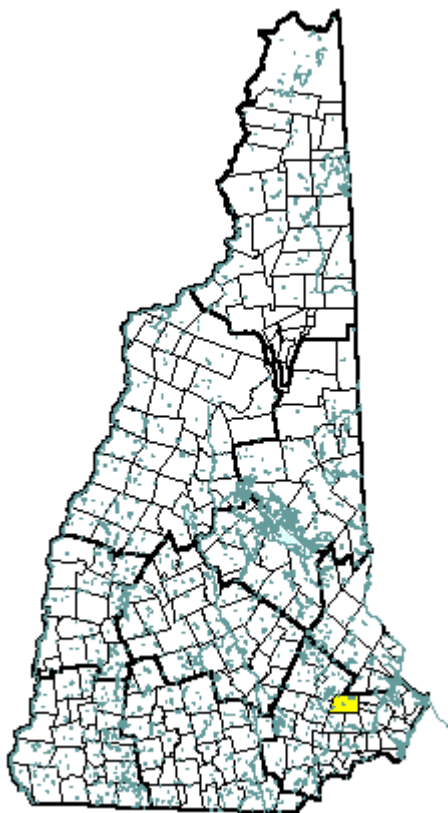


# Epping, NH



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## Municipal Office Hours

**Monday through Thursday, 8 am - 4 pm, Friday, 8 am - 12 noon;**  
**Town Clerk/Tax Collector: Monday, 12 noon - 8 pm, Wednesday,**  
**9 am - 6 pm, and Friday, 9 am - 3 pm**

## County

**Rockingham**

## Labor Market Area

**Haverhill MA-NH NECTA Division, NH Portion**

## Tourism Region

**Seacoast**

## Planning Commission

**Rockingham**

## Regional Development

**Rockingham Economic Development Corp.**

## Election Districts

US Congress  
 Executive Council  
 State Senate  
 State Representative

**District 1**  
**District 3**  
**District 21**  
**Rockingham County District 9**

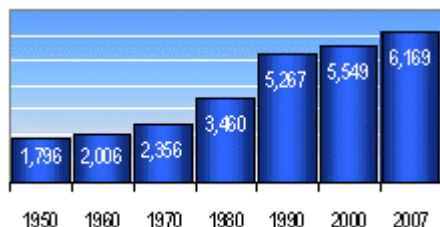
**Incorporated:** 1741

**Origin:** This was one of the last towns chartered by Massachusetts Governor Jonathan Belcher prior to the establishment of New Hampshire as an independent province. Once a parish of Exeter, Epping was incorporated as a separate town in 1741. It was probably named for Epping Forest, a suburb of London used by royalty for deer hunting, which was likely familiar to Governor Belcher. Epping was the home of three of New Hampshire's governors: William Plumer (1759-1850), David Morril (1772-1849), and Benjamin Franklin Prescott (1833-1895).

**Villages and Place Names:** Camp Hedding, Martin Crossing, North Epping, West Epping

**Population, Year of the First Census Taken:** 1,233 residents in 1790

**Population Trends:** Population change for Epping totaled 3,753 over 50 years, from 1,796 in 1950 to 5,449 in 2000. The largest decennial percent change was a 52 percent increase between 1980 and 1990, following a 47 percent increase between 1970 and 1980. The 2007 Census estimate for Epping was 6,169 residents, which ranked 55th among New Hampshire's incorporated cities and towns.



**Population Density and Land Area** (NH Office of Energy & Planning): 231.9 persons per square mile of land area. Epping contains 26.1 square miles of land area and 0.1 square miles of inland water area.

**MUNICIPAL SERVICES**

Type of Government	<b>Selectmen/SB 2 Voting</b>
Budget: Municipal Appropriations, 2008	<b>\$5,243,464</b>
Budget: School Appropriations, 2008	<b>\$15,265,075</b>
Zoning Ordinance	<b>1968/06</b>
Master Plan	<b>2006</b>
Capital Improvement Plan	<b>Yes</b>
Industrial Plans Reviewed By	<b>Planning Board</b>

## Boards and Commissions

Elected: **Selectmen; Planning; Zoning; Library; Fire Warden; Cemetery**

Appointed: **Conservation; Recreation**

Public Library **Harvey-Mitchell Memorial**

**EMERGENCY SERVICES**

Police Department	<b>Full-time</b>
Fire Department	<b>Full &amp; part-time</b>
Town Fire Insurance Rating	<b>5/9</b>
Emergency Medical Service	<b>Municipal</b>
Nearest Hospital(s)	Distance Staffed Beds
<b>Exeter Hospital, Exeter</b>	<b>10 miles 100</b>

