

# Northwood, NH



## Community Contact

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## Municipal Office Hours

Town Hall/Selectmen's Office: Monday to Thursday, 9-4; Town Clerk/Tax Collector: Monday to Thursday, 8:30-4, first and third Saturday each month, 8:30-11:30

## County

Rockingham

## Labor Market Area

Raymond, NH LMA

## Tourism Region

Merrimack Valley

## Planning Commission

Strafford Regional

## Regional Development

Regional Economic Development Corp.

## Election Districts

### US Congress

District 2

### Executive Council

District 4

### State Senate

District 17

### State Representative

Rockingham County District 1

## Incorporated: 1773

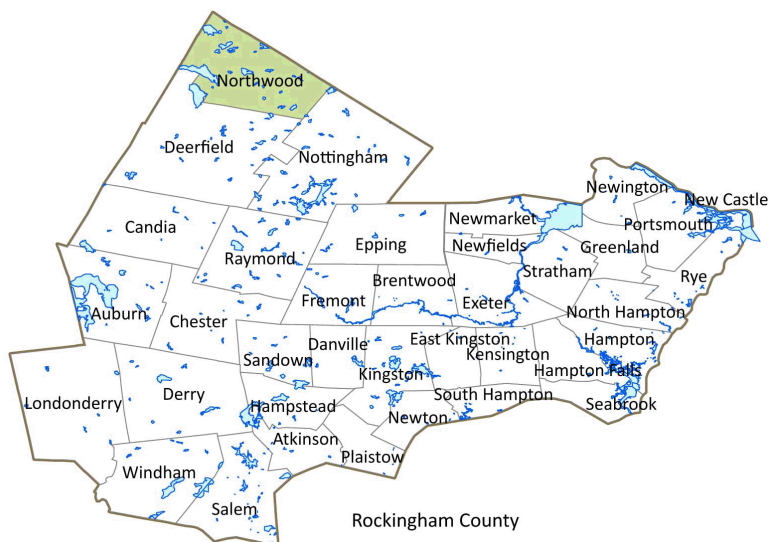
**Origin:** This territory was first settled in 1763, and known as the North Woods, a parish of Nottingham. It was incorporated as a separate town upon agreement with Nottingham in 1773. In 1791, the General Court of New Hampshire authorized a committee to survey and lay out a road between Durham and Concord, which became the First New Hampshire Turnpike. The road runs the length of Northwood, and the town's many taverns accommodated travelers. At one time, there were some 12 sawmills in the town, five of which were replaced by shoe factories.

**Villages and Place Names:** Northwood Center, Northwood Narrows, Northwood Ridge

**Population, Year of the First Census Taken:** 744 residents in 1790

**Population Trends:** Population change for Northwood totaled 3,117 over 50 years, from 1,525 in 1970 to 4,642 in 2020. The largest decennial percent change was a 44 percent increase from 1970 to 1980, following a 43 percent increase from 1970 to 1980. The town's population increased by nine percent from 2010 to 2020. The 2022 Census estimate for Northwood was 4,677 residents, which ranked 81st among New Hampshire's incorporated cities and towns.

**Population Density and Land Area, 2022 (US Census Bureau):** 166.3 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.



