

Colebrook, NH



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Municipal Office Hours

Town Manager and Tax Collector: Monday to Friday, 8-4; Town Clerk: Monday to Thursday, 8-3:30, Friday, 8-1

County
Labor Market Area
Tourism Region
Planning Commission
Regional Development

Coös
Colebrook, NH-VT LMA, NH part
Great North Woods
North Country Council
Coös Economic Development Corp.

Election Districts

US Congress
Executive Council
State Senate
State Representative

District 2
District 1
District 1
Coös County District 3

Incorporated: 1796

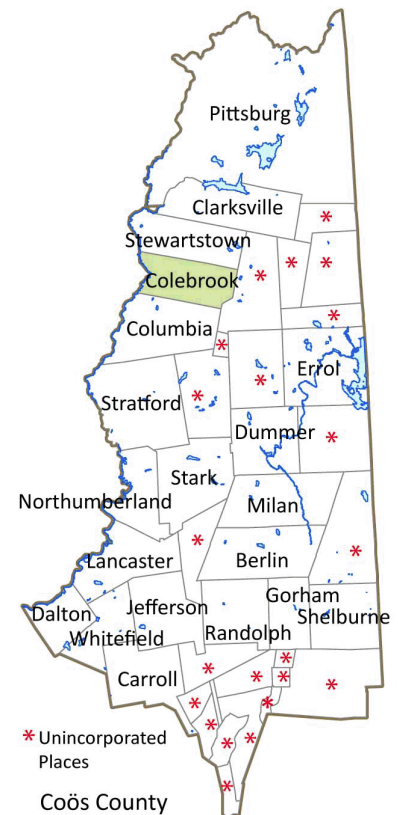
Origin: This territory was first granted to settlers in 1762 by Governor Benning Wentworth, who named it Dryden, after English poet and playwright John Dryden. Among them were Dutch settlers from New York, who were selected in an effort to colonize territory west of the Connecticut River. The New York government also wanted to colonize the territory, and as a result, settlers formed the independent state of Vermont. Dryden grantees failed to meet the prescribed terms, and in 1770, Governor John Wentworth regranted the area to Sir George Colebrooke, Chairman of the British East India Company, and three others. At that time, the town was renamed Colebrook.

Villages and Place Names: Kidderville, Upper Kidderville, Factory Village

Population, Year of the First Census Taken: 29 residents in 1790

Population Trends: Population change for Colebrook totaled a negative 62 over 50 years, from 2,095 in 1970 to 2,032 in 2020. The largest decennial percent change was a 17 percent increase from 1970 to 1980; population change has been negative each decade since. The town's population decreased by 12 percent from 2010 to 2020. The 2022 Census estimate for Colebrook was 2,108 residents, which ranked 136th among New Hampshire's incorporated cities and towns.

Population Density and Land Area, 2022 (US Census Bureau): 51.7 persons per square mile of land area. Colebrook contains 40.8 square miles of land area and 0 square miles of inland water area.



MUNICIPAL SERVICES			
Type of Government		Selectmen	
Budget: Municipal Appropriations, 2019		\$5,057,871	
Budget: School Appropriations, 2020-2021		\$6,909,825	
Zoning Ordinance		1957/10	
Master Plan		2013	
Capital Improvement Plan		Yes	
Industrial Plans Reviewed By		Planning Board	
Boards and Commissions			
Elected:	Selectmen; Planning; Cemetery; Library		
Appointed:	Zoning; Conservation		
Public Library	Colebrook Public		
EMERGENCY SERVICES			
Police Department		Full-time	
Fire Department		Volunteer	
Emergency Medical Service		Private	
Nearest Hospital(s)		Distance	Staffed Beds
Upper Connecticut Valley, Colebrook		Local	16
UTILITIES			
Electric Supplier		Eversource Energy; NH Electric Coop	
Natural Gas Supplier		C. Bean, C.N. Brown	
Water Supplier		Colebrook Water Works	
Sanitation		Municipal	
Municipal Wastewater Treatment Plant		Yes	
Solid Waste Disposal		Private	
Curbside Trash Pickup		Private	
Pay-As-You-Throw Program		No	
Recycling Program		Mandatory	
Telephone Company		Consolidated Communications	
Cellular Telephone Access		Yes	
Cable Television Access		Yes	
Public Access Television Station		No	
High Speed Internet Service:		Business	Yes
		Residential	Yes
PROPERTY TAXES		(NH Dept. of Revenue Administration)	
2022 Total Tax Rate (per \$1000 of value)		\$28.32	
2022 Equalization Ratio		56.3	
2022 Full Value Tax Rate (per \$1000 of value)		\$15.91	
2022 Percent of Local Assessed Valuation by Property Type			
Residential Land and Buildings		66.7%	
Commercial Land and Buildings		23.2%	
Public Utilities, Current Use, and Other		10.2%	
HOUSING		(ACS 2017-2021)	
Total Housing Units		1,360	
Single-Family Units, Detached or Attached		903	
Units in Multiple-Family Structures:			
Two to Four Units in Structure		164	
Five or More Units in Structure		115	
Mobile Homes and Other Housing Units		178	

POPULATION (1-YEAR ESTIMATES/DECENNIAL)		(US Census Bureau)	
Total Population		Community	County
2022	2,108		31,504
2020	2,084		31,268
2010	2,301		33,055
2000	2,325		33,156
1990	2,453		34,879
1980	2,459		35,014
DEMOGRAPHICS		AMERICAN COMMUNITY SURVEY (ACS) 2017-2021	
Population by Gender			
Male	1,038	Female	957
Population by Age Group			
Under age 5		61	
Age 5 to 19		236	
Age 20 to 34		328	
Age 35 to 54		428	
Age 55 to 64		448	
Age 65 and over		494	
Median Age		52.8 years	
Educational Attainment, population 25 years and over: 1,629			
High school graduate or higher		87.0%	
Bachelor's degree or higher		16.4%	
INCOME, INFLATION ADJUSTED \$		(ACS 2017-2021)	
Per capita income		\$37,410	
Median family income		\$64,950	
Median household income		\$48,048	
Median Earnings, full-time, year-round workers			
Male		\$58,125	
Female		\$35,398	
Individuals below the poverty level		11.8%	
LABOR FORCE		(NHES – ELMI)	
Annual Average		2012	2022
Civilian labor force		1,200	1,108
Employed		1,114	1,058
Unemployed		86	50
Unemployment rate		7.2%	4.5%
EMPLOYMENT & WAGES		(NHES – ELMI)	
Annual Average Covered Employment		2012	2022
Goods Producing Industries			
Average Employment		137	209
Average Weekly Wage		\$ 711	\$ 916
Service Providing Industries			
Average Employment		861	805
Average Weekly Wage		\$ 540	\$ 905
Total Private Industry			
Average Employment		998	1,014
Average Weekly Wage		\$ 563	\$ 907
Government (Federal, State, and Local)			
Average Employment		172	152
Average Weekly Wage		\$ 583	\$ 814
Total, Private Industry plus Government			
Average Employment		1,170	1,165
Average Weekly Wage		\$ 566	\$ 895
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EDUCATION AND CHILD CARE

Schools students attend: **Colebrook operates grades K-12**
 Career Technology Center(s): **Berlin Regional Career & Technical Center**

District: **SAU 7**

Educational Facilities (includes Charter Schools)	Elementary	Middle/Junior High	High School	Private/Parochial
Number of Schools	1		1	
Grade Levels	P K 1-8		9-12	
Total Enrollment	198		118	

Nearest Community College: **White Mountains**Nearest Colleges or Universities: **Plymouth State; Northern VT - Lyndon (VT)**

2022 NH Licensed Child Care Facilities (DHHS-Bureau of Child Care Licensing)

Total Facilities: **3** Total Capacity: **111**

LARGEST BUSINESSES	PRODUCT/SERVICE	EMPLOYEES	ESTABLISHED
Upper Connecticut Valley Hospital	Health care services	140	1970
Codet	Stitching	18	1992
Town of Colebrook	Municipal services	34	1770
Colebrook School District	Education	65	1900
Bangor Savings Bank	Banking services	25	1889

Employer Information Supplied by Municipality

TRANSPORTATION (distances estimated from city/town hall)			
Road Access	US Routes		3
	State Routes		26, 145
Nearest Interstate, Exit	I-91 (VT), Exit 28; Aut-55 (QC), Exit 21		
	Distance		49 miles; 43 miles
Railroad	State owned line		
Public Transportation	No		
Nearest Public Use Airport, General Aviation			
	Gifford Field, Colebrook	Runway	2,440 ft. turf
	Lighted?	No	Navigation Aids? No
Nearest Airport with Scheduled Service			
	Portland (ME) International	Distance	129 miles
	Number of Passenger Airlines Serving Airport		8
Driving distance to select cities:			
	Manchester, NH		152 miles
	Portland, Maine		133 miles
	Boston, Mass.		202 miles
	New York City, NY		382 miles
	Montreal, Quebec		130 miles
COMMUTING TO WORK (ACS 2017-2021)			
Workers 16 years and over			
	Drove alone, car/truck/van		80.6%
	Carpooled, car/truck/van		10.1%
	Public transportation		0.0%
	Walked		1.3%
	Other means		1.7%
	Worked at home		6.2%
Mean Travel Time to Work			17.8 minutes
Percent of Working Residents			
	Working in community of residence		57.1%
	Commuting to another NH community		36.1%
	Commuting out-of-state		6.8%

RECREATION, ATTRACTIONS, AND EVENTS

X	Municipal Parks
	YMCA/YWCA
	Boys Club/Girls Club
X	Golf Courses
	Swimming: Indoor Facility
	Swimming: Outdoor Facility
	Tennis Courts: Indoor Facility
	Tennis Courts: Outdoor Facility
	Ice Skating Rink: Indoor Facility
X	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
	Youth Sports: Football
X	Youth Sports: Basketball
	Youth Sports: Hockey
X	Campgrounds
X	Fishing/Hunting
	Boating/Marinas
X	Snowmobile Trails
	Bicycle Trails
X	Cross Country Skiing
	Beach or Waterfront Recreation Area
	Overnight or Day Camps

Nearest Ski Area(s): **Bretton Woods, Jay Peak**Other: **Coleman State Park; Beaver Brook Falls; Outdoor Skating Facility**