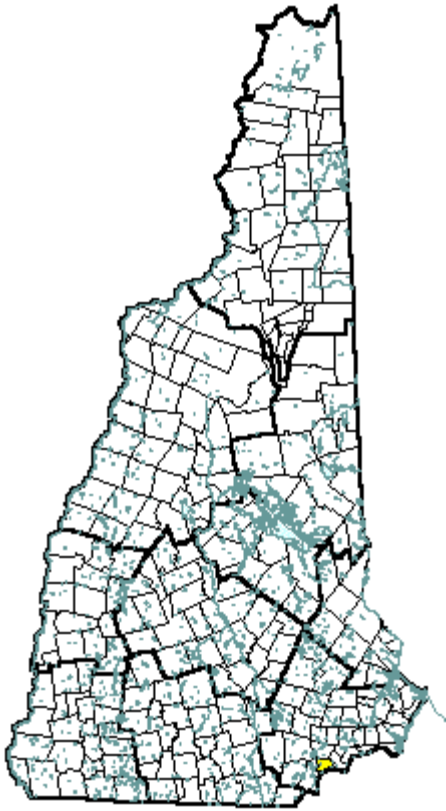


Atkinson, NH



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County
 Labor Market Area
 Tourism Region
 Planning Commission
 Regional Development

Rockingham
Haverhill MA-NH NECTA Division, NH Portion
Merrimack Valley
Rockingham
Regional Economic Development Corp.

Election Districts

US Congress
 Executive Council
 State Senate
 State Representative

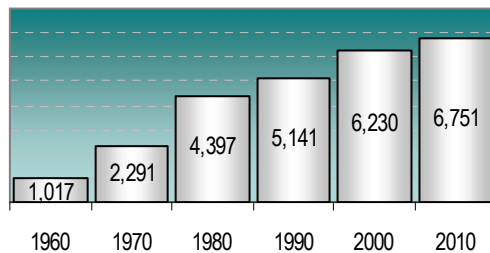
District 2
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Rockingham County District 6

Incorporated: 1767

Origin: Atkinson was named in 1767 for Colonel Theodore Atkinson, whose farm once covered nearly all of the several hundred acres set aside from Plaistow that became the town. Colonel Atkinson was a brother-in-law to Governor Benning Wentworth, served as secretary of the colony until the Revolution, and was one of the Masonian Proprietors who parceled out New Hampshire lands to over 30,000 settlers. Colonel Atkinson bequested funds to establish Atkinson Academy, incorporated in 1787. In 1809, the state granted 13,000 acres of land in Coos County to the Academy, an unincorporated place now known as Atkinson & Gilmanton Academy Grant.

Villages and Place Names: Atkinson Heights, Conleys Grove, Westville, Atkinson Depot

Population, Year of the First Census Taken: 479 residents in 1790



Population Trends:

Population change for Atkinson totaled 5,734 over 50 years, from 1,017 in 1960 to 6,751 in 2010. The largest decennial percent change was a 125 percent increase between 1960 and 1970. The 2010 Census estimate for Atkinson was 6,751 residents, which ranked 48th among New Hampshire's incorporated cities and towns.

Population Density and Land Area, 2010 (US Census Bureau): 605.7 persons per square mile of land area. Atkinson contains 11.2 square miles of land area and 0.2 square miles of inland water area.

MUNICIPAL SERVICES

Type of Government	Selectmen
Budget: Municipal Appropriations, 2010	\$3,940,309
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Zoning Ordinance	1940/10
Master Plan	2009
Capital Improvement Plan	Yes
Industrial Plans Reviewed By	Planning Board

Boards and Commissions

Elected:	Selectmen; Library; Cemetery; Budget
Appointed:	Planning; Zoning; Conservation; Recreation

Public Library **Kimball**

EMERGENCY SERVICES

Police Department	Full & part-time
Fire Department	Municipal
Emergency Medical Service	Municipal

Nearest Hospital(s)	Distance	Staffed Beds
Parkland Medical Center, Derry	11 miles	82

UTILITIES

Electric Supplier	Unitil; PSNH
Natural Gas Supplier	Northern Utilities
Water Supplier	Hampstead Water Company & private wells

Sanitation	Private septic
Municipal Wastewater Treatment Plant	No
Solid Waste Disposal	
Curbside Trash Pickup	Municipal
Pay-As-You-Throw Program	No
Recycling Program	Voluntary

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 *(NH Dept. of Revenue Administration)*

2010 Total Tax Rate (per \$1000 of value)	\$15.21
2010 Equalization Ratio	120.0
2010 Full Value Tax Rate (per \$1000 of value)	\$18.09

2010 Percent of Local Assessed Valuation by Property Type	
Residential Land and Buildings	94.9%
Commercial Land and Buildings	4.4%
Public Utilities, Current Use, and Other	0.7%

HOUSING *(ACS 2006-2010)*

Total Housing Units	2,746
Single-Family Units, Detached or Attached	2,318
Units in Multiple-Family Structures:	
Two to Four Units in Structure	267
Five or More Units in Structure	161
Mobile Homes and Other Housing Units	0

DEMOGRAPHICS*(US Census Bureau)*

Total Population	Community	County
2010	6,751	295,223
2000	6,230	278,748
1990	5,141	246,744
1980	4,397	190,345
1970	2,291	138,951

Demographics, American Community Survey (ACS) 2006-2010**Population by Gender**

Male	3,150	Female	3,565
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Population by Age Group

Under age 5	331
Age 5 to 19	1,330
Age 20 to 34	538
Age 35 to 54	2,280
Age 55 to 64	1,123
Age 65 and over	1,113
Median Age	47.5 years

Educational Attainment, population 25 years and over

High school graduate or higher	98.1%
Bachelor's degree or higher	43.7%

INCOME, 2010 INFLATION ADJUSTED \$ *(ACS 2006-2010)*

Per capita income	\$41,588
Median 4-person family income	\$108,854
Median household income	\$87,500

Median Earnings, full-time, year-round workers

Male	\$80,479
Female	\$46,840

Families below the poverty level **1.4%**

LABOR FORCE *(NHES - ELMI)*

Annual Average	2000	2010
Civilian labor force	3,757	3,821
Employed	3,603	3,566
Unemployed	154	255
Unemployment rate	4.1%	6.7%

EMPLOYMENT & WAGES *(NHES - ELMI)*

Annual Average Covered Employment	2000	2010
Goods Producing Industries		
Average Employment	241	242
Average Weekly Wage	\$797	\$1,070
Service Providing Industries		
Average Employment	450	642
Average Weekly Wage	\$723	\$816
Total Private Industry		
Average Employment	690	884
Average Weekly Wage	\$748	\$886
Government (Federal, State, and Local)		
Average Employment	71	65
Average Weekly Wage	\$281	\$553
Total, Private Industry plus Government		
Average Employment	761	949
Average Weekly Wage	\$705	\$863

n = indicates that data does not meet disclosure standards

EDUCATION AND CHILD CARE*(NH Dept. of Education)*

Schools students attend: **Grades K-12 are part of Timberlane Regional (Atkinson, Danville, Plaistow, Sandown)** District: **SAU 55**

Career Technology Center(s): **Pinkerton Academy, Derry; Salem High School Vocational Center** Region: **17**

Educational Facilities	Elementary	Middle/Junior High	High School	Private/Parochial
Number of Schools	1			
Grade Levels	P K 1-5			
Total Enrollment	458			

2011 NH Licensed Child Care Facilities (*DHHS – Bureau of Child Care Licensing*): Total Facilities: **2** Total Capacity: **157**

Nearest Community/Technical College: **Great Bay; Manchester; Nashua**
 Nearest Colleges or Universities: **University of NH; Chester College of New England**

LARGEST BUSINESSES	PRODUCT/SERVICE	EMPLOYEES	ESTABLISHED
Atkinson Concessions	Country club	234	2002
GEX	Graphics, printing	100	1985
Palmer Gas Company	Propane gas	75	1969
Busby Construction	Contractor	66	1979
Lewis Builders, Inc.	Builder	62	1953

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

Road Access	US Routes	
	State Routes	111, 121
Nearest Interstate, Exit		I-495 (MA), Exit 51
	Distance	4 miles
Railroad		Boston & Maine
Public Transportation		No
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 27 miles
	Number of Passenger Airlines Serving Airport	6
Driving distance to select cities:		
	Manchester, NH	27 miles
	Portland, Maine	84 miles
	Boston, Mass.	40 miles
	New York City, NY	244 miles
	Montreal, Quebec	284 miles

COMMUTING TO WORK (*ACS 2006-2010*)

Workers 16 years and over	
Drove alone, car/truck/van	86.4%
Carpooled, car/truck/van	4.3%
Public transportation	1.1%
Walked	0.0%
Other means	0.0%
Worked at home	8.2%
Mean Travel Time to Work	29.5 minutes
Percent of Working Residents: ACS 2006-2010	
Working in community of residence	16.0%
Commuting to another NH community	30.6%
Commuting out-of-state	53.4%

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
	Museums
	Cinemas
	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
	Campgrounds
X	Fishing/Hunting
	Boating/Marinas
	Snowmobile Trails
	Bicycle Trails
X	Cross Country Skiing
	Beach or Waterfront Recreation Area
	Overnight or Day Camps
	Nearest Ski Area(s): Bradford (MA)
	Other: NH Cultural & Scenic By-Way