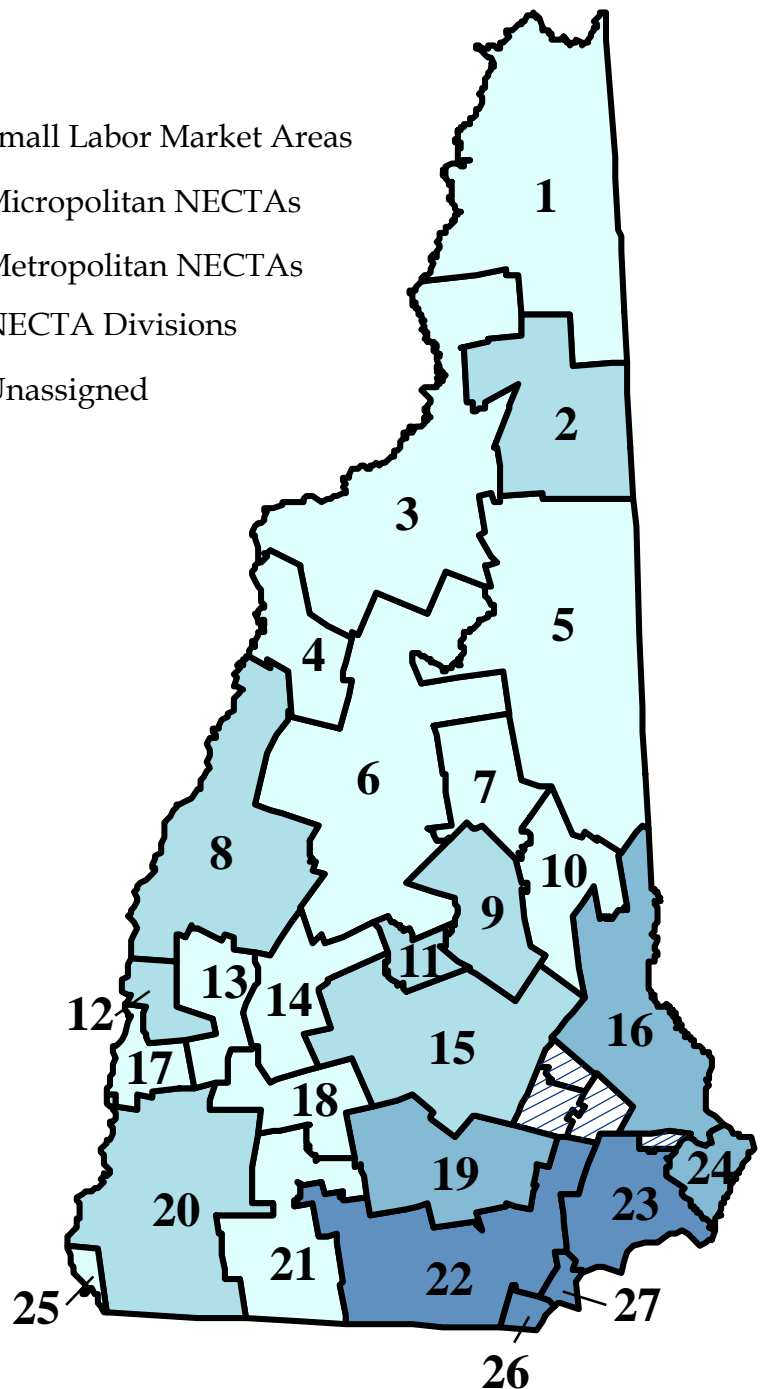
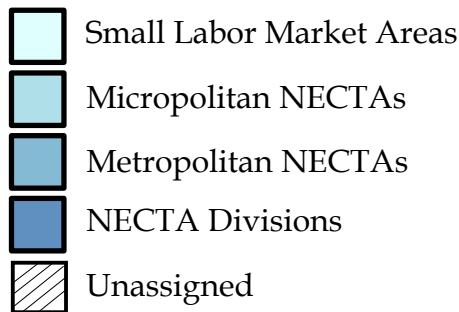


New Hampshire's Labor Market Areas

Area Crosswalk to Map

Map Key	Area Title
1	Colebrook NH-VT LMA, NH Portion
2	Berlin NH MicroNECTA
3	Littleton NH-VT LMA, NH Portion
4	Haverhill NH LMA
5	Conway NH-ME LMA, NH Portion
6	Plymouth NH LMA
7	Moultonborough NH LMA
8	Lebanon NH-VT MicroNECTA, NH Portion
9	Laconia NH MicroNECTA
10	Wolfeboro NH LMA
11	Franklin NH MicroNECTA
12	Claremont NH MicroNECTA
13	Newport NH LMA
14	New London NH LMA
15	Concord NH MicroNECTA
16	Rochester-Dover NH-ME MetroNECTA, NH Portion
17	Charlestown NH LMA
18	Hillsborough NH LMA
19	Manchester NH MetroNECTA
20	Keene NH MicroNECTA
21	Peterborough NH LMA
22	Nashua NH-MA NECTA Division, NH Portion
23	Exeter Area, NH Portion, Haverhill-North Andover-Amesbury MA-NH NECTA Division
24	Portsmouth NH-ME MetroNECTA, NH Portion
25	Hinsdale Town, NH Portion, Brattleboro VT-NH LMA
26	Pelham Town, NH Portion, Lowell-Billerica-Chelmsford MA-NH NECTA Division
27	Salem Town, NH Portion, Lawrence-Methuen-Salem MA-NH NECTA Division



Micropolitan Areas

The OMB also introduced a new area, the Micropolitan area or MicroNECTA. These areas are not quite booming Metros, but they are more than just rural communities.

New Hampshire has seven Micropolitan NECTAs (MicroNECTAs). Six of these are entirely within the state’s borders while one is the New Hampshire portion of an interstate MicroNECTA. A MicroNECTA is a core based statistical area with at least one urban cluster that has a population of at least 10,000, but

less than 50,000. It must also have adjacent cities and towns or groups of cities and towns that have a high degree of social and economic integration with the “core” as measured through commuting ties.

"Micropolitans are becoming economic hubs, drawing workers from miles around."¹ For example, Franklin City, with a population of 8,400 in 2000, was once part of the old Concord LMA. It is now its own MicroNECTA with an urban area population over 10,000. The Franklin NH MicroNECTA, which

includes the city of Franklin and the towns of Tilton and Northfield, had a total population of 16,400 in 2000. This is one area of the state that has seen tremendous growth in the last decade. This shouldn’t be a surprise for anyone who has taken Exit 20 off Interstate 93.

Small Labor Market Areas

The Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) is responsible for defining and designating the small Labor Market Areas (LMA). These areas include the remaining cities and towns not already classified as part

¹(Small Town USA goes 'micropolitan'. USA TODAY. June 27,2004. Accessed February 24, 2005. www.usatoday.com)

Micropolitan Areas	
Area Names	Area Facts
Berlin NH MicroNECTA	This new area is entirely within New Hampshire's borders and includes eight cities and towns. All but one of these were part of the old Berlin LMA. This area claimed just over one percent of the state's 2000 population.
Claremont NH MicroNECTA	This new area is made up entirely of Claremont and Unity, which were part of the old Claremont LMA. This New Hampshire city and town, combined, made up less than one percent of the state's 2000 population.
Concord NH MicroNECTA	Fifteen New Hampshire cities and towns make up the entire Concord Micropolitan area. All but one of these cities and towns were part of the old Concord LMA. This new area claimed about eight percent of the state's 2000 population.
Franklin NH MicroNECTA	This new area is made up entirely of Franklin, Tilton, and Northfield, all of which were part of the old Concord LMA. This area claimed just over one percent of the state's 2000 population.
Keene NH MicroNECTA	This new area is located entirely within the Granite State. Its 19 cities and towns were all part of the New Hampshire portion of the old Keene-Brattleboro NH-VT LMA. This new area claimed about five percent of the state's 2000 population.
Laconia NH MicroNECTA	This new area is made up entirely of five New Hampshire cities and towns, which were all part of the old Laconia LMA. This area claimed about three percent of the state's 2000 population.
Lebanon NH-VT MicroNECTA, NH Portion	This is the only Micropolitan area that New Hampshire shares with another state. The New Hampshire portion consists of 13 cities and towns, 12 of which made up the entire New Hampshire portion of the old Hartford-Lebanon VT-NH LMA. This new area claimed about six percent of the state's 2000 population.

of a NECTA. Unlike the NECTA, the LMA designations were based on just commuting patterns; population was not a direct factor.

Under the new area designations, New Hampshire now has thirteen LMAs. Nine of these are entirely within the state's borders while four are New Hampshire portions of interstate LMAs.

Partly due to an increase in population, areas outside the larger cities are becoming more developed and offer more employment opportunities. This affects commuting patterns and helps redefine small labor market areas. As a result, some of the cities and towns that once were part of a larger LMA now have become small LMAs. For example, Hillsborough, Henniker, Deering, Washington, and Windsor were once part of the old Concord LMA. According to commuting patterns from Census 2000, these towns now make up the new Hillsborough NH LMA.

Unassigned Areas

The OMB process left four towns unassigned to any labor market area because the commuting patterns of their residents were not strong enough to show economic ties with a specific neighboring area. These towns are Deerfield, Newmarket, Northfield, and Nottingham.

Summary

In summary, the number of labor market areas (metropolitan areas, micropolitan areas, and small labor market areas) in New Hampshire increased from 18 to 27 as a result of this latest review of New Hampshire's commuting patterns and population. This total includes the areas that are completely within the state's borders as well as the New Hampshire portion of interstate areas.

Small Labor Market Areas (LMA)

Area Names	Area Facts
Charlestown NH LMA	This new LMA is made up entirely of three New Hampshire towns: Acworth and Langdon, which were part of the New Hampshire portion of the old Keene-Brattleboro NH-VT LMA; and Charlestown, which was part of the old Claremont LMA.
Haverhill NH LMA	This new LMA consists entirely of four New Hampshire towns: Bath, Benton, and Haverhill, which were part of the old Littleton LMA; and Warren, which was part of the old Plymouth LMA.
Hillsborough NH LMA	This new LMA is made up entirely of five New Hampshire towns, all of which were part of the old Concord LMA.
Moultonborough NH LMA	Three New Hampshire towns make up this new area. These three towns, Center Harbor, Moultonborough, and Sandwich were all part of the old Laconia LMA.
New London NH LMA	This new area is made up entirely of six New Hampshire towns, four of which were part of the old Claremont LMA and two that were part of the old Concord LMA.
Newport NH LMA	This new area is made up entirely of five New Hampshire towns, all of which were part of the old Claremont LMA.
Peterborough NH LMA	Eleven New Hampshire towns make up this entire LMA. All but one of these towns were part of the old Peterborough LMA.
Plymouth NH LMA	This LMA is made up of the eighteen New Hampshire towns that were the old Plymouth LMA, plus two towns from the old Laconia LMA and one from the old Concord LMA for a total of 21 towns.
Wolfeboro NH LMA	This new LMA consist entirely of four New Hampshire towns: Alton, which was part of the old Laconia LMA and Brookfield, Tuftonboro, and Wolfeboro which were all part of the old Concord LMA.
Colebrook NH-VT LMA, NH Portion	This new LMA is made up of cities, towns, and places from both New Hampshire and Vermont. The New Hampshire portion consists of fourteen towns and places, eight of which were part of the old Berlin LMA and six that were part of the old Colebrook LMA.
Conway NH-ME LMA, NH Portion	This new LMA is made up of cities, towns, and places from both New Hampshire and Maine. The New Hampshire portion consists of twenty-six towns and places, twenty-two of which were part of the old Conway LMA and four that were part of the old Littleton LMA.
Hinsdale Town, NH Portion, Brattleboro VT-NH LMA	Hinsdale is the only New Hampshire town in this new interstate LMA. Hinsdale was part of the New Hampshire portion of the old Keene-Brattleboro NH-VT LMA.
Littleton NH-VT LMA, NH Portion	Eighteen New Hampshire cities, town, and places make up the Granite State's portion of this interstate LMA. Twelve of these were part of the old Littleton LMA and six were part of the old Lancaster LMA.

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NH Labor Market Areas and their cities/towns

Berlin NH MicroNECTA (2)

Berlin
Dummer
Gorham
Milan
Randolph
Shelburne
Stark
Success

Claremont NH MicroNECTA (12)

Claremont
Unity

**Colebrook NH-VT LMA,
NH Portion (1)**

Atkinson & Gilmanton Ac. Grant
Cambridge
Clarksville
Colebrook
Columbia
Dix's Grant
Dixville
Errol
Erving's Location
Millsfield
Pittsburg
Second College Grant
Stewartstown
Wentworth Location

Charlestown NH LMA (17)

Acworth
Charlestown
Langdon

Concord NH MicroNECTA (15)

Allenstown
Barnstead
Boscawen
Bow
Canterbury
Chichester
Concord
Epsom
Hopkinton
Loudon
Pembroke
Pittsfield
Salisbury
Warner
Webster

**Conway NH-ME LMA,
NH Portion (5)**

Albany
Bartlett

Bean's Grant
Bean's Purchase
Chandler's Purchase
Chatham
Conway
Crawford's Purchase
Cutt's Grant
Eaton
Effingham
Freedom
Green's Grant
Hadley's Purchase
Hale's Location
Hart's Location
Jackson
Livermore
Low and Burbank's Grant
Madison
Martin's Location
Ossipee
Pinkham's Grant
Sargent's Purchase
Tamworth
Thompson & Meserve's Purchase

**Exeter Area, NH Portion,
Haverhill-North Andover-Amesbury
MA-NH NECTA Division (23)**

Atkinson
Brentwood
Danville
East Kingston
Epping
Exeter
Fremont
Hampstead
Hampton Falls
Kensington
Kingston
Newfields
Newton
Plaistow
Sandown
Seabrook
South Hampton

Franklin NH MicroNECTA (11)

Franklin
Northfield
Tilton

Haverhill NH LMA (4)

Bath
Benton
Haverhill
Warren

Hillsborough NH LMA (18)

Deering
Henniker
Hillsborough
Washington
Windsor

**Hinsdale Town, NH Portion,
Brattleboro VT-NH LMA (25)**

Hinsdale

Keene NH MicroNECTA (20)

Alstead
Chesterfield
Fitzwilliam
Gilsum
Harrisville
Keene
Marlborough
Marlow
Nelson
Richmond
Roxbury
Stoddard
Sullivan
Surry
Swanzey
Troy
Walpole
Westmoreland
Winchester

Laconia NH MicroNECTA (9)

Belmont
Gilford
Gilmanton
Laconia
Meredith

**Lebanon NH-VT MicroNECTA,
NH Portion (8)**

Canaan
Cornish
Enfield
Grafton
Grantham
Hanover
Lebanon
Lyme
Orange
Orford
Piermont
Plainfield
Springfield

NH Labor Market Areas and their cities/towns

**Littleton NH-VT LMA,
NH Portion (3)**

Bethlehem
Carroll
Dalton
Easton
Franconia
Jefferson
Kilkenny
Lancaster
Landaff
Lisbon
Littleton
Lyman
Monroe
Northumberland
Odell
Stratford
Sugar Hill
Whitefield

Manchester NH MetroNECTA (19)

Auburn
Bedford
Candia
Dunbarton
Goffstown
Hooksett
Manchester
New Boston
Weare

Moultonborough NH LMA (7)

Center Harbor
Moultonborough
Sandwich

**Nashua NH-MA NECTA Division,
NH Portion (22)**

Amherst
Brookline
Chester
Derry
Greenfield
Greenville
Hollis
Hudson
Litchfield
Londonderry
Lyndeborough
Mason
Merrimack
Milford
Mont Vernon
Nashua

Raymond
Wilton
Windham

New London NH LMA (14)

Andover
Bradford
New London
Newbury
Sutton
Wilmot

Newport NH LMA (13)

Croydon
Goshen
Lempster
Newport
Sunapee

**Pelham Town, NH Portion,
Lowell-Billerica-Chelmsford MA-NH
NECTA Division (26)**

Pelham

Peterborough NH LMA (21)

Antrim
Bennington
Dublin
Fracestown
Hancock
Jaffrey
New Ipswich
Peterborough
Rindge
Sharon
Temple

Plymouth NH LMA (6)

Alexandria
Ashland
Bridgewater
Bristol
Campton
Danbury
Dorchester
Ellsworth
Groton
Hebron
Hill
Holderness
Lincoln
New Hampton
Plymouth
Rumney
Sanbornton
Thornton

Waterville Valley
Wentworth
Woodstock

**Portsmouth NH-ME MetroNECTA,
NH Portion (24)**

Greenland
Hampton
New Castle
North Hampton
Portsmouth
Rye
Stratham

**Rochester-Dover NH-ME
MetroNECTA, NH Portion (16)**

Barrington
Dover
Durham
Farmington
Lee
Madbury
Middleton
Milton
New Durham
Newington
Rochester
Rollinsford
Somersworth
Strafford
Wakefield

**Salem Town, NH Portion,
Lawrence-Methuen-Salem MA-NH
NECTA Division (27)**

Salem

Wolfeboro NH LMA (10)

