

Hinsdale, NH

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Selectmen: Monday through Thursday, 7:30 am - 12 noon,
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County
Cheshire

Labor Market Area
Brattleboro, VT-NH LMA, NH part

Tourism Region
Monadnock

Planning Commission
Southwest Region

Regional Development
Monadnock Economic Development Corp.

Election Districts

US Congress
District 2

Executive Council
District 2

State Senate
District 10

State Representative
Cheshire County District 1

Incorporated: 1753

Origin: This area was a portion of the Northfield, Massachusetts grant which included Fort Dummer, an important Connecticut River trading post. The town was chartered in 1753 as Hinsdale, later spelled Hinsdale, named for Colonel Ebenezer Hindsdale, who was from a prominent family in Deerfield, and chaplain of Fort Dummer. He later enlisted as an officer, and established the trading post at Fort Hindsdale, reportedly at his own expense. The original charter included territory west of the Connecticut River which became part of Vermont when that state was established.

Villages and Place Names: Dole Junction, North Hinsdale

Population, Year of the First Census Taken: 522 residents in 1790

Population Trends: Population change for Hinsdale totaled 631 over 49 years, from 3,276 in 1970 to 3,907 in 2019. The largest decennial percent change was between 1970 and 1980, when the population increased by 11 percent. The 2019 Census estimate for Hinsdale was 3,907 residents, which ranked 98th among New Hampshire’s incorporated cities and towns.

Population Density and Land Area, 2019 (US Census Bureau): 188.7 persons per square mile of land area. Hinsdale contains 20.7 square miles of land area and 1.9 square miles of inland water area.
MUNICIPAL SERVICES

Type of Government
Selectmen

Budget: Municipal Appropriations, 2017
$5,069,472

Budget: School Appropriations, 2017-2018
$16,002,000

Zoning Ordinance
1970/16

Master Plan
2014

Capital Improvement Plan
Yes

Industrial Plans Reviewed By
Planning Board

Boards and Commissions
Elected: Selectmen; Budget; Library; Trust Funds; Planning; Zoning
Appointed: Conservation; Capital Improvement; Tax Increment Finance District

Public Library
Hinsdale Public

EMERGENCY SERVICES

Police Department
Full-time

Fire Department
On call

Emergency Medical Service
Rescue Inc., Brattleboro, VT

Nearest Hospital(s)
Distance Staffed Beds
Brattleboro Memorial, Brattleboro VT 8 miles 61
Cheshire Medical Center, Keene 21 miles 98

UTILITIES

Electric Supplier
Eversource Energy

Natural Gas Supplier
None

Water Supplier
Hinsdale Water Department

Sanitation
Municipal

Municipal Wastewater Treatment Plant
Yes

Solid Waste Disposal
Curbside Trash Pickup
Municipal

Pay-As-You-Throw Program
Yes

Recycling Program
Voluntary

Telephone Company
Fairpoint

Cellular Telephone Access
Yes

Cable Television Access
Yes

Public Access Television Station
No

High Speed Internet Service:
Business
Residential

PROPERTY TAXES

(NH Dept. of Revenue Administration)
2019 Total Tax Rate (per $1000 of value)
$34.07

2019 Equalization Ratio
84.2

2019 Full Value Tax Rate (per $1000 of value)
$27.95

2019 Percent of Local Assessed Valuation by Property Type
Residential Land and Buildings 53.8%
Commercial Land and Buildings 14.7%
Public Utilities, Current Use, and Other 31.5%

HOUSING

(ACS 2015-2019)
Total Housing Units
1,908

Single-Family Units, Detached or Attached
1,173

Units in Multiple-Family Structures:
Two to Four Units in Structure 149
Five or More Units in Structure 111
Mobile Homes and Other Housing Units 475

POPULATION (1-YEAR ESTIMATES/DECENNIAL)

(US Census Bureau)
Total Population
Community County
2019 3,907 76,085
2010 4,046 77,117
2000 4,101 73,993
1990 3,938 70,223
1980 3,631 62,116
1970 3,276 52,364

DEMOGRAPHICS

American Community Survey (ACS) 2015-2019

Population by Gender
Male 2,133 Female 1,778

Population by Age Group
Under age 5 97
Age 5 to 19 711
Age 20 to 34 475
Age 35 to 54 1,369
Age 55 to 64 582
Age 65 and over 677
Median Age 47.1 years

Educational Attainment, population 25 years and over
High school graduate or higher 89.1%
Bachelor’s degree or higher 15.9%

INCOME, INFLATION ADJUSTED $

(ACS 2015-2019)
Per capita income $30,374
Median family income $76,607
Median household income $63,669

Median Earnings, full-time, year-round workers
Male $46,827
Female $44,083

Individuals below the poverty level 11.2%

LABOR FORCE

(NHES – ELM)
Annual Average 2009 2019
Civilian labor force 2,510 2,107
Employed 2,339 2,027
Unemployed 171 80
Unemployment rate 6.8% 3.8%

EMPLOYMENT & WAGES

(NHES – ELM)
Annual Average Covered Employment 2009 2019
Goods Producing Industries
Average Employment 307 334
Average Weekly Wage $6 34 $700

Service Providing Industries
Average Employment 387 378
Average Weekly Wage $441 $539

Total Private Industry
Average Employment 693 713
Average Weekly Wage $526 $615

Government (Federal, State, and Local)
Average Employment 53 88
Average Weekly Wage $742 $545

Total, Private Industry plus Government
Average Employment 746 801
Average Weekly Wage $542 $607

**Education and Child Care**

Schools students attend: Hinsdale operates grades K-12  
Career Technology Center(s): Windham Regional Career Center (VT)  
District: SAU 92  
Region: 20

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<th>Educational Facilities (includes Charter Schools)</th>
<th>Elementary</th>
<th>Middle/Junior High</th>
<th>High School</th>
<th>Private/Parochial</th>
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<td>Number of Schools</td>
<td>1</td>
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<td>Grade Levels</td>
<td>PK 1-5</td>
<td>6-8</td>
<td>9-12</td>
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<td>Total Enrollment</td>
<td>293</td>
<td>115</td>
<td>152</td>
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Nearest Community College: River Valley; Nashua  
Nearest Colleges or Universities: Keene State; Franklin Pierce University; Antioch New England

2020 NH Licensed Child Care Facilities (DHHS-Bureau of Child Care Licensing)  
Total Facilities: 3  
Total Capacity: 32

**Largest Businesses**

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<th>Company Name</th>
<th>Product/Service</th>
<th>Employees</th>
<th>Established</th>
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<tr>
<td>Wal-Mart</td>
<td>Retail store</td>
<td>230</td>
<td>1993</td>
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<td>HCP Packaging USA Inc.</td>
<td>Design, development, and manufacture of packaging containers</td>
<td>100</td>
<td>2004</td>
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<td>Continental Cable Company</td>
<td>Rope assemblies, industrial cables</td>
<td>35</td>
<td>1974</td>
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<td>Clear Solutions</td>
<td>Acrylic Fabrication</td>
<td>25</td>
<td>1993</td>
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<td>American Propane Co.</td>
<td>Propane delivery &amp; service</td>
<td>18</td>
<td>1997</td>
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**Employer Information Supplied by Municipality**

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

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<th>Road Access</th>
<th>US Routes</th>
<th>63, 119</th>
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<td>63, 119</td>
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<td>Nearest Interstate, Exit</td>
<td>I-91 (VT), Exits 1 - 2</td>
<td>8 miles</td>
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<td>Distance</td>
<td>8 miles</td>
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<td>Railroad</td>
<td>No</td>
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<td>Public Transportation</td>
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**Nearest Public Use Airport, General Aviation**

Dillant-Hopkins, Swanzey  
Runway: 6,201 ft. asphalt  
Lighted? Yes  
Navigation Aids? Yes

**Nearest Airport with Scheduled Service**

Manchester-Boston Regional  
Distance: 74 miles  
Number of Passenger Airlines Serving Airport: 4

**Driving distance to select cities:**

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<th>Distance</th>
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<td>Manchester, NH</td>
<td>83 miles</td>
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<td>Portland, Maine</td>
<td>176 miles</td>
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<td>Boston, Mass.</td>
<td>105 miles</td>
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<td>New York City, NY</td>
<td>202 miles</td>
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<td>Montreal, Quebec</td>
<td>250 miles</td>
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**Commuting to Work** (*ACS 2015-2019*)

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<th>Workers 16 years and over</th>
<th>79.9%</th>
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<td>Drove alone, car/truck/van</td>
<td>11.9%</td>
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<td>Carpooled, car/truck/van</td>
<td>0.4%</td>
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<td>Public transportation</td>
<td>1.5%</td>
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<td>Walked</td>
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<td>Other means</td>
<td>6.4%</td>
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<td>Worked at home</td>
<td>47.5%</td>
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Mean Travel Time to Work: 21.9 minutes

**Percent of Working Residents: ACS 2015-2019**

| Working in community of residence | 28.3 |
| Commuting to another NH community | 24.2 |
| Commuting out-of-state            | 47.5 |

**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  
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): Ascutney, Okemo, Snow Mountains (VT)  
Other: Pisgah State Park; Connecticut River; Fort Hill Recreational Trail; Rails to Trails