Sandwich, NH

Incorporated: 1763

Origin: When this 1763 charter was surveyed, the land was considered so full of inaccessible mountains and shelves of rock that the grantees requested an additional grant of land to the southeast. The petition was granted in 1764, with the additional parcel called Sandwich Addition. Sandwich was named in honor of John Montagu, fourth Earl of Sandwich. The Earl is most famous as the inventor of the sandwich, a thin slab of meat placed between two slices of bread, which he consumed while spending a day at the gaming table. The town of Sandwich is in the Sandwich Range, with seventeen listed peaks, including Sandwich Dome.

Villages and Place Names: Great Rock Corner, Center Sandwich, Chicks Corner, East Sandwich, North Sandwich, Sandwich Landing, Wentworth Hill, Whiteface

Population, Year of the First Census Taken: 905 residents in 1790

Population Trends: Population change for Sandwich totaled 692 over 49 years, from 666 in 1970 to 1,358 in 2019. The largest decennial percent change was a 36 percent increase between 1970 and 1980; the smallest, a three percent increase between 2000 and 2010. The 2019 Census estimate for Sandwich was 1,358 residents, which ranked 170th among New Hampshire’s incorporated cities and towns.

Population Density and Land Area, 2019 (US Census Bureau): 14.9 persons per square mile of land area, which tied with Carroll. Sandwich contains 91.2 square miles of land area and 2.9 square miles of inland water area.
### Municipal Services
- **Type of Government**: Selectmen
- **Budget: Municipal Appropriations, 2020**: $3,283,509
- **Budget: School Appropriations, 2020**: $3,644,637
- **Zoning Ordinance**: 1969/14
- **Master Plan**: 2010
- **Capital Improvement Plan**: Yes
- **Industrial Plans Reviewed By**: Planning Board

### Boards and Commissions
- Elected: Selectmen; Cemetery; Trust Funds; Sewer
- Appointed: Planning; Zoning; Conservation; Historic; Parks and Recreation; Agricultural

### Public Library
- *Samuel H. Wentworth*

### Emergency Services
- **Police Department**: Full-time
- **Fire Department**: Full-time & volunteer
- **Emergency Medical Service**: Volunteer - contract w/Stewarts Ambulance

### Nearest Hospital(s)
- *Speare Memorial, Plymouth*
  - Distance: 19 miles
  - Staffed Beds: 25

### Utilities
- **Electric Supplier**: Eversource Energy; NH Electric Coop
- **Natural Gas Supplier**: None
- **Water Supplier**: Private wells
- **Sanitation**: Private septic & municipal
- **Municipal Wastewater Treatment Plant**: No
- **Solid Waste Disposal**: Curbside Trash Pickup
- **Recycling Program**: No
- **Telephone Company**: Consolidated Communications
- **Cellular Telephone Access**: Yes
- **Cable Television Access**: No
- **Public Access Television Station**: No
- **High Speed Internet Service**: Limited

### Property Taxes
- **(NH Dept. of Revenue Administration)**
  - **2019 Total Tax Rate (per $1000 of value)**: $14.23
  - **2019 Equalization Ratio**: 98.0
  - **2019 Full Value Tax Rate (per $1000 of value)**: $13.86
  - **2019 Percent of Local Assessed Valuation by Property Type**
    - Residential Land and Buildings: 95.6%
    - Commercial Land and Buildings: 2.1%
    - Public Utilities, Current Use, and Other: 2.3%

### Housing
- **(ACS 2015-2019)**
  - **Total Housing Units**: 1,049
  - **Single-Family Units, Detached or Attached**: 1,019
  - **Units in Multiple-Family Structures:**
    - Two to Four Units in Structure: 3
    - Five or More Units in Structure: 7
    - Mobile Homes and Other Housing Units: 20

### Population (1-Year Estimates/Decennial)
- **(US Census Bureau)**
  - **Total Population**: 2019: 1,358, 2010: 1,326
  - **Community**: 2019: 48,910, 2010: 47,818
  - **County**: 2019: 43,918, 2010: 35,526

