

Sugar Hill, NH



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Municipal Office Hours

Town Clerk/Tax Collector: Monday, 3-5, Tuesday and Thursday, 9-1; Administrative Assistant.: Tuesday and Thursday, 9-2

County
Labor Market Area
Tourism Region
Planning Commission
Regional Development

Grafton
Littleton, NH-VT LMA, NH part
White Mountains
North Country Council
Grafton County Economic Development Council

Election Districts

US Congress
Executive Council
State Senate
State Representative

District 2
District 2
District 1
Grafton County District 1

Incorporated: 1962

Origin: This town was part of the 1768 charter of Gunthwaite, which was renamed Lisbon in 1824. Though settled about 1789, this town is New Hampshire's youngest, incorporated in 1962. After considerable litigation, it was carved out of Lisbon to be an independent voting unit. The name Sugar Hill comes from a large grove of sugar maples in the hills. In 1929, Austrian Sig Buchmayr established the first organized ski school in the United States near Peckett's-on-Sugar Hill, one of the earliest resorts to promote winter vacationing.

Villages and Place Names: unknown

Population, Year of the First Census Taken: 336 residents in 1970

Population Trends: Population change for Sugar Hill totaled 315 over 50 years, from 336 in 1970, the town's first Census, to 651 in 2020. The largest decennial percent change was a 24 percent increase from 1990 to 2000. The town's population increased by 16 percent from 2010 to 2020. The 2022 Census estimate for Sugar Hill was 668 residents, which ranked 208th among New Hampshire's incorporated cities and towns.

Population Density and Land Area, 2022 (US Census Bureau): 39.0 persons per square mile of land area. Sugar Hill contains 17.1 square miles of land area and 0.1 square miles of inland water area.



MUNICIPAL SERVICES	
Type of Government	Selectmen
Budget: Municipal Appropriations, 2021-2022	\$1,690,043
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Zoning Ordinance	1968/22
Master Plan	2014
Capital Improvement Plan	Yes
Industrial Plans Reviewed By	Planning Board

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

Public Library **Richardson Memorial**

EMERGENCY SERVICES	
Police Department	Full-time
Fire Department	Volunteer
Emergency Medical Service	Volunteer

Nearest Hospital(s)	Distance	Staffed Beds
Littleton Regional, Littleton	12 miles	25

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	Yes
Recycling Program	Voluntary

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

PROPERTY TAXES (NH Dept. of Revenue Administration)	
2022 Total Tax Rate (per \$1000 of value)	\$20.52
2022 Equalization Ratio	56.7
2022 Full Value Tax Rate (per \$1000 of value)	\$11.62

2022 Percent of Local Assessed Valuation by Property Type	
Residential Land and Buildings	94.8%
Commercial Land and Buildings	2.9%
Public Utilities, Current Use, and Other	2.3%

HOUSING (ACS 2017-2021)	
Total Housing Units	420
Single-Family Units, Detached or Attached	395
Units in Multiple-Family Structures:	
Two to Four Units in Structure	3
Five or More Units in Structure	22
Mobile Homes and Other Housing Units	0

POPULATION (1-YEAR ESTIMATES/DECENNIAL)		(US Census Bureau)	
Total Population	Community	County	
2022	668	91,126	
2020	647	91,118	
2010	563	89,118	
2000	564	81,826	
1990	454	74,998	
1980	397	65,806	

DEMOGRAPHICS AMERICAN COMMUNITY SURVEY (ACS) 2017-2021			
Population by Gender			
Male	250	Female	402
Population by Age Group			
Under age 5			7
Age 5 to 19			77
Age 20 to 34			54
Age 35 to 54			120
Age 55 to 64			208
Age 65 and over			186
Median Age			60.1 years
Educational Attainment, population 25 years and over: 544			
High school graduate or higher			96.0%
Bachelor's degree or higher			57.0%

INCOME, INFLATION ADJUSTED \$		(ACS 2017-2021)	
Per capita income			\$136,910
Median family income			\$135,625
Median household income			\$113,438
Median Earnings, full-time, year-round workers			
Male			\$64,375
Female			\$
Individuals below the poverty level			6.8%

