

Church Planting Profile:

Hanover, New Hampshire

Summary: Hanover is located in Grafton County and is part of the Upper Connecticut River Valley, a region that also includes White River Junction, Vermont, and Lebanon, New Hampshire. As its demographics indicate, the town of Hanover is dominated by Dartmouth College, the only Ivy League college in northern New England. The population of Hanover is young, highly educated, and relatively diverse. Evangelical Christians make up less than 2% of the population of Grafton County. A PCA attempt to plant a church in the Upper Valley region was discontinued in 2007.



The Dartmouth College Library, Hanover Source: flickr.com

Demographics:

Town Population, 2007: 11,064

Pop. change: +1.3% since 2000

County Population, 2007: 85,514

Racial Breakdown:

White, non-Hispanic	83.6%
Chinese	3.3%
Hispanic	3.2%
Two or more races	2.5%
Black	2.3%

Median Age: 21.9 (37.1 NH)

Age Breakdown:

Under 18	15.1%
Ages 18-24	37.6%
Ages 25-44	16.6%
Ages 45-64	17.1%
Age 65 and over	13.6%

Avg. Household Size: 2.5 people

Avg. Family Size: 3.0 people

Economics:

Median Household Income, 2007: \$76,752

Median House/Condo Value, 2007: \$464,743

Unemployment Rate, 12/08: 1.9%

Cost of Living, 2008 (US average = 100): 103.8

Principal Occupations in Region:

Office & Admin. Support	15.7%
Sales	12.1%
Healthcare Practitioner	10.2%
Education, Training, & Library	9.8%

Largest Employers

Dartmouth College	3200
Hypertherm	400
Dartmouth Printing Co.	242
Dimatix	130

Other:

Educational Attainment Breakdown (age 25+)

High School or higher	95.9%
Bachelor's Degree or higher	77.0%
Graduate/Professional Degree	40.9%

Nearest Major Colleges and Universities:

Dartmouth College (Hanover - 5309 students)
Plymouth St. College (45 miles - 3542 students)

Principal Media Outlets:

Newspaper: Valley News; The Dartmouth
Radio: WTSL (1400 AM); WXXK (100.5 FM)

Average January Low Temperature: 8.7°

Average July High Temperature: 82.9°

Average Annual Precipitation: 38.7 inches

Average Annual Snowfall: 66 inches

Hanover Churches:

St. Thomas Episcopal (ECUSA)

www.saintthomashanover.org

Christ Redeemer Church

www.christredeemerchurch.org

The Church of Christ at Dartmouth College

www.ccdcucc.org

Upper Valley Chapel

Our Savior Lutheran Church

www.dartmouth.edu/~lutheran

Trinity Baptist Church (ABC/CBF)

www.trinitybaptisthanover.org

Hanover Friends Meeting (Quaker)

www.hanoverquakers.us

Also: Upper Valley Jewish Community