**Hampton, NH**

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**Municipal Office Hours**
Selectmen, Town Manager, Administrative Assistant: Monday through Friday, 8 am - 5 pm; Town Clerk: Monday through Thursday, 8 am - 5 pm, Friday, 8 am - 11:30 am; Tax Collector: Monday through Thursday, 8 am - 5 pm, Friday, 8 am - 12 noon

**County**
Rockingham

**Labor Market Area**
Portsmouth, NH-ME Metropolitan NECTA

**Tourism Region**
Seacoast

**Planning Commission**
Rockingham

**Regional Development**
Coastal Economic Development Corp.

**Election Districts**

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<td>Executive Council</td>
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<td>Rockingham County Districts 21, 37</td>
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**Incorporated:** 1639

**Origin:** First called Winnacunnet, the Indian name for "pleasant pines," Hampton was one of four original New Hampshire towns established by the Massachusetts government. In 1638, the area, which included land now in Seabrook, Kensington, Danville, Kingston, East Kingston, Sandown, North Hampton, South Hampton, Hampton Falls, and Great Boar's Head, was settled by a group of parishioners led by Reverend Stephen Bachiler. The Reverend had previously preached in Hampton, England, and the town was incorporated as Hampton in 1639. Poet John Greenleaf Whittier was a direct descendant of Reverend Bachiler. Construction of the railroad in the 1850s made Hampton’s oceanfront a popular resort.

**Villages and Place Names:** Coffins Mill, Eastman Point, Elmwood Corners, Great Boars Head, Hampton Beach, Hampton Landing, North Beach, Plaice Cove, Smith Colony, The Five Corners, The Plantation, The Willows

**Population, Year of the First Census Taken:** 853 residents in 1790

**Population Trends:** Population change for Hampton totaled 7,484 over 49 years, from 8,011 in 1970 to 15,495 in 2019. The largest decennial percent change was a 31 percent increase between 1970 and 1980. The 2019 Census estimate for Hampton was 15,495 residents, which ranked 18th among New Hampshire’s incorporated cities and towns.

**Population Density and Land Area, 2019 (US Census Bureau):** 1,126.1 persons per square mile of land area, the eighth highest among cities and towns. Hampton contains 13.8 square miles of land area and 0.4 square miles of inland water area.
**Municipal Services**

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<td>Master Plan</td>
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<td>Capital Improvement Plan</td>
<td>Yes</td>
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<td>Industrial Plans Reviewed By</td>
<td>Planning Board</td>
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**Boards and Commissions**

- **Elected:** Selectmen; Planning; Zoning; Library; Trust Funds; Budget; Checklist
- **Appointed:** Conservation; Highway Safety; Leased Land Real Estate; Recreation; Cable TV; Mosquito Control

**Public Library**

- Lane Memorial

**Emergency Services**

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**Nearest Hospital(s)**

- Exeter Hospital, Exeter
  - Distance: 8 miles
  - Staffed Beds: 99

**Utilities**

- **Electric Supplier:** Unitil; Eversource Energy
- **Natural Gas Supplier:** Unitil
- **Water Supplier:** Aquarion Water Company NH
- **Sanitation:** Municipal
- **Municipal Wastewater Treatment Plant:** Yes
- **Solid Waste Disposal:** Yes
- **Curbside Trash Pickup:** Municipal
- **Pay-As-You-Throw Program:** No
- **Recycling Program:** Mandatory
- **Telephone Company:** Consolidated Communications
- **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)**
  - 2019 Total Tax Rate (per $100 of value): $16.01
  - 2019 Equalization Ratio: 93.9%
  - 2019 Full Value Tax Rate (per $100 of value): $14.79
  - 2019 Percent of Local Assessed Valuation by Property Type:
    - Residential Land and Buildings: 85.0%
    - Commercial Land and Buildings: 12.3%
    - Public Utilities, Current Use, and Other: 2.8%

**Housing**

- **(ACS 2015-2019)**
  - Total Housing Units: 950
  - Single-Family Units, Detached or Attached: 873
  - Units in Multiple-Family Structures:
    - Two to Four Units in Structure: 52
    - Five or More Units in Structure: 5
    - Mobile Homes and Other Housing Units: 20

**Demographics**

- **Community (US Census Bureau)**
  - Total Population: 15,495, 309,769
  - County: 14,723, 278,848

- **Population by Gender (ACS 2015-2019)**
  - Male: 1,287, Female: 1,096

- **Population by Age Group**
  - Under age 5: 64
  - Age 5 to 19: 406
  - Age 20 to 34: 399
  - Age 35 to 54: 592
  - Age 55 to 64: 551
  - Age 65 and over: 371
  - Median Age: 47.4 years

- **Educational Attainment, population 25 years and over**
  - Bachelor’s degree or higher: 54.3%

- **Income, Inflation Adjusted $ (ACS 2015-2019)**
  - Per capita income: $69,789
  - Median family income: $140,735
  - Median household income: $134,525

- **Median Earnings, full-time, year-round workers**
  - Male: $80,625
  - Female: $65,547

- **Individuals below the poverty level**: 3.6%

**Labor Force**

- **(NHES – ELM)**
  - Annual Average: 2009, 2019
  - Civilian labor force: 9,435, 9,186
  - Employed: 8,387, 8,924
  - Unemployed: 598, 262
  - Unemployment rate: 6.3%, 2.9%

**Employment & Wages**

- **(NHES – ELM)**
  - Annual Average Covered Employment: 2009, 2019
  - Goods Producing Industries:
    - Average Employment: 722, 1,023
    - Average Weekly Wage: $982, $1,208
  - Service Providing Industries:
    - Average Employment: 3,677, 3,892
    - Average Weekly Wage: $854, $1,102
  - Total Private Industry:
    - Average Employment: 4,398, 4,915
    - Average Weekly Wage: $875, $1,124
  - Government (Federal, State, and Local):
    - Average Employment: 1,089, 1,029
    - Average Weekly Wage: $800, $960
  - Total, Private Industry plus Government:
    - Average Employment: 5,487, 5,944
    - Average Weekly Wage: $860, $1,096

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Economic & Labor Market Information Bureau, NH Employment Security, January 2021. Community Response Received 8/04/2020
EDUCATION AND CHILD CARE

Schools students attend: Hampton operates grades K-8; grades 9-12 are part of Winnacunnet Cooperative (Hampton, Hampton Falls, North Hampton, Seabrook)

Career Technology Center(s): Seacoast School of Technology

Educational Facilities (includes Charter Schools)  
Number of Schools  2  
Grade Levels  P K 1-5  6-8  9-12  P K 1-8  
Total Enrollment  650  399  1,022  218

Nearest Community College: Great Bay
Nearest Colleges or Universities: University of NH

2020 NH Licensed Child Care Facilities (DHHS-Bureau of Child Care Licensing)  
Total Facilities: 5  Total Capacity: 226

LARGEST BUSINESSES

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<th>EMPLOYEES</th>
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<td>Wheelabrator Technologies Inc</td>
<td>850</td>
<td>1985</td>
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<td>Foss Manufacturing Co. of NH</td>
<td>625</td>
<td>1954</td>
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<td>Waste Management Inc.</td>
<td>338</td>
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<td>Brazonics</td>
<td>200</td>
<td>1996</td>
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<td>Sleep Net</td>
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<td>1990</td>
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<td>QA Tech Co., Inc.</td>
<td>25</td>
<td>1983</td>
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<td>Aquarion Water Company of NH</td>
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<td>1857</td>
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Employer Information Supplied by Municipality

TRANSPORTATION (distances estimated from city/town hall)

Road Access  US Routes  1  
State Routes  1A, 27, 101E, 151  
Nearest Interstate, Exit  I-95, Exit 2  
Distance  Local access  
Railroad  Guilford Rail Service  
Public Transportation  No

Nearest Public Use Airport, General Aviation  
Hampton Airfield  Runway  2,100 ft. turf  
Lighted?  Yes  
Navigation Aids?  No

Nearest Airport with Scheduled Service  
Manchester-Boston Regional  Distance  39 miles  
Number of Passenger Airlines Serving Airport  4

Driving distance to select cities:  
Manchester, NH  38 miles  
Portland, Maine  65 miles  
Boston, Mass.  46 miles  
New York City, NY  257 miles  
Montreal, Quebec  293 miles

COMmuting TO WORK (ACS 2015-2019)

Workers 16 years and over  
Drove alone, car/truck/van  78.6%  
Carpoold, car/truck/van  4.9%  
Public transportation  1.0%  
Walked  2.2%  
Other means  12.5%  
Worked at home  20.4%  
Mean Travel Time to Work  25.7 minutes

Percent of Working Residents: ACS 2015-2019  
Working in community of residence  19.9%  
Commuting to another NH community  59.7%  
Commuting out-of-state  20.4%

RECREATION, ATTRACTIONS, AND EVENTS

X Municipal Parks  
YMCA/YWCA  
Boys Club/ Girls Club  
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  
Youth Organizations (i.e., Scouts, 4-H)  
Youth Sports: Baseball  
Youth Sports: Soccer  
Youth Sports: Football  
Youth Sports: Basketball  
Youth Sports: Hockey  
Campgrounds  
Fishing/Hunting  
Boating/Marinas  
Snowmobile Trails  
Bicycle Trails  
Cross Country Skiing  
Beach or Waterfront Recreation Area  
Overnight or Day Camps  

Nearest Ski Area(s): McIntyre, Bradford (MA)

Other: Indoor Soccer Arena; Hampton Beach State Park; Hampton State Pier; Annual Seafood Festival; Easter Egg Hunt; Fishing Derby; Christmas Parade & Tree Lighting; Memorial Day Parade; Competitive Running Events; Indoor Basketball; Skate Park Town; Outdoor Roller Skating Rink; Miniture Golf