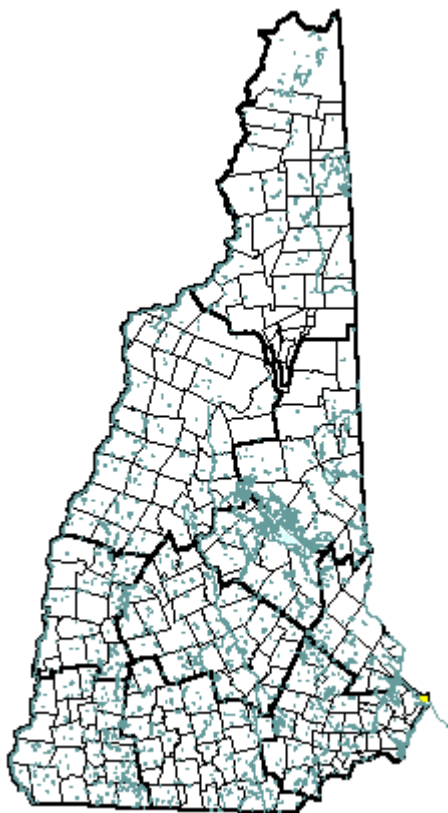


New Castle, NH



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Municipal Office Hours

Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday, 8 am - 2 pm;
Town Clerk: Monday, 3 pm - 6 pm, Wednesday and
Thursday, 11 am - 2 pm; Tax Collector: Wednesday through
Friday, 8 am - 2 pm

County

Rockingham

Labor Market Area

Portsmouth NH-ME Metro-NECTA, NH Portion

Tourism Region

Seacoast

Planning Commission

Rockingham

Regional Development

Coastal Economic Development Corp.

Election Districts

US Congress
 Executive Council
 State Senate
 State Representative

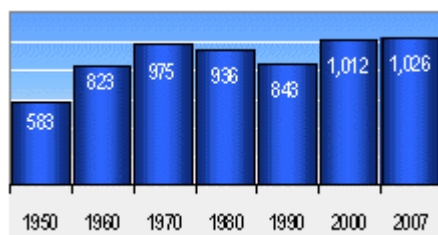
District 1
District 3
District 24
Rockingham County District 18

Incorporated: 1693

Origin: The largest of several islands at the mouth of the Piscataqua River, this town was originally known as Great Island. Chartered in 1679 as a parish of Portsmouth, it was incorporated in 1693 during the reign of William and Mary. For a number of years, this was the seat of government, where meetings of the governor and council were held. New Castle is unique in the state, being the only town made up entirely of islands, connected to the mainland by bridges. New Castle is home to the Wentworth-by-the-Sea Hotel, where delegates to the Russo-Japanese Peace Treaty of 1905 stayed during negotiations held at the nearby Portsmouth Naval Shipyard. The treaty negotiation and signing, which elevated Japan to an international power at the conclusion of the Russo-Japanese War, was held in the Portsmouth area at the specific invitation of President Theodore Roosevelt.

Villages and Place Names: unknown

Population, Year of the First Census Taken: 534 residents in 1790



Population Trends: Population change for New Castle totaled 429 over 50 years, from 583 in 1950 to 1,012 in 2000. The largest decennial percent change was a 20 percent increase between 1990 and 2000, which followed a ten percent decrease over the previous decade. The 2007 Census estimate for New Castle was 1,026 residents, which ranked 186th among New Hampshire's incorporated cities and towns.

Population Density and Land Area (NH Office of Energy & Planning): 1,277.5 persons per square mile of land area, the fourth highest among the cities and towns. New Castle contains 0.8 square miles of land area and 1.3 square miles of inland water area.



MUNICIPAL SERVICES

Type of Government	Selectmen
Budget: Municipal Appropriations, 2008	\$1,844,183
Budget: School Appropriations, 2008	\$1,690,874
Zoning Ordinance	1954/08
Master Plan	2002
Capital Improvement Plan	No
Industrial Plans Reviewed By	Planning Board

Boards and Commissions

Elected:	Selectmen; Library; Cemetery; School; Budget; Trust Funds
Appointed:	Planning; Conservation; Historic District; Zoning; Public Works

Public Library **New Castle Public****EMERGENCY SERVICES**

Police Department	Full-time & on call
Fire Department	Full, part-time, & volunteer
Town Fire Insurance Rating	5
Emergency Medical Service	Volunteer
Nearest Hospital(s)	Distance Staffed Beds
Portsmouth Regional, Portsmouth	4 miles 209

UTILITIES

Electric Supplier	PSNH
Natural Gas Supplier	None
Water Supplier	New Castle Water Works
Sanitation	Municipal
Municipal Wastewater Treatment Plant	No
Solid Waste Disposal	
Curbside Trash Pickup	Municipal
Pay-As-You-Throw Program	No
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)	\$4.78
2007 Equalization Ratio	83.3
2007 Full Value Tax Rate (per \$1000 of value)	\$3.98
2007 Percent of Local Assessed Valuation by Property Type	
Residential Land and Buildings	89.1%
Commercial Land and Buildings	10.7%
Public Utilities, Current Use, and Other	0.2%

