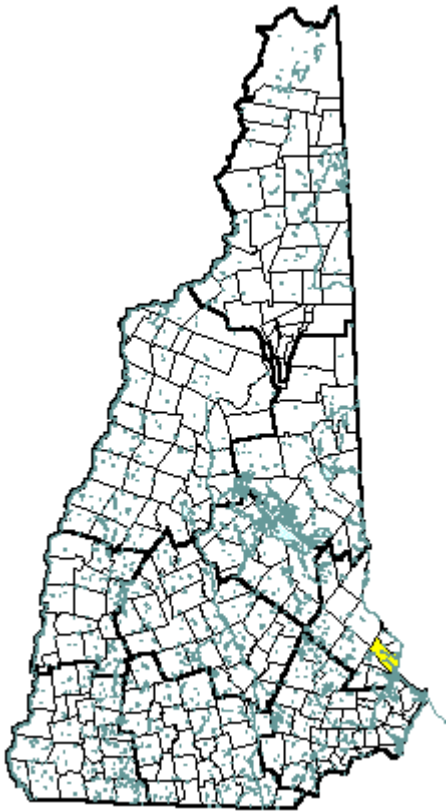


Dover, NH



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Wednesday, 8 am - 6 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 (All Wards)

District 3 (All Wards)

District 21 (All Wards)

Strafford County Districts 4 (Wards 1 & 2), 5 (Wards 3 & 4), and 6 (Wards 5 & 6)

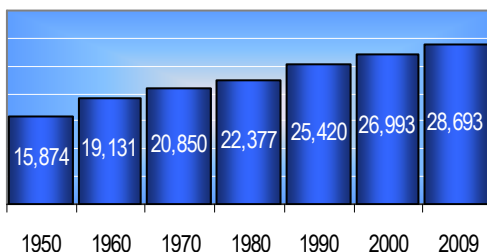
Incorporated: 1623

Origin: For the first fifty years of New Hampshire history, Dover was one of only three communities established in what is now New Hampshire. Settled in 1623 on the banks of the Piscataqua River, Dover was first called Hilton's Point, named after Edward Hilton, who procured for himself the "Dover and Squamscot Patent" in 1629. The town was also known by the Indian names of Newichwannock (place of wigwams) and Cocheco; and briefly called Bristol and Northam before permanently becoming Dover. The settlement was an independent government until 1641, when residents agreed to be annexed to Massachusetts; the town returned to New Hampshire when provincial status was restored by King George II in 1741. Dover's location on the Piscataqua and Cocheco Rivers made it a thriving center of trading and manufacturing. Dover was incorporated as a city in 1855.

Villages and Place Names: Bellamy, Cocheco, Gates Corner, Sawyers, Wentworth Terrace

Population, Year of the First Census Taken: 1,998 residents in 1790

Population Trends: Population change for Dover totaled 11,119 over 50 years, from 15,874 in 1950 to 26,993 in 2000. The largest decennial percent change was a 21 percent increase between 1950 and 1960, and the population has grown less than 15 percent each decade since. The 2009 Census estimate for Dover was 28,693 residents, which ranked seventh among New Hampshire's incorporated cities and towns.



Population Density and Land Area, 2009 (NH Office of Energy & Planning):

1,081.6 persons per square mile of land area, the eighth highest among the cities and towns. Dover contains 26.7 square miles of land area and 2.3 square miles of inland water area.



MUNICIPAL SERVICES

Type of Government	Manager & Council
Budget: Municipal Appropriations, 2010	\$31,927,541
Budget: School Appropriations, 2010	\$44,633,221
Zoning Ordinance	1948/09
Master Plan	2009
Capital Improvement Plan	Yes
Industrial Plans Reviewed By	Planning Board

Boards and Commissions

Elected:	City Council
Appointed:	Planning; Zoning; Conservation; Library; Cemetery

Public Library **Dover Public**

EMERGENCY SERVICES

Police Department	Full-time
Fire Department	Full-time
Emergency Medical Service	Municipal

Nearest Hospital(s)	Distance	Staffed Beds
Wentworth-Douglass, Dover	Local	134

UTILITIES

Electric Supplier	PSNH
Natural Gas Supplier	Northern Utilities
Water Supplier	City of Dover

Sanitation	Municipal
Municipal Wastewater Treatment Plant	Yes
Solid Waste Disposal	
Curbside Trash Pickup	Municipal
Pay-As-You-Throw Program	Yes
Recycling Program	Yes

Telephone Company	Fairpoint
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)*

2009 Total Tax Rate (per \$1000 of value)	\$23.32
2009 Equalization Ratio	94.7
2009 Full Value Tax Rate (per \$1000 of value)	\$21.70

2009 Percent of Local Assessed Valuation by Property Type	
Residential Land and Buildings	73.4%
Commercial Land and Buildings	25.3%
Public Utilities, Current Use, and Other	1.4%

HOUSING SUPPLY *(NH Office of Energy and Planning)*

2009 Total Housing Units	13,350
2009 Single-Family Units	6,018
Residential Permits, Net Change of Units	42
2009 Multi-Family Units	6,891
Residential Permits, Net Change of Units	68
2009 Manufactured Housing Units	441

DEMOGRAPHICS*(US Census Bureau)*

Total Population	Community	County
2009	28,693	123,589
2000	26,993	112,676
1990	25,420	104,348
1980	22,377	85,324
1970	20,850	70,431

Demographics, American Community Survey (ACS) 2005-2009

Population by Gender			
Male	14,339	Female	14,256

Population by Age Group	
Under age 5	1,956
Age 5 to 19	6,389
Age 20 to 34	7,552
Age 35 to 54	8,320
Age 55 to 64	2,819
Age 65 and over	3,515
Median Age	36.0 years

Educational Attainment, population 25 years and over	
High school graduate or higher	92.9%
Bachelor's degree or higher	37.6%

INCOME, 2009 INFLATION ADJUSTED \$ *(ACS 2005-2009)*

Per capita income	\$30,298
Median 4-person family income	\$77,542
Median household income	\$58,756

Median Earnings, full-time, year-round workers	
Male	\$50,156
Female	\$37,994

Families below the poverty level	5.2%
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LABOR FORCE *(NHES - ELMI)*

Annual Average	1999	2009
Civilian labor force	14,852	17,313
Employed	14,536	16,359
Unemployed	316	954
Unemployment rate	2.1%	5.5%

EMPLOYMENT & WAGES *(NHES - ELMI)*

Annual Average Covered Employment	1999	2009
Goods Producing Industries		
Average Employment	2,979	1,319
Average Weekly Wage	\$696	\$888
Service Providing Industries		
Average Employment	10,031	13,141
Average Weekly Wage	\$474	\$953
Total Private Industry		
Average Employment	13,010	14,460
Average Weekly Wage	\$525	\$947
Government (Federal, State, and Local)		
Average Employment	1,674	1,811
Average Weekly Wage	\$534	\$767
Total, Private Industry plus Government		
Average Employment	14,684	16,271
Average Weekly Wage	\$526	\$927

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EDUCATION AND CHILD CARE

Schools students attend: **Dover operates grades K-12** District: **SAU 11**
 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	3	1	1	5
Grade Levels	P K 1-4	5-8	9-12	K 1-12
Total Enrollment	1,442	1,062	1,561	1,708

NH Licensed Child Care Facilities, 2010: Total Facilities: **28** Total Capacity: **1,254**

Nearest Community/Technical College: **Great Bay; NHTI-Concord**
 Nearest Colleges or Universities: **University of NH; Southern NH University**

LARGEST BUSINESSES	PRODUCT/SERVICE	EMPLOYEES	ESTABLISHED
Liberty Mutual	Insurance services	3,500	
City of Dover	Municipal services	1,139	1855
Wentworth-Douglass Hospital	Health care services	1,100	
Cambridge Tool North	Die casting	190	
EAD Motors	Electric motors	172	
Hurcell Systems	Business equipment & parts	150	
Universak Recycling Technologies Corp	Electronics recycling	120	
DT Magnetics	High frequency transformers	105	
Foster's Daily Democrat	Newspaper	100	1873
Goss	Web offset presses		

TRANSPORTATION (distances estimated from city/town hall)

Road Access	US Routes	4
	State Routes	4, 9, 16, 16A, 16B, 108, 155
Nearest Interstate, Exit	Spaulding Tpk., Exits 6-9; I-95, Exit 5	
Distance	Local access; 10 miles	
Railroad	Amtrak Downeaster; Guilford Rail Service	
Public Transportation	COAST; Wildcat Transit	
Nearest Public Use Airport, General Aviation	Skyhaven, Rochester	
	Runway	4,001 ft. asphalt
Lighted?	Yes	Navigation Aids? Yes
Nearest Airport with Scheduled Service	Manchester-Boston Regional	
	Distance	43 miles
	Number of Passenger Airlines Serving Airport	6
Driving distance to select cities:		
	Manchester, NH	40 miles
	Portland, Maine	50 miles
	Boston, Mass.	65 miles
	New York City, NY	278 miles
	Montreal, Quebec	285 miles

COMMUTING TO WORK (ACS 2005-2009)

Workers 16 years and over	
Drove alone, car/truck/van	80.1%
Carpooled, car/truck/van	9.5%
Public transportation	2.5%
Walked	3.6%
Other means	0.6%
Worked at home	3.7%
Mean Travel Time to Work	23.9 minutes
Percent of Working Residents: Census 2000	
Working in community of residence	33%
Commuting to another NH community	57%
Commuting out-of-state	10%

RECREATION, ATTRACTIONS, AND EVENTS

X	Municipal Parks
	YMCA/YWCA
X	Boys Club/Girls Club
X	Golf Courses
X	Swimming: Indoor Facility
X	Swimming: Outdoor Facility
	Tennis Courts: Indoor Facility
X	Tennis Courts: Outdoor Facility
X	Ice Skating Rink: Indoor Facility
X	Bowling Facilities
X	Museums
X	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
	Campgrounds
X	Fishing/Hunting
X	Boating/Marinas
X	Snowmobile Trails
X	Bicycle Trails
X	Cross Country Skiing
	Beach or Waterfront Recreation Area
	Overnight or Day Camps
	Nearest Ski Area(s): Gunstock
	Other: Woodman Institute; Bellamy River Sanctuary