Mason, NH

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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
District 2
District 5
District 12
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 915 over 49 years, from 518 in 1970 to 1,433 in 2019. The largest decennial percent change was a 73 percent increase between 1980 and 1990; this was followed by a 53 percent increase, in the previous decades. The 2019 Census estimate for Mason was 1,433 residents, which ranked 166th among New Hampshire's incorporated cities and towns.

Population Density and Land Area, 2019 (US Census Bureau): 59.8 persons per square mile of land area. Mason contains 24.0 square miles of land area and 0 square miles of inland water area.
**MUNICIPAL SERVICES**

Type of Government: Selectmen
Budget: Municipal Appropriations, 2020: $2,050,983
Budget: School Appropriations, 2020-2021: $3,168,942
Zoning Ordinance: 1967/16
Master Plan: 2008
Capital Improvement Plan: No
Industrial Plans Reviewed By: Planning Board

**EMERGENCY SERVICES**

Police Department: Full-time
Fire Department: Volunteer
Emergency Medical Service: Volunteer

Nearest Hospital(s):
- Monadnock Community, Peterborough: 15 miles, 25 Staffed Beds
- St. Joseph Hospital, Nashua: 20 miles, 135 Staffed Beds
- Southern NH Medical Center, Nashua: 21 miles, 162 Staffed Beds

**UTILITIES**

Electric Supplier: Eversource Energy
Natural Gas Supplier: None
Water Supplier: Private wells
Sanitation: Private Septic
Municipal Wastewater Treatment Plant: No
Solid Waste Disposal:
- Curbside Trash Pickup: Private
- Pay-As-You-Throw Program: No
- Recycling Program: Voluntary

Telephone Company: Consolidated; Wilton
Cellular Telephone Access: Limited
Cable Television Access: No
Public Access Television Station: No
High Speed Internet Service:
- Business: Limited
- Residential: Limited

**PROPERTY TAXES**

(ACS 2015-2019)
2019 Total Tax Rate (per $1000 of value): $26.24
2019 Equalization Ratio: 84.8
2019 Full Value Tax Rate (per $1000 of value): $22.16
2019 Percent of Local Assessed Valuation by Property Type:
- Residential Land and Buildings: 95.6%
- Commercial Land and Buildings: 2.4%
- Public Utilities, Current Use, and Other: 2.0%

**HOUSING**

(ACS 2015-2019)
Total Housing Units: 631
Single-Family Units, Detached or Attached: 606
Units in Multiple-Family Structures:
- Two to Four Units in Structure: 10
- Five or More Units in Structure: 15

**POPULATION (1-YEAR ESTIMATES/DECCENIAL)**

(US Census Bureau)
Total Population: Community: 1,433 County: 417,025
2019: 1,433 2010: 1,382
2000: 1,155 1990: 1,369
1980: 792 1970: 518

**DEMographics**

American Community Survey (ACS) 2015-2019
Population by Gender:
- Male: 757
- Female: 775
Population by Age Group:
- Under age 5: 119
- Age 5 to 19: 219
- Age 20 to 34: 256
- Age 35 to 54: 407
- Age 55 to 64: 303
- Age 65 and over: 228
- Median Age: 42.9 years

Educational Attainment, population 25 years and over:
- High school graduate or higher: 95.1%
- Bachelor’s degree or higher: 36.2%

**INCOME, INFLATION ADJUSTED $**

(ACS 2015-2019)
Per capita income: $44,504
Median family income: $123,750
Median household income: $110,481

Median Earnings, full-time, year-round workers:
- Male: $75,286
- Female: $54,750

Individuals below the poverty level: 4.4%

**LABOR FORCE**

(NHES – ELM)
Annual Average:
- 2009: 2019
  - Civilian labor force: 831 807
  - Employed: 782 782
  - Unemployed: 49 25
  - Unemployment rate: 5.9% 3.1%

**EMPLOYMENT & WAGES**

(NHES – ELM)
Annual Average Covered Employment:
- 2009: 2019
  - Goods Producing Industries:
    - Average Employment: 38
    - Average Weekly Wage: $806
  - Service Providing Industries:
    - Average Employment: 116
    - Average Weekly Wage: $474
  - Total Private Industry:
    - Average Employment: 115 154
    - Average Weekly Wage: $376 $556
  - Government (Federal, State, and Local):
    - Average Employment: 30 145
    - Average Weekly Wage: $521 $406

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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) 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

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Employer Information Supplied by Municipality

TRANSPORTATION (distances estimated from city/town hall)

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<th>Road Access</th>
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Nearest Interstate, Exit

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<th>Everett Tpk., Exit 6; I-495 (MA), Exit 31</th>
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<td>Distance: 18 miles; 22 miles</td>
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Railroad

| No |

Public Transportation

| No |

Nearest Public Use Airport, General Aviation

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<th>Jaffrey - Silver Ranch</th>
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<td>Runway: 2,982 ft. asphalt</td>
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<td>Lighted? Yes</td>
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Nearest Airport with Scheduled Service

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<th>Manchester-Boston Regional</th>
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<td>Distance: 32 miles</td>
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Number of Passenger Airlines Serving Airport

| 4 |

Driving distance to select cities:

| Manchester, NH | 33 miles |
| Portland, Maine | 127 miles |
| Boston, Mass. | 57 miles |
| New York City, NY | 220 miles |
| Montreal, Quebec | 274 miles |

COMMUTING TO WORK (ACS 2015-2019)

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Mean Travel Time to Work: 43.0 minutes

Percent of Working Residents: ACS 2015-2019

| Working in community of residence | 14.3 |
| Commuting to another NH community | 47.5 |
| Commuting out-of-state | 38.2 |

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