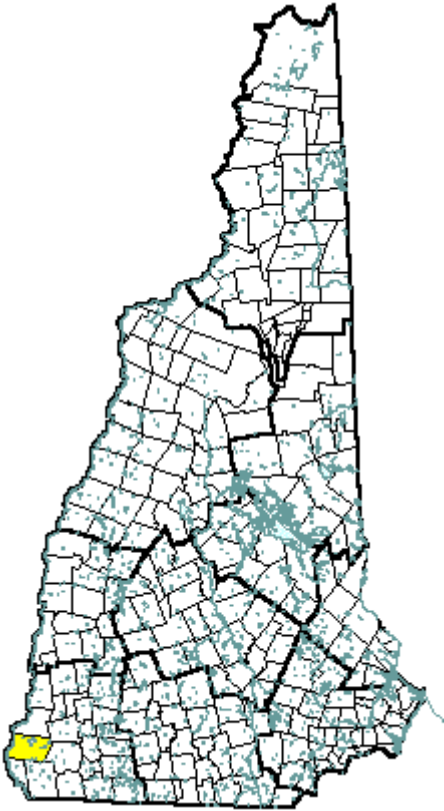


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Municipal Office Hours **Selectmen, Town Hall, Assessors: Monday through Thursday, 8 am - 4 pm; Town Clerk: Monday, Thursday, 9 am - 1 pm and 5 pm - 8 pm, Wednesday, 9 am - 1 pm; Tax Collector: Monday and Thursday, 4 pm - 7 pm**

County **Cheshire**
 Labor Market Area **Keene NH Micro-NECTA**
 Tourism Region **Monadnock**
 Planning Commission **Southwest Region**
 Regional Development **Monadnock Economic Development Corp.**

Election Districts
 US Congress **District 2**
 Executive Council **District 2**
 State Senate **District 10**
 State Representative **Cheshire County District 4**

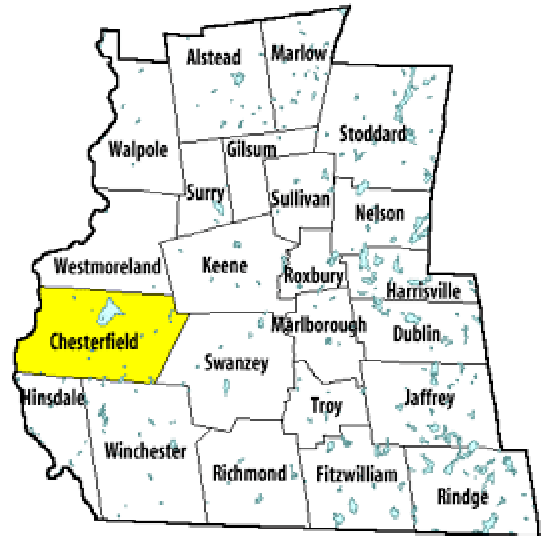
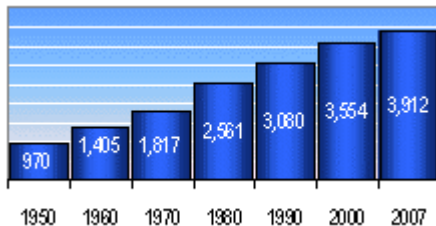
Incorporated: 1752

Origin: Established in 1735 while New Hampshire was still under governance of Massachusetts, this town was the site of Fort Number 1 in the line of protective trading forts bordering the Connecticut River. After New Hampshire became an independent province under Governor Benning Wentworth, the town was incorporated in 1752 as Chesterfield, after Philip Stanhope, fourth Earl of Chesterfield. The Earl served as Secretary of State and joined William Pitt in opposing what they considered England's unfair treatment of the American Colonies. Chesterfield was the birthplace of Harlan Fiske Stone, Chief Justice of the Supreme Court from 1941 to 1946.

Villages and Place Names: Spofford, West Chesterfield

Population, Year of the First Census Taken: 1,905 residents in 1790

Population Trends: Population change for Chesterfield totaled 2,584 over 50 years, from 970 in 1950 to 3,554 in 2000. The largest decennial percent change was 45 percent between 1950 and 1960; the next largest was 41 percent between 1970 and 1980. The 2007 Census estimate for Chesterfield was 3,912 residents, which ranked 97th among New Hampshire's incorporated cities and towns.



Cheshire County

Population Density and Land Area (*NH Office of Energy & Planning*): 82.7 persons per square mile of land area. Chesterfield contains 45.6 square miles of land area and 2.0 square miles of inland water area.

MUNICIPAL SERVICES

Type of Government	Selectmen
Budget: Municipal Appropriations, 2006	\$3,155,982
Budget: School Appropriations,	not available
Zoning Ordinance	1956/08
Master Plan	2008
Capital Improvement Plan	Yes
Industrial Plans Reviewed By	Planning Board

Boards and Commissions

Elected:	Selectmen; Budget; School; Library; Cemetery
Appointed:	Planning; Zoning; Conservation

Public Library **Chesterfield Public****EMERGENCY SERVICES**

Police Department	Full-time
Fire Department	Volunteer
Town Fire Insurance Rating	8/9
Emergency Medical Service	Volunteer
Nearest Hospital(s)	Distance Staffed Beds
Brattleboro Memorial, Brattleboro VT	9 miles 61
Cheshire Medical Center, Keene	14 miles 169

UTILITIES

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

PROPERTY TAXES (NH Dept. of Revenue Administration)

2007 Total Tax Rate (per \$1000 of value)	\$21.45
2007 Equalization Ratio	73.1
2007 Full Value Tax Rate (per \$1000 of value)	\$15.57
2007 Percent of Local Assessed Valuation by Property Type	
Residential Land and Buildings	90.8%
Commercial Land and Buildings	8.5%
Public Utilities, Current Use, and Other	0.7%

HOUSING SUPPLY (NH Office of Energy and Planning)

2007 Total Housing Units	1,807
2007 Single-Family Units	1,603
Residential Permits, Net Change of Units	4
2007 Multi-Family Units	165
Residential Permits, Net Change of Units	0
2007 Manufactured Housing Units	39

DEMOGRAPHICS

(US Census Bureau)

Total Population	Community	County
2007	3,912	77,725
2000	3,554	73,993
1990	3,080	70,223
1980	2,561	62,116
1970	1,817	52,364

Census 2000 Demographics

Population by Gender			
Male	1,804	Female	1,738
Population by Age Group			
Under age 5			177
Age 5 to 19			817
Age 20 to 34			468
Age 35 to 54			1,271
Age 55 to 64			422
Age 65 and over			387
Median Age			40.4 years

Educational Attainment, population 25 years and over

High school graduate or higher	92.1%
Bachelor's degree or higher	32.8%

ANNUAL INCOME, 1999

(US Census Bureau)

Per capita income	\$25,051
Median 4-person family income	\$58,516
Median household income	\$51,351
Median Earnings, full-time, year-round workers	
Male	\$44,087
Female	\$26,547
Families below the poverty level	4.9%

LABOR FORCE

(NHES - ELMI)

Annual Average	1997	2007
Civilian labor force	2,137	2,203
Employed	2,070	2,134
Unemployed	67	69
Unemployment rate	3.1%	3.1%

EMPLOYMENT & WAGES

(NHES - ELMI)

Annual Average Covered Employment	1997	2007
Goods Producing Industries		
Average Employment	72	187
Average Weekly Wage	\$592	\$1,010
Service Providing Industries		
Average Employment	689	839
Average Weekly Wage	\$585	\$760
Total Private Industry		
Average Employment	761	1,026
Average Weekly Wage	\$586	\$806
Government (Federal, State, and Local)		
Average Employment	127	181
Average Weekly Wage	\$446	\$460
Total, Private Industry plus Government		
Average Employment	888	1,207
Average Weekly Wage	\$566	\$754

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EDUCATION AND CHILD CARE

Schools students attend: **Chesterfield operates grades K-8; grades 9-12 are tuitioned to Keene** District: **SAU 29**
 Career Technology Center(s): **Cheshire Center of Applied Science, Keene; Fall Mountain High School, Langdon** Region: **13**

Educational Facilities	Elementary	Middle/Junior High	High School	Private/Parochial
Number of Schools	1			
Grade Levels	K 1-8			
Total Enrollment	377			

NH Licensed Child Care Facilities, 2008: Total Facilities: **2** Total Capacity: **40**

Nearest Community College: **River Valley**

Nearest Colleges or Universities: **Keene State; Franklin Pierce University; Antioch New England**

LARGEST BUSINESSES	PRODUCT/SERVICE	EMPLOYEES	ESTABLISHED
United Natural Foods	Food warehouse	300+/-	1988
Thomas Companies	Construction, drilling, and blasting	65	1971
Perkins Home Center	Home lumber supply	45	1988
Foard Panel	Wall panel construction	28+/-	1988
FED EX	Package Delivery	28	2008
Ames Performance	Classic Pontiac Parts Distributor	23	2008
Prospect Park Press, Inc.	Commercial printing	16	1972
Westfield Construction	Construction	15	1996
Chesterfield Tire	Tire sales and service	13	1998
Tire Warehouse	Tire sales and service	5-7	1990

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

Road Access	US Routes	
	State Routes	9, 9A, 63
Nearest Interstate, Exit		I-91 (VT), Exit 3
	Distance	6 miles
Railroad		No
Public Transportation		No
Nearest Public Use Airport, General Aviation		
Dillant-Hopkins, Keene	Runway	6,201 ft. asphalt
Lighted? Yes	Navigation Aids?	Yes
Nearest Airport with Scheduled Service		
Manchester-Boston Regional	Distance	67 miles
Number of Passenger Airlines Serving Airport		8
Driving distance to select cities:		
Manchester, NH		66 miles
Portland, Maine		162 miles
Boston, Mass.		103 miles
New York City, NY		210 miles
Montreal, Quebec		241 miles

COMMUTING TO WORK *(US Census Bureau)*

Workers 16 years and over	
Drove alone, car/truck/van	84.9%
Carpooled, car/truck/van	7.8%
Public transportation	0.2%
Walked	0.4%
Other means	0.4%
Worked at home	6.4%
Mean Travel Time to Work	22.3 minutes
Percent of Working Residents:	
Working in community of residence	15%
Commuting to another NH community	54%
Commuting out-of-state	31%

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
X	Tennis Courts: Outdoor Facility
	Ice Skating Rink: Indoor Facility
	Bowling Facilities
	Museums
	Cinemas
	Performing Arts Facilities
	Tourist Attractions
	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
X	Beach or Waterfront Recreation Area
	Overnight or Day Camps
	Nearest Ski Area(s): Mount Ascutney (VT)
	Other: Chesterfield Gorge; Pisgah State Park