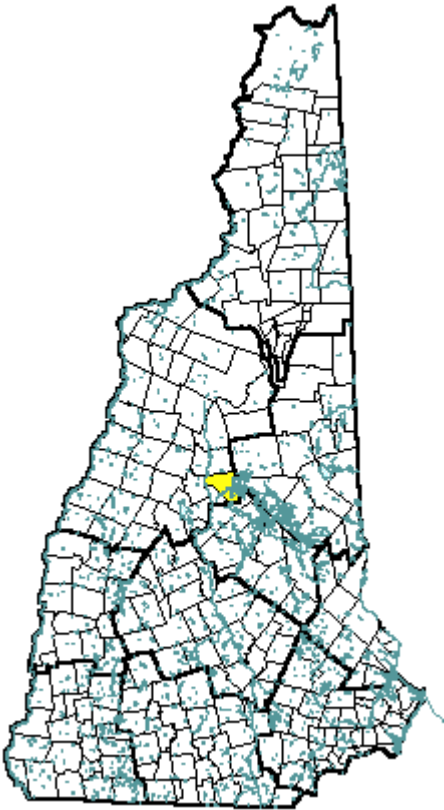


Holderness, NH



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Municipal Office Hours

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County

Grafton

Tourism Region
Planning Commission
Regional Development

Lakes
Lakes Region
Grafton County Economic Development Council

Election Districts

US Congress
Executive Council
State Senate
State Representative

District 2
District 1
District 2
District 16

Incorporated: 1761

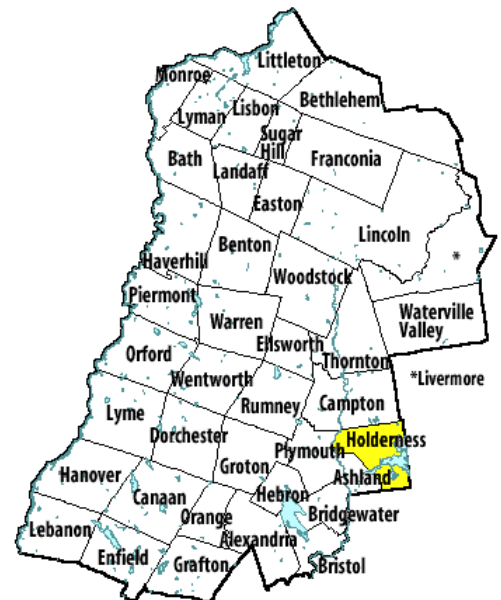
Origin: Holderness was named in 1751 for Robert Darcy, fourth Earl of Holderness, ambassador to Venice and minister at The Hague under King George III. He opposed the king's policy toward the colonies, and became a close friend of Governor Wentworth in efforts to promote friendly trade relations abroad. In 1761, the land was regranted to a group of New England families, including Samuel Livermore, who wanted to create a pretentious estate similar to that of the English countryside.

Population, Year of the First Census Taken: 329 residents in 1790

Population Trends: Population in Holderness grew over two and a half times larger over the last five decades, going from 731 residents as of the 1950 Census to 1,930 residents as of the 2000 Census, a total increase of 1,199 residents. Decennial population growth rates for Holderness ranged from a two percent increase between 1950-1960 to a 51 percent increase between 1970-1980. The 2003 Census estimate for Holderness was 2,036 residents, which ranked 132nd among New Hampshire's incorporated cities and towns.

Population Density, 2003: 64.5 persons per square mile of land area. Holderness contains 30.5 square miles of land area and 5.4 square miles of inland water area.

Villages and Place Names: Deephaven, East Holderness, Rockywold



Grafton County

MUNICIPAL SERVICES

| | |
|------------------------------|----------------|
| Type of Government | Selectmen |
| 2003 Annual Budget | \$2,898,760 |
| Zoning Ordinance | 1985/04 |
| Master Plan | 1994 |
| Capital Improvement Plan | Yes |
| Industrial Plans Reviewed By | Planning Board |

Boards and Commissions

| | |
|------------|--|
| Elected: | Board of Selectmen |
| Appointed: | Planning Board; Conservation Commission; Library Trustees |

Public Library Holderness Free

EMERGENCY SERVICES

| | |
|----------------------------|-----------|
| Police Department | Full-time |
| Fire Department | Full-time |
| Town Fire Insurance Rating | 6/9 |
| Emergency Medical Service | Volunteer |

Nearest Hospital(s):

Speare Memorial, Plymouth

Distance: 7 miles Staffed Beds: 28

UTILITIES

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

PROPERTY TAXES

| | |
|--|---------|
| 2003 Total Tax Rate (per \$1000) | \$12.85 |
| 2003 Equalization Ratio | 95.0 |
| 2003 Full Value Tax Rate (per \$1000) | \$11.90 |
| 2003 Percent of Property Valuation by Type | |
| Residential Land and Buildings | 88.0% |
| Commercial Land and Buildings | 11.2% |
| Other Property including Utilities | 0.8% |

HOUSING

| | |
|---------------------------------|-------|
| 2002 Total Housing Units | 1,246 |
| 2002 Single-Family Units | 1,074 |
| Building Permits Issued | 20 |
| 2002 Multi-Family Units | 70 |
| Building Permits Issued | -5 |
| 2002 Manufactured Housing Units | 102 |

DEMOGRAPHICS

| | | |
|------------------|-----------|--------|
| Total Population | Community | County |
| 2003 | 2,036 | 84,038 |
| 2000 | 1,930 | 81,743 |
| 1990 | 1,694 | 74,929 |
| 1980 | 1,586 | 65,806 |
| 1970 | 1,048 | 54,914 |

Census 2000 Demographics

| | | |
|----------------------|-----|------------|
| Population by Gender | | |
| Male | 945 | Female 985 |

Population by Age Group

| | |
|-----------------|------------|
| Under age 5 | 96 |
| Age 5 to 19 | 418 |
| Age 20 to 34 | 273 |
| Age 35 to 54 | 676 |
| Age 55 to 64 | 219 |
| Age 65 and over | 248 |
| Median Age | 42.1 years |

Educational Attainment, population 25 years and over

| | |
|--------------------------------|-------|
| High school graduate or higher | 92.6% |
| Bachelor's degree or higher | 40.4% |

ANNUAL INCOME, 1999

(Census 2000)

| | |
|-------------------------------|----------|
| Per capita income | \$27,825 |
| Median 4-person family income | \$55,526 |
| Median household income | \$47,895 |

Median Earnings, full-time, year-round workers

| | |
|--------|----------|
| Male | \$36,500 |
| Female | \$26,116 |

Families below the poverty level

2.8%

LABOR FORCE

| | | |
|----------------------|------|-------|
| Annual Average | 1993 | 2003 |
| Civilian labor force | 926 | 1,073 |
| Employed | 887 | 1,049 |
| Unemployed | 39 | 24 |
| Unemployment rate | 4.2% | 2.2% |

EMPLOYMENT & WAGES

1993 2003

| | | |
|---|-------|-------|
| Goods Producing Industries | | |
| Average Employment | 21 | 71 |
| Average Weekly Wage | \$282 | \$619 |
| Service Providing Industries | | |
| Average Employment | 151 | 414 |
| Average Weekly Wage | \$279 | \$582 |
| Total Private Industry | | |
| Average Employment | 172 | 485 |
| Average Weekly Wage | \$279 | \$587 |
| Government (Federal, State, and Local) | | |
| Average Employment | 80 | 74 |
| Average Weekly Wage | \$351 | \$619 |
| Total, Private Industry plus Government | | |
| Average Employment | 252 | 559 |
| Average Weekly Wage | \$302 | \$592 |

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EDUCATION AND CHILD CARE

| | | | | |
|--|---|--------------------|---------------------------|-------------------------|
| Schools students attend: | Holderness operates grades K-8; grades 9-12 are part of Pemi-Baker Cooperative (Ashland, Campton, Holderness, Plymouth, Rumney, Thornton, Wentworth) | | | District: SAU 48 |
| Career Technology Center(s): | Plymouth Regional High School | | | Region: 05 |
| Educational Facilities | Elementary | Middle/Junior High | High School | Private/Parochial |
| Number of Schools | 1 | | | |
| Grade Levels | K 1-8 | | | |
| Total Enrollment | 232 | | | |
| NH Licensed Child Care Facilities, 2003: | Total Facilities: 1 | | Total Capacity: 24 | |
| Nearest Community/Technical College: | Laconia | | | |
| Nearest Colleges or Universities: | Plymouth State University | | | |

| LARGEST EMPLOYERS | PRODUCT/SERVICE | EMPLOYEES | ESTABLISHED |
|---------------------------------|------------------------------|-----------|-------------|
| Holderness School | Education | 80 | 1879 |
| Holdernesss Central School | Education | 40 | |
| Granite State Plasma Cutting | Metal fabrication | 35 | 1995 |
| Resource Management, Inc. | Bioproducts/solids recycling | 21 | |
| Science Center of New Hampshire | Environmental education | 15 | 1967 |
| Squam Boats | Marina | 8 | |

TRANSPORTATION

| | | |
|------------------------------------|---------------------|-------------------------------|
| Road Access | Federal Routes | 3 |
| | State Routes | 25, 113, 175 |
| Nearest Interstate, Exit | | I-93, Exit 25 |
| | Distance | Local access |
| Railroad | | No |
| Public Transportation | | No |
| Nearest Airport | | Laconia |
| | Runway | 5,286 feet |
| | Lighted? Yes | Navigational Aids? Yes |
| Nearest Commercial Airport | | Manchester |
| | Distance | 65 miles |
| Driving distance to select cities: | | |
| | Manchester, NH | 59 miles |
| | Portland, Maine | 121 miles |
| | Boston, Mass. | 109 miles |
| | New York City, NY | 307 miles |
| | Montreal, Quebec | 220 miles |

COMMUTING TO WORK

(Census 2000)

| | |
|-----------------------------------|---------------------|
| Workers 16 years and over | |
| Drove alone, car/truck/van | 81.7% |
| Carpooled, car/truck/van | 7.2% |
| Public transportation | 0.0% |
| Walked | 4.1% |
| Other means | 1.4% |
| Worked at home | 5.5% |
| Mean Travel Time to Work | 25.5 minutes |
| Percent of Working Residents: | |
| Working in community of residence | 20% |
| Commuting to another NH community | 76% |
| Commuting out-of-state | 4% |

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 |
| | 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 |
| X | Youth Sports: Football |
| X | Youth Sports: Basketball |
| X | 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 |
| | Nearest Ski Area(s): Waterville Valley |
| | Other: Squam Lakes Science Center |