HOUSING SUPPLY (NH Office of Energy and Planning)

2007 Total Housing Units	518
2007 Single-Family Units	459
Residential Permits, Net Change of Units	2
2007 Multi-Family Units	59
Residential Permits, Net Change of Units	0
2007 Manufactured Housing Units	0

DEMOGRAPHICS

(US Census Bureau)

Total Population	Community	County
2007	1,026	296,543
2000	1,012	278,748
1990	843	246,744
1980	936	190,345
1970	975	138,951

Census 2000 Demographics

Population by Gender			
Male	494	Female	516
Population by Age Group			
Under age 5			43
Age 5 to 19			155
Age 20 to 34			83
Age 35 to 54			316
Age 55 to 64			170
Age 65 and over			243
Median Age			49.6 years

Educational Attainment, population 25 years and over

High school graduate or higher	96.9%
Bachelor's degree or higher	61.5%

ANNUAL INCOME, 1999

(US Census Bureau)

Per capita income	\$67,695
Median 4-person family income	\$93,290
Median household income	\$83,708
Median Earnings, full-time, year-round workers	
Male	\$57,375
Female	\$35,568
Families below the poverty level	0.0%

LABOR FORCE

(NHES - ELMI)

Annual Average	1997	2007
Civilian labor force	388	524
Employed	382	507
Unemployed	6	17
Unemployment rate	1.5%	3.2%

EMPLOYMENT & WAGES

(NHES - ELMI)

Annual Average Covered Employment	1997	2007
Goods Producing Industries		
Average Employment	0	n
Average Weekly Wage	\$0	n
Service Providing Industries		
Average Employment	32	n
Average Weekly Wage	\$430	n
Total Private Industry		
Average Employment	32	303
Average Weekly Wage	\$430	\$568
Government (Federal, State, and Local)		
Average Employment	16	46
Average Weekly Wage	\$457	\$519
Total, Private Industry plus Government		
Average Employment	48	349
Average Weekly Wage	\$439	\$562

n = indicates that data does not meet disclosure standards

EDUCATION AND CHILD CARE

Schools students attend: **New Castle operates grades K-6; grades 7-12 are tuitioned to Portsmouth** District: **SAU 50**
 Career Technology Center(s): **Portsmouth High School** Region: **19**

Educational Facilities	Elementary	Middle/Junior High	High School	Private/Parochial
Number of Schools	1			
Grade Levels	K 1-6			
Total Enrollment	60			

NH Licensed Child Care Facilities, 2008: Total Facilities: **0** Total Capacity: **0**

Nearest Community College: **Great Bay**
 Nearest Colleges or Universities: **McIntosh; Hesser; University of NH**

LARGEST BUSINESSES	PRODUCT/SERVICE	EMPLOYEES	ESTABLISHED
Wentworth Hotel	Hotel, spa	100	
Wentworth Marina	Marina	12	

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

Road Access US Routes
 State Routes **1B**
 Nearest Interstate, Exit **I-95, Exit 7**
 Distance **4 miles**

Railroad **No**
 Public Transportation **No**

Nearest Public Use Airport, General Aviation
Pease International Runway **11,321 ft. asphalt/concrete**
 Lighted? **Yes** Navigation Aids? **Yes**

Nearest Airport with Scheduled Service
Manchester-Boston Regional Distance **47 miles**
 Number of Passenger Airlines Serving Airport **8**

Driving distance to select cities:
 Manchester, NH **47 miles**
 Portland, Maine **53 miles**
 Boston, Mass. **59 miles**
 New York City, NY **271 miles**
 Montreal, Quebec **303 miles**

COMMUTING TO WORK *(US Census Bureau)*

Workers 16 years and over

Drove alone, car/truck/van	79.2%
Carpooled, car/truck/van	6.9%
Public transportation	0.4%
Walked	2.4%
Other means	2.0%
Worked at home	9.1%

Mean Travel Time to Work **25.5 minutes**

Percent of Working Residents:
 Working in community of residence **16%**
 Commuting to another NH community **68%**
 Commuting out-of-state **16%**

RECREATION, ATTRACTIONS, AND EVENTS

X Municipal Parks
 YMCA/YWCA
 Boys Club/Girls Club
 Golf Courses
 Swimming: Indoor Facility
 Swimming: Outdoor Facility

X Tennis Courts: Indoor Facility
 Tennis Courts: Outdoor Facility
 Ice Skating Rink: Indoor Facility
 Bowling Facilities
 Museums
 Cinemas
 Performing Arts Facilities

X 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

X Boating/Marinas
 Snowmobile Trails
 Bicycle Trails
 Cross Country Skiing

X Beach or Waterfront Recreation Area
 Overnight or Day Camps

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

Other: **Fort Constitution & Fort Stark**