

# Marlow, NH



## Community Contact

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## Municipal Office Hours

**Selectmen: Monday, 7 pm; Town Office: Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday, 10 am - 1 pm, 2 pm - 3:30 pm; Town Clerk: Wednesday, 4:30 pm - 7 pm, Thursday, 10 am - 12:30 pm; Tax Collector: Tuesday, 5 pm - 7 pm**

County  
 Labor Market Area  
 Tourism Region  
 Planning Commission  
 Regional Development

**Cheshire**  
**Keene, NH Micropolitan NECTA**  
**Monadnock**  
**Southwest Region**  
**Monadnock Economic Development Corp.**

## Election Districts

US Congress  
 Executive Council  
 State Senate  
 State Representative

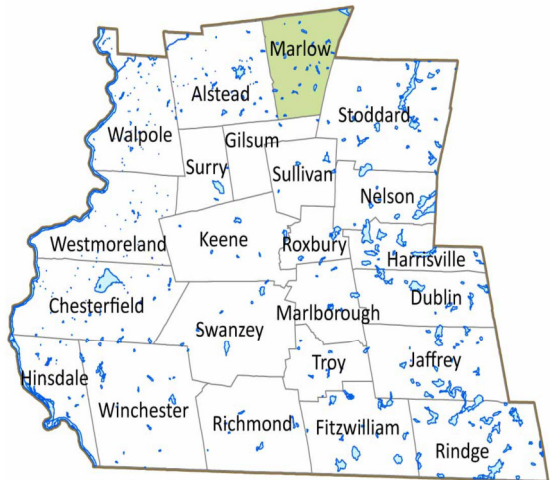
**District 2**  
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**District 8**  
**Cheshire County District 2**

## Incorporated: 1761

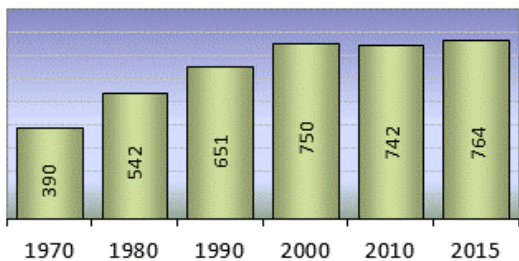
**Origin:** This territory was first chartered in 1753 as Addison, after Joseph Addison, Secretary of State for England, who signed the appointment papers making John Wentworth Lieutenant Governor of New Hampshire under the jurisdiction of Massachusetts in 1717. As a result of the French and Indian War, few original grantees settled there under the terms of the charter. The town was regranted in 1761 as Marlow, and the charter renewed in 1772. In some references, the name was in honor of Christopher Marlowe, the famed author and playwright; others indicate it was taken from the English town of the same name. Marlow was one of the towns that joined Vermont during the boundary dispute, but returned to New Hampshire in 1781.

**Villages and Place Names:** unknown

**Population, Year of the First Census Taken:** 313 residents in 1790



Cheshire County



**Population Trends:** Population change for Marlow totaled 414 over 55 years, from 350 in 1960 to 764 in 2015. The largest decennial percent change was a 39 percent increase between 1970 and 1980; the second largest was a 20 percent increase between 1980 and 1990. The 2015 Census estimate for Marlow was 764 residents, which ranked 204th among New Hampshire's incorporated cities and towns.

**Population Density and Land Area, 2015 (US Census Bureau):** 29.4 persons per square mile of land area. Marlow contains 26.0 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, 2016   | <b>\$730,235</b>      |
| Budget: School Appropriations, 2016-2017 | <b>\$1,588,849</b>    |
| Zoning Ordinance                         | <b>1986/13</b>        |
| Master Plan                              | <b>2003</b>           |
| Capital Improvement Plan                 | <b>No</b>             |
| Industrial Plans Reviewed By             | <b>Planning Board</b> |

#### Boards and Commissions

|            |   |
|------------|---|
| Elected:   | <b>Selectmen; Library; Cemetery; Budget</b>                                 |
| Appointed: | <b>Planning; Zoning; Conservation; Agricultural; Parks &amp; Recreation</b> |

Public Library **Marlow Town**

#### **EMERGENCY SERVICES**

|                                       |                  |              |
|---------------------------------------|------------------|--------------|
| Police Department                     | <b>Part-time</b> |              |
| Fire Department                       | <b>Volunteer</b> |              |
| Emergency Medical Service             | <b>Volunteer</b> |              |
| Nearest Hospital(s)                   | Distance         | Staffed Beds |
| <b>Cheshire Medical Center, Keene</b> | <b>17 miles</b>  | <b>116</b>   |