### Demographics
- **American Community Survey (ACS) 2015-2019**
  - **Population by Gender**
    - Male: 698, Female: 742
  - **Population by Age Group**
    - Under age 5: 53, Age 5 to 19: 119, Age 20 to 34: 172
    - Age 35 to 54: 251, Age 55 to 64: 327, Age 65 and over: 518
    - Median Age: 59.8 years
  - **Educational Attainment, population 25 years and over**
    - High school graduate or higher: 96.0%
    - Bachelor's degree or higher: 49.3%
  - **Income, Inflation Adjusted $**
    - Per capita income: 2019: $47,698, 2010: $41,039
    - Median household income: 2019: $80,739, 2010: $63,418
  - **Median Earnings, full-time, year-round workers**
  - **Individuals below the poverty level**
    - 2019: 5.5%

### Labor Force
- **(NHES – ELMI)**
  - **Annual Average**
    - 2009: 2019
    - Civilian labor force: 693, 606
    - Employed: 663, 590
    - Unemployed: 30, 16
    - Unemployment rate: 4.3%, 2.6%

### Employment & Wages
- **(NHES – ELMI)**
  - **Annual Average Covered Employment**
    - 2009: 2019
    - Goods Producing Industries
      - Average Employment: 56, 2019: 55
      - Average Weekly Wage: $706, 2019: $775
    - Service Providing Industries
      - Average Employment: 119, 2019: 117
      - Average Weekly Wage: $469, 2019: $1,025
    - Total Private Industry
      - Average Employment: 174, 2019: 172
      - Average Weekly Wage: $545, 2019: $945
    - Government (Federal, State, and Local)
      - Average Employment: 50, 2019: 46
      - Average Weekly Wage: $569, 2019: $812
    - Total, Private Industry plus Government
      - Average Employment: 224, 2019: 219
      - Average Weekly Wage: $550, 2019: $917
**Education and Child Care**

Schools students attend: Grades K-12 are part of Inter-Lakes Cooperative (Center Harbor, Meredith, Sandwich)

Career Technology Center(s): J. Oliva Huot Technical Center (Laconia); Winnisquam Agricultural Programs

District: SAU 2
Region: 8

Educational Facilities (includes Charter Schools)  
- Number of Schools: 1  
- Grade Levels: K-6  
- Total Enrollment: 78

Nearest Community College: Lakes Region
Nearest Colleges or Universities: Plymouth State University

2020 NH Licensed Child Care Facilities (DHHS-Bureau of Child Care Licensing)  
- Total Facilities: 1  
- Total Capacity: 48

**Largest Businesses**

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Employer Information Supplied by Municipality

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

- Road Access: US Routes 25, 109, 113, 113A
- Nearest Interstate, Exit: I-93, Exit 24 Distance: 16 miles
- Railroad: No
- Public Transportation: No

**Nearest Public Use Airport, General Aviation**

- Moultonborough Airport Runway: 3,475 ft. asphalt Lighted?: Yes Navigation Aids?: No

**Nearest Airport with Scheduled Service**

- Manchester-Boston Regional Distance: 77 miles
- Number of Passenger Airlines Servicing Airport: 4

**Driving distance to select cities:**
- Manchester, NH: 71 miles
- Portland, Maine: 74 miles
- Boston, Mass.: 121 miles
- New York City, NY: 321 miles
- Montreal, Quebec: 229 miles

**Commuting to Work** (ACS 2015-2019)

- Workers 16 years and over  
  - Drove alone, car/truck/van: 80.6%  
  - Carpooleo, car/truck/van: 7.5%  
  - Public transportation: 0.0%  
  - Walked: 0.3%  
  - Other means: 11.7%  
  - Worked at home: 4.3%  
  - Mean Travel Time to Work: 34.0 minutes

**Percent of Working Residents: ACS 2015-2019**

- Working in community of residence: 30.9
- Commuting to another NH community: 64.8
- Commuting out-of-state: 4.3

**Recreation, Attractions, and Events**

- X Municipal Parks
- 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
- Tourist Attractions
- X Youth Organizations (i.e., Scouts, 4-H)
- X Youth Sports: Baseball
- X Youth Sports: Soccer
- X Youth Sports: Football
- X Youth Sports: Basketball
- X Youth Sports: Hockey
- Campgrounds
- Fishing/Hunting
- Boating/Marinas
- X Snowmobile Trails
- Bicycle Trails
- X Cross Country Skiing
- X Beach or Waterfront Recreation Area
- Overnight or Day Camps

Nearest Ski Area(s): King Pine, Gunstock

Other: Sandwich Fair; Thompson Sanctuary; Leonard B. Chapman Bird Sanctuary