

Northfield, NH



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Municipal Office Hours

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County
 Labor Market Area
 Tourism Region
 Planning Commission
 Regional Development

Merrimack
Franklin, NH LMA
Lakes
Lakes Region
Capital Regional Development Council

Election Districts

US Congress
 Executive Council
 State Senate
 State Representative

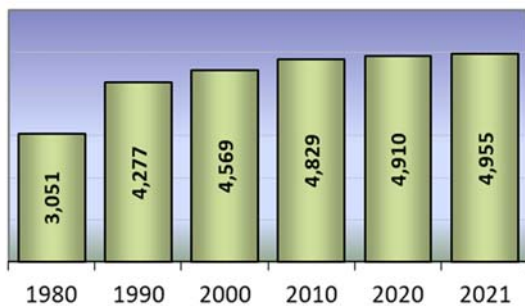
District 2
District 1
District 17
Merrimack County Districts 2, 25

Incorporated: 1780

Origin: Like many other towns, Northfield began with a group of residents who felt they lived too far from the center of town, in this case Canterbury, making it inconvenient to attend public affairs. Petitioners were granted a separate township in 1780. The Northfield library was called the "Northfield Improving Society for the Promotion of Useful Knowledge," the same title used by Benjamin Franklin in 1743 for the American Philosophical Society in Philadelphia. The library began with a supply of 24 books, charging an annual membership fee of \$5, and continued under that name until 1842.

Villages and Place Names: unknown

Population, Year of the First Census Taken: 606 residents in 1790



Population Trends: Population change for Northfield totaled 1,904 over 41 years, from 3,051 in 1980 to 4,955 in 2021. The largest decennial percent change was a 40 percent increase between 1980 and 1990. The 2021 Census estimate for Northfield was 4,955 residents, which ranked 74th among New Hampshire's incorporated cities and towns.

Population Density and Land Area, 2021 (US Census Bureau): 173.3 persons per square mile of land area. Northfield contains 28.6 square miles of land area and 0.3 square miles of inland water area.

MUNICIPAL SERVICES	
Type of Government	Selectmen
Budget: Municipal Appropriations, 2021	\$3,635,514
Budget: School Appropriations, 2020-2021	\$9,465,355
Zoning Ordinance	1973/20
Master Plan	2014
Capital Improvement Plan	Yes
Industrial Plans Reviewed By	Planning Board

Boards and Commissions

Elected:	Selectmen; Trust Funds; Library
Appointed:	Planning; Zoning; Conservation; Budget; Capital Improvement

Public Library **Hall Memorial**

EMERGENCY SERVICES	
Police Department	Full-time
Fire Department	Full-time
Emergency Medical Service	Municipal

Nearest Hospital(s)	Distance	Staffed Beds
Concord Hospital - Franklin	3 miles	20

UTILITIES	
Electric Supplier	Eversource Energy; NH Electric Coop
Natural Gas Supplier	Liberty Utilities
Water Supplier	Tilton-Northfield Aqueduct Company

Sanitation	Northfield Sewer District
Municipal Wastewater Treatment Plant	No
Solid Waste Disposal	
Curbside Trash Pickup	Municipal
Pay-As-You-Throw Program	Yes
Recycling Program	Voluntary

Telephone Company	Consolidated Communications
Cellular Telephone Access	Yes
Cable Television Access	Yes
Public Access Television Station	No
High Speed Internet Service:	
Business	Yes
Residential	Yes

PROPERTY TAXES (NH Dept. of Revenue Administration)	
2021 Total Tax Rate (per \$1000 of value)	\$22.21
2021 Equalization Ratio	66.6
2021 Full Value Tax Rate (per \$1000 of value)	\$14.23

2021 Percent of Local Assessed Valuation by Property Type	
Residential Land and Buildings	84.7%
Commercial Land and Buildings	11.7%
Public Utilities, Current Use, and Other	3.6%

HOUSING (ACS 2016-2020)	
Total Housing Units	1,991
Single-Family Units, Detached or Attached	1,395
Units in Multiple-Family Structures:	
Two to Four Units in Structure	50
Five or More Units in Structure	329
Mobile Homes and Other Housing Units	217

POPULATION (1-YEAR ESTIMATES/DECENNIAL)		(US Census Bureau)	
Total Population	Community	County	
2021	4,955	155,238	
2020	4,912	153,922	
2010	4,829	146,445	
2000	4,569	136,716	
1990	4,277	120,618	
1980	3,051	98,302	

