

# Rindge, NH



## Community Contact

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## Municipal Office Hours

**Selectmen: Monday through Thursday, 9 am - 1 pm, 2 pm - 4 pm, Meeting every other Wednesday 6 pm; Town Clerk, Tax Collector: Monday through Thursday, 9 am - 1 pm, 2 pm - 4 pm, Friday, 9 am - 1 pm; Town Clerk: extended hours second and fourth Thursday, 9 am – 1 pm, 2 pm – 6:30 pm**

County  
 Labor Market Area  
 Tourism Region  
 Planning Commission  
 Regional Development

**Cheshire**  
**Peterborough, NH LMA**  
**Monadnock**  
**Southwest Region**  
**Monadnock Economic Development Corp.**

Election Districts  
 US Congress  
 Executive Council  
 State Senate  
 State Representative

**District 2**  
**District 5**  
**District 12**  
**Cheshire County Districts 11, 14**

**Incorporated: 1768**

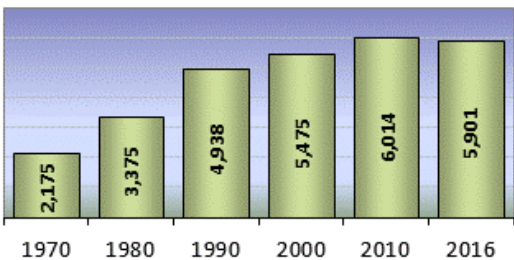
**Origin:** This territory was first granted by the Massachusetts government in 1736. The grantees were soldiers from Rowley, Massachusetts, returning from the war in Canada, and the settlement was known as Rowley-Canada. Following establishment of New Hampshire as a separate province, the Masonian Proprietors regranted the territory, and it was renamed Monadnock Number 1, or South Monadnock, in 1749. The town was incorporated as Rindge in 1768, in honor of Captain Daniel Rindge, one of the original grant holders who was related by marriage to Governor Benning Wentworth.

**Villages and Place Names:** Converseville, Cutter Hill, East Rindge, Jones Corner, Rand, Thomas, West Rindge, Woodmere

**Population, Year of the First Census Taken:** 1,143 residents in 1790



Cheshire County



**Population Trends:** Population change for Rindge totaled 4,960 over 56 years, from 941 in 1960 to 5,901 in 2016. The largest decennial percent change was an 131 percent increase between 1960 and 1970, coinciding with the establishment of Franklin Pierce College. The 2016 Census estimate for Rindge was 5,901 residents, which ranked 57th among New Hampshire's incorporated cities and towns.

**Population Density and Land Area, 2016 (US Census Bureau):** 159.2 persons per square mile of land area. Rindge contains 37.1 square miles of land area and 2.7 square miles of inland water area.

| <b>MUNICIPAL SERVICES</b>                |                                     |
|--|-------------------------------------|
| Type of Government                       | <b>Selectmen/Town Administrator</b> |
| Budget: Municipal Appropriations, 2017   | <b>\$4,390,023</b>                  |
| Budget: School Appropriations, 2017-2018 | <b>\$11,794,399</b>                 |
| Zoning Ordinance                         | <b>1961/14</b>                      |
| Master Plan                              | <b>2011</b>                         |
| Capital Improvement Plan                 | <b>Yes</b>                          |
| Industrial Plans Reviewed By             | <b>Planning Board</b>               |

|                               |   |
|-------------------------------|---|
| <b>Boards and Commissions</b> |   |
| Elected:                      | <b>Selectmen; Planning; Zoning; Library</b> |
| Appointed:                    | <b>Conservation</b>                         |
| Public Library                | <b>Ingalls Memorial</b>                     |

| <b>EMERGENCY SERVICES</b>                |                 |                                  |  |
|--|-----------------|----------------------------------|--|
| Police Department                        |                 | <b>Full-time</b>                 |  |
| Fire Department                          |                 | <b>Full-time &amp; volunteer</b> |  |
| Emergency Medical Service                |                 | <b>Full-time &amp; volunteer</b> |  |
| Nearest Hospital(s)                      | Distance        | Staffed Beds                     |  |
| <b>Monadnock Community, Peterborough</b> | <b>14 miles</b> | <b>25</b>                        |  |
| <b>Heywood Hospital, Gardner MA</b>      | <b>14 miles</b> | <b>134</b>                       |  |