**UTILITIES**

Electric Supplier	<b>PSNH; NH Electric Coop</b>
Natural Gas Supplier	<b>None</b>
Water Supplier	<b>Epping Water Department</b>
Sanitation	<b>Municipal</b>
Municipal Wastewater Treatment Plant	<b>Yes</b>
Solid Waste Disposal	
Curbside Trash Pickup	<b>Private</b>
Pay-As-You-Throw Program	<b>No</b>
Recycling Program	<b>Voluntary</b>
Telephone Company	<b>Fairpoint</b>
Cellular Telephone Access	<b>Yes</b>
Cable Television Access	<b>Yes</b>
Public Access Television Station	<b>Yes</b>
High Speed Internet Service:	Business Residential
	<b>Yes Yes</b>

**PROPERTY TAXES** (NH Dept. of Revenue Administration)

2007 Total Tax Rate (per \$1000 of value)	<b>\$19.53</b>
2007 Equalization Ratio	<b>94.6</b>
2007 Full Value Tax Rate (per \$1000 of value)	<b>\$18.45</b>
2007 Percent of Local Assessed Valuation by Property Type	
Residential Land and Buildings	<b>81.0%</b>
Commercial Land and Buildings	<b>17.7%</b>
Public Utilities, Current Use, and Other	<b>1.2%</b>

**HOUSING SUPPLY** (NH Office of Energy and Planning)

2007 Total Housing Units	<b>2,565</b>
2007 Single-Family Units	<b>1,672</b>
Residential Permits, Net Change of Units	<b>23</b>
2007 Multi-Family Units	<b>440</b>
Residential Permits, Net Change of Units	<b>13</b>
2007 Manufactured Housing Units	<b>453</b>

**DEMOGRAPHICS**

(US Census Bureau)

Total Population	Community	County
2007	<b>6,169</b>	<b>296,543</b>
2000	<b>5,549</b>	<b>278,748</b>
1990	<b>5,267</b>	<b>246,744</b>
1980	<b>3,460</b>	<b>190,345</b>
1970	<b>2,356</b>	<b>138,951</b>

**Census 2000 Demographics**

Population by Gender		
Male	<b>2,699</b>	Female <b>2,777</b>
Population by Age Group		
Under age 5		<b>383</b>
Age 5 to 19		<b>1,219</b>
Age 20 to 34		<b>1,030</b>
Age 35 to 54		<b>1,921</b>
Age 55 to 64		<b>417</b>
Age 65 and over		<b>506</b>
Median Age		<b>35.8 years</b>

## Educational Attainment, population 25 years and over

High school graduate or higher	<b>84.5%</b>
Bachelor's degree or higher	<b>14.5%</b>

**ANNUAL INCOME, 1999**

(US Census Bureau)

Per capita income	<b>\$21,109</b>
Median 4-person family income	<b>\$54,722</b>
Median household income	<b>\$50,739</b>
Median Earnings, full-time, year-round workers	
Male	<b>\$40,273</b>
Female	<b>\$25,440</b>
Families below the poverty level	<b>2.6%</b>

**LABOR FORCE**

(NHES - ELMI)

Annual Average	1997	2007
Civilian labor force	<b>3,117</b>	<b>3,614</b>
Employed	<b>3,013</b>	<b>3,474</b>
Unemployed	<b>104</b>	<b>140</b>
Unemployment rate	<b>3.3%</b>	<b>3.9%</b>

**EMPLOYMENT & WAGES**

(NHES - ELMI)

Annual Average Covered Employment	1997	2007
Goods Producing Industries		
Average Employment	<b>119</b>	<b>115</b>
Average Weekly Wage	<b>\$503</b>	<b>\$733</b>
Service Providing Industries		
Average Employment	<b>513</b>	<b>1,588</b>
Average Weekly Wage	<b>\$312</b>	<b>\$525</b>
Total Private Industry		
Average Employment	<b>632</b>	<b>1,703</b>
Average Weekly Wage	<b>\$348</b>	<b>\$539</b>
Government (Federal, State, and Local)		
Average Employment	<b>265</b>	<b>356</b>
Average Weekly Wage	<b>\$502</b>	<b>\$784</b>
Total, Private Industry plus Government		
Average Employment	<b>898</b>	<b>2,059</b>
Average Weekly Wage	<b>\$393</b>	<b>\$582</b>

n = indicates that data does not meet disclosure standards

## EDUCATION AND CHILD CARE

Schools students attend: **Epping operates grades K-12** District: **SAU 14**  
 Career Technology Center(s): **Seacoast School of Technology, Exeter** Region: **18**

