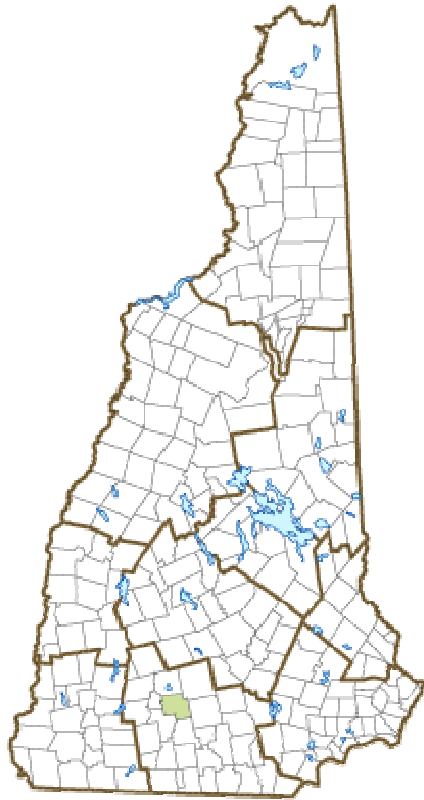


# Francestown, NH



## Community Contact

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## Municipal Office Hours

**Selectmen: Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, 8 am - 12 noon,  
 Wednesday, 8 am - 4:30 pm; Town Clerk, Tax Collector:  
 Monday through Thursday, 8 am - 12 noon, extended hours  
 Tuesday, 5:30 pm - 7:30 pm**

## County

**Hillsborough**

## Labor Market Area

**Peterborough, NH LMA**

## Tourism Region

**Monadnock**

## Planning Commission

**Southern NH**

## Regional Development

**Monadnock Economic Development Corp.**

## Election Districts

### US Congress

**District 2**

### Executive Council

**District 5**

### State Senate

**District 8**

### State Representative

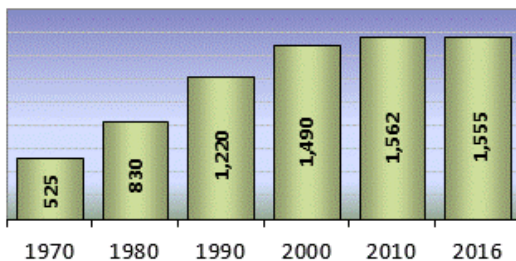
**Hillsborough County Districts 4, 38**

## Incorporated: 1772

**Origin:** Incorporated in 1772, Francestown was named for Frances Deering Wentworth, wife of Governor John Wentworth. She was the source of some scandal, marrying John just ten days after the death of her first husband, Theodore Atkinson. Three years after Francestown was incorporated, the Wentworths fled to exile. Situated on the Second New Hampshire Turnpike, the only through route between Boston and Vermont, the town collected a toll of one cent per mile from travelling coaches and wagons. Francestown was also the site of a high-quality soapstone quarry, which was mined until the 1890s.

## Villages and Place Names: unknown

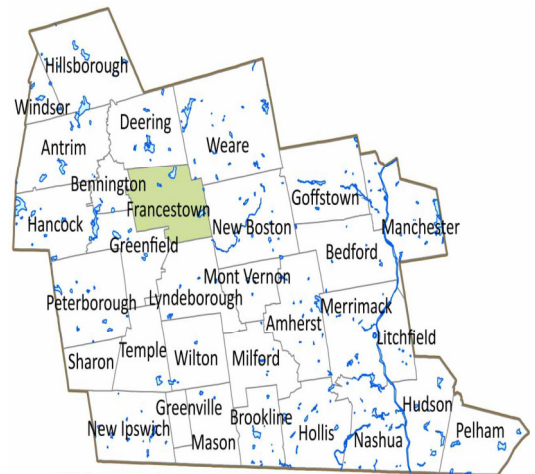
## Population, Year of the First Census Taken: 982 residents in 1790



## Population Trends: Population

change for Francestown totaled 1,060 over 56 years, from 495 in 1960 to 1,555 in 2016. The largest decennial percent change was a 58 percent increase between 1970 and 1980, followed by a 47 percent increase over the next decade. The 2016 Census estimate for Francestown was 1,555 residents, which ranked 159th among New Hampshire's incorporated cities and towns.

**Population Density and Land Area, 2016 (US Census Bureau):** 52.1 persons per square mile of land area. Francestown contains 30.0 square miles of land area and 0.5 square miles of inland water area.



