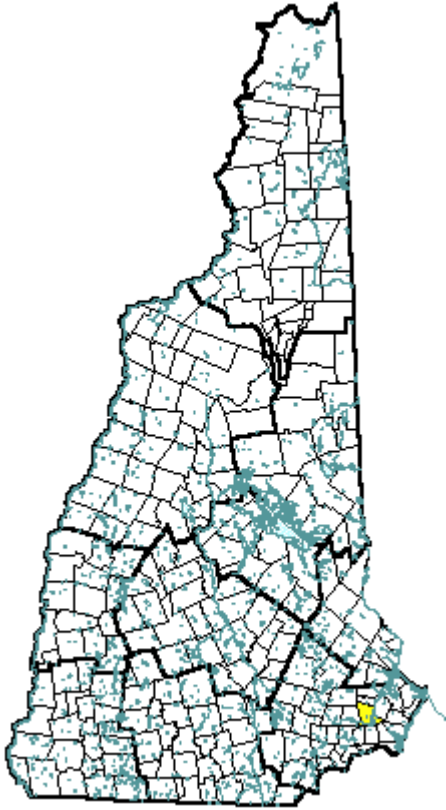


# Exeter, NH



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Municipal Office Hours	Monday through Friday, 8 am - 4:30 pm
County	Rockingham
Labor Market Area	Haverhill MA-NH NECTA Division, NH Portion
Tourism Region	Seacoast
Planning Commission	Rockingham
Regional Development	Rockingham Economic Development Corp.
Election Districts	
US Congress	District 1
Executive Council	District 3
State Senate	District 23
State Representative	Rockingham County District 13

Incorporated: 1638

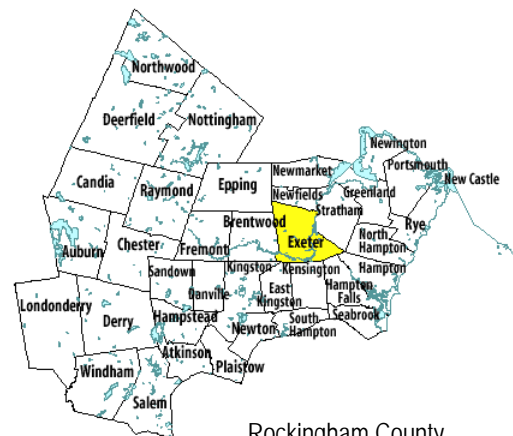
**Origin:** Exeter was one of the four original towns established in New Hampshire. It was first known as Squamscott, and was given the name Exeter by the settlement's managers, the "Exeter Combination," a group of English colonizers. The river location of the town made it a shipbuilding center and West Indies trading port. Exeter is home to the Phillips Exeter Academy, endowed by Colonel John Phillips in 1781, and the American Independence Museum.

**Population, Year of the First Census Taken:** 1,722 residents in 1790

**Population Trends:** Exeter has grown at or above the statewide average rate over each of the last five decades. Decennial growth rates ranged from a 13 percent increase between both 1980-1990 and 1990-2000 to a 28 percent increase between 1950-1960. Exeter's population increased by a total of 8,394 residents, going from 5,664 in 1950 to 14,058 residents in 2000. The 2004 Census estimate for Exeter was 14,709 residents, which ranked 17th among New Hampshire's incorporated cities and towns.

**Population Density, 2004:** 744.8 persons per square mile of land area. Exeter contains 19.8 square miles of land area and 0.3 square miles of inland water area.

**Villages and Place Names:** Dows Corner, Gooch Corner, Haynes Corner, Jady Hill, Perkins Hill



Rockingham County

**MUNICIPAL SERVICES**

Type of Government	Selectmen
Budget: Municipal Appropriations, 2005	\$16,752,055
Budget: School Appropriations, 2005	\$25,345,489
Zoning Ordinance	1973/04
Master Plan	2004
Capital Improvement Plan	Yes
Industrial Plans Reviewed By	Planning Board

**Boards and Commissions**

Elected:	Selectmen; Library Trustees
Appointed:	Planning; Zoning; Conservation; Historic; Recreation

Public Library      **Exeter Public**

**EMERGENCY SERVICES**

Police Department	Full-time
Fire Department	Full-time
Town Fire Insurance Rating	4/9
Emergency Medical Service	Municipal

**Nearest Hospital(s):**

**Exeter Hospital, Exeter**

Distance: **Local**                      Staffed Beds: **88**

**UTILITIES**

Electric Supplier	<b>Exeter &amp; Hampton Electric</b>
Natural Gas Supplier	<b>Northern Utilities, Inc.</b>
Water Supplier	<b>Exeter Water Dept.</b>
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	Verizon
Cellular Telephone Access	Yes
Cable Television Access	Yes
Public Access Television Station	No
High Speed Internet Service:	
Business	Yes
Residential	Yes

**PROPERTY TAXES**

2004 Total Tax Rate (per \$1000 of value)	\$18.98
2004 Equalization Ratio	94.2
2004 Full Value Tax Rate (per \$1000 of value)	\$17.52
2004 Percent of Property Valuation by Type	
Residential Land and Buildings	80.6%
Commercial Land and Buildings	18.0%
Other Property including Utilities	1.4%

**HOUSING**

2003 Total Housing Units	6,348
2003 Single-Family Units	2,869
Building Permits Issued	40
2003 Multi-Family Units	2,417
Building Permits Issued	34
2003 Manufactured Housing Units	1,062

