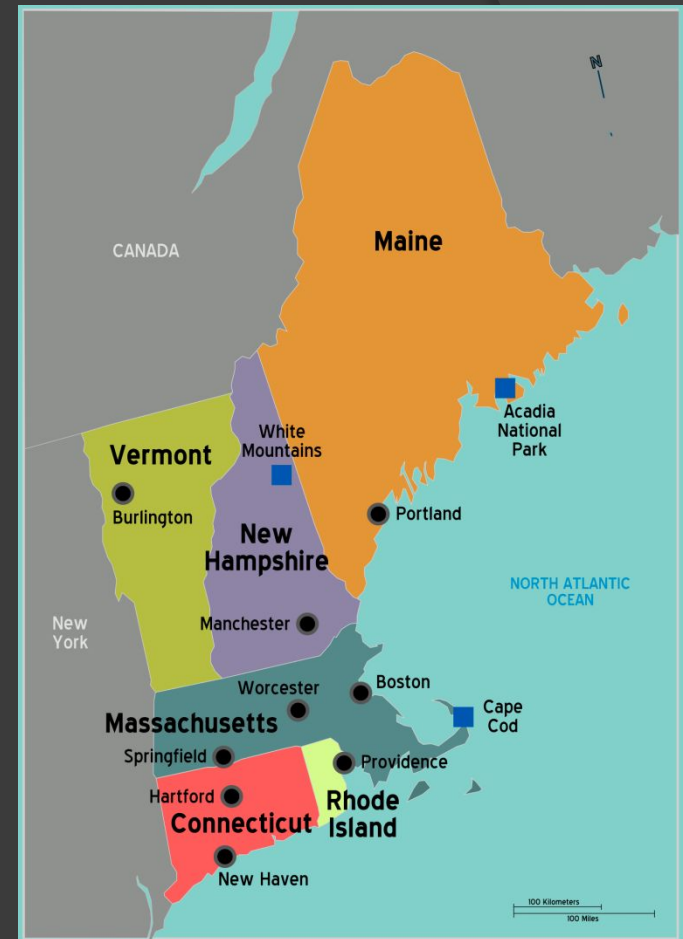


NEW ENGLAND.



- New England is an area which comprises six states of the northeastern United States: Connecticut, Maine, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, Rhode Island, and Vermont. It is bordered by the state of New York to the west and the Canadian provinces of New Brunswick and Quebec to the northeast and north, respectively. The Atlantic Ocean is to the east and southeast, and Long Island Sound is to the south.

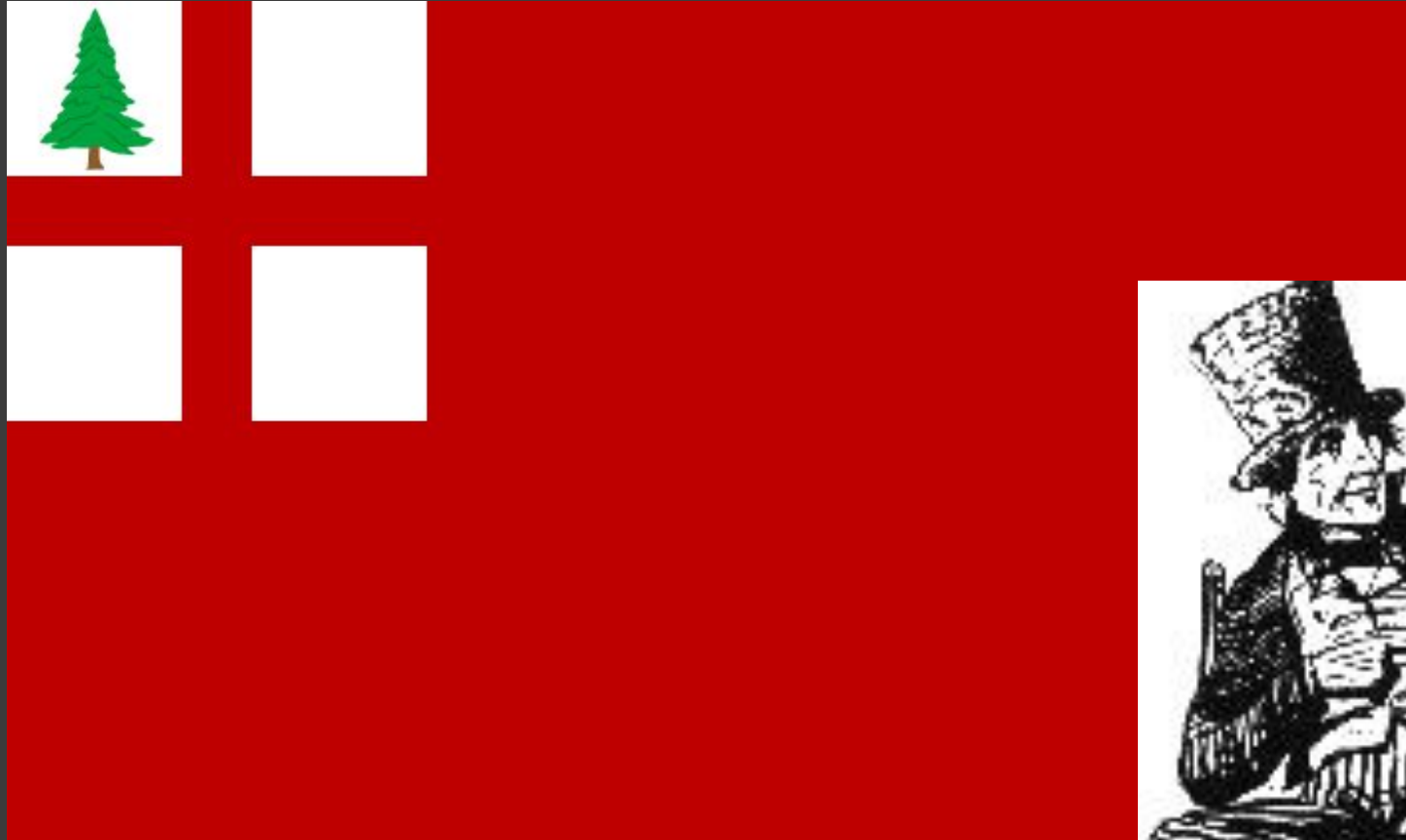


HISTORY

- Pilgrims from England first settled in the region in 1620, forming the Plymouth Colony, one of the earliest English settlements in the Americas. Ten years later, the Puritans settled north of Plymouth Colony in Boston, thus forming Massachusetts Bay Colony. Over the next 126 years, people in the region fought in four French and Indian Wars, until the British and their Iroquois Confederacy allies defeated the French and their Algonquin allies in North America. In 1692, the town of Salem, Massachusetts and surrounding areas experienced one of the most infamous cases of mass hysteria in the history of the Western Hemisphere, the Salem witch trials.



- In the late 18th century, the New England Colonies initiated the resistance to Britain's efforts to impose new taxes without the consent of the colonists. The Boston Tea Party was a protest to which Britain responded with a series of punitive laws stripping Massachusetts of self-government, which were termed the "Intolerable Acts" by the colonists. The confrontation led to open warfare in 1775, the expulsion of the British authorities from the region in spring 1776, and the Declaration of Independence in July 1776. The region played a prominent role in the movement to abolish slavery in the United States, and was the first region of the U.S. transformed by the Industrial Revolution.

