

Pelham, NH



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County
 Labor Market Area
 Tourism Region
 Planning Commission
 Regional Development

Hillsborough
Lowell-Billerica-Chelmsford, MA-NH NECTA Division
Merrimack Valley
Nashua Regional
Regional Economic Development Corp.

Election Districts

US Congress
 Executive Council
 State Senate
 State Representative

District 2
District 3
District 22
Hillsborough County District 37

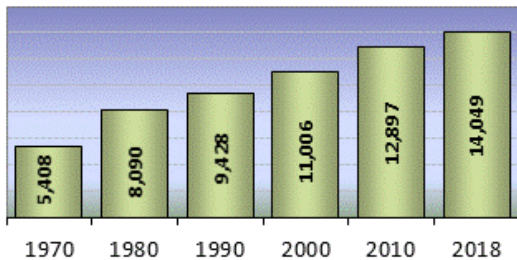
Incorporated: 1746

Origin: This territory was settled in 1722, when it was a part of Old Dunstable, which included all or part of what is now 12 towns in two states. When the New Hampshire-Massachusetts boundary line was set in 1741, Old Dunstable was split in half, with the northern half retaining the name Dunstable. Pelham was incorporated in 1746 from parts of Dunstable and Dracut, Massachusetts. The town takes its name from Henry Pelham, Prime Minister of England, a relation of Governor Benning Wentworth, and younger brother of Thomas Pelham-Holles.

Villages and Place Names: unknown

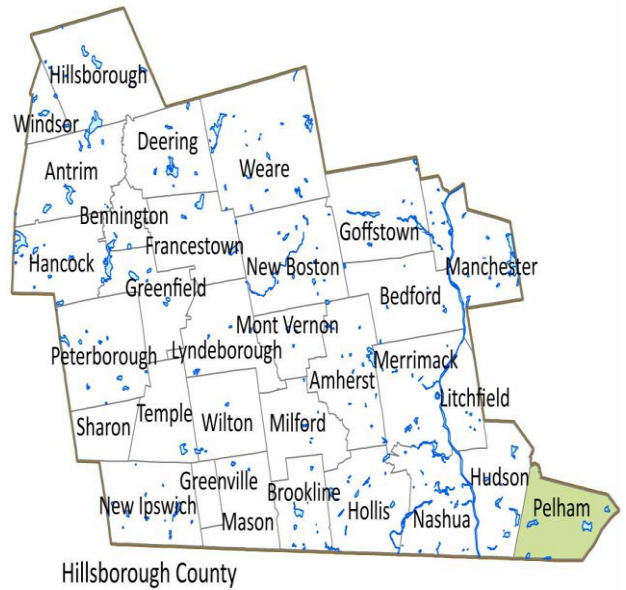
Population, Year of the First Census Taken: 791 residents in 1790

Population Trends: Population change for Pelham totaled 11,44 over 58 years, from 2,605 in 1960 to 14,049 in 2018. The largest decennial percent change was a 108 percent increase between 1960 and 1970. The 2018 Census estimate for Pelham was 14,049 residents,



which ranked 22nd among New Hampshire's incorporated cities and towns.

Population Density and Land Area, 2018 (US Census Bureau): 534.6 persons per square mile of land area. Pelham contains 26.3 square miles of land area and 0.5 square miles of inland water area.



MUNICIPAL SERVICES	
Type of Government	Selectmen
Budget: Municipal Appropriations, 2019	\$16,421,227
Budget: School Appropriations, 2018-2019	\$32,387,970
Zoning Ordinance	1956/19
Master Plan	2002
Capital Improvement Plan	Yes
Industrial Plans Reviewed By	Consultant

Boards and Commissions	
Elected:	Selectmen; Planning
Appointed:	Conservation; Library; Cemetery; Zoning
Public Library	Pelham Public

EMERGENCY SERVICES			
Police Department			Full-time
Fire Department			Full-time
Emergency Medical Service			Full-time
Nearest Hospital(s)	Distance	Staffed Beds	
Saints Campus - Lowell General Hospital, Lowell MA	7 miles	157	
Lowell General, Lowell MA	7 miles	239	
Southern NH Medical Center, Nashua	10 miles	162	

UTILITIES			
Electric Supplier	Liberty Utilities; Eversource Energy		
Natural Gas Supplier	Liberty Utilities		
Water Supplier	Pennichuck East Utilities/Williamsburg		
Sanitation		Private septic	
Municipal Wastewater Treatment Plant		No	
Solid Waste Disposal			
Curbside Trash Pickup		None	
Pay-As-You-Throw Program		No	
Recycling Program		Mandatory	
Telephone Company		Fairpoint	
Cellular Telephone Access		Yes	
Cable Television Access		Yes	
Public Access Television Station		Yes	
High Speed Internet Service:	Business	Yes	
	Residential	Yes	

PROPERTY TAXES		<i>(NH Dept. of Revenue Administration)</i>	
2018 Total Tax Rate (per \$1000 of value)	\$21.45		
2018 Equalization Ratio	95.0		
2018 Full Value Tax Rate (per \$1000 of value)	\$20.37		
2018 Percent of Local Assessed Valuation by Property Type			
Residential Land and Buildings	91.1%		
Commercial Land and Buildings	6.4%		
Public Utilities, Current Use, and Other	2.7%		

HOUSING		<i>(ACS 2014-2018)</i>	
Total Housing Units	4,907		
Single-Family Units, Detached or Attached	4,382		
Units in Multiple-Family Structures:			
Two to Four Units in Structure	245		
Five or More Units in Structure	262		
Mobile Homes and Other Housing Units	18		

