

Surry, NH



Community Contact

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Municipal Office Hours

**Selectmen: Monday, 7-9; Town Clerk: Monday, 3-6,
Thursday, 5-7; Tax Collector: first and third Thursday
each month, 5-7**

County
Labor Market Area
Tourism Region
Planning Commission
Regional Development

**Cheshire
Keene, NH Micropolitan NECTA
Monadnock
Southwest Region
Monadnock Economic Development Corp.**

Election Districts

US Congress
Executive Council
State Senate
State Representative

**District 2
District 2
District 10
Cheshire County Districts 5, 15**

Incorporated: 1769

Origin: This town was chartered in 1769 from portions of Gilsum and Westmoreland. The portion of Westmoreland added to Surry was known as Westmoreland Leg. Surry was named for Charles Howard, Earl of Surrey, Duke of Norfolk, and hereditary Earl Marshal of England. The county of Surrey in England was known for manufacture of pleasure carriages called surreys, introduced to America in 1872. Surry was one of the towns in the western part of the state that attempted to join the State of Vermont in 1781. Surry is an excellent geological area, containing quantities of quartz bearing veins of gold, silver, copper, and lead.

Villages and Place Names: Shaws Corner

Population, Year of the First Census Taken: 448 residents in 1790

Population Trends: Population change for Surry totaled 314 over 50 years, from 507 in 1970 to 821 in 2020. The largest decennial percent change was a 29 percent increase from 1970 to 1980. The town's population increased by 12 percent from 2010 to 2020. The 2021 Census estimate for Surry was 847 residents, which ranked 194th among New Hampshire's incorporated cities and towns.

Population Density and Land Area, 2021 (US Census Bureau): 54.0 persons per square mile of land area. Surry contains 15.7 square miles of land area and 0.3 square miles of inland water area.



MUNICIPAL SERVICES

Type of Government	Selectmen
Budget: Municipal Appropriations, 2022	\$703,006
Budget: School Appropriations, 2022-2023	\$2,606,304
Zoning Ordinance	1951/19
Master Plan	1983
Capital Improvement Plan	No
Industrial Plans Reviewed By	Planning Board

Boards and Commissions

Elected:	Selectmen; Planning; Trust Funds; Cemetery Trustees; Budget
Appointed:	Conservation; Library; Zoning

Public Library **Reed Free****EMERGENCY SERVICES**

Police Department	State Police	
Fire Department	Volunteer	
Emergency Medical Service	Volunteer	
Nearest Hospital(s)	Distance	Staffed Beds
Cheshire Medical Center, Keene	5 miles	94

UTILITIES

Electric Supplier	Eversource Energy; Granite State	
Natural Gas Supplier	None	
Water Supplier	Private wells; Surry Village Water	
Sanitation	Private septic	
Municipal Wastewater Treatment Plant	No	
Solid Waste Disposal		
Curbside Trash Pickup	Private	
Pay-As-You-Throw Program	Yes	
Recycling Program	Voluntary	
Telephone Company	Time Warner; Consolidated Communications	
Cellular Telephone Access	Yes	
Cable Television Access	Yes	
Public Access Television Station	No	
High Speed Internet:	Business	Yes
	Residential	Yes

PROPERTY TAXES (NH Dept. of Revenue Administration)

2021 Total Tax Rate (per \$1000 of value)	\$24.52
2021 Equalization Ratio	74.6
2021 Full Value Tax Rate (per \$1000 of value)	\$17.67
2021 Percent of Local Assessed Valuation by Property Type	
Residential Land and Buildings	92.9%
Commercial Land and Buildings	2.6%
Public Utilities, Current Use, and Other	4.6%

HOUSING (ACS 2017-2021)

Total Housing Units	354
Single-Family Units, Detached or Attached	348
Units in Multiple-Family Structures:	
Two to Four Units in Structure	4
Five or More Units in Structure	0
Mobile Homes and Other Housing Units	2

POPULATION (Decennial Census/ACS 2017-2021)

Total Population	Community	County
2021	942	76,473
2020	820	76,458
2010	732	77,117
2000	673	73,993
1990	631	70,223

DEMOGRAPHICS (ACS 2017-2021)

Population by Gender		
Male	366	Female 576
Population by Age Group		
Under age 5		88
Age 5 to 19		133
Age 20 to 34		155
Age 35 to 54		244
Age 55 to 64		122
Age 65 and over		200
Median Age		44.2 years
Educational Attainment		
Population age 25 or older		691
High school graduate or higher		96.2%
Bachelor's degree or higher		32.1%

INCOME, INFLATION-ADJUSTED (ACS 2017-2021)

Per capita income	\$45,541
Median family income	\$102,083
Median household income	\$89,464
Median Earnings, full-time, year-round workers	
Male	\$73,214
Female	\$50,132
Percent of individuals below poverty level	2.5%

LABOR FORCE (NHES – ELMI)

Annual Average	2011	2021
Civilian labor force	513	476
Employed	494	466
Unemployed	19	10
Unemployment rate	3.7%	2.1%

EMPLOYMENT AND WAGES (NHES – ELMI)

Annual Average Covered Employment	2011	2021
Total, Private Industry plus Government	66	88
Average Employment	66	88
Average Weekly Wage	\$ 543	\$ 914
Total Private Industry		
Average Employment	60	81
Average Weekly Wage	\$ 559	\$ 970
Goods-Producing Industries		
Average Employment	24	36
Average Weekly Wage	\$ 938	\$1,347
Service-Providing Industries		
Average Employment	36	45
Average Weekly Wage	\$ 305	\$ 666
Government (Federal, State, and Local)		
Average Employment	6	7
Average Weekly Wage	\$ 383	\$ 261

n = data do not meet disclosure standards

EDUCATION AND CHILD CARE

(NH Department of Education)

Schools students attend: **Surry operates grades K-8; grades 9-12 are tuitioned to Keene** District: **SAU 91**

Career Technology Center(s): **Cheshire Career Center (Keene); Fall Mountain RHS - CTE**

Educational Facilities (includes Charter Schools)	Elementary	Middle/Junior High	High School	Private/Parochial
Number of Schools	1			
Grade Levels	K 1-8			
Total Enrollment	99			

Nearest NH Community College: **River Valley**

Nearest Colleges or Universities (with a physical campus): **Keene State; Franklin Pierce; Antioch New England**

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

BUSINESSES (provided by municipality)	PRODUCT OR SERVICE	EMPLOYEES	ESTABLISHED
LG Cushing & Sons, Inc.	Well drilling	15	
Frank Lucius Construction	Excavation	4	
Brooks Construction	Construction Services	2	
Cresceno Acres Farm	Alpaca Products	2	
GT's Auto	Used Vehicle Sales	2	
Gunseth's 4x4 Center	Auto Parts, Repairs	2	
Kona Ice	Retail shaved ice	2	2009
Woodard's Sugarhouse	Maple Products	2	
Inspections by Eric, LLC	Septic inspections	1	2016
Richardson Home Inspection	Home inspection services	1	

TRANSPORTATION (distance estimated from city/town hall)

Road Access	US Routes	
	State Routes	12, 12A
Nearest Interstate/Exit		I-91 (VT), Exit 5
	Distance	16 miles
Railroad		No
Public Transportation		No
Nearest Public Use Airport, General Aviation		
Dillant-Hopkins, Swanzey	Runway	6,201 ft. asphalt
Lighted? Yes	Navigation Aids?	Yes
Nearest Commercial Airport with Scheduled Service		
Manchester-Boston Regional	Distance	60 miles
Number of Passenger Airlines Serving Airport		4
Driving distance to select cities:		
Manchester, New Hampshire		70 miles
Portland, Maine		163 miles
Boston, Massachusetts		105 miles
New York City, New York		223 miles
Montreal, Quebec, Canada		233 miles

COMMUTING TO WORK (ACS 2017-2021)

Workers 16 years of age and over:	462
Drove alone, car/truck/van	79.7%
Carpooled, car/truck/van	3.9%
Used public transportation	0.0%
Walked	4.8%
Traveled by other means	0.0%
Worked at home	11.7%
Mean Travel Time to Work	21.9 minutes
Percent of Working Residents Who:	
Work in community of residence	17.7%
Commute to other NH community	74.9%
Commute out-of-state	7.4%

RECREATION, ATTRACTIONS, EVENTS

X	Municipal Parks
	YMCA/YWCA
	Boys Club/Girls Club
X	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)
	Youth Sports: Baseball
	Youth Sports: Soccer
	Youth Sports: Football
	Youth Sports: Basketball
	Youth Sports: Hockey
X	Campgrounds
X	Fishing/Hunting
X	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): Mount Ascutney (VT)
	Other: Surry Mountain Recreation Area