

# Dunbarton, NH



## Community Contact

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## Municipal Office Hours

**Town Office: Monday through Friday, 8 am - 4 pm; Town Clerk:  
Monday through Thursday, 8 am - 4 pm; Tax Collector:  
Tuesday, Thursday, 4:30 pm - 7 pm**

County  
Labor Market Area  
Tourism Region  
Planning Commission  
Regional Development

**Merrimack  
Manchester, NH Metropolitan NECTA  
Merrimack Valley  
Central NH Regional  
Capital Regional Development Council**

## Election Districts

US Congress  
Executive Council  
State Senate  
State Representative

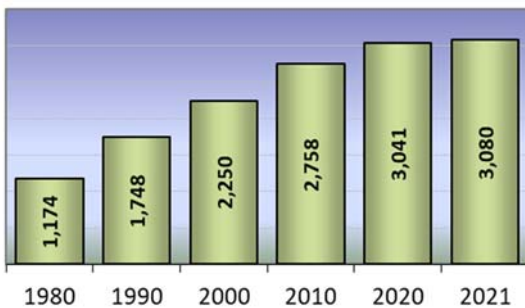
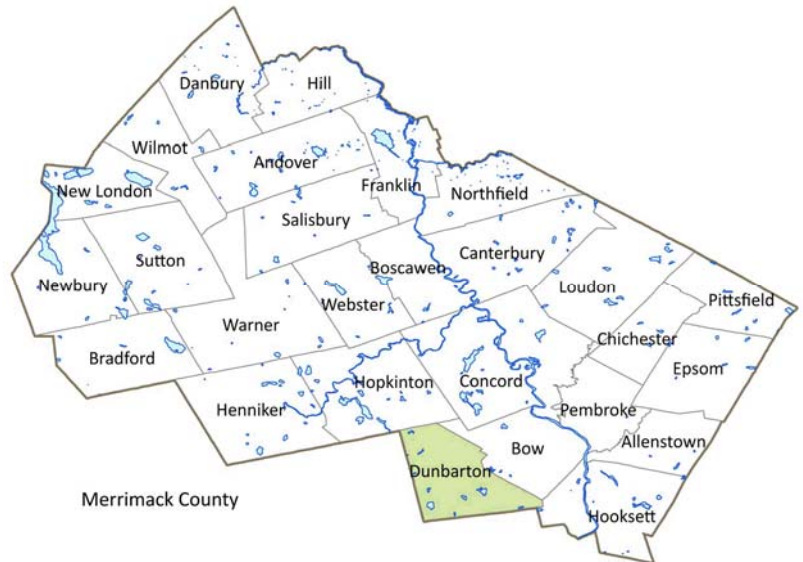
**District 2  
District 5  
District 8  
Merrimack County Districts 10, 27**

**Incorporated:** 1765

**Origin:** Dunbarton was first granted in 1735 as Gorham's-town to soldiers returning from the Canada Expedition who had served under Captain John Gorham. It was regranted in 1748 as Starkstown to settlers led by Archibald Stark, whose son was General John Stark, patriot of Bunker Hill and the Battle of Bennington, and whose grandson Caleb was a famous industrialist who established textile mills in Manchester. In 1752, the Masonian Proprietors confirmed the grant under a new charter as Dunbarton, named for Dumbartonshire in Scotland, site of Dunbar Castle and native county of Archibald Stark. The town was incorporated in 1765.

**Villages and Place Names:** Baileys Corner, Dunbarton Center, Pages Corner

**Population, Year of the First Census Taken:** 917 residents in 1790



**Population Trends:** Population change for Dunbarton totaled 1,906 over 41 years, from 1,174 in 1980 to 3,080 in 2021. The largest decennial percent change was a 41 percent increase between 1980 and 1990. The 2021 Census estimate for Dunbarton was 3,080 residents, which ranked 110th among New Hampshire's incorporated cities and towns.

**Population Density and Land Area, 2021 (US Census Bureau):** 99.9 persons per square mile of land area. Dunbarton contains 30.8 square miles of land area and 0.5 square miles of inland water area.

