

# Milford, NH



## Community Contact

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## Municipal Office Hours

**Selectmen: Monday through Friday, 8 am - 4:30 pm; Town Clerk: Monday through Friday, 8 am - 3 pm, extended hours on Tuesday, 4:30 pm - 6:30 pm; Tax Collector: Monday through Friday, 8 am - 4 pm**

County  
Labor Market Area  
Tourism Region  
Planning Commission  
Regional Development

**Hillsborough  
Nashua, NH-MA NECTA Division  
Monadnock  
Nashua Regional  
Monadnock Economic Development Corp.**

## Election Districts

US Congress  
Executive Council  
State Senate  
State Representative

**District 2  
District 5  
District 11  
Hillsborough County Districts 23, 40**

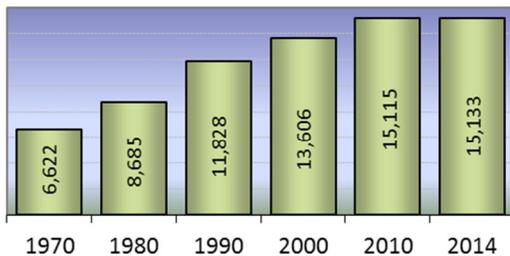
## Incorporated: 1794

**Origin:** This town was incorporated in 1794 from portions of Hollis, Amherst, and the Mile Slip, a strip of land that fell between the Dunstable grant and the Raby (Brookline) grant. A section of Milford was known as the Duxbury School Farm, a thousand acres of land intended to support Duxbury, Massachusetts schools. The town was probably named for its location near a shallow water crossing on the Souhegan River by an early mill site known as the Mill Ford. Milford bears the nickname of the Granite Town in the Granite State, because of its extensive high-quality granite quarries. At one time, Milford was a prime stop on the Underground Railroad.

**Villages and Place Names:** East Milford, South Milford, Richardson

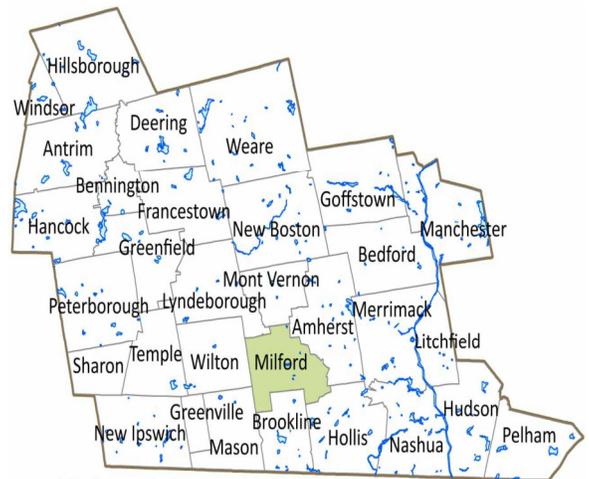
**Population, Year of the First Census Taken:** 939 residents in 1800

**Population Trends:** Population change for Milford totaled 10,270 over 54 years,



from 4,863 in 1960 to 15,133 in 2014. The largest decennial percent change was a 36 percent increase occurring between 1960 and 1970, and between 1980 and 1990; population increased 31 percent between 1970 and 1980. The 2014 Census estimate for Milford was 15,133 residents, which ranked 17th among New Hampshire's incorporated cities and towns.

**Population Density and Land Area, 2014 (US Census Bureau):** 595.3 persons per square mile of land area. Milford contains 25.4 square miles of land area and 0.05 square miles of inland water area.



Hillsborough County

<b>MUNICIPAL SERVICES</b>	
Type of Government	<b>Selectmen</b>
Budget: Municipal Appropriations, 2015	<b>\$17,377,881</b>
Budget: School Appropriations, 2015-2016	<b>\$38,058,404</b>
Zoning Ordinance	<b>1969/10</b>
Master Plan	<b>2010</b>
Capital Improvement Plan	<b>Yes</b>
Industrial Plans Reviewed By	<b>Planning Board</b>

#### Boards and Commissions

Elected:	<b>Selectmen; Library; Checklist; Cemetery; Trust Funds</b>
Appointed:	<b>Planning; Conservation; Zoning; Recreation; Heritage; Budget; Economic Development</b>

Public Library **Wadleigh Memorial**

#### EMERGENCY SERVICES

Police Department	<b>Full-time</b>	
Fire Department	<b>Full-time &amp; volunteer</b>	
Emergency Medical Service	<b>Municipal &amp; volunteer</b>	
Nearest Hospital(s)	Distance	Staffed Beds
<b>Southern NH Medical Center, Nashua</b>	<b>12 miles</b>	<b>163</b>
<b>St. Joseph Hospital, Nashua</b>	<b>12 miles</b>	<b>126</b>

