

Franklin, NH



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County

Merrimack

Labor Market Area

Franklin, NH LMA

Tourism Region

Lakes

Planning Commission

Lakes Region

Regional Development

Capital Regional Development Council

Election Districts

US Congress

District 2 (All Wards)

Executive Council

District 1

State Senate

District 7 (All Wards)

State Representative

Merrimack County Districts 3 (Wards 1-3), 25 (Wards 1-3)

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.

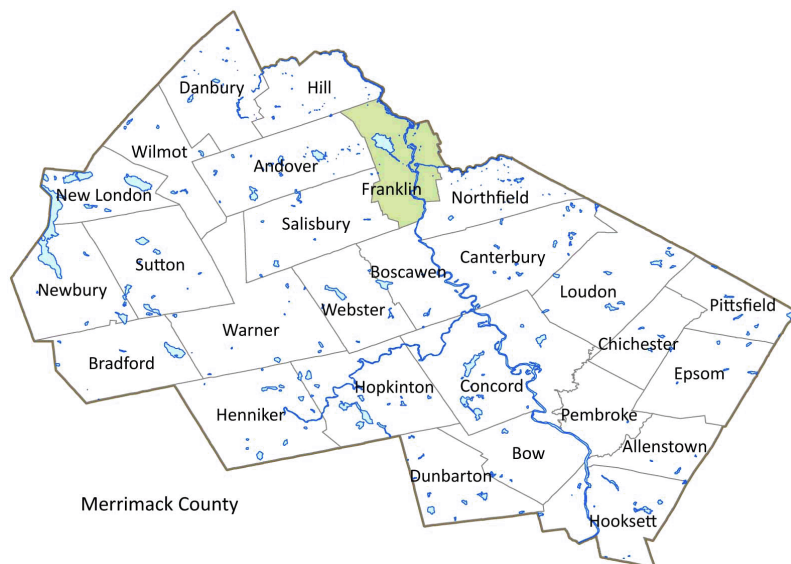
Villages and Place Names: Webster Lake, Webster Place, West Franklin

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

Population Trends:

Population change for Franklin totaled 1,515 over 50 years, from 7,292 in 1970 to 8,807 in 2020. The largest decennial percent change was an eight percent increase from 1970 to 1980; annual population growth has been six percent or less since. The city's population increased by four percent from 2010 to 2020. The 2022 Census estimate for Franklin was 8,831 residents, which ranked 35th among New Hampshire's incorporated cities and towns.

Population Density and Land Area, 2022 (US Census Bureau): 319.2 persons per square mile of land area. Franklin contains 27.7 square miles of land area and 1.5 square miles of inland water area.



MUNICIPAL SERVICES			
Type of Government		Manager & Council	
Budget: Municipal Appropriations, 2021		\$16,639,269	
Budget: School Appropriations, 2020-2021		\$17,104,600	
Zoning Ordinance		1971/12	
Master Plan		2018	
Capital Improvement Plan		Yes	
Industrial Plans Reviewed By		City Planner	
Boards and Commissions			
Elected:	City Council		
Appointed:	Planning; Zoning; Library; Conservation; Heritage		
Public Library	Franklin Public		
EMERGENCY SERVICES			
Police Department		Full-time	
Fire Department		Full-time	
Emergency Medical Service		Municipal	
Nearest Hospital(s)		Distance	Staffed Beds
Concord Hospital - Franklin		Local	31
UTILITIES			
Electric Supplier		Eversource Energy; NH Electric Coop	
Natural Gas Supplier		Liberty Utilities	
Water Supplier		Franklin Water Works	
Sanitation		Municipal	
Municipal Wastewater Treatment Plant		Yes	
Solid Waste Disposal			
Curbside Trash Pickup		Municipal	
Pay-As-You-Throw Program		No	
Recycling Program		Voluntary	
Telephone Company		Consolidated Communications	
Cellular Telephone Access		Yes	
Cable Television Access		Yes	
Public Access Television Station		No	
High Speed Internet Service:		Business	Yes
		Residential	Yes
PROPERTY TAXES		(NH Dept. of Revenue Administration)	
2022 Total Tax Rate (per \$1000 of value)		\$24.39	
2022 Equalization Ratio		65.2	
2022 Full Value Tax Rate (per \$1000 of value)		\$15.59	
2022 Percent of Local Assessed Valuation by Property Type			
Residential Land and Buildings		69.0%	
Commercial Land and Buildings		21.4%	
Public Utilities, Current Use, and Other		9.6%	
HOUSING		(ACS 2017-2021)	
Total Housing Units		4,275	
Single-Family Units, Detached or Attached		2,568	
Units in Multiple-Family Structures:			
Two to Four Units in Structure		1,093	
Five or More Units in Structure		519	
Mobile Homes and Other Housing Units		95	

POPULATION (1-YEAR ESTIMATES/DECENNIAL)		(US Census Bureau)	
Total Population		Community	County
2022	8,831		156,020
2020	8,741		153,808
2010	8,477		146,445
2000	8,414		136,716
1990	8,340		120,618
1980	7,901		98,302
DEMOGRAPHICS		AMERICAN COMMUNITY SURVEY (ACS) 2017-2021	
Population by Gender			
Male	3,892	Female	4,874
Population by Age Group			
Under age 5			230
Age 5 to 19			1,448
Age 20 to 34			1,193
Age 35 to 54			2,690
Age 55 to 64			1,283
Age 65 and over			1,922
Median Age			45.8 years
Educational Attainment, population 25 years and over: 6,763			
High school graduate or higher			91.1%
Bachelor's degree or higher			21.4%
INCOME, INFLATION ADJUSTED \$		(ACS 2017-2021)	
Per capita income			\$34,350
Median family income			\$78,073
Median household income			\$61,664
Median Earnings, full-time, year-round workers			
Male			\$52,371
Female			\$41,234
Individuals below the poverty level			4.8%
LABOR FORCE		(NHES – ELMI)	
Annual Average	2012		2022
Civilian labor force	4,089		4,009
Employed	3,828		3,899
Unemployed	261		110
Unemployment rate	6.4%		2.7%
EMPLOYMENT & WAGES		(NHES – ELMI)	
Annual Average Covered Employment	2012		2022
Goods Producing Industries			
Average Employment	842		747
Average Weekly Wage	\$ 923		\$1,229
Service Providing Industries			
Average Employment	1,323		1,228
Average Weekly Wage	\$ 683		\$1,079
Total Private Industry			
Average Employment	2,165		1,975
Average Weekly Wage	\$ 776		\$1,136
Government (Federal, State, and Local)			
Average Employment	444		351
Average Weekly Wage	\$ 664		\$ 953
Total, Private Industry plus Government			
Average Employment	2,609		2,326
Average Weekly Wage	\$ 757		\$1,108
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EDUCATION AND CHILD CARESchools students attend: **Franklin operates grades K-12**District: **SAU 18**Career Technology Center(s): **J. Oliva Huot Technical Center (Laconia); Winnisquam Agricultural Programs**

Educational Facilities (includes Charter Schools)	Elementary	Middle/Junior High	High School	Private/Parochial
Number of Schools	2	1	2	
Grade Levels	P K 1-8	4-8	9-12	
Total Enrollment	388	378	297	

Nearest Community College: **Lakes Region; NHTI-Concord**Nearest Colleges or Universities: **Colby-Sawyer; Magdalen; Plymouth State; Granite State; UNH School of Law**

2022 NH Licensed Child Care Facilities (DHHS-Bureau of Child Care Licensing)

Total Facilities: **7** Total Capacity: **294**

LARGEST BUSINESSES	PRODUCT/SERVICE	EMPLOYEES	ESTABLISHED
Webster Valve & Foundry	Plumbing, heating controls	360	1956
Concord Hospital - Franklin	Health care services	246	1910
City of Franklin	Municipal services	120	1895
Hannaford Brothers	Supermarket	98	1992
PCC Structurals	Titanium products	102	1995
Vitex Extrusion	Aluminum extrusions	94	1996
SAU 18	School administrative unit	203	
R D Edmunds & Sons	Paving company	75	
Franklin Savings Bank	Banking services	120	1869

Employer Information Supplied by Municipality

TRANSPORTATION (distances estimated from city/town hall)				RECREATION, ATTRACTIONS, AND EVENTS	
Road Access	US Routes	3		X	Municipal Parks
	State Routes	3A, 11, 127			YMCA/YWCA
Nearest Interstate, Exit		I-93, Exit 20			Boys Club/Girls Club
	Distance	4 miles		X	Golf Courses
					Swimming: Indoor Facility
Railroad		No			Swimming: Outdoor Facility
Public Transportation		WTS			Tennis Courts: Indoor Facility
Nearest Public Use Airport, General Aviation				X	Tennis Courts: Outdoor Facility
Laconia Municipal	Runway	5,286 ft. asphalt			Ice Skating Rink: Indoor Facility
Lighted? Yes	Navigation Aids?	Yes			Bowling Facilities
Nearest Airport with Scheduled Service				X	Museums
Manchester-Boston Regional	Distance	44 miles			Cinemas
Number of Passenger Airlines Serving Airport		4		X	Performing Arts Facilities
Driving distance to select cities:				X	Tourist Attractions
Manchester, NH		38 miles		X	Youth Organizations (i.e., Scouts, 4-H)
Portland, Maine		130 miles		X	Youth Sports: Baseball
Boston, Mass.		88 miles		X	Youth Sports: Soccer
New York City, NY		288 miles		X	Youth Sports: Football
Montreal, Quebec		236 miles		X	Youth Sports: Basketball
					Youth Sports: Hockey
					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);
					Tarbin Gardens; White Water Park/Kayaking