

# Mason, NH



## Community Contact

## Mason Board of Selectmen

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## Municipal Office Hours

Selectmen: Monday through Thursday, 9 am - 3 pm; Town Clerk, Tax Collector: Tuesday, 10 am - 4 pm, 6 pm - 7:30 pm, Wednesday, 10 am - 6 pm, Thursday, 10 am - 4 pm, last Saturday, 10 am - 12 noon

## County

Hillsborough

## Labor Market Area

Nashua, NH-MA NECTA Division

## Tourism Region

Monadnock

## Planning Commission

Nashua Regional

## Regional Development

Monadnock Economic Development Corp.

## Election Districts

### US Congress

District 2

### Executive Council

District 5

### State Senate

District 12

### State Representative

Hillsborough County District 26

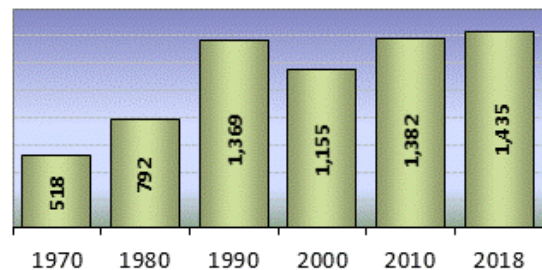
**Incorporated:** 1768

**Origin:** This territory was first known as Number 1, the first in a line of border towns including area allotted to this state by Massachusetts upon establishment of New Hampshire as a separate province in 1741. The initial charter was granted in 1749 to William Lawrence and others. In 1768, Governor John Wentworth named it in honor of Captain John Mason, even though residents had voted to name their town Sharon a couple of months earlier. Captain Mason was the holder of patent with title to the land that became New Hampshire. Mason was the boyhood home of "Uncle Sam," Samuel Wilson.

**Villages and Place Names:** unknown

**Population, Year of the First Census Taken:** 922 residents in 1790

**Population Trends:** Population change for Mason totaled 1,086 over 58 years, from 349 in 1960 to 1,435 in 2018. The largest decennial percent change was a 73 percent increase between 1980



increase between 1980 and 1990; this was followed by 48 and 53 percent increases, respectively in the previous two decades. The 2018 Census estimate for Mason was 1,435 residents, which tied with Temple, ranking 166th among New Hampshire's incorporated cities and towns.

**Population Density and Land Area, 2018 (US Census Bureau):** 59.9 persons per square mile of land area. Mason contains 24.0 square miles of land area and 0 square miles of inland water area.



Hillsborough County

<b>MUNICIPAL SERVICES</b>	
Type of Government	<b>Selectmen</b>
Budget: Municipal Appropriations, 2019	<b>\$1,854,883</b>
Budget: School Appropriations, 2018-2019	<b>\$3,204,717</b>
Zoning Ordinance	<b>1967/16</b>
Master Plan	<b>2008</b>
Capital Improvement Plan	<b>No</b>
Industrial Plans Reviewed By	<b>Planning Board</b>
Boards and Commissions	
Elected:	<b>Selectmen; Treasurer; Library; Cemetery; Trust Funds; Checklist</b>
Appointed:	<b>Planning; Zoning; Recreation; Conservation; Financial Advisory; Forestry</b>
Public Library	<b>Mason Public</b>

<b>EMERGENCY SERVICES</b>			
Police Department			<b>Full-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>15 miles</b>	<b>25</b>	
<b>St. Joseph Hospital, Nashua</b>	<b>20 miles</b>	<b>135</b>	
<b>Southern NH Medical Center, Nashua</b>	<b>21 miles</b>	<b>162</b>	

<b>UTILITIES</b>		
Electric Supplier		<b>Eversource Energy</b>
Natural Gas Supplier		<b>None</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>Consolidated; Wilton</b>
Cellular Telephone Access		<b>Limited</b>
Cable Television Access		<b>No</b>
Public Access Television Station		<b>No</b>
High Speed Internet Service:	Business	<b>Limited</b>
	Residential	<b>Limited</b>

<b>PROPERTY TAXES</b> (NH Dept. of Revenue Administration)	
2018 Total Tax Rate (per \$1000 of value)	<b>\$25.15</b>
2018 Equalization Ratio	<b>88.2</b>
2018 Full Value Tax Rate (per \$1000 of value)	<b>\$22.13</b>

2018 Percent of Local Assessed Valuation by Property Type	
Residential Land and Buildings	<b>95.7%</b>
Commercial Land and Buildings	<b>2.5%</b>
Public Utilities, Current Use, and Other	<b>2.1%</b>

<b>HOUSING</b> (ACS 2014-2018)	
Total Housing Units	<b>622</b>
Single-Family Units, Detached or Attached	<b>608</b>
Units in Multiple-Family Structures:	
Two to Four Units in Structure	<b>0</b>
Five or More Units in Structure	<b>0</b>
Mobile Homes and Other Housing Units	<b>14</b>

<b>POPULATION (1-YEAR ESTIMATES/DECENNIAL)</b>		(US Census Bureau)	
Total Population	Community	County	
2018	<b>1,435</b>	<b>415,247</b>	
2010	<b>1,382</b>	<b>400,721</b>	
2000	<b>1,155</b>	<b>382,384</b>	
1990	<b>1,369</b>	<b>336,549</b>	
1980	<b>792</b>	<b>276,608</b>	
1970	<b>518</b>	<b>223,941</b>	

<b>DEMOGRAPHICS</b> AMERICAN COMMUNITY SURVEY (ACS) 2014-2018			
Population by Gender			
Male	<b>744</b>	Female	<b>796</b>
Population by Age Group			
Under age 5			<b>121</b>
Age 5 to 19			<b>216</b>
Age 20 to 34			<b>247</b>
Age 35 to 54			<b>399</b>
Age 55 to 64			<b>327</b>
Age 65 and over			<b>230</b>
Median Age			<b>45.1 years</b>

Educational Attainment, population 25 years and over	
High school graduate or higher	<b>97.1%</b>
Bachelor's degree or higher	<b>38.4%</b>

<b>INCOME, INFLATION ADJUSTED \$</b> (ACS 2014-2018)	
Per capita income	<b>\$42,926</b>
Median family income	<b>\$116,797</b>
Median household income	<b>\$106,833</b>
Median Earnings, full-time, year-round workers	
Male	<b>\$68,929</b>
Female	<b>\$52,250</b>
Individuals below the poverty level	<b>4.2%</b>

<b>LABOR FORCE</b> (NHES – ELMII)		
Annual Average	2008	2018
Civilian labor force	<b>831</b>	<b>786</b>
Employed	<b>799</b>	<b>765</b>
Unemployed	<b>32</b>	<b>21</b>
Unemployment rate	<b>3.9%</b>	<b>2.7%</b>

<b>EMPLOYMENT &amp; WAGES</b> (NHES – ELMII)		
Annual Average Covered Employment	2008	2018
Goods Producing Industries		
Average Employment	<b>18</b>	<b>30</b>
Average Weekly Wage	<b>\$ 734</b>	<b>\$ 828</b>
Service Providing Industries		
Average Employment	<b>89</b>	<b>120</b>
Average Weekly Wage	<b>\$ 274</b>	<b>\$ 447</b>
Total Private Industry		
Average Employment	<b>107</b>	<b>150</b>
Average Weekly Wage	<b>\$ 353</b>	<b>\$ 523</b>
Government (Federal, State, and Local)		
Average Employment	<b>23</b>	<b>44</b>
Average Weekly Wage	<b>\$ 560</b>	<b>\$ 582</b>
Total, Private Industry plus Government		
Average Employment	<b>130</b>	<b>194</b>
Average Weekly Wage	<b>\$ 390</b>	<b>\$ 536</b>

**EDUCATION AND CHILD CARE**

Schools students attend: **Mason operates grades K-5; grade 6-12 are tuitioned to Milford or Mascenic Regional (Greenville, Mason, New Ipswich)** District: **SAU 89**

Career Technology Center(s): **Milford HS & Applied Technology Center; Wilbur H. Palmer Career & Tech Ed Center (Hudson); Nashua Technology Center** Region: **16**

Educational Facilities (includes Charter Schools)	Elementary	Middle/Junior High	High School	Private/Parochial
Number of Schools	1			
Grade Levels	P K 1-5			
Total Enrollment	74			

Nearest Community College: **Nashua**

Nearest Colleges or Universities: **Daniel Webster; Franklin Pierce University; Rivier; Keene State**

2020 NH Licensed Child Care Facilities (DHHS-Bureau of Child Care Licensing)

Total Facilities: **0** Total Capacity: **0**

LARGEST BUSINESSES	PRODUCT/SERVICE	EMPLOYEES	ESTABLISHED
Barrett Hill Farm	Farmstand, PYO fruit		
Parkers Maple Barn Restaurant & Gift Shops	Food, gifts		
Pickity Place	Food, gifts, herb plants		
The Driving Range	Golf, food		

Employer Information Supplied by Municipality

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

Road Access	US Routes		
	State Routes	<b>31, 123, 124</b>	
Nearest Interstate, Exit	<b>Everett Tpk., Exit 6; I-495 (MA), Exit 31</b>		
Distance		<b>18 miles; 22 miles</b>	
Railroad		<b>No</b>	
Public Transportation		<b>No</b>	
Nearest Public Use Airport, General Aviation			
<b>Jaffrey - Silver Ranch</b>	Runway	<b>2,982 ft. asphalt</b>	
Lighted?	Yes	Navigation Aids?	<b>Yes</b>
Nearest Airport with Scheduled Service			
<b>Manchester-Boston Regional</b>	Distance	<b>32 miles</b>	
Number of Passenger Airlines Serving Airport		<b>4</b>	
Driving distance to select cities:			
Manchester, NH		<b>33 miles</b>	
Portland, Maine		<b>127 miles</b>	
Boston, Mass.		<b>57 miles</b>	
New York City, NY		<b>220 miles</b>	
Montreal, Quebec		<b>274 miles</b>	

**COMMUTING TO WORK** (ACS 2014-2018)

Workers 16 years and over	
Drove alone, car/truck/van	<b>86.4%</b>
Carpooled, car/truck/van	<b>7.0%</b>
Public transportation	<b>0.3%</b>
Walked	<b>0.0%</b>
Other means	<b>6.2%</b>
Worked at home	<b>5.8%</b>
Mean Travel Time to Work	<b>43.9 minutes</b>
<b>Percent of Working Residents: ACS 2014-2018</b>	
Working in community of residence	<b>11.6</b>
Commuting to another NH community	<b>48.8</b>
Commuting out-of-state	<b>39.6</b>

**RECREATION, ATTRACTIONS, AND EVENTS**

	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
<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
	Youth Sports: Basketball
	Youth Sports: Hockey
	Campgrounds
<b>X</b>	Fishing/Hunting
	Boating/Marinas
<b>X</b>	Snowmobile Trails
<b>X</b>	Bicycle Trails
<b>X</b>	Cross Country Skiing
	Beach or Waterfront Recreation Area
	Overnight or Day Camps
	Nearest Ski Area(s): <b>Pat's Peak</b>
	Other: <b>Driving Range; Samuel "Uncle Sam" Wilson's Boyhood Home</b>