

# Salisbury, NH



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## Municipal Office Hours

**Selectmen's Office: Tuesday to Friday, 8-3:15; Town Clerk: Monday, 8-1, Tuesday, 3:30-8:30; Tax Collector: Wednesday, 9-12, or by appointment**

County  
Labor Market Area  
Tourism Region  
Planning Commission  
Regional Development

**Merrimack**  
**Concord, NH Micropolitan NECTA**  
**Dartmouth-Lake Sunapee**  
**Central NH Regional**  
**Capital Regional Development Council**

## Election Districts

US Congress  
Executive Council  
State Senate  
State Representative

**District 2**  
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**District 7**  
**Merrimack County Districts 5, 26**

**Incorporated:** 1768

**Origin:** This town was first granted in 1736 by the Massachusetts government, and named Baker's Town, in honor of Captain Thomas Baker, a famous Indian scout. Following establishment of the New Hampshire-Massachusetts border in 1741, the previous grant became void, and a new grant issued in 1749. The town was renamed Stevens-town, after Colonel Ebenezer Stevens of Kingston. It was also known as Gerrish-town or New Salisbury, before being incorporated by the New Hampshire government in 1768 as Salisbury, after Salisbury, Massachusetts. Among the first settlers was Ebenezer Webster, father of Daniel Webster, who was born in Salisbury in 1782.

**Villages and Place Names:** Currier & Ives Scenic Byway, Scribners Corner, Smiths Corner, Thompson Corner, West Salisbury, Salisbury Heights

**Population, Year of the First Census Taken:** 1,372 residents in 1790

**Population Trends:** Population change for Salisbury totaled 850 over 50 years, from 589 in 1970 to 1,439 in 2020. The largest decennial percent change was 35 percent increase from 1980 to 1990. The town's population increased by four percent from 2010 to 2020. The 2022 Census estimate for Salisbury was 1,485 residents, which ranked 166th among New Hampshire's incorporated cities and towns.

**Population Density and Land Area, 2022 (US Census Bureau):** 37.5 persons per square mile of land area. Salisbury contains 39.6 square miles of land area and 0.2 square miles of inland water area.



<b>MUNICIPAL SERVICES</b>	
Type of Government	<b>Selectmen</b>
Budget: Municipal Appropriations, 2022	<b>\$1,542,767</b>
Budget: School Appropriations, 2021-2022	<b>\$2,489,546</b>
Zoning Ordinance	<b>1974/19</b>
Master Plan	<b>2017</b>
Capital Improvement Plan	<b>Yes</b>
Industrial Plans Reviewed By	<b>Planning Board</b>
Boards and Commissions	
Elected:	<b>Selectmen; Planning; Budget; Checklist; Library; Cemetery; Town Clerk; Tax Collector; Moderator; Zoning</b>
Appointed:	<b>Conservation; Recreation</b>
Public Library	<b>Salisbury Free</b>

<b>EMERGENCY SERVICES</b>		
Police Department		<b>State Police</b>
Fire Department		<b>Volunteer</b>
Emergency Medical Service		<b>Volunteer</b>
Nearest Hospital(s)	Distance	Staffed Beds
<b>Concord Hospital - Franklin</b>	<b>8 miles</b>	<b>31</b>

<b>UTILITIES</b>	
Electric Supplier	<b>NH Electric Coop; Eversource Energy; Concord Electric</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>TDS; Consolidated</b>
Cellular Telephone Access	<b>Yes</b>
Cable Television Access	<b>Yes</b>
Public Access Television Station	<b>No</b>
High Speed Internet Service:	
Business	<b>Yes</b>
Residential	<b>Yes</b>

<b>PROPERTY TAXES</b> <i>(NH Dept. of Revenue Administration)</i>	
2022 Total Tax Rate (per \$1000 of value)	<b>\$15.96</b>
2022 Equalization Ratio	<b>95.0</b>
2022 Full Value Tax Rate (per \$1000 of value)	<b>\$15.04</b>
2022 Percent of Local Assessed Valuation by Property Type	
Residential Land and Buildings	<b>91.0%</b>
Commercial Land and Buildings	<b>1.5%</b>
Public Utilities, Current Use, and Other	<b>7.5%</b>

<b>HOUSING</b> <i>(ACS 2017-2021)</i>	
Total Housing Units	<b>749</b>
Single-Family Units, Detached or Attached	<b>662</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>87</b>

<b>POPULATION (1-YEAR ESTIMATES/DECENNIAL)</b>		<i>(US Census Bureau)</i>	
Total Population	Community	County	
2022	<b>1,485</b>	<b>156,020</b>	
2020	<b>1,422</b>	<b>153,808</b>	
2010	<b>1,382</b>	<b>146,445</b>	
2000	<b>1,143</b>	<b>136,716</b>	
1990	<b>1,056</b>	<b>120,618</b>	
1980	<b>781</b>	<b>98,302</b>	

<b>DEMOGRAPHICS</b>			<i>AMERICAN COMMUNITY SURVEY (ACS) 2017-2021</i>	
Population by Gender				
Male	<b>879</b>	Female	<b>698</b>	
Population by Age Group				
Under age 5	<b>54</b>			
Age 5 to 19	<b>285</b>			
Age 20 to 34	<b>207</b>			
Age 35 to 54	<b>403</b>			
Age 55 to 64	<b>220</b>			
Age 65 and over	<b>408</b>			
Median Age	<b>51.3 years</b>			
Educational Attainment, population 25 years and over: <b>1,185</b>				
High school graduate or higher	<b>92.7%</b>			
Bachelor's degree or higher	<b>31.6%</b>			

<b>INCOME, INFLATION ADJUSTED \$</b>		<i>(ACS 2017-2021)</i>	
Per capita income	<b>\$36,232</b>		
Median family income	<b>\$95,972</b>		
Median household income	<b>\$83,393</b>		
Median Earnings, full-time, year-round workers			
Male	<b>\$55,313</b>		
Female	<b>\$57,813</b>		
Individuals below the poverty level	<b>8.5%</b>		

<b>LABOR FORCE</b>			<i>(NHES – ELMII)</i>	
Annual Average	2012	2022		
Civilian labor force	<b>804</b>	<b>814</b>		
Employed	<b>762</b>	<b>796</b>		
Unemployed	<b>42</b>	<b>18</b>		
Unemployment rate	<b>5.2%</b>	<b>2.2%</b>		

<b>EMPLOYMENT &amp; WAGES</b>			<i>(NHES – ELMII)</i>	
Annual Average Covered Employment	2012	2022		
Goods Producing Industries				
Average Employment	<b>15</b>	<b>39</b>		
Average Weekly Wage	<b>\$ 685</b>	<b>\$ 925</b>		
Service Providing Industries				
Average Employment	<b>49</b>	<b>55</b>		
Average Weekly Wage	<b>\$ 605</b>	<b>\$ 769</b>		
Total Private Industry				
Average Employment	<b>64</b>	<b>94</b>		
Average Weekly Wage	<b>\$ 624</b>	<b>\$ 833</b>		
Government (Federal, State, and Local)				
Average Employment	<b>39</b>	<b>46</b>		
Average Weekly Wage	<b>\$ 485</b>	<b>\$ 529</b>		
Total, Private Industry plus Government				
Average Employment	<b>103</b>	<b>140</b>		
Average Weekly Wage	<b>\$ 572</b>	<b>\$ 733</b>		
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**EDUCATION AND CHILD CARE**

Schools students attend: **Grades K-12 are part of Merrimack Valley Regional (Andover, Boscawen, Loudon, Penacook, Salisbury, Webster)** District: **SAU 46**

Career Technology Center(s): **Concord Regional Technical Center**

Educational Facilities (includes Charter Schools)	Elementary	Middle/Junior High	High School	Private/Parochial
Number of Schools	1			
Grade Levels	K 1-5			
Total Enrollment	62			

Nearest Community College: **NHTI-Concord; Lakes Region**  
 Nearest Colleges or Universities: **Colby-Sawyer; Magdalen College; UNH School of Law; Granite State**

2022 NH Licensed Child Care Facilities (DHHS-Bureau of Child Care Licensing) Total Facilities: **1** Total Capacity: **20**

LARGEST BUSINESSES	PRODUCT/SERVICE	EMPLOYEES	ESTABLISHED
Crossroad Store	Convenience store	6	1994
Blackwater Veterinary	Veterinary services	18	2002
Barn Store of N.E.	Farm supply store	25	2005

## Employer Information Supplied by Municipality

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

Road Access	US Routes	4
	State Routes	127
Nearest Interstate, Exit	<b>I-93, Exit 17</b>	
	Distance	<b>10 miles</b>
Railroad		<b>No</b>
Public Transportation		<b>No</b>
Nearest Public Use Airport, General Aviation		
<b>Concord Municipal</b>	Runway	<b>6,005 ft. asphalt</b>
Lighted? <b>Yes</b>	Navigation Aids?	<b>Yes</b>
Nearest Airport with Scheduled Service		
<b>Manchester-Boston Regional</b>	Distance	<b>39 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>126 miles</b>
Boston, Mass.		<b>84 miles</b>
New York City, NY		<b>283 miles</b>
Montreal, Quebec		<b>229 miles</b>

**COMMUTING TO WORK** (*ACS 2017-2021*)

Workers 16 years and over	
Drove alone, car/truck/van	<b>68.5%</b>
Carpooled, car/truck/van	<b>8.5%</b>
Public transportation	<b>0.0%</b>
Walked	<b>1.3%</b>
Other means	<b>0.0%</b>
Worked at home	<b>21.6%</b>
Mean Travel Time to Work	<b>34.9 minutes</b>
Percent of Working Residents	
Working in community of residence	<b>28.7%</b>
Commuting to another NH community	<b>65.7%</b>
Commuting out-of-state	<b>5.6%</b>

**RECREATION, ATTRACTIONS, AND EVENTS**

<b>X</b>	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
<b>X</b>	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
<b>X</b>	Youth Sports: Football
<b>X</b>	Youth Sports: Basketball
<b>X</b>	Youth Sports: Hockey
	Campgrounds
<b>X</b>	Fishing/Hunting
	Boating/Marinas
<b>X</b>	Snowmobile Trails
	Bicycle Trails
<b>X</b>	Cross Country Skiing
	Beach or Waterfront Recreation Area
	Overnight or Day Camps
	Nearest Ski Area(s): <b>Ragged Mountain</b>
	Other: <b>Kayaking-Blackwater River; Youth Lacrosse; Youth Field Hockey; Ice Skating Rink: Outdoor Facility</b>