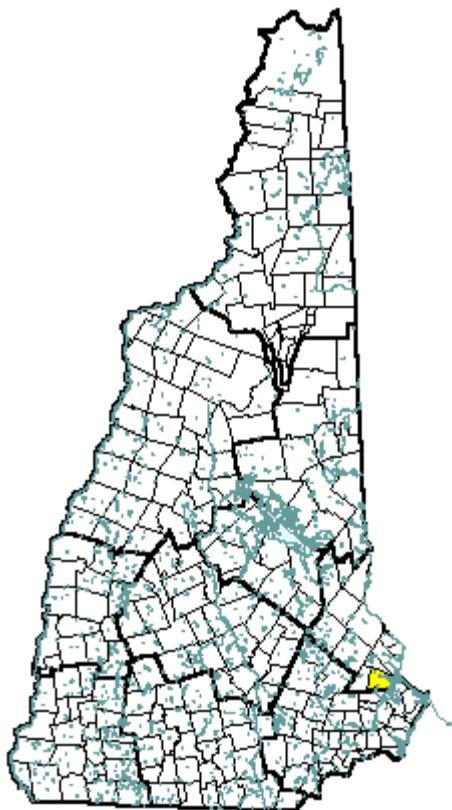


Durham, NH



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Municipal Office Hours

Monday through Friday, 8 am - 5 pm

County

Strafford

Labor Market Area

Rochester-Dover NH-ME Metro-NECTA, NH Portion

Tourism Region

Seacoast

Planning Commission

Strafford Regional

Regional Development

Southeast Economic Development Corp.

Election Districts

US Congress
 Executive Council
 State Senate
 State Representative

District 1
District 3
District 21
Strafford County District 7

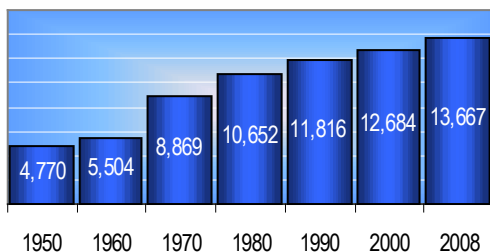
Incorporated: 1732

Origin: Durham started as a parish of Dover called Oyster River Plantation, first settled in 1669. Durham was incorporated in 1732, probably to honor the first Puritan bishop, Richard Barnes, Bishop of Durham. Durham included what is now Lee until 1766, when that town was incorporated. Benjamin Thompson, descendant of an early settler, bequeathed the family estate, the Warner Farm, to be used for establishment of an agricultural college. The state agricultural school, originally set up in Hanover in 1866, was moved to Durham in 1890, becoming the University of New Hampshire in 1923.

Villages and Place Names: Oyster River

Population, Year of the First Census Taken: 1,247 residents in 1790

Population Trends: Population change for Durham, including resident students, totaled 7,914 over 50 years, from 4,770 in 1950 to 12,684 in 2000. The largest decennial percent change was a 61 percent increase between 1960 and 1970. The 2008 Census estimate for Durham was 13,667 residents, which ranked 20th among New Hampshire's incorporated cities and towns.



Population Density and Land Area, 2008 (NH Office of Energy & Planning):

610.1 persons per square mile of land area. Durham contains 22.4 square miles of land area and 2.4 square miles of inland water area.

MUNICIPAL SERVICES

Type of Government	Administrator & Council
Budget: Municipal Appropriations, 2008	\$10,525,822
Budget: School Appropriations,	not available
Zoning Ordinance	1935/06
Master Plan	2000
Capital Improvement Plan	Yes
Industrial Plans Reviewed By	Town Planner/Planning Board

Boards and Commissions

Elected:	Town Council
Appointed:	Planning; Zoning; Conservation; Library; Cemetery; Historic; Economic Development

Public Library **Durham Public; UNH Library****EMERGENCY SERVICES**

Police Department	Full-time
Fire Department	Full-time
Town Fire Insurance Rating	4/10
Emergency Medical Service	Municipal
Nearest Hospital(s)	Distance Staffed Beds
Wentworth-Douglass, Dover	6 miles 134

UTILITIES

Electric Supplier	PSNH; NH Electric Coop
Natural Gas Supplier	Unitil Northern
Water Supplier	UNH/Durham Water System
Sanitation	Municipal
Municipal Wastewater Treatment Plant	Yes
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	Yes
High Speed Internet Service:	Business Residential
	unknown unknown

PROPERTY TAXES (NH Dept. of Revenue Administration)

2008 Total Tax Rate (per \$1000 of value)	\$26.67
2008 Equalization Ratio	100.0
2008 Full Value Tax Rate (per \$1000 of value)	\$26.72
2008 Percent of Local Assessed Valuation by Property Type	
Residential Land and Buildings	79.0%
Commercial Land and Buildings	19.7%
Public Utilities, Current Use, and Other	1.3%

HOUSING SUPPLY (NH Office of Energy and Planning)

