

New England Population 2010 Census

The US Department of Commerce, Bureau of the Census, recently released state population figures for 2010. The population increased in all of the New England states between 2000 and 2010. Rhode Island gained 4,248 residents over the 2000's. The number of Rhode Island residents grew from 1,048,319 in 2000 to 1,052,567 in 2010. The State's growth rate of 0.4 percent was the second lowest in the country, trailing only Michigan, which lost 0.6 percent of its population over the decade.

New Hampshire was the fastest-growing New England state, climbing 6.5 percent to 1.3 million residents. Connecticut grew by 4.9 percent to 3.6 million residents and Maine increased by 4.2 percent to 1.3 million. The nation, as a whole, grew by 9.7 percent to 308.7 million between 2000 and 2010.

Area	2010 Census	2000 Census	Change 2000-2010	
	Population	Population	Net	Percent
Connecticut	3,574,097	3,405,565	168,532	4.9%
Maine	1,328,361	1,274,923	53,438	4.2%
Massachusetts	6,547,629	6,349,097	198,532	3.1%
New Hampshire	1,316,470	1,235,786	80,684	6.5%
Rhode Island	1,052,567	1,048,319	4,248	0.4%
Vermont	625,741	608,827	16,914	2.8%
New England	14,444,865	13,922,517	522,348	3.8%
United States	308,745,538	281,421,906	27,323,632	9.7%

Source: US Census Bureau, 2010 Census