

Bedford

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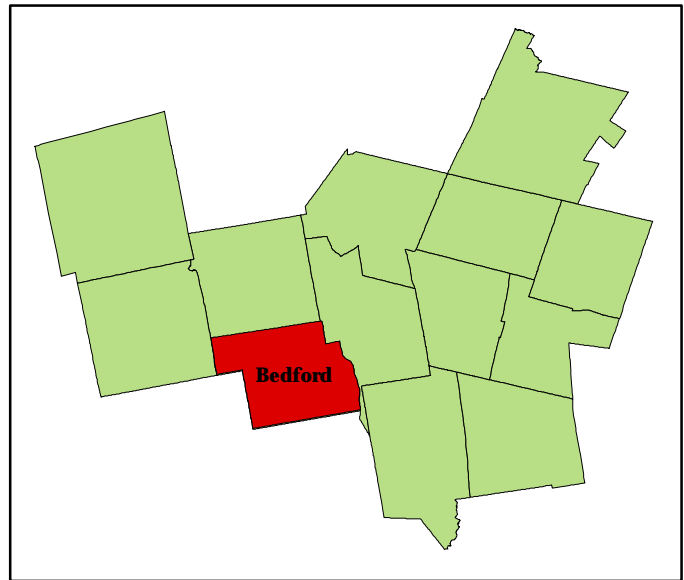
County	Hillsborough
Date of Incorporation	1750
Labor Market Area	Manchester
Planning Region	Southern NH

FlashFacts

Population

	1980	1990	2000
Total	9,481	12,563	18,274
Male	4,669	6,226	8,988
Female	4,812	6,337	9,286
Regional Rank in Total Population	5th	5th	4th
Median Age (years)	n/a	36.5	39.2

1980, 1990 & 2000 US Census



Geography

	1990	2000
Total Area (square miles)	33.1	33.1
Population per square mile	380.1	552.9
Regional Rank in Total Area	9th	9th
Regional Rank in population per square mile	5th	3rd

SNHPC Data

Community Resources

	2004
Assisted Housing Units	51
Main Street Program	No
NH Licensed Child Care Facilities	15
Public Transit	Yes
Regional Ranking in Assisted Housing Units	5th
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NHHFA 2004 Directory of Assisted Housing
Child Care Resource and Referral, 2004
Manchester Transit Authority Routing Information, 2004

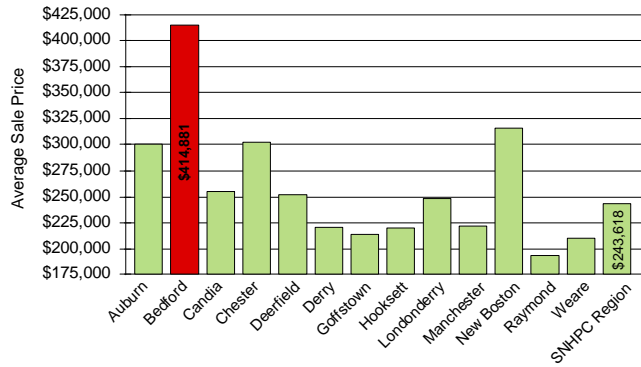
Housing

	1990	2000
Total Households	3,997	6,251
Average Household Size	3.14	2.85
Total Housing Units	4,156	6,401
Occupied Housing Units	3,997	6,251
Vacant Housing Units	159	150
Units for Seasonal, Recreational or Occasional Use	7	34
Homeowner Vacancy Rate (percent)	2.4	0.8
Rental Vacancy Rate (percent)	11.8	3.0
Regional Ranking in Average Household Size	1st (tie)	8th

1990 & 2000 US Census



Average Sale Price of Residential Units in the SNHPC Region:
October 2003 - September 2004



SNHPC Data

Zoning Provisions for Child Care & Elderly Housing in the SNHPC Region

Municipality	Child Care	Elderly Housing
Auburn	X	*
Bedford	X	X
Candia	X	X
Chester	X	*
Deerfield	X	*
Derry	X	*
Goffstown	X	X
Hooksett	X	X
Londonderry	X	X
Manchester	X	*
New Boston	X	*
Raymond	X	X
Weare	X	*

Current Community Zoning Ordinance

"X" indicates a permitted use in community zoning

* Although not specifically noted in the zoning, elderly housing can exist in certain areas

Education

Public School Enrollment

	2003	2004
Preschool/Kindergarten	202	224
Elementary School	1,673	1,653
Middle/Jr. High	935	972
High School	836	851
2000 Pop. less than 5 years of age	1,329	

SAU #25 Bedford Office

The Community Development Finance Authority (CDFA) supports affordable housing and economic development activities that benefit low and moderate income citizens. CDFA accomplishes these objectives by providing technical assistance and financial support to non-profit community development organizations, cooperatives, and other volunteer citizen groups that are engaged in these activities. The Authority is particularly interested in the more economically distressed areas of the State.



For more Bedford Information:

www.ci.bedford.nh.us

www.snhpc.org

Unless otherwise noted, all information was obtained from the 2000 U.S. Census.

Employment

	1990	2003
Annual Average Labor Force	7,293	11,563
Employment	7,037	11,200
Unemployment	256	363
Unemployment Rate (percent)	3.5%	3.1%
Regional Rank in Unemployment Rate	13th	13th

Economic & Labor Market Information Bureau

Commuting to Work

	2000
Workers (16 years+)	9,066
Vehicle-drove alone	7,798
Vehicle-carpoled	486
Pub. Trans. (including taxis)	26
Walked	49
Other means	135
Worked at home	572
Mean Travel Time (minutes)	27.2
Mean Vehicles per Household	2.05

US Census

Largest Employers

	# of Emp.
Wal-Mart	283
Bedford School District	245
Macy's	199
Car Components Technology	196
Sheraton Tara Wayfarer Inn	185
Managed OPS.COM	180
Kelly Services	150
Harvey Construction	100
Continental P.E.T.	100

Economic & Labor Market Information Bureau, NHDES

Tax Rates

	1990	2003
Full Value Tax Rate	\$16.72	\$13.22
Regional Rank in Full Value Tax	13th	13th

NH Department of Revenue Administration

Some of the services provided by the Southern New Hampshire Planning Commission to its member communities include:

- Periodic update of municipal zoning maps
- Periodic update of municipal base maps
- Provide copies of Commission reports, statistical data, and graphic resources for municipal use
- Prepare and interpret model local codes and ordinances
- Provide staff consultation on federal application procedures
- Provide traffic counts at locations requested by local officials

