

Pelham, NH



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County
 Labor Market Area
 Tourism Region
 Planning Commission
 Regional Development

Hillsborough
Lowell-Billerica-Chelmsford, MA-NH NECTA Division
Merrimack Valley
Nashua Regional
Regional Economic Development Corp.

Election Districts

US Congress
 Executive Council
 State Senate
 State Representative

District 2
District 3
District 22
Hillsborough County District 37

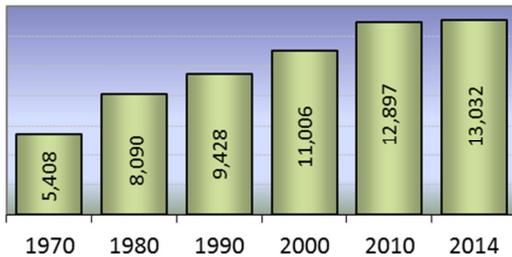
Incorporated: 1746

Origin: This territory was settled in 1722, when it was a part of Old Dunstable, which included all or part of what is now 12 towns in two states. When the New Hampshire-Massachusetts boundary line was set in 1741, Old Dunstable was split in half, with the northern half retaining the name Dunstable. Pelham was incorporated in 1746 from parts of Dunstable and Dracut, Massachusetts. The town takes its name from Henry Pelham, Prime Minister of England, a relation of Governor Benning Wentworth, and younger brother of Thomas Pelham-Holles.

Villages and Place Names: unknown

Population, Year of the First Census Taken: 791 residents in 1790

Population Trends: Population change for Pelham totaled 10,427 over 54 years, from



2,605 in 1960 to 13,032 in 2014. The largest decennial percent change was a 108 percent increase between 1960 and 1970. The 2014 Census estimate for Pelham was 13,032 residents, which ranked 24th among New Hampshire's incorporated cities and towns.

Population Density and Land Area, 2014 (US Census Bureau): 495.9 persons per square mile of land area. Pelham contains 26.3 square miles of land area and 0.5 square miles of inland water area.



MUNICIPAL SERVICES	
Type of Government	Selectmen
Budget: Municipal Appropriations, 2016	\$14,229,887
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Zoning Ordinance	1956/14
Master Plan	2002
Capital Improvement Plan	Yes
Industrial Plans Reviewed By	Consultant
Boards and Commissions	
Elected:	Selectmen; Planning
Appointed:	Conservation; Library; Cemetery; Zoning
Public Library	Pelham Public

EMERGENCY SERVICES			
Police Department			Full-time
Fire Department			Full-time
Emergency Medical Service			Full-time
Nearest Hospital(s)	Distance	Staffed Beds	
Saints Campus - Lowell General Hospital, Lowell MA	7 miles	157	
Lowell General, Lowell MA	7 miles	239	
Southern NH Medical Center, Nashua	10 miles	163	

UTILITIES			
Electric Supplier	Liberty Utilities; Eversource Energy		
Natural Gas Supplier	None		
Water Supplier	Pennichuck East Utilities/Williamsburg		
Sanitation	Private septic		
Municipal Wastewater Treatment Plant	No		
Solid Waste Disposal			
Curbside Trash Pickup	None		
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	Yes	
	Residential	Yes	

PROPERTY TAXES		<i>(NH Dept. of Revenue Administration)</i>	
2015 Total Tax Rate (per \$1000 of value)	\$23.26		
2015 Equalization Ratio	87.2		
2015 Full Value Tax Rate (per \$1000 of value)	\$20.33		
2015 Percent of Local Assessed Valuation by Property Type			
Residential Land and Buildings	90.2%		
Commercial Land and Buildings	6.7%		
Public Utilities, Current Use, and Other	3.1%		

HOUSING		<i>(ACS 2010-2014)</i>	
Total Housing Units	4,627		
Single-Family Units, Detached or Attached	4,036		
Units in Multiple-Family Structures:			
Two to Four Units in Structure	347		
Five or More Units in Structure	235		
Mobile Homes and Other Housing Units	9		

DEMOGRAPHICS			<i>(US Census Bureau)</i>	
Total Population	Community	County		
2014	13,032	402,776		
2010	12,897	400,721		
2000	11,006	382,384		
1990	9,428	336,549		
1980	8,090	276,608		
1970	5,408	223,941		

Demographics, American Community Survey (ACS) 2010-2014			
Population by Gender			
Male	6,251	Female	6,781
Population by Age Group			
Under age 5			724
Age 5 to 19			2,788
Age 20 to 34			1,812
Age 35 to 54			4,569
Age 55 to 64			1,678
Age 65 and over			1,461
Median Age			41.2 years
Educational Attainment, population 25 years and over			
High school graduate or higher			92.3%
Bachelor's degree or higher			29.8%

