

Exeter, NH



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Municipal Office Hours

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County
 Labor Market Area
 Tourism Region
 Planning Commission
 Regional Development

Rockingham
Portsmouth, NH-ME Metropolitan NECTA
Seacoast
Rockingham
Regional Economic Development Corp.

Election Districts

US Congress
 Executive Council
 State Senate
 State Representative

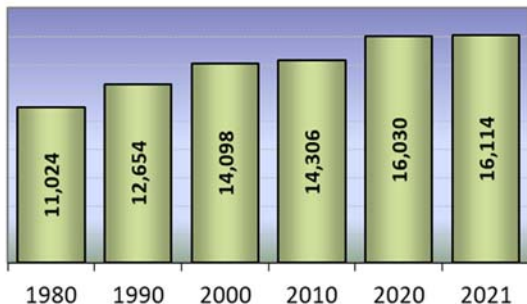
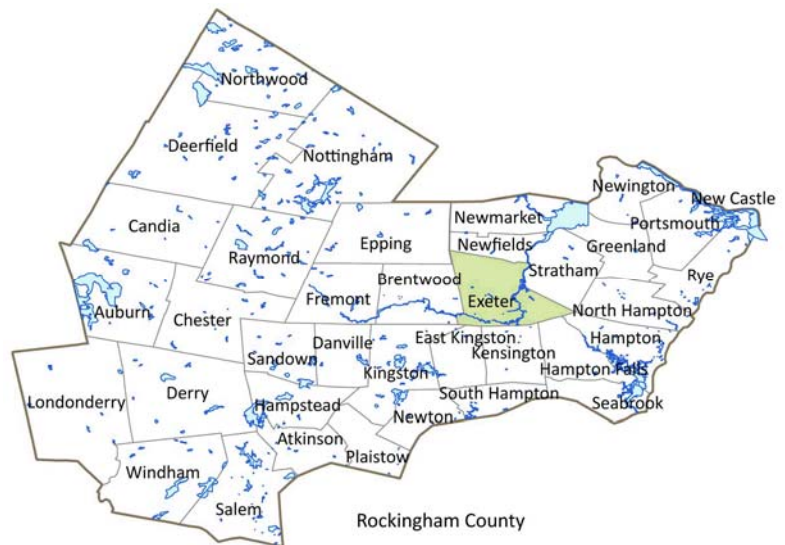
District 1
District 3
District 24
Rockingham County Districts 11, 33

Incorporated: 1638

Origin: Exeter was one of the four original towns established in New Hampshire, and was first settled in 1638 as Squamscott. It was given the name Exeter by the settlement's managers, known as the Exeter Combination. The riverside location of the town made it a shipbuilding center and West Indies trading port. Exeter's charter included the present-day towns of Epping, Newmarket, Newfields, and Brentwood. Exeter was the birthplace of Daniel Chester French, sculptor of the figure of Lincoln in the Lincoln Memorial. Both the Phillips Exeter Academy, endowed by Colonel John Phillips in 1781, and the American Independence Museum are located in Exeter.

Villages and Place Names: Dows Corner, Gooch Corner, Haynes Corner, Jady Hill, Perkins Hill

Population, Year of the First Census Taken: 1,722 residents in 1790



Population Trends: Population change for Exeter totaled 5,090 over 41 years, from 11,024 in 1980 to 16,114 in 2021. The largest decennial percent change was a 15 percent increase between 1980 and 1990. The 2021 Census estimate for Exeter was 16,114 residents, which ranked 18th among New Hampshire's incorporated cities and towns.

Population Density and Land Area, 2021 (US Census Bureau): 815.5 persons per square mile of land area. Exeter contains 19.8 square miles of land area and 0.3 square miles of inland water area.

MUNICIPAL SERVICES			
Type of Government	Selectmen		
Budget: Municipal Appropriations, 2022	\$32,022,345		
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Zoning Ordinance	1973/22		
Master Plan	2018		
Capital Improvement Plan	Yes		
Industrial Plans Reviewed By	Planning Board		
Boards and Commissions			
Elected:	Selectboard; Library; Swasey; Trust Funds		
Appointed:	Please visit http://exeternh.gov for a list of boards & committees to which citizens may be appointed.		
Public Library	Exeter Public		
EMERGENCY SERVICES			
Police Department	Full-time		
Fire Department	Full-time		
Emergency Medical Service	Municipal		
Nearest Hospital(s)	Distance	Staffed Beds	
Exeter Hospital, Exeter	Local	99	
UTILITIES			
Electric Supplier	Unitil		
Natural Gas Supplier	Unitil		
Water Supplier	Town of Exeter/private wells		
Sanitation	Municipal/private septic		
Municipal Wastewater Treatment Plant	Yes		
Solid Waste Disposal	Municipal/Contract		
Curbside Trash Pickup	Municipal/Contract		
Pay-As-You-Throw Program	Yes		
Recycling Program	Yes		
Telephone Company	Consolidated Communications; Comcast		
Cellular Telephone Access	Yes		
Cable Television Access	Yes		
Public Access Television Station	Yes		
High Speed Internet Service:	Business	Yes	
	Residential	Yes	
PROPERTY TAXES (NH Dept. of Revenue Administration)			
2021 Total Tax Rate (per \$1000 of value)	\$24.01		
2021 Equalization Ratio	79.9		
2021 Full Value Tax Rate (per \$1000 of value)	\$18.28		
2021 Percent of Local Assessed Valuation by Property Type			
Residential Land and Buildings	75.5%		
Commercial Land and Buildings	22.6%		
Public Utilities, Current Use, and Other	1.9%		
HOUSING (ACS 2016-2020)			
Total Housing Units	7,210		
Single-Family Units, Detached or Attached	3,481		
Units in Multiple-Family Structures:			
Two to Four Units in Structure	786		
Five or More Units in Structure	2,000		
Mobile Homes and Other Housing Units	943		

