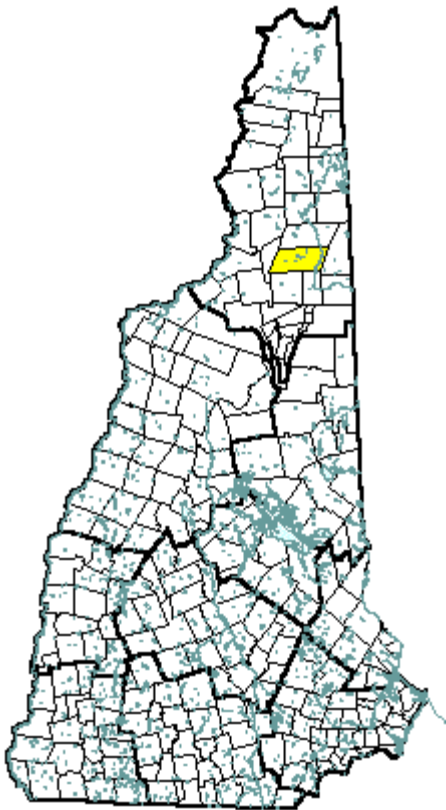


Berlin, NH



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County
 Labor Market Area
 Tourism Region
 Planning Commission
 Regional Development

Coos
Berlin NH Micro-NECTA
Great North Woods
North Country Council
Coos Economic Development Corp.

Election Districts

US Congress
 Executive Council
 State Senate
 State Representative

District 2 (All Wards)
District 1 (All Wards)
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Coos County District 4 (All Wards)

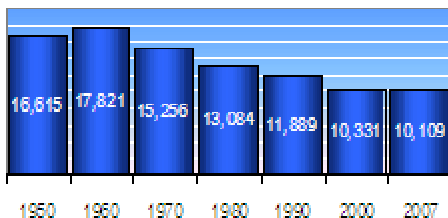
Incorporated: 1829

Origin: This community was first granted in 1771 as Maynesborough in honor of Sir William Mayne, an associate of Governor John Wentworth in the West Indies trade. The area was not settled by the original grantees, and the town was renamed Berlin in 1829 by new settlers originally from Berlin, Massachusetts. According to historical information from the City of Berlin website, the first attempt at building a sawmill powered by the river was in the early 1820s. This was the start of a booming lumber and paper business in Berlin, and at one time it was the largest newsprint supplier in the world. Berlin was incorporated as a city in 1897, and is the northernmost city in New Hampshire.

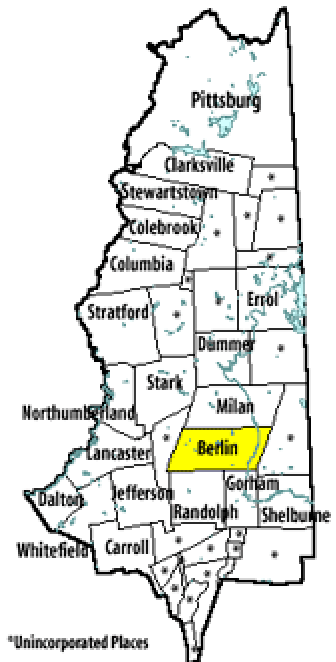
Villages and Place Names: Cascade, Berlin Mills

Population, Year of the First Census Taken: 73 residents in 1830

Population Trends: Berlin had the largest decrease in both percent and numeric population change over 50 years, with total change of 6,284, from 16,615 in 1950 down to 10,331 in 2000. The only decennial increase was seven percent between 1950 and 1960; the population has declined since. The 2007 Census estimate for Berlin was 10,109 residents, which ranked 29th among New Hampshire's incorporated cities and towns.



Population Density and Land Area (*NH Office of Energy & Planning*): 167.3 persons per square mile of land area. Berlin contains 61.5 square miles of land area and 0.7 square miles of inland water area.



*Unincorporated Places

Coos County

MUNICIPAL SERVICES

Type of Government	Manager & Council
Budget: Municipal Appropriations, 2009	\$12,844,231
Budget: School Appropriations, 2009	\$16,785,338
Zoning Ordinance	1964/07
Master Plan	1992
Capital Improvement Plan	Yes
Industrial Plans Reviewed By	Planning Board

Boards and Commissions

Elected:	City Council; School; Library
Appointed:	Planning; Zoning; Berlin Industrial Development Park Authority; Recreation; Water; Police

Public Library **Berlin Public****EMERGENCY SERVICES**

Police Department	Full-time
Fire Department	Full-time
Town Fire Insurance Rating	5/9
Emergency Medical Service	Commercial
Nearest Hospital(s)	Distance Staffed Beds
Androscoggin Valley, Berlin	Local 25

UTILITIES

Electric Supplier	PSNH
Natural Gas Supplier	Portland Natural Gas; KeySpan
Water Supplier	Berlin Water Works
Sanitation	Municipal
Municipal Wastewater Treatment Plant	Yes
Solid Waste Disposal	
Curbside Trash Pickup	Municipal
Pay-As-You-Throw Program	No
Recycling Program	Voluntary
Telephone Company	Fairpoint
Cellular Telephone Access	Yes
Cable Television Access	Yes
Public Access Television Station	Yes
High Speed Internet Service:	Business Residential
	Yes Yes

PROPERTY TAXES (NH Dept. of Revenue Administration)

2007 Total Tax Rate (per \$1000 of value)	\$30.07
2007 Equalization Ratio	96.7
2007 Full Value Tax Rate (per \$1000 of value)	\$31.93
2007 Percent of Local Assessed Valuation by Property Type	
Residential Land and Buildings	67.0%
Commercial Land and Buildings	13.6%
Public Utilities, Current Use, and Other	19.4%

HOUSING SUPPLY (NH Office of Energy and Planning)

2007 Total Housing Units	5,027
2007 Single-Family Units	2,447
Residential Permits, Net Change of Units	-3
2007 Multi-Family Units	2,486
Residential Permits, Net Change of Units	-32
2007 Manufactured Housing Units	94

DEMOGRAPHICS

(US Census Bureau)

Total Population	Community	County
2007	10,109	32,772
2000	10,331	33,156
1990	11,889	34,879
1980	13,084	35,014
1970	15,256	34,189

Census 2000 Demographics

Population by Gender			
Male	4,922	Female	5,409
Population by Age Group			
Under age 5			529
Age 5 to 19			1,914
Age 20 to 34			1,590
Age 35 to 54			2,965
Age 55 to 64			997
Age 65 and over			2,336
Median Age			42.5 years

Educational Attainment, population 25 years and over

High school graduate or higher	72.6%
Bachelor's degree or higher	6.7%

ANNUAL INCOME, 1999

(US Census Bureau)

Per capita income	\$15,780
Median 4-person family income	\$38,750
Median household income	\$29,647
Median Earnings, full-time, year-round workers	
Male	\$33,190
Female	\$21,156
Families below the poverty level	9.1%

LABOR FORCE

(NHES - ELMI)

Annual Average	1997	2007
Civilian labor force	5,165	4,701
Employed	4,903	4,456
Unemployed	262	245
Unemployment rate	5.1%	5.2%

EMPLOYMENT & WAGES

(NHES - ELMI)

Annual Average Covered Employment	1997	2007
Goods Producing Industries		
Average Employment	1,440	519
Average Weekly Wage	\$707	\$741
Service Providing Industries		
Average Employment	2,161	2,080
Average Weekly Wage	\$398	\$579
Total Private Industry		
Average Employment	3,601	2,599
Average Weekly Wage	\$521	\$612
Government (Federal, State, and Local)		
Average Employment	1,041	1,311
Average Weekly Wage	\$466	\$677
Total, Private Industry plus Government		
Average Employment	4,641	3,910
Average Weekly Wage	\$509	\$633

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EDUCATION AND CHILD CARE

Schools students attend: **Berlin operates grades K-12** District: **SAU 3**
 Career Technology Center(s): **Berlin High School** Region: **02**

Educational Facilities	Elementary	Middle/Junior High	High School	Private/Parochial
Number of Schools	4	1	1	1
Grade Levels	K 1-6	7-8	9-12	P K 1-12
Total Enrollment	730	257	570	19

NH Licensed Child Care Facilities, 2008: Total Facilities: 6 Total Capacity: 445

Nearest Community College: **White Mountains**

Nearest Colleges or Universities: **Granite State College-Berlin**

LARGEST BUSINESSES	PRODUCT/SERVICE	EMPLOYEES	ESTABLISHED
Androscoggin Valley Hospital	Health care services	409	1971
City of Berlin School System - SAU #3	Education	280	
Northern NH Correctional Facility	Correctional facility	198	2001
Isaacson Steel	Steel fabricators	151	1962
City of Berlin	Municipal services	125	1825
Northern Human Services	Behavioral health services	100	
Androscoggin Valley Home Care Services	Home care	80	1975
Coos County Family Health Services	Health services	80	
CarFreshner	Manufacturing	75	
Northway Bank (fka Berlin City Bank)	Banking services	65	

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

Road Access US Routes
 State Routes **16, 110**
 Nearest Interstate, Exit **I-93, Exit 35**
 Distance **43 miles**

Railroad **Canadian National/B&M**
 Public Transportation **Yes**

Nearest Public Use Airport, General Aviation
Berlin Municipal Runway **5,200 ft. asphalt**
 Lighted? **Yes** Navigation Aids? **Yes**

Nearest Airport with Scheduled Service
Portland (ME) International Jetport Distance **100 miles**
 Number of Passenger Airlines Serving Airport **7**

Driving distance to select cities:
 Manchester, NH **127 miles**
 Portland, Maine **98 miles**
 Boston, Mass. **171 miles**
 New York City, NY **379 miles**
 Montreal, Quebec **179 miles**

COMMUTING TO WORK *(US Census Bureau)*

Workers 16 years and over
 Drove alone, car/truck/van **81.4%**
 Carpooled, car/truck/van **12.1%**
 Public transportation **0.4%**
 Walked **4.6%**
 Other means **0.8%**
 Worked at home **0.7%**
 Mean Travel Time to Work **15.4 minutes**

Percent of Working Residents:
 Working in community of residence **69%**
 Commuting to another NH community **29%**
 Commuting out-of-state **2%**

RECREATION, ATTRACTIONS, AND EVENTS

- X Municipal Parks
- YMCA/YWCA
- Boys Club/Girls Club
- X Golf Courses
- Swimming: Indoor Facility
- Swimming: Outdoor Facility
- Tennis Courts: Indoor Facility
- X Tennis Courts: Outdoor Facility
- X Ice Skating Rink: Indoor Facility
- X Bowling Facilities
- X Museums
- X Cinemas
- X 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
- X Youth Sports: Hockey
- Campgrounds
- X Fishing/Hunting
- X 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): **Wildcat**

Other: **Northern Forest Heritage Park; Nansen Ski Jump; Historic Churches; Moose Tours; Hiking; Canoe/Kayak; Boat Tours; ATV Trails**