

New Castle, NH



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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

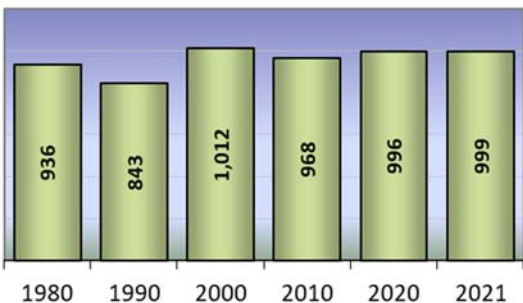
District 1
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District 21
Rockingham County Districts 22, 37

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.

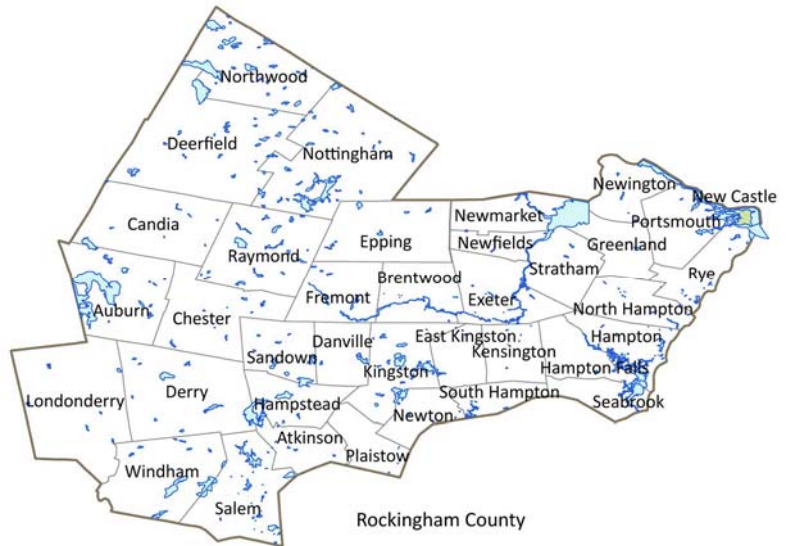
Villages and Place Names: unknown

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



Population Trends: Population change for New Castle totaled 63 over 41 years, from 936 in 1980 to 999 in 2021. The largest decennial percent change was a 20 percent increase between 1990 and 2000. The 2021 Census estimate for New Castle was 999 residents, which ranked 187th among New Hampshire's incorporated cities and towns.

Population Density and Land Area, 2021 (US Census Bureau): 1,233.3 persons per square mile of land area, the sixth 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.



MUNICIPAL SERVICES	
Type of Government	Selectmen
Budget: Municipal Appropriations, 2021-2022	\$4,871,468
Budget: School Appropriations, 2021-2022	\$2,124,559
Zoning Ordinance	1954/21
Master Plan	2012
Capital Improvement Plan	Yes
Industrial Plans Reviewed By	Planning Board

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

Public Library **New Castle Public**

EMERGENCY SERVICES	
Police Department	Full-time & On-Call
Fire Department	Full & part-time
Emergency Medical Service	Full-time

Nearest Hospital(s)	Distance	Staffed Beds
Portsmouth Regional, Portsmouth	4 miles	188

UTILITIES	
Electric Supplier	Eversource Energy
Natural Gas Supplier	None
Water Supplier	City of Portsmouth; New Castle Water
Sanitation	City of Portsmouth
Municipal Wastewater Treatment Plant	No
Solid Waste Disposal	
Curbside Trash Pickup	Municipal
Pay-As-You-Throw Program	No
Recycling Program	Voluntary

Telephone Company	Comcast; First Light; Consolidated
Cellular Telephone Access	Yes
Cable Television Access	Yes
Public Access Television Station	No
High Speed Internet Service:	
Business	Yes
Residential	Yes

PROPERTY TAXES <i>(NH Dept. of Revenue Administration)</i>	
2021 Total Tax Rate (per \$1000 of value)	\$ 4.78
2021 Equalization Ratio	96.1
2021 Full Value Tax Rate (per \$1000 of value)	\$ 4.59
2021 Percent of Local Assessed Valuation by Property Type	
Residential Land and Buildings	89.9%
Commercial Land and Buildings	10.0%
Public Utilities, Current Use, and Other	0.1%

HOUSING <i>(ACS 2016-2020)</i>	
Total Housing Units	568
Single-Family Units, Detached or Attached	491
Units in Multiple-Family Structures:	
Two to Four Units in Structure	58
Five or More Units in Structure	4
Mobile Homes and Other Housing Units	15

POPULATION (1-YEAR ESTIMATES/DECENNIAL)		<i>(US Census Bureau)</i>	
Total Population	Community	County	
2021	999	316,947	
2020	995	314,430	
2010	968	295,223	
2000	1,012	278,748	
1990	843	246,744	
1980	936	190,345	

DEMOGRAPHICS <i>AMERICAN COMMUNITY SURVEY (ACS) 2016-2020</i>			
Population by Gender			
Male	412	Female	451
Population by Age Group			
Under age 5	27		
Age 5 to 19	157		
Age 20 to 34	34		
Age 35 to 54	154		
Age 55 to 64	208		
Age 65 and over	283		
Median Age	56.8 years		

Educational Attainment, population 25 years and over	
High school graduate or higher	99.0%
Bachelor's degree or higher	67.8%

INCOME, INFLATION ADJUSTED \$ <i>(ACS 2016-2020)</i>	
Per capita income	\$120,230
Median family income	\$
Median household income	\$167,500
Median Earnings, full-time, year-round workers	
Male	\$191,250
Female	\$127,969
Individuals below the poverty level	1.2%

LABOR FORCE <i>(NHES – ELMII)</i>		
Annual Average	2011	2021
Civilian labor force	519	543
Employed	502	531
Unemployed	17	12
Unemployment rate	3.3%	2.2%

EMPLOYMENT & WAGES <i>(NHES – ELMII)</i>		
Annual Average Covered Employment	2011	2021
Goods Producing Industries		
Average Employment	n	0
Average Weekly Wage	n	\$0
Service Providing Industries		
Average Employment	n	200
Average Weekly Wage	n	\$1,024
Total Private Industry		
Average Employment	284	200
Average Weekly Wage	\$ 598	\$1,024
Government (Federal, State, and Local)		
Average Employment	43	49
Average Weekly Wage	\$ 639	\$ 777
Total, Private Industry plus Government		
Average Employment	328	249
Average Weekly Wage	\$ 603	\$ 975

If "n" appears, data do not meet disclosure standards.

EDUCATION AND CHILD CARE

Schools students attend: **New Castle operates grades K-6; grades 7 & 8 are tuitioned to Rye; grades 9-12 are tuitioned to Portsmouth** District: **SAU**

Career Technology Center(s): **Portsmouth Career Technical Center #19**

Educational Facilities (includes Charter Schools)	Elementary	Middle/Junior High	High School	Private/Parochial
Number of Schools	1			
Grade Levels	K 1-6			
Total Enrollment	36			

Nearest Community College: **Great Bay**

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

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

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

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

Road Access	US Routes		
	State Routes		1B
Nearest Interstate, Exit		I-95, Exit 7	
	Distance		4 miles
Railroad			No
Public Transportation			No
Nearest Public Use Airport, General Aviation			
Pease International	Runway		11,321 ft.
Lighted? Yes	Navigation Aids?		Yes
Nearest Airport with Scheduled Service			
Boston-Logan International	Distance		58.4 miles
Number of Passenger Airlines Serving Airport			44
Driving distance to select cities:			
Manchester, NH			48 miles
Portland, Maine			54 miles
Boston, Mass.			59 miles
New York City, NY			270 miles
Montreal, Quebec			302 miles

COMMUTING TO WORK (ACS 2016-2020)

Workers 16 years and over	
Drove alone, car/truck/van	76.9%
Carpooled, car/truck/van	0.8%
Public transportation	0.8%
Walked	0.0%
Other means	0.0%
Worked at home	21.5%
Mean Travel Time to Work	20.0 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	13.5%

RECREATION, ATTRACTIONS, AND EVENTS

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