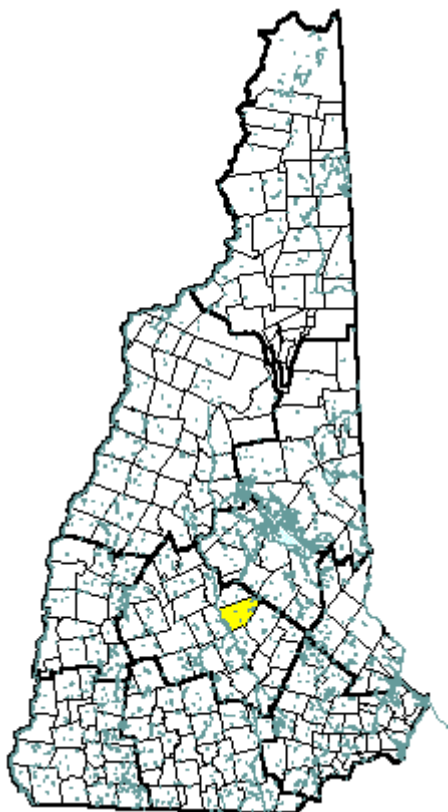


Canterbury, NH



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Municipal Office Hours

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County
 Labor Market Area
 Tourism Region
 Planning Commission
 Regional Development

Merrimack
 Concord NH Micro-NECTA
 Merrimack Valley
 Central NH Regional
 Capital Regional Development Council

Election Districts

US Congress
 Executive Council
 State Senate
 State Representative

District 2
 District 2
 District 7
 Merrimack County District 6

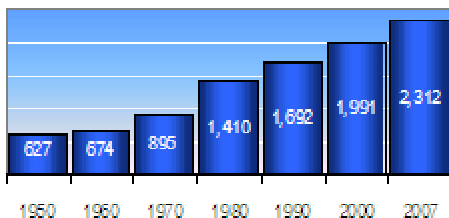
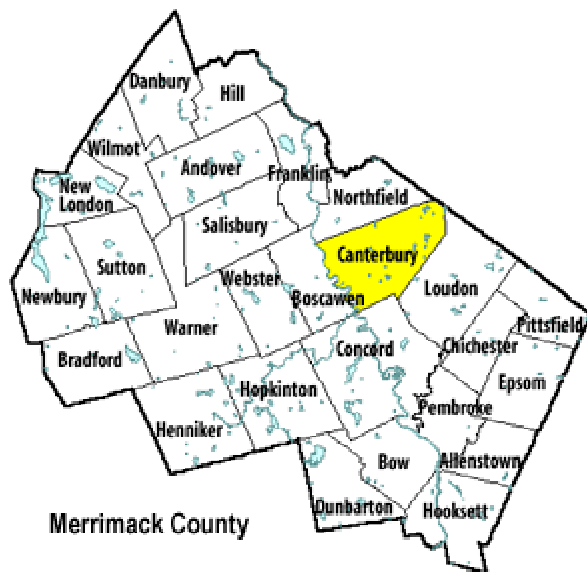
Incorporated: 1741

Origin: First granted in 1727, the town was named for William Wake, Archbishop of Canterbury. Canterbury in England is famous for its cathedral, and for being the center of English Christianity since 597 AD. The town was originally a fort or trading post where the Penacook Indians came to trade. Canterbury Shaker Village was first established in 1792, a self-contained community of the United Society of Believers, known as the Shaking Quakers or Shakers, because of their use of dance in worship. Today, the Canterbury Shaker Village is an outdoor museum and designated National Historic Landmark.

Villages and Place Names: Boyce, Canterbury Station, Canterbury Center, Hills Corner, Kezer Seminary, Shaker Village

Population, Year of the First Census Taken: 1,038 residents in 1790

Population Trends: Population change for Canterbury totaled 1,364 over 50 years, from 627 in 1950 to 1,991 in 2000. The largest decennial percent change was a 58 percent increase between 1970 and 1980, accounting for over one-third of the total population change. The 2007 Census estimate for Canterbury was 2,312 residents, which ranked 126th among New Hampshire's incorporated cities and towns.



Population Density and Land Area (NH Office of Energy & Planning): 51.2 persons per square mile of land area. Canterbury contains 43.9 square miles of land area and 0.9 square miles of inland water area.

MUNICIPAL SERVICES

Type of Government	Selectmen
Budget: Municipal Appropriations, 2005	\$1,806,998
Budget: School Appropriations, 2005	\$2,818,052
Zoning Ordinance	1956/07
Master Plan	1998
Capital Improvement Plan	Yes
Industrial Plans Reviewed By	Planning Board

Boards and Commissions

Elected:	Selectmen; Planning; Library
Appointed:	Zoning; Conservation; Recreation; Recycling

Public Library **Elkins Public****EMERGENCY SERVICES**

Police Department	Full-time
Fire Department	Volunteer
Town Fire Insurance Rating	6/9
Emergency Medical Service	Volunteer
Nearest Hospital(s)	Distance Staffed Beds
Concord Hospital, Concord	14 miles 295

UTILITIES

Electric Supplier	PSNH; NH Electric Coop; Concord Electric
Natural Gas Supplier	KeySpan
Water Supplier	Private wells
Sanitation	Private septic
Municipal Wastewater Treatment Plant	No
Solid Waste Disposal	none
Curbside Trash Pickup	none
Pay-As-You-Throw Program	Yes
Recycling Program	Mandatory
Telephone Company	Fairpoint
Cellular Telephone Access	Yes
Cable Television Access	Yes
Public Access Television Station	No
High Speed Internet Service:	Business Residential
	Yes Yes

PROPERTY TAXES (NH Dept. of Revenue Administration)

2007 Total Tax Rate (per \$1000 of value)	\$18.11
2007 Equalization Ratio	100
2007 Full Value Tax Rate (per \$1000 of value)	\$18.19
2007 Percent of Local Assessed Valuation by Property Type	
Residential Land and Buildings	95.3%
Commercial Land and Buildings	2.3%
Public Utilities, Current Use, and Other	2.4%

HOUSING SUPPLY (NH Office of Energy and Planning)

2007 Total Housing Units	999
2007 Single-Family Units	950
Residential Permits, Net Change of Units	13
2007 Multi-Family Units	37
Residential Permits, Net Change of Units	0
2007 Manufactured Housing Units	12

DEMOGRAPHICS

(US Census Bureau)

Total Population	Community	County
2007	2,312	148,274
2000	1,991	136,716
1990	1,692	120,618
1980	1,410	98,302
1970	895	80925

Census 2000 Demographics

Population by Gender			
Male	955	Female	1,024
Population by Age Group			
Under age 5			108
Age 5 to 19			413
Age 20 to 34			219
Age 35 to 54			807
Age 55 to 64			227
Age 65 and over			205
Median Age			42.4 years
Educational Attainment, population 25 years and over			
High school graduate or higher			93.9%
Bachelor's degree or higher			43.4%

ANNUAL INCOME, 1999

(US Census Bureau)

Per capita income	\$27,374
Median 4-person family income	\$62,583
Median household income	\$58,026
Median Earnings, full-time, year-round workers	
Male	\$41,302
Female	\$32,312
Families below the poverty level	2.0%

LABOR FORCE

(NHES - ELMI)

Annual Average	1997	2007
Civilian labor force	1,185	1,379
Employed	1,168	1,340
Unemployed	17	39
Unemployment rate	1.4%	2.8%

EMPLOYMENT & WAGES

(NHES - ELMI)

Annual Average Covered Employment	1997	2007
Goods Producing Industries		
Average Employment	41	34
Average Weekly Wage	\$385	\$557
Service Providing Industries		
Average Employment	162	176
Average Weekly Wage	\$359	\$580
Total Private Industry		
Average Employment	204	210
Average Weekly Wage	\$364	\$576
Government (Federal, State, and Local)		
Average Employment	33	77
Average Weekly Wage	\$395	\$481
Total, Private Industry plus Government		
Average Employment	237	288
Average Weekly Wage	\$369	\$551

n = indicates that data does not meet disclosure standards

EDUCATION AND CHILD CARE

Schools students attend: **Grades K-12 are part of Shaker Regional (Belmont, Canterbury)** District: **SAU 80**
 Career Technology Center(s): **J. Oliva Huot Technical Center, Laconia; Winnisquam Regional High School, Tilton** Region: **08**

Educational Facilities	Elementary	Middle/Junior High	High School	Private/Parochial
Number of Schools	1			2
Grade Levels	K R 1-5			1-8
Total Enrollment	141			35

NH Licensed Child Care Facilities, 2008: Total Facilities: **3** Total Capacity: **45**

Nearest Community College: **NHTI-Concord**
 Nearest Colleges or Universities: **Franklin Pierce Law**

LARGEST BUSINESSES	PRODUCT/SERVICE	EMPLOYEES	ESTABLISHED
Gold Star	Agricultural	60 +/-	
Canterbury Elementary School	Education	25	
Canterbury Shaker Village	Tours, restaurant	15+	

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

Road Access	US Routes	
	State Routes	106, 132
Nearest Interstate, Exit		I-93, Exit 18
	Distance	Local access
Railroad		State owned line
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	35 miles
Number of Passenger Airlines Serving Airport		8
Driving distance to select cities:		
Manchester, NH		28 miles
Portland, Maine		106 miles
Boston, Mass.		78 miles
New York City, NY		279 miles
Montreal, Quebec		246 miles

COMMUTING TO WORK (*US Census Bureau*)

Workers 16 years and over	
Drove alone, car/truck/van	81.5%
Carpooled, car/truck/van	5.5%
Public transportation	0.2%
Walked	1.7%
Other means	1.1%
Worked at home	10.1%
Mean Travel Time to Work	28.4 minutes
Percent of Working Residents:	
Working in community of residence	19%
Commuting to another NH community	77%
Commuting out-of-state	4%

RECREATION, ATTRACTIONS, AND EVENTS

	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
	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
	Campgrounds
	Fishing/Hunting
	Boating/Marinas
	Snowmobile Trails
	Bicycle Trails
	Cross Country Skiing
	Beach or Waterfront Recreation Area
	Overnight or Day Camps
	Nearest Ski Area(s): Gunstock
	Other: Shaker Village