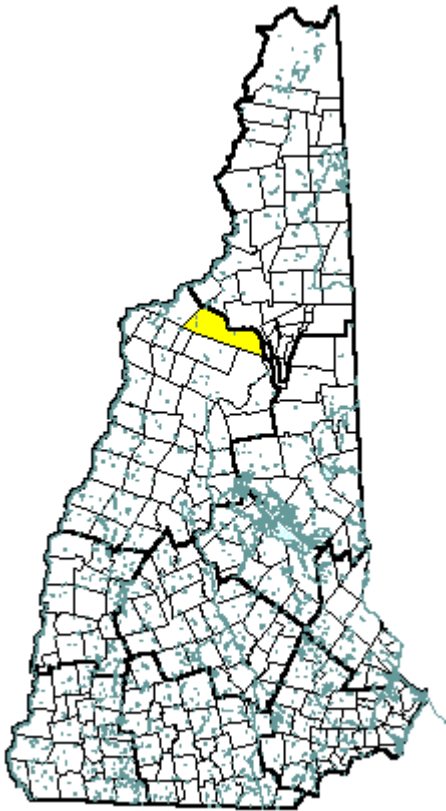


Bethlehem, NH



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County

Grafton

Labor Market Area

Littleton NH-VT LMA, NH Portion

Tourism Region

White Mountains

Planning Commission

North Country Council

Regional Development

Grafton County Economic Development Council

Election Districts

US Congress
Executive Council
State Senate
State Representative

District 2
District 1
District 1
Grafton County District 2

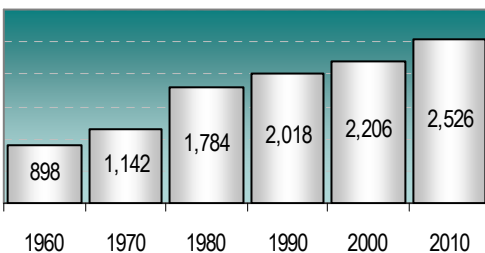
Incorporated: 1799

Origin: This community was first established in 1774 as Lloyd's Hills, the last of the provincial land grants. Probably because James Lloyd, for whom the town was named, was a loyalist, voters elected to change the name following the Revolution. The name Bethlehem was selected on the last Christmas Day in the century, and the town was so incorporated on December 27, 1799. According to the US Postal Service, Bethlehem is one of several US communities with holiday-themed names who have special holiday postmarks.

Villages and Place Names: Alderbrook, Five Corners, Maplewood, Pierce Bridge

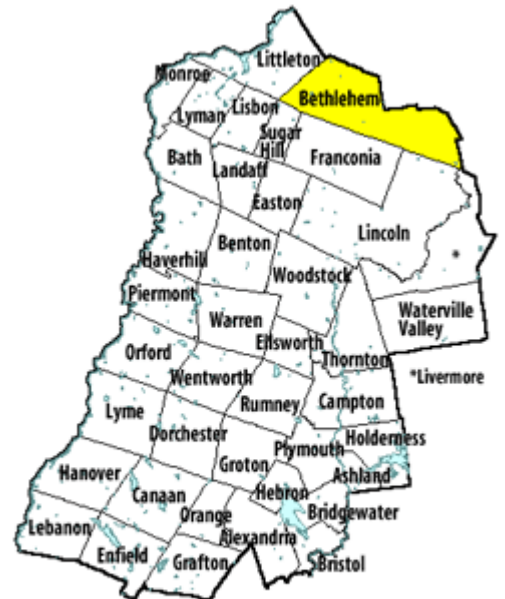
Population, Year of the First Census Taken: 171 residents in 1800

Population Trends: Population change for Bethlehem totaled 1,628 over 50 years, from 898 in 1960 to 2,526 in 2010. The largest decennial percent change was between 1970 and 1980, when population increased by 56 percent. The 2010 Census estimate for Bethlehem was 2,526 residents, which ranked 118th among New Hampshire's incorporated cities and towns.



Population Density and Land Area, 2010 (US Census Bureau):

27.9 persons per square mile of land area. Bethlehem contains 90.6 square miles of land area and 0.4 square miles of inland water area.



Grafton County

MUNICIPAL SERVICES

Type of Government	Selectmen
Budget: Municipal Appropriations, 2006	\$2,088,453
Budget: School Appropriations,	not available
Zoning Ordinance	1972/10
Master Plan	2004
Capital Improvement Plan	Yes
Industrial Plans Reviewed By	Planning Board

Boards and Commissions

Elected:	Selectmen; Library; Planning; Zoning
Appointed:	Conservation

Public Library **Bethlehem Public****EMERGENCY SERVICES**

Police Department	Full-time
Fire Department	Full-time Chief & volunteer
Emergency Medical Service	Volunteer

Nearest Hospital(s)	Distance	Staffed Beds
Littleton Regional, Littleton	8 miles	25

UTILITIES

Electric Supplier	PSNH; Littleton Water & Light
Natural Gas Supplier	None
Water Supplier	Bethlehem Village District

Sanitation	Private septic & municipal
Municipal Wastewater Treatment Plant	Yes
Solid Waste Disposal	
Curbside Trash Pickup	Municipal
Pay-As-You-Throw Program	Yes
Recycling Program	Voluntary

Telephone Company	Fairpoint
Cellular Telephone Access	Yes
Cable Television Access	Yes
Public Access Television Station	No
High Speed Internet Service:	
Business	Yes
Residential	Yes

PROPERTY TAXES (NH Dept. of Revenue Administration)

2010 Total Tax Rate (per \$1000 of value)	\$25.06
2010 Equalization Ratio	100.0
2010 Full Value Tax Rate (per \$1000 of value)	\$24.64

2010 Percent of Local Assessed Valuation by Property Type	
Residential Land and Buildings	85.2%
Commercial Land and Buildings	11.9%
Public Utilities, Current Use, and Other	2.9%

HOUSING (ACS 2006-2010)

Total Housing Units	1,523
Single-Family Units, Detached or Attached	1,070
Units in Multiple-Family Structures:	
Two to Four Units in Structure	162
Five or More Units in Structure	147
Mobile Homes and Other Housing Units	144

DEMOGRAPHICS

(US Census Bureau)

Total Population	Community	County
2010	2,526	89,118
2000	2,206	81,826
1990	2,018	74,998
1980	1,784	65,806
1970	1,142	54,914

Demographics, American Community Survey (ACS) 2006-2010

Population by Gender

Male	1,268	Female	1,225
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Population by Age Group

Under age 5	114
Age 5 to 19	398
Age 20 to 34	314
Age 35 to 54	838
Age 55 to 64	547
Age 65 and over	282
Median Age	47.1 years

Educational Attainment, population 25 years and over

High school graduate or higher	91.3%
Bachelor's degree or higher	24.1%

INCOME, 2010 INFLATION ADJUSTED \$ (ACS 2006-2010)

Per capita income	\$25,369
Median 4-person family income	\$68,194
Median household income	\$49,872

Median Earnings, full-time, year-round workers

Male	\$38,889
Female	\$32,891

Families below the poverty level **2.8%****LABOR FORCE** (NHES - ELMI)

Annual Average	2000	2010
Civilian labor force	1,374	1,470
Employed	1,334	1,389
Unemployed	40	81
Unemployment rate	2.9%	5.5%

EMPLOYMENT & WAGES (NHES - ELMI)

Annual Average Covered Employment	2000	2010
Goods Producing Industries		
Average Employment	36	12
Average Weekly Wage	\$428	\$1,000
Service Providing Industries		
Average Employment	239	365
Average Weekly Wage	\$464	\$630
Total Private Industry		
Average Employment	275	377
Average Weekly Wage	\$459	\$642
Government (Federal, State, and Local)		
Average Employment	177	194
Average Weekly Wage	\$492	\$523
Total, Private Industry plus Government		
Average Employment	451	571
Average Weekly Wage	\$472	\$601

n = indicates that data does not meet disclosure standards

EDUCATION AND CHILD CARE*(NH Dept. of Education)*

Schools students attend:	Bethlehem operates grades K-6; grades 7-12 are part of Profile Cooperative (Bethlehem, Easton, Franconia, Sugar Hill)			District: SAU 35
Career Technology Center(s):	Gallen Regional Voc. Center, Littleton; White Mountain Regional High, Whitefield			Region: 03
Educational Facilities	Elementary	Middle/Junior High	High School	Private/Parochial
Number of Schools	1	1	1	3
Grade Levels	K 1-6	7-8	9-12	K 1-12
Total Enrollment	179	101	171	146

2011 NH Licensed Child Care Facilities (*DHHS – Bureau of Child Care Licensing*): Total Facilities: **2** Total Capacity: **24**

Nearest Community/Technical College: **White Mountains**
 Nearest Colleges or Universities: **Granite State College-Littleton**

LARGEST BUSINESSES	PRODUCT/SERVICE	EMPLOYEES	ESTABLISHED
Profile Junior/Senior High School	Education	55	1976
White Mountain School	Education	54	
Bethlehem Elementary School	Education	35	
Pinetree Power Inc.	Electric plant	20	1988
Town of Bethlehem	Municipal services	15	

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

Road Access	US Routes	3, 302
	State Routes	18, 116, 142
Nearest Interstate, Exit	I-93, Exits 39 - 40	
	Distance	Local access
Railroad		No
Public Transportation		No
Nearest Public Use Airport, General Aviation		
Twin Mountain	Runway	2,640 ft. asphalt
Lighted? Yes	Navigation Aids?	No
Nearest Airport with Scheduled Service		
Lebanon Municipal	Distance	67 miles
Number of Passenger Airlines Serving Airport		1
Driving distance to select cities:		
Manchester, NH		103 miles
Portland, Maine		107 miles
Boston, Mass.		154 miles
New York City, NY		347 miles
Montreal, Quebec		173 miles

COMMUTING TO WORK (*ACS 2006-2010*)

Workers 16 years and over	
Drove alone, car/truck/van	81.7%
Carpooled, car/truck/van	8.8%
Public transportation	0.0%
Walked	2.1%
Other means	1.5%
Worked at home	5.9%
Mean Travel Time to Work	23.1 minutes

Percent of Working Residents: ACS 2006-2010

Working in community of residence	23.7%
Commuting to another NH community	69.0%
Commuting out-of-state	7.3%

RECREATION, ATTRACTIONS, AND EVENTS

X	Municipal Parks
	YMCA/YWCA
	Boys Club/Girls Club
X	Golf Courses
	Swimming: Indoor Facility
	Swimming: Outdoor Facility
	Tennis Courts: Indoor Facility
X	Tennis Courts: Outdoor Facility
	Ice Skating Rink: Indoor Facility
	Bowling Facilities
	Museums
X	Cinemas
	Performing Arts Facilities
X	Tourist Attractions
X	Youth Organizations (i.e., Scouts, 4-H)
X	Youth Sports: Baseball
X	Youth Sports: Soccer
	Youth Sports: Football
X	Youth Sports: Basketball
	Youth Sports: Hockey
X	Campgrounds
X	Fishing/Hunting
	Boating/Marinas
X	Snowmobile Trails
X	Bicycle Trails
X	Cross Country Skiing
	Beach or Waterfront Recreation Area
	Overnight or Day Camps
	Nearest Ski Area(s): Cannon Mountain, Bretton Woods
	Other: Antiques; The Rocks Tree Farm; Hiking; Mountain Biking