DEMOGRAPHICS AMERICAN COMMUNITY SURVEY (ACS) 2016-2020

Population by Gender			
Male	2,387	Female	2,528

Population by Age Group	
Under age 5	265
Age 5 to 19	948
Age 20 to 34	951
Age 35 to 54	1,259
Age 55 to 64	850
Age 65 and over	642
Median Age	40.1 years

Educational Attainment, population 25 years and over	
High school graduate or higher	88.6%
Bachelor's degree or higher	18.5%

INCOME, INFLATION ADJUSTED \$ (ACS 2016-2020)

Per capita income	\$32,981
Median family income	\$76,917
Median household income	\$60,450

Median Earnings, full-time, year-round workers	
Male	\$52,046
Female	\$45,379

Individuals below the poverty level	7.4%
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LABOR FORCE (NHES – ELMII)

Annual Average	2011	2021
Civilian labor force	2,569	2,517
Employed	2,419	2,424
Unemployed	150	93
Unemployment rate	5.8%	3.7%

EMPLOYMENT & WAGES (NHES – ELMII)

Annual Average Covered Employment	2011	2021
Goods Producing Industries		
Average Employment	558	663
Average Weekly Wage	\$1,013	\$1,157
Service Providing Industries		
Average Employment	516	612
Average Weekly Wage	\$ 651	\$ 950
Total Private Industry		
Average Employment	1,074	1,275
Average Weekly Wage	\$ 839	\$1,057
Government (Federal, State, and Local)		
Average Employment	110	117
Average Weekly Wage	\$ 706	\$ 805
Total, Private Industry plus Government		
Average Employment	1,184	1,392
Average Weekly Wage	\$ 827	\$1,036

EDUCATION AND CHILD CARE

Schools students attend: **Grades K-12 are part of Winnisquam Regional (Northfield, Sanbornton, Tilton)** District: **SAU 59**
 Career Technology Center(s): **J. Oliva Huot Technical Center (Laconia); Winnisquam Agricultural Programs**

Educational Facilities (includes Charter Schools)	Elementary	Middle/Junior High	High School	Private/Parochial
Number of Schools	2			1
Grade Levels	P K 1-5			K 1-12
Total Enrollment	396			79

Nearest Community College: **NHTI-Concord; Lakes Region**
 Nearest Colleges or Universities: **Plymouth State University; Colby-Sawyer**

2021 NH Licensed Child Care Facilities (DHHS-Bureau of Child Care Licensing) Total Facilities: **1** Total Capacity: **180**

LARGEST BUSINESSES	PRODUCT/SERVICE	EMPLOYEES	ESTABLISHED
Eptam Plastics	Manufacturing	260	2002
Spaulding Youth Center	Youth programs	260	1958
Freudenberg-NOK	Manufacturing	200	1997
Wyman Gordon	Investment castings	200	1951
Tobin Tool	Manufacturing	100	1997
Blouin Steel	Manufacturing	10	1998
Pike Industries	Asphalt	10	1998

Employer Information Supplied by Municipality

TRANSPORTATION (distances estimated from city/town hall)			
Road Access	US Routes		
	State Routes	132, 140	
Nearest Interstate, Exit		I-93, Exit 19	
	Distance	Local access	
Railroad		State owned line	
Public Transportation		No	
Nearest Public Use Airport, General Aviation			
Laconia Municipal	Runway	5,286 ft. asphalt	
Lighted? Yes	Navigation Aids?	Yes	
Nearest Airport with Scheduled Service			
Manchester-Boston Regional	Distance	40 miles	
Number of Passenger Airlines Serving Airport		4	
Driving distance to select cities:			
Manchester, NH		35 miles	
Portland, Maine		127 miles	
Boston, Mass.		85 miles	
New York City, NY		284 miles	
Montreal, Quebec		236 miles	
COMMUTING TO WORK (ACS 2016-2020)			
Workers 16 years and over			
Drove alone, car/truck/van		87.7%	
Carpooled, car/truck/van		6.9%	
Public transportation		0.0%	
Walked		0.2%	
Other means		2.5%	
Worked at home		2.7%	
Mean Travel Time to Work		24.8 minutes	
Percent of Working Residents: ACS 2016-2020			
Working in community of residence		54.2%	
Commuting to another NH community		43.0%	
Commuting out-of-state		2.8%	

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
X	Tourist Attractions
X	Youth Organizations (i.e., Scouts, 4-H)
X	Youth Sports: Baseball
X	Youth Sports: Soccer
	Youth Sports: Football
X	Youth Sports: Basketball
	Youth Sports: Hockey
	Campgrounds
X	Fishing/Hunting
	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): Ragged, Gunstock Mountains
	Other: Pines Community Center; Highland Mountain Bike Park; Winnipisaukee River Trail; Arch Trail Travelers