

# Litchfield, NH



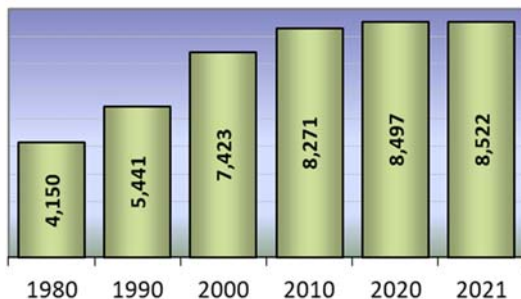
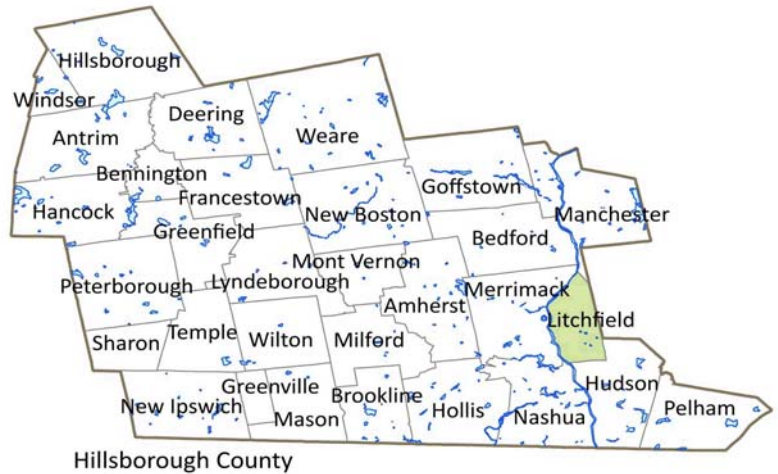
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Municipal Office Hours	<b>Selectmen, Town Clerk, Tax Collector, Building Dept.: Monday through Friday, 8 am - 4 pm</b>
County	<b>Hillsborough</b>
Labor Market Area	<b>Nashua, NH-MA NECTA Division</b>
Tourism Region	<b>Merrimack Valley</b>
Planning Commission	<b>Nashua Regional</b>
Regional Development	<b>Regional Economic Development Corp.</b>
Election Districts	
US Congress	<b>District 2</b>
Executive Council	<b>District 5</b>
State Senate	<b>District 18</b>
State Representative	<b>Hillsborough County Districts 14, 38</b>

**Incorporated:** 1734

**Origin:** This town is situated on the east bank of the Merrimack River and maintains its agricultural heritage to this day. It was known as Naticook until 1729 when the land was granted to William Brenton, Governor of Rhode Island and son-in-law to that state's Governor Cranston, and renamed Brenton's Farm. In 1734 the town was separated from Dunstable, which had been granted by the Massachusetts government, and named Litchfield in honor of George Henry Lee, Earl of Litchfield. The town was incorporated under the New Hampshire government as Litchfield in 1749. Litchfield was the opposite landing-site of Thornton's Ferry, originating across the Merrimack River in the town of Merrimack.

**Villages and Place Names:** unknown

**Population, Year of the First Census Taken:** 357 residents in 1790



**Population Trends:** Population change for Litchfield totaled 4,372 over 41 years, from 4,150 in 1980 to 8,522 in 2021. The largest decennial percent change was 36 percent between 1990 and 2000. The 2021 Census estimate for Litchfield was 8,522 residents, which ranked 36th among New Hampshire's incorporated cities and towns.

**Population Density and Land Area, 2021 (US Census Bureau):** 571.2 persons per square mile of land area. Litchfield contains 15.0 square miles of land area and 0.4 square miles of inland water area.

<b>MUNICIPAL SERVICES</b>	
Type of Government	<b>Selectmen</b>
Budget: Municipal Appropriations, 2021	<b>\$7,535,433</b>
Budget: School Appropriations, 2021-2022	<b>\$24,557,234</b>
Zoning Ordinance	<b>1957/09</b>
Master Plan	<b>2017</b>
Capital Improvement Plan	<b>Yes</b>
Industrial Plans Reviewed By	<b>Planning Board</b>

<b>Boards and Commissions</b>	
Elected:	<b>Selectmen; Town Clerk/Tax Collector</b>
Appointed:	<b>Planning; Zoning; Conservation; Library; Cemetery; Road Agent; Fire Chief</b>

Public Library      **Aaron Cutler Memorial**

<b>EMERGENCY SERVICES</b>	
Police Department	<b>Full-time</b>
Fire Department	<b>Full-time</b>
Emergency Medical Service	<b>Volunteer</b>