**DEMOGRAPHICS**

Total Population	Community	County
2004	14,709	292,526
2000	14,098	278,748
1990	12,654	246,744
1980	11,024	190,345
1970	8,892	138,951

**Census 2000 Demographics**

Population by Gender			
Male	6,654	Female	7,404

**Population by Age Group**

Under age 5	771
Age 5 to 19	2,908
Age 20 to 34	2,163
Age 35 to 54	4,525
Age 55 to 64	1,304
Age 65 and over	2,387
Median Age	40 years

**Educational Attainment, population 25 years and over**

High school graduate or higher	88.9%
Bachelor's degree or higher	38.0%

**ANNUAL INCOME, 1999**

(Census 2000)

Per capita income	\$27,105
Median 4-person family income	\$63,088
Median household income	\$49,618

**Median Earnings, full-time, year-round workers**

Male	\$45,091
Female	\$30,435

**Families below the poverty level**

2.9%

**LABOR FORCE**

1994

2004

Annual Average		
Civilian labor force	6,795	7,684
Employed	6,533	7,348
Unemployed	262	336
Unemployment rate	3.9%	4.4%

**EMPLOYMENT & WAGES**

1994

2004

<b>Goods Producing Industries</b>			
Average Employment	1,397	1,136	
Average Weekly Wage	\$645	\$1,076	
<b>Service Providing Industries</b>			
Average Employment	5,119	6,498	
Average Weekly Wage	\$527	\$724	
<b>Total Private Industry</b>			
Average Employment	6,516	7,634	
Average Weekly Wage	\$552	\$777	
<b>Government (Federal, State, and Local)</b>			
Average Employment	917	1,106	
Average Weekly Wage	\$563	\$729	
<b>Total, Private Industry plus Government</b>			
Average Employment	7,434	8,740	
Average Weekly Wage	\$554	\$771	

n = indicates that data does not meet disclosure standards

## EDUCATION AND CHILD CARE

Schools students attend:	<b>Exeter operates grades K-5; grades 6-12 are part of Exeter Region Cooperative (Brentwood, East Kingston, Kensington, Newfields, Stratham, Exeter)</b>			District: <b>SAU 16</b>
Career Technology Center(s):	<b>Seacoast School of Technology, Exeter</b>			Region: <b>18</b>
Educational Facilities	Elementary	Middle/Junior High	High School	Private/Parochial
Number of Schools	<b>3</b>		<b>1</b>	<b>4</b>
Grade Levels	<b>P K 1-5</b>		<b>9-12</b>	<b>K-12</b>
Total Enrollment	<b>1,022</b>		<b>1,571</b>	<b>n/a</b>
NH Licensed Child Care Facilities, 2004:	Total Facilities: <b>15</b>	Total Capacity: <b>720</b>		
Nearest Community/Technical College:	<b>Stratham</b>			
Nearest Colleges or Universities:	<b>University of NH; McIntosh</b>			

LARGEST EMPLOYERS	PRODUCT/SERVICE	EMPLOYEES	ESTABLISHED
Exeter Hospital	Health care	1,000	1897
Philips Exeter Academy	Education	520	1781
Osram Sylvania	Electronics	318	1965
Riverwoods at Exeter	Elderly housing, health care	140	1994
Sigarms	Handguns	95	1989
Wall Industries	Electronics	82	1988

## TRANSPORTATION

Road Access	Federal Routes	
	State Routes	<b>27, 85, 88, 101, 108, 111</b>
Nearest Interstate, Exit		<b>I-95, Exit 2</b>
	Distance	<b>6 miles</b>
Railroad		<b>Boston &amp; Maine</b>
Public Transportation		<b>Yes</b>
Nearest Airport		<b>Hampton</b>
Runway		<b>2,100 feet</b>
Lighted?	<b>No</b>	Navigational Aids? <b>Yes</b>
Nearest Commercial Airport		<b>Pease</b>
Distance		<b>14 miles</b>
Driving distance to select cities:		
Manchester, NH		<b>28 miles</b>
Portland, Maine		<b>67 miles</b>
Boston, Mass.		<b>53 miles</b>
New York City, NY		<b>260 miles</b>
Montreal, Quebec		<b>286 miles</b>

## COMMUTING TO WORK

(Census 2000)

Workers 16 years and over	
Drove alone, car/truck/van	<b>78.2%</b>
Carpooled, car/truck/van	<b>9.9%</b>
Public transportation	<b>0.8%</b>
Walked	<b>4.6%</b>
Other means	<b>1.3%</b>
Worked at home	<b>5.2%</b>
Mean Travel Time to Work	<b>23.6 minutes</b>
Percent of Working Residents:	
Working in community of residence	<b>34%</b>
Commuting to another NH community	<b>49%</b>
Commuting out-of-state	<b>17%</b>

## RECREATION, ATTRACTIONS, AND EVENTS

X	Municipal Parks
	YMCA/YWCA
	Boys Club/Girls Club
X	Golf Courses
	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
X	Campgrounds
X	Fishing/Hunting
X	Boating/Marinas
	Snowmobile Trails
X	Bicycle Trails
X	Cross Country Skiing
	Beach or Waterfront Recreation Area
	Nearest Ski Area(s): <b>Gunstock</b>
	Other: <b>Walking trails</b>