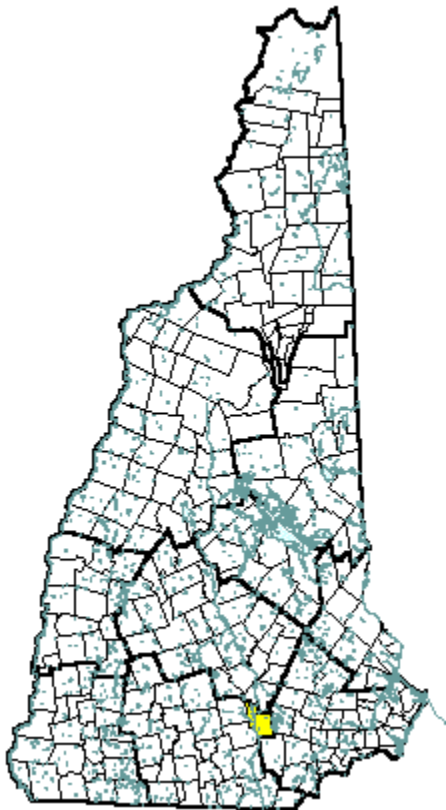


# Manchester, NH



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County  
 Labor Market Area  
 Tourism Region  
 Planning Commission  
 Regional Development

Hillsborough  
 Manchester NH Metro-NECTA  
 Merrimack Valley  
 Southern NH  
 Capital Regional Development Council

## Election Districts

US Congress  
 Executive Council  
 State Senate

District 1 (All Wards)  
 District 4 (All Wards)  
 District 16 (Wards 1, 2, & 12), 18 (Wards 5-9), and 20 (Wards 3, 4, 10, & 11)  
 Hillsborough County Districts 8 (Ward 1), 9 (Ward 2), 10 (Ward 3), 11 (Ward 4), 12 (Ward 5), 13 (Ward 6), 14 (Ward 7), 15 (Ward 8) 16 (Ward 9), and 17 (Wards 10, 11, & 12)

## State Representative

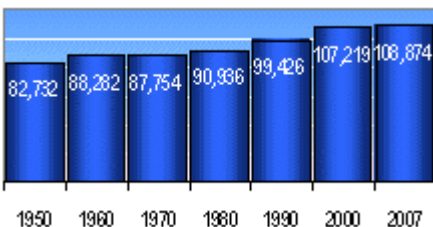
Incorporated: 1751

**Origin:** This territory, first known as Harrytown, was granted in 1735 as Tyng's Town to Captain William Tyng's "snow-shoe men" who had fought in the French and Indian War during the winter of 1703. In 1751, it was incorporated as Derryfield, and included part of Chester and Londonderry. The name Manchester was suggested by Samuel Blodgett, a businessman who found that the Amoskeag Falls impeded shipping on the Merrimack River. He had visited Manchester, England, and was determined to build a canal like those in England. The canal was opened in May 1807, and though Mr. Blodgett died later that year, the town was renamed Manchester in 1810. The first cotton spinning mill opened in 1804, and the Amoskeag Cotton and Wool Manufacturing Company opened in 1810. Manchester was incorporated as a city in 1846.

**Villages and Place Names:** Goffs Falls, Massabesic, Youngsville, Bakersville, Amoskeag

**Population, Year of the First Census Taken:** 362 residents in 1790

**Population Trends:** The state's largest city, population change for Manchester was the third largest, totaling 24,487 over 50 years, from 82,732 in 1950 to 107,219 in 2000. The largest decennial percent change was just nine percent, between 1980 and 1990. The 2007 Census estimate for Manchester was 108,874 residents, which ranked first among New Hampshire's incorporated cities and towns.



**Population Density and Land Area** (NH Office of Energy & Planning): 3,290.3 persons per square mile of land area, the state's highest population density. Manchester contains 33.0 square miles of land area and 1.9 square miles of inland water area.



Hillsborough County

**MUNICIPAL SERVICES**

Type of Government	Mayor & 14 Aldermen
Budget: Municipal Appropriations, 2008	\$121,108,008
Budget: School Appropriations, 2008	\$147,250,000
Zoning Ordinance	1927/01
Master Plan	1993
Capital Improvement Plan	Yes
Industrial Plans Reviewed By	City Planning Board

**Boards and Commissions**

Elected:	Mayor; Aldermen
Appointed:	Planning; Conservation; Library; 25 others

Public Library      Manchester City; West Side Community

**EMERGENCY SERVICES**

Police Department	Full-time	
Fire Department	Full-time	
Town Fire Insurance Rating	2	
Emergency Medical Service	Municipal	
Nearest Hospital(s)	Distance	Staffed Beds
Elliot Hospital, Manchester	Local	296
Catholic Medical Center, Manchester	Local	330

**UTILITIES**

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

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

2007 Total Tax Rate (per \$1000 of value)	\$16.57
2007 Equalization Ratio	98.6
2007 Full Value Tax Rate (per \$1000 of value)	\$15.79
2007 Percent of Local Assessed Valuation by Property Type	
Residential Land and Buildings	64.6%
Commercial Land and Buildings	33.9%
Public Utilities, Current Use, and Other	1.5%

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

2007 Total Housing Units	48,618
2007 Single-Family Units	17,966
Residential Permits, Net Change of Units	45
2007 Multi-Family Units	30,491
Residential Permits, Net Change of Units	128
2007 Manufactured Housing Units	161

**DEMOGRAPHICS***(US Census Bureau)*

Total Population	Community	County
2007	108,874	402,302
2000	107,219	382,384
1990	99,426	336,549
1980	90,936	276,608
1970	87,754	223,941

