

Northwood, NH



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Municipal Office Hours

Town Hall, Selectmen Office: Monday through Thursday, 9 am - 4 pm; Town Clerk, Tax Collector: Monday, 9 am - 4 pm, Tuesday-Wednesday 10 am - 6 pm , Thursday, 9 am - 4 pm

County
 Labor Market Area
 Tourism Region
 Planning Commission
 Regional Development

Rockingham
Raymond, NH LMA
Merrimack Valley
Strafford Regional
Regional Economic Development Corp.

Election Districts

US Congress
 Executive Council
 State Senate
 State Representative

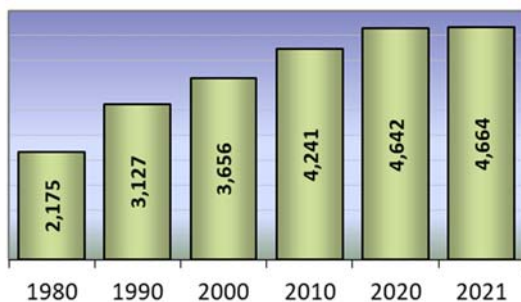
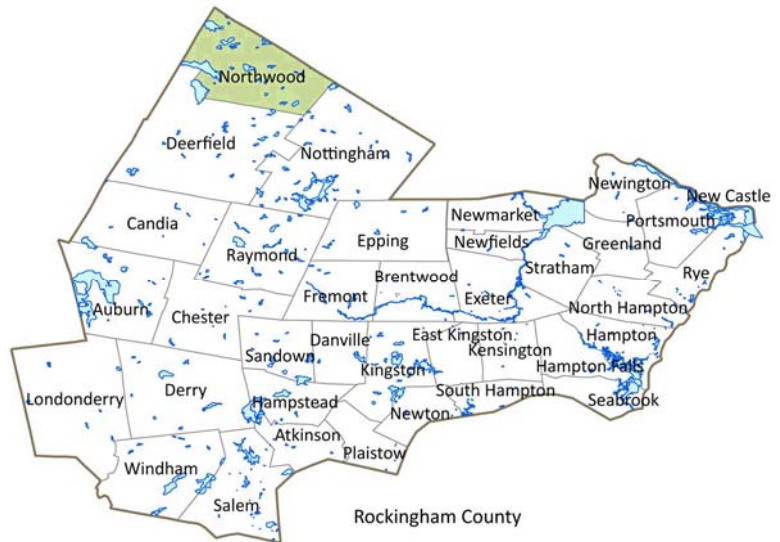
District 2
District 4
District 17
Rockingham County District 1

Incorporated: 1773

Origin: This territory was first settled in 1763, and known as the North Woods, a parish of Nottingham. It was incorporated as a separate town upon agreement with Nottingham in 1773. In 1791, the General Court of New Hampshire authorized a committee to survey and lay out a road between Durham and Concord, which became the First New Hampshire Turnpike. The road runs the length of Northwood, and the town's many taverns accommodated travelers. At one time, there were some 12 sawmills in the town, five of which were replaced by shoe factories.

Villages and Place Names: Northwood Center, Northwood Narrows, Northwood Ridge

Population, Year of the First Census Taken: 744 residents in 1790



Population Trends: Population change for Northwood totaled 2,489 over 41 years, from 2,175 in 1980 to 4,664 in 2021. The largest decennial percent change was a 44 percent increase between 1980 to 1990. The 2021 Census estimate for Northwood was 4,664 residents, which ranked 81st among New Hampshire's incorporated cities and towns.

Population Density and Land Area, 2021 (US Census Bureau): 165.8 persons per square mile of land area. Northwood contains 28.1 square miles of land area and 2.1 square miles of inland water area.

MUNICIPAL SERVICES			
Type of Government	Selectmen		
Budget: Municipal Appropriations, 2019	\$10,342,335		
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Zoning Ordinance	1968/17		
Master Plan	2004		
Capital Improvement Plan	Yes		
Industrial Plans Reviewed By	Planning Board		
Boards and Commissions			
Elected:	Selectmen; Planning; Budget; Cemetery; Library; Police; Trust Funds		
Appointed:	Conservation; Cable; Emergency Management; Highway; Recreation		
Public Library	Chesley Memorial		
EMERGENCY SERVICES			
Police Department	Full-time		
Fire Department	Full & part-time		
Emergency Medical Service	Full & part-time		
Nearest Hospital(s)	Distance	Staffed Beds	
Frisbie Memorial, Rochester	17 miles	23	
Concord Hospital, Concord	20 miles	238	
UTILITIES			
Electric Supplier	Eversource Energy; NH Electric Coop		
Natural Gas Supplier	None		
Water Supplier	Northwood Ridge Water District; Private		
Sanitation	Private septic		
Municipal Wastewater Treatment Plant	No		
Solid Waste Disposal			
Curbside Trash Pickup	Private		
Pay-As-You-Throw Program	No		
Recycling Program	Mandatory		
Telephone Company	Consolidated Communications; Metrocast		
Cellular Telephone Access	Yes		
Cable Television Access	Yes		
Public Access Television Station	Yes		
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)	\$15.47		
2021 Equalization Ratio	78.5		
2021 Full Value Tax Rate (per \$1000 of value)	\$11.96		
2021 Percent of Local Assessed Valuation by Property Type			
Residential Land and Buildings	85.5%		
Commercial Land and Buildings	12.5%		
Public Utilities, Current Use, and Other	2.0%		
HOUSING <i>(ACS 2016-2020)</i>			
Total Housing Units	2,200		
Single-Family Units, Detached or Attached	1,749		
Units in Multiple-Family Structures:			
Two to Four Units in Structure	119		
Five or More Units in Structure	56		
Mobile Homes and Other Housing Units	276		

POPULATION (1-YEAR ESTIMATES/DECENNIAL)		<i>(US Census Bureau)</i>	
Total Population	Community	County	
2021	4,664	316,947	
2020	4,641	314,430	
2010	4,241	295,223	
2000	3,656	278,748	
1990	3,127	246,744	
1980	2,175	190,345	
DEMOGRAPHICS <i>AMERICAN COMMUNITY SURVEY (ACS) 2016-2020</i>			
Population by Gender			
Male	1,989	Female	2,327
Population by Age Group			
Under age 5			227
Age 5 to 19			611
Age 20 to 34			768
Age 35 to 54			1,100
Age 55 to 64			682
Age 65 and over			928
Median Age			44.5 years
Educational Attainment, population 25 years and over			
High school graduate or higher			94.8%
Bachelor's degree or higher			34.6%
INCOME, INFLATION ADJUSTED \$ <i>(ACS 2016-2020)</i>			
Per capita income	\$39,479		
Median family income	\$115,186		
Median household income	\$94,141		
Median Earnings, full-time, year-round workers			
Male			\$60,417
Female			\$47,438
Individuals below the poverty level			7.0%
LABOR FORCE <i>(NHES – ELMII)</i>			
Annual Average	2011	2021	
Civilian labor force	2,480	2,640	
Employed	2,326	2,558	
Unemployed	154	82	
Unemployment rate	6.2%	3.1%	
EMPLOYMENT & WAGES <i>(NHES – ELMII)</i>			
Annual Average Covered Employment	2011	2021	
Goods Producing Industries			
Average Employment	159	165	
Average Weekly Wage	\$ 723	\$1,046	
Service Providing Industries			
Average Employment	646	835	
Average Weekly Wage	\$ 662	\$ 855	
Total Private Industry			
Average Employment	805	1,000	
Average Weekly Wage	\$ 674	\$ 886	
Government (Federal, State, and Local)			
Average Employment	192	174	
Average Weekly Wage	\$ 664	\$ 793	
Total, Private Industry plus Government			
Average Employment	996	1,174	
Average Weekly Wage	\$ 672	\$ 872	

EDUCATION AND CHILD CARE

Schools students attend: **Northwood operates grades K-8; grades 9-12 are tuitioned to Coe-Brown Academy** District: **SAU 44**
 Career Technology Center(s): **Dover Career Technical Center; R.W. Creteau Regional Technology Ctr.; Somersworth Career Technical Center**

Educational Facilities (includes Charter Schools)	Elementary	Middle/Junior High	High School	Private/Parochial
Number of Schools	1		1	
Grade Levels	K 1-8		9-12	
Total Enrollment	348		673	

Nearest Community College: **NHTI-Concord**
 Nearest Colleges or Universities: **University of NH**

2021 NH Licensed Child Care Facilities (DHHS-Bureau of Child Care Licensing) Total Facilities: **3** Total Capacity: **78**

LARGEST BUSINESSES	PRODUCT/SERVICE	EMPLOYEES	ESTABLISHED
Hannaford	Supermarket	50	2003
DR Dimes	Reproduction furniture	30	1964
Harding Metals	Scrap metal recycling	30	1963
Johnson's Seafood & Steak	Restaurant	30	
Solid Creations	Counter top mfg	25	
Cooper Hill Pizza	Restaurant	20	
Meyer Family Dentistry	Dental care	17	
Northwood Power Equipment	Power equipment dealer	17	2000
Northwood Veterinary Hospital	Pet health care	11	
New England Signal Systems	Traffic signal equipment	10	

Employer Information Supplied by Municipality

TRANSPORTATION (distances estimated from city/town hall)

Road Access	US Routes	4, 202
	State Routes	9, 152, 202A
Nearest Interstate, Exit	I-93, Exit 15; I-95, Exit 5	
Distance	18 miles, 26 miles	
Railroad	No	
Public Transportation	No	
Nearest Public Use Airport, General Aviation		
Concord Municipal	Runway	6,005 ft. asphalt
Lighted? Yes	Navigation Aids?	Yes
Nearest Airport with Scheduled Service		
Manchester-Boston Regional	Distance	30 miles
Number of Passenger Airlines Serving Airport		4
Driving distance to select cities:		
Manchester, NH		29 miles
Portland, Maine		78 miles
Boston, Mass.		76 miles
New York City, NY		279 miles
Montreal, Quebec		265 miles

COMMUTING TO WORK (ACS 2016-2020)

Workers 16 years and over	
Drove alone, car/truck/van	81.2%
Carpooled, car/truck/van	2.2%
Public transportation	1.0%
Walked	1.5%
Other means	0.4%
Worked at home	13.8%
Mean Travel Time to Work	36.6 minutes
Percent of Working Residents: ACS 2016-2020	
Working in community of residence	51.5%
Commuting to another NH community	40.9%
Commuting out-of-state	7.6%

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
X	Museums
	Cinemas
X	Performing Arts Facilities
X	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
X	Campgrounds
X	Fishing/Hunting
X	Boating/Marinas
X	Snowmobile Trails
X	Bicycle Trails
X	Cross Country Skiing
X	Beach or Waterfront Recreation Area
X	Overnight or Day Camps
	Nearest Ski Area(s): Pats's Peak, Ragged, Gunstock Mountains
	Other: Northwood Meadows State Park; Antiques