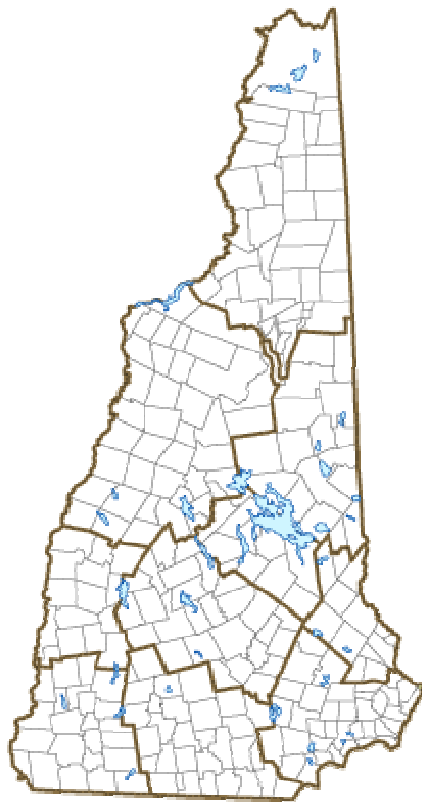


# New Castle, NH



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## Municipal Office Hours

**Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, 8 am - 2 pm; Town Clerk, Tax Collector: Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, 8 am - 12 noon**

County  
 Labor Market Area  
 Tourism Region  
 Planning Commission  
 Regional Development

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

## Election Districts

US Congress  
 Executive Council  
 State Senate  
 State Representative

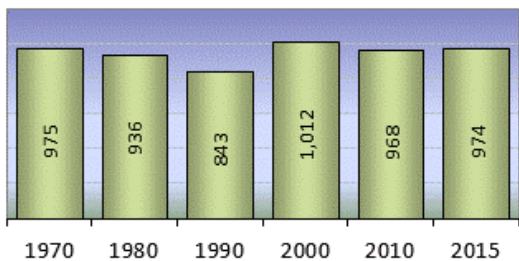
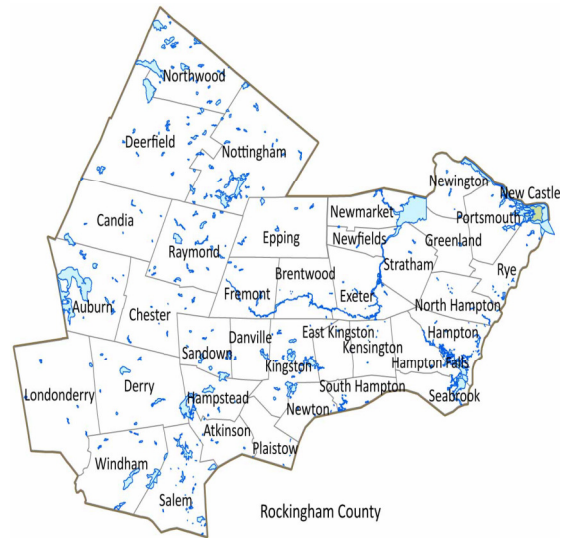
**District 1**  
**District 3**  
**District 24**  
**Rockingham County District 24**

**Incorporated: 1693**

**Origin:** The largest of several islands at the mouth of the Piscataqua River, this town was originally known as Great Island. Chartered in 1679 as a parish of Portsmouth, it was incorporated in 1693 during the reign of William and Mary. For a number of years, this was the seat of government, where meetings of the governor and council were held. New Castle is unique in the state, being the only town made up entirely of islands, connected to the mainland by bridges. New Castle is home to the Wentworth-by-the-Sea Hotel, where delegates to the Russo-Japanese Peace Treaty of 1905 stayed during negotiations held at the nearby Portsmouth Naval Shipyard. The treaty negotiation and signing, which elevated Japan to an international power at the conclusion of the Russo-Japanese War, was held in the Portsmouth area at the specific invitation of President Theodore Roosevelt.

**Villages and Place Names:** unknown

**Population, Year of the First Census Taken:** 534 residents in 1790



**Population Trends:** Population change for New Castle totaled 151 over 55 years, from 823 in 1960 to 974 in 2015. The largest decennial percent change was a 20 percent increase between 1990 and 2000, which followed a ten percent decrease over the previous decade. The 2015 Census estimate for New Castle was 974 residents, which ranked 185th among New Hampshire's incorporated cities and towns.

**Population Density and Land Area, 2015 (US Census Bureau):** 1,202.5 persons per square mile of land area, the fourth highest among the cities and towns. New Castle contains 0.8 square miles of land area and 1.3 square miles of inland water area.

<b>MUNICIPAL SERVICES</b>	
Type of Government	<b>Selectmen</b>
Budget: Municipal Appropriations, 2017-2018	<b>\$2,927,966</b>
Budget: School Appropriations, 2017-2018	<b>\$2,033,360</b>
Zoning Ordinance	<b>1954/16</b>
Master Plan	<b>2012</b>
Capital Improvement Plan	<b>Yes</b>
Industrial Plans Reviewed By	<b>Planning Board</b>

Boards and Commissions  
 Elected: **Selectboard; Library; Cemetery; School; Budget; Trust Funds**  
 Appointed: **Planning; Conservation; Historic District; Zoning; Public Works**

Public Library **New Castle Public**

<b>EMERGENCY SERVICES</b>	
Police Department	<b>Full-time &amp; On-Call</b>
Fire Department	<b>Full, part-time, &amp; volunteer</b>
Emergency Medical Service	<b>Volunteer</b>

Nearest Hospital(s)	Distance	Staffed Beds
<b>Portsmouth Regional, Portsmouth</b>	<b>4 miles</b>	<b>165</b>

<b>UTILITIES</b>	
Electric Supplier	<b>Eversource Energy</b>
Natural Gas Supplier	<b>None</b>
Water Supplier	<b>City of Portsmouth; New Castle Water Works</b>
Sanitation	<b>Municipal</b>
Municipal Wastewater Treatment Plant	<b>No</b>
Solid Waste Disposal	<b>Municipal</b>
Curbside Trash Pickup	<b>No</b>
Pay-As-You-Throw Program	<b>Voluntary</b>
Recycling Program	<b>Voluntary</b>
Telephone Company	<b>Comcast; First Light; Fairpoint</b>
Cellular Telephone Access	<b>Yes</b>
Cable Television Access	<b>Yes</b>
Public Access Television Station	<b>No</b>
High Speed Internet Service:	
Business	<b>Yes</b>
Residential	<b>Yes</b>

<b>PROPERTY TAXES</b> (NH Dept. of Revenue Administration)	
2016 Total Tax Rate (per \$1000 of value)	<b>\$ 5.85</b>
2016 Equalization Ratio	<b>97.7</b>
2016 Full Value Tax Rate (per \$1000 of value)	<b>\$ 5.71</b>
2016 Percent of Local Assessed Valuation by Property Type	
Residential Land and Buildings	<b>88.9%</b>
Commercial Land and Buildings	<b>10.9%</b>
Public Utilities, Current Use, and Other	<b>0.2%</b>

<b>HOUSING</b> (ACS 2011-2015)	
Total Housing Units	<b>551</b>
Single-Family Units, Detached or Attached	<b>496</b>
Units in Multiple-Family Structures:	
Two to Four Units in Structure	<b>51</b>
Five or More Units in Structure	<b>4</b>
Mobile Homes and Other Housing Units	<b>0</b>

<b>DEMOGRAPHICS</b> (US Census Bureau)		
Total Population	Community	County
2015	<b>974</b>	<b>299,006</b>
2010	<b>968</b>	<b>295,223</b>
2000	<b>1,012</b>	<b>278,748</b>
1990	<b>843</b>	<b>246,744</b>
1980	<b>936</b>	<b>190,345</b>
1970	<b>975</b>	<b>138,951</b>

**Demographics, American Community Survey (ACS) 2011-2015**

Population by Gender			
Male	<b>466</b>	Female	<b>508</b>

Population by Age Group	
Under age 5	<b>20</b>
Age 5 to 19	<b>110</b>
Age 20 to 34	<b>48</b>
Age 35 to 54	<b>235</b>
Age 55 to 64	<b>203</b>
Age 65 and over	<b>358</b>
Median Age	<b>57.2 years</b>

Educational Attainment, population 25 years and over	
High school graduate or higher	<b>100.0%</b>
Bachelor's degree or higher	<b>68.0%</b>

<b>INCOME, INFLATION ADJUSTED \$</b> (ACS 2011-2015)	
Per capita income	<b>\$97,601</b>
Median family income	<b>\$139,076</b>
Median household income	<b>\$122,692</b>

Median Earnings, full-time, year-round workers, 16 years and over	
Male	<b>\$113,098</b>
Female	<b>\$56,652</b>

Individuals below the poverty level	<b>1.0%</b>
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<b>LABOR FORCE</b> (NHES – ELMII)			
Annual Average	2006	2016	
Civilian labor force	<b>516</b>	<b>542</b>	
Employed	<b>501</b>	<b>529</b>	
Unemployed	<b>15</b>	<b>13</b>	
Unemployment rate	<b>2.9%</b>	<b>2.4%</b>	

<b>EMPLOYMENT &amp; WAGES</b> (NHES – ELMII)			
Annual Average Covered Employment	2006	2016	
Goods Producing Industries			
Average Employment	n	<b>0</b>	
Average Weekly Wage	n	<b>0</b>	
Service Providing Industries			
Average Employment	n	<b>316</b>	
Average Weekly Wage	n	<b>\$ 655</b>	
Total Private Industry			
Average Employment	n	<b>316</b>	
Average Weekly Wage	n	<b>\$ 655</b>	
Government (Federal, State, and Local)			
Average Employment	<b>44</b>	<b>59</b>	
Average Weekly Wage	<b>\$ 483</b>	<b>\$ 576</b>	
Total, Private Industry plus Government			
Average Employment	n	<b>375</b>	
Average Weekly Wage	n	<b>\$ 642</b>	

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**EDUCATION AND CHILD CARE**

Schools students attend:	<b>New Castle operates grades K-6; grades 7 &amp; 8 are tuitioned to Rye; grades 9-12 are tuitioned to Portsmouth</b>				District: <b>SAU 50 &amp; 52</b>
Career Technology Center(s):	<b>Portsmouth Career Technical Center #19</b>				Region: <b>19</b>
Educational Facilities (includes Charter Schools)	Elementary	Middle/Junior High	High School	Private/Parochial	
Number of Schools	<b>1</b>				
Grade Levels	<b>K 1-6</b>				
Total Enrollment	<b>49</b>				

Nearest Community College: **Great Bay**  
 Nearest Colleges or Universities: **Granite State College; University of NH**

2017 NH Licensed Child Care Facilities (DHHS-Bureau of Child Care Licensing) Total Facilities: **0** Total Capacity: **0**

LARGEST BUSINESSES	PRODUCT/SERVICE	EMPLOYEES	ESTABLISHED
Wentworth Hotel	Hotel, spa	100	
Wentworth Marina	Marina	12	
UNH Marine Lab	School lab	12	

Employer Information Supplied by Municipality

<b>TRANSPORTATION (distances estimated from city/town hall)</b>			
Road Access	US Routes		
	State Routes	<b>1B</b>	
Nearest Interstate, Exit		<b>I-95, Exit 7</b>	
	Distance	<b>4 miles</b>	
Railroad		<b>No</b>	
Public Transportation		<b>No</b>	
Nearest Public Use Airport, General Aviation			
<b>Pease International</b>	Runway	<b>11,321 ft. asphalt/conc</b>	
Lighted? <b>Yes</b>	Navigation Aids?	<b>Yes</b>	
Nearest Airport with Scheduled Service			
<b>Boston-Logan International</b>	Distance	<b>58.4 miles</b>	
Number of Passenger Airlines Serving Airport		<b>31</b>	
Driving distance to select cities:			
Manchester, NH		<b>48 miles</b>	
Portland, Maine		<b>54 miles</b>	
Boston, Mass.		<b>59 miles</b>	
New York City, NY		<b>270 miles</b>	
Montreal, Quebec		<b>302 miles</b>	

<b>COMMUTING TO WORK (ACS 2011-2015)</b>	
Workers 16 years and over	
Drove alone, car/truck/van	<b>75.4%</b>
Carpooled, car/truck/van	<b>3.1%</b>
Public transportation	<b>2.9%</b>
Walked	<b>1.6%</b>
Other means	<b>1.8%</b>
Worked at home	<b>15.2%</b>
Mean Travel Time to Work	<b>21.3 minutes</b>
<b>Percent of Working Residents: ACS 2011-2015</b>	
Working in community of residence	<b>30.1</b>
Commuting to another NH community	<b>51.8</b>
Commuting out-of-state	<b>18.1</b>

<b>RECREATION, ATTRACTIONS, AND EVENTS</b>	
<b>X</b>	Municipal Parks
	YMCA/YWCA
	Boys Club/Girls Club
	Golf Courses
	Swimming: Indoor Facility
	Swimming: Outdoor Facility
<b>X</b>	Tennis Courts: Indoor Facility
	Tennis Courts: Outdoor Facility
	Ice Skating Rink: Indoor Facility
	Bowling Facilities
<b>X</b>	Museums
	Cinemas
	Performing Arts Facilities
<b>X</b>	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
<b>X</b>	Fishing/Hunting
<b>X</b>	Boating/Marinas
	Snowmobile Trails
	Bicycle Trails
	Cross Country Skiing
<b>X</b>	Beach or Waterfront Recreation Area
	Overnight or Day Camps
	Nearest Ski Area(s): <b>Gunstock</b>
	Other: <b>Fort Constitution &amp; Fort Stark</b>