Alton
Brookfield
Tuftonboro
Wolfeboro

Unassigned (U)

Deerfield
Newmarket
Northwood
Nottingham

NH Cities/towns with Map Key for Labor Market Areas

Acworth	17	Colebrook	1	Green's Grant	5
Albany	5	Columbia	1	Greenfield	22
Alexandria	6	Concord	15	Greenland	24
Allenstown	15	Conway	5	Greenville	22
Alstead	20	Cornish	8	Groton	6
Alton	10	Crawford's Purchase	5	Hadley's Purchase	5
Amherst	22	Croydon	13	Hale's Location	5
Andover	14	Cutt's Grant	5	Hampstead	23
Antrim	21	Dalton	3	Hampton	24
Ashland	6	Danbury	6	Hampton Falls	23
Atkinson	23	Danville	23	Hancock	21
Atkinson & Gilmanton Ac. Grant	1	Deerfield	U	Hanover	8
Auburn	19	Deering	18	Harrisville	20
Barnstead	15	Derry	22	Hart's Location	5
Barrington	16	Dix's Grant	1	Haverhill	4
Bartlett	5	Dixville	1	Hebron	6
Bath	4	Dorchester	6	Henniker	18
Bean's Grant	5	Dover	16	Hill	6
Bean's Purchase	5	Dublin	21	Hillsborough	18
Bedford	19	Dummer	2	Hinsdale	25
Belmont	9	Dunbarton	19	Holderness	6
Bennington	21	Durham	16	Hollis	22
Benton	4	East Kingston	23	Hooksett	19
Berlin	2	Easton	3	Hopkinton	15
Bethlehem	3	Eaton	5	Hudson	22
Boscawen	15	Effingham	5	Jackson	5
Bow	15	Ellsworth	6	Jaffrey	21
Bradford	14	Enfield	8	Jefferson	3
Brentwood	23	Epping	23	Keene	20
Bridgewater	6	Epsom	15	Kensington	23
Bristol	6	Errol	1	Kilkenny	3
Brookfield	10	Erving's Location	1	Kingston	23
Brookline	22	Exeter	23	Laconia	9
Cambridge	1	Farmington	16	Lancaster	3
Campton	6	Fitzwilliam	20	Landaff	3
Canaan	8	Francestown	21	Langdon	17
Candia	19	Franconia	3	Lebanon	8
Canterbury	15	Franklin	11	Lee	16
Carroll	3	Freedom	5	Lempster	13
Center Harbor	7	Fremont	23	Lincoln	6
Chandler's Purchase	5	Gilford	9	Lisbon	3
Charlestown	17	Gilmanton	9	Litchfield	22
Chatham	5	Gilsum	20	Littleton	3
Chester	22	Goffstown	19	Livermore	5
Chesterfield	20	Gorham	2	Londonderry	22
Chichester	15	Goshen	13	Loudon	15
Claremont	12	Grafton	8	Low and Burbank's Grant	5
Clarksville	1	Grantham	8	Lyman	3

NH Cities/towns with Map Key for Labor Market Areas

Lyme	8	Pittsfield	15	Wakefield	16
Lyndeborough	22	Plainfield	8	Walpole	20
Madbury	16	Plaistow	23	Warner	15
Madison	5	Plymouth	6	Warren	4
Manchester	19	Portsmouth	24	Washington	18
Marlborough	20	Randolph	2	Waterville Valley	6
Marlow	20	Raymond	22	Weare	19
Martin's Location	5	Richmond	20	Webster	15
Mason	22	Rindge	21	Wentworth	6
Meredith	9	Rochester	16	Wentworth Location	1
Merrimack	22	Rollinsford	16	Westmoreland	20
Middleton	16	Roxbury	20	Whitefield	3
Milan	2	Rumney	6	Wilmot	14
Milford	22	Rye	24	Wilton	22
Millsfield	1	Salem	27	Winchester	20
Milton	16	Salisbury	15	Windham	22
Monroe	3	Sanbornton	6	Windsor	18
Mont Vernon	22	Sandown	23	Wolfeboro	10
Moultonborough	7	Sandwich	7	Woodstock	6
Nashua	22	Sargent's Purchase	5		
Nelson	20	Seabrook	23		
New Boston	19	Second College Grant	1		
New Castle	24	Sharon	21		
New Durham	16	Shelburne	2		
New Hampton	6	Somersworth	16		
New Ipswich	21	South Hampton	23		
New London	14	Springfield	8		
Newbury	14	Stark	2		
Newfields	23	Stewartstown	1		
Newington	16	Stoddard	20		
Newmarket	U	Strafford	16		
Newport	13	Stratford	3		
Newton	23	Stratham	24		
North Hampton	24	Success	2		
Northfield	11	Sugar Hill	3		
Northumberland	3	Sullivan	20		
Northwood	U	Sunapee	13		
Nottingham	U	Surry	20		
Odell	3	Sutton	14		
Orange	8	Swanzey	20		
Orford	8	Tamworth	5		
Ossipee	5	Temple	21		
Pelham	26	Thompson & Meserve's Purchase ...	5		
Pembroke	15	Thornton	6		
Peterborough	21	Tilton	11		
Piermont	8	Troy	20		
Pinkham's Grant	5	Tuftonboro	10		
Pittsburg	1	Unity	12		

Terms and Definitions

Designations Established with the 2000 Census

Core Based Statistical Area (CBSA) – In New England, this is a statistical geographic entity consisting of the city or town or group of cities and towns associated with at least one core (urbanized area or urban cluster) of at least 10,000 population. They must have adjacent cities or towns or groups of cities and towns that have a high degree of social and economic integration with the core as measured through commuting ties. Metropolitan and Micropolitan Statistical Areas are the two categories of Core Based Statistical Areas.

New England City and Town Area (NECTA)—A statistical geographic entity that is defined using cities and towns as building blocks and that is conceptually similar to the Core Based Statistical Areas in the rest of the nation (which are defined using counties as building blocks).

New England City and Town Area (NECTA) Division — Similar to the old PMSAs, a NECTA Division is city or town or group of cities and towns within a NECTA that contains a core with a population of at least 2.5 million. New Hampshire has four NECTA Divisions under the new standard. All four are New Hampshire portions of interstate areas.

Metropolitan NECTA (MetroNECTA) —A Core Based Statistical Area associated with at least one urbanized area that has a population of at least 50,000. These are similar to the larger LMAs under the old standard. New Hampshire has three MetroNECTAs – one entirely within New Hampshire’s borders (Manchester) and two New Hampshire portions of interstate MetroNECTAs.

Micropolitan NECTA (MicroNECTA) —A Core Based Statistical Area associated with at least one urban cluster that has a population of at least 10,000, but less than 50,000. The Micropolitan area is a new concept under the new standard. New Hampshire has seven new MicroNECTAs. Except for Lebanon, all of these are entirely within the state’s borders.

Small Labor Market Area (LMA) – An area that is completely outside of the metropolitan and micropolitan areas established by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB). The Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) designated these areas based on 2000 Census data and input from the states. They are similar to the old small LMAs. New Hampshire has thirteen new small LMAs – nine of which are entirely within the state’s borders and four New Hampshire portions of interstate small LMAs.

Designations Based on the 1990 Census

Metropolitan Statistical Area (MSA) - In New England, an area qualified as a Metropolitan Statistical Area if it contained a city of at least 50,000 population or had a total population of at least 75,000. New England MSAs were made up of cities and towns while those in the rest of the nation were based on counties.

Consolidated Metropolitan Statistical Area (CMSA) - An area with population of at least one million in which two or more PMSAs had been identified.

Primary Metropolitan Statistical Area (PMSA) - A designated component area of a consolidated metropolitan statistical area (CMSA). New Hampshire had six PMSAs under the old standards – three were entirely within New Hampshire’s borders and three were New Hampshire portions of interstate PMSAs (shared with Massachusetts).

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Unemployment Compensation Claims Activity

Total Regular Unemployment Compensation Programs:				Change from Previous			
				Month		Year	
	Jan-05	Dec-04	Jan-04	Net	Percent	Net	Percent
Initial Claims	5,737	6,821	6,090	-1,084	-15.9%	-353	-5.8%
Continued Weeks	38,742	28,174	43,167	10,568	37.5%	-4,425	-10.3%

Claims Activity

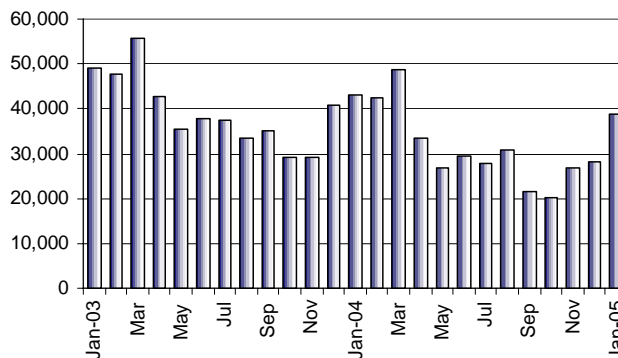
Unemployment Compensation Fund

Unemployment compensation fund balance at the end of January	\$237,563,196.02
Average payment for a week of total unemployment:	\$250.65
Net benefits paid:	\$8,182,542.04
Net contributions received during the month:	\$2,352,002.62
Interest Received:	\$0.00
Reed Act Distribution:	\$0.00
Reed Act Withdrawal for Administrative Costs:	\$128.11

Trust Fund

Continued Weeks Claimed

Jan. 2003 - Jan. 2005



Overall, continued weeks claimed have been on a downward trend since the recession.

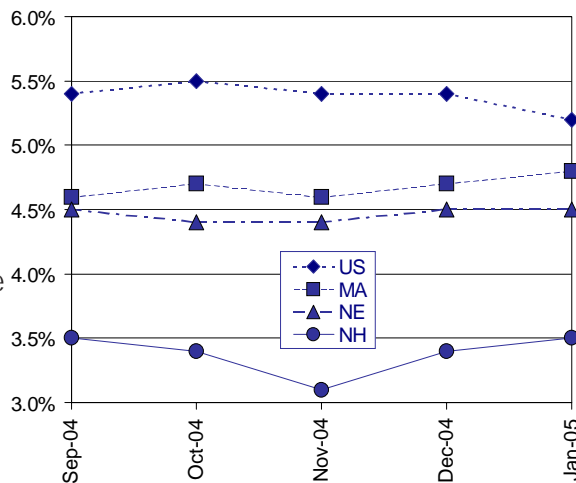
Jan-05	Dec-04	Jan-04	Change from Previous	
			Month	Year
190.7	190.3	185.2	0.2%	3.0%

United States All Urban Areas (CPI-U) (1982-1984=100)

Consumer Price Index

N.H. and U.S. Seasonally Adjusted Unemployment Rates

The unemployment rate in every New England state was lower in Jan 05 than Jan 04



Unemployment Rates by Region

	preliminary Jan-05	revised Dec-04	Jan-04
United States	5.2%	5.4%	5.7%
Northeast	4.7%	5.1%	5.7%
New England	4.5%	4.5%	5.2%
Connecticut	4.7%	4.5%	5.2%
Maine	4.1%	4.6%	4.7%
Massachusetts	4.8%	4.7%	5.6%
New Hampshire	3.5%	3.4%	4.2%
Rhode Island	4.4%	4.8%	5.4%
Vermont	3.5%	3.6%	4.3%
Mid Atlantic	4.8%	5.3%	5.9%
New Jersey	3.9%	4.2%	5.4%
New York	5.0%	5.6%	6.3%
Pennsylvania	5.1%	5.7%	5.5%

Seasonally Adjusted Labor Force Estimates

By Place of Residence

	Sep-04	Oct-04	Nov-04	revised Dec-04	preliminary Jan-05
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New Hampshire					
Unemployment Rate	3.5%	3.5%	3.4%	3.4%	3.5%
Civilian Labor Force	723,952	724,175	724,670	725,481	727,306
Number Employed	698,264	699,184	700,070	700,941	702,066
Number Unemployed	25,688	24,991	24,600	24,540	25,240
United States (in thousands)					
Unemployment Rate	5.4%	5.5%	5.4%	5.4%	5.2%
Civilian Labor Force	147,531	147,893	148,313	148,203	147,979
Number Employed	139,527	139,827	140,293	140,156	140,241
Number Unemployed	8,005	8,066	8,020	8,047	7,737

Note: Beginning in January 2004, data reflect revised population controls used in the household survey. Seasonally adjusted data have been revised to reflect updated seasonal adjustment factors.

Seasonally Adjusted Nonfarm Employment

By Place of Establishment

Supersector	Sep-04	Oct-04	Nov-04	revised Dec-04	preliminary Jan-05
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Total Nonfarm	629,900	630,700	631,000	632,700	634,800
Construction	29,900	30,200	30,100	30,100	30,000
Manufacturing	80,900	81,100	81,000	81,000	81,000
Trade, Transportation, and Utilities	141,100	140,600	140,800	140,900	140,800
Financial Activities	37,700	38,000	38,200	38,200	39,200
Professional and Business Services	56,900	56,600	56,500	56,200	55,400
Leisure and Hospitality	65,400	64,900	64,400	64,900	65,400
Other Services	20,500	20,500	20,400	20,300	20,600
Government	89,500	90,700	90,200	90,800	93,100

Please note that not all supersectors meet the statistical criteria for publication in this category. We seasonally adjust the total nonfarm data series and all the published supersectors independently. Therefore, the sum of the published parts will not equal the total.

Labor Force Estimates

New Hampshire	Jan-05	Dec-04	Jan-04
Number of workers	preliminary	revised	
Total Civilian Labor Force	724,010	721,620	720,430
Employed	695,360	699,630	687,150
Unemployed	28,650	21,990	33,280
Unemployment Rate (percent of labor force)	4.0%	3.0%	4.6%

Unemployment Rates by Area

	preliminary Jan-05	revised Dec-04	Jan-04
U.S and Regional States			
United States	5.7%	5.1%	6.3%
Northeast	5.3%	4.7%	6.4%
New England	5.2%	4.0%	5.9%
Connecticut	5.3%	3.9%	5.6%
Maine	5.0%	4.4%	5.6%
Massachusetts	5.4%	4.2%	6.2%
New Hampshire	4.0%	3.0%	4.6%
Rhode Island	5.6%	4.2%	6.8%
Vermont	4.3%	3.2%	5.1%
Mid Atlantic	5.4%	5.0%	6.6%
New Jersey	4.5%	3.9%	6.0%
New York	5.6%	5.4%	7.1%
Pennsylvania	5.8%	5.2%	6.3%

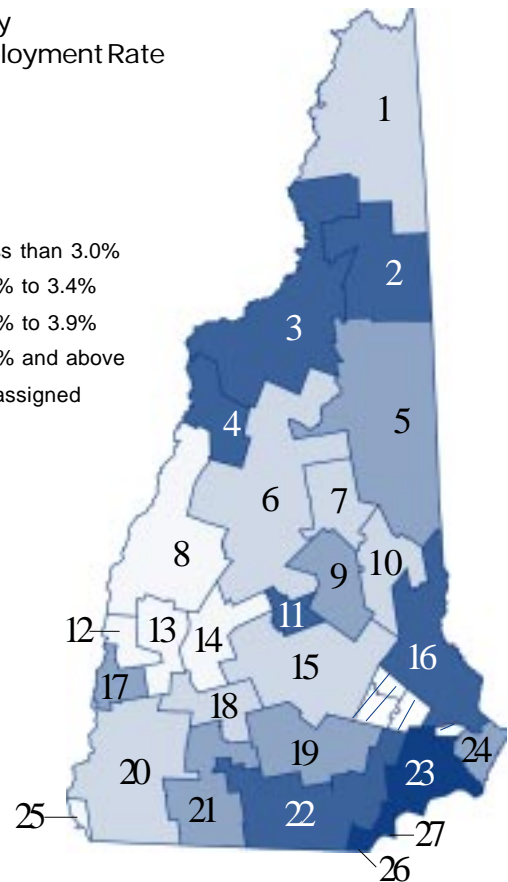
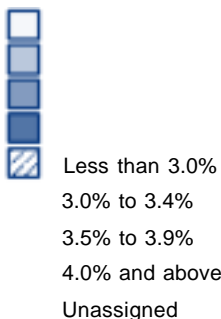
Map Key	Labor Market Areas	preliminary Jan-05	revised Dec-04	Jan-04
1	Colebrook NH-VT LMA, NH Portion	3.2%	5.9%	4.4%
2	Berlin NH MicroNECTA	4.1%	3.1%	5.0%
3	Littleton NH-VT LMA, NH Portion	4.0%	2.5%	3.7%
4	Haverhill NH LMA	4.4%	3.2%	5.2%
5	Conway NH-ME LMA, NH Portion	3.7%	2.9%	4.0%
6	Plymouth NH LMA	3.1%	2.4%	3.4%
7	Moultonborough NH LMA	3.4%	2.5%	3.7%
8	Lebanon NH-VT MicroNECTA, NH Portion	1.9%	1.8%	2.6%
9	Laconia NH MicroNECTA	3.5%	2.6%	4.1%
10	Wolfeboro NH LMA	3.4%	2.4%	3.4%
11	Franklin NH MicroNECTA	4.3%	2.9%	4.7%
12	Claremont NH MicroNECTA	2.9%	2.2%	3.7%
13	Newport NH LMA	2.9%	2.2%	3.7%
14	New London NH LMA	2.5%	1.9%	2.7%
15	Concord NH MicroNECTA	3.4%	2.4%	3.6%
16	Rochester-Dover NH-ME MetroNECTA, NH Portion	4.0%	2.9%	4.0%
17	Charlestown NH LMA	3.9%	2.9%	4.4%
18	Hillsborough NH LMA	3.2%	2.5%	3.4%
19	Manchester NH MetroNECTA	3.9%	2.9%	4.1%
20	Keene NH MicroNECTA	3.0%	2.2%	3.5%
21	Peterborough NH LMA	3.8%	3.0%	4.0%
22	Nashua NH-MA NECTA Division, NH Portion	4.4%	3.4%	5.4%
23	Exeter Area, NH Portion, Haverhill-N. Andover-Amesbury MA-NH NECTA Division	5.4%	4.4%	7.1%
24	Portsmouth NH-ME MetroNECTA, NH Portion	3.9%	3.1%	4.5%
25	Hinesdale Town, NH Portion, Brattleboro VT-NH LMA	2.9%	3.0%	5.2%
26	Pelham Town, NH Portion, Lowell-Billerica-Chelmsford MA-NH NECTA Division	6.2%	4.1%	8.0%
27	Salem Town, NH Portion, Lawrence-Methuen-Salem MA-NH NECTA Division	6.2%	5.6%	8.8%

