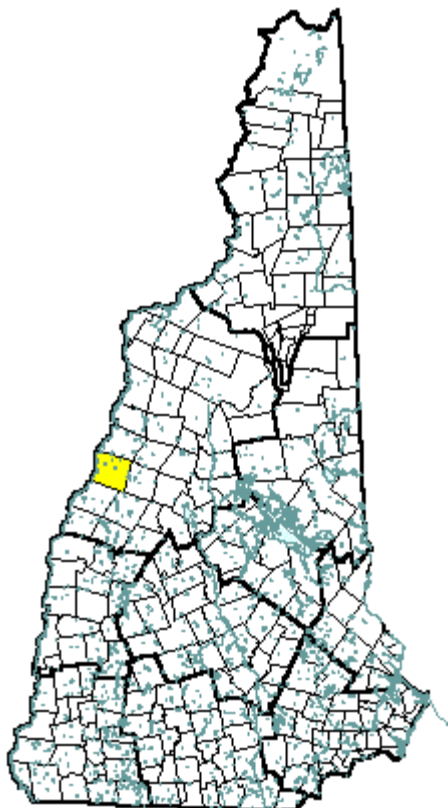


# Lyme, NH



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## Municipal Office Hours

**Monday, Wednesday, and Friday, 8 am - 2 pm**

County  
 Labor Market Area  
 Tourism Region  
 Planning Commission  
 Regional Development

**Grafton**  
**Lebanon NH-VT Micro-NECTA, NH Portion**  
**Dartmouth-Lake Sunapee**  
**Upper Valley/Lake Sunapee**  
**Grafton County Economic Development Council**

## Election Districts

US Congress  
 Executive Council  
 State Senate  
 State Representative

**District 2**  
**District 1**  
**District 2**  
**Grafton County District 9**

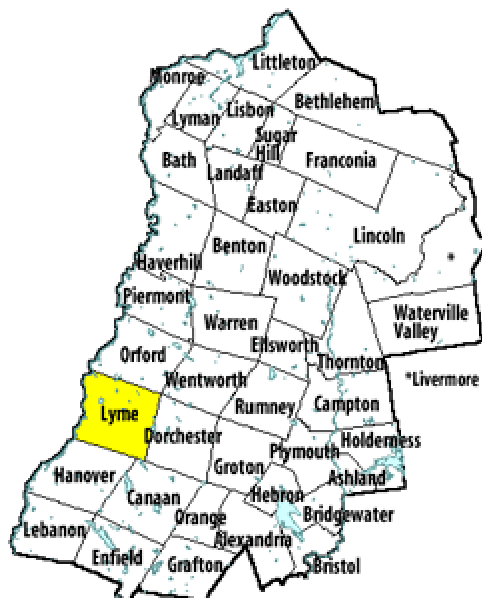
**Incorporated:** 1761

**Origin:** This was another of the many towns granted along the Connecticut River in 1761. Lyme takes its name from Old Lyme, which lies at the mouth of the Connecticut River. For many years, the town's name was spelled as Lime in official state documents, however this eventually was decreed a misspelling. Most of the original grantees were from Palmer and Brimfield in Massachusetts, or from Londonderry, New Hampshire. Lyme was one of the 16 towns involved in a protracted border dispute with the independent state of Vermont, before it was admitted to the Union in 1791.

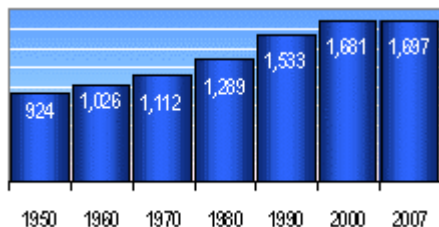
**Villages and Place Names:** Lyme Center

**Population, Year of the First Census Taken:** 816 residents in 1790

**Population Trends:** Population change for Lyme totaled 757 over 50 years, from 924 in 1950 to 1,681 in 2000. The largest decennial percent change was 19 percent between 1980 and 1990; the smallest change was eight percent between 1960 and 1970. The 2007 Census estimate for Lyme was 1,697 residents, which tied with Madbury in ranking 152nd among New Hampshire's incorporated cities and towns.



Grafton County



**Population Density and Land Area** (NH Office of Energy & Planning): 31.6 persons per square mile of land area. Lyme contains 53.8 square miles of land area and 1.2 square miles of inland water area.

**MUNICIPAL SERVICES**

Type of Government	<b>Selectmen</b>
Budget: Municipal Appropriations, 2008	<b>\$1,974,380</b>
Budget: School Appropriations, 2008	<b>\$4,595,526</b>
Zoning Ordinance	<b>1989/07</b>
Master Plan	<b>1988</b>
Capital Improvement Plan	<b>Yes</b>
Industrial Plans Reviewed By	<b>Zoning Administration</b>

## Boards and Commissions

Elected:	<b>Selectmen; Planning</b>
Appointed:	<b>Zoning; Library; Conservation; Recreation</b>

Public Library **Converse Free****EMERGENCY SERVICES**

Police Department	<b>Full-time</b>
Fire Department	<b>Volunteer</b>
Town Fire Insurance Rating	<b>9/10</b>
Emergency Medical Service	<b>Volunteer</b>
Nearest Hospital(s)	Distance Staffed Beds
<b>Dartmouth-Hitchcock Med Ctr, Lebanon</b>	<b>12 miles 396</b>
<b>Alice Peck Day Memorial, Lebanon</b>	<b>16 miles 25</b>

**UTILITIES**

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

**PROPERTY TAXES** (NH Dept. of Revenue Administration)

2007 Total Tax Rate (per \$1000 of value)	<b>\$19.15</b>
2007 Equalization Ratio	<b>94.2</b>
2007 Full Value Tax Rate (per \$1000 of value)	<b>\$17.92</b>
2007 Percent of Local Assessed Valuation by Property Type	
Residential Land and Buildings	<b>93.1%</b>
Commercial Land and Buildings	<b>4.7%</b>
Public Utilities, Current Use, and Other	<b>1.8%</b>

**HOUSING SUPPLY** (NH Office of Energy and Planning)

2007 Total Housing Units	<b>796</b>
2007 Single-Family Units	<b>698</b>
Residential Permits, Net Change of Units	<b>3</b>
2007 Multi-Family Units	<b>75</b>
Residential Permits, Net Change of Units	<b>0</b>
2007 Manufactured Housing Units	<b>23</b>

**DEMOGRAPHICS**

(US Census Bureau)

Total Population	Community	County
2007	<b>1,697</b>	<b>85,514</b>
2000	<b>1,681</b>	<b>81,826</b>
1990	<b>1,533</b>	<b>74,998</b>
1980	<b>1,289</b>	<b>65,806</b>
1970	<b>1,112</b>	<b>54,914</b>

**Census 2000 Demographics**

Population by Gender			
Male	<b>829</b>	Female	<b>850</b>

## Population by Age Group

Under age 5	<b>92</b>
Age 5 to 19	<b>364</b>
Age 20 to 34	<b>182</b>
Age 35 to 54	<b>579</b>
Age 55 to 64	<b>225</b>
Age 65 and over	<b>237</b>
Median Age	<b>42.6 years</b>

## Educational Attainment, population 25 years and over

High school graduate or higher	<b>91.7%</b>
Bachelor's degree or higher	<b>56.0%</b>

**ANNUAL INCOME, 1999**

(US Census Bureau)

Per capita income	<b>\$35,887</b>
Median 4-person family income	<b>\$64,531</b>
Median household income	<b>\$57,250</b>
Median Earnings, full-time, year-round workers	
Male	<b>\$40,789</b>
Female	<b>\$32,917</b>
Families below the poverty level	<b>1.7%</b>

**LABOR FORCE**

(NHES - ELMI)

Annual Average	1997	2007
Civilian labor force	<b>971</b>	<b>1,015</b>
Employed	<b>959</b>	<b>993</b>
Unemployed	<b>12</b>	<b>22</b>
Unemployment rate	<b>1.2%</b>	<b>2.2%</b>

**EMPLOYMENT & WAGES**

(NHES - ELMI)

Annual Average Covered Employment	1997	2007
Goods Producing Industries		
Average Employment	<b>98</b>	<b>102</b>
Average Weekly Wage	<b>\$718</b>	<b>\$1,960</b>
Service Providing Industries		
Average Employment	<b>376</b>	<b>217</b>
Average Weekly Wage	<b>\$495</b>	<b>\$844</b>
Total Private Industry		
Average Employment	<b>474</b>	<b>318</b>
Average Weekly Wage	<b>\$541</b>	<b>\$1,201</b>
Government (Federal, State, and Local)		
Average Employment	<b>51</b>	<b>79</b>
Average Weekly Wage	<b>\$460</b>	<b>\$591</b>
Total, Private Industry plus Government		
Average Employment	<b>526</b>	<b>398</b>
Average Weekly Wage	<b>\$533</b>	<b>\$1,079</b>

n = indicates that data does not meet disclosure standards

## EDUCATION AND CHILD CARE

Schools students attend: **Lyme operates grades K-8; grades 9-12 are tutored to Dresden Cooperative (Hanover NH and Norwich VT)** District: **SAU 76**

Career Technology Center(s): **Hartford Career and Technical Center, White River Junction VT** Region: **07**

Educational Facilities	Elementary	Middle/Junior High	High School	Private/Parochial
Number of Schools	1			1
Grade Levels	<b>K 1-8</b>			<b>K 1-8</b>
Total Enrollment	<b>178</b>			<b>141</b>

NH Licensed Child Care Facilities, 2008: Total Facilities: **3** Total Capacity: **98**

Nearest Community College: **River Valley**

Nearest Colleges or Universities: **Dartmouth; Plymouth State University; Lebanon**

LARGEST BUSINESSES	PRODUCT/SERVICE	EMPLOYEES	ESTABLISHED
Dartmouth Skiway	Ski area	119 pt	
Town of Lyme	Municipal services	84 pt	1761
Dowd's Country Inn	Hotel	81 pt	
Lyme School District	Education	44 pt	
Loch Lyme Lodge	Hotel	42 pt	
Estates & Gallup	General contractors	36 pt	
Alden Country Inn	Hotel	35 pt	
CrossRoads Academy	Education	28 pt	
Green Mountain Studios	Mail order wholesaler	26 pt	
Wagner Forest Management, Ltd.	Forest management	24 pt	

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

Road Access	US Routes	
	State Routes	<b>10</b>
Nearest Interstate, Exit	<b>I-91 (VT), Exit 14</b>	
	Distance	<b>3 miles</b>
Railroad		<b>No</b>
Public Transportation		<b>No</b>
Nearest Public Use Airport, General Aviation		
<b>Lebanon Municipal</b>	Runway	<b>5,496 ft. asphalt</b>
Lighted? <b>Yes</b>	Navigation Aids?	<b>Yes</b>
Nearest Airport with Scheduled Service		
<b>Lebanon Municipal</b>	Distance	<b>16 miles</b>
Number of Passenger Airlines Serving Airport		<b>1</b>
Driving distance to select cities:		
Manchester, NH		<b>86 miles</b>
Portland, Maine		<b>171 miles</b>
Boston, Mass.		<b>136 miles</b>
New York City, NY		<b>280 miles</b>
Montreal, Quebec		<b>193 miles</b>

## COMMUTING TO WORK (US Census Bureau)

Workers 16 years and over	
Drove alone, car/truck/van	<b>76.5%</b>
Carpooled, car/truck/van	<b>13.6%</b>
Public transportation	<b>0.0%</b>
Walked	<b>1.0%</b>
Other means	<b>0.2%</b>
Worked at home	<b>8.6%</b>
Mean Travel Time to Work	<b>21.1 minutes</b>
Percent of Working Residents:	
Working in community of residence	<b>25%</b>
Commuting to another NH community	<b>64%</b>
Commuting out-of-state	<b>11%</b>

## RECREATION, ATTRACTIONS, AND EVENTS

<b>X</b>	Municipal Parks
	YMCA/YWCA
	Boys Club/Girls Club
	Golf Courses
	Swimming: Indoor Facility
<b>X</b>	Swimming: Outdoor Facility
	Tennis Courts: Indoor Facility
<b>X</b>	Tennis Courts: Outdoor Facility
	Ice Skating Rink: Indoor Facility
	Bowling Facilities
	Museums
	Cinemas
	Performing Arts Facilities
	Tourist Attractions
<b>X</b>	Youth Organizations (i.e., Scouts, 4-H)
<b>X</b>	Youth Sports: Baseball
<b>X</b>	Youth Sports: Soccer
	Youth Sports: Football
<b>X</b>	Youth Sports: Basketball
	Youth Sports: Hockey
	Campgrounds
<b>X</b>	Fishing/Hunting
	Boating/Marinas
<b>X</b>	Snowmobile Trails
	Bicycle Trails
<b>X</b>	Cross Country Skiing
<b>X</b>	Beach or Waterfront Recreation Area
	Overnight or Day Camps
	Nearest Ski Area(s): <b>Dartmouth Skiway</b>
	Other: <b>Appalachian Trail</b>