Webster, NH

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Municipal Office Hours
Administration: Monday, Wednesday, Friday, 9 am - 12 noon, 1 pm - 4 pm; Town Clerk: Monday, 8 am - 12 noon, 4 pm - 8 pm, Wednesday, 9 am - 12 noon, 1 pm - 4 pm, last Friday, 8 am - 12 noon; Tax Collector: Monday, 6 pm - 8 pm, or by appointment

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

Labor Market Area
Tourism Region
Planning Commission
Regional Development

Election Districts
US Congress District 2
Executive Council District 2
State Senate District 7
State Representative Merrimack County Districts 7, 25

Incorporated: 1860

Origin: This town was originally part of Boscawen, which was incorporated in 1760. In 1791, residents of the western part of Boscawen petitioned for separation into a town to be named Bristol. Residents of the eastern part voted to build a second meetinghouse to accommodate them, and thus avoid division. The separation finally occurred in 1860, when a new town was incorporated as Webster in honor of Daniel Webster, famous American lawyer and statesman. Webster served as Secretary of State during the administrations of Presidents William Henry Harrison, John Tyler, and Millard Fillmore. Mount Webster and Webster Lake were also named for him.

Villages and Place Names: Dingit Corner, Gerrish Corner, Snyders Mill, Swetts Mill, Courser Hill

Population, Year of the First Census Taken: 689 residents in 1870

Population Trends: Population change for Webster totaled 1,274 over 49 years, from 680 in 1970 to 1,954 in 2019. The largest decennial percent change was an increase of 61 percent between 1970 and 1980. The 2019 Census estimate for Webster was 1,954 residents, which ranked 142nd among New Hampshire’s incorporated cities and towns.

Population Density and Land Area, 2019 (US Census Bureau): 69.1 persons per square mile of land area. Webster contains 28.3 square miles of land area and 0.5 square miles of inland water area.
## Municipal Services

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<th>Type of Government</th>
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<td>Budget: Municipal Appropriations, 2019</td>
<td>$2,205,276</td>
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<td>$3,036,668</td>
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<td>Zoning Ordinance</td>
<td>1974/14</td>
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<tr>
<td>Master Plan</td>
<td>2018</td>
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<td>Capital Improvement Plan</td>
<td>Yes</td>
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<td>Industrial Plans Reviewed By</td>
<td>Planning Board</td>
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### Boards and Commissions
- **Elected:** Selectboard; Library; Cemetery; Trust Funds; Checklist
- **Appointed:** Zoning; Conservation; Planning; Sanitary Landfill; JLMC; Energy; Hazard Mitigation

| Public Library            | Webster Free Public |

## Utilities

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<th>Supplier</th>
<th>Provider</th>
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<td>Electric Supplier</td>
<td>Eversource Energy; Unitil</td>
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<tr>
<td>Natural Gas Supplier</td>
<td>None</td>
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<tr>
<td>Water Supplier</td>
<td>Private wells; Pillsbury Lake</td>
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### Sanitation
- Private septic

### Solid Waste Disposal
- Curbside Trash Pickup: Private
- Pay-As-You-Throw Program: No
- Recycling Program: Voluntary

### Telephone Company
- TDS Telecom

### Cellular Telephone Access
- Yes

### Cable Television Access
- Yes

### Public Access Television Station
- No

### High Speed Internet Service
- Residential: Yes
  - Business: Yes

### Property Taxes

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<th>Year</th>
<th>Rate (per $1000 of value)</th>
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<tr>
<td>2019 Total Tax Rate</td>
<td>$21.96</td>
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<td>2019 Equalization Ratio</td>
<td>93.9</td>
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<td>2019 Full Value Tax Rate</td>
<td>$20.27</td>
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### Housing

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<th>Type</th>
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<tr>
<td>Total Housing Units</td>
<td>875</td>
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<tr>
<td>Single-Family Units, Detached or Attached</td>
<td>833</td>
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<td>Units in Multiple-Family Structures:</td>
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<tr>
<td>Two to Four Units in Structure</td>
<td>0</td>
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<tr>
<td>Five or More Units in Structure</td>
<td>15</td>
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<td>Mobile Homes and Other Housing Units</td>
<td>27</td>
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## Population (1-Year Estimates/Decennial)

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<th>Year</th>
<th>Community</th>
<th>County</th>
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<tr>
<td>2019</td>
<td>1,954</td>
<td>151,391</td>
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<tr>
<td>2010</td>
<td>1,872</td>
<td>146,445</td>
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<tr>
<td>2000</td>
<td>1,591</td>
<td>136,716</td>
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<tr>
<td>1990</td>
<td>1,274</td>
<td>120,618</td>
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<tr>
<td>1980</td>
<td>1,095</td>
<td>98,302</td>
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<tr>
<td>1970</td>
<td>680</td>
<td>80,925</td>
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## Demographics

