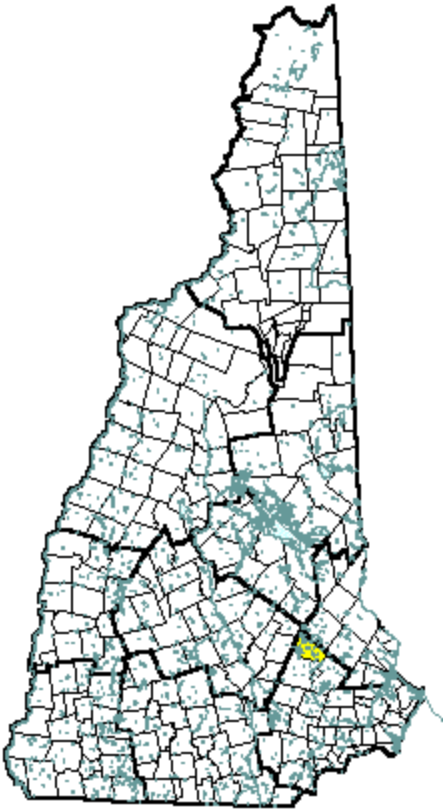


Northwood



Incorporated: 1773

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City/Town Office Hours: **Monday, Tuesday, and Friday, 9 am – 2 pm;**
Thursday, 9 am – 4 pm; and the second and last
Saturday of each month, 9 am – 12 noon

County: **Rockingham**
Labor Market Area: **Concord**
Planning Commission: **Strafford Regional**
Tourism Region: **Merrimack Valley**

Demographics, 2000 Census: From 1990 to 2000, Northwood's population grew by 16.5 percent to 3,640, adding 516 residents. The median age is 36.9, with 27.1 percent of the population under the age of 18 and 9.0 percent age 65 and older. The total number of households is 1,347, with an average size of 2.7 persons. Of those, 1,001 are family households, with an average size of 3.07 persons. As of April 1, 2000, there were 1,905 total housing units.

Population density, 2000: 129.4 persons per square mile of land area. Northwood contains 28.1 square miles of land area and 2.1 square miles of inland water area.

Origin: First settled in 1763, Northwood separated from Nottingham and was incorporated in 1773. The town was also known as North Woods and Northwood Narrows, a name still used. At one time, there were some 12 sawmills in the town, five of which were replaced by shoe factories. More recently, the town has been a popular vacation spot, being home to ten lakes, including Bow, Pleasant, and Harvey Lakes.



MUNICIPAL SERVICES

City/Town Office Hours:

**MTF 9-2 pm, Th 9-4 pm, 2nd & last Sat. each month
9-12**

Type of Government	Selectmen
Annual Budget (1999)	\$1,661,737
Planning Board	Elected
Industrial Plans Reviewed By	Planning Board
Zoning	1968/99
Master Plan	1998
Capital Improvement Plan	No
Public Library	Chesley Memorial

EMERGENCY SERVICES

Police Department	Full-time
Fire Department	Full & part-time
Town Fire Insurance Rating	9/10

Emergency Medical Service	Volunteer
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Nearest Hospital(s):

Frisbee Memorial, Rochester
Distance: **15 miles** Beds: **70****TAXES**

2001 Total Tax Rate	\$30.74
2001 Equalization Ratio	0.65
2001 Full Value Tax Rate	\$19.97
2001 Property Valuation:	
Residential	89.2%
Commercial	7.9%
Other	2.9%

UTILITIES

Electric Supplier	PSNH; NH Electric Coop.
Natural Gas Supplier	None
Water Supplier	Northwood Ridge Water District
Sanitation	Private septic
Municipal Treatment Plant	No
Curbside Trash Pickup	No
Mandatory Recycling Program	Yes
Telephone Company	Verizon
Cellular Telephone Access	Yes
Cable Television Access	Yes

HOUSING**2000**

Total Housing Units	1,905
Single-Family Units	1,461
Building Permits Issued	23
Multi-Family Units	187
Building Permits Issued	0
Manufactured Housing Units	257
Median Value, Owner-Occupied Housing	\$114,500
Median Gross Rent (monthly)	\$589

DEMOGRAPHICS**(US CENSUS)**

Total Population	Community	County
2000	3,640	277,359
1990	3,124	245,845
1980	2,175	190,345
1970	1,526	138,951

Population by Gender, 2000

Male	1,823	Female	1,817
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Population by Age Group, 2000

Under age 5	223
Age 5 to 19	862
Age 20 to 34	616
Age 35 to 54	1,284
Age 55 to 64	326
Age 65 and over	329

Median Age

36.9 years

Total Households	1,365	Ave. Size	2.70 persons
Total Families	1,013	Ave. Size	3.07 persons

Educational Attainment, population 25 years and over

High school graduate or higher	90.6%
Bachelor's degree or higher	23.9%

ANNUAL INCOME, 1999**(US CENSUS)**

Per capita income	\$21,491
Median 4-person family income	\$53,953
Median household income	\$50,675
Median Earnings, full-time, year-round workers	
Male	\$36,161
Female	\$27,721

Families below the poverty level

1.5%**TRANSPORTATION**

Road Access	Federal Routes	4, 202
	State Routes	9, 43, 152
Nearest Interstate, Exit		I-93, Exit 15
	Distance	21 miles
Railroad		No
Public Transportation		No
Nearest Airport		Concord
Runway		6,005 feet
Lighted?	Yes	Navigational Aids? Yes
Nearest Commercial Airport		Manchester
Distance		25 miles

DISTANCE TO

Manchester, NH	25 miles
Portland, ME	74 miles
Boston, MA	77 miles
New York City, NY	285 miles
Montreal, Quebec	273 miles

EDUCATION/CHILD CARE FACILITIES

	Elementary	Middle/Junior High	High School	Private/Parochial
Primary & Secondary				
Number of Schools	1		1	
Grade Levels	K-8		9-12	
Total Enrollment	506		656	

If no schools, district students attend:

Regional Career Technology Center(s): **Dover HS; Somersworth HS; Creteau Reg. Voc Ctr**

Region: **12**

NH Licensed Child Care Facilities, 2001: Total Facilities: **2** Total Capacity: **59**

Nearest Community/Technical College: **Concord**

Nearest Colleges or Universities: **University of NH**

LARGEST EMPLOYERS	PRODUCT/SERVICE	EMPLOYEES	ESTABLISHED
AM Traditional Stencils	Stencils, brass, jewelry	40	1982
DR Dimes Co.	Chairs	30	
Harding Metals	Junkyard	30	
Weather Guard, Inc.	Mobile home additions	14	
American Calan Inc.	Agriculture research equipment	10	1973
New England Signal	Street lighting	10	
Bank of New Hampshire	Financial services	9	
Noel's Bird Feeders	Bird feeder manufacturing	4	1969

LABOR FORCE

	1990	2001
Annual Average		
Civilian labor force	1,497	2,048
Employed	1,420	1,979
Unemployed	77	69
Unemployment rate	5.1%	3.4%

COMMUTING TO WORK, 2000

(US CENSUS)

Workers 16 years and over	
Drove alone, car/truck/van	85.3%
Carpooled, car/truck/van	6.5%
Public transportation	0.0%
Walked	1.1%
Other means	0.4%
Worked at home	6.8%

Mean Travel Time to Work **33.5 minutes**

EMPLOYMENT & WAGES

1991

2000

Manufacturing Industries		
Average Employment	47	97
Average Weekly Wage	\$436	\$618
Non-Manufacturing Industries		
Average Employment	360	449
Average Weekly Wage	\$315	\$439
Total Private Industry		
Average Employment	407	546
Average Weekly Wage	\$329	\$471
Government		
Average Employment	100	131
Average Weekly Wage	\$303	\$402
Total, Private plus Government		
Average Employment	507	677
Average Weekly Wage	\$324	\$458

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RECREATIONAL FACILITIES

X	Municipal Parks
	YMCA/YWCA
	Boys Club/Girls Club
	Golf Courses
	Swimming: Indoor Facility
X	Swimming: Outdoor Facility
	Tennis Courts: Indoor Facility
X	Tennis Courts: Outdoor Facility
	Ice Skating Rink: Indoor Facility
	Bowling Facilities
	Museums
	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
X	Campgrounds
X	Fishing/Hunting
X	Boating/Marinas
X	Snowmobile Trails
X	Bicycle Trails
X	Cross Country Skiing

Nearest Ski Area(s): **Ragged Mtn., Gunstock**

Other: **Northwood Meadows State Park; Antiques**