**Census 2000 Demographics**

Population by Gender			
Male	52,394	Female	54,612
Population by Age Group			
Under age 5			7,162
Age 5 to 19			20,928
Age 20 to 34			25,525
Age 35 to 54			31,468
Age 55 to 64			8,094
Age 65 and over			13,829
Median Age			34.9 years

**Educational Attainment, population 25 years and over**

High school graduate or higher	80.7%
Bachelor's degree or higher	22.3%

**ANNUAL INCOME, 1999***(US Census Bureau)*

Per capita income	\$21,244
Median 4-person family income	\$50,039
Median household income	\$40,774
Median Earnings, full-time, year-round workers	
Male	\$34,287
Female	\$26,584
Families below the poverty level	7.7%

**LABOR FORCE***(NHES - ELM)*

Annual Average	1997	2007
Civilian labor force	56,302	62,106
Employed	54,663	59,684
Unemployed	1,639	2,422
Unemployment rate	2.9%	3.9%

**EMPLOYMENT & WAGES***(NHES - ELM)*

Annual Average Covered Employment	1997	2007
Goods Producing Industries		
Average Employment	11,361	9,245
Average Weekly Wage	\$674	\$999
Service Providing Industries		
Average Employment	43,520	50,769
Average Weekly Wage	\$555	\$875
Total Private Industry		
Average Employment	54,881	60,014
Average Weekly Wage	\$580	\$894
Government (Federal, State, and Local)		
Average Employment	7,045	7,335
Average Weekly Wage	\$685	\$1,046
Total, Private Industry plus Government		
Average Employment	61,926	67,349
Average Weekly Wage	\$592	\$910

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## EDUCATION AND CHILD CARE

Schools students attend: **Manchester operates grades K-12** District: **SAU 37**  
 Career Technology Center(s): **Manchester School of Technology** Region: **15**

Educational Facilities	Elementary	Middle/Junior High	High School	Private/Parochial
Number of Schools	15	4	3	12
Grade Levels	P K R 1-5	6-8	9-12	K 1-12
Total Enrollment	6,838	3,376	6,095	2363

NH Licensed Child Care Facilities, 2008: Total Facilities: **68** Total Capacity: **4,561**

Nearest Community College: **Manchester**

Nearest Colleges or Universities: **Hesser; St. Anselm; Southern NH University; UNH-Manchester**

LARGEST BUSINESSES	PRODUCT/SERVICE	EMPLOYEES	ESTABLISHED
Elliott Hospital	Health care services	2,821	
Fairpoint	Utility	1,650	
Catholic Medical Center	Health care services	1,700	
PSNH	Utility	1,250	
Citizens Bank	Banking services	1,225	
TD Banknorth	Banking services	1,150	
Anthem Blue Cross Blue Shield of NH	Health insurance services	753	
Southern NH University	Education	700	
Osram Sylvania	Electronics	650	
Freudenberg-NOK	Elastomeric seals and custom molded products	560	

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

Road Access	US Routes	3
	State Routes	<b>3A, 28, 28A 101, 114, 114A</b>
Nearest Interstate, Exit	<b>I-93, Exits 6 - 8; I-293, Exits 1 - 7</b>	
	Distance	<b>Local access</b>
Railroad	<b>Boston &amp; Maine</b>	
Public Transportation		<b>Yes</b>
Nearest Public Use Airport, General Aviation		
<b>Manchester-Boston Regional</b>	Runway	<b>9,250 ft. asphalt</b>
Lighted? <b>Yes</b>	Navigation Aids?	<b>Yes</b>
Nearest Airport with Scheduled Service		
<b>Manchester-Boston Regional</b>	Distance	<b>Local</b>
Number of Passenger Airlines Serving Airport		<b>8</b>
Driving distance to select cities:		
Manchester, NH		<b>0 miles</b>
Portland, Maine		<b>95 miles</b>
Boston, Mass.		<b>53 miles</b>
New York City, NY		<b>252 miles</b>
Montreal, Quebec		<b>259 miles</b>

## COMMUTING TO WORK *(US Census Bureau)*

Workers 16 years and over	
Drove alone, car/truck/van	<b>81.0%</b>
Carpooled, car/truck/van	<b>11.9%</b>
Public transportation	<b>1.4%</b>
Walked	<b>2.9%</b>
Other means	<b>0.7%</b>
Worked at home	<b>2.2%</b>
Mean Travel Time to Work	<b>21.3 minutes</b>
Percent of Working Residents:	
Working in community of residence	<b>52%</b>
Commuting to another NH community	<b>41%</b>
Commuting out-of-state	<b>7%</b>

## RECREATION, ATTRACTIONS, AND EVENTS

X	Municipal Parks
X	YMCA/YWCA
X	Boys Club/Girls Club
X	Golf Courses
X	Swimming: Indoor Facility
X	Swimming: Outdoor Facility
X	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
X	Youth Sports: Football
X	Youth Sports: Basketball
X	Youth Sports: Hockey
	Campgrounds
X	Fishing/Hunting
X	Boating/Marinas
X	Snowmobile Trails
X	Bicycle Trails
X	Cross Country Skiing
X	Beach or Waterfront Recreation Area
	Overnight or Day Camps

Nearest Ski Area(s): **McIntyre**

Other: **Gill Stadium; Currier Gallery of Art; Amoskeag Fishways Learning Center; Verizon Wireless Arena; Palace Theatre; NH Fishercats Baseball; Manchester Monarchs Hockey; Manchester Wolves Stadium Football**