<b>MUNICIPAL SERVICES</b>	
Type of Government	<b>Selectmen</b>
Budget: Municipal Appropriations, 2022	<b>\$2,784,297</b>
Budget: School Appropriations, 2022-2023	<b>\$8,825,735</b>
Zoning Ordinance	<b>1970/17</b>
Master Plan	<b>2005</b>
Capital Improvement Plan	<b>Yes</b>
Industrial Plans Reviewed By	<b>Planning Board</b>

Boards and Commissions	
Elected:	<b>Selectmen; Library; Cemetery; Ethics; Trust Fund; Assessors</b>
Appointed:	<b>Planning; Zoning; Conservation</b>
Public Library	<b>Dunbarton Public</b>

<b>EMERGENCY SERVICES</b>	
Police Department	<b>5 Full &amp; 4 part-time</b>
Fire Department	<b>Volunteer</b>
Emergency Medical Service	<b>Volunteer</b>
Nearest Hospital(s)	Distance Staffed Beds
<b>Concord Hospital, Concord</b>	<b>10 miles 245</b>

<b>UTILITIES</b>	
Electric Supplier	<b>Eversource Energy; Util</b>
Natural Gas Supplier	<b>Liberty Utilities</b>
Water Supplier	<b>Private wells</b>
Sanitation	<b>Private septic</b>
Municipal Wastewater Treatment Plant	<b>No</b>
Solid Waste Disposal	
Curbside Trash Pickup	<b>Private</b>
Pay-As-You-Throw Program	<b>No</b>
Recycling Program	<b>Voluntary</b>
Telephone Company	<b>Dunbarton Telephone</b>
Cellular Telephone Access	<b>Yes</b>
Cable Television Access	<b>Limited</b>
Public Access Television Station	<b>No</b>
High Speed Internet Service:	Business Residential
	<b>Limited Limited</b>

<b>PROPERTY TAXES</b> (NH Dept. of Revenue Administration)	
2021 Total Tax Rate (per \$1000 of value)	<b>\$23.41</b>
2021 Equalization Ratio	<b>77.2</b>
2021 Full Value Tax Rate (per \$1000 of value)	<b>\$17.81</b>
2021 Percent of Local Assessed Valuation by Property Type	
Residential Land and Buildings	<b>91.8%</b>
Commercial Land and Buildings	<b>1.5%</b>
Public Utilities, Current Use, and Other	<b>6.7%</b>

<b>HOUSING</b> (ACS 2016-2020)	
Total Housing Units	<b>1,055</b>
Single-Family Units, Detached or Attached	<b>1,028</b>
Units in Multiple-Family Structures:	
Two to Four Units in Structure	<b>17</b>
Five or More Units in Structure	<b>10</b>
Mobile Homes and Other Housing Units	

<b>POPULATION (1-YEAR ESTIMATES/DECENNIAL)</b>		(US Census Bureau)
Total Population	Community	County
2021	<b>3,080</b>	<b>155,238</b>
2020	<b>3,048</b>	<b>153,922</b>
2010	<b>2,758</b>	<b>146,445</b>
2000	<b>2,250</b>	<b>136,716</b>
1990	<b>1,748</b>	<b>120,618</b>
1980	<b>1,174</b>	<b>98,302</b>

<b>DEMOGRAPHICS</b> AMERICAN COMMUNITY SURVEY (ACS) 2016-2020		
Population by Gender		
Male	<b>1,431</b>	Female <b>1,415</b>
Population by Age Group		
Under age 5		<b>105</b>
Age 5 to 19		<b>642</b>
Age 20 to 34		<b>335</b>
Age 35 to 54		<b>841</b>
Age 55 to 64		<b>477</b>
Age 65 and over		<b>446</b>
Median Age		<b>45.4 years</b>
Educational Attainment, population 25 years and over		
High school graduate or higher		<b>93.8%</b>
Bachelor's degree or higher		<b>38.4%</b>

<b>INCOME, INFLATION ADJUSTED \$</b>		(ACS 2016-2020)
Per capita income		<b>\$49,470</b>
Median family income		<b>\$134,522</b>
Median household income		<b>\$130,298</b>
Median Earnings, full-time, year-round workers		
Male		<b>\$75,580</b>
Female		<b>\$67,344</b>
Individuals below the poverty level		<b>1.9%</b>

<b>LABOR FORCE</b> (NHES – ELMII)		
Annual Average	2011	2021
Civilian labor force	<b>1,622</b>	<b>1,739</b>
Employed	<b>1,548</b>	<b>1,686</b>
Unemployed	<b>74</b>	<b>53</b>
Unemployment rate	<b>4.6%</b>	<b>3.0%</b>

<b>EMPLOYMENT &amp; WAGES</b> (NHES – ELMII)		
Annual Average Covered Employment	2011	2021
Goods Producing Industries		
Average Employment	<b>54</b>	<b>133</b>
Average Weekly Wage	<b>\$1,178</b>	<b>\$1,739</b>
Service Providing Industries		
Average Employment	<b>69</b>	<b>133</b>
Average Weekly Wage	<b>\$ 815</b>	<b>\$1,531</b>
Total Private Industry		
Average Employment	<b>122</b>	<b>266</b>
Average Weekly Wage	<b>\$ 975</b>	<b>\$1,635</b>
Government (Federal, State, and Local)		
Average Employment	<b>62</b>	<b>89</b>
Average Weekly Wage	<b>\$ 673</b>	<b>\$ 685</b>
Total, Private Industry plus Government		
Average Employment	<b>184</b>	<b>355</b>
Average Weekly Wage	<b>\$ 873</b>	<b>\$1,396</b>

**EDUCATION AND CHILD CARE**

Schools students attend: **Dunbarton operates grades K-6; grades 7-12 are tuitioned to Goffstown** District: **SAU 19**  
 Career Technology Center(s): **Concord Regional Technical Center; Manchester School of Technology**

Educational Facilities (includes Charter Schools)	Elementary	Middle/Junior High	High School	Private/Parochial
Number of Schools	1			
Grade Levels	K 1-6			
Total Enrollment	240			

Nearest Community College: **NHTI-Concord**

Nearest Colleges or Universities: **Southern NH University; St. Anselm; UNH-Manchester**

2021 NH Licensed Child Care Facilities (DHHS-Bureau of Child Care Licensing)

Total Facilities: **1** Total Capacity: **90**

LARGEST BUSINESSES	PRODUCT/SERVICE	EMPLOYEES	ESTABLISHED
Pages Corner Store	Convenience Store	10	2006
Dunbartan Family Dental Care	Dental care	7	2010
Capital Well	Well drilling company	6	1998
Dunbarton Telephone	Telephone services	6	1952
Belanger Land Surveying PLLC	Land surveying services	4	
Cater Stables	Horses	4	
Mansion Stables	Horses	4	2000
Nichols Garage	Repair shop	4	2002
Pioneer Sportsman Club	Shooting area	4	1970
Industrial Communications	Tower repair and service	1	

*Employer Information Supplied by Municipality*

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

Road Access	US Routes	
	State Routes	<b>13</b>
Nearest Interstate, Exit		<b>I-89, Exit 2</b>
	Distance	<b>8 miles</b>
Railroad		<b>No</b>
Public Transportation		<b>No</b>
Nearest Public Use Airport, General Aviation		
<b>Concord Municipal</b>	Runway	<b>6,005 ft. asphalt</b>
Lighted? <b>Yes</b>	Navigation Aids?	<b>Yes</b>
Nearest Airport with Scheduled Service		
<b>Manchester-Boston Regional</b>	Distance	<b>19 miles</b>
Number of Passenger Airlines Serving Airport		<b>4</b>
Driving distance to select cities:		
Manchester, NH		<b>13 miles</b>
Portland, Maine		<b>116 miles</b>
Boston, Mass.		<b>66 miles</b>
New York City, NY		<b>260 miles</b>
Montreal, Quebec		<b>244 miles</b>

**COMMUTING TO WORK**

(ACS 2016-2020)

Workers 16 years and over	
Drove alone, car/truck/van	<b>87.3%</b>
Carpooled, car/truck/van	<b>6.8%</b>
Public transportation	<b>0.0%</b>
Walked	<b>0.5%</b>
Other means	<b>0.7%</b>
Worked at home	<b>4.7%</b>
Mean Travel Time to Work	<b>32.7 minutes</b>

**Percent of Working Residents: ACS 2016-2020**

Working in community of residence	<b>44.2%</b>
Commuting to another NH community	<b>48.6%</b>
Commuting out-of-state	<b>7.2%</b>

**RECREATION, ATTRACTIONS, AND EVENTS**

	Municipal Parks
	YMCA/YWCA
	Boys Club/Girls Club
<b>X</b>	Golf Courses
	Swimming: Indoor Facility
	Swimming: Outdoor Facility
	Tennis Courts: Indoor Facility
	Tennis Courts: Outdoor Facility
	Ice Skating Rink: Indoor Facility
	Bowling Facilities
	Museums
	Cinemas
	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
	Youth Sports: Football
<b>X</b>	Youth Sports: Basketball
	Youth Sports: Hockey
	Campgrounds
<b>X</b>	Fishing/Hunting
<b>X</b>	Boating/Marinas
<b>X</b>	Snowmobile Trails
	Bicycle Trails
<b>X</b>	Cross Country Skiing
<b>X</b>	Beach or Waterfront Recreation Area
	Overnight or Day Camps
	Nearest Ski Area(s): <b>Pat's Peak</b>
	Other: <b>Forest w/ Walking Trails</b>