

# Kingston, NH



## Community Contact

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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

### US Congress

District 1

### Executive Council

District 3

### State Senate

District 23

### State Representative

Rockingham County Districts 14, 34

**Incorporated:** 1694

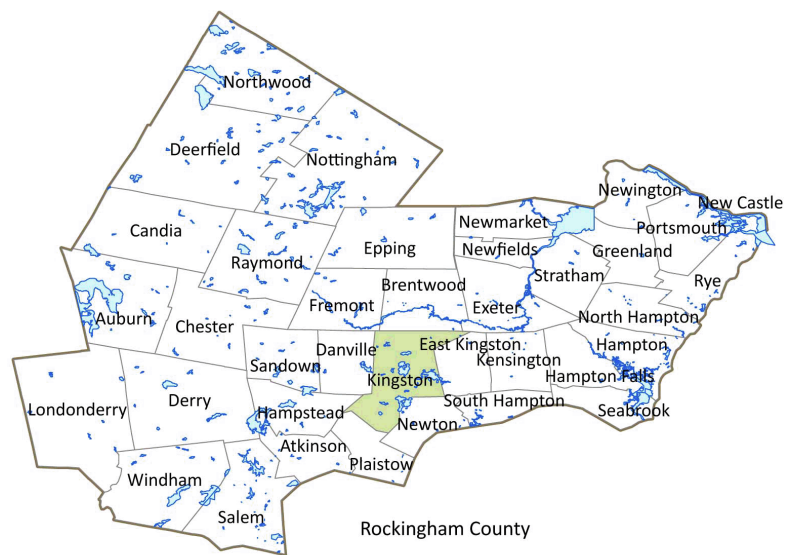
**Origin:** Kingston was the fifth town to be established in New Hampshire, and its charter was issued in 1694. The establishment of settlements was made possible by peace treaties with the Indians following the King's War, during the reign of William and Mary. This settlement, set off from Hampton, was chartered as Kingstown, so named in honor of the King of England. Use of the title instead of the King's name was common at the time. Kingston was home to Dr. Josiah Bartlett, "president" of the state from 1790 to 1794, delegate to the Continental Congress, first signer of the Declaration of Independence, and founder of the New Hampshire Medical Society.

**Villages and Place Names:** South Kingston, West Kingston, Carriage Towne

**Population, Year of the First Census Taken:** 906 residents in 1790

**Population Trends:** Population change for Kingston totaled 3,322 over 50 years, from 2,882 in 1970 to 6,204 in 2020. The largest decennial percent change was a 43 percent increase from 1970 to 1980. The town's population increased by three percent from 2010 to 2020. The 2022 Census estimate for Kingston was 6,305 residents, which ranked 56th among New Hampshire's incorporated cities and towns.

**Population Density and Land Area, 2022 (US Census Bureau):** 317.6 persons per square mile of land area. Kingston contains 19.9 square miles of land area and 1.2 square miles of inland water area.



MUNICIPAL SERVICES			
Type of Government		Selectmen	
Budget: Municipal Appropriations, 2022		\$7,645,849	
Budget: School Appropriations, 2022-2023		\$16,706,206	
Zoning Ordinance		1955/17	
Master Plan		2013	
Capital Improvement Plan		Yes	
Industrial Plans Reviewed By	Planning Board/Bldg Inspector		
Boards and Commissions			
Elected:	Budget; Selectmen; Planning; Library; Checklist; Trust Funds; Zoning		
Appointed:	Conservation; Highway Safety; Historic District; Historical Museum; Kingston Days; Recreation; Heritage		
Public Library	Nichols Memorial		
EMERGENCY SERVICES			
Police Department		Full-time	
Fire Department		Part-time	
Emergency Medical Service		Part-time	
Nearest Hospital(s)		Distance	Staffed Beds
Exeter Hospital, Exeter		8 miles	99
UTILITIES			
Electric Supplier		Unitil; 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		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		Yes	
High Speed Internet Service:	Business	Yes	
	Residential	Yes	
PROPERTY TAXES		(NH Dept. of Revenue Administration)	
2022 Total Tax Rate (per \$1000 of value)		\$22.71	
2022 Equalization Ratio		62.2	
2022 Full Value Tax Rate (per \$1000 of value)		\$14.02	
2022 Percent of Local Assessed Valuation by Property Type			
Residential Land and Buildings		83.8%	
Commercial Land and Buildings		11.2%	
Public Utilities, Current Use, and Other		5.1%	
HOUSING		(ACS 2017-2021)	
Total Housing Units		2,899	
Single-Family Units, Detached or Attached		2,344	
Units in Multiple-Family Structures:			
Two to Four Units in Structure		138	
Five or More Units in Structure		314	
Mobile Homes and Other Housing Units		103	

