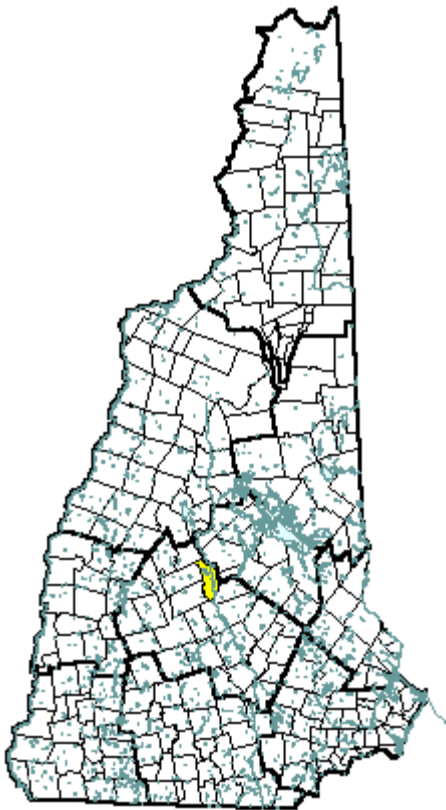


# Franklin, NH



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## Municipal Office Hours

Monday through Friday, 8 am - 5 pm

County  
 Labor Market Area  
 Tourism Region  
 Planning Commission  
 Regional Development

**Merrimack**  
**Franklin NH Micro-NECTA**  
**Lakes**  
**Lakes Region**  
**Capital Regional Development Council**

## Election Districts

US Congress  
 Executive Council  
 State Senate  
 State Representative

**District 2 (All Wards)**  
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**District 5 (All Wards)**  
**Merrimack County District 2 (All Wards)**

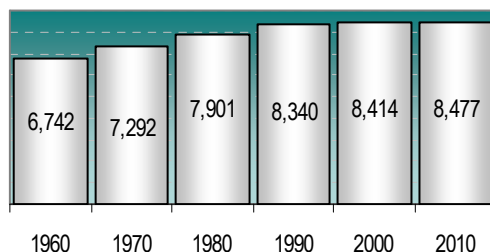
**Incorporated:** 1828

**Origin:** Situated at the junction of the Pemigewasset and Winnepesaukee Rivers, where they meet to form the Merrimack River, this territory was originally known as Pemigewasset Village. Franklin was created from portions of Salisbury, Andover, Sanbornton, and Northfield, and named in honor of Benjamin Franklin. Franklin is the location of Daniel Webster's birthplace, which was in the portion of Salisbury taken to establish the town. Franklin was incorporated as a city in 1895. Franklin was known for a machine-made hosiery mill that used a process developed by the Shakers.

**Villages and Place Names:** Webster Lake, Webster Place, West Franklin

**Population, Year of the First Census Taken:** 1,370 residents in 1830

**Population Trends:** Population change for Franklin totaled 1,735 over 50 years, from 6,742 in 1960 to 8,477 in 2010. The largest



decennial percent change was eight percent, which occurred between 1960 and 1970 and also between 1970 and 1980. The 2010 Census estimate for Franklin was 8,477 residents, which ranked 36th among New Hampshire's incorporated cities and towns.



**Population Density and Land Area, 2010 (US Census Bureau):** 310.8 persons per square mile of land area. Franklin contains 27.3 square miles of land area and 1.8 square miles of inland water area.

**MUNICIPAL SERVICES**

Type of Government	<b>Manager &amp; Council</b>
Budget: Municipal Appropriations, 2012	<b>\$12,040,258</b>
Budget: School Appropriations, 2012	<b>\$15,482,475</b>
Zoning Ordinance	<b>1971/07</b>
Master Plan	<b>2006</b>
Capital Improvement Plan	<b>Yes</b>
Industrial Plans Reviewed By	<b>City Planner</b>

## Boards and Commissions

Elected:	<b>City Council</b>
Appointed:	<b>Planning; Zoning; Library; Conservation; Heritage</b>

Public Library **Franklin Public****EMERGENCY SERVICES**

Police Department	<b>Full-time</b>
Fire Department	<b>Full-time</b>
Emergency Medical Service	<b>Municipal</b>

Nearest Hospital(s)	Distance	Staffed Beds
<b>Franklin Regional, Franklin</b>	<b>Local</b>	<b>25</b>

**UTILITIES**

Electric Supplier	<b>PSNH; NH Electric Coop</b>
Natural Gas Supplier	<b>National Grid</b>
Water Supplier	<b>Franklin Water Works</b>

Sanitation	<b>Municipal</b>
Municipal Wastewater Treatment Plant	<b>Yes</b>
Solid Waste Disposal	
Curbside Trash Pickup	<b>Municipal</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>No</b>
High Speed Internet Service:	
Business	<b>Yes</b>
Residential	<b>Yes</b>

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

2010 Total Tax Rate (per \$1000 of value)	<b>\$21.14</b>
2010 Equalization Ratio	<b>100.0</b>
2010 Full Value Tax Rate (per \$1000 of value)	<b>\$20.84</b>

2010 Percent of Local Assessed Valuation by Property Type	
Residential Land and Buildings	<b>78.8%</b>
Commercial Land and Buildings	<b>16.1%</b>
Public Utilities, Current Use, and Other	<b>5.1%</b>

**HOUSING** *(ACS 2006-2010)*

Total Housing Units	<b>3,636</b>
Single-Family Units, Detached or Attached	<b>2,074</b>
Units in Multiple-Family Structures:	
Two to Four Units in Structure	<b>807</b>
Five or More Units in Structure	<b>567</b>
Mobile Homes and Other Housing Units	<b>188</b>

