

# Wilton, NH

## Community Contact

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## Municipal Office Hours

Monday, Tuesday, Friday, 9 am - 4 pm, and Thursday,  
 9 am - 7 pm

## County

Hillsborough

## Labor Market Area

Nashua NH-MA NECTA Division, NH Portion

## Tourism Region

Monadnock

## Planning Commission

Nashua Regional

## Regional Development

Monadnock Economic Development Corp.

## Election Districts

US Congress  
 Executive Council  
 State Senate  
 State Representative

District 2  
 District 5  
 District 11  
 Hillsborough County District 4

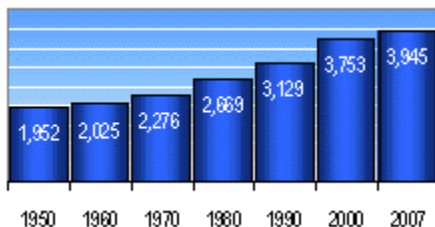
**Incorporated:** 1762

**Origin:** This territory was first settled in 1738 as Number 2, one of the towns on the state's border laid out to provide protection against Indian attacks. The town was first granted by the Massachusetts government in 1749. In 1761, residents petitioned Governor Benning Wentworth for an incorporation, which was granted the following year, to continue until 1765. The town was incorporated again in 1765, "until his Majesty's pleasure be known." Governor Wentworth named the town Wilton, probably in honor of Sir Joseph Wilton, a famous English sculptor. Wilton's coach design for King George III's coronation was later used as a model for the Concord Coach.

**Villages and Place Names:** Davisville, West Wilton, Wilton Center

**Population, Year of the First Census Taken:** 1,105 residents in 1790

**Population Trends:** Population change for Wilton totaled 1,801 over 50 years, from 1,952 in 1950 to 3,753 in 2000. The largest decennial percent change was



an increase of 20 percent between 1990 and 2000, which followed increases of 17 percent over the previous two decades. The 2007 Census estimate for Wilton was 3,945 residents, which ranked 96th among New Hampshire's incorporated cities and towns.

**Population Density and Land Area** (*NH Office of Energy & Planning*): 158.2 persons per square mile of land area. Wilton contains 25.6 square miles of land area and 0.1 square miles of inland water area.



**MUNICIPAL SERVICES**

Type of Government	Selectmen
Budget: Municipal Appropriations, 2007	\$4,487,382
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Zoning Ordinance	1971/05
Master Plan	1999
Capital Improvement Plan	Yes
Industrial Plans Reviewed By	Planning Board

## Boards and Commissions

Elected:	Selectmen; Planning; Zoning
Appointed:	Conservation; Library

Public Library Wilton Public - Gregg Free

**EMERGENCY SERVICES**

Police Department	Full-time
Fire Department	Volunteer
Town Fire Insurance Rating	4/9
Emergency Medical Service	Volunteer

Nearest Hospital(s)	Distance	Staffed Beds
Monadnock Community, Peterborough	15 miles	25
St. Joseph Hospital, Nashua	18 miles	208
Southern NH Medical Center, Nashua	17 miles	188

**UTILITIES**

Electric Supplier	PSNH
Natural Gas Supplier	None
Water Supplier	Wilton Water Works

Sanitation	Private septic
Municipal Wastewater Treatment Plant	Yes
Solid Waste Disposal	
Curbside Trash Pickup	none
Pay-As-You-Throw Program	No
Recycling Program	Mandatory

Telephone Company	Fairpoint; TDS Telecom
Cellular Telephone Access	Yes
Cable Television Access	Yes
Public Access Television Station	No
High Speed Internet Service:	
Business	Yes
Residential	Yes

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

2007 Total Tax Rate (per \$1000 of value)	\$15.74
2007 Equalization Ratio	100
2007 Full Value Tax Rate (per \$1000 of value)	\$15.73

2007 Percent of Local Assessed Valuation by Property Type	
Residential Land and Buildings	90.2%
Commercial Land and Buildings	8.9%
Public Utilities, Current Use, and Other	0.9%

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

2007 Total Housing Units	1,624
2007 Single-Family Units	1,250
Residential Permits, Net Change of Units	4
2007 Multi-Family Units	351
Residential Permits, Net Change of Units	0
2007 Manufactured Housing Units	23

**DEMOGRAPHICS**

(US Census Bureau)

Total Population	Community	County
2007	3,945	402,302
2000	3,753	382,384
1990	3,129	336,549
1980	2,669	276,608
1970	2,276	223,941

## Census 2000 Demographics

## Population by Gender

Male	1,821	Female	1,922
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## Population by Age Group

Under age 5	239
Age 5 to 19	848
Age 20 to 34	612
Age 35 to 54	1,324
Age 55 to 64	315
Age 65 and over	405
Median Age	37.4 years

## Educational Attainment, population 25 years and over

High school graduate or higher	89.5%
Bachelor's degree or higher	34.0%

**ANNUAL INCOME, 1999**

(US Census Bureau)

Per capita income	\$26,618
Median 4-person family income	\$61,311
Median household income	\$54,276

## Median Earnings, full-time, year-round workers

Male	\$39,830
Female	\$28,714

## Families below the poverty level

3.1%

**LABOR FORCE**

(NHES - ELM)

Annual Average	1997	2007
Civilian labor force	1,674	2,310
Employed	1,622	2,239
Unemployed	52	71
Unemployment rate	3.1%	3.1%

**EMPLOYMENT & WAGES**

(NHES - ELM)

Annual Average Covered Employment	1997	2007
Goods Producing Industries		
Average Employment	610	766
Average Weekly Wage	\$627	\$856
Service Providing Industries		
Average Employment	715	482
Average Weekly Wage	\$499	\$667
Total Private Industry		
Average Employment	1,326	1,248
Average Weekly Wage	\$558	\$783
Government (Federal, State, and Local)		
Average Employment	490	520
Average Weekly Wage	\$357	\$543
Total, Private Industry plus Government		
Average Employment	1,816	1,769
Average Weekly Wage	\$504	\$712

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**EDUCATION AND CHILD CARE**

Schools students attend: **Wilton operates grades K-6; grades 7-12 are part of Wilton-Lyndeborough Cooperative** District: **SAU 63**

Career Technology Center(s): **Wilbur Palmer Voc. Tech. Center, Hudson; Milford HS; Nashua HS North** Region: **16**

Educational Facilities	Elementary	Middle/Junior High	High School	Private/Parochial
Number of Schools	1	1	1	3
Grade Levels	K 1-6	7-8	9-12	K 1-12
Total Enrollment	301	113	261	319

NH Licensed Child Care Facilities, 2008: Total Facilities: **3** Total Capacity: **83**

Nearest Community College: **Manchester; Nashua**

Nearest Colleges or Universities: **Daniel Webster; Rivier; Franklin Pierce University**

LARGEST BUSINESSES	PRODUCT/SERVICE	EMPLOYEES	ESTABLISHED
PVA-EPVA, Inc.	Greeting cards	260	1973
Label Art, Inc.	Pressure sensitive labels	215	1963
Bur-Bak Machine Corporation	Injection molding	55	1970
Kimball Physics, Inc.	UHV electron	50	1973
Citronics Corporation	Electronic assemblies	40	1979
General Machine & Foundry	Aluminum castings	30	1969
Souhegan Wood Products	Core plugs, winding cores	20	1940
S & Q Printers	Printed forms	9	1984

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

Road Access US Routes  
State Routes **31, 101**

Nearest Interstate, Exit **Everett Tpk., Exits 7 - 8; or I-293, Exit 4**  
Distance **14 miles; 21 miles**

Railroad **Boston & Maine**  
Public Transportation **No**

Nearest Public Use Airport, General Aviation  
**Boire Field, Nashua** Runway **5,501 ft. asphalt**  
Lighted? **Yes** Navigation Aids? **Yes**

Nearest Airport with Scheduled Service  
**Manchester-Boston Regional** Distance **24 miles**  
Number of Passenger Airlines Serving Airport **8**

Driving distance to select cities:  
Manchester, NH **21 miles**  
Portland, Maine **119 miles**  
Boston, Mass. **60 miles**  
New York City, NY **228 miles**  
Montreal, Quebec **269 miles**

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

Workers 16 years and over

Drove alone, car/truck/van	81.5%
Carpooled, car/truck/van	9.4%
Public transportation	0.0%
Walked	2.6%
Other means	0.4%
Worked at home	6.1%

Mean Travel Time to Work **29.4 minutes**

Percent of Working Residents:

Working in community of residence	21%
Commuting to another NH community	71%
Commuting out-of-state	9%

**RECREATION, ATTRACTIONS, AND EVENTS**

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

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

Other: **Hiking Trails; Outdoor Pond**