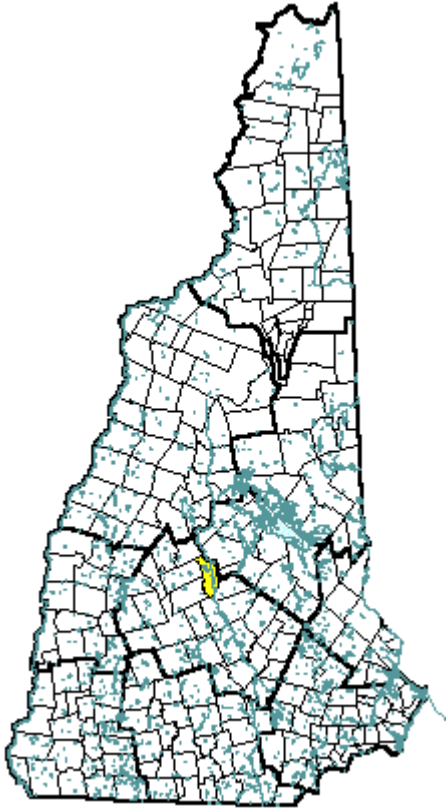


Franklin, NH



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Monday through Friday, 8 am - 4:30 pm

County
Labor Market Area
Tourism Region
Planning Commission
Regional Development

Merrimack
Franklin NH Micro-NECTA
Lakes
Lakes Region
Capitol Region Economic Development Council

Election Districts

US Congress
Executive Council
State Senate
State Representative

District 2 (All Wards)
District 2 (All Wards)
District 7 (All Wards)
Merrimack County District 2 (All Wards)

Incorporated: 1828

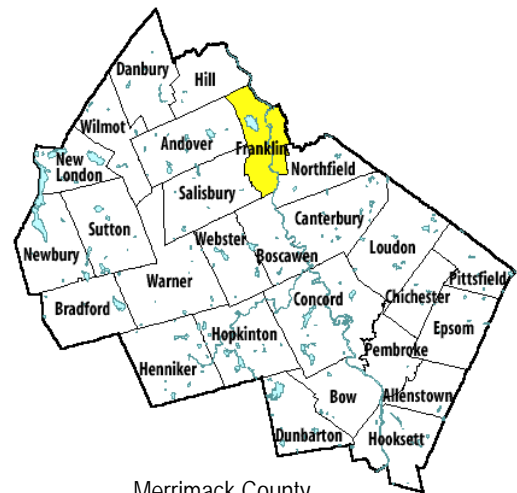
Origin: Situated as the junction of the Pemigewasset and Winnepesaukee Rivers, the town was originally known as Pemigewasset Village. It was taken from portions of Salisbury, Andover, Sanbornton, and Northfield. The name Franklin was adopted in 1820 in honor of Benjamin Franklin, and the town was incorporated as a city in 1895.

Population, Year of the First Census Taken: 1,370 residents in 1830

Population Trends: Franklin's population grew well below the statewide average rate, increasing by less than ten percent over each of the last five decades. Decennial growth rates ranged from a one percent increase between 1990-2000 to an eight percent increase between both 1960-1970 and 1970-1980. Franklin grew by a total of 1,853 residents, going from 6,552 in 1960 to 8,405 residents in 2000. The 2004 Census estimate for Franklin was 8,683 residents, which ranked 33rd among New Hampshire's incorporated cities and towns.

Population Density, 2004: 313.8 persons per square mile of land area. Franklin contains 27.7 square miles of land area and 1.5 square miles of inland water area.

Villages and Place Names: Webster Lake, Webster Place, West Franklin



MUNICIPAL SERVICES

Type of Government	Manager & Council
Budget: Municipal Appropriations, 2003	\$19,125,062
Budget: School Appropriations	not available
Zoning Ordinance	1971/04
Master Plan	2000
Capital Improvement Plan	Yes
Industrial Plans Reviewed By	City Planner

Boards and Commissions

Elected:	City Council
Appointed:	Planning; Zoning; Library Trustees; Conservation

Public Library **Franklin Public**

EMERGENCY SERVICES

Police Department	Full-time
Fire Department	Full-time
Town Fire Insurance Rating	4/9
Emergency Medical Service	Municipal

Nearest Hospital(s):

Franklin Regional, Franklin

Distance: **Local** Staffed Beds: 31

UTILITIES

Electric Supplier	PSNH; NH Electric Coop.
Natural Gas Supplier	KeySpan
Water Supplier	Franklin Water Works

Sanitation	Municipal
Municipal Wastewater Treatment Plant	Yes
Solid Waste Disposal	
Curbside Trash Pickup	Municipal
Pay-As-You-Throw Program	No
Recycling Program	Voluntary

Telephone Company	Verizon
Cellular Telephone Access	Yes
Cable Television Access	Yes
Public Access Television Station	No
High Speed Internet Service:	
Business	unknown
Residential	unknown

PROPERTY TAXES

2004 Total Tax Rate (per \$1000 of value)	\$21.54
2004 Equalization Ratio	80.3
2004 Full Value Tax Rate (per \$1000 of value)	\$17.43
2004 Percent of Property Valuation by Type	
Residential Land and Buildings	73.5%
Commercial Land and Buildings	20.3%
Other Property including Utilities	6.2%

HOUSING

2003 Total Housing Units	3,798
2003 Single-Family Units	2,195
Building Permits Issued	42
2003 Multi-Family Units	1,408
Building Permits Issued	-5
2003 Manufactured Housing Units	195

DEMOGRAPHICS

Total Population	Community	County
2004	8,683	145,542
2000	8,414	136,716
1990	8,340	120,618
1980	7,901	98,302
1970	7,292	80,925

Census 2000 Demographics

Population by Gender		
Male	4,074	Female 4,331

Population by Age Group

Under age 5	613
Age 5 to 19	1,766
Age 20 to 34	1,526
Age 35 to 54	2,496
Age 55 to 64	771
Age 65 and over	1,233
Median Age	37.3 years

Educational Attainment, population 25 years and over

High school graduate or higher	80.3%
Bachelor's degree or higher	13.6%

ANNUAL INCOME, 1999

(Census 2000)

Per capita income	\$17,155
Median 4-person family income	\$41,698
Median household income	\$34,613

Median Earnings, full-time, year-round workers

Male	\$32,318
Female	\$25,062

Families below the poverty level

8.9%

LABOR FORCE

1994

2004

Annual Average		
Civilian labor force	4,070	4,253
Employed	3,887	4,100
Unemployed	183	153
Unemployment rate	4.5%	3.6%

EMPLOYMENT & WAGES

1994

2004

Goods Producing Industries		
Average Employment	1,425	1,069
Average Weekly Wage	\$556	\$818
Service Providing Industries		
Average Employment	1,459	1,440
Average Weekly Wage	\$328	\$585
Total Private Industry		
Average Employment	2,884	2,510
Average Weekly Wage	\$440	\$685
Government (Federal, State, and Local)		
Average Employment	397	428
Average Weekly Wage	\$389	\$573
Total, Private Industry plus Government		
Average Employment	3,281	2,938
Average Weekly Wage	\$434	\$668

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EDUCATION AND CHILD CARE

Schools students attend: **Franklin operates grades K-12** District: **SAU 18**
 Career Technology Center(s): **J. Oliva Huot Technical Center, Laconia; Winnisquam Regional High School, Tilton** Region: **08**

Educational Facilities	Elementary	Middle/Junior High	High School	Private/Parochial
Number of Schools	2	1	1	
Grade Levels	P K 1-4	5-8	9-12	
Total Enrollment	532	438	462	

NH Licensed Child Care Facilities, 2004: Total Facilities: **8** Total Capacity: **128**

Nearest Community/Technical College: **Laconia**
 Nearest Colleges or Universities: **Colby-Sawyer; Plymouth State University**

LARGEST EMPLOYERS	PRODUCT/SERVICE	EMPLOYEES	ESTABLISHED
Webster Valve & Foundry	Plumbing, heating controls	515	1956
Franklin Regional Hospital	Health care	359	1910
Polyclad Laminates, Inc.	Laminates for printed circuit boards	295	1980
City of Franklin	Municipal services	253	
Freudenberg - NOK	Automotive Products	185	
Hannaford Brothers	Supermarket	140	1992
Wyman Gordon Investment Castings, Inc.	Titanium products	91	1995
Vitex Extrusion	Aluminum extrusions	65	1996
Insulfab Plastics, Inc.	Plastic fabrication	60	1953
Acme Staple Co., Inc.	Industrial stapling systems	21	1959

TRANSPORTATION

Road Access	Federal Routes	3
	State Routes	3A, 11
Nearest Interstate, Exit		I-93, Exit 20
	Distance	4 miles
Railroad		No
Public Transportation		Yes
Nearest Airport		Laconia
	Runway	5,286 feet
	Lighted?	Yes
	Navigational Aids?	Yes
Nearest Commercial Airport		Manchester
	Distance	30 miles
Driving distance to select cities:		
	Manchester, NH	38 miles
	Portland, Maine	116 miles
	Boston, Mass.	88 miles
	New York City, NY	285 miles
	Montreal, Quebec	239 miles

COMMUTING TO WORK

(Census 2000)

Workers 16 years and over	
Drove alone, car/truck/van	77.1%
Carpooled, car/truck/van	17.0%
Public transportation	0.2%
Walked	2.3%
Other means	1.2%
Worked at home	2.2%
Mean Travel Time to Work	21.7 minutes
Percent of Working Residents:	
Working in community of residence	35%
Commuting to another NH community	65%
Commuting out-of-state	0%

RECREATION, ATTRACTIONS, AND EVENTS

X	Municipal Parks
	YMCA/YWCA
	Boys Club/Girls Club
X	Golf Courses
	Swimming: Indoor Facility
X	Swimming: Outdoor Facility
	Tennis Courts: Indoor Facility
X	Tennis Courts: Outdoor Facility
	Ice Skating Rink: Indoor Facility
	Bowling Facilities
	Museums
	Cinemas
X	Performing Arts Facilities
	Tourist Attractions
X	Youth Organizations (i.e., Scouts, 4-H)
X	Youth Sports: Baseball
	Youth Sports: Soccer
X	Youth Sports: Football
X	Youth Sports: Basketball
	Youth Sports: Hockey
X	Campgrounds
X	Fishing/Hunting
X	Boating/Marinas
X	Snowmobile Trails
X	Bicycle Trails
X	Cross Country Skiing
	Beach or Waterfront Recreation Area
	Nearest Ski Area(s): Veteran's Memorial Ski Area
	Other: Daniel Webster Birthplace