POPULATION (1-YEAR ESTIMATES/DECENNIAL)		(US Census Bureau)	
Total Population		Community	County
2022	6,305		319,424
2020	6,202		314,176
2010	6,025		295,223
2000	5,905		278,748
1990	5,563		246,744
1980	4,111		190,345
DEMOGRAPHICS		AMERICAN COMMUNITY SURVEY (ACS) 2017-2021	
Population by Gender			
Male	3,471	Female	2,706
Population by Age Group			
Under age 5			106
Age 5 to 19			967
Age 20 to 34			1,057
Age 35 to 54			1,609
Age 55 to 64			1,183
Age 65 and over			1,255
Median Age			49.0 years
Educational Attainment, population 25 years and over: 4,707			
High school graduate or higher			91.9%
Bachelor's degree or higher			30.3%
INCOME, INFLATION ADJUSTED \$		(ACS 2017-2021)	
Per capita income			\$49,643
Median family income			\$128,039
Median household income			\$82,017
Median Earnings, full-time, year-round workers			
Male			\$76,044
Female			\$56,146
Individuals below the poverty level			6.3%
LABOR FORCE		(NHES – ELMI)	
Annual Average	2012		2022
Civilian labor force	3,507		3,803
Employed	3,261		3,697
Unemployed	246		106
Unemployment rate	7.0%		2.8%
EMPLOYMENT & WAGES		(NHES – ELMI)	
Annual Average Covered Employment	2012		2022
Goods Producing Industries			
Average Employment	118		156
Average Weekly Wage	\$ 933		\$1,169
Service Providing Industries			
Average Employment	991		1,105
Average Weekly Wage	\$ 616		\$1,024
Total Private Industry			
Average Employment	1,110		1,261
Average Weekly Wage	\$ 650		\$1,042
Government (Federal, State, and Local)			
Average Employment	320		322
Average Weekly Wage	\$ 766		\$1,025
Total, Private Industry plus Government			
Average Employment	1,430		1,583
Average Weekly Wage	\$ 676		\$1,038
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**EDUCATION AND CHILD CARE**Schools students attend: **Grades K-12 are part of Sanborn Regional (Kingston, Newton)**District: **SAU 17**Career Technology Center(s): **Seacoast School of Technology**

Educational Facilities (includes Charter Schools)	Elementary	Middle/Junior High	High School	Private/Parochial
Number of Schools	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	
Grade Levels	<b>P K 1-2</b>	<b>6-8</b>	<b>9-12</b>	
Total Enrollment	<b>328</b>	<b>264</b>	<b>523</b>	

Nearest Community College: **Great Bay**Nearest Colleges or Universities: **University of NH; Northern Essex (MA)**

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

Total Facilities: **3** Total Capacity: **150**

LARGEST BUSINESSES	PRODUCT/SERVICE	EMPLOYEES	ESTABLISHED
Sanborn Regional School District	Education	351	1966
Town of Kingston	Municipal services	148	1694
Northland Forest	Lumber	45	1970
Partners Bank	Banking services	12	1973
Landscapers Depot	Landscaping center	50	1993
All-American Assisted Living	Senior Living	64	2019

## Employer Information Supplied by Municipality

TRANSPORTATION (distances estimated from city/town hall)				RECREATION, ATTRACTIONS, AND EVENTS	
Road Access	US Routes			X	Municipal Parks
	State Routes	<b>107, 107A, 111, 125</b>		X	YMCA/YWCA
Nearest Interstate, Exit		<b>I-495 (MA), Exit 51</b>			Boys Club/Girls Club
	Distance	<b>10 miles</b>		X	Golf Courses
Railroad		<b>Yes</b>			Swimming: Indoor Facility
Public Transportation		<b>No</b>			Swimming: Outdoor Facility
Nearest Public Use Airport, General Aviation					Tennis Courts: Indoor Facility
<b>Hampton Airfield</b>	Runway	<b>2,100 ft. turf</b>		X	Tennis Courts: Outdoor Facility
Lighted? <b>Yes</b>	Navigation Aids?	<b>No</b>			Ice Skating Rink: Indoor Facility
Nearest Airport with Scheduled Service					Bowling Facilities
<b>Manchester-Boston Regional</b>	Distance	<b>30 miles</b>		X	Museums
Number of Passenger Airlines Serving Airport		<b>4</b>			Cinemas
Driving distance to select cities:				X	Performing Arts Facilities
Manchester, NH		<b>29 miles</b>		X	Tourist Attractions
Portland, Maine		<b>75 miles</b>		X	Youth Organizations (i.e., Scouts, 4-H)
Boston, Mass.		<b>46 miles</b>		X	Youth Sports: Baseball
New York City, NY		<b>248 miles</b>		X	Youth Sports: Soccer
Montreal, Quebec		<b>284 miles</b>		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
				X	Beach or Waterfront Recreation Area
				X	Overnight or Day Camps
					Nearest Ski Area(s): <b>McIntyre</b>
					Other: <b>Historical Buildings; Kingston State Beach; Kingston Days; Town Forests; Renaissance Fair; Craft Fairs; Farmers' Market</b>
COMMUTING TO WORK (ACS 2017-2021)					
Workers 16 years and over					
Drove alone, car/truck/van		<b>87.9%</b>			
Carpooled, car/truck/van		<b>0.7%</b>			
Public transportation		<b>0.0%</b>			
Walked		<b>0.7%</b>			
Other means		<b>0.3%</b>			
Worked at home		<b>10.4%</b>			
Mean Travel Time to Work		<b>33.5 minutes</b>			
Percent of Working Residents					
Working in community of residence		<b>25.8%</b>			
Commuting to another NH community		<b>48.7%</b>			
Commuting out-of-state		<b>25.5%</b>			