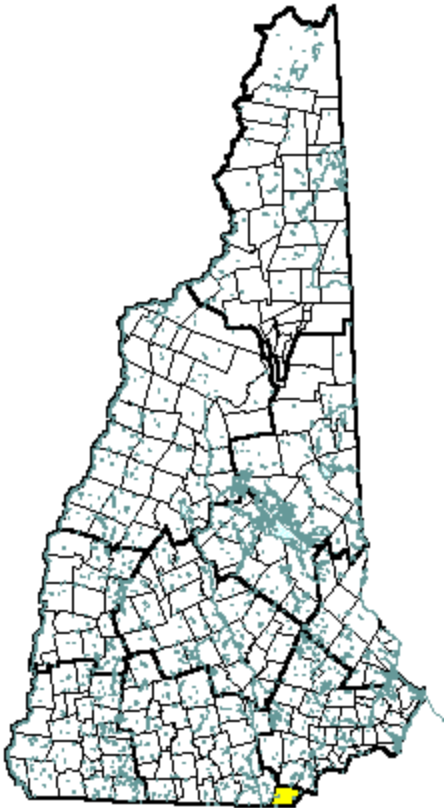


# Pelham



Incorporated: **1746**

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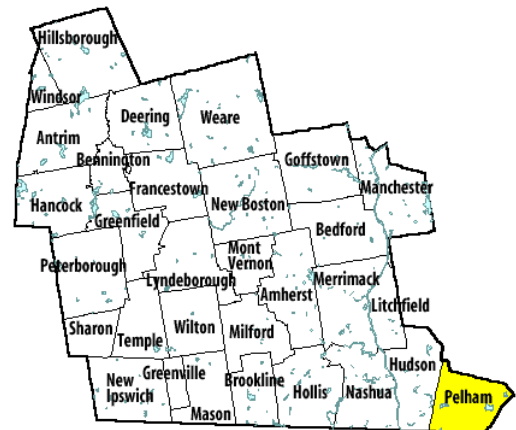
City/Town Office Hours: **Monday through Friday, 8 am – 4 pm; Town Clerk is also open Tuesday until 7 pm**

County: **Hillsborough**  
Labor Market Area: **Lowell, MA-NH**  
Planning Commission: **Nashua Regional**  
Tourism Region: **Merrimack Valley**

**Demographics, 2000 Census:** From 1990 to 2000, Pelham's population grew by 16.0 percent to 10,914, adding 1,506 residents. The median age is 36.0, with 28.9 percent of the population under the age of 18 and 7.8 percent age 65 and older. The total number of households is 3,606, with an average size of 3.03 persons. Of those, 2,983 are family households, with an average size of 3.33 persons. As of April 1, 2000, there were 3,740 total housing units.

**Population density, 2000:** 415.3 persons per square mile of land area. Pelham contains 26.3 square miles of land area and 0.5 square miles of inland water area.

**Origin:** Chartered in 1746, this town takes its name from Henry Pelham, Prime Minister of England, a relation of Governor Benning Wentworth, and younger brother of Thomas Pelham Holles. The town was originally a part of Old Dunstable, which was split when the New Hampshire-Massachusetts boundary line was changed in 1741.



Hillsborough County

**MUNICIPAL SERVICES**

City/Town Office Hours:

**M-F 8-4 pm; Clerk: also Tues. until 7 pm**

Type of Government	<b>Selectmen</b>
Annual Budget (2000)	<b>\$4,200,000</b>
Planning Board	<b>Appointed</b>
Industrial Plans Reviewed By	<b>Plan Brd./Consultant</b>
Zoning	<b>1955/99</b>
Master Plan	<b>2002</b>
Capital Improvement Plan	<b>Yes</b>

Public Library	<b>Pelham Public</b>
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**EMERGENCY SERVICES**

Police Department	<b>Full-time</b>
Fire Department	<b>Full-time</b>
Town Fire Insurance Rating	<b>9/9</b>

Emergency Medical Service	<b>Municipal</b>
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Nearest Hospital(s):

<b>Southern NH Regional; St. Joseph's, Nashua</b>	<b>Beds: 173; 135</b>
Distance: <b>9 miles</b>	

**TAXES**

2001 Total Tax Rate	<b>\$23.50</b>
2001 Equalization Ratio	<b>0.60</b>
2001 Full Value Tax Rate	<b>\$14.00</b>

2001 Property Valuation:	Residential	<b>89.6%</b>
	Commercial	<b>8.2%</b>
	Other	<b>2.2%</b>

**UTILITIES**

Electric Supplier	<b>Granite State; PSNH</b>
Natural Gas Supplier	<b>Tennessee Gas</b>
Water Supplier	<b>PEU/Williamsburg</b>

Sanitation	<b>Private septic</b>
Municipal Treatment Plant	<b>No</b>
Curbside Trash Pickup	<b>No</b>
Mandatory Recycling Program	<b>Yes</b>

Telephone Company	<b>Verizon</b>
Cellular Telephone Access	<b>Yes</b>
Cable Television Access	<b>Yes</b>

**HOUSING****2000**

Total Housing Units	<b>3,740</b>
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Single-Family Units	<b>3,214</b>
Building Permits Issued	<b>99</b>
Multi-Family Units	<b>506</b>
Building Permits Issued	<b>10</b>
Manufactured Housing Units	<b>20</b>