Educational Facilities	Elementary	Middle/Junior High	High School	Private/Parochial
Number of Schools	1	1	1	
Grade Levels	<b>P K 1-5</b>	<b>6-8</b>	<b>9-12</b>	
Total Enrollment	<b>456</b>	<b>224</b>	<b>355</b>	

NH Licensed Child Care Facilities, 2008: Total Facilities: 7 Total Capacity: **232**

Nearest Community College: **Great Bay**

Nearest Colleges or Universities: **Chester College of New England; McIntosh; University of NH**

LARGEST BUSINESSES	PRODUCT/SERVICE	EMPLOYEES	ESTABLISHED
Wal-Mart	Retail store, supermarket	350	2004
Epping High School	Education	91	
Epping Elementary School.	Education	87	
McDonald's	Fast food restaurant	50	
Errco	Demolition recycling	47	
Abenaki Timber	Lumber, timber	30	
Burger King	Fast food restaurant	25	
Wendy's	Fast food restaurant	20	2005
PSNH	Electric utility district office	15	
Goodrich Brickyard	Bricks	12	

## TRANSPORTATION *(distances estimated from city/town hall)*

Road Access	US Routes	
	State Routes	<b>27, 101, 125</b>
Nearest Interstate, Exit		<b>I-95, Exit 2</b>
	Distance	<b>13 miles</b>
Railroad		<b>No</b>
Public Transportation		<b>No</b>
Nearest Public Use Airport, General Aviation		
<b>Hampton Airfield</b>	Runway	<b>2,100 ft. turf</b>
Lighted? <b>Yes</b>	Navigation Aids?	<b>No</b>
Nearest Airport with Scheduled Service		
<b>Manchester-Boston Regional</b>	Distance	<b>27 miles</b>
Number of Passenger Airlines Serving Airport		<b>8</b>
Driving distance to select cities:		
Manchester, NH		<b>23 miles</b>
Portland, Maine		<b>74 miles</b>
Boston, Mass.		<b>54 miles</b>
New York City, NY		<b>257 miles</b>
Montreal, Quebec		<b>278 miles</b>

## COMMUTING TO WORK *(US Census Bureau)*

Workers 16 years and over	
Drove alone, car/truck/van	<b>81.5%</b>
Carpooled, car/truck/van	<b>11.4%</b>
Public transportation	<b>0.0%</b>
Walked	<b>1.5%</b>
Other means	<b>0.4%</b>
Worked at home	<b>5.2%</b>
Mean Travel Time to Work	<b>27.7 minutes</b>
Percent of Working Residents:	
Working in community of residence	<b>16%</b>
Commuting to another NH community	<b>69%</b>
Commuting out-of-state	<b>15%</b>

## RECREATION, ATTRACTIONS, AND EVENTS

<b>X</b>	Municipal Parks
	YMCA/YWCA
	Boys Club/Girls Club
	Golf Courses
	Swimming: Indoor Facility
	Swimming: Outdoor Facility
	Tennis Courts: Indoor Facility
<b>X</b>	Tennis Courts: Outdoor Facility
	Ice Skating Rink: Indoor Facility
	Bowling Facilities
<b>X</b>	Museums
	Cinemas
<b>X</b>	Performing Arts Facilities
	Tourist Attractions
<b>X</b>	Youth Organizations (i.e., Scouts, 4-H)
<b>X</b>	Youth Sports: Baseball
<b>X</b>	Youth Sports: Soccer
<b>X</b>	Youth Sports: Football
<b>X</b>	Youth Sports: Basketball
	Youth Sports: Hockey
	Campgrounds
<b>X</b>	Fishing/Hunting
	Boating/Marinas
<b>X</b>	Snowmobile Trails
<b>X</b>	Bicycle Trails
	Cross Country Skiing
	Beach or Waterfront Recreation Area
	Overnight or Day Camps
	Nearest Ski Area(s): <b>McIntyre</b>
	Other: <b>Two race tracks</b>