Sandown, NH

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County
Rockingham

Labor Market Area
Haverhill-Newburyport-Amesbury Town, MA-NH NECTA Division

Tourism Region
Seacoast

Planning Commission
Rockingham

Regional Development
Regional Economic Development Corp.

Election Districts
District 1
District 3
District 23
Rockingham County District 4

Incorporated: 1756

Origin: This territory was part of the original Kingston grant of 1694. As the western portion of Kingston became more heavily populated, residents felt that they could support a meetinghouse of their own, and petitioned Governor Benning Wentworth for separation. Sandown was incorporated as a separate parish in 1756. It was named for picturesque Sandown on the Isle of Wight. The first minister of Sandown, Reverend Joseph Cotton, built the Sandown Church in 1773. The church had an eleven-foot high pulpit and marble columns supporting the gallery, and is an excellent example of early New England church architecture.

Villages and Place Names: unknown

Population, Year of the First Census Taken: 561 residents in 1790

Population Trends: Sandown had the largest decennial percent change of 178 percent occurring between 1970 and 1980. Population change for Sandown was 5,806 over 49 years, from 741 in 1970 to 6,547 in 2019. The 2019 Census estimate for Sandown was 6,547 residents, which ranked 51st among New Hampshire's incorporated cities and towns.

Population Density and Land Area, 2019 (US Census Bureau): 468.0 persons per square mile of land area. Sandown contains 14.0 square miles of land area and 0.4 square miles of inland water area.
**Municipal Services**

Type of Government  
Selectmen

Budget: Municipal Appropriations, 2020  
$4,319,408

Budget: School Appropriations, 2019-2020  
$14,063,929

Zoning Ordinance  
1956/19

Master Plan  
2013

Capital Improvement Plan  
Yes

Industrial Plans Reviewed By  
Planning Board

Boards and Commissions

Elected:  
Selectmen; Planning; Budget; Library; Cemetery; Checklist; Trust Funds; Fire Engineers

Appointed:  
Conservation; Zoning; Cable; Recreation; Ballot Clerks; Old Home Day; Senior Affairs Transportation; Heritage

Public Library  
Sandown Public

**Emergency Services**

Police Department  
Full-time

Fire Department  
Full-time Chief & volunteer

Emergency Medical Service  
Volunteer

Nearest Hospital(s)  
Distance  Staffed Beds

Parkland Medical Center, Derry  
10 miles  86

**Utilities**

Electric Supplier  
Eversource Energy; 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  
Voluntary

Telephone Company  
Granite State

Cellular Telephone Access  
Yes

Cable Television Access  
Yes

Public Access Television Station  
Yes

High Speed Internet Service:  
Business Yes  Residential Yes

**Property Taxes**

(NH Dept. of Revenue Administration)

2019 Total Tax Rate (per $1000 of value)  
$26.96

2019 Equalization Ratio  
87.0

2019 Full Value Tax Rate (per $1000 of value)  
$23.11

2019 Percent of Local Assessed Valuation by Property Type  
Residential Land and Buildings 97.2%  
Commercial Land and Buildings 1.6%  
Public Utilities, Current Use, and Other 1.2%

**Housing**

(ACS 2015-2019)

Total Housing Units  
2,364

Single-Family Units, Detached or Attached  
2,155

Units in Multiple-Family Structures:  
Two to Four Units in Structure  
97  
Five or More Units in Structure  
77  
Mobile Homes and Other Housing Units  
35

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

(US Census Bureau)

Total Population  
Community  County

2019  
6,547  309,769

2010  
5,986  295,223

2000  
5,171  278,748

1990  
4,069  246,744

1980  
2,057  190,345

1970  
741  138,951

**Demographics**

(ACS 2015-2019)

Population by Gender  
Male 3,128  Female 3,261

Population by Age Group  
Under age 5 386  Age 5 to 19 1,168  Age 20 to 34 1,253  Age 35 to 54 1,721  Age 55 to 64 1,073  Age 65 and over 788  Median Age 41.7 years

Educational Attainment, population 25 years and over  
High school graduate or higher 93.4%  Bachelor’s degree or higher 29.7%

**Income, Inflation Adjusted $**

(ACS 2015-2019)

Per capita income  
$40,199

Median family income  
$119,756

Median household income  
$111,960

Median Earnings, full-time, year-round workers  
Male $79,688  Female $63,407

Individuals below the poverty level  
2.2%

**Labor Force**

(NHES – ELMI)