#### **UTILITIES**

|                                      |   |                |
|--------------------------------------|---|----------------|
| Electric Supplier                    | <b>Granite State; 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>Mandatory</b>  |                |
| Telephone Company                    | <b>Fairpoint</b>  |                |
| Cellular Telephone Access            | <b>Yes</b>  |                |
| Cable Television Access              | <b>Limited</b>  |                |
| Public Access Television Station     | <b>No</b>   |                |
| High Speed Internet Service:         | Business  | <b>Limited</b> |
|                                      | Residential   | <b>Limited</b> |

#### **PROPERTY TAXES** *(NH Dept. of Revenue Administration)*

|   |                |
|---|----------------|
| 2015 Total Tax Rate (per \$1000 of value)                 | <b>\$25.59</b> |
| 2015 Equalization Ratio                                   | <b>100.6</b>   |
| 2015 Full Value Tax Rate (per \$1000 of value)            | <b>\$25.61</b> |
| 2015 Percent of Local Assessed Valuation by Property Type |                |
| Residential Land and Buildings                            | <b>91.5%</b>   |
| Commercial Land and Buildings                             | <b>5.2%</b>    |
| Public Utilities, Current Use, and Other                  | <b>3.3%</b>    |

#### **HOUSING** *(ACS 2011-2015)*

|   |            |
|---|------------|
| Total Housing Units                       | <b>428</b> |
| Single-Family Units, Detached or Attached | <b>404</b> |
| Units in Multiple-Family Structures:      |            |
| Two to Four Units in Structure            | <b>0</b>   |
| Five or More Units in Structure           | <b>0</b>   |
| Mobile Homes and Other Housing Units      | <b>24</b>  |

#### **DEMOGRAPHICS** *(US Census Bureau)*

| Total Population | Community  | County        |
|------------------|------------|---------------|
| 2015             | <b>764</b> | <b>76,430</b> |
| 2010             | <b>742</b> | <b>77,117</b> |
| 2000             | <b>750</b> | <b>73,993</b> |
| 1990             | <b>651</b> | <b>70,223</b> |
| 1980             | <b>542</b> | <b>62,116</b> |
| 1970             | <b>390</b> | <b>52,364</b> |

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

| Population by Gender |            |        |            |
|----------------------|------------|--------|------------|
| Male                 | <b>414</b> | Female | <b>350</b> |

#### Population by Age Group

|                 |                   |
|-----------------|-------------------|
| Under age 5     | <b>27</b>         |
| Age 5 to 19     | <b>173</b>        |
| Age 20 to 34    | <b>77</b>         |
| Age 35 to 54    | <b>237</b>        |
| Age 55 to 64    | <b>117</b>        |
| Age 65 and over | <b>133</b>        |
| Median Age      | <b>45.1 years</b> |

#### Educational Attainment, population 25 years and over

|                                |              |
|--------------------------------|--------------|
| High school graduate or higher | <b>93.6%</b> |
| Bachelor's degree or higher    | <b>24.8%</b> |

#### **INCOME, INFLATION ADJUSTED \$** *(ACS 2011-2015)*

|                         |                 |
|-------------------------|-----------------|
| Per capita income       | <b>\$26,656</b> |
| Median family income    | <b>\$65,781</b> |
| Median household income | <b>\$59,615</b> |

#### Median Earnings, full-time, year-round workers, 16 years and over

|        |                 |
|--------|-----------------|
| Male   | <b>\$50,313</b> |
| Female | <b>\$36,250</b> |

Individuals below the poverty level **4.2%**

#### **LABOR FORCE** *(NHES – ELMI)*

| Annual Average       | 2005        | 2015        |
|----------------------|-------------|-------------|
| Civilian labor force | <b>441</b>  | <b>380</b>  |
| Employed             | <b>427</b>  | <b>362</b>  |
| Unemployed           | <b>14</b>   | <b>18</b>   |
| Unemployment rate    | <b>3.2%</b> | <b>4.7%</b> |

#### **EMPLOYMENT & WAGES** *(NHES – ELMI)*

| Annual Average Covered Employment       | 2005          | 2015          |
|---|---------------|---------------|
| Goods Producing Industries              |               |               |
| Average Employment                      | <b>n</b>      | <b>n</b>      |
| Average Weekly Wage                     | <b>n</b>      | <b>n</b>      |
| Service Providing Industries            |               |               |
| Average Employment                      | <b>n</b>      | <b>n</b>      |
| Average Weekly Wage                     | <b>n</b>      | <b>n</b>      |
| Total Private Industry                  |               |               |
| Average Employment                      | <b>n</b>      | <b>44</b>     |
| Average Weekly Wage                     | <b>n</b>      | <b>\$ 643</b> |
| Government (Federal, State, and Local)  |               |               |
| Average Employment                      | <b>40</b>     | <b>42</b>     |
| Average Weekly Wage                     | <b>\$ 311</b> | <b>\$ 451</b> |
| Total, Private Industry plus Government |               |               |
| Average Employment                      | <b>n</b>      | <b>86</b>     |
| Average Weekly Wage                     | <b>n</b>      | <b>\$ 549</b> |

If "n" appears, data do not meet disclosure standards.