Nearest Hospital(s)	Distance	Staffed Beds
<b>Southern NH Medical Center, Nashua</b>	<b>9 miles</b>	<b>163</b>
<b>St. Joseph Hospital, Nashua</b>	<b>10 miles</b>	<b>159</b>
<b>Elliot Hospital, Manchester</b>	<b>10 miles</b>	<b>296</b>

<b>UTILITIES</b>	
Electric Supplier	<b>Eversource Energy</b>
Natural Gas Supplier	<b>Liberty Utilities</b>
Water Supplier	<b>Pennichuck East</b>

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

Telephone Company	<b>Consolidated Communications</b>
Cellular Telephone Access	<b>Yes</b>
Cable Television Access	<b>Yes</b>
Public Access Television Station	<b>Yes</b>
High Speed Internet Service:	
Business	<b>Limited</b>
Residential	<b>Limited</b>

<b>PROPERTY TAXES</b> (NH Dept. of Revenue Administration)	
2021 Total Tax Rate (per \$1000 of value)	<b>\$18.44</b>
2021 Equalization Ratio	<b>83.8</b>
2021 Full Value Tax Rate (per \$1000 of value)	<b>\$15.28</b>

<b>2021 Percent of Local Assessed Valuation by Property Type</b>	
Residential Land and Buildings	<b>89.7%</b>
Commercial Land and Buildings	<b>5.3%</b>
Public Utilities, Current Use, and Other	<b>5.1%</b>

<b>HOUSING</b> (ACS 2016-2020)	
Total Housing Units	<b>3,088</b>
Single-Family Units, Detached or Attached	<b>2,741</b>
Units in Multiple-Family Structures:	
Two to Four Units in Structure	<b>87</b>
Five or More Units in Structure	<b>149</b>
Mobile Homes and Other Housing Units	<b>111</b>

<b>POPULATION (1-YEAR ESTIMATES/DECENNIAL)</b>		<i>(US Census Bureau)</i>	
Total Population	Community	County	
2021	<b>8,522</b>	<b>424,079</b>	
2020	<b>8,488</b>	<b>422,705</b>	
2010	<b>8,271</b>	<b>400,721</b>	
2000	<b>7,423</b>	<b>382,384</b>	
1990	<b>5,441</b>	<b>336,549</b>	
1980	<b>4,150</b>	<b>276,608</b>	

<b>DEMOGRAPHICS</b> AMERICAN COMMUNITY SURVEY (ACS) 2016-2020			
Population by Gender			
Male	<b>4,562</b>	Female	<b>4,053</b>
Population by Age Group			
Under age 5	<b>462</b>		
Age 5 to 19	<b>1,797</b>		
Age 20 to 34	<b>1,467</b>		
Age 35 to 54	<b>2,656</b>		
Age 55 to 64	<b>1,089</b>		
Age 65 and over	<b>1,144</b>		
Median Age	<b>39.6 years</b>		

<b>Educational Attainment, population 25 years and over</b>	
High school graduate or higher	<b>92.7%</b>
Bachelor's degree or higher	<b>42.4%</b>

<b>INCOME, INFLATION ADJUSTED \$</b> (ACS 2016-2020)	
Per capita income	<b>\$45,272</b>
Median family income	<b>\$118,164</b>
Median household income	<b>\$112,386</b>

<b>Median Earnings, full-time, year-round workers</b>	
Male	<b>\$81,552</b>
Female	<b>\$53,967</b>
Individuals below the poverty level	<b>1.0%</b>

<b>LABOR FORCE</b> (NHES – ELMII)		
Annual Average	2011	2021
Civilian labor force	<b>4,504</b>	<b>4,731</b>
Employed	<b>4,228</b>	<b>4,567</b>
Unemployed	<b>276</b>	<b>164</b>
Unemployment rate	<b>6.1%</b>	<b>3.5%</b>

<b>EMPLOYMENT &amp; WAGES</b> (NHES – ELMII)		
Annual Average Covered Employment	2011	2021
Goods Producing Industries		
Average Employment	<b>180</b>	<b>246</b>
Average Weekly Wage	<b>\$1,135</b>	<b>\$1,368</b>
Service Providing Industries		
Average Employment	<b>303</b>	<b>353</b>
Average Weekly Wage	<b>\$ 636</b>	<b>\$1,069</b>
Total Private Industry		
Average Employment	<b>483</b>	<b>598</b>
Average Weekly Wage	<b>\$ 822</b>	<b>\$1,192</b>
Government (Federal, State, and Local)		
Average Employment	<b>336</b>	<b>330</b>
Average Weekly Wage	<b>\$ 748</b>	<b>\$ 916</b>
Total, Private Industry plus Government		
Average Employment	<b>819</b>	<b>928</b>
Average Weekly Wage	<b>\$ 791</b>	<b>\$1,094</b>

**EDUCATION AND CHILD CARE**

Schools students attend: **Litchfield operates grades K-12** District: **SAU 27**  
 Career Technology Center(s): **Milford HS & Applied Technology Center; Wilbur H. Palmer Career & Tech Ed Center (Hudson); Nashua Technology Center**

Educational Facilities (includes Charter Schools)	Elementary	Middle/Junior High	High School	Private/Parochial
Number of Schools	1	1	1	2
Grade Levels	P K 1-4	5-8	9-12	P K 1-12
Total Enrollment	414	361	433	248

Nearest Community College: **Manchester; Nashua**  
 Nearest Colleges or Universities: **Daniel Webster; Rivier; Thomas More; St. Anselm**

2021 NH Licensed Child Care Facilities (DHHS-Bureau of Child Care Licensing) Total Facilities: **3** Total Capacity: **152**

LARGEST BUSINESSES	PRODUCT/SERVICE	EMPLOYEES	ESTABLISHED
NE Small Tube	Manufacturing	70	
Keystone Automotive Industries	Auto parts	40	2018
Chik Farm	Woodworking		
iRoof LLC	Roofing		
Mel's Funway Park	Amusement		
Optimum Building Systems	Drywall		
Proscapes LLC	Landscaping		

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

Road Access	US Routes	
	State Routes	<b>3A, 102</b>
Nearest Interstate, Exit		<b>I-293, Exit 2; I-93, Exit 4</b>
	Distance	<b>7 miles; 9 miles</b>
Railroad		<b>No</b>
Public Transportation		<b>No</b>
Nearest Public Use Airport, General Aviation		
<b>Manchester-Boston Regional</b>	Runway	<b>9,250 ft. asphalt</b>
Lighted?	Yes	Navigation Aids? <b>Yes</b>
Nearest Airport with Scheduled Service		
<b>Manchester-Boston Regional</b>	Distance	<b>6 miles</b>
Number of Passenger Airlines Serving Airport		<b>4</b>
Driving distance to select cities:		
Manchester, NH		<b>12 miles</b>
Portland, Maine		<b>104 miles</b>
Boston, Mass.		<b>48 miles</b>
New York City, NY		<b>242 miles</b>
Montreal, Quebec		<b>269 miles</b>

**COMMUTING TO WORK** (ACS 2016-2020)

Workers 16 years and over	
Drove alone, car/truck/van	<b>77.6%</b>
Carpooled, car/truck/van	<b>6.4%</b>
Public transportation	<b>0.7%</b>
Walked	<b>2.1%</b>
Other means	<b>0.3%</b>
Worked at home	<b>12.8%</b>
Mean Travel Time to Work	<b>31.6 minutes</b>
<b>Percent of Working Residents: ACS 2016-2020</b>	
Working in community of residence	<b>69.0%</b>
Commuting to another NH community	<b>11.6%</b>
Commuting out-of-state	<b>19.4%</b>

**RECREATION, ATTRACTIONS, AND EVENTS**

<b>X</b>	Municipal Parks
	YMCA/YWCA
	Boys Club/Girls Club
<b>X</b>	Golf Courses
	Swimming: Indoor Facility
	Swimming: Outdoor Facility
	Tennis Courts: Indoor Facility
<b>X</b>	Tennis Courts: Outdoor Facility
	Ice Skating Rink: Indoor Facility
	Bowling Facilities
<b>X</b>	Museums
	Cinemas
	Performing Arts Facilities
	Tourist Attractions
<b>X</b>	Youth Organizations (i.e., Scouts, 4-H)
<b>X</b>	Youth Sports: Baseball
<b>X</b>	Youth Sports: Soccer
<b>X</b>	Youth Sports: Football
<b>X</b>	Youth Sports: Basketball
<b>X</b>	Youth Sports: Hockey
	Campgrounds
	Fishing/Hunting
<b>X</b>	Boating/Marinas
<b>X</b>	Snowmobile Trails
<b>X</b>	Bicycle Trails
<b>X</b>	Cross Country Skiing
<b>X</b>	Beach or Waterfront Recreation Area
	Overnight or Day Camps
	Nearest Ski Area(s): <b>McIntyre</b>
	Other: