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### Population, Income, Food Insecurity, Education, and Employment

Population			
Year	Rural*	Urban*	Total
1980	368,249	552,361	920,610
1990	423,336	685,916	1,109,252
2000	465,328	770,479	1,235,807
2010	497,379	819,087	1,316,466
2015	495,328	835,280	1,330,608

More information on population in New Hampshire

- [County-level Population Data](#)
- [Rural Population and Migration Topic Page](#)
- Contact [John Cromartie](#), 202-694-5421.

Income			
	Rural*	Urban*	Total
Per-capita income (2014 dollars)			
2013	47,091	53,913	51,355
2014	48,327	55,423	52,773
Percent change	2.6	2.8	2.8
Earnings per job (2014 dollars)			
2013	48,078	57,146	53,671
2014	48,549	58,493	54,709
Percent change	1.0	2.4	1.9
Poverty rate (percent)			
1979	10.0	7.4	8.5
1989	7.7	5.7	6.4
1999	7.4	6.0	6.5
Poverty rate, American Community Survey (percent)			
2010-2014	10.5	7.9	8.9

More information on poverty rates in New Hampshire

- [County-level Poverty Data](#)
- [Rural Poverty & Well-being Topic Page](#)
- These estimates are based on the [Census Bureau's official poverty measure](#). See important notes about [sources of poverty data](#).
- Contact [Tracey Farrigan](#), 202-694-5489

Household-level Food Insecurity and Very Low Food Security	2006-2008 avg.	2009-2011 avg.	2012-2014 avg.
Percent			
Food insecure households	8.5	9.6	10.0
Very low food secure households	3.1	4.0	4.7

More information on Food Insecurity in New Hampshire

- [Food Security in the U.S. Topic Page](#)
- [Definitions of Food Insecurity and Very Low Food Security](#)
- Comparisons of prevalence rates of food insecurity between States must take account of the margins of error, which are sizeable for many States. Margins of error are published along with State prevalence rates in each year's [Household Food Security in the United States](#) report.
- Contact [Alisha Coleman-Jensen](#), 202-694-5456.



Education (Persons 25 and older)	Rural*	Urban*	Total
<b>Not completing high school</b>			
1980	29.0	27.7	27.7
1990	19.7	16.7	17.8
2000	13.8	11.8	12.6
2010-2014	8.6	7.6	8.0
<b>Completing high school only</b>			
1980	37.2	37.2	37.2
1990	34.2	30.1	31.7
2000	32.9	28.3	30.1
2010-2014	31.4	27.6	29.1
<b>Completing some college</b>			
1980	16.2	16.9	16.9
1990	23.6	27.6	26.1
2000	27.0	29.7	28.7
2010-2014	28.4	28.6	28.6
<b>Completing college</b>			
1980	17.7	18.2	18.2
1990	22.5	25.5	24.4
2000	26.2	30.2	28.7
2010-2014	31.6	36.1	34.4

More information on education in New Hampshire

- [County-level Education Data](#)
- [Rural Employment & Education Topic page](#)
- Contact [Alexander Marré](#), 202-694-5338

Employment	Rural*	Urban*	Total
<b>Employment change (percent)</b>			
2012-2013	-0.1	1.0	0.6
2013-2014	-0.1	1.1	0.7
2014-2015	0.2	1.4	1.0
<b>Unemployment rate (percent)</b>			
2014	4.0	4.5	4.3
2015	3.2	3.5	3.4

More information on unemployment rates in New Hampshire

- [County-level Unemployment Data](#)
- [Rural Employment & Education Topic page](#)
- Contact [Tim Parker](#), 202-694-5435.

\* The terms "rural" and "urban" here refer to data for nonmetro and metro areas, a county-level classification defined by the Office of Management and Budget. We use the February 2013 version of nonmetro and metro areas, unless otherwise noted, because it reflects conditions at the beginning of the decade. See [What is Rural?](#) for a discussion of differences between metro-nonmetro categories and the Census Bureau's rural-urban classification.

## Organic Agriculture

Organic agriculture	2000	2010	2011
Certified operations (number)	55	132	133
Crops (acres)	485	6,746	7,242
Pasture & rangeland (acres)	10.0	1,000	1,000
Total (acres)	495	7,746	8,242

More information on organic agriculture in New Hampshire

- [Organic Production Data](#)
- [Organic Agriculture Topic Page](#)
- Contact [Catherine Greene](#), 202-694-5541.

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## Farm Characteristics

Census of Agriculture	2002	2007	2012
Farms (number)	3,363	4,166	4,391
Approximate total land area (acres)	5,739,582	5,729,316	5,729,870
Farmland (acres)	444,879	471,911	474,065
Farmland in total land area (percent)	7.8	8.2	8.3
Cropland (acres)	129,388	128,938	98,268
Cropland in farmland (percent)	29.1	27.3	20.7
Cropland in pasture (percent)	15.4	13.5	2.9
Cropland irrigated (percent)	1.7	1.9	2.7
Harvested cropland (acres)	95,983	99,520	87,382
Woodland (acres)	266,468	278,244	304,801
Woodland in farmland (percent)	59.9	59.0	64.3
Woodland in pasture (percent)	8.2	4.9	4.1
Pastureland (acres)	19,848	33,508	31,141
Pastureland in farmland (percent)	4.5	7.1	6.6
Land in house lots, ponds, roads, wasteland, etc. (acres)	29,175	31,221	39,855
Land in house lots, ponds, roads, wasteland, etc. in farmland (percent of total farms)	6.6	6.6	8.4
Conservation practices			
Farmland in conservation or wetland reserve program (acres)	1,161	629	43.0
Average farm size (acres)	132	113	108
Farms by size (percent of total farms)			
1 to 99 acres	64.4	69.1	72.2
100 to 499 acres	30.4	27.1	24.3
500 to 999 acres	4.0	2.9	2.6
1000 to 1,999 acres	0.7	0.6	0.5
2000 or more acres	0.5	0.3	0.4
Farms by sales, current dollars (percent of total farms)			
Less than \$9,999	73.8	72.1	73.4
\$10,000 to \$49,999	14.8	17.5	17.0
\$50,000 to \$99,999	3.9	3.6	3.6
\$100,000 to \$499,999	6.1	5.3	4.6
More than \$500,000	1.4	1.6	1.4
Tenure of farmers			
Full owner farms (farms)	2,474	3,164	3,487
Full owner farms (percent of total farms)	73.6	75.9	79.4
Part owner farms (farms)	767	804	677
Part owner farms (percent of total farms)	22.8	19.3	15.4
Tenant farms (farms)	122	198	227
Tenant farms (percent of total farms)	3.6	4.8	5.2
Farm organization			
Individuals/family, sole proprietorship (farms)	2,917	3,551	3,701
Individuals/family, sole proprietorship (percent of total farms)	86.7	85.2	84.3
Family-held corporations (farms)	142	178	182
Family-held corporations (percent of total farms)	4.2	4.3	4.1
Partnerships (farms)	206	299	320

Partnerships (percent of total farms)	6.1	7.2	7.3
Non-family corporations (farms)	15.0	42.0	61.0
Non-family corporations (percent of total farms)	0.4	1.0	1.4
Others - cooperatives, estate or trust, institutional, etc. (farms)	83.0	96.0	127
Others - cooperatives, estate or trust, institutional, etc. (percent)	2.5	2.3	2.9
<b>Characteristics of principal farm operators</b>			
Average operator age (years)	54.1	56.2	57.8
Farm operators with farming as their principal occupation (percent)	48.6	46.3	48.0
Men (number)	2,525	2,929	3,033
Women (number)	838	1,237	1,358

More information on farm characteristics in New Hampshire

- [Census of Agriculture](#)
- Contact [NASS Customer Service](#), 1-800-727-9540.
- See [errata](#) in 2012 "cropland in pasture (percent)"

## Farm Financial Indicators

Farm income and value added data	2013	2014
Final crop output (1,000 dollars)	104,870	105,017
+ Final animals output (1,000 dollars)	116,202	141,977
+ Services and forestry (1,000 dollars)	96,561	71,930
= Final agricultural sector output (1,000 dollars)	317,633	318,924
- Contract labor (1,000 dollars)	3,519	2,289
- Intermediate consumption outlays (1,000 dollars)	129,616	138,939
+ Net government transactions (1,000 dollars)	-13,802	-23,576
= Gross value added (1,000 dollars)	170,696	154,120
- Capital consumption (1,000 dollars)	36,653	48,076
= Net value added (1,000 dollars)	134,043	106,044
- Factor payments (1,000 dollars)	63,187	64,311
Employee compensation (total hired labor) (1,000 dollars)	51,551	53,668
Net rent paid to operator landlords (1,000 dollars)	-71.0	-166
Net rent paid to nonoperator landlords (1,000 dollars)	-1,159	-2,692
Real estate and nonreal estate interest (1,000 dollars)	12,867	13,501
= Net farm income (1,000 dollars)	70,856	41,733

More information on farm income in New Hampshire

- [Farm Income and Wealth Statistics](#)
- [Farm Sector Income & Finances Topic Page](#)
- Data as of February 9, 2016
- Contact the [Farm Income Team](#), 202-694-5121.

**Top Commodities, Exports, and Counties**

Top 5 agriculture commodities, 2014	Farm receipts 1,000 dollars	Farm receipts percent of State	Farm receipts percent of U.S.
Farm receipts			
1. Miscellaneous crops	79,235	31.7	0.4
2. Dairy products, Milk	72,520	29.0	0.1
3. Turkeys	23,578	9.4	0.4
4. Chicken eggs	20,427	8.2	0.2
5. Cattle and calves	15,381	6.2	0.0
All commodities	249,964		0.1

More information on agricultural commodities in New Hampshire

- [Farm Income and Wealth Statistics](#)
- Data as of February 9, 2016
- Contact the [Farm Income Team](#), 202-694-5121.

Top 5 agriculture exports, estimates, 2014	Exports rank among States	Exports million dollars
Exports		
1. Other plant products 5/	42	55.6
2. Dairy products	36	10.4
3. Other poultry products 2/	37	6.8
4. Other livestock products 1/	47	5.4
5. Fruits, fresh	33	2.4
Total exports	48	87.9

More information on agricultural exports in New Hampshire

- [State Export Data](#)
- [U.S. Agricultural Trade Topic Page](#)
- 1/ Includes other nonpoultry meats, animal fat, live farm animals, and other animal parts.
- 2/ Includes turkey meat, eggs, and other fowl products.
- 3/ Includes processed feeds, fodder, barley, oats, rye, and sorghum.
- 4/ Includes peanuts (oilstock), other oil crops, corn meal, other oilcake and meal, protein substances, bran and residues.
- 5/ Includes sweeteners and products, other horticulture products, planting seeds, cocoa, coffee, and other processed foods.
- Contact [Alberto Jerardo](#), 202-694-5266.

Top 5 counties in agricultural sales, 2012	Total receipts percent of State	Total receipts 1,000 dollars
Total receipts		
1. Merrimack County	23.7	45,266
2. Grafton County	15.6	29,831
3. Hillsborough County	11.8	22,538
4. Rockingham County	9.6	18,400
5. Cheshire County	9.1	17,331
State Total		190,907

More information on agricultural sales in New Hampshire

- [Census of Agriculture](#)
- Contact [NASS Customer Service](#), 1-800-727-9540.

**Data Sources**

- 1980, 1990, 2000, 2010 Census of Population, [Bureau of the Census](#), U.S. Department of Commerce.
- [Annual Estimates of the Resident Population: April 1, 2010 to July 1, 2015](#), U.S. Census Bureau, Population Division.
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- [U.S. Agricultural Trade](#), Economic Research Service, USDA.
- Census of Agriculture, [National Agricultural Statistics Service](#), USDA.
- [Farm Sector Income & Finances Topic Page](#), Economic Research Service, USDA.
- U.S. Census Bureau, [American Community Survey](#), 2010-2014 5-Year estimates, poverty and education tables.

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