POPULATION (1-YEAR ESTIMATES/DECENNIAL)		<i>(US Census Bureau)</i>	
Total Population	Community	County	
2021	16,114	316,947	
2020	16,015	314,430	
2010	14,306	295,223	
2000	14,098	278,748	
1990	12,654	246,744	
1980	11,024	190,345	
DEMOGRAPHICS AMERICAN COMMUNITY SURVEY (ACS) 2016-2020			
Population by Gender			
Male	6,833	Female	8,346
Population by Age Group			
Under age 5	456		
Age 5 to 19	2,616		
Age 20 to 34	2,403		
Age 35 to 54	3,906		
Age 55 to 64	2,198		
Age 65 and over	3,600		
Median Age	47.6 years		
Educational Attainment, population 25 years and over			
High school graduate or higher	95.3%		
Bachelor's degree or higher	51.4%		
INCOME, INFLATION ADJUSTED \$ (ACS 2016-2020)			
Per capita income	\$57,384		
Median family income	\$117,637		
Median household income	\$73,109		
Median Earnings, full-time, year-round workers			
Male	\$74,922		
Female	\$55,978		
Individuals below the poverty level	5.9%		
LABOR FORCE (NHES – ELMII)			
Annual Average	2011	2021	
Civilian labor force	7,941	8,717	
Employed	7,518	8,426	
Unemployed	423	291	
Unemployment rate	5.3%	3.3%	
EMPLOYMENT & WAGES (NHES – ELMII)			
Annual Average Covered Employment	2011	2021	
Goods Producing Industries			
Average Employment	1,277	1,384	
Average Weekly Wage	\$1,197	\$1,559	
Service Providing Industries			
Average Employment	7,414	8,600	
Average Weekly Wage	\$ 916	\$1,379	
Total Private Industry			
Average Employment	8,691	9,984	
Average Weekly Wage	\$ 958	\$1,404	
Government (Federal, State, and Local)			
Average Employment	926	850	
Average Weekly Wage	\$ 882	\$1,179	
Total, Private Industry plus Government			
Average Employment	9,617	10,834	
Average Weekly Wage	\$ 950	\$1,386	

EDUCATION AND CHILD CARE

Schools students attend: **Exeter operates grades K-5; grades 6-12 are part of Exeter Region Cooperative (Brentwood, East Kingston, Kensington, Newfields, Stratham, Exeter)** District: **SAU 16**

Career Technology Center(s): **Seacoast School of Technology**

Educational Facilities (includes Charter Schools)	Elementary	Middle/Junior High	High School	Private/Parochial
Number of Schools	2	1	2	2
Grade Levels	P K 1-5	6-8	9-12	P K 1-12 PG
Total Enrollment	860	45	1,666	1,151

Nearest Community College: **Great Bay**

Nearest Colleges or Universities: **University of NH**

2021 NH Licensed Child Care Facilities (DHHS-Bureau of Child Care Licensing) Total Facilities: **8** Total Capacity: **676**

LARGEST BUSINESSES	PRODUCT/SERVICE	EMPLOYEES	ESTABLISHED
Exeter Hospital	Health care services	900	1897
Philips Exeter Academy	Education	520	1781
Riverwoods at Exeter	Elderly housing, health care	500	1994
Cobham	Electronics	370	1988
Osram Sylvania	Electronics	318	1965
Sigarms	Handguns	200	1989
Town of Exeter	Municipal services	150	1638
Vapotherm	Medical device manufacturer	121	1999

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

Road Access	US Routes	
	State Routes	27, 85, 88, 101, 108, 111, 111A
Nearest Interstate, Exit		I-95, Exit 2
	Distance	6 miles
Railroad		Amtrak Downeaster
Public Transportation		COAST
Nearest Public Use Airport, General Aviation		
Hampton Airfield	Runway	2,100 ft. turf
Lighted? Yes	Navigation Aids?	No
Nearest Airport with Scheduled Service		
Manchester-Boston Regional	Distance	33 miles
Number of Passenger Airlines Serving Airport		4
Driving distance to select cities:		
Manchester, NH		31 miles
Portland, Maine		68 miles
Boston, Mass.		52 miles
New York City, NY		263 miles
Montreal, Quebec		285 miles

COMMUTING TO WORK (ACS 2016-2020)

Workers 16 years and over	
Drove alone, car/truck/van	82.0%
Carpooled, car/truck/van	5.2%
Public transportation	0.2%
Walked	2.7%
Other means	0.8%
Worked at home	9.0%
Mean Travel Time to Work	23.1 minutes

Percent of Working Residents: ACS 2016-2020

Working in community of residence	75.3%
Commuting to another NH community	11.1%
Commuting out-of-state	13.6%

RECREATION, ATTRACTIONS, AND EVENTS

X	Municipal Parks
X	YMCA/YWCA
	Boys Club/Girls Club
X	Golf Courses
	Swimming: Indoor Facility
X	Swimming: Outdoor Facility
	Tennis Courts: Indoor Facility
X	Tennis Courts: Outdoor Facility
X	Ice Skating Rink: Indoor Facility
X	Bowling Facilities
X	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
X	Youth Sports: Football
X	Youth Sports: Basketball
X	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
X	Overnight or Day Camps

Nearest Ski Area(s): **Gunstock**

Other: **Walking Trails**