**EDUCATION AND CHILD CARE**

|   |  |                    |             |                         |
|---|--|--------------------|-------------|-------------------------|
| Schools students attend:                          | <b>Marlow operates grades K-6; grades 7-12 are tuitioned to Keene</b>            |                    |             | District: <b>SAU 29</b> |
| Career Technology Center(s):                      | <b>Cheshire Career Center (Keene); Fall Mountain RHS - CTE; Windham RCC (VT)</b> |                    |             | Region: <b>13</b>       |
| Educational Facilities (includes Charter Schools) | Elementary   | Middle/Junior High | High School | Private/Parochial       |
| Number of Schools                                 | <b>1</b>   |                    |             |                         |
| Grade Levels                                      | <b>K 1-6</b>   |                    |             |                         |
| Total Enrollment                                  | <b>24</b>  |                    |             |                         |

Nearest Community College: **River Valley**  
 Nearest Colleges or Universities: **Keene State; New England; Antioch New England**

2016 NH Licensed Child Care Facilities (DHHS-Bureau of Child Care Licensing) Total Facilities: **0** Total Capacity: **0**

| LARGEST BUSINESSES      | PRODUCT/SERVICE                           | EMPLOYEES | ESTABLISHED |
|-------------------------|---|-----------|-------------|
| Audio Accessories, Inc. | Audio cables, patch cords, & patch boards | 30        | 1966        |

## Employer Information Supplied by Municipality

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

|  |                  |                          |
|--|------------------|--------------------------|
| Road Access                                  | US Routes        |                          |
|  | State Routes     | <b>10, 123, 123A</b>     |
| Nearest Interstate, Exit                     |                  | <b>I-91 (VT), Exit 5</b> |
|  | Distance         | <b>20 miles</b>          |
| Railroad                                     |                  | <b>No</b>                |
| Public Transportation                        |                  | <b>No</b>                |
| Nearest Public Use Airport, General Aviation |                  |                          |
| <b>Dillant-Hopkins, Swanzey</b>              | Runway           | <b>6,201 ft. asphalt</b> |
| Lighted? <b>Yes</b>                          | Navigation Aids? | <b>Yes</b>               |
| Nearest Airport with Scheduled Service       |                  |                          |
| <b>Lebanon Municipal</b>                     | Distance         | <b>49 miles</b>          |
| Number of Passenger Airlines Serving Airport |                  | <b>1</b>                 |
| Driving distance to select cities:           |                  |                          |
| Manchester, NH                               |                  | <b>58 miles</b>          |
| Portland, Maine                              |                  | <b>150 miles</b>         |
| Boston, Mass.                                |                  | <b>108 miles</b>         |
| New York City, NY                            |                  | <b>237 miles</b>         |
| Montreal, Quebec                             |                  | <b>231 miles</b>         |

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

|                            |                     |
|----------------------------|---------------------|
| Workers 16 years and over  |                     |
| Drove alone, car/truck/van | <b>84.5%</b>        |
| Carpooled, car/truck/van   | <b>5.1%</b>         |
| Public transportation      | <b>0.0%</b>         |
| Walked                     | <b>3.9%</b>         |
| Other means                | <b>0.0%</b>         |
| Worked at home             | <b>6.5%</b>         |
| Mean Travel Time to Work   | <b>36.5 minutes</b> |

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

|                                   |             |
|-----------------------------------|-------------|
| Working in community of residence | <b>15.2</b> |
| Commuting to another NH community | <b>73.2</b> |
| Commuting out-of-state            | <b>11.6</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                        |
| <b>X</b> | Museums                                   |
|          | Cinemas                                   |
|          | Performing Arts Facilities                |
| <b>X</b> | Tourist Attractions                       |
| <b>X</b> | Youth Organizations (i.e., Scouts, 4-H)   |
|          | Youth Sports: Baseball                    |
|          | 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                         |
| <b>X</b> | Bicycle Trails                            |
| <b>X</b> | Cross Country Skiing                      |
|          | Beach or Waterfront Recreation Area       |
|          | Overnight or Day Camps                    |
|          | Nearest Ski Area(s): <b>Mount Sunapee</b> |
|          | Other: <b>Rock Climbing</b>               |