

Monroe, NH



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Municipal Office Hours

Selectmen: Monday to Friday, 8-4, meet Tuesday, 6-9; Town Clerk: Monday and Friday, 8:30-12, Tuesday, 5-8, Wednesday and Thursday, 2-6; Tax Collector: Tuesday, 6-8 or by appointment

County
Labor Market Area
Tourism Region
Planning Commission
Regional Development

Grafton
Haverhill, NH LMA
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: 1854

Origin: This territory was first known as Hurd's Location or West Lyman. In 1769, James Hurd was granted five islands in the Connecticut River between Lyman and Barnet, Vermont by Governor John Wentworth. Descendents of James Hurd wanted to name the town after him when it was separated from Lyman in 1854, but lost out to the name Monroe. President James Monroe, for whom a mountain in the Presidential Range had been recently named, toured the region during his presidency. Monroe contains part of the Ammonoosuc Gold Fields, extensive mineral deposits that have never been successfully mined.

Villages and Place Names: unknown

Population, Year of the First Census Taken: 619 residents in 1860

Population Trends: Population change for Monroe totaled 482 over 50 years, from 385 in 1970 to 867 in 2020. The largest decennial percent change was a 61 percent increase from 1970 to 1980. The town's population increased by ten percent from 2010 to 2020. The 2022 Census estimate for Monroe was 877 residents, which ranked 192nd among New Hampshire's incorporated cities and towns.



Grafton County

Population Density and Land Area, 2022 (US Census Bureau): 39.1 persons per square mile of land area. Monroe contains 22.4 square miles of land area and 1.4 square miles of inland water area.

MUNICIPAL SERVICES			
Type of Government		Selectmen	
Budget: Municipal Appropriations, 2021		\$1,702,867	
Budget: School Appropriations, 2020-2021		\$3,841,630	
Zoning Ordinance		1941/17/22	
Master Plan		2005	
Capital Improvement Plan		No	
Industrial Plans Reviewed By		Planning Board	
Boards and Commissions			
Elected:	Selectmen; Planning; Zoning; Library; Board of Adjustment		
Appointed:			
Public Library	Monroe Public		
EMERGENCY SERVICES			
Police Department		Covered by State	
Fire Department		Volunteer	
Emergency Medical Service		Volunteer	
Nearest Hospital(s)		Distance	Staffed Beds
Cottage Hospital, Woodsville		11 miles	35
Northeastern VT, St. Johnsbury VT		15 miles	25
UTILITIES			
Electric Supplier		Liberty Utilities; NH Electric Coop	
Natural Gas Supplier		None	
Water Supplier		Monroe Water Department	
Sanitation		Private septic	
Municipal Wastewater Treatment Plant		No	
Solid Waste Disposal			
Curbside Trash Pickup		Municipal	
Pay-As-You-Throw Program		No	
Recycling Program		Voluntary	
Telephone Company		Consolidated communications	
Cellular Telephone Access		Yes	
Cable Television Access		Yes	
Public Access Television Station		No	
High Speed Internet Service:		Business	Yes
		Residential	Yes
PROPERTY TAXES		(NH Dept. of Revenue Administration)	
2022 Total Tax Rate (per \$1000 of value)		\$12.19	
2022 Equalization Ratio		58.4	
2022 Full Value Tax Rate (per \$1000 of value)		\$ 6.49	
2022 Percent of Local Assessed Valuation by Property Type			
Residential Land and Buildings		18.4%	
Commercial Land and Buildings		1.7%	
Public Utilities, Current Use, and Other		79.9%	
HOUSING		(ACS 2017-2021)	
Total Housing Units		358	
Single-Family Units, Detached or Attached		304	
Units in Multiple-Family Structures:			
Two to Four Units in Structure		3	
Five or More Units in Structure		16	
Mobile Homes and Other Housing Units		35	

POPULATION (1-YEAR ESTIMATES/DECENNIAL)		(US Census Bureau)	
Total Population		Community	County
2022	877		91,126
2020	864		91,118
2010	788		89,118
2000	765		81,826
1990	734		74,998
1980	619		65,806
DEMOGRAPHICS		AMERICAN COMMUNITY SURVEY (ACS) 2017-2021	
Population by Gender			
Male	516	Female	321
Population by Age Group			
Under age 5			30
Age 5 to 19			163
Age 20 to 34			131
Age 35 to 54			146
Age 55 to 64			154
Age 65 and over			213
Median Age			50.6 years
Educational Attainment, population 25 years and over:		616	
High school graduate or higher			84.4%
Bachelor's degree or higher			24.7%
INCOME, INFLATION ADJUSTED \$		(ACS 2017-2021)	
Per capita income			\$35,114
Median family income			\$78,594
Median household income			\$74,063
Median Earnings, full-time, year-round workers			
Male			\$63,750
Female			\$36,875
Individuals below the poverty level			3.7%
LABOR FORCE		(NHES – ELMI)	
Annual Average	2012		2022
Civilian labor force	382		377
Employed	364		363
Unemployed	18		14
Unemployment rate	4.7%		3.7%
EMPLOYMENT & WAGES		(NHES – ELMI)	
Annual Average Covered Employment	2012		2022
Goods Producing Industries			
Average Employment	103		133
Average Weekly Wage	\$1,078		\$1,604
Service Providing Industries			
Average Employment	58		48
Average Weekly Wage	\$1,339		\$ 793
Total Private Industry			
Average Employment	161		181
Average Weekly Wage	\$1,171		\$1,388
Government (Federal, State, and Local)			
Average Employment	12		15
Average Weekly Wage	\$ 319		\$ 384
Total, Private Industry plus Government			
Average Employment	173		197
Average Weekly Wage	\$1,112		\$1,309
If “n” appears, data do not meet disclosure standards.			

EDUCATION AND CHILD CARE

Schools students attend:	Monroe operates grades K-8; grades 9-12 are tuitioned to the State of Vermont (St. Johnsbury Academy)				District: SAU 77
Career Technology Center(s):	River Bend Career & Technical Center (VT)				
Educational Facilities (includes Charter Schools)	Elementary	Middle/Junior High	High School	Private/Parochial	
Number of Schools	1				
Grade Levels	P K 1-8				
Total Enrollment	92				

Nearest Community College: **White Mountains**Nearest Colleges or Universities: **Plymouth State; Lyndon State (VT)**

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

LARGEST BUSINESSES	PRODUCT/SERVICE	EMPLOYEES	ESTABLISHED
Monroe Consolidated School	Education	43	
Pete & Gerry's	Egg processing, poultry	96	1970

Employer Information Supplied by Municipality

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

Road Access	US Routes	
	State Routes	135
Nearest Interstate, Exit	I-91 (VT), Exit 18	
Distance	3 miles	
Railroad	No	
Public Transportation	No	
Nearest Public Use Airport, General Aviation		
Dean Memorial, Haverhill	Runway	2,500 ft. asphalt
Lighted? Yes	Navigation Aids?	No
Nearest Airport with Scheduled Service		
Lebanon Municipal	Distance	56 miles
Number of Passenger Airlines Serving Airport		1
Driving distance to select cities:		
Manchester, NH	123 miles	
Portland, Maine	131 miles	
Boston, Mass.	173 miles	
New York City, NY	318 miles	
Montreal, Quebec	159 miles	

COMMUTING TO WORK (*ACS 2017-2021*)

Workers 16 years and over	
Drove alone, car/truck/van	86.6%
Carpooled, car/truck/van	6.8%
Public transportation	0.0%
Walked	1.6%
Other means	1.9%
Worked at home	3.0%
Mean Travel Time to Work	27.6 minutes
Percent of Working Residents	
Working in community of residence	19.9%
Commuting to another NH community	52.0%
Commuting out-of-state	28.1%

RECREATION, ATTRACTIONS, AND EVENTS

	Municipal Parks
	YMCA/YWCA
	Boys Club/Girls Club
	Golf Courses
	Swimming: Indoor Facility
	Swimming: Outdoor Facility
	Tennis Courts: Indoor Facility
X	Tennis Courts: Outdoor Facility
	Ice Skating Rink: Indoor Facility
	Bowling Facilities
	Museums
	Cinemas
	Performing Arts Facilities
	Tourist Attractions
X	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
	Bicycle Trails
X	Cross Country Skiing
X	Beach or Waterfront Recreation Area
	Overnight or Day Camps
	Nearest Ski Area(s): Loon & Burke Mountains
	Other: Outdoor Skating Rink