| <b>UTILITIES</b>                     |             |                          |
|--------------------------------------|-------------|--------------------------|
| Electric Supplier                    |             | <b>Eversource Energy</b> |
| Natural Gas Supplier                 |             | <b>None</b>              |
| Water Supplier                       |             | <b>Private wells</b>     |
| Sanitation                           |             | <b>Private septic</b>    |
| Municipal Wastewater Treatment Plant |             | <b>No</b>                |
| Solid Waste Disposal                 |             |                          |
| Curbside Trash Pickup                |             | <b>Private</b>           |
| Pay-As-You-Throw Program             |             | <b>No</b>                |
| Recycling Program                    |             | <b>Mandatory</b>         |
| Telephone Company                    |             | <b>Fairpoint</b>         |
| Cellular Telephone Access            |             | <b>Limited</b>           |
| Cable Television Access              |             | <b>Limited</b>           |
| Public Access Television Station     |             | <b>No</b>                |
| High Speed Internet Service:         | Business    | <b>Limited</b>           |
|                                      | Residential | <b>Limited</b>           |

| <b>PROPERTY TAXES</b>                                     |  | <i>(NH Dept. of Revenue Administration)</i> |  |
|---|--|---|--|
| 2016 Total Tax Rate (per \$1000 of value)                 |  | <b>\$27.91</b>                              |  |
| 2016 Equalization Ratio                                   |  | <b>96.3</b>                                 |  |
| 2016 Full Value Tax Rate (per \$1000 of value)            |  | <b>\$26.26</b>                              |  |
| 2016 Percent of Local Assessed Valuation by Property Type |  |   |  |
| Residential Land and Buildings                            |  | <b>82.0%</b>                                |  |
| Commercial Land and Buildings                             |  | <b>15.9%</b>                                |  |
| Public Utilities, Current Use, and Other                  |  | <b>2.0%</b>                                 |  |

| <b>HOUSING</b>                            |  | <i>(ACS 2012-2016)</i> |  |
|---|--|------------------------|--|
| Total Housing Units                       |  | <b>2,156</b>           |  |
| Single-Family Units, Detached or Attached |  | <b>1,875</b>           |  |
| Units in Multiple-Family Structures:      |  |                        |  |
| Two to Four Units in Structure            |  | <b>73</b>              |  |
| Five or More Units in Structure           |  | <b>159</b>             |  |
| Mobile Homes and Other Housing Units      |  | <b>49</b>              |  |

| <b>POPULATION (1-YEAR ESTIMATES/DECENNIAL)</b> |              |               | <i>(US Census Bureau)</i> |
|--|--------------|---------------|---------------------------|
| Total Population                               | Community    | County        |                           |
| 2016   | <b>5,901</b> | <b>75,774</b> |                           |
| 2010   | <b>6,014</b> | <b>77,117</b> |                           |
| 2000   | <b>5,475</b> | <b>73,993</b> |                           |
| 1990   | <b>4,938</b> | <b>70,223</b> |                           |
| 1980   | <b>3,375</b> | <b>62,116</b> |                           |
| 1970   | <b>2,175</b> | <b>52,364</b> |                           |

| <b>DEMOGRAPHICS, AMERICAN COMMUNITY SURVEY</b>              |              |        |                   | <i>(ACS) 2012-2016</i> |
|---|--------------|--------|-------------------|------------------------|
| <b>Population by Gender</b>                                 |              |        |                   |                        |
| Male  | <b>2,944</b> | Female | <b>2,963</b>      |                        |
| <b>Population by Age Group</b>                              |              |        |                   |                        |
| Under age 5   |              |        | <b>410</b>        |                        |
| Age 5 to 19   |              |        | <b>1,593</b>      |                        |
| Age 20 to 34  |              |        | <b>1,248</b>      |                        |
| Age 35 to 54  |              |        | <b>1,224</b>      |                        |
| Age 55 to 64  |              |        | <b>689</b>        |                        |
| Age 65 and over   |              |        | <b>743</b>        |                        |
| Median Age  |              |        | <b>31.1 years</b> |                        |
| <b>Educational Attainment, population 25 years and over</b> |              |        |                   |                        |
| High school graduate or higher                              |              |        |                   | <b>93.4%</b>           |
| Bachelor's degree or higher                                 |              |        |                   | <b>29.3%</b>           |

| <b>INCOME, INFLATION ADJUSTED \$</b>                                     |  | <i>(ACS 2012-2016)</i> |                 |
|--|--|------------------------|-----------------|
| Per capita income  |  |                        | <b>\$28,190</b> |
| Median family income   |  |                        | <b>\$86,793</b> |
| Median household income  |  |                        | <b>\$67,466</b> |
| <b>Median Earnings, full-time, year-round workers, 16 years and over</b> |  |                        |                 |
| Male   |  |                        | <b>\$55,556</b> |
| Female   |  |                        | <b>\$40,944</b> |
| Individuals below the poverty level                                      |  |                        | <b>8.8%</b>     |

| <b>LABOR FORCE</b>   |  |              |  | <i>(NHES – ELMII)</i> |  |
|----------------------|--|--------------|--|-----------------------|--|
| Annual Average       |  | 2006         |  | 2016                  |  |
| Civilian labor force |  | <b>2,958</b> |  | <b>2,637</b>          |  |
| Employed             |  | <b>2,814</b> |  | <b>2,538</b>          |  |
| Unemployed           |  | <b>144</b>   |  | <b>99</b>             |  |
| Unemployment rate    |  | <b>4.9%</b>  |  | <b>3.8%</b>           |  |

| <b>EMPLOYMENT &amp; WAGES</b>           |  |               |  | <i>(NHES – ELMII)</i> |  |
|---|--|---------------|--|-----------------------|--|
| Annual Average Covered Employment       |  | 2006          |  | 2016                  |  |
| Goods Producing Industries              |  |               |  |                       |  |
| Average Employment                      |  | <b>256</b>    |  | <b>219</b>            |  |
| Average Weekly Wage                     |  | <b>\$ 843</b> |  | <b>\$1,078</b>        |  |
| Service Providing Industries            |  |               |  |                       |  |
| Average Employment                      |  | <b>1,424</b>  |  | <b>1,395</b>          |  |
| Average Weekly Wage                     |  | <b>\$ 458</b> |  | <b>\$ 549</b>         |  |
| Total Private Industry                  |  |               |  |                       |  |
| Average Employment                      |  | <b>1,679</b>  |  | <b>1,614</b>          |  |
| Average Weekly Wage                     |  | <b>\$ 517</b> |  | <b>\$ 621</b>         |  |
| Government (Federal, State, and Local)  |  |               |  |                       |  |
| Average Employment                      |  | <b>64</b>     |  | <b>67</b>             |  |
| Average Weekly Wage                     |  | <b>\$ 568</b> |  | <b>\$ 677</b>         |  |
| Total, Private Industry plus Government |  |               |  |                       |  |
| Average Employment                      |  | <b>1,743</b>  |  | <b>1,681</b>          |  |
| Average Weekly Wage                     |  | <b>\$ 519</b> |  | <b>\$ 623</b>         |  |

**EDUCATION AND CHILD CARE**

Schools students attend: **Grades K-12 are part of Jaffrey-Rindge Cooperative (Jaffrey, Rindge)** District: **SAU 47**  
 Career Technology Center(s): **Region 14 Applied Technology Center** Region: **14**

| Educational Facilities (includes Charter Schools) | Elementary | Middle/Junior High | High School | Private/Parochial |
|---|------------|--------------------|-------------|-------------------|
| Number of Schools                                 | 1          |                    |             | 2                 |
| Grade Levels                                      | P K 1-5    |                    |             | P K 1-12          |
| Total Enrollment                                  | 388        |                    |             | 73                |

