

Harrisville, NH



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Municipal Office Hours

County
Labor Market Area
Tourism Region
Planning Commission
Regional Development

Election Districts
US Congress
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Town of Harrisville
Harrisville Selectboard
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Harrisville, NH 03450

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Administrative Assistant: Monday to Thursday, 9-3, Friday, 9-12; Town Clerk: Tuesday, 2-6, Wednesday, 10-2, Thursday, 8-12, last Saturday each month, 9-11; Tax Collector: Tuesday, 11-1, Thursday, 9-12, or by appointment

Cheshire
Keene, NH Micropolitan NECTA
Monadnock
Southwest Region
Monadnock Economic Development Corp.

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Incorporated: 1870

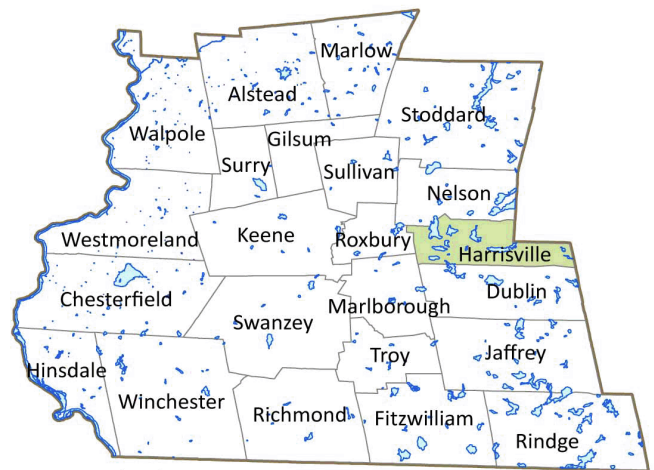
Origin: First settled in 1760, the town was formed from parts of Hancock, Dublin, Roxbury, Nelson, and Marlborough. The town was first known as Twitchellville, after Abel Twitchell. His daughter Deborah married Bethuel Harris, who, with his sons, built and operated Harris Mills, one of the first woolen mills in New England. After the business was sold, the name was changed to Cheshire Mills. The town was incorporated in 1871 as Harrisville, at the suggestion of Milan Harris, one of Bethuel's sons and a member of the state senate from 1863-1865. The Harrisville Historic District is listed on the National Register of Historic Places.

Villages and Place Names: Chesham, Eastview Station

Population, Year of the First Census Taken: 870 residents in 1880

Population Trends: Population change for Harrisville totaled 402 over 50 years, from 584 in 1970 to 986 in 2020. The largest decennial percent change was a 47 percent increase from 1970 to 1980. The town's population increased by three percent from 2010 to 2020. The 2022 Census estimate for Harrisville was 1,000 residents, which ranked 188th among New Hampshire's incorporated cities and towns.

Population Density and Land Area, 2022 (US Census Bureau): 53.4 persons per square mile of land area. Harrisville contains 18.7 square miles of land area and 1.5 square miles of inland water area.



Cheshire County

MUNICIPAL SERVICES			
Type of Government		Selectmen	
Budget: Municipal Appropriations, 2023		\$1,595,378	
Budget: School Appropriations, 2023-2024		\$2,454,624	
Zoning Ordinance		1959/21	
Master Plan		2014	
Capital Improvement Plan		Yes	
Industrial Plans Reviewed By			
Boards and Commissions			
Elected:	Selectmen		
Appointed:	Planning; Conservation; Zoning; Historic District		
Public Library	Harrisville Public		
EMERGENCY SERVICES			
Police Department		Full & part-time	
Fire Department		Volunteer	
Emergency Medical Service		Volunteer	
Nearest Hospital(s)		Distance	Staffed Beds
Monadnock Community, Peterborough		11 miles	25
Cheshire Medical Center, Keene		14 miles	94
UTILITIES			
Electric Supplier	Eversource Energy; Harrisville Community Power		
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		Yes	
Recycling Program		Voluntary	
Telephone Company	Consolidated Communications; fidium		
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)	
2022 Total Tax Rate (per \$1000 of value)		\$18.60	
2022 Equalization Ratio		58.7	
2022 Full Value Tax Rate (per \$1000 of value)		\$10.91	
2022 Percent of Local Assessed Valuation by Property Type			
Residential Land and Buildings		95.8%	
Commercial Land and Buildings		3.0%	
Public Utilities, Current Use, and Other		1.1%	
HOUSING		(ACS 2017-2021)	
Total Housing Units		693	
Single-Family Units, Detached or Attached		647	
Units in Multiple-Family Structures:			
Two to Four Units in Structure		5	
Five or More Units in Structure		0	
Mobile Homes and Other Housing Units		41	

