

Map 1 - Land Use 2015

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Land Conservation Plan Atkinson, NH 2022

**Town of Atkinson
Historical Land Use (Acres)**

Land Use Type	1962	1974	1998	2005	2010	2015	2010 to 2015 Change in Acreage	2010 to 2015 Percent Change
Active Agricultural	740	397	208	246	268	266	-2	-0.75%
Aux Transportation				12	14	14	0	0.00%
Farmsteads	23	22	13	37	33	33	0	0.00%
Forested	5,445	5,098	3,997	3,069	3,031	2,936	-95	-3.13%
Industrial/Commercial	6	32	124	116	120	124	4	3.33%
Mixed Urban		2	96	9	9	9	0	0.00%
Open Wetlands	120	126	49	381	381	381	0	0.00%
Other/Idle	147	308	228	234	205	240	35	17.07%
Playing Fields/Recreation				189	202	221	19	9.41%
Railroad				2	2	2	0	0.00%
Residential	574	1,063	2,228	2,580	2,605	2,633	28	1.07%
Transportation	76	100	160	189	190	200	10	5.26%
Utilities				15	15	15	0	0.00%
Water	126	111	158	180	184	186	2	1.09%
Total				7,259				

Note: Years 1962, 1974, and 1998 were compiled with a slightly different methodology than 2005, 2010, and 2015. Aux Transportation, Playing Fields and Utilities are categories only broken out in 2005, 2010, and 2015. Classification of Open Wetlands improved between 1998 and 2005 due to higher quality aerial photos. Many Open Wetlands had previously been classified as Forested. Classification of Playing Fields/Recreation improved in 2015 to ensure that those in proximity to a school were classified as Education.

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This 2015 Land Use map was created by screen digitizing land use/land cover polygons at a recommended display scale of 1:2,400 (1"=200') using 1-foot resolution, natural color aerial photography, acquired in April of 2015, as the background.

There is an expected update to land use in 2022. At that time this map will be updated. Please refer to the RPC website or contact the RPC for updates.

Base Features (transportation, political and hydrographic) were automated from the USGS Digital Line Graph data, 1:24,000, and archived in the GRANIT database at Complex Systems Research Center, Institute for the study of Earth, Oceans and Space, University of New Hampshire, Durham, NH; 1992-1999. The roads have been updated by Rockingham Planning Commission and by NH Dept. of Transportation through ongoing efforts.

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