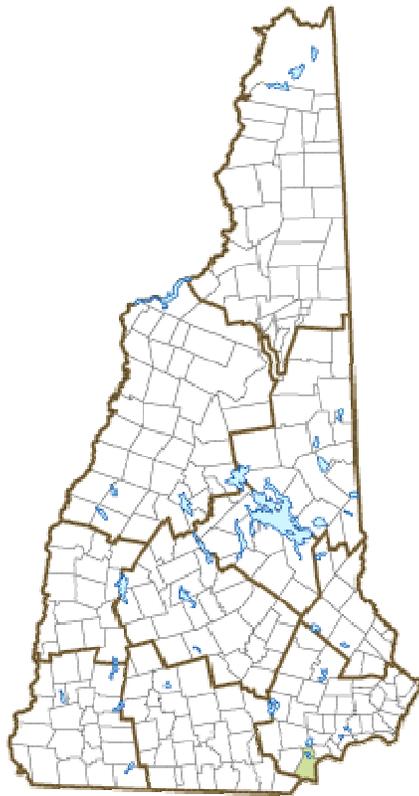


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County
 Labor Market Area
 Tourism Region
 Planning Commission
 Regional Development

Rockingham
Lawrence-Methuen Town-Salem, MA-NH NECTA Division
Merrimack Valley
Rockingham
Regional Economic Development Corp.

Election Districts

US Congress
 Executive Council
 State Senate
 State Representative

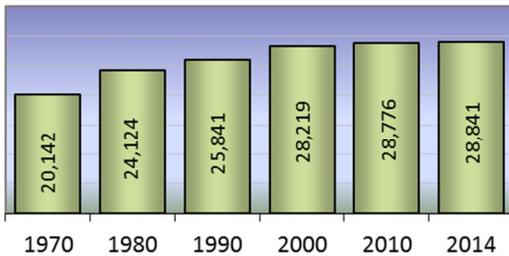
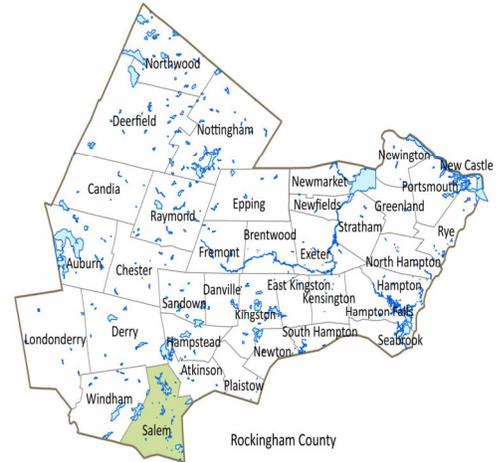
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Incorporated: 1750

Origin: This town was known as the North Parish of Methuen, Massachusetts, or Methuen District, a name used as early as 1736. In 1741, when the boundary line between Massachusetts and New Hampshire was established, the North Parish along with a portion of Dracut became part of New Hampshire, and named Salem, after nearby Salem, Massachusetts. The area was organized as a district without township privileges. Residents petitioned for a separate incorporation five different times before Governor Benning Wentworth chartered Salem as a town in 1750.

Villages and Place Names: Arlington Park, Canobie Lake, Cluffs Crossing, Cowbell Corners, Foster Corners, Hampshire Road, Millville, North Salem, Noyes Terrace, Pine Grove Park, Salem Depot, Wilson Corners, Mount Ararat

Population, Year of the First Census Taken: 1,218 residents in 1790



Population Trends: Population change for Salem totaled 19,631 over 54 years, the sixth largest numeric change, from 9,210 in 1960 to 28,841 in 2014. The largest decennial percent change was an increase of 119 percent between 1960 and 1970. The next largest percent increase, of 20 percent, occurred between 1970 and 1980. The 2014 Census estimate for Salem was 28,841 residents, which ranked seventh among New Hampshire's incorporated cities and towns.

Population Density and Land Area, 2014 (US Census Bureau): 1,162.5 persons per square mile of land area, the sixth highest among the cities and towns. Salem contains 24.8 square miles of land area and 1.1 square miles of inland water area.

MUNICIPAL SERVICES	
Type of Government	Selectmen/Town Manager
Budget: Municipal Appropriations, 2016	\$50,724,197
Budget: School Appropriations, 2016	\$66,822,610
Zoning Ordinance	1962/16
Master Plan	2001
Capital Improvement Plan	Yes
Industrial Plans Reviewed By	Planning Director
Boards and Commissions	
Elected:	Selectmen; Planning; Zoning
Appointed:	Conservation
Public Library	Kelley

EMERGENCY SERVICES	
Police Department	Full-time
Fire Department	Municipal
Emergency Medical Service	Municipal
Nearest Hospital(s)	Distance Staffed Beds
Holy Family Hospital, Methuen MA	5 miles 385
Parkland Medical Center, Derry	13 miles 82

UTILITIES	
Electric Supplier	National Grid; Liberty Utilities
Natural Gas Supplier	Unitil
Water Supplier	Salem Water Department
Sanitation	Municipal
Municipal Wastewater Treatment Plant	No
Solid Waste Disposal	
Curbside Trash Pickup	Private
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 Residential
	Yes Yes

PROPERTY TAXES (NH Dept. of Revenue Administration)	
2015 Total Tax Rate (per \$1000 of value)	\$21.39
2015 Equalization Ratio	89.3
2015 Full Value Tax Rate (per \$1000 of value)	\$19.03
2015 Percent of Local Assessed Valuation by Property Type	
Residential Land and Buildings	68.1%
Commercial Land and Buildings	30.3%
Public Utilities, Current Use, and Other	1.6%

HOUSING (ACS 2010-2014)	
Total Housing Units	11,789
Single-Family Units, Detached or Attached	8,252
Units in Multiple-Family Structures:	
Two to Four Units in Structure	620
Five or More Units in Structure	2,233
Mobile Homes and Other Housing Units	684

DEMOGRAPHICS (US Census Bureau)		
Total Population	Community	County
2014	28,841	297,702
2010	28,776	295,223
2000	28,219	278,748
1990	25,841	246,744
1980	24,124	190,345
1970	20,142	138,951

Demographics, American Community Survey (ACS) 2010-2014			
Population by Gender			
Male	14,517	Female	14,324
Population by Age Group			
Under age 5			1,171
Age 5 to 19			5,439
Age 20 to 34			4,583
Age 35 to 54			9,340
Age 55 to 64			3,833
Age 65 and over			4,475
Median Age			43.2 years
Educational Attainment, population 25 years and over			
High school graduate or higher			92.1%
Bachelor's degree or higher			31.1%

INCOME, INFLATION ADJUSTED \$ (ACS 2010-2014)	
Per capita income	\$36,734
Median family income	\$90,353
Median household income	\$78,395
Median Earnings, full-time, year-round workers	
Male	\$63,949
Female	\$44,768
Individuals below the poverty level	4.0%

LABOR FORCE (NHES – ELMII)		
Annual Average	2005	2015
Civilian labor force	17,303	17,582
Employed	16,212	16,628
Unemployed	1,091	954
Unemployment rate	6.3%	5.4%

EMPLOYMENT & WAGES (NHES – ELMII)		
Annual Average Covered Employment	2004	2014
Goods Producing Industries		
Average Employment	3,310	2,204
Average Weekly Wage	\$1,184	\$1,439
Service Providing Industries		
Average Employment	16,474	18,537
Average Weekly Wage	\$ 608	\$ 853
Total Private Industry		
Average Employment	19,784	20,741
Average Weekly Wage	\$ 705	\$ 916
Government (Federal, State, and Local)		
Average Employment	1,118	1,175
Average Weekly Wage	\$ 835	\$ 982
Total, Private Industry plus Government		
Average Employment	20,902	21,915
Average Weekly Wage	\$ 712	\$ 919

EDUCATION AND CHILD CARE

Schools students attend: **Salem operates grades K-12** District: **SAU 57**
 Career Technology Center(s): **Salem HS Career & Technical Ed Ctr** Region: **17**

Educational Facilities (includes Charter Schools)	Elementary	Middle/Junior High	High School	Private/Parochial
Number of Schools	7	1	1	2
Grade Levels	P K 1-8	6-8	9-12	P K 1-12
Total Enrollment	1,743	892	1,206	145

Nearest Community College: **Nashua**
 Nearest Colleges or Universities: **New England**

2016 NH Licensed Child Care Facilities (DHHS-Bureau of Child Care Licensing) Total Facilities: **21** Total Capacity: **1,080**

LARGEST BUSINESSES	PRODUCT/SERVICE	EMPLOYEES	ESTABLISHED
Northeast Rehabilitation Hospital	Comprehensive physical rehabilitation	300	1981
JC Penney Co., Inc.	Retail store	200	1991
Reliable Security Guard Agency	Security guard services	135	1986
Salem Haven, Inc.	Elderly home	120	1955
The Home Depot	Home improvement center	100	1992

Employer Information Supplied by Municipality

TRANSPORTATION (distances estimated from city/town hall)

Road Access	US Routes	
	State Routes	28, 38, 97, 111
Nearest Interstate, Exit		I-93, Exits 1 - 2
	Distance	Local access
Railroad		Boston & Maine
Public Transportation		CART
Nearest Public Use Airport, General Aviation		
Lawrence (MA) Municipal	Runway	5,000 ft. asphalt
Lighted? Yes	Navigation Aids?	Yes
Nearest Airport with Scheduled Service		
Manchester-Boston Regional	Distance	24 miles
Number of Passenger Airlines Serving Airport		4
Driving distance to select cities:		
Manchester, NH		26 miles
Portland, Maine		87 miles
Boston, Mass.		33 miles
New York City, NY		235 miles
Montreal, Quebec		279 miles

COMMUTING TO WORK (ACS 2010-2014)

Workers 16 years and over	
Drove alone, car/truck/van	88.0%
Carpooled, car/truck/van	6.5%
Public transportation	1.2%
Walked	0.4%
Other means	0.5%
Worked at home	3.4%
Mean Travel Time to Work	26.1 minutes
Percent of Working Residents: ACS 2010-2014	
Working in community of residence	29.7
Commuting to another NH community	20.9
Commuting out-of-state	49.4

RECREATION, ATTRACTIONS, AND EVENTS

X	Municipal Parks
	YMCA/YWCA
X	Boys Club/Girls Club
X	Golf Courses
X	Swimming: Indoor Facility
	Swimming: Outdoor Facility
	Tennis Courts: Indoor Facility
X	Tennis Courts: Outdoor Facility
X	Ice Skating Rink: Indoor Facility
X	Bowling Facilities
X	Museums
	Cinemas
	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
	Campgrounds
X	Fishing/Hunting
X	Boating/Marinas
X	Snowmobile Trails
	Bicycle Trails
X	Cross Country Skiing
X	Beach or Waterfront Recreation Area
X	Overnight or Day Camps
	Nearest Ski Area(s): McIntyre
	Other: Rockingham Park; Canobie Lake Park; Salem Town Forest; Americas Stonehenge