

# Effingham, NH



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## Municipal Office Hours

**Selectmen: Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, 9 am - 2 pm, Friday, 9 am - 12 noon, closed Wednesday; Town Clerk, Tax Collector: Tuesday, 8 am - 6 pm, Thursday, 8 am - 4 pm, Friday, 8 am - 12 noon**

County  
 Labor Market Area  
 Tourism Region  
 Planning Commission  
 Regional Development

**Carroll**  
**Wolfeboro, NH LMA**  
**Lakes**  
**Lakes Region**  
**Wentworth Economic Development Corp.**

## Election Districts

US Congress  
 Executive Council  
 State Senate  
 State Representative

**District 1**  
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**District 3**  
**Carroll County Districts 5, 8**

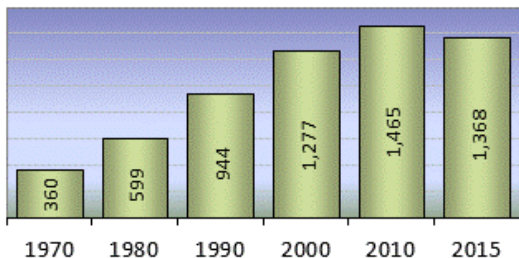
**Incorporated: 1778**

**Origin:** This town was first settled by the Leavitts of Hampton, led by Captain John Leavitt, a soldier who had fought the French and Indians at Lake George. The territory was known as Leavittstown from the time of the initial charter in 1749 until 1778. The name Effingham was probably selected by Governor Wentworth in honor of the Howard family, who were Earls of Effingham and related to the governor by marriage, although the name was not used until the town's 1778 incorporation, after the start of the Revolution.

**Villages and Place Names:** Center Effingham, Chases Mill, Effingham Falls, Grape Corner, Pine River, South Effingham, Drake's Corner

**Population, Year of the First Census Taken:** 154 residents in 1790

**Population Trends:** Population change for Effingham totaled 1,039 over 55 years, from 329 in 1960 to 1,368 in 2015. The largest decennial percent change was a 66 percent increase between 1970 and 1980, followed by a 58 percent increase over the next decade. The 2015 Census estimate for Effingham was 1,368 residents, which ranked 167th among New Hampshire's incorporated cities and towns.



**Population Density and Land Area, 2015 (US Census Bureau):** 35.2 persons per square mile of land area. Effingham contains 38.9 square miles of land area and 1.1 square miles of inland water area.



<b>MUNICIPAL SERVICES</b>	
Type of Government	<b>Selectmen</b>
Budget: Municipal Appropriations, 2016	<b>\$1,970,678</b>
Budget: School Appropriations, 2015-2016	<b>\$2,062,562</b>
Zoning Ordinance	<b>2000/15</b>
Master Plan	<b>2013</b>
Capital Improvement Plan	<b>No</b>
Industrial Plans Reviewed By	

Boards and Commissions  
 Elected: **Selectmen; Planning; Zoning; Library**  
 Appointed: **Conservation; Historic District**

Public Library **Effingham Public**

<b>EMERGENCY SERVICES</b>	
Police Department	<b>Full-time</b>
Fire Department	<b>Volunteer</b>
Emergency Medical Service	<b>Volunteer/Contracted</b>
Nearest Hospital(s)	Distance Staffed Beds
<b>Huggins Hospital, Wolfboro</b>	<b>20 miles 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>No</b>
Recycling Program	<b>Voluntary</b>
Telephone Company	<b>Time Warner Cable; Fairpoint</b>
Cellular Telephone Access	<b>Limited</b>
Cable Television Access	<b>Yes</b>
Public Access Television Station	<b>No</b>
High Speed Internet Service:	Business Residential
	<b>Limited Limited</b>

<b>PROPERTY TAXES</b> <i>(NH Dept. of Revenue Administration)</i>	
2015 Total Tax Rate (per \$1000 of value)	<b>\$20.47</b>
2015 Equalization Ratio	<b>99.7</b>
2015 Full Value Tax Rate (per \$1000 of value)	<b>\$20.56</b>
2015 Percent of Local Assessed Valuation by Property Type	
Residential Land and Buildings	<b>85.9%</b>
Commercial Land and Buildings	<b>10.1%</b>
Public Utilities, Current Use, and Other	<b>4.0%</b>

<b>HOUSING</b> <i>(ACS 2011-2015)</i>	
Total Housing Units	<b>992</b>
Single-Family Units, Detached or Attached	<b>815</b>
Units in Multiple-Family Structures:	
Two to Four Units in Structure	<b>19</b>
Five or More Units in Structure	<b>33</b>
Mobile Homes and Other Housing Units	<b>125</b>

<b>DEMOGRAPHICS</b> <i>(US Census Bureau)</i>		
Total Population	Community	County
2015	<b>1,368</b>	<b>47,513</b>
2010	<b>1,465</b>	<b>47,818</b>
2000	<b>1,277</b>	<b>43,918</b>
1990	<b>944</b>	<b>35,526</b>
1980	<b>599</b>	<b>27,929</b>
1970	<b>360</b>	<b>18,548</b>

**Demographics, American Community Survey (ACS) 2011-2015**

Population by Gender			
Male	<b>729</b>	Female	<b>639</b>

Population by Age Group	
Under age 5	<b>52</b>
Age 5 to 19	<b>215</b>
Age 20 to 34	<b>203</b>
Age 35 to 54	<b>330</b>
Age 55 to 64	<b>299</b>
Age 65 and over	<b>269</b>
Median Age	<b>49.5 years</b>

Educational Attainment, population 25 years and over	
High school graduate or higher	<b>88.5%</b>
Bachelor's degree or higher	<b>18.2%</b>

<b>INCOME, INFLATION ADJUSTED \$</b> <i>(ACS 2011-2015)</i>	
Per capita income	<b>\$25,167</b>
Median family income	<b>\$50,208</b>
Median household income	<b>\$44,141</b>

Median Earnings, full-time, year-round workers, 16 years and over	
Male	<b>\$40,750</b>
Female	<b>\$35,125</b>

Individuals below the poverty level	<b>15.4%</b>
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<b>LABOR FORCE</b> <i>(NHES – ELMII)</i>			
Annual Average	2005	2015	
Civilian labor force	<b>709</b>	<b>788</b>	
Employed	<b>689</b>	<b>750</b>	
Unemployed	<b>20</b>	<b>38</b>	
Unemployment rate	<b>2.8%</b>	<b>4.8%</b>	

<b>EMPLOYMENT &amp; WAGES</b> <i>(NHES – ELMII)</i>			
Annual Average Covered Employment	2005	2015	
Goods Producing Industries			
Average Employment	<b>n</b>	<b>0</b>	
Average Weekly Wage	<b>n</b>	<b>\$0</b>	
Service Providing Industries			
Average Employment	<b>35</b>	<b>209</b>	
Average Weekly Wage	<b>\$ 310</b>	<b>\$ 629</b>	
Total Private Industry			
Average Employment	<b>37</b>	<b>209</b>	
Average Weekly Wage	<b>\$ 326</b>	<b>\$ 629</b>	
Government (Federal, State, and Local)			
Average Employment	<b>15</b>	<b>40</b>	
Average Weekly Wage	<b>\$ 238</b>	<b>\$ 643</b>	
Total, Private Industry plus Government			
Average Employment	<b>52</b>	<b>250</b>	
Average Weekly Wage	<b>\$ 300</b>	<b>\$ 632</b>	

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**EDUCATION AND CHILD CARE**

Schools students attend: **Grades K-12 are part of Governor Wentworth Regional (Brookfield, Effingham, Middleton, New Durham, Ossipee, Tuftonboro, Wolfeboro)** District: **SAU 49**

Career Technology Center(s): **Lakes Region Technology Center (Wolfeboro)** Region: **9**

Educational Facilities (includes Charter Schools)	Elementary	Middle/Junior High	High School	Private/Parochial
Number of Schools	1			
Grade Levels	K 1-6			
Total Enrollment	85			

Nearest Community College: **Lakes Region**  
 Nearest Colleges or Universities: **Granite State College-Conway**

2016 NH Licensed Child Care Facilities (DHHS-Bureau of Child Care Licensing) Total Facilities: **1** Total Capacity: **17**

LARGEST BUSINESSES	PRODUCT/SERVICE	EMPLOYEES	ESTABLISHED
Boyles Family Market	Convenience store	10	
Thermalarm Products, Inc.	Alarm thermometers	3	1972

## Employer Information Supplied by Municipality

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

Road Access	US Routes	
	State Routes	<b>25, 153</b>
Nearest Interstate, Exit		<b>I-93, Exit 24</b>
	Distance	<b>42 miles</b>
Railroad		<b>No</b>
Public Transportation		<b>No</b>
Nearest Public Use Airport, General Aviation		
<b>Eastern Slopes, Fryeburg ME</b>	Runway	<b>4,200 ft. asphalt</b>
Lighted? <b>Yes</b>	Navigation Aids?	<b>Yes</b>
Nearest Airport with Scheduled Service		
<b>Portland (ME) International</b>	Distance	<b>44 miles</b>
Number of Passenger Airlines Serving Airport		<b>6</b>
Driving distance to select cities:		
Manchester, NH		<b>78 miles</b>
Portland, Maine		<b>48 miles</b>
Boston, Mass.		<b>115 miles</b>
New York City, NY		<b>326 miles</b>
Montreal, Quebec		<b>235 miles</b>

**COMMUTING TO WORK** (ACS 2011-2015)

Workers 16 years and over	
Drove alone, car/truck/van	<b>82.1%</b>
Carpooled, car/truck/van	<b>9.8%</b>
Public transportation	<b>1.0%</b>
Walked	<b>1.0%</b>
Other means	<b>1.0%</b>
Worked at home	<b>5.0%</b>
Mean Travel Time to Work	<b>31.1 minutes</b>

**Percent of Working Residents: ACS 2011-2015**

Working in community of residence	<b>16.3</b>
Commuting to another NH community	<b>76.7</b>
Commuting out-of-state	<b>7.0</b>

**RECREATION, ATTRACTIONS, AND EVENTS**

	Municipal Parks
	YMCA/YWCA
	Boys Club/Girls Club
<b>X</b>	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
<b>X</b>	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
<b>X</b>	Campgrounds
<b>X</b>	Fishing/Hunting
<b>X</b>	Boating/Marinas
<b>X</b>	Snowmobile Trails
<b>X</b>	Bicycle Trails
<b>X</b>	Cross Country Skiing
	Beach or Waterfront Recreation Area
<b>X</b>	Overnight or Day Camps
	Nearest Ski Area(s): <b>King Pine</b>
	Other: <b>Watts Sanctuary</b>