Newton, NH

Community Contact

Town of Newton
Mary-Jo McCullough, Town Clerk/Tax Collector
2 Town Hall Road, PO Box 375
Newton, NH 03858

Telephone (603) 382-4096 x12
Fax (603) 382-2596
E-mail townclerktaxcollector@newtonnh.net
Web Site www.newton-nh.gov

Municipal Office Hours Monday through Wednesday, 8 am - 4 pm, Thursday, 12 noon - 8 pm

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 24
State Representative Rockingham County Districts 15, 35

Incorporated: 1749

Origin: The sixth town to be granted from the Masonian land purchase of 1746, Newton was originally part of South Hampton. Residents in the western portion felt they were too far away from the South Hampton church and meetinghouse, some having to travel 14 miles, and petitioned for a parish of their own. The town was incorporated as New Town in 1749 simply because it was a new town. The church built by these residents was the first Baptist church in New Hampshire. In 1846, the New Hampshire legislature voted to contract the name to Newton.

Villages and Place Names: Newton Junction, Rowes Corner, Sargent Corners

Population, Year of the First Census Taken: 530 residents in 1790

Population Trends: Population change for Newton totaled 3,298 over 54 years, from 1,419 in 1960 to 4,717 in 2014. The largest decennial percent change was a 60 percent increase between 1970 and 1980, which followed a 35 percent increase over the previous decade. The 2014 Census estimate for Newton was 4,717 residents, which ranked 74th among New Hampshire's incorporated cities and towns.

Population Density and Land Area, 2014 (US Census Bureau): 479.9 persons per square mile of land area. Newton contains 9.8 square miles of land area and 0.1 square miles of inland water area.
### Municipal Services

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Type of Government</th>
<th>Selectmen</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Budget: Municipal Appropriations, 2016</td>
<td>$4,831,662</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Budget: School Appropriations, 2016-2017</td>
<td>$12,103,617</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Zoning Ordinance</td>
<td>1973/09</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Master Plan</td>
<td>2008</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Capital Improvement Plan</td>
<td>Yes</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Industrial Plans Reviewed By</td>
<td>Planning Board</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

#### Boards and Commissions

- **Elected:** Selectmen; Planning; Library; Cemetery; Trust Funds
- **Appointed:** Conservation; Recreation; Cable TV; Stewardship; Appeals

#### Emergency Services

- Police Department: Full-time
- Fire Department: Part-time
- Emergency Medical Service: Volunteer

#### Nearest Hospital(s)

- Exeter Hospital, Exeter: 11 miles, 99
- Holy Family Hospital at Merrimack Valley: 9 miles, 105

### Utilities

- Electric Supplier: Unitil
- Natural Gas Supplier: None
- Water Supplier: Private wells
- Sanitation: Private septic
- Municipal Wastewater Treatment Plant: No
- Solid Waste Disposal: Private
- Curbside Trash Pickup: No
- Pay-As-You-Throw Program: No
- Recycling Program: Voluntary
- Telephone Company: Fairpoint
- Cellular Telephone Access: Yes
- Cable Television Access: Yes
- Public Access Television Station: Yes
- High Speed Internet Service: Business, Residential

#### Property Taxes

- 2015 Total Tax Rate (per $1000 of value): $26.17
- 2015 Equalization Ratio: 98.8
- 2015 Full Value Tax Rate (per $1000 of value): $25.72
- 2015 Percent of Local Assessed Valuation by Property Type:
  - Residential Land and Buildings: 90.5%
  - Commercial Land and Buildings: 6.4%
  - Public Utilities, Current Use, and Other: 3.1%

#### Housing

- (ACS 2010-2014)
  - Total Housing Units: 1,817
  - Single-Family Units, Detached or Attached: 1,511
  - Units in Multiple-Family Structures:
    - Two to Four Units in Structure: 61
    - Five or More Units in Structure: 174
    - Mobile Homes and Other Housing Units: 71

### Demographics

#### (US Census Bureau)

- Total Population
  - 2014: 4,717
  - 2010: 4,603
  - 2000: 4,325
  - 1990: 3,546
  - 1980: 3,068
  - 1970: 1,920

- County
  - 2014: 297,702
  - 2010: 295,223
  - 2000: 278,748
  - 1990: 246,744
  - 1980: 190,345
  - 1970: 138,951

- Demographics, American Community Survey (ACS) 2010-2014
  - Population by Gender
    - Male: 2,135, Female: 2,582
  - Population by Age Group
    - Under age 5: 301
    - Age 5 to 19: 1,014
    - Age 20 to 34: 809
    - Age 35 to 54: 1,553
    - Age 55 to 64: 616
    - Age 65 and over: 424
    - Median Age: 38.5 years
  - Educational Attainment, population 25 years and over
    - High school graduate or higher: 95.1%
    - Bachelor's degree or higher: 29.0%

#### Income, Inflation Adjusted $ (ACS 2010-2014)

- Per capita income: $34,840
- Median family income: $91,071
- Median household income: $78,980

- Median Earnings, full-time, year-round workers
  - Male: $63,654
  - Female: $44,018

- Individuals below the poverty level: 9.1%

#### Labor Force

- (NHES – ELMI)
  - Annual Average
    - 2005: 2,571
    - 2015: 3,066
    - Civilian labor force: 2,433
    - Employed: 2,920
    - Unemployed: 146
    - Unemployment rate: 5.4% (4.8%)

#### Employment & Wages

- (NHES – ELMI)
  - Annual Average Covered Employment
    - 2004: 2014
    - Goods Producing Industries
      - Average Employment: 100
      - Average Weekly Wage: $ 991
    - Service Providing Industries
      - Average Employment: 154
      - Average Weekly Wage: $ 687
  - Total Private Industry
    - Average Employment: 254
    - Average Weekly Wage: $ 806
    - Government (Federal, State, and Local)
      - Average Employment: 169
      - Average Weekly Wage: $ 608
  - Total, Private Industry plus Government
    - Average Employment: 423
    - Average Weekly Wage: $ 727
## Education and Childcare

Schools students attend: Grades K-12 are part of Sanborn Regional (Kingston, Newton)  
Career Technology Center(s): Seacoast School of Technology  
District: SAU 17  
Region: 18  
Number of Schools: 1  
Grade Levels: PK 1-5  
Total Enrollment: 305  

Nearest Community College: Great Bay  
Nearest Colleges or Universities: New England; University of NH

### Largest Businesses

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Product/Service</th>
<th>Employees</th>
<th>Established</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Town of Newton</td>
<td>Municipal services</td>
<td>110</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Continental Biomass Inc. (CBI)</td>
<td>Production machinery</td>
<td>71</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Ravensburger-FX Schmid, USA</td>
<td>Game puzzles</td>
<td>35</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Newton Greenhouse</td>
<td>Wholesale florist</td>
<td>14</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Pro Design</td>
<td>Fiberglass forms</td>
<td>6</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

### Transportation (distances estimated from city/town hall)

- **Road Access**
  - US Routes  
  - State Routes  
  - Nearest Interstate, Exit: I-495 (MA), Exit 53  
  - Distance: 5 miles  
- **Railroad** No  
- **Public Transportation** No  

### Largest Business with Scheduled Service

- **Manchester-Boston Regional**  
  - Distance: 34 miles  

### Commuting to Work (ACS 2010-2014)

- **Workers 16 years and over**  
  - Drove alone, car/truck/van: 84.6%  
  - Carpooled, car/truck/van: 8.1%  
  - Public transportation: 0.2%  
  - Walked: 0.4%  
  - Other means: 1.7%  
  - Worked at home: 5.0%  
  - **Mean Travel Time to Work**: 33.7 minutes

### Recreation, Attractions, and Events

- **Municipal Parks**  
- **YMCA/YWCA**  
- **Boys Club/Girls Club**  
- **Tourist Attractions**  
- **Youth Organizations (i.e., Scouts, 4-H)**  
- **Youth Sports: Baseball**  
- **Youth Sports: Soccer**  
- **Youth Sports: Football**  
- **Youth Sports: Basketball**  
- **Youth Sports: Hockey**  
- **Snowmobile Trails**  
- **Bicycle Trails**  
- **Cross Country Skiing**  
- **Beach or Waterfront Recreation Area**  

Nearest Ski Area(s): Gunstock

Other: