Groton, NH

Community Contact

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County
Grafton

Labor Market Area
Plymouth, NH LMA

Tourism Region
Dartmouth-Lake Sunapee

Planning Commission
North Country Council

Regional Development
Grafton County Economic Development Council

Election Districts

District 2

US Congress
District 2

Executive Council
District 1

State Senate

State Representative

Grafton County Districts 6, 16

Incorporated: 1761

Origin: This area was named Cockermouth in 1761, after Charles Wyndham, Baron Cockermouth and Earl of Egremont, who succeeded William Pitt as Secretary of State. Few grantees took up their claims, and the land was regranted in 1766. These settlers also did not meet prescribed terms, but in 1772 Governor Wentworth renewed the charter for three years. In 1796, the town voted to change the name to Groton, and successfully petitioned the legislature to legally change the name. The name was suggested by Samuel Blood, for his hometown in Old Groton, which became a Massachusetts town when the boundary between the states was drawn in 1741.

Villages and Place Names: North Groton

Population, Year of the First Census Taken: 373 residents in 1790

Population Trends: Population change for Groton totaled 475 over 49 years, from 120 in 1970 to 595 in 2019. The largest decennial percent change was a 113 percent increase between 1970 and 1980, more than doubling the population over those ten years. The 2019 Census estimate for Groton was 595 residents, which ranked 213th among New Hampshire’s incorporated cities and towns.

Population Density and Land Area, 2019 (US Census Bureau): 14.6 persons per square mile of land area. Groton contains 40.7 square miles of land area and 0.1 square miles of inland water area.

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### Municipal Services

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<th>Type of Government</th>
<th>Selectmen</th>
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<td>Budget: Municipal Appropriations, 2020</td>
<td>$1,612,981</td>
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<td>$728,935</td>
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<td>Zoning Ordinance</td>
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<td>Master Plan</td>
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<td>Capital Improvement Plan</td>
<td>No</td>
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<td>Industrial Plans Reviewed By</td>
<td>Planning Board</td>
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### Public Library

- **Groton Public Library**

### Emergency Services

- **Police Department**: Part-time Chief
- **Fire Department**: Rumney/Hebron - Volunteer
- **Emergency Medical Service**: Rumney/Hebron - Volunteer

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<th>Nearest Hospital(s)</th>
<th>Distance</th>
<th>Staffed Beds</th>
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<td>Speare Memorial, Plymouth</td>
<td>13 miles</td>
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### Utilities

- **Electric Supplier**: NH Electric Coop
- **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 - Voluntary

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<tr>
<th>Telephone Company</th>
<th>Fairpoint</th>
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<tr>
<td>Cellular Telephone Access</td>
<td>Limited</td>
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<tr>
<td>Cable Television Access</td>
<td>Yes</td>
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<tr>
<td>Public Access Television Station</td>
<td>No</td>
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<tr>
<td>High Speed Internet Service: Business</td>
<td>Limited</td>
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<td>Residential</td>
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### Property Taxes

- **2019 Total Tax Rate (per $1000 of value)**: $16.83
- **2019 Equalization Ratio**: 96.9
- **2019 Full Value Tax Rate (per $1000 of value)**: $10.14

- **2019 Percent of Local Assessed Valuation by Property Type**
  - Residential Land and Buildings: 84.4%
  - Commercial Land and Buildings: 0.3%
  - Public Utilities, Current Use, and Other: 15.3%

### Housing

- **Total Housing Units**: 388
  - Single-Family Units, Detached or Attached: 322
  - Units in Multiple-Family Structures:
    - Two to Four Units in Structure: 0
    - Five or More Units in Structure: 0
    - Mobile Homes and Other Housing Units: 66

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

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<th>Total Population</th>
<th>Community</th>
<th>County</th>
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<tr>
<td>2019</td>
<td>595</td>
<td>89,886</td>
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<tr>
<td>2010</td>
<td>593</td>
<td>89,118</td>
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<td>2000</td>
<td>458</td>
<td>81,826</td>
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<td>1990</td>
<td>318</td>
<td>74,998</td>
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<td>1980</td>
<td>255</td>
<td>65,806</td>
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<td>1970</td>
<td>120</td>
<td>54,914</td>
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### Demographics (American Community Survey (ACS) 2015-2019)

- **Population by Gender**
  - Male: 241
  - Female: 223

- **Population by Age Group**
  - Under age 5: 51
  - Age 5 to 19: 40
  - Age 20 to 34: 118
  - Age 35 to 54: 153
  - Age 55 to 64: 102
  - Age 65 and over: 56.5 years

- **Median Age**: 36.5 years

### Income, Inflation Adjusted $ (ACS 2015-2019)

- **Per capita income**: $33,927
- **Median family income**: $66,250
- **Median household income**: $55,833

- **Median Earnings, full-time, year-round workers**
  - Male: $44,375
  - Female: $40,972

- **Individuals below the poverty level**: 9.4%

### Labor Force (NHES – ELMI)

- **Annual Average**
  - 2009: 233
  - 2019: 352

- **Civilian labor force**
  - 2009: 223
  - 2019: 9

- **Total Private Industry**
  - 2009: 40
  - 2019: 5

### Employment & Wages (NHES – ELMI)

- **Annual Average Covered Employment**
  - 2009: 85
  - 2019: 5

- **Goods Producing Industries**
  - Average Employment: 0
  - Average Weekly Wage: 0

- **Service Providing Industries**
  - Average Employment: 0
  - Average Weekly Wage: 0

### Economic & Labor Market Information Bureau, NH Employment Security, January 2021. Community Response Received 8/06/2020
**EDUCATION AND CHILD CARE**

Schools students attend: Grades K-12 are part of Newfound Area (Alexandria, Bridgewater, Bristol, Danbury, Groton, Hebron, New Hampton)

Career Technology Center(s): Plymouth Applied Technology Center

Educational Facilities (includes Charter Schools)

- Number of Schools
- Grade Levels
- Total Enrollment

Nearest Community College: Lakes Region

Nearest Colleges or Universities: Plymouth State University

**LARGEST BUSINESSES**

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<th>Business Name</th>
<th>Product/Service</th>
<th>Employees</th>
<th>Established</th>
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<td>Gordon Coursey &amp; Sons LLC</td>
<td>Logging, land clearing, log home building, custom building</td>
<td>6</td>
<td>1975</td>
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<td>Maxam</td>
<td>Dynamite/explosives</td>
<td>6</td>
<td>2008</td>
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<td>Groton Wind LLC (Iberdrola Renewables)</td>
<td>Industrial wind turbines</td>
<td>6</td>
<td>2012</td>
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<td>TLC Tree &amp; Crane Service</td>
<td>Tree care</td>
<td>5</td>
<td>1980</td>
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Employer Information Supplied by Municipality

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

- Road Access: US Routes
- State Routes
- Nearest Interstate, Exit: I-93, Exit 26, Distance: 13 miles
- Railroad: No
- Public Transportation: No

**Nearest Public Use Airport, General Aviation**

- Plymouth Regional Runway: 2,380 ft. turf, Lighted: No, Navigation Aids: No
- Nearest Public Airport with Scheduled Service: Lebanon Municipal Distance: 36 miles, Number of Passenger Airlines Serving Airport: 1

**Driving distance to select cities:**
- Manchester, NH: 73 miles
- Portland, Maine: 101 miles
- Boston, Mass.: 118 miles
- New York City, NY: 305 miles
- Montreal, Quebec: 219 miles

**COMMUTING TO WORK (ACS 2015-2019)**

- Workers 16 years and over:
  - Drove alone, car/truck/van: 65.7%
  - Carpoled, car/truck/van: 26.9%
  - Public transportation: 0.0%
  - Walked: 0.0%
  - Other means: 7.5%
  - Worked at home: 7.8%
  - Mean Travel Time to Work: 45.1 minutes

**Percent of Working Residents: ACS 2015-2019**

- Working in community of residence: 7.1
- Commuting to another NH community: 85.1
- Commuting out-of-state: 7.8

**RECREATION, ATTRACTIONS, AND EVENTS**

- 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
- Youth Organizations (i.e., Scouts, 4-H)
- Youth Sports: Baseball
- Youth Sports: Soccer
- Youth Sports: Football
- Youth Sports: Basketball
- Youth Sports: Hockey

- Campgrounds
- Fishing/Hunting
- Boating/Marinas

- Snowmobile Trails
- Bicycle Trails
- Cross Country Skiing
- Beach or Waterfront Recreation Area
- Overnight or Day Camps

Nearest Ski Area(s): Tenney Mountain

Other: Mary Baker Eddy Historic House; Sculptured Rocks Natural Area; N Groton School house