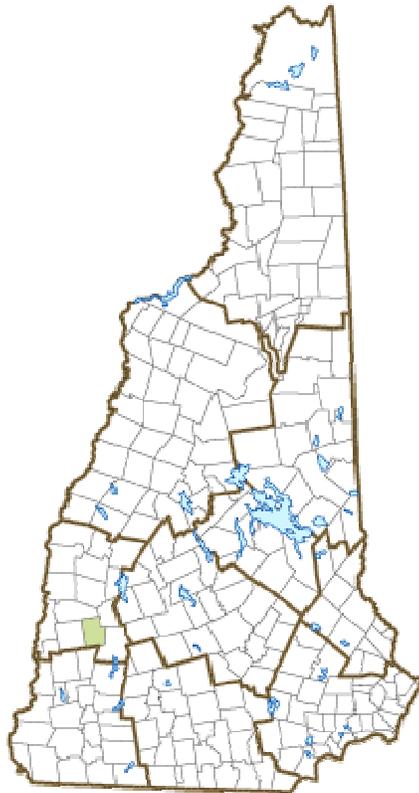


# Lempster, NH



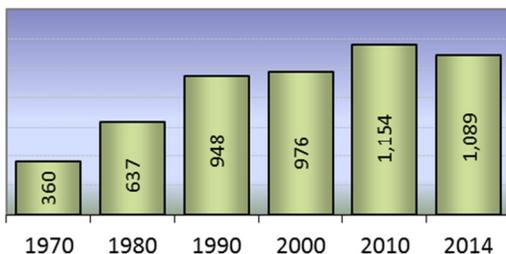
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Web Site	<b>www.lempsternh.org</b>
Municipal Office Hours	<b>Business Office: Tuesday, Wednesday, 8 am - 4:30 pm, Friday, 8 am - 1 pm; Town Clerk, Tax Collector: Tuesday through Thursday, 8 am - 6 pm, Friday, Saturday, 8 am - 1 pm</b>
County	<b>Sullivan</b>
Labor Market Area	<b>Claremont-Newport, NH LMA</b>
Tourism Region	<b>Dartmouth-Lake Sunapee</b>
Planning Commission	<b>Upper Valley Lake Sunapee</b>
Regional Development	<b>Capital Regional Development Council</b>
Election Districts	
US Congress	<b>District 2</b>
Executive Council	<b>District 2</b>
State Senate	<b>District 8</b>
State Representative	<b>Sullivan County Districts 7, 11</b>

**Incorporated:** 1761

**Origin:** This territory was originally granted in 1735 by Massachusetts Governor Belcher as Number 9, the ninth in a line of forts established to guard against Indian attacks. It was regranted in 1753 by Governor Benning Wentworth under the name Dupplin, after Sir Thomas Hay, Lord Dupplin of Scotland, who had been in charge of the settlement of Nova Scotia. The town was granted yet again in 1761 as Lempster, named for Sir Thomas Fermor of Lempster, England, who was a Wentworth relation. Settlers were not able to meet the prescribed terms, so a regrant charter was issued in 1767. By 1770 only eight families had settled there, and a charter extension was requested of and issued by Governor John Wentworth in 1772.

**Villages and Place Names:** Dodge Hollow, East Lempster, Keyes Hollow

**Population, Year of the First Census Taken:** 415 residents in 1790



**Population Trends:** Population change for Lempster totaled 817 over 54 years, from 272 in 1960 to 1,089 in 2014. The largest decennial percent change was a 77 percent increase between 1970 and 1980, followed by a 49 percent increase over the next decade. The 2014 Census estimate for Lempster was 1,089 residents, which tied with Richmond, ranking 180th among New Hampshire's incorporated cities and towns.

**Population Density and Land Area, 2014 (US Census Bureau):** 33.7 persons per square mile of land area. Lempster contains 32.3 square miles of land area and 0.4 square miles of inland water area.



<b>MUNICIPAL SERVICES</b>	
Type of Government	<b>Selectmen</b>
Budget: Municipal Appropriations, 2015	<b>\$1,422,820</b>
Budget: School Appropriations, 2015	<b>\$3,209,160</b>
Zoning Ordinance	<b>No Board</b>
Master Plan	<b>2003</b>
Capital Improvement Plan	<b>Yes</b>
Industrial Plans Reviewed By	

Boards and Commissions  
 Elected: **Selectmen; Planning; Library; Cemetery; Checklist; Trust Funds**  
 Appointed: **Conservation**

Public Library **Miner Memorial**

<b>EMERGENCY SERVICES</b>			
Police Department	<b>Sullivan County Sheriff</b>		
Fire Department	<b>Volunteer</b>		
Emergency Medical Service	<b>Volunteer</b>		
Nearest Hospital(s)	Distance	Staffed Beds	
<b>Valley Regional, Claremont</b>	<b>15 miles</b>	<b>25</b>	

<b>UTILITIES</b>	
Electric Supplier	<b>Eversource Energy; NH Electric Coop</b>
Natural Gas Supplier	<b>None</b>
Water Supplier	<b>Private wells</b>
Sanitation	<b>Private septic</b>
Municipal Wastewater Treatment Plant	<b>No</b>
Solid Waste Disposal	
Curbside Trash Pickup	<b>None</b>
Pay-As-You-Throw Program	<b>Yes</b>
Recycling Program	<b>Voluntary</b>
Telephone Company	<b>Fairpoint</b>
Cellular Telephone Access	<b>Yes</b>
Cable Television Access	<b>Yes</b>
Public Access Television Station	<b>No</b>
High Speed Internet Service:	
Business	<b>Yes</b>
Residential	<b>Yes</b>

<b>PROPERTY TAXES</b> <i>(NH Dept. of Revenue Administration)</i>	
2015 Total Tax Rate (per \$1000 of value)	<b>\$23.27</b>
2015 Equalization Ratio	<b>105.3</b>
2015 Full Value Tax Rate (per \$1000 of value)	<b>\$25.84</b>
2015 Percent of Local Assessed Valuation by Property Type	
Residential Land and Buildings	<b>63.8%</b>
Commercial Land and Buildings	<b>3.1%</b>
Public Utilities, Current Use, and Other	<b>33.1%</b>

<b>HOUSING</b> <i>(ACS 2010-2014)</i>	
Total Housing Units	<b>604</b>
Single-Family Units, Detached or Attached	<b>537</b>
Units in Multiple-Family Structures:	
Two to Four Units in Structure	<b>6</b>
Five or More Units in Structure	<b>0</b>
Mobile Homes and Other Housing Units	<b>61</b>

<b>DEMOGRAPHICS</b> <i>(US Census Bureau)</i>		
Total Population	Community	County
2014	<b>1,089</b>	<b>43,291</b>
2010	<b>1,154</b>	<b>43,742</b>
2000	<b>97</b>	<b>40,560</b>
1990	<b>948</b>	<b>38,652</b>
1980	<b>637</b>	<b>36,063</b>
1970	<b>360</b>	<b>30,949</b>

**Demographics, American Community Survey (ACS) 2010-2014**

Population by Gender			
Male	<b>546</b>	Female	<b>543</b>

Population by Age Group	
Under age 5	<b>67</b>
Age 5 to 19	<b>181</b>
Age 20 to 34	<b>112</b>
Age 35 to 54	<b>367</b>
Age 55 to 64	<b>204</b>
Age 65 and over	<b>158</b>
Median Age	<b>45.3 years</b>

Educational Attainment, population 25 years and over	
High school graduate or higher	<b>86.8%</b>
Bachelor's degree or higher	<b>18.6%</b>

<b>INCOME, INFLATION ADJUSTED \$</b> <i>(ACS 2010-2014)</i>	
Per capita income	<b>\$29,076</b>
Median family income	<b>\$66,635</b>
Median household income	<b>\$61,161</b>

Median Earnings, full-time, year-round workers	
Male	<b>\$52,604</b>
Female	<b>\$39,038</b>

Individuals below the poverty level	<b>6.7%</b>
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<b>LABOR FORCE</b> <i>(NHES – ELMII)</i>			
Annual Average	2005	2015	
Civilian labor force	<b>534</b>	<b>657</b>	
Employed	<b>515</b>	<b>628</b>	
Unemployed	<b>19</b>	<b>29</b>	
Unemployment rate	<b>3.6%</b>	<b>4.4%</b>	

<b>EMPLOYMENT &amp; WAGES</b> <i>(NHES – ELMII)</i>			
Annual Average Covered Employment	2004	2014	
Goods Producing Industries			
Average Employment	<b>7</b>	<b>n</b>	
Average Weekly Wage	<b>\$ 550</b>	<b>n</b>	
Service Providing Industries			
Average Employment	<b>20</b>	<b>n</b>	
Average Weekly Wage	<b>\$ 435</b>	<b>n</b>	
Total Private Industry			
Average Employment	<b>28</b>	<b>52</b>	
Average Weekly Wage	<b>\$ 466</b>	<b>\$1,033</b>	
Government (Federal, State, and Local)			
Average Employment	<b>57</b>	<b>67</b>	
Average Weekly Wage	<b>\$ 447</b>	<b>\$ 601</b>	
Total, Private Industry plus Government			
Average Employment	<b>84</b>	<b>119</b>	
Average Weekly Wage	<b>\$ 453</b>	<b>\$ 788</b>	

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**EDUCATION AND CHILD CARE**

Schools students attend: **Grades K-8 are part of Goshen-Lempster Cooperative (Goshen, Lempster); grades 9-12 are tuitioned to Claremont, Newport, or Sunapee** District: **SAU 71**  
 Career Technology Center(s): **Sugar River Valley RTC (Claremont; Newport)** Region: **10**

Educational Facilities (includes Charter Schools)	Elementary	Middle/Junior High	High School	Private/Parochial
Number of Schools	1			
Grade Levels	K 1-8			
Total Enrollment	108			

Nearest Community College: **River Valley**  
 Nearest Colleges or Universities: **Keene State; Colby-Sawyer; New England**

2016 NH Licensed Child Care Facilities (DHHS-Bureau of Child Care Licensing) Total Facilities: **1** Total Capacity: **30**

LARGEST BUSINESSES	PRODUCT/SERVICE	EMPLOYEES	ESTABLISHED
L & M Auto	Auto repair		2008
Lempster Wind, LLC	Wind farm		2008
OneWay Auto Repair	Auto repair		2014
Rosie & Phil's General Store	Convenience store		2015

## Employer Information Supplied by Municipality

**TRANSPORTATION** (distances estimated from city/town hall)

Road Access	US Routes	
	State Routes	<b>10</b>
Nearest Interstate, Exit	<b>I-91 (VT), Exit 7</b>	
	Distance	<b>18 miles</b>
Railroad		<b>No</b>
Public Transportation		<b>No</b>
Nearest Public Use Airport, General Aviation		
<b>Parlin Field, Newport</b>	Runway	<b>3,450 ft. asphalt</b>
Lighted? <b>No</b>	Navigation Aids?	<b>No</b>
Nearest Airport with Scheduled Service		
<b>Lebanon Municipal</b>	Distance	<b>38 miles</b>
Number of Passenger Airlines Serving Airport		<b>1</b>
Driving distance to select cities:		
Manchester, NH		<b>56 miles</b>
Portland, Maine		<b>149 miles</b>
Boston, Mass.		<b>107 miles</b>
New York City, NY		<b>243 miles</b>
Montreal, Quebec		<b>225 miles</b>

**COMMUTING TO WORK** (ACS 2010-2014)

Workers 16 years and over	
Drove alone, car/truck/van	<b>80.3%</b>
Carpooled, car/truck/van	<b>7.8%</b>
Public transportation	<b>0.0%</b>
Walked	<b>0.5%</b>
Other means	<b>1.6%</b>
Worked at home	<b>9.8%</b>
Mean Travel Time to Work	<b>33.1 minutes</b>

**Percent of Working Residents: ACS 2010-2014**

Working in community of residence	<b>19.9</b>
Commuting to another NH community	<b>72.1</b>
Commuting out-of-state	<b>8.0</b>

**RECREATION, ATTRACTIONS, AND EVENTS**

Municipal Parks
YMCA/YWCA
Boys Club/Girls Club
Golf Courses
Swimming: Indoor Facility
Swimming: Outdoor Facility
Tennis Courts: Indoor Facility
Tennis Courts: Outdoor Facility
Ice Skating Rink: Indoor Facility
Bowling Facilities
Museums
Cinemas
Performing Arts Facilities
Tourist Attractions
<b>X</b> Youth Organizations (i.e., Scouts, 4-H)
<b>X</b> Youth Sports: Baseball
<b>X</b> Youth Sports: Soccer
Youth Sports: Football
Youth Sports: Basketball
Youth Sports: Hockey
Campgrounds
<b>X</b> Fishing/Hunting
<b>X</b> Boating/Marinas
<b>X</b> Snowmobile Trails
Bicycle Trails
Cross Country Skiing
Beach or Waterfront Recreation Area
Overnight or Day Camps
Nearest Ski Area(s): <b>Mount Sunapee</b>
Other: <b>Youth Field Hockey</b>