Unemployment rates in the New Hampshire portion of its Labor Market Areas (LMA) and Metropolitan Areas, and New England City and Town Areas (NECTA)

Local Area Unemployment Statistics (LAUS)
Not Seasonally Adjusted
By Place of Residence

Counties	preliminary Jan-05	revised Dec-04	Jan-04
Belknap	3.7%	2.6%	4.2%
Carroll	3.6%	2.7%	3.8%
Cheshire	3.3%	2.5%	3.8%
Coos	4.1%	3.7%	4.9%
Grafton	2.7%	2.2%	3.2%
Hillsborough	4.2%	3.1%	4.8%
Merrimack	3.4%	2.4%	3.6%
Rockingham	4.8%	3.9%	6.1%
Strafford	4.0%	2.9%	4.0%
Sullivan	2.8%	2.3%	3.6%

January Unemployment Rate



New Hampshire unemployment and labor force estimates are calculated using a regression model which depends on Current Population Survey (CPS) Estimates. Labor Market Area estimates are calculated using the Bureau of Labor Statistics "Handbook Method" and then adjusted to the State levels.

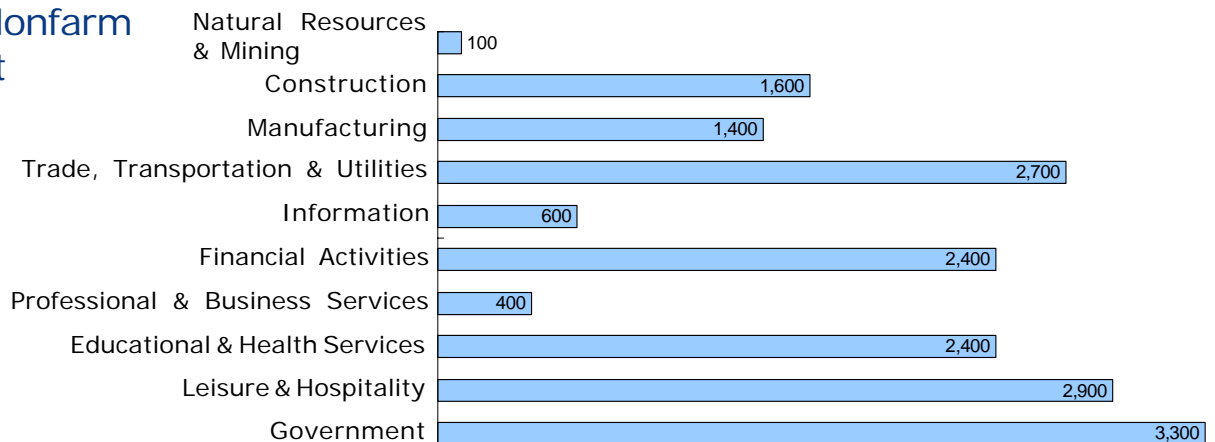
All Supersectors saw an over-the-year increase in nonfarm employment in Jan. 2005

Monthly Not Seasonally Adjusted New Hampshire Nonfarm Wage and Salary Employment

Current Employment Statistics Employment by Super Sector by place of establishment	Number of Jobs			Change from previous:	
	Jan-05 (preliminary)	Dec-04 (revised)	Jan-04	Month	Year
	Total All Super Sectors	625,500	638,600	608,000	-13,100
Private Employment Total	533,100	544,700	518,900	-11,600	14,200
Natural Resources & Mining	900	1,000	800	-100	100
Construction	28,000	30,100	26,400	-2,100	1,600
Manufacturing	80,900	81,300	79,500	-400	1,400
Durable Goods	61,800	62,000	59,500	-200	2,300
Non-Durable Goods	19,100	19,300	20,000	-200	-900
Trade, Transportation and Utilities	139,800	146,600	137,100	-6,800	2,700
Wholesale Trade	27,400	27,700	26,600	-300	800
Retail Trade	97,200	103,400	95,100	-6,200	2,100
Transportation and Utilities	15,200	15,500	15,400	-300	-200
Information	12,700	12,900	12,100	-200	600
Financial Activities	39,100	38,300	36,700	800	2,400
Professional and Business	54,700	56,600	54,300	-1,900	400
Educational and Health	96,000	96,600	93,600	-600	2,400
Leisure and Hospitality	60,700	61,100	57,800	-400	2,900
Other Services	20,300	20,200	20,600	100	-300
Government Total	92,400	93,900	89,100	-1,500	3,300

