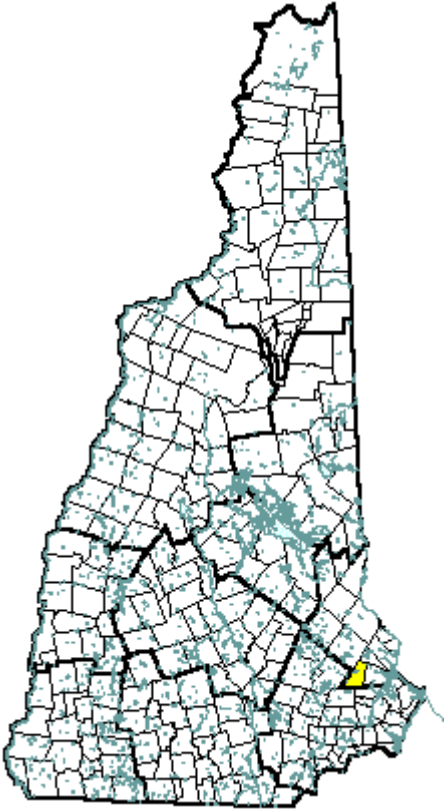


Lee, NH



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Municipal Office Hours

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Friday, 8 am - 4 pm;
Town Clerk/Tax Collector: Monday, 8 am - 6 pm, Wednesday
and Friday, 8 am - 4 pm, closed Thursday

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

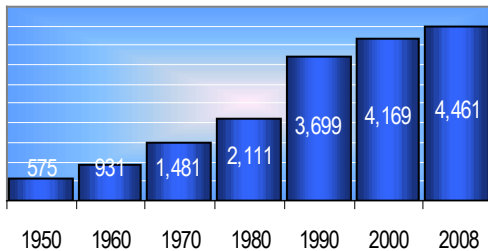
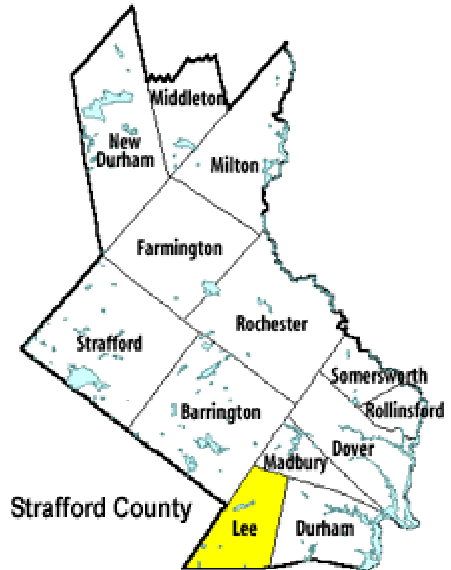
Incorporated: 1766

Origin: Established in 1766 following separation from Durham, Lee was one of the last among the 129 towns chartered by Governor Benning Wentworth. The town was named for General Charles Lee, friend and kin of the Governor, who had fought with George Washington and others during the French and Indian Wars. Lee also fought under Washington during the American Revolution, and in doing so, forfeited estates in England. Lee is the location of Wheelwright Pond, a noted scenic area, which was part of the claim issued to Reverend John Wheelwright, founder of Exeter.

Villages and Place Names: Glenmere, Lee Five Corners, South Lee, Wadleigh Falls

Population, Year of the First Census Taken: 1,029 residents in 1790

Population Trends: Population change for Lee totaled 3,594 over 50 years, from 575 in 1950 to 4,169 in 2000. The largest decennial percent change was a 75 percent increase between 1980 and 1990; the three decades prior to that all had a population change of at least 40 percent. The 2008 Census estimate for Lee was 4,461 residents, which ranked 85th among New Hampshire's incorporated cities and towns.



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

223.3 persons per square mile of land area. Lee contains 20.0 square miles of land area and 0.2 square miles of inland water area.

MUNICIPAL SERVICES

Type of Government	Selectmen
Budget: Municipal Appropriations, 2008	\$3,196,065
Budget: School Appropriations, 2008	\$10,910,600
Zoning Ordinance	1966/06
Master Plan	2006
Capital Improvement Plan	Yes
Industrial Plans Reviewed By	Planning Board

Boards and Commissions

Elected: **Selectmen; Cemetery; Trust Funds; Budget; Town Clerk/Tax Collector; Moderator; Checklist**

Appointed: **Planning; Conservation; Library; Zoning**

Public Library **Lee Public**

EMERGENCY SERVICES

Police Department	Full-time
Fire Department	Full-time
Town Fire Insurance Rating	5/10
Emergency Medical Service	Volunteer
Nearest Hospital(s)	Distance Staffed Beds
Wentworth-Douglass, Dover	10 miles 134
Exeter Hospital, Exeter	13 miles 97

UTILITIES

Electric Supplier	PSNH; NH Electric Coop
Natural Gas Supplier	None
Water Supplier	Private wells
Sanitation	Private septic
Municipal Wastewater Treatment Plant	No
Solid Waste Disposal	none
Curbside Trash Pickup	none
Pay-As-You-Throw Program	No
Recycling Program	Mandatory
Telephone Company	Comcast, Fairpoint, AT&T
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)

2008 Total Tax Rate (per \$1000 of value)	\$25.57
2008 Equalization Ratio	104.9
2008 Full Value Tax Rate (per \$1000 of value)	\$26.26
2008 Percent of Local Assessed Valuation by Property Type	
Residential Land and Buildings	88.7%
Commercial Land and Buildings	10.2%
Public Utilities, Current Use, and Other	1.1%

HOUSING SUPPLY (NH Office of Energy and Planning)

2008 Total Housing Units	1,703
2008 Single-Family Units	1,161
Residential Permits, Net Change of Units	4
2008 Multi-Family Units	365
Residential Permits, Net Change of Units	0
2008 Manufactured Housing Units	177

DEMOGRAPHICS

(US Census Bureau)

Total Population	Community	County
2008	4,461	121,914
2000	4,169	112,676
1990	3,699	104,348
1980	2,111	85,324
1970	1,481	70,431

Census 2000 Demographics

Population by Gender

Male **2,077** Female **2,068**

Population by Age Group

Under age 5 **270**
 Age 5 to 19 **1,092**
 Age 20 to 34 **680**
 Age 35 to 54 **1,518**
 Age 55 to 64 **289**
 Age 65 and over **296**
 Median Age **35.4 years**

Educational Attainment, population 25 years and over

High school graduate or higher **95.1%**
 Bachelor's degree or higher **52.6%**

ANNUAL INCOME, 1999

(US Census Bureau)

Per capita income	\$23,905
Median 4-person family income	\$62,330
Median household income	\$57,993
Median Earnings, full-time, year-round workers	
Male	\$41,354
Female	\$29,651
Families below the poverty level	4.3%

LABOR FORCE

(NHES - ELMI)

Annual Average	1998	2008
Civilian labor force	2,316	2,651
Employed	2,279	2,568
Unemployed	37	83
Unemployment rate	1.6%	3.1%

EMPLOYMENT & WAGES

(NHES - ELMI)

Annual Average Covered Employment	1998	2008
Goods Producing Industries		
Average Employment	69	86
Average Weekly Wage	\$467	\$513
Service Providing Industries		
Average Employment	779	902
Average Weekly Wage	\$335	\$479
Total Private Industry		
Average Employment	847	988
Average Weekly Wage	\$345	\$482
Government (Federal, State, and Local)		
Average Employment	108	135
Average Weekly Wage	\$463	\$708
Total, Private Industry plus Government		
Average Employment	955	1,123
Average Weekly Wage	\$359	\$509

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			
Grade Levels	K 1-4			
Total Enrollment	344			

NH Licensed Child Care Facilities, 2009: Total Facilities: **2** Total Capacity: **69**

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

LARGEST BUSINESSES	PRODUCT/SERVICE	EMPLOYEES	ESTABLISHED
Market Basket	Supermarket	120	1993
S & J Transportation	Trucking, leasing, sales	40	1992
McDonald's	Fast food restaurant	35	1995
Wendy's	Fast food restaurant	35	2004
125 Family Restaurant	Restaurant	20	
Dunkin' Donuts	Donut shop	20	
Mobil Mart w/ Pizza Hut Express	Convenience store, gas	15	
Sunoco Mart	Convenience store, gas	15	2002
University of New Hampshire	Education		

TRANSPORTATION (distances estimated from city/town hall)

Road Access	US Routes	4
	State Routes	125, 152, 155
Nearest Interstate, Exit	Spaulding Tpk., Exit 6; I-95, Exit 5	
Distance	10 miles; 15 miles	
Railroad		No
Public Transportation		No
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	33 miles
Number of Passenger Airlines Serving Airport		6
Driving distance to select cities:		
Manchester, NH		30 miles
Portland, Maine		67 miles
Boston, Mass.		61 miles
New York City, NY		264 miles
Montreal, Quebec		284 miles

COMMUTING TO WORK (US Census Bureau)

Workers 16 years and over	
Drove alone, car/truck/van	82.8%
Carpooled, car/truck/van	7.1%
Public transportation	0.0%
Walked	1.9%
Other means	0.3%
Worked at home	8.0%
Mean Travel Time to Work	26.4 minutes
Percent of Working Residents:	
Working in community of residence	16%
Commuting to another NH community	70%
Commuting out-of-state	15%

RECREATION, ATTRACTIONS, AND EVENTS

X	Municipal Parks
	YMCA/YWCA
	Boys Club/Girls Club
	Golf Courses
	Swimming: Indoor Facility
	Swimming: Outdoor Facility
	Tennis Courts: Indoor Facility
X	Tennis Courts: Outdoor Facility
	Ice Skating Rink: Indoor Facility
	Bowling Facilities
	Museums
	Cinemas
	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
X	Beach or Waterfront Recreation Area
	Overnight or Day Camps
	Nearest Ski Area(s): Moose Mountain, Gunstock
	Other: Lee USA Speedway; Lee County Fair; Library events