

Milton, NH



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County
Labor Market Area
Tourism Region
Planning Commission
Regional Development

Strafford
Dover-Durham, NH-ME Metropolitan NECTA
Lakes
Strafford Regional
Wentworth Economic Development Corp.

Election Districts

US Congress
Executive Council
State Senate
State Representative

District 1
District 1
District 3
Strafford County District 2

Incorporated: 1802

Origin: This town was originally the north parish of Rochester known as Three Ponds or Milton Mills. Located along the Maine border on the Salmon River, it was the location of several mills, and the scene of early manufacturing. Following the 1798 incorporation of the northwest parish as Farmington, Rochester's territory was over 20 miles long, making travel to the meetinghouse difficult, and the north parish was incorporated as Milton in 1802. The name Milton may have come from a relative of the Wentworths, William Fitzwilliam, Earl of Fitzwilliam and Viscount Milton. Milton's Mount Teneriffe was named in honor of the volcano on the Canary Islands.

Villages and Place Names: Hayes Corner, Laskey Corner, Milton Mills, Town House

Population, Year of the First Census Taken: 1,005 residents in 1810

Population Trends: Population change for Milton totaled 2,624 over 50 years, from 1,859 in 1970 to 4,483 in 2020. The largest decennial percent change was a 51 percent increase from 1980 to 1990. The town's population decreased by three percent from 2010 to 2020. The 2022 Census estimate for Milton was 4,573 residents, which ranked 85th among New Hampshire's incorporated cities and towns.

Population Density and Land Area, 2022 (US Census Bureau): 138.3 persons per square mile of land area. Milton contains 33.0 square miles of land area and 1.2 square miles of inland water area.



MUNICIPAL SERVICES			
Type of Government		Selectmen	
Budget: Municipal Appropriations, 2023		\$4,980,452	
Budget: School Appropriations, 2023-2024		\$11,504,266	
Zoning Ordinance		1989/23	
Master Plan		2005	
Capital Improvement Plan		Yes	
Industrial Plans Reviewed By		Building Inspector	
Boards and Commissions			
Elected:	Selectmen; Planning; Zoning; Library; Cemetery; Budget; School; Water District; Trust Funds		
Appointed:	Recreation; Conservation; Economic Development; Town House		
Public Library	Milton Free Public		
EMERGENCY SERVICES			
Police Department		Full & part-time	
Fire Department		Full & part-time	
Emergency Medical Service		Full-time	
Nearest Hospital(s)		Distance	Staffed Beds
Frisbie Memorial, Rochester		8 miles	27
UTILITIES			
Electric Supplier		Eversource Energy	
Natural Gas Supplier		None	
Water Supplier		Milton Water District	
Sanitation		Municipal	
Municipal Wastewater Treatment Plant		Yes	
Solid Waste Disposal			
Curbside Trash Pickup		None	
Pay-As-You-Throw Program		No	
Recycling Program		Mandatory	
Telephone Company		Breezeline	
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)		\$24.48	
2022 Equalization Ratio		60.2	
2022 Full Value Tax Rate (per \$1000 of value)		\$14.60	
2022 Percent of Local Assessed Valuation by Property Type			
Residential Land and Buildings		87.5%	
Commercial Land and Buildings		9.2%	
Public Utilities, Current Use, and Other		3.3%	
HOUSING		(ACS 2017-2021)	
Total Housing Units		1,858	
Single-Family Units, Detached or Attached		1,529	
Units in Multiple-Family Structures:			
Two to Four Units in Structure		73	
Five or More Units in Structure		81	
Mobile Homes and Other Housing Units		175	

POPULATION (1-YEAR ESTIMATES/DECENNIAL)		(US Census Bureau)	
Total Population		Community	County
2022	4,573		132,275
2020	4,482		130,889
2010	4,598		123,143
2000	3,940		112,676
1990	3,690		104,348
1980	2,438		85,324
DEMOGRAPHICS		AMERICAN COMMUNITY SURVEY (ACS) 2017-2021	
Population by Gender			
Male	2,226	Female	2,277
Population by Age Group			
Under age 5		243	
Age 5 to 19		862	
Age 20 to 34		955	
Age 35 to 54		910	
Age 55 to 64		818	
Age 65 and over		715	
Median Age		38.8 years	
Educational Attainment, population 25 years and over:		3,249	
High school graduate or higher		92.2%	
Bachelor's degree or higher		22.3%	
INCOME, INFLATION ADJUSTED \$		(ACS 2017-2021)	
Per capita income		\$33,973	
Median family income		\$106,076	
Median household income		\$80,238	
Median Earnings, full-time, year-round workers			
Male		\$56,263	
Female		\$50,119	
Individuals below the poverty level		5.8%	
LABOR FORCE		(NHES – ELMI)	
Annual Average		2012	2022
Civilian labor force		2,311	2,302
Employed		2,157	2,240
Unemployed		154	62
Unemployment rate		6.7%	2.7%
EMPLOYMENT & WAGES		(NHES – ELMI)	
Annual Average Covered Employment		2012	2022
Goods Producing Industries			
Average Employment		236	325
Average Weekly Wage		\$ 808	\$1,036
Service Providing Industries			
Average Employment		230	345
Average Weekly Wage		\$ 685	\$ 913
Total Private Industry			
Average Employment		465	670
Average Weekly Wage		\$ 747	\$ 973
Government (Federal, State, and Local)			
Average Employment		65	69
Average Weekly Wage		\$ 631	\$ 882
Total, Private Industry plus Government			
Average Employment		530	739
Average Weekly Wage		\$ 733	\$ 964
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EDUCATION AND CHILD CARE

Schools students attend: **Milton operates grades K-12**
 Career Technology Center(s): **Dover Career Technical Center**

District: **SAU 64**

Educational Facilities (includes Charter Schools)	Elementary	Middle/Junior High	High School	Private/Parochial
Number of Schools	1	1	1	1
Grade Levels	P K 1-5	6-8	9-12	9-12
Total Enrollment	249	146	108	27

Nearest Community College: **Lakes Region; Great Bay**Nearest Colleges or Universities: **University of NH**

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

Total Facilities: **3** Total Capacity: **114**

LARGEST BUSINESSES	PRODUCT/SERVICE	EMPLOYEES	ESTABLISHED
Index Packaging	Foam packaging	157	1968
Milton School District	Education	115	
Iron Mountain	Document storage	20	2001
Eastern Boats	Boat manufacturing	38	1981
Town of Milton	Municipal services	132	
ProLine	Aluminum trailer manufacturer	13	

Employer Information Supplied by Municipality

TRANSPORTATION (<i>distances estimated from city/town hall</i>)			
Road Access	US Routes		
	State Routes	16, 75, 125	
Nearest Interstate, Exit	Spaulding Tpk., Exits 17-18; I-95, Exit 5		
Distance	Local access; 30 miles		
Railroad	NH Northcoast		
Public Transportation	No		
Nearest Public Use Airport, General Aviation			
Skyhaven, Rochester	Runway	4,200 ft. asphalt	
Lighted?	Yes	Navigation Aids?	Yes
Nearest Airport with Scheduled Service			
Portland (ME) International	Distance	48 miles	
Number of Passenger Airlines Serving Airport		8	
Driving distance to select cities:			
Manchester, NH		52 miles	
Portland, Maine		49 miles	
Boston, Mass.		83 miles	
New York City, NY		294 miles	
Montreal, Quebec		268 miles	
COMMUTING TO WORK (<i>ACS 2017-2021</i>)			
Workers 16 years and over			
Drove alone, car/truck/van		79.2%	
Carpooled, car/truck/van		9.7%	
Public transportation		0.5%	
Walked		0.4%	
Other means		0.9%	
Worked at home		9.2%	
Mean Travel Time to Work		30.7 minutes	
Percent of Working Residents			
Working in community of residence		15.1%	
Commuting to another NH community		77.9%	
Commuting out-of-state		7.0%	

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
	Tennis Courts: Outdoor Facility
	Ice Skating Rink: Indoor Facility
	Bowling Facilities
X	Museums
	Cinemas
	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
X	Boating/Marinas
X	Snowmobile Trails
X	Bicycle Trails
X	Cross Country Skiing
X	Beach or Waterfront Recreation Area
X	Overnight or Day Camps

Nearest Ski Area(s): **King Pine**Other: **New Hampshire Farm Museum**