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

Total Population	Community	County
2010	<b>8,477</b>	<b>146,445</b>
2000	<b>8,414</b>	<b>136,716</b>
1990	<b>8,340</b>	<b>120,618</b>
1980	<b>7,901</b>	<b>98,302</b>
1970	<b>7,292</b>	<b>80,925</b>

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

Population by Gender		
Male	<b>4,160</b>	Female <b>4,422</b>

## Population by Age Group

Under age 5	<b>557</b>
Age 5 to 19	<b>1,719</b>
Age 20 to 34	<b>1,667</b>
Age 35 to 54	<b>2,570</b>
Age 55 to 64	<b>975</b>
Age 65 and over	<b>1,094</b>
Median Age	<b>37.7 years</b>

## Educational Attainment, population 25 years and over

High school graduate or higher	<b>84.8%</b>
Bachelor's degree or higher	<b>14.2%</b>

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

Per capita income	<b>\$20,420</b>
Median 4-person family income	<b>\$56,431</b>
Median household income	<b>\$48,369</b>

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

Male	<b>\$34,242</b>
Female	<b>\$30,964</b>

Families below the poverty level **10.7%****LABOR FORCE** *(NHES - ELMI)*

Annual Average	2000	2010
Civilian labor force	<b>4,252</b>	<b>4,430</b>
Employed	<b>4,133</b>	<b>4,111</b>
Unemployed	<b>119</b>	<b>319</b>
Unemployment rate	<b>2.8%</b>	<b>7.2%</b>

**EMPLOYMENT & WAGES** *(NHES - ELMI)*

Annual Average Covered Employment	2000	2010
Goods Producing Industries		
Average Employment	<b>1,635</b>	<b>754</b>
Average Weekly Wage	<b>\$732</b>	<b>\$896</b>
Service Providing Industries		
Average Employment	<b>1,488</b>	<b>1,334</b>
Average Weekly Wage	<b>\$442</b>	<b>\$686</b>
Total Private Industry		
Average Employment	<b>3,123</b>	<b>2,088</b>
Average Weekly Wage	<b>\$594</b>	<b>\$762</b>
Government (Federal, State, and Local)		
Average Employment	<b>359</b>	<b>475</b>
Average Weekly Wage	<b>\$553</b>	<b>\$637</b>
Total, Private Industry plus Government		
Average Employment	<b>3,482</b>	<b>2,563</b>
Average Weekly Wage	<b>\$590</b>	<b>\$739</b>

n = indicates that data does not meet disclosure standards

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

Schools students attend: **Franklin operates grades K-12** District: **SAU 18**  
 Career Technology Center(s): **J. Oliva Huot Technical Center, Laconia; Winnisquam Regional High School, Tilton** Region: **08**

Educational Facilities	Elementary	Middle/Junior High	High School	Private/Parochial
Number of Schools	3	1	1	
Grade Levels	P K 1-4	5-8	9-12	
Total Enrollment	470	416	440	

2011 NH Licensed Child Care Facilities (*DHHS – Bureau of Child Care Licensing*): Total Facilities: **9** Total Capacity: **181**

Nearest Community/Technical College: **Lakes Region**

Nearest Colleges or Universities: **Colby-Sawyer; Plymouth State University**

LARGEST BUSINESSES	PRODUCT/SERVICE	EMPLOYEES	ESTABLISHED
LRGHealthcare	Health care services	371	1910
Webster Valve & Foundry	Plumbing, heating controls	340	1956
SAU 18	School administrative unit	260	
Freudenberg - NOK	Elastomeric seals & custom molded products	150	
Hannaford Brothers	Supermarket	140	1992
Wyman Gordon Investment Castings, Inc.	Titanium products	111	1995
Vitex Extrusion	Aluminum extrusions	94	1996
City of Franklin	Municipal services	75	
R D Edmunds & Sons	Paving company	75 summer/40 winter	
Franklin Savings Bank	Banking services	66	

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

Road Access	US Routes	3
	State Routes	3A, 11, 127
Nearest Interstate, Exit		I-93, Exit 20
	Distance	4 miles
Railroad		No
Public Transportation		WTS
Nearest Public Use Airport, General Aviation		
<b>Laconia Municipal</b>	Runway	5,286 ft. asphalt
Lighted? <b>Yes</b>	Navigation Aids?	Yes
Nearest Airport with Scheduled Service		
<b>Manchester-Boston Regional</b>	Distance	44 miles
Number of Passenger Airlines Serving Airport		6
Driving distance to select cities:		
Manchester, NH		38 miles
Portland, Maine		130 miles
Boston, Mass.		88 miles
New York City, NY		292 miles
Montreal, Quebec		236 miles

**COMMUTING TO WORK** (*ACS 2006-2010*)

Workers 16 years and over	
Drove alone, car/truck/van	83.6%
Carpooled, car/truck/van	9.6%
Public transportation	0.0%
Walked	2.7%
Other means	2.4%
Worked at home	1.7%
Mean Travel Time to Work	23.6 minutes

**Percent of Working Residents: ACS 2006-2010**

Working in community of residence	24.5%
Commuting to another NH community	74.0%
Commuting out-of-state	1.5%

**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
X	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
	Youth Sports: Hockey
X	Campgrounds
X	Fishing/Hunting
X	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): **Veteran's Memorial Ski Area**

Other: **Daniel Webster Birthplace; Daniel Webster Farm; Franklin Falls Recreation Area (US Army Corps of Engineers)**