods
Planning Commission	North Country Council
Regional Development	Coös Economic Development Corp.
Election Districts	
US Congress	District 2
Executive Council	District 1
State Senate	District 1
State Representative	Coös County District 3

Incorporated: 1796

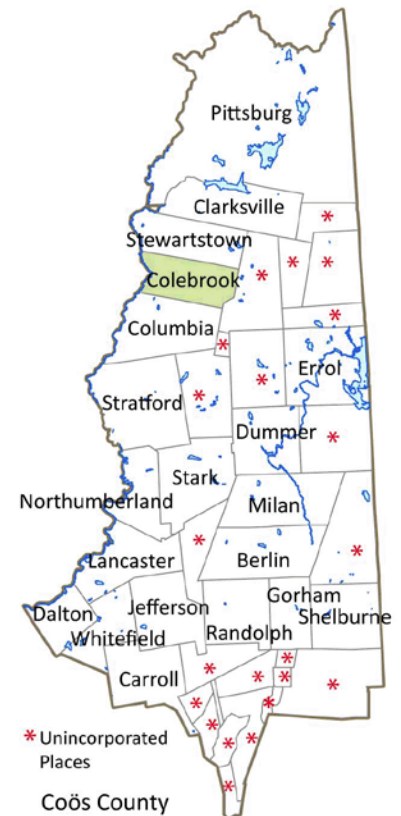
Origin: This territory was first granted to settlers in 1762 by Governor Benning Wentworth, who named it Dryden, after English poet and playwright John Dryden. Among them were Dutch settlers from New York, who were selected in an effort to colonize territory west of the Connecticut River. The New York government also wanted to colonize the territory, and as a result, settlers formed the independent state of Vermont. Dryden grantees failed to meet the prescribed terms, and in 1770, Governor John Wentworth regranted the area to Sir George Colebrooke, Chairman of the British East India Company, and three others. At that time, the town was renamed Colebrook.

Villages and Place Names: Kidderville, Upper Kidderville, Factory Village

Population, Year of the First Census Taken: 29 residents in 1790

Population Trends: Population change for Colebrook totaled a negative 62 over 50 years, from 2,095 in 1970 down to 2,032 in 2020. The largest decennial percent change was a 17 percent increase from 1970 to 1980; population change has been negative each decade since. The town's population decreased by 12 percent from 2010 to 2020. The 2021 Census estimate for Colebrook was 2,039 residents, which ranked 137th among New Hampshire's incorporated cities and towns.

Population Density and Land Area, 2021 (US Census Bureau): 50.0 persons per square mile of land area. Colebrook contains 40.8 square miles of land area and 0 square miles of inland water area.



MUNICIPAL SERVICES

Type of Government	Selectmen
Budget: Municipal Appropriations, 2019	\$5,057,871
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Zoning Ordinance	1957/10
Master Plan	2013
Capital Improvement Plan	Yes
Industrial Plans Reviewed By	Planning Board

Boards and Commissions

Elected:	Selectmen; Planning; Cemetery; Library
Appointed:	Zoning; Conservation

Public Library **Colebrook Public****EMERGENCY SERVICES**

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

Nearest Hospital(s)	Distance	Staffed Beds
Upper Connecticut Valley, Colebrook	Local	16

UTILITIES

Electric Supplier	Eversource Energy; NH Electric Coop
Natural Gas Supplier	None
Water Supplier	Colebrook Water Works

Sanitation	Municipal
Municipal Wastewater Treatment Plant	Yes
Solid Waste Disposal	
Curbside Trash Pickup	Private
Pay-As-You-Throw Program	No
Recycling Program	Mandatory

Telephone Company	Consolidated Communications
Cellular Telephone Access	Limited
Cable Television Access	Limited
Public Access Television Station	No
High Speed Internet:	
Business	Yes
Residential	Limited

PROPERTY TAXES (NH Dept. of Revenue Administration)

2021 Total Tax Rate (per \$1000 of value)	\$29.32
2021 Equalization Ratio	85.5
2021 Full Value Tax Rate (per \$1000 of value)	\$24.78
2021 Percent of Local Assessed Valuation by Property Type	
Residential Land and Buildings	66.0%
Commercial Land and Buildings	23.2%
Public Utilities, Current Use, and Other	10.8%

HOUSING (ACS 2017-2021)

Total Housing Units	1,360
Single-Family Units, Detached or Attached	903
Units in Multiple-Family Structures:	
Two to Four Units in Structure	164
Five or More Units in Structure	115
Mobile Homes and Other Housing Units	178

POPULATION (Decennial Census/ACS 2017-2021)

Total Population	Community	County
2021	1,995	31,360
2020	2,084	31,268
2010	2,301	33,055
2000	2,325	33,156
1990	2,453	34,879

