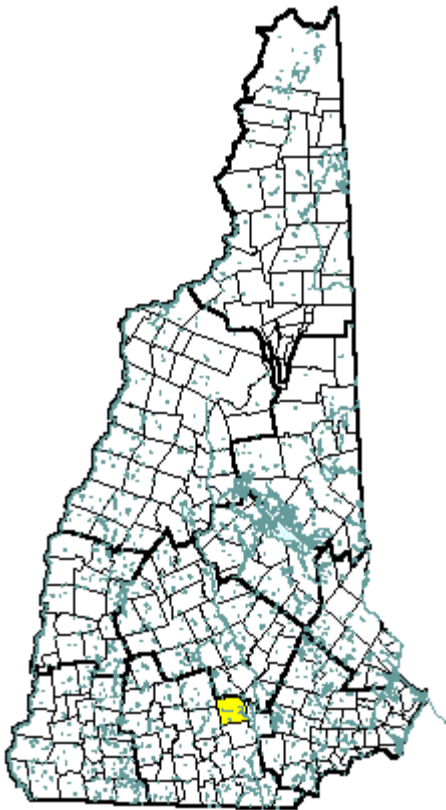


Goffstown, NH



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County
 Labor Market Area
 Tourism Region
 Planning Commission
 Regional Development

Hillsborough
 Manchester NH Metro-NECTA
 Merrimack Valley
 Southern NH
 Capital Regional Development Council

Election Districts

US Congress
 Executive Council
 State Senate
 State Representative

District 1
 District 5
 District 20
 Hillsborough County District 7

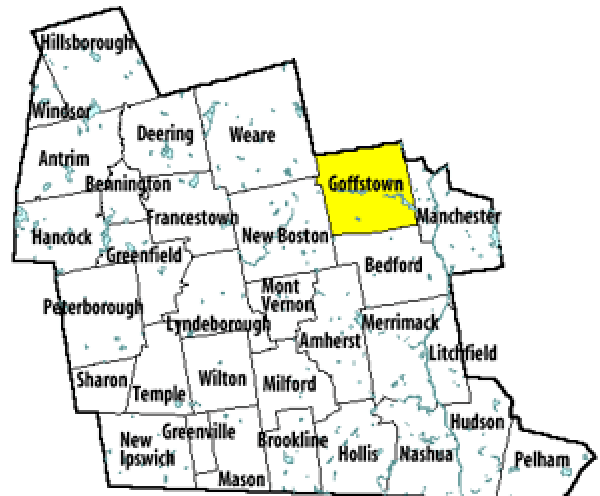
Incorporated: 1761

Origin: This town started as a part of Massachusetts, and was known as Narragansett Number 4, Piscataquog Village, and then Shovestown before installation of the New Hampshire provincial government. In 1748, the area was granted to new settlers, including Colonel John Goffe. He had fought in the French and Indian Wars, worked for Governor Wentworth as a surveyor, and became judge of probate for Hillsborough County. Goffstown was officially named for Colonel Goffe when it was incorporated in 1761. The town includes the village of Grasmere, named for the English home of poets Wordsworth and Coleridge.

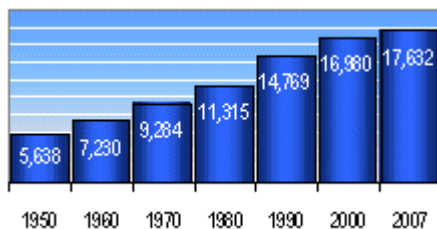
Villages and Place Names: Grasmere, Pinardville, Goffstown Village

Population, Year of the First Census Taken: 1,275 residents in 1790

Population Trends: Population in Goffstown had the 12th largest numeric change over 50 years, increasing by a total of 11,342, from 5,638 in 1950 to 16,980 in 2000. The largest decennial percent change was a 31 percent increase between 1980 and 1990. The 2007 Census estimate for Goffstown was 17,632 residents, which ranked 14th among New Hampshire's incorporated cities and towns.



Hillsborough County



Population Density and Land Area (NH Office of Energy & Planning): 476.8 persons per square mile of land area. Goffstown contains 37.1 square miles of land area and 0.5 square miles of inland water area.

MUNICIPAL SERVICES

Type of Government	Selectmen
Budget: Municipal Appropriations, 2005	\$18,322,442
Budget: School Appropriations, 2005	\$33,220,713
Zoning Ordinance	1961/08
Master Plan	2006
Capital Improvement Plan	Yes
Industrial Plans Reviewed By	Planning Board

Boards and Commissions

Elected:	Selectmen; Planning; Budget; Library; School; Zoning
Appointed:	Conservation; Cemetery; Historic; Economic Development; Parks & Recreation

Public Library **Goffstown Public****EMERGENCY SERVICES**

Police Department	Full-time
Fire Department	Full-time
Town Fire Insurance Rating	5/9
Emergency Medical Service	Municipal
Nearest Hospital(s)	Distance Staffed Beds
Elliot Hospital, Manchester	10 miles 296
Catholic Medical Center, Manchester	8 miles 330

UTILITIES

Electric Supplier	PSNH
Natural Gas Supplier	KeySpan
Water Supplier	Grasmere Water; Goffstown Village; Manchester Water
Sanitation	Municipal
Municipal Wastewater Treatment Plant	Yes
Solid Waste Disposal	
Curbside Trash Pickup	Municipal
Pay-As-You-Throw Program	No
Recycling Program	Mandatory
Telephone Company	Fairpoint
Cellular Telephone Access	Yes
Cable Television Access	Yes
Public Access Television Station	Yes
High Speed Internet Service:	Business Yes
	Residential Yes