### American Community Survey (ACS) 2015-2019

#### Population by Gender
- Male: 909
- Female: 872

#### Population by Age Group
- Under age 5: 63
- Age 5 to 19: 240
- Age 20 to 34: 263
- Age 35 to 54: 480
- Age 55 to 64: 423
- Age 65 and over: 312

#### Median Age: 49.3 years

#### Educational Attainment, population 25 years and over
- High school graduate or higher: 95.7%
- Bachelor’s degree or higher: 29.5%

### Income, Inflation Adjusted $ (ACS 2015-2019)
- Per capita income: $40,968
- Median family income: $97,868
- Median household income: $86,645

#### Median Earnings, full-time, year-round workers
- Male: $49,879
- Female: $44,821

#### Individuals below the poverty level: 5.9%

## Labor Force (NHES – ELMI)

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<th>Year</th>
<th>Average Covered Employment</th>
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<td>2009</td>
<td>1,003</td>
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<tr>
<td>2019</td>
<td>1,120</td>
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### Annual Average
- Civilian labor force: 1,107, 1,173
- Employed: 1,047, 1,148
- Unemployed: 60, 25
- Unemployment rate: 5.4%, 2.1%

## Employment & Wages (NHES – ELMI)

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<th>Year</th>
<th>Goods Producing Industries</th>
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<td>2009</td>
<td>Average Employment: 58, 49</td>
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<tr>
<td>2019</td>
<td>Average Weekly Wage: $884, $1,262</td>
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### Service Providing Industries
- Average Employment: 41, 56
- Average Weekly Wage: $386, $810

### Total Private Industry
- Average Employment: 99, 105
- Average Weekly Wage: $680, $1,022

### Government (Federal, State, and Local)
- Average Employment: 42, 41
- Average Weekly Wage: $454, $596

### Total, Private Industry plus Government
- Average Employment: 141, 146
- Average Weekly Wage: $613, $902

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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)

Career Technology Center(s): Concord Regional Technical Center

Educational Facilities (includes Charter Schools)
- Number of Schools: 1
- Grade Levels: K-1
- Total Enrollment: 90

Nearest Community College: NHTI-Concord

Nearest Colleges or Universities: New England; Colby-Sawyer; Northeast Catholic College

**2020 NH Licensed Child Care Facilities (DHHS-Bureau of Child Care Licensing)**
- Total Facilities: 1
- Total Capacity: 9

**LARGEST BUSINESSES**

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<th>Employer Information Supplied by Municipality</th>
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<tr>
<td>Webster Elementary School</td>
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<tr>
<td>White Mountain Imaging</td>
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<tr>
<td>Mellen Company</td>
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<tr>
<td>Chuck Rose Logging</td>
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<td>Adam E Mock &amp; Son Logging</td>
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<td>Drown Farm</td>
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<td>Santa-Cruz Associates</td>
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<td>Cedar Mills Group</td>
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<td>RT Lake General Contractor</td>
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<td>Robert’s Greenhouse &amp; Nursery</td>
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**TRANSPORTATION**

Road Access
- US Routes: 127
- State Routes: I-89, Exit 7
- Distance: 6 miles

Railroad
- No

Public Transportation
- No

Nearest Public Use Airport, General Aviation
- Concord Municipal Runway: 6,005 ft. asphalt
- Lighted: Yes
- Navigation Aids: Yes

Nearest Airport with Scheduled Service
- Manchester-Boston Regional Distance: 41 miles
- Number of Passenger Airlines Serving Airport: 4

Driving distance to select cities:
- Manchester, NH: 35 miles
- Portland, Maine: 127 miles
- Boston, Mass.: 85 miles
- New York City, NY: 282 miles
- Montreal, Quebec: 235 miles

**COMMUTING TO WORK**

- Workers 16 years and over: 86.8%
- Carpoled, car/truck/van: 7.6%
- Public transportation: 0.0%
- Walked: 0.4%
- Other means: 5.1%
- Worked at home: 1.8%
- Mean Travel Time to Work: 31.4 minutes

**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
- Museums
- Cinemas
- Performing Arts Facilities
- X Tourist Attractions
- X Youth Organizations (i.e., Scouts, 4-H)
- X Youth Sports: Baseball
- X Youth Sports: Soccer
- Youth Sports: Basketball
- Youth Sports: Hockey
- X Campgrounds
- X Fishing/Hunting
- Boating/Marinas
- X Snowmobile Trails
- Bicycle Trails
- X Cross Country Skiing
- Beach or Waterfront Recreation Area
- Overnight or Day Camps

Nearest Ski Area(s): Pat’s Peak, Ragged Mountain

Other: Youth Field Hockey