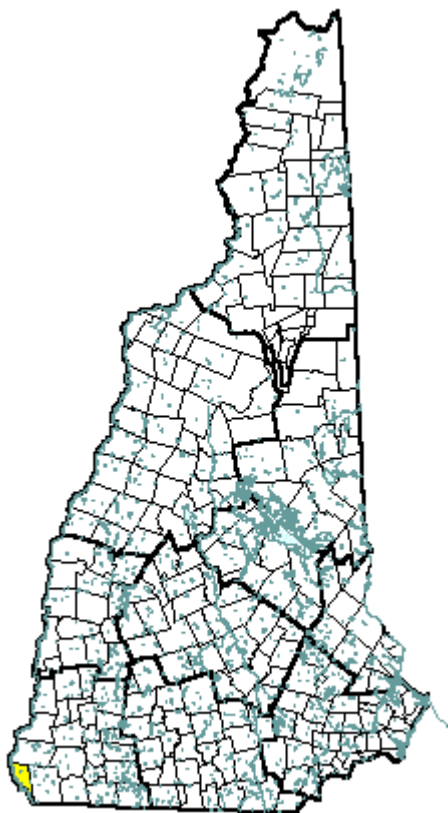


# Hinsdale, NH



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## Municipal Office Hours

**Selectmen: Monday through Thursday, 8 am - 12 noon and  
 1 pm - 4 pm, and Friday, 8 am - 12 noon**

## County

**Cheshire**

Labor Market Area

**Brattleboro VT-NH LMA, NH Portion**

Tourism Region

**Monadnock**

Planning Commission

**Southwest Region**

Regional Development

**Monadnock Economic Development Corp.**

## Election Districts

US Congress  
 Executive Council  
 State Senate  
 State Representative

**District 2**  
**District 5**  
**District 10**  
**Cheshire County District 4**

**Incorporated:** 1753

**Origin:** This area was a portion of the Northfield, Massachusetts grant which included Fort Dummer, an important Connecticut River trading post. The town was chartered in 1753 as Hinsdale, later spelled Hinsdale, named for Colonel Ebenezer Hinsdale, who was from a prominent family in Deerfield, and chaplain of Fort Dummer. He later enlisted as an officer, and established the trading post at Fort Hinsdale, reportedly at his own expense. The original charter included territory west of the Connecticut River which became part of Vermont when that state was established.

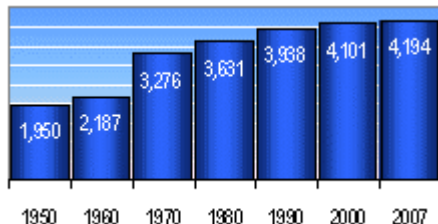
**Villages and Place Names:** Dole Junction, North Hinsdale

**Population, Year of the First Census Taken:** 522 residents in 1790

**Population Trends:** Population change for Hinsdale totaled 2,151 over 50 years, from 1,950 in 1950 to 4,101 in 2000. The largest decennial percent change was between 1960 and 1970, when the population increased by 50 percent. The 2007 Census estimate for Hinsdale was 4,194 residents, which ranked 89th among New Hampshire's incorporated cities and towns.



**Cheshire County**



**Population Density and Land Area** (NH Office of Energy & Planning): 206.7 persons per square mile of land area. Hinsdale contains 20.7 square miles of land area and 1.9 square miles of inland water area.

**MUNICIPAL SERVICES**

Type of Government	<b>Selectmen</b>
Budget: Municipal Appropriations, 2007	<b>\$4,465,960</b>
Budget: School Appropriations, 2007-2008	<b>\$11,297,914</b>
Zoning Ordinance	<b>1970/08</b>
Master Plan	<b>2003</b>
Capital Improvement Plan	<b>Yes</b>
Industrial Plans Reviewed By	<b>Planning Board</b>

## Boards and Commissions

Elected:	<b>Selectmen; Budget; Library; Trust Funds; Planning; Zoning</b>
Appointed:	<b>Conservation; Capital Improvement; Tax Increment Finance District</b>