Annual Average  
2009  2019

Civilian labor force  
3,256  4,271

Employed  
3,000  4,151

Unemployed  
256  120

Unemployment rate  
7.9%  2.8%

**Employment & Wages**

(NHES – ELMI)

Annual Average Covered Employment  
2009  2019

Goods Producing Industries  
Average Employment  48  80  Average Weekly Wage  $734  $762

Service Providing Industries  
Average Employment  155  171  Average Weekly Wage  $575  $812

Total Private Industry  
Average Employment  203  250  Average Weekly Wage  $613  $796

Government (Federal, State, and Local)  
Average Employment  62  60  Average Weekly Wage  $457  $654

Total, Private Industry plus Government  
Average Employment  265  311  Average Weekly Wage  $576  $768

EDUCATION AND CHILD CARE

Schools students attend: Grades K-12 are part of Timberlane Regional (Atkinson, Danville, Plaistow, Sandown) District: SAU 55
Career Technology Center(s): Pinkerton Academy Center for CTE Region: 17

Educational Facilities (includes Charter Schools)

Number of Schools: 2
Grade Levels: PK 1-5
Total Enrollment: 490

Nearest Community College: Manchester; Great Bay
Nearest Colleges or Universities: New England; University of NH

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

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<th>Total Facilities</th>
<th>Total Capacity</th>
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<td>1</td>
<td>102</td>
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LARGEST BUSINESSES

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<th>PRODUCT/SERVICE</th>
<th>EMPLOYEES</th>
<th>ESTABLISHED</th>
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<tr>
<td>Fox Den Retirement Community</td>
<td>Assisted living facility</td>
<td>20</td>
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<td>Playmates Learning Center</td>
<td>Childcare center</td>
<td>14</td>
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<td>Sue Padden Real Estate</td>
<td>Real estate agency</td>
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<td>Compliance Worldwide, Inc</td>
<td>EMC Test Lab</td>
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<td>Angle Pond Grove Camping &amp; Rec Area</td>
<td>Camping &amp; picnicking</td>
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<td>All Japanese Import Auto, Inc.</td>
<td>Automotive repair/service</td>
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<td>White Oak Farm/St. Julien Macaroons</td>
<td>Cookie factory</td>
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<td>Zorvino Vineyards</td>
<td>Vineyard &amp; function facility</td>
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<td>Chickadee Hill Cakes</td>
<td>Specialty cake shop</td>
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Employer Information Supplied by Municipality

TRANSPORTATION (distances estimated from city/town hall)

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<th>Road Access</th>
<th>US Routes</th>
<th>121, 121A</th>
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<tr>
<td>Nearest Interstate, Exit</td>
<td>I-93, Exit 4</td>
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<td>Distance</td>
<td>10 miles</td>
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| Railroad | No |
| Public Transportation | CART |

Nearest Public Use Airport, General Aviation

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<th>Manchester-Boston Regional</th>
<th>Runway</th>
<th>9,250 ft. asphalt</th>
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<td>Lighted?</td>
<td>Yes</td>
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<td>Navigation Aids?</td>
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Nearest Airport with Scheduled Service

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<tr>
<th>Manchester-Boston Regional</th>
<th>Distance</th>
<th>22 miles</th>
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<td>Number of Passenger Airlines Serving Airport</td>
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Driving distance to select cities:

| Manchester, NH | 20 miles |
| Portland, Maine | 87 miles |
| Boston, Mass. | 48 miles |
| New York City, NY | 248 miles |
| Montreal, Quebec | 274 miles |

COMMUTING TO WORK (ACS 2015-2019)

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<th>Workers 16 years and over</th>
<th>Drove alone, car/truck/van</th>
<th>89.3%</th>
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<td>Carpooled, car/truck/van</td>
<td>5.2%</td>
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<td>Public transportation</td>
<td>0.0%</td>
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<td>Walked</td>
<td>1.5%</td>
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<td>Other means</td>
<td>4.0%</td>
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<td>Worked at home</td>
<td>26.4%</td>
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<td>Mean Travel Time to Work</td>
<td>32.0 minutes</td>
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RECREATION, ATTRACTIONS, AND EVENTS

X 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
X Museums
Cinemas
Performing Arts Facilities
X 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
X Youth Sports: Hockey
X Campgrounds
X Fishing/Hunting
X 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): Gunstock, Pat's Peak
Other: Old Meeting House; Train Depot Museum