



Incorporated: 1781

Hampshire County

The Town of Goshen is a rural community located in Western Massachusetts in the Berkshire foothills. Now over 200 years old, the town has been successful in maintaining its rural integrity despite being within commuting distance of several colleges and cultural areas and the development pressure that this implies. Goshen has been a vacation area for 100 years and enjoys the presence of scenic lakes that are the central attraction for a state forest and for private cottage areas. Goshen is now considered a bedroom community, a real “summer community” for professors and retired professionals who have purchased many of the old farms...but without changing the community much because they come here for privacy. (narrative supplied by community)

Population: 932 approximately

Total Area: 17.7 square miles +/-

Government: Open annual town meeting;
Board of Selectmen; Administrative Assistant

Tax Rate: \$13.27 (2008)

School Superintendent: 527-7200

Colleges and Universities: None

Public Schools: K-8 Center School in Goshen
Hampshire Regional High School

Private Schools:

Shopping: Local convenience store; within a 25 minute proximity to Northampton and 40 minutes to larger shopping malls etc.

Libraries: Goshen Public Library 268-7856

Recreational Facilities: DAR State Forest with Highland Lake & campground; numerous small lakes

Utilities:

Electric: Massachusetts Electric 413-582-7200

Gas: No natural gas available

Telephone: Verizon 800-870-9999

Cable not available

Child Care Providers: 413-582-4218

Child Care Focus

56 Vernon Street

Northampton, MA 01060

--provides a list of licensed childcare facilities

For More Information:

Town hall: 268-8236

www.magnet.state.ma.us

www.jonesgrouponline.com

