HOMETOWN TRIVIA · IPSWICH, MA

How well do you know Ipswich?

Circle the answer you think is right. Answers are on the last page.

1. About how many people lived in Ipswich in 1950?

- **A.** 16,000
- **B.** 2,800
- **C.** 6,900

2. Between 2010 and 2020, did Ipswich grow or shrink?

- **A.** It grew
- **B.** It shrank

3. Which county is Ipswich in?

- **A.** Essex County
- **B.** Berkshire County
- **C.** Suffolk County

4. About how many people lived in Ipswich in 2020?

- **A.** 4,900
- **B.** 14,000
- **C.** 36,000

REMEMBER WHEN · IPSWICH

Let's talk about home

Read one aloud and let the stories come. There are no wrong answers on this page.

- In 1950 about 6,900 people lived in Ipswich. What is the biggest change you have seen in town since then?
- Where did people in Ipswich go for an ice cream cone on a summer night?
- What was downtown Ipswich like on a Saturday when you were young?
- Where did you go to school, and how did you get there each morning?
- What did a loaf of bread or a gallon of gas cost when you first went shopping on your own?

WORD SEARCH · IPSWICH

Around Ipswich

E N L S C H O O L H O U S E D
A A B E T I P S W I C H E L B
E O M H R W E B D P B K R O A
P I C N I C I G F D A R M L K
C P O S T O F F I C E R A N E
A B V E A T P L R P N E A R R
M A I N S T R E E T B E R D Y
D N U C H U R C H B E L L N E
I D A S E I T R O L L E Y M S
N S N E S C A E U R E F N T F
E T L V R T R A S I H A N P L
R A N R S O H E E Y L V R M I
K N F L R C D E A N D A A N R
I D E E S E C U G M O A G Y A
F A E M Y K I A K O V A U G B

- ☐ BAKERY
- ☐ BANDSTAND
- ☐ CHURCHBELL
- ☐ DINER
- ☐ FIREHOUSE
- ☐ ICECREAM
- ☐ IPSWICH
- ☐ LIBRARY
- ☐ MAINSTREET
- ☐ PARADE
- ☐ PICNIC
- ☐ POSTOFFICE
- ☐ SCHOOLHOUSE
- ☐ TROLLEY

FOR THE ACTIVITY DIRECTOR

Answers and sources

1. 6,900 The 1950 census counted 6,895 people in Ipswich.

Sources: https://www2.census.gov/library/publications/decennial/1960/pc-s1-supplementary-reports/pc-s1-9.pdf · https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Ipswich,_Massachusetts

2. It grew Ipswich counted 13,175 people in 2010 and 13,785 in 2020.

Sources: https://api.census.gov/data/2020/dec/pl · https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Ipswich,_Massachusetts

3. Essex County Ipswich is in Essex County, Massachusetts.

Sources: https://api.census.gov/data/2020/dec/pl · https://www.wikidata.org/wiki/Q376786

4. 14,000 The 2020 census counted 13,785 people in Ipswich.

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Word search answers. Every word reads left to right, top to bottom, or diagonally downward. None run backwards.

E	N	L	S	C	H	O	O	L	H	O	U	S	E	D
A	A	B	E	T	I	P	S	W	I	C	H	E	L	B
E	O	M	H	R	W	E	B	D	P	B	K	R	O	A
P	I	C	N	I	C	I	G	F	D	A	R	M	L	K
C	P	O	S	T	O	F	F	I	C	E	R	A	N	E
A	B	V	E	A	T	P	L	R	P	N	E	A	R	R
M	A	I	N	S	T	R	E	E	T	B	E	R	D	Y
D	N	U	C	H	U	R	C	H	B	E	L	L	N	E
I	D	A	S	E	I	T	R	O	L	L	E	Y	M	S
N	S	N	E	S	C	A	E	U	R	E	F	N	T	F
E	T	L	V	R	T	R	A	S	I	H	A	N	P	L
R	A	N	R	S	O	H	E	E	Y	L	V	R	M	I
K	N	F	L	R	C	D	E	A	N	D	A	A	N	R
I	D	E	E	S	E	C	U	G	M	O	A	G	Y	A
F	A	E	M	Y	K	I	A	K	O	V	A	U	G	B

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