Change in Nonfarm Employment

Jan. 2004 to Jan. 2005



Monthly Analysis of Current Employment Statistics (CES) Data

For further analysis please read the *Detailed Monthly Analysis of Industry Employment Data* on our Web site at <www.nhes.state.nh.us/elmi/nonfarm.htm>

Seasonally Adjusted: Seasonally adjusted estimates for January 2005 showed that total nonfarm employment expanded by 2,100 jobs, overall. Government (supersector 90) led the way with a 2,300-job addition. Those estimates also had employment in financial activities (supersector 55) increasing by 1,000 jobs. Leisure and hospitality (supersector 70) with its 500-job growth and other services (supersector 80) 300-job contribution completed the plus side of the ledger for the month.

Manufacturing (supersector 30) provided a notion of stability for January 2005, as its employment totals remained at the December 2004 level.

On the downside, professional and business services (supersector 60) reduced its employment level by 800 jobs. Construction (supersector 20) and trade, transportation, and utilities (supersector 40) each trimmed from 100 positions their work force.

Monthly Unadjusted Nonfarm Wage and Salary Employment by Primary Metropolitan Statistical Areas

Employment by Sector number of jobs by place of establishment	Manchester NH MetroNECTA			Nashua NH-MA NECTA Division, NH Portion			Portsmouth NH-ME MetroNECTA, NH Portion			Rochester-Dover NH- ME MetroNECTA, NH Portion		
	Preliminary Jan-05	Change from previous:		Preliminary Jan-05	Change from previous:		Preliminary Jan-05	Change from previous:		Preliminary Jan-05	Change from previous:	
		Month	Year		Month	Year		Month	Year		Month	Year
Total All Sectors	98,900	-2,400	700	129,100	-3,400	3,300	53,200	-1,000	1,100	54,600	-1,500	2,300
Private Employment Total	87,400	-2,400	800	114,200	-3,300	3,100	43,400	-1,000	700	41,200	-1,100	700
Natural Resources and Construction	5,000	-400	100	5,700	-400	500	1,700	-100	0	2,000	-200	100
Manufacturing	9,600	0	-100	25,600	-400	200	4,000	0	100	6,400	-100	-100
Trade, Transportation and Utilities	20,900	-800	400	30,700	-1,500	500	10,900	-500	0	11,100	-500	-300
Wholesale Trade	5,200	0	200	5,600	0	200	1,900	0	0	1,400	0	-100
Retail Trade	12,800	-800	200	20,800	-1,400	100	7,900	-400	200	8,700	-500	-200
Transportation, Warehousing & Utilities	n/a	n/a	n/a	4,300	-100	200	1,100	-100	-200	1,000	0	0
Information	3,200	-100	0	2,000	0	0	1,600	-100	100	1,300	0	100
Financial Activities	8,800	0	-100	8,100	0	500	4,800	0	100	2,600	0	0
Professional and Business	11,400	-800	-300	12,700	-400	1,100	7,900	-100	100	3,800	0	400
Educational and Health	16,200	-200	600	15,000	-500	-100	5,600	0	100	7,300	-100	300
Leisure and Hospitality	8,100	-100	300	10,000	0	400	5,300	-200	100	4,800	-200	100
Services	4,200	0	-100	4,400	-100	0	1,600	0	100	1,900	0	100
Government Total	11,500	0	-100	14,900	-100	200	9,800	0	400	13,400	-400	1,600

Average Earnings and Hours of Production Workers in Manufacturing

Sector	Average Weekly Earnings			Average Weekly Hours			Average Hourly Earnings		
	Jan-05 prelim.	Dec-04 revised	Jan-04	Jan-05 prelim.	Dec-04 revised	Jan-04	Jan-05 prelim.	Dec-04 revised	Jan-04
New Hampshire									
All Manufacturing	\$623.64	\$626.26	\$620.77	39.9	40.3	40.6	\$15.63	\$15.54	\$15.29
Durable Goods	\$626.40	\$638.69	\$643.36	40.0	41.1	41.4	\$15.66	\$15.54	\$15.54
Nondurable Goods	\$615.78	\$593.63	\$557.27	39.6	38.2	38.3	\$15.55	\$15.54	\$14.55
Manchester NH MetroNECTA									
All Manufacturing	\$667.96	\$673.46	\$695.14	38.7	39.2	38.9	\$17.26	\$17.18	\$17.87
Nashua NH-MA NECTA Division, NH Portion									
All Manufacturing	\$662.59	\$690.77	\$661.69	40.6	43.2	41.8	\$16.32	\$15.99	\$15.83

Note: Production workers and information for Portsmouth and Rochester will be available with January 2006 data.

Unadjusted: The January 2005 unadjusted estimates encountered a seasonal downturn with its 13,100-job drop in total nonfarm employment. Trade, transportation, and utilities (supersector 40) made the principal contribution with its 6,800-job contraction. Joining trend, professional and business services (supersector 60) cut 1,900 jobs, and government (supersector 90) employment totals fell by 1,500 jobs.

Elsewhere, education and health services (supersector 65) saw its employment trend line decline by 600 jobs. Manufac-

turing (supersector 30) and leisure and hospitality (supersector 70) each found it necessary to employ 400 fewer persons. Information (supersector 50) cut its force by 200 positions in January, and to wrap up the reductions, natural resources and mining (supersector 10) trimmed 100 workers from its ranks.

On the upside, financial activities (supersector 55) increased its staff by 800 workers, while other services (supersector 80) bolstered its cadre by 100 jobs

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