

Town of East Kingston 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	1,047	971	702	624	620	617	-3	-0.48%
Aux Transportation				1	1	1	0	0.00%
Farmsteads	41	37		57	56	54	-2	-3.57%
Forested	4,660	4,550	4,426	3,340	3,288	3,193	-95	-2.89%
Industrial/Commercial	30	35	55	49	49	54	5	10.20%
Mixed Urban			92	7	7	7	0	0.00%
Open Wetlands	124	139	112	906	906	906	0	0.00%
Other/Idle	176	195	152	169	136	206	70	51.47%
Playing Fields/Recreation				103	105	103	-2	-1.90%
Railroad				12	12	12	0	0.00%
Residential	206	337	710	899	986	1,010	24	2.43%
Transportation	47	51	65	85	89	91	2	2.25%
Utilities				65	62	62	0	0.00%
Water	49	65	66	64	64	65	1	1.56%
Total	6,381							

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.

Land Use Definitions

Active Agricultural: This category includes fields, pastures, row crops, orchards, etc. It does not include farm buildings.

Aux Transportation: This category includes parking structures/lots, designated park & ride lots, margins along roadways, and medians.

Farmsteads: This category includes farm buildings.

Forested: This category includes forests.

Industrial/Commercial: This category includes commercial, services, government, educational, indoor cultural/public assembly, industrial, office parks, and shopping malls.

Mixed Urban: This category includes mixed residential-commercial, outdoor cultural/public assembly, and cemeteries.

Open Wetlands: This category includes all visible wetlands (recognizing that some forested wetlands will be indistinguishable).

Other/Idle: This category includes mining areas, vacant developed land, brush or transitional between open and forested, salt flats, beaches and river banks, sandy areas (non-beaches), bare/exposed rock, strip mine/quarry or gravel pit, and disturbed land (for example, construction).

Playing Fields/Recreation: This category includes outdoor recreation not associated with a school.

Railroad: This category includes railroad transportation.

Residential: This category includes multi-family, single family, mobile home parks, and group/transient quarters.

Transportation: This category includes air transportation, water transportation, limited and controlled highway rights-of-way, and road rights-of-way.

Utilities: This category includes communication, electric, gas, water, wastewater, and solid waste utilities.

Water: This category includes all surface water features (not including wetlands).

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