MUNICIPAL SERVICES			
Type of Government		Selectmen	
Budget: Municipal Appropriations, 2019		\$10,342,335	
Budget: School Appropriations, 2020-2021		\$11,680,919	
Zoning Ordinance		1968/17	
Master Plan		2004	
Capital Improvement Plan		Yes	
Industrial Plans Reviewed By		Planning Board	
Boards and Commissions			
Elected:	Selectmen; Planning; Budget; Cemetery; Library; Police; Trust Funds		
Appointed:	Conservation; Cable; Emergency Management; Highway; Recreation		
Public Library	Chesley Memorial		
EMERGENCY SERVICES			
Police Department		Full-time	
Fire Department		Full & part-time	
Emergency Medical Service		Full & part-time	
Nearest Hospital(s)		Distance	Staffed Beds
Frisbie Memorial, Rochester		17 miles	27
Concord Hospital, Concord		20 miles	236
UTILITIES			
Electric Supplier	Eversource Energy; NH Electric Coop		
Natural Gas Supplier	None		
Water Supplier	Northwood Ridge Water District; Private wells		
Sanitation		Private septic	
Municipal Wastewater Treatment Plant		No	
Solid Waste Disposal			
Curbside Trash Pickup		Private	
Pay-As-You-Throw Program		No	
Recycling Program		Mandatory	
Telephone Company	Consolidated Communications; Metrocast		
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)	
2022 Total Tax Rate (per \$1000 of value)		\$12.58	
2022 Equalization Ratio		99.9	
2022 Full Value Tax Rate (per \$1000 of value)		\$12.43	
2022 Percent of Local Assessed Valuation by Property Type			
Residential Land and Buildings		87.2%	
Commercial Land and Buildings		11.5%	
Public Utilities, Current Use, and Other		1.3%	
HOUSING		(ACS 2017-2021)	
Total Housing Units		2,262	
Single-Family Units, Detached or Attached		1,840	
Units in Multiple-Family Structures:			
Two to Four Units in Structure		124	
Five or More Units in Structure		13	
Mobile Homes and Other Housing Units		285	

POPULATION (1-YEAR ESTIMATES/DECENNIAL)		(US Census Bureau)	
Total Population		Community	County
2022	4,677		319,424
2020	4,641		314,176
2010	4,241		295,223
2000	3,656		278,748
1990	3,127		246,744
1980	2,175		190,345
DEMOGRAPHICS		AMERICAN COMMUNITY SURVEY (ACS) 2017-2021	
Population by Gender			
Male	2,139	Female	2,462
Population by Age Group			
Under age 5		279	
Age 5 to 19		614	
Age 20 to 34		882	
Age 35 to 54		1,046	
Age 55 to 64		779	
Age 65 and over		1,001	
Median Age		44.2 years	
Educational Attainment, population 25 years and over:		3,414	
High school graduate or higher		97.5%	
Bachelor's degree or higher		35.7%	
INCOME, INFLATION ADJUSTED \$		(ACS 2017-2021)	
Per capita income		\$41,174	
Median family income		\$120,206	
Median household income		\$104,653	
Median Earnings, full-time, year-round workers			
Male		\$66,220	
Female		\$53,029	
Individuals below the poverty level		6.6%	
LABOR FORCE		(NHES – ELMI)	
Annual Average		2012	2022
Civilian labor force		2,484	2,681
Employed		2,345	2,618
Unemployed		139	63
Unemployment rate		5.6%	2.3%
EMPLOYMENT & WAGES		(NHES – ELMI)	
Annual Average Covered Employment		2012	2022
Goods Producing Industries			
Average Employment		158	154
Average Weekly Wage		\$ 744	\$1,031
Service Providing Industries			
Average Employment		636	841
Average Weekly Wage		\$ 690	\$ 872
Total Private Industry			
Average Employment		793	995
Average Weekly Wage		\$ 701	\$ 896
Government (Federal, State, and Local)			
Average Employment		190	164
Average Weekly Wage		\$ 643	\$ 798
Total, Private Industry plus Government			
Average Employment		983	1,159
Average Weekly Wage		\$ 689	\$ 882
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**EDUCATION AND CHILD CARE**Schools students attend: **Northwood operates grades K-8; grades 9-12 are tuitioned to Coe-Brown Academy (Northwood)** District: **SAU 44**Career Technology Center(s): **Dover Career Technical Center; R.W. Creteau Regional Technology Ctr.; Somersworth Career Technical Center**

Educational Facilities (includes Charter Schools)	Elementary	Middle/Junior High	High School	Private/Parochial
Number of Schools	<b>1</b>		<b>1</b>	
Grade Levels	<b>K 1-8</b>		<b>9-12</b>	
Total Enrollment	<b>388</b>		<b>686</b>	

