

"Englewood's Geography"

Latitude: 40.89° N

Longitude: 73.97° W

Lowest elevation: Sea level

Highest elevation: 370 ft (120 m)

4.9 square miles (12.8 km²)

Englewood's current municipal boundaries reflect the changes taking place in this area from the first arrival of Dutch and other European settlers in the 1600s to the present day.

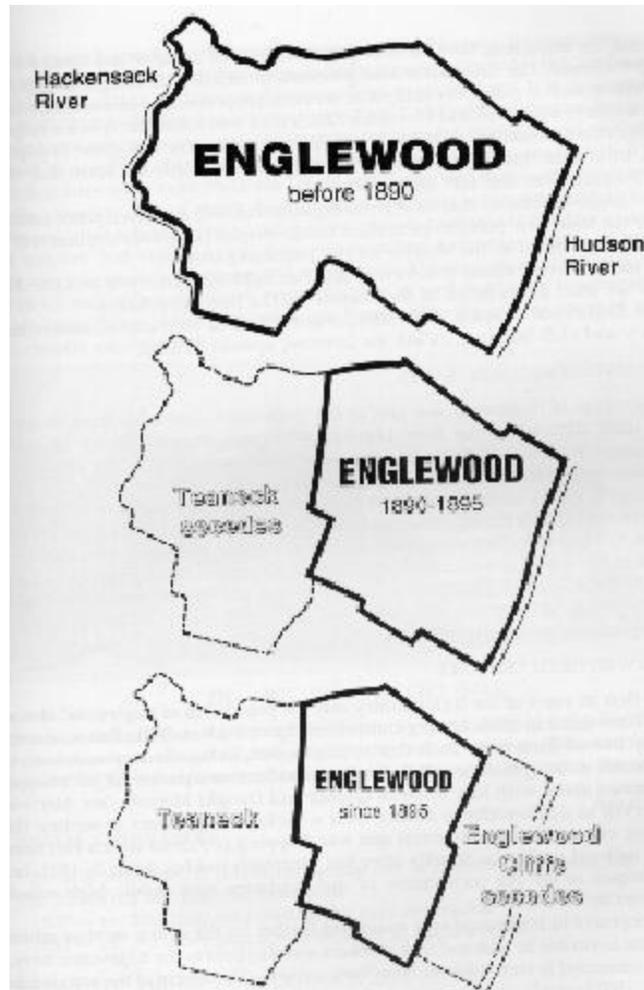
The lowest parts of Englewood along Overpeck Creek are close to sea level and sometimes flood during heavy rains. Flooding was a more serious problem here before concrete walls placed the creek in confined channels (see "The Englewood Canal.") Future climate changes leading to global sea level rise might pose a threat here, though most people consider Englewood "inland."

The highest point in Englewood is on North Woodland St. near the Tenafly/Englewood Cliffs border.

After the English took over what had been the Dutch colony of New Netherlands and divided it into New York and New Jersey, what eventually became Englewood was, at first, part of the "English Neighborhood." It stretched from Ridgefield to Closter. During the 17th, 18th, and 19th Centuries, re-organizations resulted in sections separating to form smaller municipalities.

When "The Village of Englewood" was incorporated and formally named in 1859, it stretched from the Hackensack to the Hudson and was still part of Hackensack Township. In 1871, the State Legislature divided Bergen County into four Townships: Hackensack, Palisade, Ridgefield, and Englewood. Teaneck seceded in 1891 (hence the name of "West Englewood.") Another secession was made in 1894, largely related to school districts. For uncertain reasons, municipalities newly organized as boroughs, towns, villages, and cities were exempt from paying some of the existing school debts. 26 new municipalities were incorporated as a result of the resulting "Boroughitis" craze. Englewood Cliffs left Englewood at this time, creating the current boundaries. In 1899, Englewood reorganized as a "City."

Englewood's weather and climate are associated with the monitoring system at nearby Teterboro Airport. Average monthly high temperatures range from 86° in July to 38° in January, with an annual average of about 54°. Average annual precipitation is about 48 in. More information about Englewood's climate can be obtained through the [Office of the New Jersey State Climatologist](#).



<http://www.cityofenglewood.org/content/9262/11544/default.aspx>

More information:

[Historic Englewood](#)

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