Median Value, Owner-Occupied Housing	<b>\$172,700</b>
Median Gross Rent (monthly)	<b>\$799</b>

**DEMOGRAPHICS****(US CENSUS)**

Total Population	Community	County
2000	<b>10,914</b>	<b>380,841</b>
1990	<b>9,408</b>	<b>336,073</b>
1980	<b>8,090</b>	<b>276,608</b>
1970	<b>5,408</b>	<b>223,941</b>

Population by Gender, 2000		
Male	<b>5,423</b>	Female <b>5,491</b>

Population by Age Group, 2000	
Under age 5	<b>804</b>
Age 5 to 19	<b>2,577</b>
Age 20 to 34	<b>1,824</b>
Age 35 to 54	<b>3,888</b>
Age 55 to 64	<b>967</b>
Age 65 and over	<b>854</b>

Median Age	<b>36 years</b>
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Total Households	<b>3,614</b>	Ave. Size	<b>3.03 persons</b>
Total Families	<b>2,995</b>	Ave. Size	<b>3.33 persons</b>

Educational Attainment, population 25 years and over	
High school graduate or higher	<b>87.2%</b>
Bachelor's degree or higher	<b>24.7%</b>

**ANNUAL INCOME, 1999****(US CENSUS)**

Per capita income	<b>\$25,158</b>
Median 4-person family income	<b>\$73,365</b>
Median household income	<b>\$68,608</b>

Median Earnings, full-time, year-round workers	
Male	<b>\$47,685</b>
Female	<b>\$33,375</b>

Families below the poverty level	<b>1.6%</b>
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**TRANSPORTATION**

Road Access	Federal Routes	
	State Routes	<b>38, 128, 111A</b>
Nearest Interstate, Exit		<b>I-93, Exit 1</b>
	Distance	<b>7 miles</b>

Railroad	<b>No</b>
Public Transportation	<b>No</b>

Nearest Airport	<b>Nashua</b>
Runway	<b>5,501 feet</b>
Lighted? <b>Yes</b>	Navigational Aids? <b>Yes</b>

Nearest Commercial Airport	<b>Manchester</b>
Distance	<b>31 miles</b>

**DISTANCE TO**

Manchester, NH	<b>25 miles</b>
Portland, ME	<b>97 miles</b>
Boston, MA	<b>33 miles</b>
New York City, NY	<b>225 miles</b>
Montreal, Quebec	<b>281 miles</b>

## EDUCATION/CHILD CARE FACILITIES

	Elementary	Middle/Junior High	High School	Private/Parochial
Primary & Secondary				
Number of Schools	1	1	1	1
Grade Levels	R-4	5-8	9-12	1-8
Total Enrollment	629	667	573	240

If no schools, district students attend:

Regional Career Technology Center(s): **Pinkerton Academy; Salem High School**

Region: **17**

NH Licensed Child Care Facilities, 2001: Total Facilities: **16** Total Capacity: **542**

Nearest Community/Technical College: **Nashua**

Nearest Colleges or Universities: **Daniel Webster; Rivier**

LARGEST EMPLOYERS	PRODUCT/SERVICE	EMPLOYEES	ESTABLISHED
National Northeast	Aluminum extrusion	300	1997
Pelham School District	Education	258	
Victory Supermarket	Supermarket	85	1996
Quality Assured Cable	Cabling	70	1997
Chunky's Cinema	Cinema	50	1997

## LABOR FORCE

	1990	2001
Annual Average		
Civilian labor force	6,100	7,070
Employed	5,489	6,697
Unemployed	611	373
Unemployment rate	10.0%	5.3%

## COMMUTING TO WORK, 2000 (US CENSUS)

Workers 16 years and over	
Drove alone, car/truck/van	86.7%
Carpooled, car/truck/van	8.3%
Public transportation	1.0%
Walked	0.7%
Other means	1.0%
Worked at home	2.3%

Mean Travel Time to Work **27.2 minutes**

## EMPLOYMENT & WAGES 1991 2000

	1991	2000
Manufacturing Industries		
Average Employment	117	397
Average Weekly Wage	\$464	\$683
Non-Manufacturing Industries		
Average Employment	1,131	1,151
Average Weekly Wage	\$334	\$501
Total Private Industry		
Average Employment	1,248	1,548
Average Weekly Wage	\$346	\$548
Government		
Average Employment	298	391
Average Weekly Wage	\$467	\$496
Total, Private plus Government		
Average Employment	1,547	1,940
Average Weekly Wage	\$369	\$537

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## RECREATIONAL FACILITIES

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
X	Cinemas
	Performing Arts Facilities
	Tourist Attractions
X	Youth Organizations (i.e., Scouts, 4-H)
X	Youth Sports: Baseball
X	Youth Sports: Soccer
X	Youth Sports: Football
X	Youth Sports: Basketball
	Youth Sports: Hockey
	Campgrounds
X	Fishing/Hunting
	Boating/Marinas
X	Snowmobile Trails
X	Bicycle Trails
	Cross Country Skiing

Nearest Ski Area(s): **McIntyre**

Other: