

Housing and Population

Newfield's close proximity to Ithaca, Elmira, Horseheads, and Watkins Glen and the lack of regulations have shaped the housing inventory over the last fifty years. There are six mobile home parks of varying sizes, many modular homes, but also substantial homes scattered throughout the hills and valleys that make up the township.

Newfield has provided lower cost housing alternatives for many years and in recent years more and more people have discovered its convenience and beauty. It is anticipated that more development will continue to move towards Newfield due to the perceived benefits of the Tompkins County area and the available land to develop.

Population in July 2009: 5,225. Population change since 2000: +2.3%

Population density: 89 people per square mile (very low).

Males: 2,523  (48.3%)

Females: 2,702  (51.7%)

Median resident age:  35.7 years

New York median age:  35.9 years

Ancestries of population:

German (21.2%), Irish (17.5%), English (17.1%), United States (8.3%), Italian (7.0%), Dutch (5.5%).

Races in Newfield:

- White alone - 4,881 (95.6%)
- Two or more races - 68 (1.3%)
- Black alone - 52 (1.0%)
- Hispanic - 53 (1.0%)
- American alone - 27 (0.5%)
- Asian alone - 19 (0.4%)
- Other race alone - 8 (0.2%)

Estimated median household income in 2008: Newfield: \$47,813 (it was \$36,693 in 2000) New York: \$56,033

Estimated per capita income in 2008: \$21,694

Dec. 2009 cost of living index in Newfield: 85.9 (less than average, U.S. average is 100)

Total population in 2008: 5,161 (Urban population: 409, Rural population: 4,752 (74 farm, 4,678 nonfarm))

Houses: 2,191 (2,033 occupied: 1,515 owner occupied, 518 renter occupied)

% of renters here:  25%

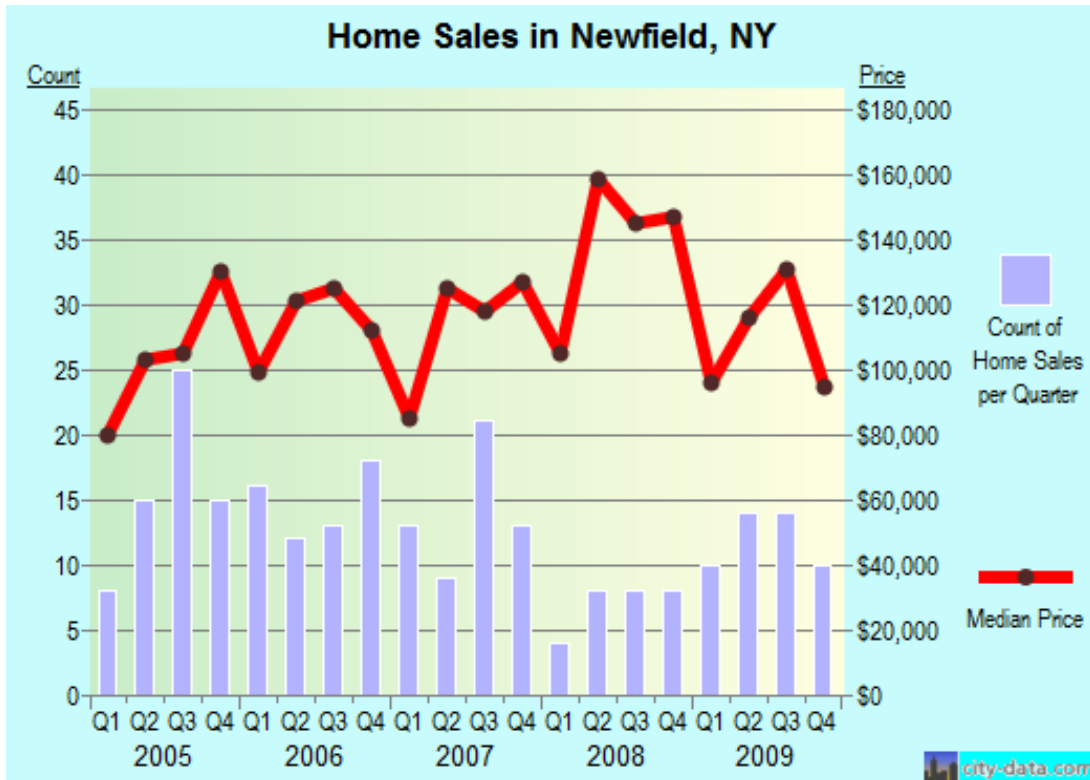
State:  47%

Median rent asked for vacant for-rent units in 2008: \$560

Estimated median house value in 2008: Newfield: \$123,762 (it was \$70,900 in 2000), New York: \$318,900

Mean prices in 2008: All housing units: \$116,451; Detached houses: \$141,430; Townhouses or other attached units: \$39,702; In 2-unit structures: \$129,752; Mobile homes: \$32,596

Housing density: 37 houses per square mile



Read more: <http://www.city-data.com/city/Newfield-New-York.html>

Useful websites:

Resource Conservation and Development Program - <http://www.nrcs.usda.gov/programs/rcd/>

New York State Building Code - <http://www.dos.state.ny.us/code/lc-codes.html>

Newfield Fire & Building Code Officer - <http://townofnewfieldny.com/code.html>

Tompkins County Health Department - <http://www.tompkins-co.org/health/>