POPULATION (1-YEAR ESTIMATES/DECENNIAL)		(US Census Bureau)	
Total Population		Community	County
2022	1,000		77,350
2020	984		76,458
2010	961		77,117
2000	1,073		73,993
1990	977		70,223
1980	860		62,116
DEMOGRAPHICS		AMERICAN COMMUNITY SURVEY (ACS) 2017-2021	
Population by Gender			
Male	476	Female	541
Population by Age Group			
Under age 5		50	
Age 5 to 19		124	
Age 20 to 34		116	
Age 35 to 54		201	
Age 55 to 64		260	
Age 65 and over		266	
Median Age		56.2 years	
Educational Attainment, population 25 years and over:		813	
High school graduate or higher		96.2%	
Bachelor's degree or higher		49.2%	
INCOME, INFLATION ADJUSTED \$		(ACS 2017-2021)	
Per capita income		\$52,590	
Median family income		\$89,318	
Median household income		\$85,956	
Median Earnings, full-time, year-round workers			
Male		\$69,464	
Female		\$43,438	
Individuals below the poverty level		3.8%	
LABOR FORCE		(NHES – ELMI)	
Annual Average		2012	2022
Civilian labor force		631	574
Employed		604	562
Unemployed		27	12
Unemployment rate		4.3%	2.1%
EMPLOYMENT & WAGES		(NHES – ELMI)	
Annual Average Covered Employment		2012	2022
Goods Producing Industries			
Average Employment		n	46
Average Weekly Wage		n	\$ 906
Service Providing Industries			
Average Employment		n	89
Average Weekly Wage		n	\$ 540
Total Private Industry			
Average Employment		102	135
Average Weekly Wage		\$ 567	\$ 665
Government (Federal, State, and Local)			
Average Employment		19	20
Average Weekly Wage		\$ 552	\$ 603
Total, Private Industry plus Government			
Average Employment		120	155
Average Weekly Wage		\$ 564	\$ 657
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EDUCATION AND CHILD CARE

Schools students attend: **Harrisville operates grades K-6; grades 7-12 are tuitioned to Keene**
 Career Technology Center(s): **Cheshire Career Center (Keene); Fall Mountain RHS - CTE**

District: **SAU 29**

Educational Facilities (includes Charter Schools)	Elementary	Middle/Junior High	High School	Private/Parochial
Number of Schools	1			
Grade Levels	K 1-6			
Total Enrollment	55			

Nearest Community College: **Nashua**Nearest Colleges or Universities: **Keene State; Franklin Pierce; Antioch New England; New England**

2022 NH Licensed Child Care Facilities (DHHS-Bureau of Child Care Licensing)

Total Facilities: **1** Total Capacity: **46**

LARGEST BUSINESSES	PRODUCT/SERVICE	EMPLOYEES	ESTABLISHED
Harrisville Designs, Inc.	Textile mill products	30	1971
Homeland Landscaping	Landscaping & property maintenance		
Shaker Style Furnishings	Home décor and gifts		
Harrisville General Store	Convenience store		
SRH Farms	Farming & catering		
Aldworth Manor	Weddings and events venue		
Cobb Hill Estate	Weddings & events venue		

Employer Information Supplied by Municipality

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

Road Access	US Routes	
	State Routes	137
Nearest Interstate, Exit	I-91 (VT), Exit 3	
Distance	25 miles	
Railroad	No	
Public Transportation	No	
Nearest Public Use Airport, General Aviation		
Dillant-Hopkins, Swanzey	Runway	6,201 ft. asphalt
Lighted? Yes	Navigation Aids?	Yes
Nearest Airport with Scheduled Service		
Manchester-Boston Regional	Distance	50 miles
Number of Passenger Airlines Serving Airport		4
Driving distance to select cities:		
Manchester, NH	49 miles	
Portland, Maine	143 miles	
Boston, Mass.	84 miles	
New York City, NY	232 miles	
Montreal, Quebec	254 miles	

COMMUTING TO WORK (*ACS 2017-2021*)

Workers 16 years and over	
Drove alone, car/truck/van	78.8%
Carpooled, car/truck/van	6.1%
Public transportation	1.7%
Walked	0.8%
Other means	1.3%
Worked at home	11.3%
Mean Travel Time to Work	29.3 minutes
Percent of Working Residents	
Working in community of residence	28.2%
Commuting to another NH community	62.6%
Commuting out-of-state	9.2%

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
	Youth Organizations (i.e., Scouts, 4-H)
	Youth Sports: Baseball
	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
	Other: Lakes; Hiking Trails