

**Town of Hopkinton Master Plan  
Community Survey Results  
May, 2000**

Are you a resident of:

	Total	Pct.
Hopkinton	916	94.0%
Other State	25	2.6%
Other Town	32	3.4%
Total	973	100.0%

If you are a resident of the town, what general area do you consider yourself a resident of?

	Total	Pct.
Contoocook	452	49.3%
Hopkinton	260	28.4%
Hopkinton Village	120	13.1%
West Hopkinton	68	7.4%
No Answer	16	1.7%
Total	973	100.0%

How long have you lived in Hopkinton?

	Total	Pct.
Less than 5 years	207	22.6%
5 - 10 years	131	14.3%
10 - 20 years	219	23.9%
Over 20 years	341	37.2%
No Answer	18	2.0%
Total	916	100.0%

What is the highest level of education completed by each adult in the household?

	Total
Some High School or Less	49
High School Graduate/GED	227
Technical or Junior College	87
Some College	226
College Graduate	409
Post Graduate	356

Where do you work?

Full Time		
	Total	Pct.
Concord	350	41.4%
Hopkinton	97	11.5%
Contoocook	82	9.7%
Manchester	88	10.4%
Henniker	26	3.1%
Bow	20	2.4%
Hooksett	11	1.3%
Nashua	11	1.3%
Boscawen	8	0.9%
New London	8	0.9%
Penacook	8	0.9%
Weare	8	0.9%
Hillsborough	8	0.9%
Franklin	7	0.8%
Bedford	6	0.7%
Warner	6	0.7%
Boston, MA	5	0.6%
Pembroke	5	0.6%
All Others	85	10.0%

Part Time		
	Total	Pct.
Concord	105	39.9%
Hopkinton	67	25.5%
Contoocook	38	14.4%
Manchester	10	3.8%
Warner	7	2.7%
Bow	4	1.5%
New London	4	1.5%
All Others	28	10.6%

Type of employment for each person employed:

Type of Employment	Total
Professional	196
Retired	136
Health	115
Education	112
Retail	77
Government	69
Business Services	68
Homemaker	66
Manufacturing	65
Student	59
Computers / High Tech	54
Building Trades	46
Finance	43
Agriculture/Forestry	27
Non-profit	25
Telecommunications	22
Real Estate	10
Unemployed	7
Other	105

What are the desirable qualities of Hopkinton? Check all that apply.

Feature	Total
Small Town / Rural Atmosphere	852
Location	665
People / Community Spirit	496
Historical Character	487
Educational System	444
Scenic Areas	431
Villages	370
Natural Resources	293
Community / Recreational Facilities	264
Town Services	262
Employment Opportunities	48
No Opinion	22

Do you believe the Town should adopt building codes?

	Total	Pct.
Yes	391	40.2%
No	301	30.9%
Unsure	159	16.3%
No Opinion	39	4.0%
No Answer	83	8.5%
Total	973	100.0%

Does Hopkinton need to establish specific design or architectural requirements to regulate how buildings should look? Check all that apply.

	Total
Residential	62
Non-Residential	239
Both	219
None	386
No Opinion	84

If specific design or architectural requirements are desirable, what areas of Town would be most appropriate for such standards? Check all that apply.

Area	Total
In Hopkinton Village	425
In Contoocook Village	342
Along Routes 9 and 202	99
Along Route 103	124
Along Route 127 (Maple St.)	126
In Rural Areas	35
Throughout Town	183
None	222

What types of housing would you like to see Hopkinton encourage?

Housing Type	Total
Single Family	707
Two Family (Duplexes)	108
Multi-Family (3-4 units)	55
Elderly Housing	367
Conversion to Apartments	112
Manu. Housing on Individual Lots	70
Manufactured Housing in Parks	55
Condominiums/Town Houses	143
New Apt. Buildings (5+ units)	47
Cluster Developments	247

Should Hopkinton try to encourage commercial/non-residential growth to broaden its tax base?

	Total	Pct.
Yes	551	56.6%
No	257	26.4%
No Opinion	85	8.7%
No Answer	80	8.2%
Total	973	100.0%

Are current commercial and industrial zones in Hopkinton adequate?

	Total	Pct.
Yes	314	32.3%
No	225	23.1%
No Opinion	368	37.8%
No Answer	66	6.8%
Total	973	100.0%

Should the Town implement policies to limit the amount of new homes which are built in Town?

	Total	Pct.
Yes	561	57.7%
No	189	28.4%
Unsure	148	13.1%
No Opinion	33	7.4%
No Answer	42	1.7%
Total	973	100.0%

In your opinion, which statement characterizes Hopkinton's rate of residential growth?

	Total	Pct.
Hopkinton is growing too fast	213	21.9%
Hopkinton is growing too slow	22	2.3%
Hopkinton is growing as fast as appropriate	519	53.3%
No Opinion	165	17.0%
No Answer	54	5.5%
Total	973	100.0%

Which of the following commercial enterprises would you like to see in Town? If you would like a particular type of development, please note where such development should be located.

	Location								
	Want in Town	Don't Want in Town	In Hopkinton Village	In Contoocook Village	With Access to Routes 9 and 202	With Access to Route 103	With Access to Route 127 (Maple St.)	Burnham/Intervale	In Rural Areas
Professional Offices	550	86	198	325	222	193	188	91	35
Light Industrial Parks	406	209	24	37	197	142	166	219	65
Heavy Industrial Parks	79	500	12	15	57	34	35	65	17
Retail	417	178	187	322	108	96	87	36	13
Restaurants	543	83	337	395	133	115	107	28	26
Services	351	107	165	241	104	100	102	43	22
Home Businesses / Occupation	465	87	209	229	149	145	143	113	152
Recreational Businesssees	349	174	81	140	112	109	98	53	78
Hotels / Motels / Inns	210	366	78	87	125	95	81	22	36
Major Shopping Malls	36	592	11	17	25	19	22	4	6
Major Grocery Store	118	508	30	60	48	34	31	8	5

Should the Town appropriate money to be used for the protection and preservation of natural, cultural and historic resources?

	Total	Pct.
Yes	589	60.5%
No	117	12.0%
No Opinion	168	17.3%
No Answer	99	10.2%
Total	973	100.0%

In your opinion, what is the general condition of roads in Hopkinton?

	Total	Pct.
Good	410	42.1%
Fair	419	43.1%
Poor	48	4.9%
No Opinion	6	0.6%
No Answer	90	10.2%
Total	973	100.0%

Should recreational opportunities be:

	Total	Pct.
Increased	427	43.9%
Stay the Same	337	34.6%
Decreased	11	1.1%
No Opinion	132	13.6%
No Answer	66	6.8%
Total	973	100.0%

Please indicate which community services and facilities you would like the Town to develop and/or improve in the future.

<b>Community Service/Facility</b>	<b>Total</b>
Non-Motorized Recreational Paths	426
Canoe / Boat Launch	421
Teen Center	350
Picnic Areas	326
Elderly Recreational Facilities	301
Community Center Services	287
Senior Citizen Needs (non-physical)	245
Cultural Activities	227
Play Grounds	225
Tennis Courts	216
Extension of Concord Area Transit (CAT)	211
Basketball Courts	196
Public Swimming Pool	172
Additional Athletic Fields	133
Hockey / Ice Rink	115
Golf Course	100
Recreational Needs (non-physical)	91
Motorized Trails	62

In order to help Town Officials better direct their efforts to meet the needs of the community, we need your opinion on the relative importance/rating on the following Issues and Town Services

### Issues

	Effort Should Be (Please Check)				
	More	Same	Less	No Opinion	No Answer
Protection of Ground and Surface Water	508	301	11	52	101
Protection of Woodlands and Wildlife Habitat	430	373	25	55	90
Preservation of Farmland and Pastures	430	351	31	68	93
Expansion of Town Forests / Conservation Lands	381	354	55	80	103
Encourage Development of Light Industry	380	245	170	61	117
Encourage Commercial / Retail Growth	363	271	175	53	111
Preservation of Historic Sites and Buildings through Zoning	356	390	61	69	97
Designation and Protection of Wetlands	353	386	64	72	98
Operation of Parks and Recreational Facilities	312	441	37	72	111
Development of Motorized and Non-Motorized Trails	250	230	242	124	127
Expansion of Sewer System	222	380	90	160	121
Maintenance / Expansion of Town Water System	195	431	77	151	119

### Town Services

	Please "Rate" These Town Services				
	Good	Fair	No Opinion	Poor	No Answer
Animal Control	296	154	316	102	105
Building Code Enforcement	213	148	390	91	131
Cemetery Care	454	110	295	13	101
Fire Protection	693	64	124	3	89
Health Regulations and Enforcement	249	125	450	27	122
Historical Preservation	388	255	199	27	104
Library	737	61	75	12	88
Natural Resource Conservation	283	265	259	32	134
Parks and Recreation	370	306	141	45	111
Planning Regulation Administration	223	215	352	52	131
Police Protection / Enforcement	664	130	68	18	93
Rescue / Ambulance Service	702	54	127	4	86
Road Maintenance	482	318	32	58	83
School System	545	181	106	47	94
Garbage Disposal and Recycling	514	188	117	62	92
Welfare	185	115	517	23	133
Zoning Administration / Enforcement	195	157	407	66	148