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

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

Total Facilities: **3** Total Capacity: **94**

LARGEST BUSINESSES	PRODUCT/SERVICE	EMPLOYEES	ESTABLISHED
Hannaford	Supermarket	50	2003
Johnson's Seafood & Steak	Restaurant	30	
DR Dimes	Reproduction furniture	30	1964
Harding Metals	Scrap metal recycling	30	1963
Northwood Power Equipment	Power equipment dealer	17	2000
Solid Creations	Counter top mfg	25	
New England Signal Systems	Traffic signal equipment	10	
Cooper Hill Pizza	Restaurant	20	
Meyer Family Dentistry	Dental care	17	
Northwood Veterinary Hospital	Pet health care	11	

Employer Information Supplied by Municipality

**TRANSPORTATION** (*distances estimated from city/town hall*)

Road Access	US Routes	4, 202
	State Routes	9, 152, 202A
Nearest Interstate, Exit	I-93, Exit 15; I-95, Exit 5	
Distance	18 miles, 26 miles	

Railroad	<b>No</b>
Public Transportation	<b>No</b>

Nearest Public Use Airport, General Aviation

<b>Concord Municipal</b>	Runway	<b>6,005 ft. asphalt</b>
Lighted? <b>Yes</b>	Navigation Aids?	<b>Yes</b>

Nearest Airport with Scheduled Service

<b>Manchester-Boston Regional</b>	Distance	<b>30 miles</b>
Number of Passenger Airlines Serving Airport		<b>4</b>

Driving distance to select cities:

Manchester, NH	<b>29 miles</b>
Portland, Maine	<b>78 miles</b>
Boston, Mass.	<b>76 miles</b>
New York City, NY	<b>279 miles</b>
Montreal, Quebec	<b>265 miles</b>

**COMMUTING TO WORK** (*ACS 2017-2021*)

Workers 16 years and over	
Drove alone, car/truck/van	<b>77.7%</b>
Carpooled, car/truck/van	<b>0.7%</b>
Public transportation	<b>0.8%</b>
Walked	<b>1.3%</b>
Other means	<b>0.7%</b>
Worked at home	<b>18.7%</b>
Mean Travel Time to Work	<b>37.4 minutes</b>

Percent of Working Residents

Working in community of residence	<b>29.7%</b>
Commuting to another NH community	<b>60.6%</b>
Commuting out-of-state	<b>9.7%</b>

**RECREATION, ATTRACTIONS, AND EVENTS**

<b>X</b>	Municipal Parks
	YMCA/YWCA
	Boys Club/Girls Club
	Golf Courses
	Swimming: Indoor Facility
	Swimming: Outdoor Facility
	Tennis Courts: Indoor Facility
	Tennis Courts: Outdoor Facility
	Ice Skating Rink: Indoor Facility
	Bowling Facilities
<b>X</b>	Museums
	Cinemas
<b>X</b>	Performing Arts Facilities
<b>X</b>	Tourist Attractions
<b>X</b>	Youth Organizations (i.e., Scouts, 4-H)
<b>X</b>	Youth Sports: Baseball
<b>X</b>	Youth Sports: Soccer
<b>X</b>	Youth Sports: Football
<b>X</b>	Youth Sports: Basketball
<b>X</b>	Youth Sports: Hockey
<b>X</b>	Campgrounds
<b>X</b>	Fishing/Hunting
<b>X</b>	Boating/Marinas
<b>X</b>	Snowmobile Trails
<b>X</b>	Bicycle Trails
<b>X</b>	Cross Country Skiing
<b>X</b>	Beach or Waterfront Recreation Area
<b>X</b>	Overnight or Day Camps

Nearest Ski Area(s): **Pats's Peak, Ragged, Gunstock Mountains**Other: **Northwood Meadows State Park; Antiques**