PROPERTY TAXES (NH Dept. of Revenue Administration)

2007 Total Tax Rate (per \$1000 of value)	\$24.70
2007 Equalization Ratio	79.6
2007 Full Value Tax Rate (per \$1000 of value)	\$19.60
2007 Percent of Local Assessed Valuation by Property Type	
Residential Land and Buildings	89.2%
Commercial Land and Buildings	9.0%
Public Utilities, Current Use, and Other	1.8%

HOUSING SUPPLY (NH Office of Energy and Planning)

2007 Total Housing Units	6,308
2007 Single-Family Units	4,425
Residential Permits, Net Change of Units	14
2007 Multi-Family Units	1,617
Residential Permits, Net Change of Units	2
2007 Manufactured Housing Units	266

DEMOGRAPHICS

(US Census Bureau)

Total Population	Community	County
2007	17,632	402,302
2000	16,980	382,384
1990	14,769	336,549
1980	11,315	276,608
1970	9,284	223,941

Census 2000 Demographics

Population by Gender			
Male	8,093	Female	8,836
Population by Age Group			
Under age 5			895
Age 5 to 19			3,784
Age 20 to 34			3,669
Age 35 to 54			5,243
Age 55 to 64			1,295
Age 65 and over			2,043
Median Age			35.4 years

Educational Attainment, population 25 years and over

High school graduate or higher	85.0%
Bachelor's degree or higher	25.2%

ANNUAL INCOME, 1999

(US Census Bureau)

Per capita income	\$21,907
Median 4-person family income	\$61,718
Median household income	\$55,833
Median Earnings, full-time, year-round workers	
Male	\$39,757
Female	\$30,000
Families below the poverty level	2.6%

LABOR FORCE

(NHES - ELMI)

Annual Average	1997	2007
Civilian labor force	8,731	10,337
Employed	8,522	10,021
Unemployed	209	316
Unemployment rate	2.4%	3.1%

EMPLOYMENT & WAGES

(NHES - ELMI)

Annual Average Covered Employment	1997	2007
Goods Producing Industries		
Average Employment	491	457
Average Weekly Wage	\$686	\$855
Service Providing Industries		
Average Employment	1,749	1,957
Average Weekly Wage	\$350	\$486
Total Private Industry		
Average Employment	2,240	2,415
Average Weekly Wage	\$424	\$556
Government (Federal, State, and Local)		
Average Employment	547	1,129
Average Weekly Wage	\$585	\$687
Total, Private Industry plus Government		
Average Employment	2,787	3,544
Average Weekly Wage	\$456	\$598

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EDUCATION AND CHILD CARE

Schools students attend: **Goffstown operates grades 1-12** District: **SAU 19**
 Career Technology Center(s): **Manchester School of Technology** Region: **15**

Educational Facilities	Elementary	Middle/Junior High	High School	Private/Parochial
Number of Schools	3	1	1	1
Grade Levels	P K 1-4	5-8	9-12	K 1-8
Total Enrollment	839	982	1,243	256

NH Licensed Child Care Facilities, 2008: Total Facilities: **12** Total Capacity: **505**

Nearest Community College: **Manchester**

Nearest Colleges or Universities: **St. Anselm; Hesser; Southern NH University; UNH-Manchester**

LARGEST BUSINESSES	PRODUCT/SERVICE	EMPLOYEES	ESTABLISHED
Saint Anselm College	Education	475	1889
Town of Goffstown	Municipal services	400	1761
Shaw's Supermarket	Supermarket	200	1974
Hannaford Brothers	Supermarket	200	1993
Cote Electric	Electrical services	84	1977
Hillsborough County	County services	70	1769
Northeast Sheet Metal, Inc.	Sheet metal fabrication	40	1976
Benchmark, Inc	Hermetic sealing systems	40	1990
Happy House Amusement	Arcade machines	35	1986

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

Road Access	US Routes	
	State Routes	13, 114
Nearest Interstate, Exit		I-293, Exit 4
	Distance	8 miles
Railroad		No
Public Transportation		No
Nearest Public Use Airport, General Aviation		
Manchester-Boston Regional	Runway	9,250 ft. asphalt
Lighted? Yes	Navigation Aids?	Yes
Nearest Airport with Scheduled Service		
Manchester-Boston Regional	Distance	13 miles
Number of Passenger Airlines Serving Airport		8
Driving distance to select cities:		
Manchester, NH		8 miles
Portland, Maine		107 miles
Boston, Mass.		61 miles
New York City, NY		258 miles
Montreal, Quebec		250 miles

COMMUTING TO WORK *(US Census Bureau)*

Workers 16 years and over	
Drove alone, car/truck/van	81.7%
Carpooled, car/truck/van	8.5%
Public transportation	0.1%
Walked	4.8%
Other means	1.3%
Worked at home	3.6%
Mean Travel Time to Work	26.1 minutes
Percent of Working Residents:	
Working in community of residence	22%
Commuting to another NH community	71%
Commuting out-of-state	7%

RECREATION, ATTRACTIONS, AND EVENTS

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

Nearest Ski Area(s): **Pat's Peak, Crotched Mountain**

Other: **Outdoor Ice Skating Rink**