Public Library **Hinsdale Public****EMERGENCY SERVICES**

Police Department	<b>Full-time</b>
Fire Department	<b>On call</b>
Town Fire Insurance Rating	<b>5/9</b>
Emergency Medical Service	<b>Rescue Inc., Brattleboro, VT</b>
Nearest Hospital(s)	Distance Staffed Beds
<b>Brattleboro Memorial, Brattleboro VT</b>	<b>8 miles 61</b>
<b>Cheshire Medical Center, Keene</b>	<b>21 miles 169</b>

**UTILITIES**

Electric Supplier	<b>PSNH</b>
Natural Gas Supplier	<b>None</b>
Water Supplier	<b>Hinsdale Water Department</b>
Sanitation	<b>Municipal</b>
Municipal Wastewater Treatment Plant	<b>Yes</b>
Solid Waste Disposal	
Curbside Trash Pickup	<b>Municipal</b>
Pay-As-You-Throw Program	<b>Yes</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>No</b>
High Speed Internet Service:	
Business	<b>Yes</b>
Residential	<b>Yes</b>

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

2007 Total Tax Rate (per \$1000 of value)	<b>\$22.39</b>
2007 Equalization Ratio	<b>91.8</b>
2007 Full Value Tax Rate (per \$1000 of value)	<b>\$22.35</b>
2007 Percent of Local Assessed Valuation by Property Type	
Residential Land and Buildings	<b>70.4%</b>
Commercial Land and Buildings	<b>12.4%</b>
Public Utilities, Current Use, and Other	<b>17.2%</b>

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

2007 Total Housing Units	<b>1,863</b>
2007 Single-Family Units	<b>1,015</b>
Residential Permits, Net Change of Units	<b>6</b>
2007 Multi-Family Units	<b>350</b>
Residential Permits, Net Change of Units	<b>0</b>
2007 Manufactured Housing Units	<b>498</b>

**DEMOGRAPHICS**

(US Census Bureau)

Total Population	Community	County
2007	<b>4,194</b>	<b>77,725</b>
2000	<b>4,101</b>	<b>73,993</b>
1990	<b>3,938</b>	<b>70,223</b>
1980	<b>3,631</b>	<b>62,116</b>
1970	<b>3,276</b>	<b>52,364</b>

**Census 2000 Demographics**

Population by Gender			
Male	<b>1,986</b>	Female	<b>2,096</b>
Population by Age Group			
Under age 5			<b>217</b>
Age 5 to 19			<b>938</b>
Age 20 to 34			<b>731</b>
Age 35 to 54			<b>1,290</b>
Age 55 to 64			<b>408</b>
Age 65 and over			<b>498</b>
Median Age			<b>37 years</b>

## Educational Attainment, population 25 years and over

High school graduate or higher	<b>82.6%</b>
Bachelor's degree or higher	<b>9.0%</b>

**ANNUAL INCOME, 1999**

(US Census Bureau)

Per capita income	<b>\$16,611</b>
Median 4-person family income	<b>\$43,413</b>
Median household income	<b>\$36,124</b>
Median Earnings, full-time, year-round workers	
Male	<b>\$31,440</b>
Female	<b>\$23,000</b>
Families below the poverty level	<b>3.2%</b>

**LABOR FORCE**

(NHES - ELMI)

Annual Average	1997	2007
Civilian labor force	<b>2,356</b>	<b>2,464</b>
Employed	<b>2,197</b>	<b>2,360</b>
Unemployed	<b>159</b>	<b>104</b>
Unemployment rate	<b>6.7%</b>	<b>4.2%</b>

**EMPLOYMENT & WAGES**

(NHES - ELMI)

Annual Average Covered Employment	1997	2007
Goods Producing Industries		
Average Employment	<b>290</b>	<b>247</b>
Average Weekly Wage	<b>\$468</b>	<b>\$611</b>
Service Providing Industries		
Average Employment	<b>540</b>	<b>438</b>
Average Weekly Wage	<b>\$315</b>	<b>\$434</b>
Total Private Industry		
Average Employment	<b>829</b>	<b>685</b>
Average Weekly Wage	<b>\$368</b>	<b>\$498</b>
Government (Federal, State, and Local)		
Average Employment	<b>54</b>	<b>53</b>
Average Weekly Wage	<b>\$454</b>	<b>\$694</b>
Total, Private Industry plus Government		
Average Employment	<b>883</b>	<b>739</b>
Average Weekly Wage	<b>\$374</b>	<b>\$512</b>

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## EDUCATION AND CHILD CARE

Schools students attend: **Hinsdale operates grades K-12** District: **SAU 38**  
 Career Technology Center(s): **Cheshire Center of Applied Science, Keene; Fall Mountain High School, Langdon** Region: **13**

Educational Facilities	Elementary	Middle/Junior High	High School	Private/Parochial
Number of Schools	1	1	1	
Grade Levels	<b>P K 1-6</b>	<b>7-8</b>	<b>9-12</b>	
Total Enrollment	<b>335</b>	<b>95</b>	<b>234</b>	

NH Licensed Child Care Facilities, 2008: Total Facilities: 7 Total Capacity: 66

Nearest Community College: **River Valley; Nashua**

Nearest Colleges or Universities: **Keene State; Franklin Pierce University; Antioch New England**

LARGEST BUSINESSES	PRODUCT/SERVICE	EMPLOYEES	ESTABLISHED
Hinsdale Raceway	Greyhound racing	200	1958
HCP Packaging USA, Inc	Manufacturing plastic products	160	1971
Wal-Mart	Retail store	135	1993
Clear Solutions	Acrylic Fabrication	37	1993
Continental Cable Company	Rope assemblies, industrial cables	35	1974

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

Road Access	US Routes	
	State Routes	<b>63, 119</b>
Nearest Interstate, Exit	<b>I-91 (VT), Exits 1 - 2</b>	
	Distance	<b>8 miles</b>
Railroad		<b>No</b>
Public Transportation		<b>No</b>
Nearest Public Use Airport, General Aviation		
<b>Dillant-Hopkins, Keene</b>	Runway	<b>6,201 ft. asphalt</b>
Lighted? <b>Yes</b>	Navigation Aids?	<b>Yes</b>
Nearest Airport with Scheduled Service		
<b>Manchester-Boston Regional</b>	Distance	<b>74 miles</b>
Number of Passenger Airlines Serving Airport		<b>8</b>
Driving distance to select cities:		
Manchester, NH		<b>72 miles</b>
Portland, Maine		<b>169 miles</b>
Boston, Mass.		<b>92 miles</b>
New York City, NY		<b>210 miles</b>
Montreal, Quebec		<b>252 miles</b>

## COMMUTING TO WORK (US Census Bureau)

Workers 16 years and over	
Drove alone, car/truck/van	<b>79.1%</b>
Carpooled, car/truck/van	<b>18.3%</b>
Public transportation	<b>0.0%</b>
Walked	<b>0.0</b>
Other means	<b>0.2%</b>
Worked at home	<b>2.4%</b>
Mean Travel Time to Work	<b>21.5 minutes</b>
Percent of Working Residents:	
Working in community of residence	<b>24%</b>
Commuting to another NH community	<b>17%</b>
Commuting out-of-state	<b>59%</b>

## RECREATION, ATTRACTIONS, AND EVENTS

<b>X</b>	Municipal Parks
	YMCA/YWCA
	Boys Club/Girls Club
	Golf Courses
	Swimming: Indoor Facility
<b>X</b>	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
<b>X</b>	Tourist Attractions
<b>X</b>	Youth Organizations (i.e., Scouts, 4-H)
<b>X</b>	Youth Sports: Baseball
<b>X</b>	Youth Sports: Soccer
	Youth Sports: Football
<b>X</b>	Youth Sports: Basketball
	Youth Sports: Hockey
<b>X</b>	Campgrounds
<b>X</b>	Fishing/Hunting
<b>X</b>	Boating/Marinas
<b>X</b>	Snowmobile Trails
<b>X</b>	Bicycle Trails
<b>X</b>	Cross Country Skiing
	Beach or Waterfront Recreation Area
<b>X</b>	Overnight or Day Camps
	Nearest Ski Area(s): <b>Ascutney, Okemo, Snow Mountains (VT)</b>
	Other: <b>Hinsdale Greyhound Park; Pisgah State Park; Connecticut River; Fort Hill Recreational Trail; Rails to Trails</b>