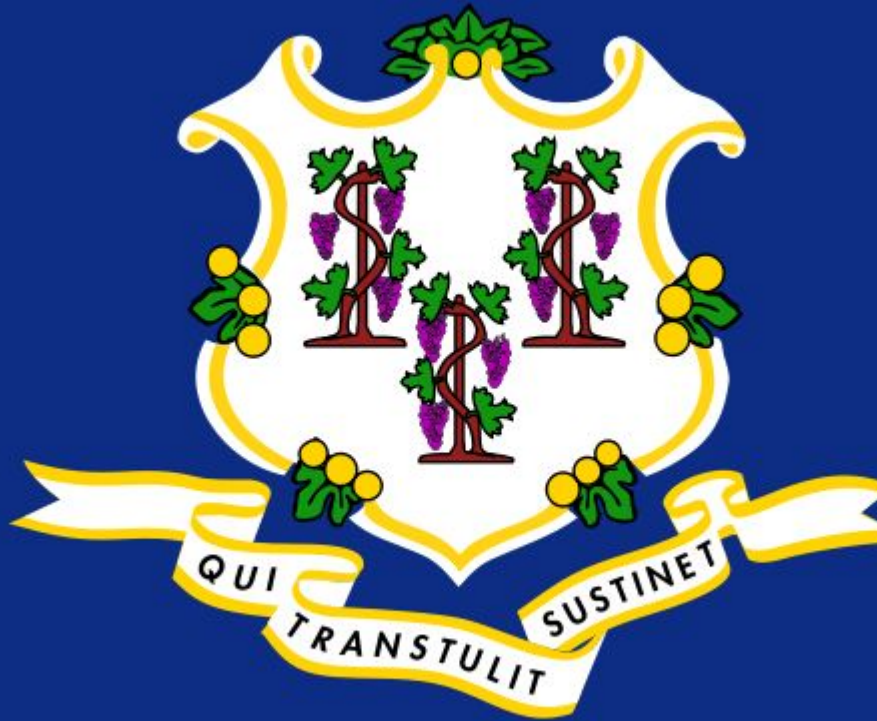


Connecticut

- Connecticut (/kəˈnɛtɪkət/ kə-net-i-kət) is the southernmost state in the region of the United States known as New England. Connecticut is also often grouped along with New York and New Jersey as the Tri-State area. It is bordered by Rhode Island to the east, Massachusetts to the north, New York to the west, and Long Island Sound to the south. Its capital city is Hartford, and its most populous city is Bridgeport. The state is named after the Connecticut River.



The Great Seal of the State of Connecticut and Flag.



10 Top-Rated Tourist Attractions in Connecticut

- ① Mystic Seaport
- ② Peabody Museum of Natural History at Yale University
- ③ Mystic Aquarium & Institution For Exploration
- ④ Gillette Castle State Park
- ⑤ Mashantucket Pequot Museum & Research Center
- ⑥ Lake Compounce Family Theme Park
- ⑦ New England Air Museum
- ⑧ Weir Farm National Historic Site
- ⑨ The Mark Twain House & Museum
- ⑩ Roseland Cottage





Colleges and Universities

- Private
 - Yale University (1701)
 - Trinity College (1823)
 - Wesleyan University (1831)
- Public universities
 - Central Connecticut State University (1849)
 - University of Connecticut (1881)
 - Eastern Connecticut State University (1889)

Maine

- Maine (/ˈmeɪn/; French: État du Maine) is a state in New England, in the United States. It is bordered by New Hampshire to the west, the Atlantic Ocean to the east, and the Canadian provinces of New Brunswick and Quebec to the east and north, respectively. Maine is the northernmost state in the contiguous United States east of the Great Lakes. It is known for its jagged, rocky coastline; low, rolling mountains; heavily forested interior, and picturesque waterways; and also its seafood cuisine, especially clams and lobster. The state capital is Augusta with a population of 19,136 (2010), making it the third least-populous state capital (after Montpelier, Vermont and Pierre, South Dakota) in the nation.



Flag and Seal



University of Maine

- The University of Maine is the largest university in the state and the flagship.



7 Top-Rated Tourist Attractions in Maine

- ① Acadia National Park
- ② Kennebunkport
- ③ Bowdoin College Museum of Art
- ④ Old Fort Western Museum on the Kennebec
- ⑤ Boothbay Harbor
- ⑥ Monhegan Island
- ⑦ Victoria Mansion - Portland



Massachusetts

- Massachusetts /ˌmæʃəˈtʃuːsɪts/, officially the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, is the most populous state in the New England region of the northeastern United States. It is bordered by the Atlantic Ocean to the east, the states of Connecticut and Rhode Island to the south, New Hampshire and Vermont to the north and New York to the west. The capital of Massachusetts and the largest city in New England is Boston. Massachusetts was transformed into a manufacturing center during the Industrial Revolution. During the 20th century, Massachusetts' economy shifted from manufacturing to services. Contemporary Massachusetts is a global leader in biotechnology, information technology, finance, higher education, and maritime trade.



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Colleges and Universities

- Massachusetts is home to 121 institutions of higher education. Harvard University and the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, both located in Cambridge, consistently rank among the world's best universities. In addition to Harvard and MIT, several other Massachusetts universities currently rank in the top 50 at the national level in the widely cited rankings of U.S. News and World Report: Tufts University (#27), Boston College (#30), Brandeis University (#34), Boston University (#41) and Northeastern University (#47). Massachusetts is also home to three of the top five U.S. News and World Report's best Liberal Arts Colleges: Williams College (#1), Amherst College (#2), and Wellesley College (#4). The public University of Massachusetts features five campuses in the state, with its flagship campus in Amherst that enrolls over 25,000 students.

12 Top-Rated Tourist Attractions in Massachusetts

- ① Freedom Trail
- ② Cape Cod Beaches
- ③ Minute Man National Historical Park and Lexington Green
- ④ Faneuil Hall
- ⑤ Mayflower II and Plimoth Plantation
- ⑥ Salem's Historic Houses
- ⑦ Whale Watch at Stellwagen Bank National Marine Sanctuary
- ⑧ Old Sturbridge Village
- ⑨ Tanglewood Concerts
- ⑩ Island Life on Martha's Vineyard
- ⑪ Norman Rockwell Museum
- ⑫ Historic Deerfield



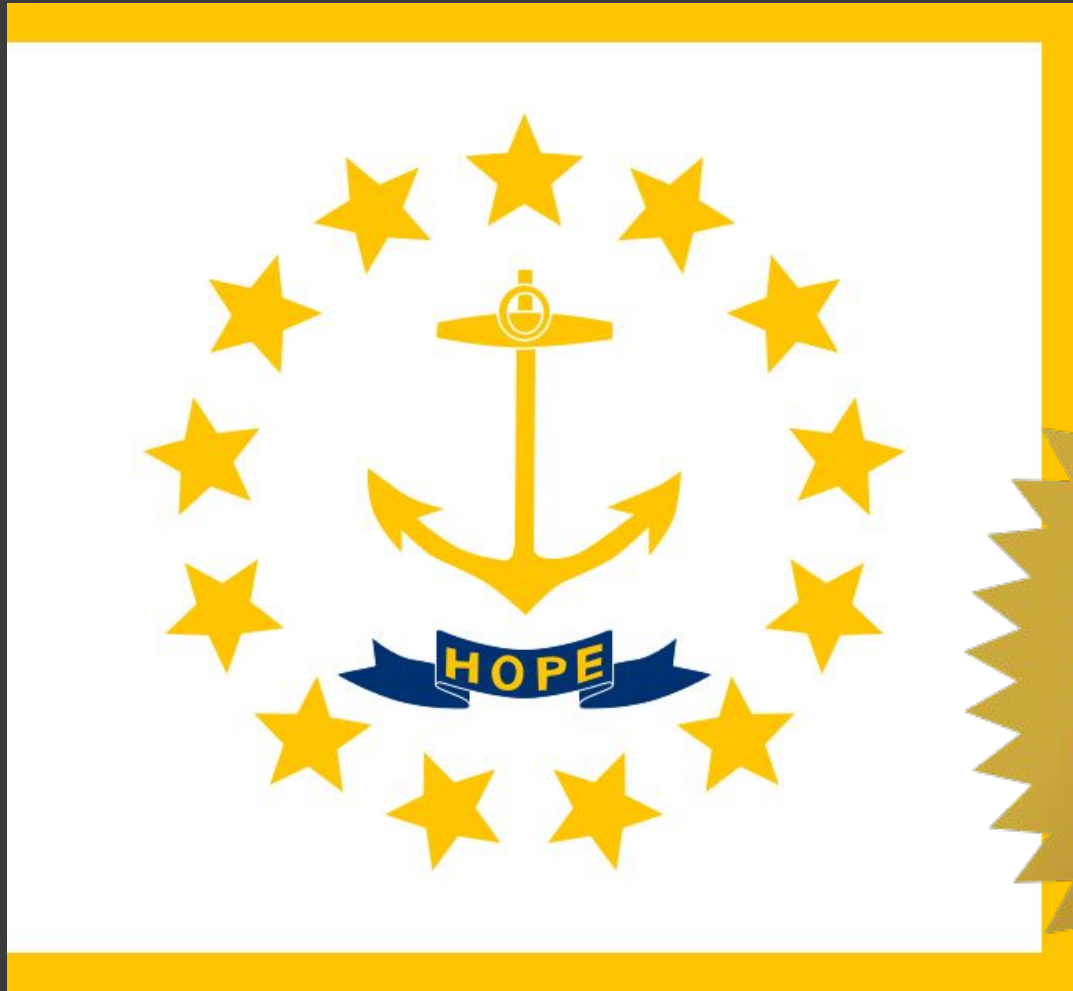


Rhode Island

- ◉ Rhode Island (/ˌroʊdˈaɪlənd/), officially the State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations,[8] is a state in the New England region of the United States. Rhode Island is the smallest in area, the eighth least populous, and the second most densely populated (behind New Jersey) of the 50 U.S. states; its official name is also the longest of any state in the Union. Rhode Island is bordered by Connecticut to the west, Massachusetts to the north and east, and the Atlantic Ocean (via Rhode Island Sound and Block Island Sound) to the south.