LABOR FORCE (NHES – ELMII)		
Annual Average	2012	2022
Civilian labor force	336	355
Employed	327	348
Unemployed	9	7
Unemployment rate	2.7%	2.0%

EMPLOYMENT & WAGES (NHES – ELMII)		
Annual Average Covered Employment	2012	2022
Goods Producing Industries		
Average Employment	40	13
Average Weekly Wage	\$ 736	\$ 849
Service Providing Industries		
Average Employment	83	99
Average Weekly Wage	\$ 402	\$ 625
Total Private Industry		
Average Employment	122	111
Average Weekly Wage	\$ 510	\$ 651
Government (Federal, State, and Local)		
Average Employment	10	10
Average Weekly Wage	\$ 737	\$1,090
Total, Private Industry plus Government		
Average Employment	132	122
Average Weekly Wage	\$ 527	\$ 687

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EDUCATION AND CHILD CARE

Schools students attend: **Grades K-6 are part of Lafayette Regional (Easton, Franconia, Sugar Hill); grades 7-12 are part of Profile (Bethlehem, Easton, Franconia, Sugar Hill)** District: **SAU 35**

Career Technology Center(s): **Hugh J. Gallen Career & Technical Center (Littleton); White Mountains RHS (Whitefield)**

Educational Facilities (includes Charter Schools) Elementary Middle/Junior High High School Private/Parochial

Number of Schools

Grade Levels

Total Enrollment

Nearest Community College: **White Mountains**
 Nearest Colleges or Universities:

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

LARGEST BUSINESSES	PRODUCT/SERVICE	EMPLOYEES	ESTABLISHED
Polly's Pancake Parlor	Restaurant, mail order		1938
Harman's Cheese & Country Store	Store, mail order		1955
Inn at Sunset Hill	Inn w/restaurant		2015
Sugar Hill Inn	Inn w/resturant		1972
Cavanaugh & Son	Lawncare and tree service		1982

Employer Information Supplied by Municipality

TRANSPORTATION (distances estimated from city/town hall)

Road Access US Routes

State Routes **18, 116, 117**

Nearest Interstate, Exit **I-93, Exit 38**

Distance **4 miles**

Railroad **No**

Public Transportation **No**

Nearest Public Use Airport, General Aviation

Franconia Airport Runway **2,305 ft. turf**

Lighted? **No** Navigation Aids? **No**

Nearest Airport with Scheduled Service

Lebanon Municipal Distance **64 miles**

Number of Passenger Airlines Serving Airport **1**

Driving distance to select cities:

Manchester, NH **99 miles**

Portland, Maine **116 miles**

Boston, Mass. **149 miles**

New York City, NY **323 miles**

Montreal, Quebec **177 miles**

COMMUTING TO WORK (ACS 2017-2021)

Workers 16 years and over

Drove alone, car/truck/van **71.7%**

Carpooled, car/truck/van **6.3%**

Public transportation **1.8%**

Walked **5.1%**

Other means **2.4%**

Worked at home **12.8%**

Mean Travel Time to Work **18.3 minutes**

Percent of Working Residents

Working in community of residence **23.2%**

Commuting to another NH community **70.6%**

Commuting out-of-state **6.3%**

RECREATION, ATTRACTIONS, AND EVENTS

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

Cinemas

Performing Arts Facilities

Tourist Attractions

Youth Organizations (i.e., Scouts, 4-H)

X Youth Sports: Baseball

X Youth Sports: Soccer

Youth Sports: Football

X Youth Sports: Basketball

Youth Sports: Hockey

Campgrounds

X Fishing/Hunting

X Boating/Marinas

X Snowmobile Trails

X Bicycle Trails

X Cross Country Skiing

Beach or Waterfront Recreation Area

Overnight or Day Camps

Nearest Ski Area(s): **Cannon Mountain**

Other: **Sugar Hill Historical Museum**