Hillsborough County

<b>MUNICIPAL SERVICES</b>	
Type of Government	<b>Selectmen</b>
Budget: Municipal Appropriations, 2017	<b>\$3,637,181</b>
Budget: School Appropriations, 2016-2017	<b>\$3,001,986</b>
Zoning Ordinance	<b>1937/17</b>
Master Plan	<b>1996</b>
Capital Improvement Plan	<b>Yes</b>
Industrial Plans Reviewed By	<b>Planning Board</b>

<b>Boards and Commissions</b>	
Elected:	<b>Selectmen; Planning; Trust Funds; Cemetery; Library</b>
Appointed:	<b>Zoning; Conservation; Budget Advisory; Recreation; Waste Disposal; Patriotic; Heritage</b>
Public Library	<b>George Holmes Bixby Memorial</b>

<b>EMERGENCY SERVICES</b>			
Police Department	<b>Full &amp; part-time</b>		
Fire Department	<b>Volunteer</b>		
Emergency Medical Service	<b>Volunteer</b>		
Nearest Hospital(s)	Distance	Staffed Beds	
<b>Monadnock Community, Peterborough</b>	<b>10 miles</b>	<b>25</b>	

<b>UTILITIES</b>			
Electric Supplier	<b>Eversource Energy</b>		
Natural Gas Supplier	<b>None</b>		
Water Supplier	<b>Private wells &amp; Francestown Village Water Co.</b>		
Sanitation	<b>Private septic</b>		
Municipal Wastewater Treatment Plant	<b>No</b>		
Solid Waste Disposal			
Curbside Trash Pickup	<b>None</b>		
Pay-As-You-Throw Program	<b>No</b>		
Recycling Program	<b>Mandatory</b>		
Telephone Company	<b>Fairpoint; Comcast</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	Residential	
	<b>Yes</b>	<b>Limited</b>	

<b>PROPERTY TAXES</b>		<i>(NH Dept. of Revenue Administration)</i>	
2016 Total Tax Rate (per \$1000 of value)	<b>\$25.51</b>		
2016 Equalization Ratio	<b>104.4</b>		
2016 Full Value Tax Rate (per \$1000 of value)	<b>\$26.77</b>		
2016 Percent of Local Assessed Valuation by Property Type			
Residential Land and Buildings	<b>93.0%</b>		
Commercial Land and Buildings	<b>4.5%</b>		
Public Utilities, Current Use, and Other	<b>2.5%</b>		

<b>HOUSING</b>		<i>(ACS 2012-2016)</i>	
Total Housing Units	<b>773</b>		
Single-Family Units, Detached or Attached	<b>703</b>		
Units in Multiple-Family Structures:			
Two to Four Units in Structure	<b>37</b>		
Five or More Units in Structure	<b>11</b>		
Mobile Homes and Other Housing Units	<b>22</b>		

<b>POPULATION (1-YEAR ESTIMATES/DECENNIAL)</b>			<i>(US Census Bureau)</i>	
Total Population	Community	County		
2016	<b>1,555</b>	<b>407,761</b>		
2010	<b>1,562</b>	<b>400,721</b>		
2000	<b>1,490</b>	<b>382,384</b>		
1990	<b>1,220</b>	<b>336,549</b>		
1980	<b>830</b>	<b>276,608</b>		
1970	<b>525</b>	<b>223,941</b>		

<b>DEMOGRAPHICS, AMERICAN COMMUNITY SURVEY</b>				<i>(ACS) 2012-2016</i>	
<b>Population by Gender</b>					
Male	<b>710</b>	Female		<b>755</b>	
<b>Population by Age Group</b>					
Under age 5				<b>62</b>	
Age 5 to 19				<b>212</b>	
Age 20 to 34				<b>143</b>	
Age 35 to 54				<b>495</b>	
Age 55 to 64				<b>300</b>	
Age 65 and over				<b>253</b>	
Median Age				<b>50.2 years</b>	
<b>Educational Attainment, population 25 years and over</b>					
High school graduate or higher				<b>95.7%</b>	
Bachelor's degree or higher				<b>44.6%</b>	

<b>INCOME, INFLATION ADJUSTED \$</b>		<i>(ACS 2012-2016)</i>	
Per capita income			<b>\$41,990</b>
Median family income			<b>\$97,356</b>
Median household income			<b>\$89,519</b>
<b>Median Earnings, full-time, year-round workers, 16 years and over</b>			
Male			<b>\$57,604</b>
Female			<b>\$51,023</b>
Individuals below the poverty level			<b>5.5%</b>

<b>LABOR FORCE</b>				<i>(NHES – ELMI)</i>	
Annual Average		2006		2016	
Civilian labor force	<b>838</b>		<b>980</b>		
Employed	<b>810</b>		<b>955</b>		
Unemployed	<b>28</b>		<b>25</b>		
Unemployment rate	<b>3.3%</b>		<b>2.6%</b>		

<b>EMPLOYMENT &amp; WAGES</b>				<i>(NHES – ELMI)</i>	
Annual Average Covered Employment		2006		2016	
<b>Goods Producing Industries</b>					
Average Employment	<b>48</b>			<b>n</b>	
Average Weekly Wage	<b>\$ 790</b>			<b>n</b>	
<b>Service Providing Industries</b>					
Average Employment	<b>102</b>			<b>n</b>	
Average Weekly Wage	<b>\$ 614</b>			<b>n</b>	
<b>Total Private Industry</b>					
Average Employment	<b>149</b>			<b>n</b>	
Average Weekly Wage	<b>\$ 671</b>			<b>n</b>	
<b>Government (Federal, State, and Local)</b>					
Average Employment	<b>27</b>			<b>26</b>	
Average Weekly Wage	<b>\$ 344</b>			<b>\$ 543</b>	
<b>Total, Private Industry plus Government</b>					
Average Employment	<b>177</b>			<b>n</b>	
Average Weekly Wage	<b>\$ 620</b>			<b>n</b>	

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**EDUCATION AND CHILD CARE**

Schools students attend:	<b>Grades K-12 are part of Contoocook Valley Cooperative (Antrim, Bennington, Dublin, Frankestown, Greenfield, Hancock, Peterborough, Sharon, Temple)</b>				District: <b>SAU 1</b>
Career Technology Center(s):	<b>Region 14 Applied Technology Center</b>				Region: <b>14</b>
Educational Facilities (includes Charter Schools)	Elementary	Middle/Junior High	High School	Private/Parochial	
Number of Schools	<b>1</b>				
Grade Levels	<b>K 1-4</b>				
Total Enrollment	<b>67</b>				

Nearest Community College: **Manchester**  
 Nearest Colleges or Universities: **New England; St. Anselm; UNH-Manchester**

2017 NH Licensed Child Care Facilities (DHHS-Bureau of Child Care Licensing) Total Facilities: **1** Total Capacity: **12**

LARGEST BUSINESSES	PRODUCT/SERVICE	EMPLOYEES	ESTABLISHED
Crotched Mountain Resort & Spa	Golf course, restaurant, & time share resort	45	1991
Frankestown Village Store	Convenience store	12	1814
Town of Frankestown	Municipal services		1772
Frankestown Elementary School	Education		
Frankestown Sand & Gravel	Excavation work		
Country Brokers Real Estate	Real estate services		
Miller's Construction	Construction services		

## Employer Information Supplied by Municipality

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

Road Access	US Routes	
	State Routes	<b>47, 136</b>
Nearest Interstate, Exit		<b>I-293, Exit 4</b>
	Distance	<b>22 miles</b>
Railroad		<b>No</b>
Public Transportation		<b>No</b>
Nearest Public Use Airport, General Aviation		
<b>Hawthorne-Feather, Antrim</b>	Runway	<b>3,260 ft. asphalt</b>
Lighted? <b>Yes</b>	Navigation Aids?	<b>No</b>
Nearest Airport with Scheduled Service		
<b>Manchester-Boston Regional</b>	Distance	<b>26 miles</b>
Number of Passenger Airlines Serving Airport		<b>4</b>
Driving distance to select cities:		
Manchester, NH		<b>23 miles</b>
Portland, Maine		<b>119 miles</b>
Boston, Mass.		<b>73 miles</b>
New York City, NY		<b>239 miles</b>
Montreal, Quebec		<b>254 miles</b>

**COMMUTING TO WORK** (ACS 2012-2016)

Workers 16 years and over	
Drove alone, car/truck/van	<b>82.6%</b>
Carpooled, car/truck/van	<b>3.1%</b>
Public transportation	<b>0.0%</b>
Walked	<b>0.3%</b>
Other means	<b>0.0%</b>
Worked at home	<b>13.6%</b>
Mean Travel Time to Work	<b>35.6 minutes</b>

**Percent of Working Residents: ACS 2012-2016**

Working in community of residence	<b>22.0</b>
Commuting to another NH community	<b>74.0</b>
Commuting out-of-state	<b>4.0</b>

**RECREATION, ATTRACTIONS, AND EVENTS**

<b>X</b>	Municipal Parks
	YMCA/YWCA
	Boys Club/Girls Club
<b>X</b>	Golf Courses
	Swimming: Indoor Facility
	Swimming: Outdoor Facility
	Tennis Courts: Indoor Facility
<b>X</b>	Tennis Courts: Outdoor Facility
	Ice Skating Rink: Indoor Facility
	Bowling Facilities
<b>X</b>	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
<b>X</b>	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>Crotched Mountain, Bennington</b>
	Other: <b>Hiking</b>