INCOME, INFLATION ADJUSTED \$		<i>(ACS 2010-2014)</i>	
Per capita income			\$36,572
Median family income			\$103,346
Median household income			\$87,359
Median Earnings, full-time, year-round workers			
Male			\$63,031
Female			\$51,740
Individuals below the poverty level			6.2%

LABOR FORCE				<i>(NHES - ELMII)</i>	
Annual Average		2005		2015	
Civilian labor force	6,922			7,335	
Employed	6,530			6,894	
Unemployed	392			441	
Unemployment rate	5.7%			6.0%	

EMPLOYMENT & WAGES				<i>(NHES - ELMII)</i>	
Annual Average Covered Employment		2004		2014	
Goods Producing Industries					
Average Employment	544			595	
Average Weekly Wage	\$ 813			\$1,078	
Service Providing Industries					
Average Employment	1,184			1,317	
Average Weekly Wage	\$ 574			\$ 738	
Total Private Industry					
Average Employment	1,728			1,913	
Average Weekly Wage	\$ 649			\$ 844	
Government (Federal, State, and Local)					
Average Employment	435			471	
Average Weekly Wage	\$ 643			\$ 826	
Total, Private Industry plus Government					
Average Employment	2,162			2,383	
Average Weekly Wage	\$ 648			\$ 840	

EDUCATION AND CHILD CARE

Schools students attend: **Pelham operates grades K-12** District: **SAU 28**
 Career Technology Center(s): **Pinkerton Academy Center for CTE** Region: **17**

Educational Facilities (includes Charter Schools)	Elementary	Middle/Junior High	High School	Private/Parochial
Number of Schools	1	1	1	
Grade Levels	P K 1-5	6-8	9-12	
Total Enrollment	840	504	627	

Nearest Community College: **Nashua**
 Nearest Colleges or Universities: **Daniel Webster; Rivier**

2016 NH Licensed Child Care Facilities (DHHS-Bureau of Child Care Licensing) Total Facilities: **9** Total Capacity: **515**

LARGEST BUSINESSES	PRODUCT/SERVICE	EMPLOYEES	ESTABLISHED
Wakefield Engineering	Aluminum extrusion	300	1997
Pelham School District	Education	258	
Hannaford Brothers	Supermarket	85	1996
Quality Assured Cable	Cabling	70	1997
Chunky's Cinema Pub	Cinema, restaurant	50	1997
JT Manufacturing	Fabrication	30	2008
Yarde Metals	Metal stock wholesaler	25	2000

Employer Information Supplied by Municipality

TRANSPORTATION (distances estimated from city/town hall)

Road Access	US Routes	
	State Routes	38, 111A, 128
Nearest Interstate, Exit		I-93, Exits 1 - 2
	Distance	6 miles
Railroad		No
Public Transportation		No
Nearest Public Use Airport, General Aviation		
Boire Field, Nashua	Runway	6,000 ft. asphalt
Lighted? Yes	Navigation Aids?	Yes
Nearest Airport with Scheduled Service		
Manchester-Boston Regional	Distance	25 miles
Number of Passenger Airlines Serving Airport		4
Driving distance to select cities:		
Manchester, NH		27 miles
Portland, Maine		97 miles
Boston, Mass.		34 miles
New York City, NY		229 miles
Montreal, Quebec		281 miles

COMMUTING TO WORK (ACS 2010-2014)

Workers 16 years and over	
Drove alone, car/truck/van	86.7%
Carpooled, car/truck/van	6.4%
Public transportation	0.5%
Walked	0.9%
Other means	0.3%
Worked at home	5.2%
Mean Travel Time to Work	30.0 minutes
Percent of Working Residents: ACS 2010-2014	
Working in community of residence	16.2
Commuting to another NH community	29.5
Commuting out-of-state	54.3

RECREATION, ATTRACTIONS, AND EVENTS

X	Municipal Parks
	YMCA/YWCA
	Boys Club/Girls Club
X	Golf Courses
	Swimming: Indoor Facility
	Swimming: Outdoor Facility
	Tennis Courts: Indoor Facility
X	Tennis Courts: Outdoor Facility
	Ice Skating Rink: Indoor Facility
	Bowling Facilities
X	Museums
X	Cinemas
X	Performing Arts Facilities
	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
	Youth Sports: Hockey
X	Campgrounds
X	Fishing/Hunting
	Boating/Marinas
X	Snowmobile Trails
X	Bicycle Trails
X	Cross Country Skiing
X	Beach or Waterfront Recreation Area
X	Overnight or Day Camps
	Nearest Ski Area(s): McIntyre
	Other: