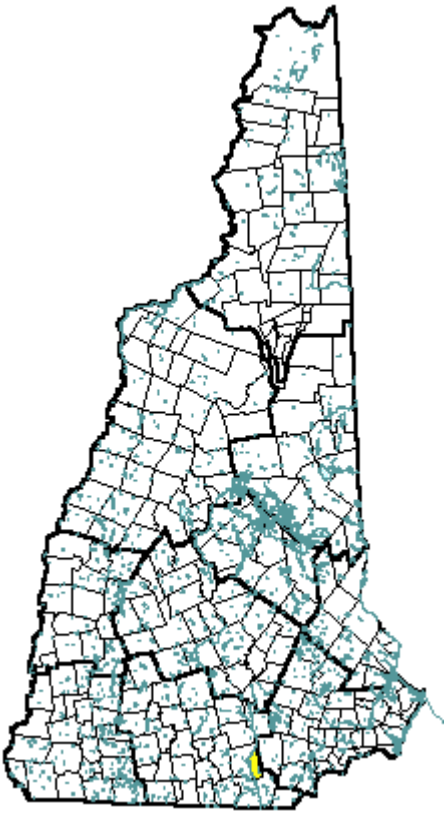


Litchfield, NH



Community Contact

Town of Litchfield
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Municipal Office Hours

Selectmen & Building Dept.: Monday through Friday,
8 am - 4 pm; Town Clerk/Tax Collector: Monday,
10 am - 6 pm, Tuesday, 9 am - 4 pm, and Wednesday
through Friday, 8 am - 3 pm

County
Tourism Region
Planning Commission
Regional Development

Hillsborough
Merrimack Valley
Nashua Regional
Gateway Industrial Development Corp.

Election Districts

US Congress
Executive Council
State Senate
State Representative

District 2
District 4
District 18
District 58

Incorporated: 1734

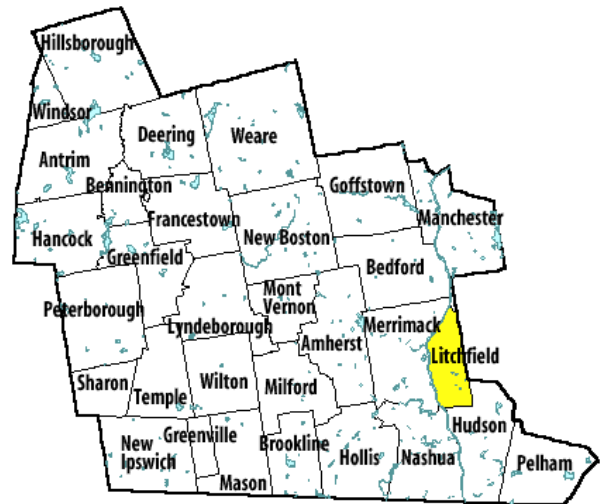
Origin: Known as Naticook until 1729 when the land was granted as Brenton's Farm to William Brenton, Governor of Rhode Island and son-in-law to Governor Cranston. Following Brenton's death in 1749, the land was granted to new settlers, and named in honor of George Henry Lee, Earl of Litchfield. Litchfield was the opposite landing-site of Thornton's Ferry, originating across the Merrimack River in the town of Merrimack.

Population, Year of the First Census Taken: 357 residents in 1790

Population Trends: Litchfield had the second highest percent increase in population over fifty years, growing more than 17 times larger. Decennial growth rates ranged from a 33 percent increase between both 1980-1990 and 1990-2000 to a 192 percent increase between 1970-1980. Litchfield's population increased by a total of 6,933 residents, going from 427 in 1950 to 7,360 residents in 2000. The 2003 Census estimate for Litchfield was 7,975 residents, which ranked 37th among New Hampshire's incorporated cities and towns.

Population Density, 2003: 509.5 persons per square mile of land area. Litchfield contains 14.9 square miles of land area and 0.4 square miles of inland water area.

Villages and Place Names:



Hillsborough County

MUNICIPAL SERVICES

Type of Government	Selectmen
2003 Annual Budget	\$2,708,014
Zoning Ordinance	1957/04
Master Plan	2002
Capital Improvement Plan	Yes
Industrial Plans Reviewed By	Planning Board

Boards and Commissions

Elected:	Board of Selectmen
Appointed:	Planning Board; Zoning Board; Conservation Commission; Library Trustees; Cemetery Trustees

Public Library **Aaron Cutler Memorial****EMERGENCY SERVICES**

Police Department	Full-time
Fire Department	Full-time
Town Fire Insurance Rating	5/9
Emergency Medical Service	Volunteer

Nearest Hospital(s):

Southern NH Regional or St. Joseph, Nashua
 Distance: **8 miles** Staffed Beds: **178; 135**

UTILITIES

Electric Supplier	PSNH
Natural Gas Supplier	KeySpan
Water Supplier	Pennichuck East
Sanitation	Private septic
Municipal Wastewater Treatment Plant	No
Solid Waste Disposal	
Curbside Trash Pickup	None
Pay-As-You-Throw Program	Yes
Recycling Program	Mandatory
Telephone Company	Verizon
Cellular Telephone Access	Yes
Cable Television Access	Yes
High Speed Internet Service:	Business Limited
	Residential Limited

PROPERTY TAXES

2003 Total Tax Rate (per \$1000)	\$24.75
2003 Equalization Ratio	65.0
2003 Full Value Tax Rate (per \$1000)	\$16.10
2003 Percent of Property Valuation by Type	
Residential Land and Buildings	91.1%
Commercial Land and Buildings	6.4%
Other Property including Utilities	2.5%

HOUSING

2002 Total Housing Units	2,477
2002 Single-Family Units	2,102
Building Permits Issued	13
2002 Multi-Family Units	254
Building Permits Issued	4
2002 Manufactured Housing Units	121

DEMOGRAPHICS

Total Population	Community	County
2003	7,975	394,663
2000	7,360	380,841
1990	5,516	336,073
1980	4,150	276,608
1970	1,420	223,941

Census 2000 Demographics

Population by Gender		
Male	3,700	Female 3,660

Population by Age Group

Under age 5	682
Age 5 to 19	1,925
Age 20 to 34	1,366
Age 35 to 54	2,717
Age 55 to 64	409
Age 65 and over	261
Median Age	33.2 years

Educational Attainment, population 25 years and over

High school graduate or higher	92.9%
Bachelor's degree or higher	33.3%

ANNUAL INCOME, 1999

(Census 2000)

Per capita income	\$25,203
Median 4-person family income	\$76,931
Median household income	\$73,302

Median Earnings, full-time, year-round workers

Male	\$46,809
Female	\$33,488

Families below the poverty level

2.2%

LABOR FORCE

Annual Average	1993	2003
Civilian labor force	3,613	4,490
Employed	3,419	4,259
Unemployed	194	231
Unemployment rate	5.4%	5.1%

EMPLOYMENT & WAGES

1993 2003

Goods Producing Industries		
Average Employment	125	157
Average Weekly Wage	\$516	\$894
Service Providing Industries		
Average Employment	148	318
Average Weekly Wage	\$317	\$552
Total Private Industry		
Average Employment	273	475
Average Weekly Wage	\$408	\$665
Government (Federal, State, and Local)		
Average Employment	170	291
Average Weekly Wage	\$342	\$589
Total, Private Industry plus Government		
Average Employment	443	766
Average Weekly Wage	\$382	\$636

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EDUCATION AND CHILD CARE

Schools students attend: **Litchfield operates grades 1-10; grades 11-12 are tuitioned to Hudson** District: **SAU 27**
 Career Technology Center(s): **Nashua, Alvirne & Milford High Schools** Region: **16**

Educational Facilities	Elementary	Middle/Junior High	High School	Private/Parochial
Number of Schools	1	1	1	1
Grade Levels	P 1-4	5-8	9-12	K-12
Total Enrollment	570	579	448	n/a

NH Licensed Child Care Facilities, 2003: Total Facilities: 4 Total Capacity: 96

Nearest Community/Technical College: **Nashua; Manchester**

Nearest Colleges or Universities: **Daniel Webster; Rivier; Thomas More; Hesser; St. Anselm**

LARGEST EMPLOYERS	PRODUCT/SERVICE	EMPLOYEES	ESTABLISHED
NE Small Tube	Manufacturing	70	

TRANSPORTATION

Road Access	Federal Routes	
	State Routes	3A
Nearest Interstate, Exit		I-93, Exit 4
	Distance	9 miles
Railroad		No
Public Transportation		No
Nearest Airport		Manchester
	Runway	9,250 feet
	Lighted?	Yes
	Yes	Navigational Aids? Yes
Nearest Commercial Airport		Manchester
	Distance	8 miles
Driving distance to select cities:		
	Manchester, NH	11 miles
	Portland, Maine	105 miles
	Boston, Mass.	51 miles
	New York City, NY	236 miles
	Montreal, Quebec	270 miles

COMMUTING TO WORK

(Census 2000)

Workers 16 years and over	
	Drove alone, car/truck/van% 87.7%
	Carpooled, car/truck/van 9.8%
	Public transportation 0.4%
	Walked 0.0%
	Other means 0.2%
	Worked at home 1.9%
Mean Travel Time to Work	30.9 minutes
Percent of Working Residents:	
	Working in community of residence 6%
	Commuting to another NH community 72%
	Commuting out-of-state 22%

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
	Ice Skating Rink: Indoor Facility
	Bowling Facilities
X	Museums
	Cinemas
	Performing Arts Facilities
	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
	Campgrounds
	Fishing/Hunting
	Boating/Marinas
X	Snowmobile Trails
X	Bicycle Trails
X	Cross Country Skiing
X	Beach or Waterfront Recreation Area
	Nearest Ski Area(s): McIntyre
	Other: