



WESTHAMPTON

Westhampton is characterized by rolling hills and a country atmosphere, yet this small, rural town is quickly becoming an attractive residential community. Over the last 30 years, the town has nearly doubled in population. As of 2014, there were 1,586 residents, an increase of nearly 21.6 percent since 1990.

Established in 1778 as a farming community, one of its most famous citizens was Revolutionary War patriot Ethan Allen, who once owned a mine in town. In addition, Reverend Enoch Hale, brother of Nathan Hale, was the first minister of Westhampton. The town center offers a picturesque setting with a library, town hall, church and the town common. The Westhampton Blacksmith Shop Museum is nearby. It houses a vast collection of memorabilia donated by residents and continues to preserve the history of the town. Only a small percentage of the land area has been developed for commercial use. Wood products, lumber, and farming are still important industries. There are several dairy farms which continue to operate full-time. Maple sugar houses can be seen throughout the town, and many residents engage in maple sugaring in the winter.

Westhampton has an eighteen year old elementary school with one class per grade. The Hampshire Regional High School is located in the middle of town and also serves the communities of Chesterfield, Goshen, Southampton, and Williamsburg. The town relies on volunteers for town administrative boards and committees, as well as its fire department.

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Type of Government:

Open Town Meeting, 3 Selectmen.

Transit System:

Public Carrier None

Private Carrier None

Para-Transit Carrier FRTA

MUNICIPAL OFFICE

Town Hall
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LAND AREA and TAX BASE

Acres	17,508
Square Miles	27
2012	
Vehicle Registrations <i>(autos and light trucks)</i>	1,945
2015	
Property Tax Rates	
Residential	\$18.25
Commercial/Industrial	\$18.25

POPULATION TRENDS

1970	793
2014	1,137
1990	1,304
2000	1,473
2010	1,607
2014	1,586

2014	Race and Latino Population	
White		97.6%
Black		0.0%
Asian		1.1%
Other		1.3%
Latino (of any race)		4.8%

Note: Race %s can be greater than 100% because of multiple race persons.

Percent of Population by Age

Age	1990	2000	2010
0 - 4	9.1	5.2	4.5
5 - 9	7.0	7.2	5.7
10 - 14	7.5	8.6	7.1
15 - 19	8.3	6.2	6.2
20 - 24	4.9	3.3	4.0
25 - 34	15.6	9.2	6.5
35 - 44	20.9	21.8	13.0
45 - 54	11.9	19.4	21.5
55 - 59	3.6	5.9	10.3
60 - 64	3.2	4.1	8.0
65 - 74	4.8	5.7	7.9
75 & over	3.2	3.5	5.2

LAND USE 2005

Total Square Miles		27
Total Road Miles	2009	48

Land Use	Acres
Residential	675
Commercial	15
Industrial	19
Urban Open/Public	52
Transportation	0
Outdoor Recreational	31
Agricultural Land	875
Undeveloped Land	15,552
Water	81

RECREATION AREAS

PARKS: None

GOLF COURSES: None

CLUBS: Russell Beagle Club, Easthampton Beagle Club.

SPECIAL: Windy Acres Campground, Fuller's Horse Camp, Outlook Farm, Westhampton Blacksmith Shop Museum.

Data Sources: Massachusetts Department of Revenue; Massachusetts Executive Office of Labor & Workforce Development; Massachusetts Department of Education; United States Census Bureau; The Warren Group; Resource Mapping; University of Massachusetts; Applied Geographic Solutions; Local Municipal Offices

EMPLOYERS and EMPLOYMENT

2014

Industry	Number	Percent of Community Total
Agriculture, Forestry, Fisheries	0	0.0%
Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation	0	0.0%
Construction	17	5.3%
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	0	0.0%
Health Care and Social Assistance	7	2.2%
Information	0	0.0%
Manufacturing	0	0.0%
Services	236	73.8%
Transportation, Comm. & Utilities	0	0.0%
Wholesale and Retail Trade	44	13.8%

Note: Above does not include self-employed, where many work in the agriculture, construction and service industries.

Average Weekly Wage \$710

Self-employed (includes all business types) 171

WHERE RESIDENTS WORK 2014

12.1%	work in Westhampton
87.9%	commute out of Westhampton

HOUSING PRICES

Year	Number of Sales	Median Sales Price
2010	17	\$219,900
2011	15	\$285,000
2012	27	\$228,000
2013	28	\$291,000
2014	27	\$245,000

EDUCATION

Educational Attainment of Persons 25 Years and Older *

2013

Less than 12 years	6.1%
4 years High School	29.5%
Less than 4 years College	30.8%
4 or more years College	33.5%

*Expressed as the highest level attained.

District	Grades	Integrated Per Pupil Cost 2013
Westhampton	PK-6	\$12,955
Hampshire	7-12	\$14,819

RESIDENTS IN THE LABOR FORCE

Year	Labor Force	Percent Unemployed
2004	940	3.3%
2005	944	2.9%
2006	960	2.7%
2007	967	3.1%
2008	964	4.3%
2009	952	6.9%
2010	941	6.2%
2011	989	4.4%
2012	1,001	4.6%
2013	1,011	6.1%
2014	1,020	4.9%

HOUSEHOLD INCOME 2010-2014

\$0 - \$9,999	3.1%
\$10,000 - \$14,999	2.1%
\$15,000 - \$24,999	4.6%
\$25,000 - \$34,999	8.0%
\$35,000 - \$49,999	9.5%
\$50,000 - \$74,999	19.5%
\$75,000 & over	53.1%

Median Household Income: 2010-14 \$79,583

Persons Below Poverty Level: 2010-2014 5.2%