#### UTILITIES

Electric Supplier	<b>Eversource Energy</b>	
Natural Gas Supplier	<b>Liberty Utilities</b>	
Water Supplier	<b>Milford Water Utilities</b>	
Sanitation	<b>Municipal</b>	
Municipal Wastewater Treatment Plant	<b>Yes</b>	
Solid Waste Disposal	<b>None</b>	
Curbside Trash Pickup	<b>None</b>	
Pay-As-You-Throw Program	<b>No</b>	
Recycling Program	<b>Mandatory</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	<b>Yes</b>
	Residential	<b>Yes</b>

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

2015 Total Tax Rate (per \$1000 of value)	<b>\$28.56</b>
2015 Equalization Ratio	<b>95.6</b>
2015 Full Value Tax Rate (per \$1000 of value)	<b>\$27.05</b>
2015 Percent of Local Assessed Valuation by Property Type	
Residential Land and Buildings	<b>79.2%</b>
Commercial Land and Buildings	<b>19.3%</b>
Public Utilities, Current Use, and Other	<b>1.5%</b>

#### HOUSING *(ACS 2010-2014)*

Total Housing Units	<b>6,389</b>
Single-Family Units, Detached or Attached	<b>3,796</b>
Units in Multiple-Family Structures:	
Two to Four Units in Structure	<b>874</b>
Five or More Units in Structure	<b>1,438</b>
Mobile Homes and Other Housing Units	<b>281</b>

#### DEMOGRAPHICS *(US Census Bureau)*

Total Population	Community	County
2014	<b>15,133</b>	<b>402,776</b>
2010	<b>15,115</b>	<b>400,721</b>
2000	<b>13,606</b>	<b>382,384</b>
1990	<b>11,828</b>	<b>336,549</b>
1980	<b>8,685</b>	<b>276,608</b>
1970	<b>6,622</b>	<b>223,941</b>

#### Demographics, American Community Survey (ACS) 2010-2014

Population by Gender			
Male	<b>7,677</b>	Female	<b>7,456</b>

#### Population by Age Group

Under age 5	<b>748</b>
Age 5 to 19	<b>3,150</b>
Age 20 to 34	<b>2,383</b>
Age 35 to 54	<b>4,708</b>
Age 55 to 64	<b>2,025</b>
Age 65 and over	<b>2,119</b>
Median Age	<b>40.7 years</b>

#### Educational Attainment, population 25 years and over

High school graduate or higher	<b>95.9%</b>
Bachelor's degree or higher	<b>34.5%</b>

#### INCOME, INFLATION ADJUSTED \$ *(ACS 2010-2014)*

Per capita income	<b>\$31,913</b>
Median family income	<b>\$80,714</b>
Median household income	<b>\$63,203</b>

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

Male	<b>\$55,657</b>
Female	<b>\$42,765</b>

Individuals below the poverty level	<b>6.0%</b>
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#### LABOR FORCE *(NHES – ELMII)*

Annual Average	2005	2015
Civilian labor force	<b>8,678</b>	<b>8,852</b>
Employed	<b>8,389</b>	<b>8,494</b>
Unemployed	<b>289</b>	<b>358</b>
Unemployment rate	<b>3.3%</b>	<b>4.0%</b>

#### EMPLOYMENT & WAGES *(NHES – ELMII)*

Annual Average Covered Employment	2004	2014
Goods Producing Industries		
Average Employment	<b>2,592</b>	<b>1,823</b>
Average Weekly Wage	<b>\$ 871</b>	<b>\$1,077</b>
Service Providing Industries		
Average Employment	<b>3,444</b>	<b>3,332</b>
Average Weekly Wage	<b>\$ 505</b>	<b>\$ 647</b>
Total Private Industry		
Average Employment	<b>6,037</b>	<b>5,154</b>
Average Weekly Wage	<b>\$ 663</b>	<b>\$ 799</b>
Government (Federal, State, and Local)		
Average Employment	<b>695</b>	<b>691</b>
Average Weekly Wage	<b>\$ 711</b>	<b>\$ 873</b>
Total, Private Industry plus Government		
Average Employment	<b>6,731</b>	<b>5,845</b>
Average Weekly Wage	<b>\$ 668</b>	<b>\$ 808</b>

**EDUCATION AND CHILD CARE**

Schools students attend: **Milford operates grades K-12** District: **SAU 40**  
 Career Technology Center(s): **Milford HS & Applied Technology Center; Wilbur H. Palmer Career & Tech Ed Center** Region: **16**  
**(Hudson); Nashua Technology Center**

Educational Facilities (includes Charter Schools)	Elementary	Middle/Junior High	High School	Private/Parochial
Number of Schools	<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>
Grade Levels	<b>P K 1-5</b>	<b>6-8</b>	<b>9-12</b>	<b>P K 1-5</b>
Total Enrollment	<b>966</b>	<b>626</b>	<b>825</b>	<b>36</b>

Nearest Community College: **Manchester; Nashua**

Nearest Colleges or Universities: **Daniel Webster; Rivier; Thomas More; St. Anselm; Southern NH University; UNH-Manchester**

2016 NH Licensed Child Care Facilities (DHHS-Bureau of Child Care Licensing) Total Facilities: **9** Total Capacity: **410**

LARGEST BUSINESSES	PRODUCT/SERVICE	EMPLOYEES	ESTABLISHED
Hitchiner Manufacturing	Ferrous, non-ferrous castings	500	1946
Milford School District	Education	436	1794
Hampshire Hills Sports and Fitness	Health & Fitness Club	212	1973
Cirtronics	Electromechanical Assemblies	170	1979
Airmar Technology Corporation	Ultrasonic transducers	168	1981
Alene Candles	Candles	130	1995
Hendrix Wire & Cable	High voltage power cables	120	1957
Coorstek	Industrial ceramics	103	1978
Health Care - Genesis	Elder care services	65	
Hampshire Paper Corporation	Paper	60	1978

Employer Information Supplied by Municipality

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

Road Access	US Routes	
	State Routes	<b>13, 101</b>
Nearest Interstate, Exit	<b>Everett Tpk., Exits 7 - 8; I-293, Exit 3</b>	
Distance		<b>9 miles; 14 miles</b>
Railroad		<b>Boston &amp; Maine</b>
Public Transportation		<b>No</b>
Nearest Public Use Airport, General Aviation		
<b>Boire Field, Nashua</b>	Runway	<b>6,000 ft. asphalt</b>
Lighted? <b>Yes</b>	Navigation Aids?	<b>Yes</b>
Nearest Airport with Scheduled Service		
<b>Manchester-Boston Regional</b>	Distance	<b>18 miles</b>
Number of Passenger Airlines Serving Airport		<b>4</b>
Driving distance to select cities:		
Manchester, NH		<b>18 miles</b>
Portland, Maine		<b>112 miles</b>
Boston, Mass.		<b>55 miles</b>
New York City, NY		<b>225 miles</b>
Montreal, Quebec		<b>263 miles</b>

**COMMUTING TO WORK***(ACS 2010-2014)*

Workers 16 years and over	
Drove alone, car/truck/van	<b>83.6%</b>
Carpooled, car/truck/van	<b>7.6%</b>
Public transportation	<b>0.0%</b>
Walked	<b>1.5%</b>
Other means	<b>1.6%</b>
Worked at home	<b>5.6%</b>
Mean Travel Time to Work	<b>30.5 minutes</b>

**Percent of Working Residents: ACS 2010-2014**

Working in community of residence	<b>25.5</b>
Commuting to another NH community	<b>61.2</b>
Commuting out-of-state	<b>13.3</b>

**RECREATION, ATTRACTIONS, AND EVENTS**

<b>X</b>	Municipal Parks
	YMCA/YWCA
<b>X</b>	Boys Club/Girls Club
	Golf Courses
<b>X</b>	Swimming: Indoor Facility
<b>X</b>	Swimming: Outdoor Facility
<b>X</b>	Tennis Courts: Indoor Facility
<b>X</b>	Tennis Courts: Outdoor Facility
	Ice Skating Rink: Indoor Facility
<b>X</b>	Bowling Facilities
<b>X</b>	Museums
<b>X</b>	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
<b>X</b>	Youth Sports: Hockey
	Campgrounds
<b>X</b>	Fishing/Hunting
	Boating/Marinas
<b>X</b>	Snowmobile Trails
<b>X</b>	Bicycle Trails
<b>X</b>	Cross Country Skiing
	Beach or Waterfront Recreation Area
	Overnight or Day Camps
	Nearest Ski Area(s): <b>McIntyre, Pat's Peak, Crotched Mtn.</b>
	Other: <b>Hiking; Canoeing; Kayaking; Historic Sites; Outdoor Ice Skating Rink; Pumpkin Festival; Art Shows; Concerts</b>