POPULATION (1-YEAR ESTIMATES/DECENNIAL)		<i>(US Census Bureau)</i>	
Total Population		Community	County
2018	14,049	14,049	415,247
2010	12,897	12,897	400,721
2000	11,006	11,006	382,384
1990	9,428	9,428	336,549
1980	8,090	8,090	276,608
1970	5,408	5,408	223,941

DEMOGRAPHICS				<i>AMERICAN COMMUNITY SURVEY (ACS) 2014-2018</i>	
Population by Gender					
Male	6,564	Female		7,032	
Population by Age Group					
Under age 5				692	
Age 5 to 19				2,576	
Age 20 to 34				2,096	
Age 35 to 54				4,116	
Age 55 to 64				1,987	
Age 65 and over				2,129	
Median Age				44.0 years	
Educational Attainment, population 25 years and over					
High school graduate or higher				92.9%	
Bachelor's degree or higher				33.6%	

INCOME, INFLATION ADJUSTED \$		<i>(ACS 2014-2018)</i>	
Per capita income			\$42,718
Median family income			\$115,909
Median household income			\$103,940
Median Earnings, full-time, year-round workers			
Male			\$70,729
Female			\$53,004
Individuals below the poverty level			3.9%

LABOR FORCE			<i>(NHES – ELMII)</i>	
Annual Average	2008		2018	
Civilian labor force	7,143		7,827	
Employed	6,774		7,552	
Unemployed	369		275	
Unemployment rate	5.2%		3.5%	

EMPLOYMENT & WAGES				<i>(NHES – ELMII)</i>	
Annual Average Covered Employment	2008		2018		
Goods Producing Industries					
Average Employment	580		626		
Average Weekly Wage	\$ 990		\$1,294		
Service Providing Industries					
Average Employment	1,125		1,391		
Average Weekly Wage	\$ 639		\$ 815		
Total Private Industry					
Average Employment	1,705		2,017		
Average Weekly Wage	\$ 759		\$ 964		
Government (Federal, State, and Local)					
Average Employment	483		522		
Average Weekly Wage	\$ 735		\$ 795		
Total, Private Industry plus Government					
Average Employment	2,188		2,539		
Average Weekly Wage	\$ 753		\$ 929		

EDUCATION AND CHILD CARE

Schools students attend: **Pelham operates grades K-12** District: **SAU 28**
 Career Technology Center(s): **Pinkerton Academy Center for CTE** Region: **17**

Educational Facilities (includes Charter Schools)	Elementary	Middle/Junior High	High School	Private/Parochial
Number of Schools	1	1	1	
Grade Levels	P K 1-5	6-8	9-12	
Total Enrollment	772	488	617	

Nearest Community College: **Nashua**
 Nearest Colleges or Universities: **Daniel Webster; Rivier**

2020 NH Licensed Child Care Facilities (DHHS-Bureau of Child Care Licensing) Total Facilities: **6** Total Capacity: **464**

LARGEST BUSINESSES	PRODUCT/SERVICE	EMPLOYEES	ESTABLISHED
Wakefield Engineering	Aluminum extrusion	300	1997
Pelham School District	Education	258	
Hannaford Brothers	Supermarket	85	1996
Quality Assured Cable	Cabling	70	1997
Chunky's Cinema Pub	Cinema, restaurant	50	1997
JT Manufacturing	Fabrication	30	2008
Yarde Metals	Metal stock wholesaler	25	2000

Employer Information Supplied by Municipality**TRANSPORTATION (distances estimated from city/town hall)**

Road Access	US Routes	
	State Routes	38, 111A, 128
Nearest Interstate, Exit		I-93, Exits 1 - 2
	Distance	6 miles
Railroad		No
Public Transportation		No
Nearest Public Use Airport, General Aviation		
Boire Field, Nashua	Runway	6,000 ft. asphalt
Lighted? Yes	Navigation Aids?	Yes
Nearest Airport with Scheduled Service		
Manchester-Boston Regional	Distance	25 miles
Number of Passenger Airlines Serving Airport		4
Driving distance to select cities:		
Manchester, NH		27 miles
Portland, Maine		97 miles
Boston, Mass.		34 miles
New York City, NY		229 miles
Montreal, Quebec		281 miles

COMMUTING TO WORK (ACS 2014-2018)

Workers 16 years and over	
Drove alone, car/truck/van	88.3%
Carpooled, car/truck/van	4.9%
Public transportation	0.3%
Walked	0.6%
Other means	5.9%
Worked at home	5.5%
Mean Travel Time to Work	33.5 minutes

Percent of Working Residents: ACS 2014-2018

Working in community of residence	14.5
Commuting to another NH community	33.9
Commuting out-of-state	51.6

RECREATION, ATTRACTIONS, AND EVENTS

X	Municipal Parks
	YMCA/YWCA
	Boys Club/Girls Club
X	Golf Courses
	Swimming: Indoor Facility
	Swimming: Outdoor Facility
	Tennis Courts: Indoor Facility
X	Tennis Courts: Outdoor Facility
	Ice Skating Rink: Indoor Facility
	Bowling Facilities
X	Museums
X	Cinemas
X	Performing Arts Facilities
	Tourist Attractions
X	Youth Organizations (i.e., Scouts, 4-H)
X	Youth Sports: Baseball
X	Youth Sports: Soccer
X	Youth Sports: Football
X	Youth Sports: Basketball
	Youth Sports: Hockey
	Campgrounds
X	Fishing/Hunting
	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): McIntyre
	Other: