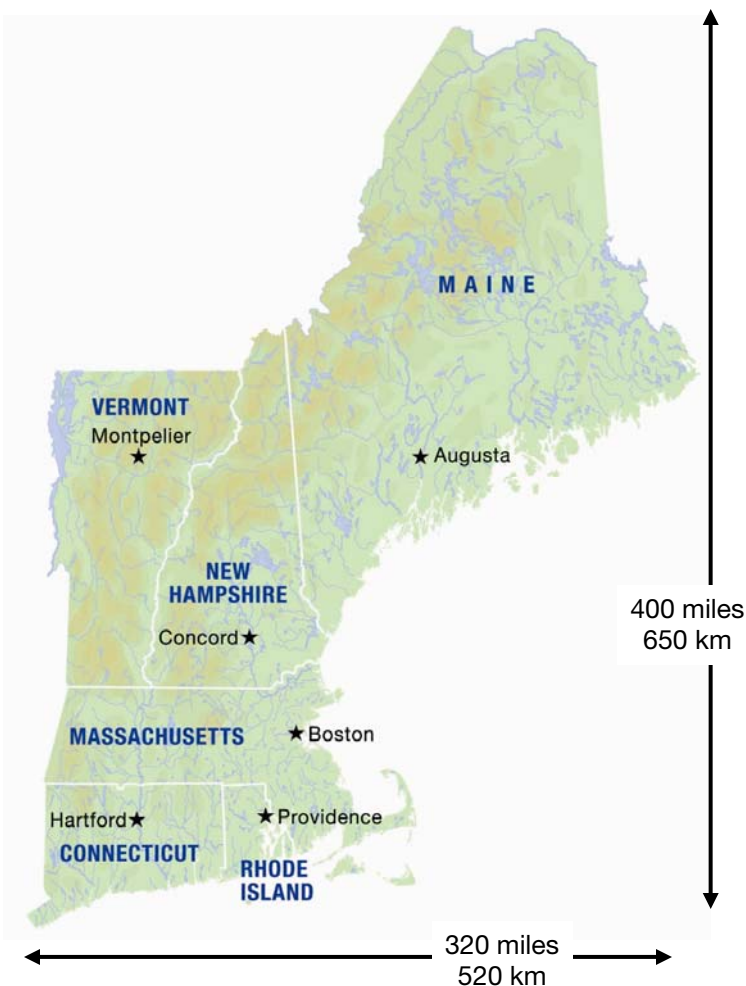


# Key Facts

## New England's Power System and Wholesale Electricity Market



- 6.5 million households and businesses; population 14 million
- More than 300 generators
- Over 8,000 miles of high-voltage transmission lines
- 13 interconnections to electricity systems in New York and Canada
- More than 32,000 megawatts of total supply (includes nearly 1,700 megawatts of demand-response capacity)
- All-time peak demand of 28,130 megawatts, set on August 2, 2006
- More than 300 participants in the marketplace (those who generate, buy, sell, transport, and use wholesale electricity)
- Total energy market value \$10 billion annually
- Up More than \$1.0 billion in transmission investment since 2002 to enhance system reliability; another \$4.0 to \$7.0 billion planned over the next 10 years
- Approximately \$1.0 to \$2.0 billion of economic transmission investment under study for development of renewable resources
- Two major 345-kilovolt projects in various stages of construction