Incorporated: 1761

Origin: This town was first granted in 1761 to Samuel Olmstead and other settlers from the Connecticut River towns of East Haddam and Colchester. Governor Benning Wentworth named the township for Robert Marsham, second Baron Romney. The original grant specified that all families were to meet terms within five years. Not all grantees were able to comply with the charter, and in 1767 the town was regranted to a new group of settlers, led by Daniel Brainard. The actual town boundaries were established in 1784. Rumney’s Stinson Lake was named for David Stinson of Londonderry, who was killed by Indians while hunting in the area in 1752.

Villages and Place Names: Quincy, Rumney Depot, Stinson Lake, West Rumney

Population, Year of the First Census Taken: 411 residents in 1790

Population Trends: Population change for Rumney totaled 697 over 49 years, from 870 in 1970 to 1,567 in 2019. The largest decennial percent change was a 39 percent increase between 1970 and 1980. The 2019 Census estimate for Rumney was 1,567 residents, which ranked 161st among New Hampshire’s incorporated cities and towns.

Population Density and Land Area, 2019 (US Census Bureau): 37.3 persons per square mile of land area. Rumney contains 41.2 square miles of land area and 0.6 square miles of inland water area.
### Municipal Services

**Type of Government**
- Selectmen

**Budget:**
- Municipal Appropriations, 2018: $11,684,471
- School Appropriations, 2017-2018: $3,957,068

**Zoning Ordinance**
- No Board

**Master Plan**
- 2012

**Capital Improvement Plan**
- Yes

**Industrial Plans Reviewed By**
- Planning Board

**Boards and Commissions**
- Elected: Selectmen; Planning; Library; Trust Funds; Cemetery; Advisory; Fire Commissioners
- Appointed: Conservation

**Public Library**
- Byron G. Merrill

### Emergency Services

**Police Department**
- Full & part-time

**Fire Department**
- Volunteer

**Emergency Medical Service**
- Volunteer

**Nearest Hospital(s)**
- Distance: 8 miles
- Staffed Beds: 25

**Speare Memorial, Plymouth**
- 25 Staffed Beds

### Utilities

**Electric Supplier**
- NH Electric Coop

**Natural Gas Supplier**
- None

**Water Supplier**
- Private wells

**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**
- Consolidated Communications

**Cellular Telephone Access**
- Limited

**Cable Television Access**
- Yes

**Public Access Television Station**
- No

**High Speed Internet Service**
- Business: Limited
- Residential: Limited

### Property Taxes

**Total Tax Rate** (per $1000 of value)
- 2019: $22.94
- 2019 Equalization Ratio: 95.4
- 2019 Full Value Tax Rate: $21.69

**Percent of Local Assessed Valuation by Property Type**
- Residential Land and Buildings: 82.4%
- Commercial Land and Buildings: 9.4%
- Public Utilities, Current Use, and Other: 8.2%

### Housing

**Total Housing Units**
- 961

**Single-Family Units, Detached or Attached**
- 828

**Units in Multiple-Family Structures:**
- Two to Four Units in Structure: 32
- Five or More Units in Structure: 39
- Mobile Homes and Other Housing Units: 62

### Population (1-Year Estimates/Decennial)

**Total Population**
- Community:
  - 2019: 1,567
  - 2010: 1,480
  - 2000: 1,479
  - 1990: 1,447
  - 1980: 1,212
  - 1970: 870

**County**
- 89,886
- 89,118
- 81,826
- 74,998
- 65,806
- 54,914

### Demographics

**Population by Gender**
- Male: 709
- Female: 801

**Population by Age Group**
- Under age 5: 49
- Age 5 to 19: 260
- Age 20 to 34: 237
- Age 35 to 54: 392
- Age 55 to 64: 272
- Age 65 and over: 300

**Median Age**: 46.9 years

**Educational Attainment, population 25 years and over**
- High school graduate or higher: 92.7%
- Bachelor’s degree or higher: 27.1%

### Income, Inflation Adjusted $ (ACS 2015-2019)

**Per capita income**: $28,247
**Median family income**: $65,341
**Median household income**: $55,625

**Median Earnings, full-time, year-round workers**
- Male: $41,307
- Female: $38,438

**Individuals below the poverty level**: 13.6%

### Labor Force (NHES – ELM)

**Annual Average**
- 2009: 908
- 2019: 889

**Civilian labor force**: 668
**Employed**: 51
**Unemployed**: 22
**Unemployment rate**: 7.1%

### Employment & Wages (NHES – ELM)

**Annual Average Covered Employment**
- 2009: 300
- 2019: 38,438

**Goods Producing Industries**
- Average Employment: 110
- Average Weekly Wage: $573

**Service Providing Industries**
- Average Employment: 127
- Average Weekly Wage: $522

**Total Private Industry**
- Average Employment: 238
- Average Weekly Wage: $546

**Government (Federal, State, and Local)**
- Average Employment: 76
- Average Weekly Wage: $627

**Total, Private Industry plus Government**
- Average Employment: 313
- Average Weekly Wage: $565

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**EDUCATION AND CHILD CARE**

Schools students attend: Rumney operates grades K-8; grades 9-12 are part of Pemi-Baker Cooperative (Ashland, Campton, Holderness, Plymouth, Rumney, Thornton, Wentworth)  
District: SAU 48  
Region: 5

Career Technology Center(s): Plymouth Applied Technology Center

Educational Facilities (includes Charter Schools)  
Number of Schools: 1  
Grade Levels: K 1-8  
Total Enrollment: 114

Nearest Community College: Lakes Region  
Nearest Colleges or Universities: Plymouth State University

2020 NH Licensed Child Care Facilities (DHHS-Bureau of Child Care Licensing)  
Total Facilities: 1  
Total Capacity: 16

### LARGEST BUSINESSES

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Employer Information Supplied by Municipality

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

- Road Access  
  - US Routes
  - State Routes 25
- Nearest Interstate, Exit: I-93, Exit 26  
  - Distance: 8 miles
- Railroad: No  
- Public Transportation: No

**NEAREST PUBLIC USE AIRPORT, GENERAL AVIATION**

- Plymouth Regional Runway 2,380 ft. turf  
  - Lighted?: No  
  - Navigation Aids?: No

**NEAREST AIRPORT WITH SCHEDULED SERVICE**

- Lebanon Municipal  
  - Distance: 37 miles  
  - Number of Passenger Airlines Serving Airport: 1

**DRIVING DISTANCE TO SELECT CITIES**

- Manchester, NH: 68 miles  
- Portland, Maine: 101 miles  
- Boston, Mass.: 119 miles  
- New York City, NY: 301 miles  
- Montreal, Quebec: 206 miles

**COMmutING TO WORK (ACS 2015-2019)**

- Workers 16 years and over  
  - Drove alone, car/truck/van: 73.3%  
  - Carpooled, car/truck/van: 11.0%  
  - Public transportation: 0.4%  
  - Walked: 3.7%  
  - Other means: 11.7%  
  - Worked at home: 6.7%  
  - Mean Travel Time to Work: 34.4 minutes

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

- Working in community of residence: 21.1%  
- Commuting to another NH community: 72.2%  
- Commuting out-of-state: 6.7%

**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  
- 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): Waterville Valley

- Other: Polar Caves; Rumney Rocks