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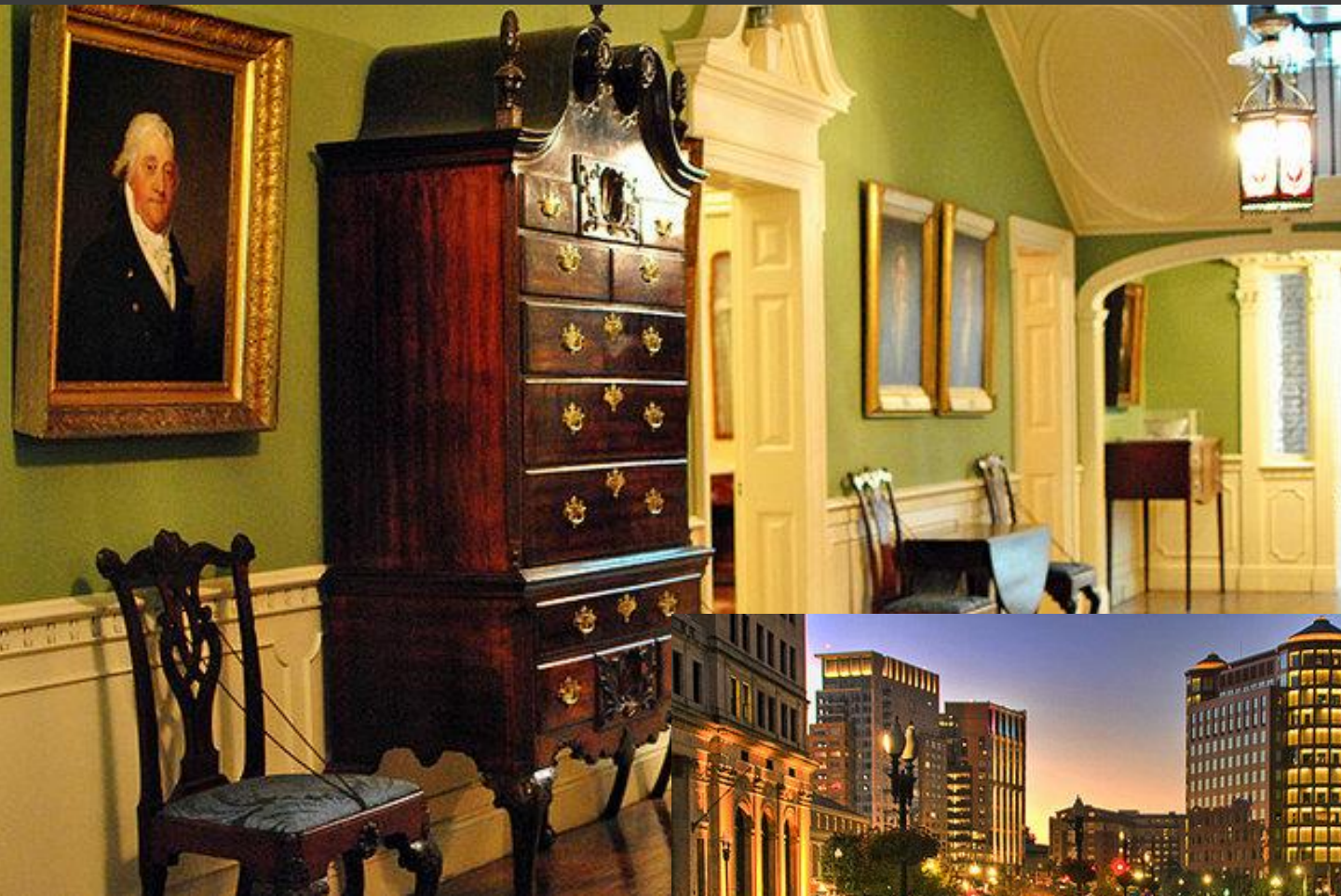


Colleges and Universities

- ⦿ Rhode Island has several colleges and universities:
- ⦿ Brown University
- ⦿ Bryant University
- ⦿ Community College of Rhode Island
- ⦿ Johnson & Wales University
- ⦿ Naval War College

12 Top-Rated Tourist Attractions in Rhode Island

- ① 1 The Breakers, Newport
- ② 2 Cliff Walk, Newport
- ③ 3 The Elms, Newport
- ④ 4 WaterFire Providence
- ⑤ 5 Benefit Street Mile of History, Providence
- ⑥ 6 RISD Museum of Art, Providence
- ⑦ 7 John Brown House, Providence
- ⑧ 8 Herreshoff Marine Museum, Bristol
- ⑨ 9 Narragansett Bay Beaches
- ⑩ 10 Block Island
- ⑪ 11 Blithewold, Bristol
- ⑫ 12 Rough Point, Newport





New Hampshire

- New Hampshire (/nu:'hæmpʃər/) is a state in the New England region of the northeastern United States. It is bordered by Massachusetts to the south, Vermont to the west, Maine and the Atlantic Ocean to the east, and the Canadian province of Quebec to the north. New Hampshire is the 5th smallest by land area and the 9th least populous of the 50 United States.



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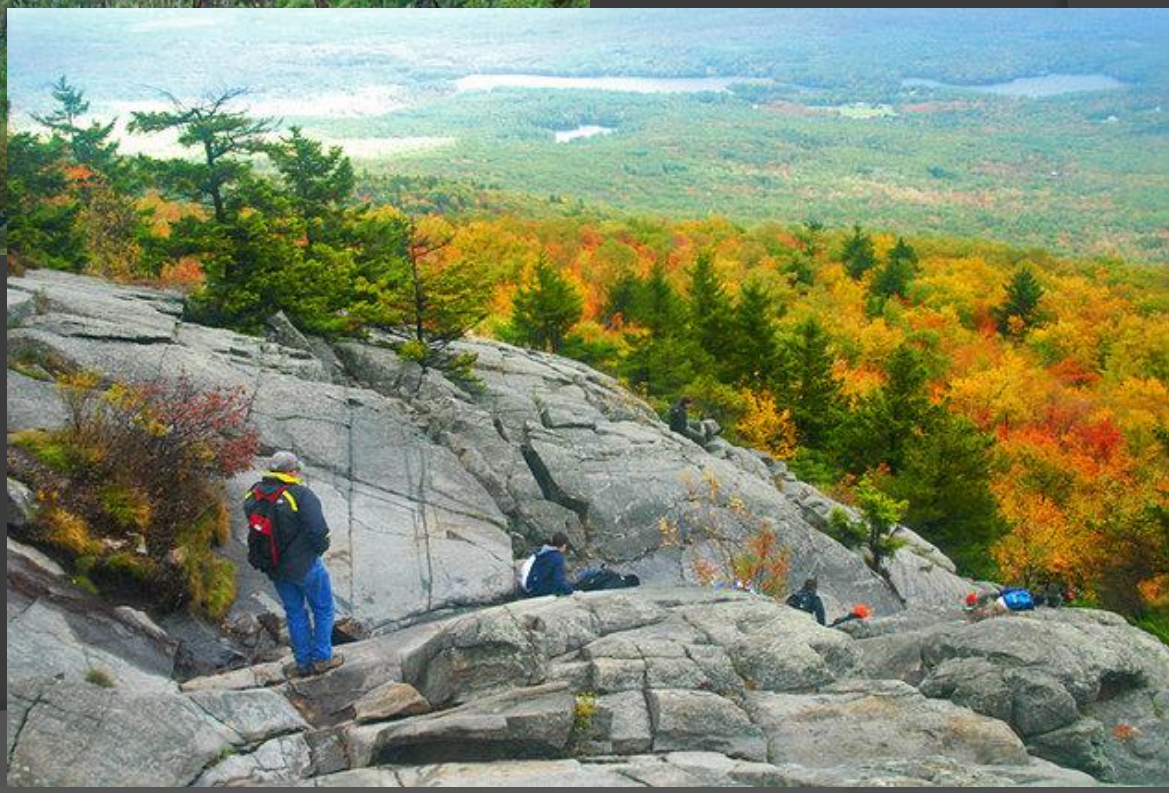


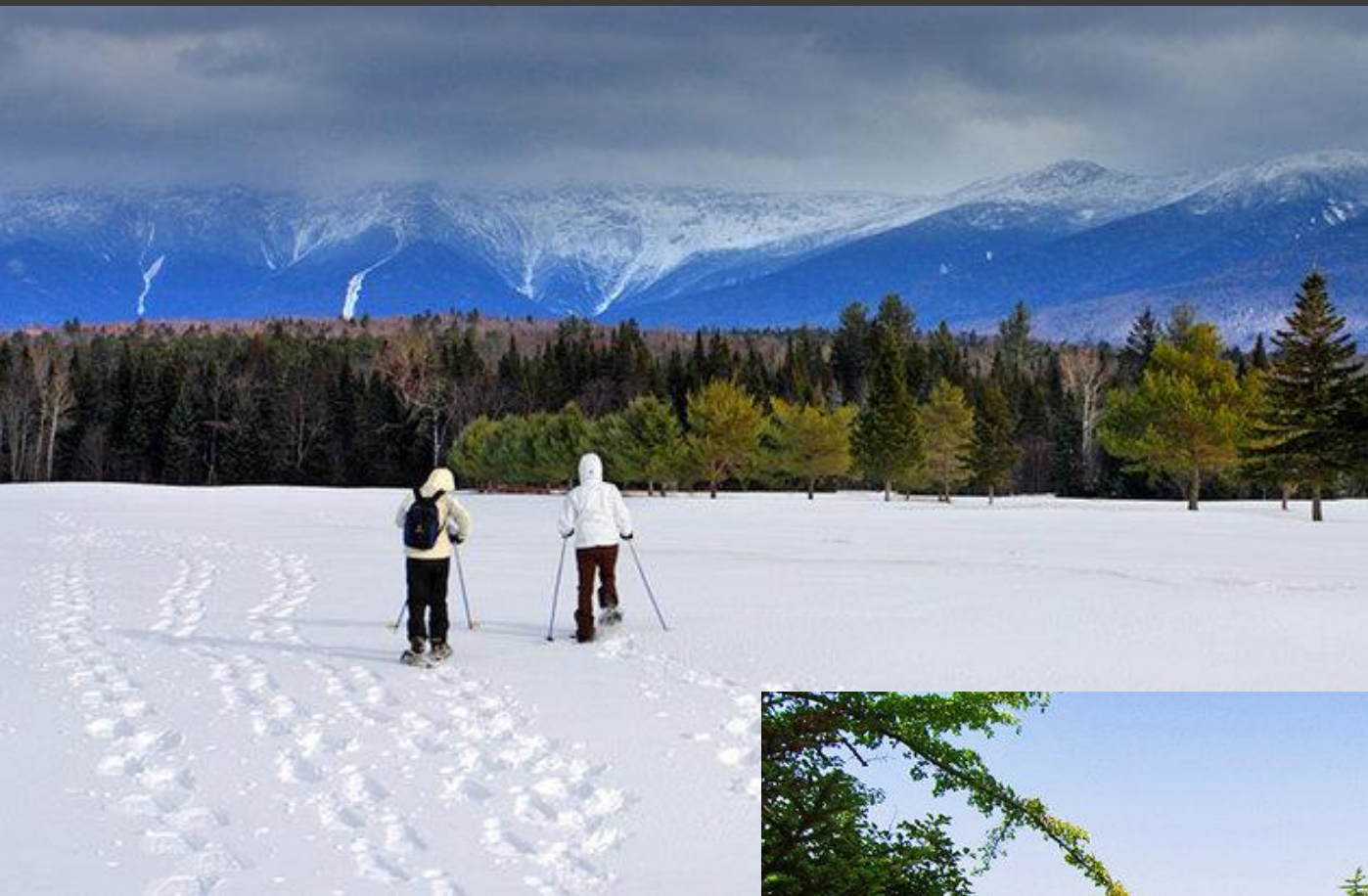
Colleges and Universities

- ◉ Antioch University New England
- ◉ Colby-Sawyer College
- ◉ Community College System of New Hampshire
- ◉ Daniel Webster College
- ◉ Dartmouth College
- ◉ Franklin Pierce University
- ◉ Hellenic American University
- ◉ Lebanon College

10 Top-Rated Tourist Attractions in New Hampshire

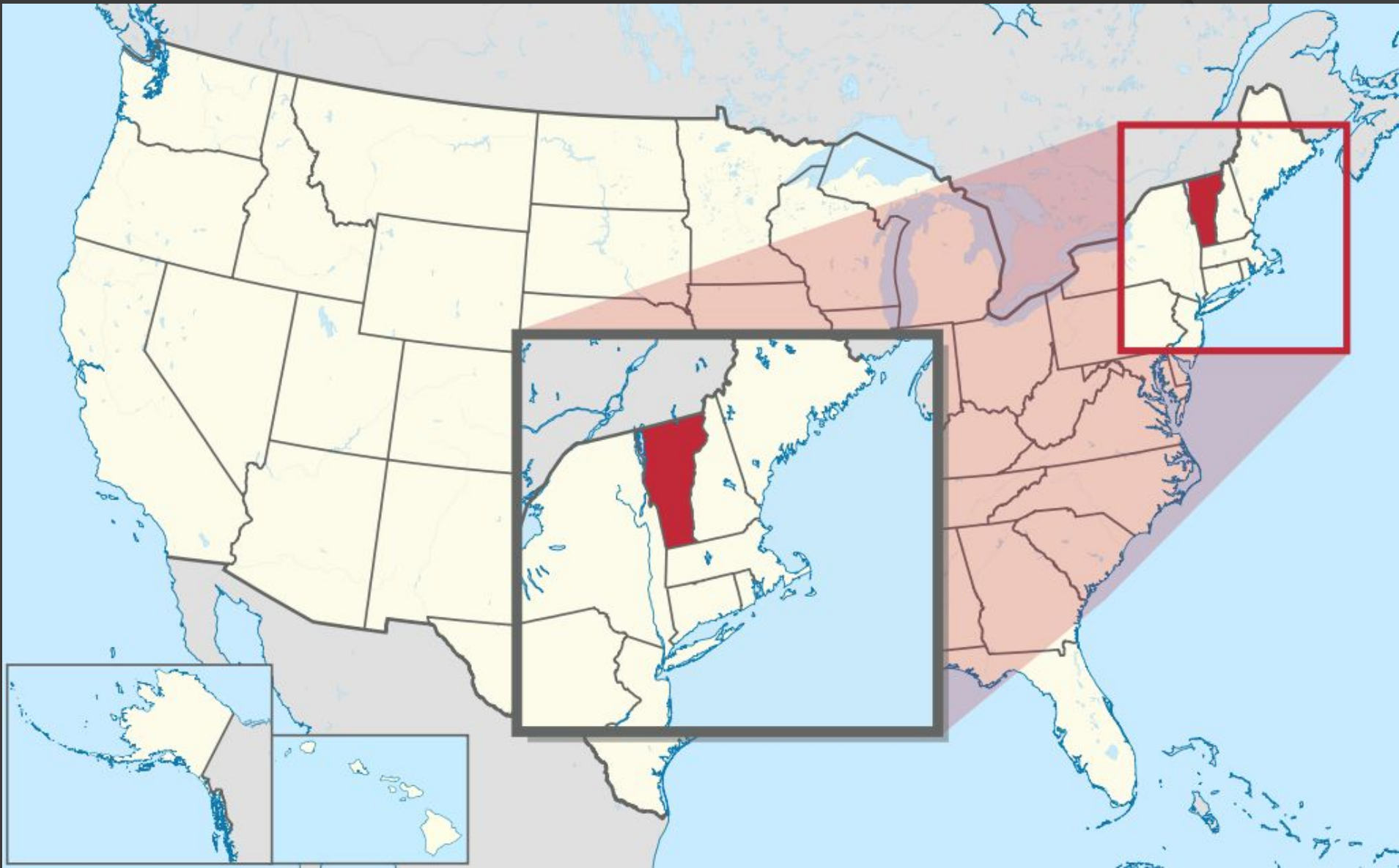
- ① Mt. Washington Cog Railway
- ② Strawberry Banke
- ③ Cannon Mountain Aerial Tramway and Franconia Notch
- ④ Portsmouth Harbor Trail and Historic Houses
- ⑤ Mt. Monadnock
- ⑥ North Conway and Mt. Washington Valley Ski Resorts
- ⑦ Hampton Beach
- ⑧ Lake Winnepesaukee
- ⑨ Kancamagus Highway
- ⑩ Currier Museum of Art and Zimmerman House





Vermont

- Vermont (/vər'mɒnt, vɜːr-/) is a state in the northeastern part of the United States. It borders the U.S. states of Massachusetts to the south, New Hampshire to the east, New York to the west, and the Canadian province of Quebec to the north. Lake Champlain forms half of Vermont's western border with the state of New York. The Green Mountains run north-south the length of the state and forests cover approximately 75% of its total land area. Vermont is the leading producer of maple syrup in the United States.



Flag and Seal



Colleges and Universities

- ◉ Experimentation at the University of Vermont by George Perkins Marsh, and later the influence of Vermont-born philosopher and educator John Dewey brought about the concepts of electives and learning by doing.
- ◉ Vermont has five colleges within the Vermont State Colleges system, University of Vermont (UVM), and fourteen other private, degree-granting colleges, including Bennington College, Burlington College, Champlain College

10 Top-Rated Tourist Attractions in Vermont

- ① Lake Champlain
- ② Shelburne Museum
- ③ Stowe
- ④ Ben & Jerry's
- ⑤ Lake Champlain Maritime Museum
- ⑥ Hildene
- ⑦ Bennington Battle Monument and Museum
- ⑧ Brattleboro Farmers Market
- ⑨ Fairbanks Museum and Planetarium
- ⑩ Montshire Museum of Science





Well-known Persons Living In or Inspired by New England

- Authors: Over the years, New England has been the home and inspiration to many literary greats including Mark Twain (Huckleberry Finn) and Harriet Beecher Stowe (Uncle Tom's Cabin) as well as a number of best-selling modern-day authors including Stephen King, John Irving and Dan Brown.
- Presidents: The region is also well known for its presidential connections and is a favorite summer vacation spot of many present and past presidents.
- John F. Kennedy, who was born in Massachusetts, would often vacation in the state of Rhode Island and in Hyannis, Massachusetts.
- Former Presidents George H. W. Bush and George W. Bush regularly vacation in Kennebunkport, Maine, where the family has a summer compound.
- Current president Barack Obama, who studied law at Harvard University in Boston, has spent vacation time on Martha's Vineyard, Massachusetts, and in Acadia National Park in Maine.