2008 Total Housing Units	3,306
2008 Single-Family Units	1,847
Residential Permits, Net Change of Units	2
2008 Multi-Family Units	1,455
Residential Permits, Net Change of Units	55
2008 Manufactured Housing Units	4

DEMOGRAPHICS

(US Census Bureau)

Total Population	Community	County
2008	13,667	121,914
2000	12,684	112,676
1990	11,816	104,348
1980	10,652	85,324
1970	8,869	70,431

Census 2000 Demographics

Population by Gender			
Male	5,719	Female	6,945
Population by Age Group			
Under age 5			306
Age 5 to 19			4,083
Age 20 to 34			4,982
Age 35 to 54			1,948
Age 55 to 64			571
Age 65 and over			774
Median Age			21.2 years

Educational Attainment, population 25 years and over

High school graduate or higher	97.5%
Bachelor's degree or higher	73.4%

ANNUAL INCOME, 1999

(US Census Bureau)

Per capita income	\$17,210
Median 4-person family income	\$83,609
Median household income	\$51,697
Median Earnings, full-time, year-round workers	
Male	\$54,519
Female	\$31,548
Families below the poverty level	2.8%

LABOR FORCE

(NHES - ELMI)

Annual Average	1998	2008
Civilian labor force	5,380	7,123
Employed	5,213	6,924
Unemployed	167	199
Unemployment rate	3.1%	2.8%

EMPLOYMENT & WAGES

(NHES - ELMI)

Annual Average Covered Employment	1998	2008
Goods Producing Industries		
Average Employment	191	318
Average Weekly Wage	\$904	\$1,159
Service Providing Industries		
Average Employment	1,536	1,378
Average Weekly Wage	\$524	\$521
Total Private Industry		
Average Employment	1,727	1,697
Average Weekly Wage	\$566	\$641
Government (Federal, State, and Local)		
Average Employment	4,080	4,477
Average Weekly Wage	\$688	\$1,089
Total, Private Industry plus Government		
Average Employment	5,806	6,173
Average Weekly Wage	\$652	\$966

n = indicates that data does not meet disclosure standards

EDUCATION AND CHILD CARE

Schools students attend: **Grades K-12 are part of Oyster River Cooperative (Durham, Lee, Madbury)** District: **SAU 5**
 Career Technology Center(s): **Dover Voc. Center; Somersworth Reg. Voc. Center; Creteau Voc. Center, Rochester** Region: **12**

Educational Facilities	Elementary	Middle/Junior High	High School	Private/Parochial
Number of Schools		1	1	
Grade Levels		5-8	9-12	
Total Enrollment		624	692	

NH Licensed Child Care Facilities, 2009: Total Facilities: 9 Total Capacity: 374

Nearest Community/Technical College: **Great Bay**
 Nearest Colleges or Universities: **University of NH**

LARGEST BUSINESSES	PRODUCT/SERVICE	EMPLOYEES	ESTABLISHED
University of New Hampshire	Education	4,468	
Goss International	Printing press	555	
Town of Durham	Municipal services	78	

TRANSPORTATION (distances estimated from city/town hall)

Road Access	US Routes	4
	State Routes	108, 155, 155A
Nearest Interstate, Exit	I-95, Exit 5	
	Distance	8 miles
Railroad	Boston & Maine	
Public Transportation	Yes	
Nearest Public Use Airport, General Aviation		
Pease International	Runway	11,321 ft. asphalt/conc
Lighted? Yes	Navigation Aids?	Yes
Nearest Airport with Scheduled Service		
Manchester-Boston Regional	Distance	40 miles
Number of Passenger Airlines Serving Airport		6
Driving distance to select cities:		
Manchester, NH		37 miles
Portland, Maine		61 miles
Boston, Mass.		64 miles
New York City, NY		275 miles
Montreal, Quebec		282 miles

COMMUTING TO WORK (US Census Bureau)

Workers 16 years and over	
Drove alone, car/truck/van	56.6%
Carpooled, car/truck/van	6.5%
Public transportation	3.6%
Walked	27.1%
Other means	2.1%
Worked at home	4.1%
Mean Travel Time to Work	17.1 minutes
Percent of Working Residents:	
Working in community of residence	46%
Commuting to another NH community	47%
Commuting out-of-state	6%

RECREATION, ATTRACTIONS, AND EVENTS

X	Municipal Parks
	YMCA/YWCA
	Boys Club/Girls Club
X	Golf Courses
	Swimming: Indoor Facility
X	Swimming: Outdoor Facility
	Tennis Courts: Indoor Facility
	Tennis Courts: Outdoor Facility
X	Ice Skating Rink: Indoor Facility
	Bowling Facilities
	Museums
	Cinemas
X	Performing Arts Facilities
	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
	Snowmobile Trails
X	Bicycle Trails
X	Cross Country Skiing
	Beach or Waterfront Recreation Area
	Overnight or Day Camps
	Nearest Ski Area(s): Gunstock
	Other: Great Bay National Estuarine Research Reserve