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

2017 NH Licensed Child Care Facilities (DHHS-Bureau of Child Care Licensing) Total Facilities: **1** Total Capacity: **9**

| LARGEST BUSINESSES                         | PRODUCT/SERVICE              | EMPLOYEES | ESTABLISHED |
|--|------------------------------|-----------|-------------|
| Franklin Pierce University (Rindge campus) | Education                    | 300       | 1962        |
| Market Basket                              | Supermarket                  | 275       | 1991        |
| Wal-Mart                                   | Retail store                 | 200       | 1993        |
| Hannaford Brothers                         | Supermarket                  | 114       | 1998        |
| Woodbound Inn                              | Restaurant, inn              | 40        |             |
| Hometown Irving                            | Gas, convenience store, deli | 30        |             |
| Allen & Matthewson Oil                     | Fuel                         | 30        |             |

Employer Information Supplied by Municipality

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

|  |  |                          |
|--|--|--------------------------|
| Road Access                                  | US Routes                                | <b>202</b>               |
|  | State Routes                             | <b>119</b>               |
| Nearest Interstate, Exit                     | <b>I-91, Exit 28 (MA) or Exit 2 (VT)</b> |                          |
| Distance                                     | <b>34 miles; 36 miles</b>                |                          |
| Railroad                                     |  | <b>No</b>                |
| Public Transportation                        |  | <b>No</b>                |
| Nearest Public Use Airport, General Aviation |  |                          |
| <b>Jaffrey - Silver Ranch</b>                | Runway                                   | <b>2,982 ft. asphalt</b> |
| Lighted? <b>Yes</b>                          | Navigation Aids?                         | <b>Yes</b>               |
| Nearest Airport with Scheduled Service       |  |                          |
| <b>Manchester-Boston Regional</b>            | Distance                                 | <b>50 miles</b>          |
| Number of Passenger Airlines Serving Airport |  | <b>4</b>                 |
| Driving distance to select cities:           |  |                          |
| Manchester, NH                               |  | <b>44 miles</b>          |
| Portland, Maine                              |  | <b>138 miles</b>         |
| Boston, Mass.                                |  | <b>75 miles</b>          |
| New York City, NY                            |  | <b>222 miles</b>         |
| Montreal, Quebec                             |  | <b>263 miles</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  |
| <b>X</b> | Tourist Attractions   |
| <b>X</b> | Youth Organizations (i.e., Scouts, 4-H)                                   |
| <b>X</b> | Youth Sports: Baseball  |
| <b>X</b> | Youth Sports: Soccer  |
|          | Youth Sports: Football  |
| <b>X</b> | Youth Sports: Basketball  |
|          | Youth Sports: Hockey  |
| <b>X</b> | Campgrounds   |
| <b>X</b> | Fishing/Hunting   |
| <b>X</b> | Boating/Marinas   |
| <b>X</b> | Snowmobile Trails   |
| <b>X</b> | Bicycle Trails  |
| <b>X</b> | Cross Country Skiing  |
|          | Beach or Waterfront Recreation Area                                       |
| <b>X</b> | Overnight or Day Camps  |
|          | Nearest Ski Area(s): <b>Crotched Mountain, Pat's Peak, Wachusett (MA)</b> |

**COMMUTING TO WORK** (ACS 2012-2016)

|  |                     |
|--|---------------------|
| Workers 16 years and over                          |                     |
| Drove alone, car/truck/van                         | <b>74.4%</b>        |
| Carpooled, car/truck/van                           | <b>4.8%</b>         |
| Public transportation                              | <b>1.0%</b>         |
| Walked   | <b>3.8%</b>         |
| Other means  | <b>0.0%</b>         |
| Worked at home                                     | <b>16.0%</b>        |
| Mean Travel Time to Work                           | <b>36.6 minutes</b> |
| <b>Percent of Working Residents: ACS 2012-2016</b> |                     |
| Working in community of residence                  | <b>32.6</b>         |
| Commuting to another NH community                  | <b>65.0</b>         |
| Commuting out-of-state                             | <b>29.4</b>         |

Other: **Cathedral of the Pines; Harvet Fair; Rail Trails**