DEMOGRAPHICS (ACS 2017-2021)

Population by Gender			
Male	1,038	Female	957
Population by Age Group			
Under age 5			61
Age 5 to 19			236
Age 20 to 34			328
Age 35 to 54			428
Age 55 to 64			448
Age 65 and over			494
Median Age			52.8 years
Educational Attainment			
Population age 25 or older			1,629
High school graduate or higher			87.0%
Bachelor's degree or higher			16.4%

INCOME, INFLATION-ADJUSTED (ACS 2017-2021)

Per capita income	\$37,410
Median family income	\$64,950
Median household income	\$48,048
Median Earnings, full-time, year-round workers	
Male	\$58,125
Female	\$35,398
Percent of individuals below poverty level	11.8%

LABOR FORCE (NHES – ELMI)

Annual Average	2011	2021
Civilian labor force	1,289	1,122
Employed	1,211	1,076
Unemployed	78	46
Unemployment rate	6.1%	4.1%

EMPLOYMENT AND WAGES (NHES – ELMI)

Annual Average Covered Employment	2011	2021
Total, Private Industry plus Government		
Average Employment	1,193	1,205
Average Weekly Wage	\$ 569	\$ 852
Total Private Industry		
Average Employment	1,021	1,069
Average Weekly Wage	\$ 566	\$ 859
Goods-Producing Industries		
Average Employment	143	259
Average Weekly Wage	\$ 721	\$ 747
Service-Providing Industries		
Average Employment	878	810
Average Weekly Wage	\$ 540	\$ 895
Government (Federal, State, and Local)		
Average Employment	173	136
Average Weekly Wage	\$ 590	\$ 799

n = data do not meet disclosure standards

EDUCATION AND CHILD CARE*(NH Department of Education)*Schools students attend: **Colebrook operates grades K-12** District: **SAU 7**Career Technology Center(s): **Berlin Regional Career & Technical Center**

Educational Facilities (includes Charter Schools)	Elementary	Middle/Junior High	High School	Private/Parochial
Number of Schools	1		1	
Grade Levels	P K 1-8		9-12	
Total Enrollment	196		100	

Nearest NH Community College: **White Mountains**Nearest Colleges or Universities *(with a physical campus)*: **Plymouth State; Northern VT - Lyndon (VT)**NH Licensed Child Care Facilities, 2021 *(DHHS-Bureau of Child Care Licensing)* Total Facilities: **3** Capacity: **111**

BUSINESSES <i>(provided by municipality)</i>	PRODUCT OR SERVICE	EMPLOYEES	ESTABLISHED
Upper Connecticut Valley Hospital	Health care services	143	1970
Colebrook School District	Education	90	1900
Town of Colebrook	Municipal services	48	1770
Bangor Savings Bank	Banking services	40	1889
Codet	Stitching	33	1992

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

Road Access	US Routes	3
	State Routes	26, 145
Nearest Interstate/Exit	I-91 (VT), Exit 28; Aut-55 (QC), Exit 21	
Distance		49 miles; 43 miles
Railroad		State owned line
Public Transportation		No
Nearest Public Use Airport, General Aviation		
Gifford Field, Colebrook	Runway	2,440 ft. turf
Lighted? No	Navigation Aids?	No
Nearest Commercial Airport with Scheduled Service		
Portland (ME) International	Distance	129 miles
Number of Passenger Airlines Serving Airport		6
Driving distance to select cities:		
Manchester, New Hampshire		152 miles
Portland, Maine		133 miles
Boston, Massachusetts		202 miles
New York City, New York		382 miles
Montreal, Quebec, Canada		130 miles

COMMUTING TO WORK *(ACS 2017-2021)*

Workers 16 years of age and over:	1,047
Drove alone, car/truck/van	80.6%
Carpooled, car/truck/van	10.1%
Used public transportation	0.0%
Walked	1.3%
Traveled by other means	1.7%
Worked at home	6.2%
Mean Travel Time to Work	17.8 minutes
Percent of Working Residents Who:	
Work in community of residence	57.1%
Commute to other NH community	36.1%
Commute out-of-state	6.8%

RECREATION, ATTRACTIONS, EVENTS

X	Municipal Parks
	YMCA/YWCA
	Boys Club/Girls Club
X	Golf Courses
X	Swimming: Indoor Facility
	Swimming: Outdoor Facility
	Tennis Courts: Indoor Facility
	Tennis Courts: Outdoor Facility
	Ice Skating Rink: Indoor Facility
X	Bowling Facilities
	Museums
	Cinemas
X	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): Bretton Woods, Jay Peak
	Other: Coleman State Park; Beaver Brook Falls; Outdoor Skating Facility