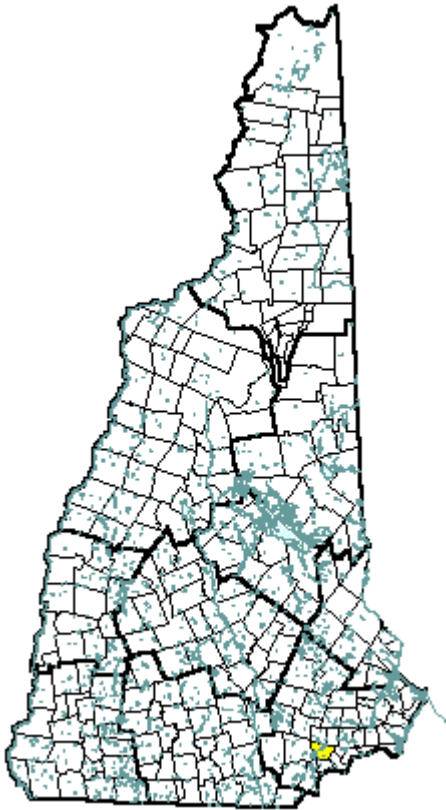


# Hampstead, NH



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## Municipal Office Hours

Monday, 8 am - 7 pm, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday,  
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## 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 19  
Rockingham County District 8

**Incorporated:** 1749

**Origin:** Hampstead began as a part of Haverhill and Amesbury, Massachusetts, and was formed as a result of the 1739 change in boundary lines between Massachusetts and the new province of New Hampshire. It was originally known as Timberlane Parish, because of the heavy growth of native trees. In 1749, residents of the area voted to petition the governor for incorporation. Governor Benning Wentworth named the town Hampstead, after the English town where William Pitt, Earl of Chatham, lived. Pitt, a close friend of Governor Wentworth, was Prime Minister of England, and a supporter of the American cause.

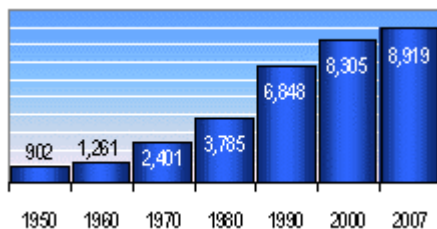
**Villages and Place Names:** East Hampstead, West Hampstead

**Population, Year of the First Census Taken:** 724 residents in 1790

**Population Trends:** Hampstead had the eighth highest 50-year percent population increase, growing over nine times larger. The largest decennial percent change was 90 percent between 1960 and 1970. Population change totaled 7,403, from 902 in 1950 to 8,305 in 2000. The 2007 Census estimate for Hampstead was 8,919 residents, which ranked 33rd among New Hampshire's incorporated cities and towns.



Rockingham County



**Population Density and Land Area** (NH Office of Energy & Planning): 652.2 persons per square mile of land area. Hampstead contains 13.4 square miles of land area and 0.7 square miles of inland water area.

**MUNICIPAL SERVICES**

Type of Government	<b>Selectmen</b>
Budget: Municipal Appropriations, 2008	<b>\$5,013,655</b>
Budget: School Appropriations, 2008	<b>\$22,208,927</b>
Zoning Ordinance	<b>1952/08</b>
Master Plan	<b>1992</b>
Capital Improvement Plan	<b>No</b>
Industrial Plans Reviewed By	<b>Planning Board</b>

## Boards and Commissions

Elected:	<b>Selectmen; Planning; Library; Cemetery; Budget; School; Trust Funds</b>
Appointed:	<b>Conservation; Zoning; Cable TV; Historic; Recreation; Solid Waste</b>

Public Library **Hampstead Public****EMERGENCY SERVICES**

Police Department	<b>Full-time</b>
Fire Department	<b>Full-time</b>
Town Fire Insurance Rating	<b>9</b>
Emergency Medical Service	<b>Municipal</b>
Nearest Hospital(s)	Distance Staffed Beds
<b>Parkland Medical Center, Derry</b>	<b>9 miles 86</b>

**UTILITIES**

Electric Supplier	<b>PSNH; Unutil</b>
Natural Gas Supplier	<b>None</b>
Water Supplier	<b>Hampstead Area Water Company</b>
Sanitation	<b>Private septic</b>
Municipal Wastewater Treatment Plant	<b>No</b>
Solid Waste Disposal	
Curbside Trash Pickup	<b>Municipal</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>\$18.54</b>
2007 Equalization Ratio	<b>90.6</b>
2007 Full Value Tax Rate (per \$1000 of value)	<b>\$16.57</b>
2007 Percent of Local Assessed Valuation by Property Type	
Residential Land and Buildings	<b>90.2%</b>
Commercial Land and Buildings	<b>9.4%</b>
Public Utilities, Current Use, and Other	<b>0.5%</b>

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

2007 Total Housing Units	<b>3,661</b>
2007 Single-Family Units	<b>2,557</b>
Residential Permits, Net Change of Units	<b>1</b>
2007 Multi-Family Units	<b>795</b>
Residential Permits, Net Change of Units	<b>29</b>
2007 Manufactured Housing Units	<b>309</b>

**DEMOGRAPHICS**

(US Census Bureau)

Total Population	Community	County
2007	<b>8,919</b>	<b>296,543</b>
2000	<b>8,305</b>	<b>278,748</b>
1990	<b>6,848</b>	<b>246,744</b>
1980	<b>3,785</b>	<b>190,345</b>
1970	<b>2,401</b>	<b>138,951</b>

**Census 2000 Demographics**

Population by Gender			
Male	<b>4,116</b>	Female	<b>4,181</b>
Population by Age Group			
Under age 5			<b>495</b>
Age 5 to 19			<b>2,054</b>
Age 20 to 34			<b>1,120</b>
Age 35 to 54			<b>3,086</b>
Age 55 to 64			<b>767</b>
Age 65 and over			<b>775</b>
Median Age			<b>38.1 years</b>

## Educational Attainment, population 25 years and over

High school graduate or higher	<b>93.3%</b>
Bachelor's degree or higher	<b>36.3%</b>

**ANNUAL INCOME, 1999**

(US Census Bureau)

Per capita income	<b>\$29,195</b>
Median 4-person family income	<b>\$79,114</b>
Median household income	<b>\$68,533</b>
Median Earnings, full-time, year-round workers	
Male	<b>\$56,625</b>
Female	<b>\$31,449</b>
Families below the poverty level	<b>2.4%</b>

**LABOR FORCE**

(NHES - ELMI)

Annual Average	1997	2007
Civilian labor force	<b>4,372</b>	<b>4,809</b>
Employed	<b>4,157</b>	<b>4,611</b>
Unemployed	<b>215</b>	<b>198</b>
Unemployment rate	<b>4.9%</b>	<b>4.1%</b>

**EMPLOYMENT & WAGES**

(NHES - ELMI)

Annual Average Covered Employment	1997	2007
Goods Producing Industries		
Average Employment	<b>546</b>	<b>565</b>
Average Weekly Wage	<b>\$722</b>	<b>\$854</b>
Service Providing Industries		
Average Employment	<b>1,101</b>	<b>1,760</b>
Average Weekly Wage	<b>\$492</b>	<b>\$622</b>
Total Private Industry		
Average Employment	<b>1,647</b>	<b>2,326</b>
Average Weekly Wage	<b>\$568</b>	<b>\$678</b>
Government (Federal, State, and Local)		
Average Employment	<b>87</b>	<b>89</b>
Average Weekly Wage	<b>\$228</b>	<b>\$533</b>
Total, Private Industry plus Government		
Average Employment	<b>1,734</b>	<b>2,414</b>
Average Weekly Wage	<b>\$551</b>	<b>\$673</b>

n = indicates that data does not meet disclosure standards

## EDUCATION AND CHILD CARE

Schools students attend: **Hampstead operates grades 1-8; grades 9-12 are tuitioned to Pinkerton Academy (Derry)** District: **SAU 55**

Career Technology Center(s): **Pinkerton Academy, Derry; Salem High School Vocational Center** Region: **17**

Educational Facilities	Elementary	Middle/Junior High	High School	Private/Parochial
Number of Schools	1	1		
Grade Levels	P K 1-4	5-8		
Total Enrollment	529	496		

NH Licensed Child Care Facilities, 2008: Total Facilities: **10** Total Capacity: **593**

Nearest Community College: **Manchester; Nashua**

Nearest Colleges or Universities: **University of NH; McIntosh**

LARGEST BUSINESSES	PRODUCT/SERVICE	EMPLOYEES	ESTABLISHED
Hampstead Hospital	Psychiatric care, services	130	1975
Consolidated Plastechs	Plastic injection molding	38	1966
East Coast Lumber	Lumber sales	35	1976
Hannaford Brothers	Supermarket		

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

Road Access	US Routes	
	State Routes	<b>111, 121, 121A</b>
Nearest Interstate, Exit		<b>I-93, Exit 3</b>
	Distance	<b>8 miles</b>
Railroad		<b>No</b>
Public Transportation		<b>No</b>
Nearest Public Use Airport, General Aviation		
	<b>Lawrence (MA) Municipal</b>	Runway <b>5,000 ft. asphalt</b>
	Lighted? <b>Yes</b>	Navigation Aids? <b>Yes</b>
Nearest Airport with Scheduled Service		
	<b>Manchester-Boston Regional</b>	Distance <b>17 miles</b>
	Number of Passenger Airlines Serving Airport	<b>8</b>
Driving distance to select cities:		
	Manchester, NH	<b>20 miles</b>
	Portland, Maine	<b>87 miles</b>
	Boston, Mass.	<b>43 miles</b>
	New York City, NY	<b>246 miles</b>
	Montreal, Quebec	<b>277 miles</b>

## COMMUTING TO WORK (US Census Bureau)

Workers 16 years and over	
Drove alone, car/truck/van	<b>88.6%</b>
Carpooled, car/truck/van	<b>6.2%</b>
Public transportation	<b>0.4%</b>
Walked	<b>0.8%</b>
Other means	<b>0.2%</b>
Worked at home	<b>3.8%</b>
Mean Travel Time to Work	<b>32.9 minutes</b>
Percent of Working Residents:	
Working in community of residence	<b>14%</b>
Commuting to another NH community	<b>42%</b>
Commuting out-of-state	<b>44%</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
	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
<b>X</b>	Campgrounds
	Fishing/Hunting
	Boating/Marinas
	Snowmobile Trails
	Bicycle Trails
	Cross Country Skiing
<b>X</b>	Beach or Waterfront Recreation Area
<b>X</b>	Overnight or Day Camps
	Nearest Ski Area(s): <b>McIntyre</b>
	Other: <b>Walking Trail System</b>