

Carroll County

County Offices

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County Services: Departments of Administration, Finance, Human Resources, and Payroll; Commissioner's Office; County Attorney; County Farm; Department of Corrections; Mountain View Community; Registry of Deeds; Sewer Department; Water Department; Sheriff's Office; Victim/Witness Program

UNH Cooperative Extension

<https://extension.unh.edu/facility/carroll-county-office>

Carroll County surrounds the north-south midpoint of the state's eastern border. Established in 1840, the county was named for Charles Carroll of Carrollton, Virginia, a signer of the Declaration of Independence. It adjoins Maine along a 53-mile, almost perfectly straight, line. It is the second least populated county, falling after Coös County. About a quarter of the county is within the White Mountain National Forest. Carroll County includes a ten-mile long thumb of land encompassing Crawford Notch and Hart's Location that juts out between Coös and Grafton Counties. There are no cities in Carroll County, the only county so lacking.



Carroll County contains 931.9 square miles of land area and 61.6 square miles of inland water area. As of the 2023 Census, the population density was 56.3 persons per square mile. Carroll County includes 18 towns and one unincorporated place, Hale's Location. The county seat is Ossipee.

COUNTY POPULATION

2023	2020	2010	2000	1990
52,448	50,246	47,818	43,666	35,410

Source: US Census Bureau, Decennial/Annual Population Estimates

DEMOGRAPHICS

By Gender:	Male	Female
Total	25,893	25,366
18 years and over	21,735	21,791
65 years and over	7,710	7,715
Median Age (years)	53.9	54.9

By Age Group:		
Under age 5		1,748
Age 5 to 19		6,759
Age 20 to 34		6,784
Age 35 to 54		10,901
Age 55 to 64		9,642
Age 65 and over		15,425

Median Age (years) 54.2

Source: US Census Bureau, ACS 5-Year Estimates 2019-2023

LABOR FORCE

Annual Average	2013	2023
Civilian Labor Force	24,484	23,024
Employed	23,244	22,502
Unemployed	1,240	522
Unemployment Rate	5.1%	2.3%

2023 Annual Average Unemployment Rates by Town

Albany	2.1%	Jackson	3.1%
Bartlett	2.1%	Madison	2.0%
Brookfield	3.1%	Moultonborough	2.1%
Chatham	2.6%	Ossipee	2.9%
Conway	2.1%	Sandwich	2.4%
Eaton	1.8%	Tamworth	2.2%
Effingham	2.4%	Tufonboro	2.2%
Freedom	2.2%	Wakefield	2.4%
Hale's Location	4.8%	Wolfeboro	2.3%
Hart's Location	0.0%		

Source: NHES/ELMIB

Due to differing methodologies, 1-Year Population Estimates and 5-Year Average ACS Demographics data may not match.

LARGEST BUSINESSES	COMMUNITY	PRODUCT/SERVICE	EMPLOYEES
Huggins Hospital	Wolfeboro	Health care services	370
Mt. Attitash Lift Corporation	Bartlett	Ski area	360
Memorial Hospital	Conway	Health care services	350
Governor Wentworth School District	Wolfeboro	Education	286
Conway School District	Conway	Education	274
Morrell Corporation	Bartlett	Amusement park, museum	255
Brewster Academy	Wolfeboro	Private school	239
A J Coleman & Sons	Albany	Construction company	190
Hannaford Brothers	Conway	Supermarket	175
Wal-Mart	Conway	Retail Store	170
Red Jacket Inn	Conway	Hotel	156
Town of Wakefield	Wakefield	Municipal services	130
P.S.I Molded Plastek	Wolfeboro	Plastic moldings	129
Penta Corporation	Moultonborough	Construction	120
Wakefield School District	Wakefield	Education	120
Moultonborough School District	Moultonborough	Education	110
Purity Springs Resort	Madison	Ski resort	100
Carroll County Government	Ossipee	Government services	100
Red Parka Pub	Bartlett	Restaurant	95
Genesis Healthcare - Wolfeboro Bay Center	Wolfeboro	Nursing care services	95
Town of Wolfeboro	Wolfeboro	Municipal services	88
Wolfeboro Inn	Wolfeboro	Hotel, conference center	85
Green Mountain Treatment Center	Effingham	Substance abuse treatment	75
CruCon Cruise	Moultonborough	Internet cruise co.	75
Miracle Farms Landscaping	Moultonborough	Property management, landscaping	75
Stephen's Landscaping	Moultonborough	Landscaping	75
Hannaford Brothers	Ossipee	Supermarket	70
Hunter's Stop 'n Save	Wolfeboro	Grocery store	70
Madison Lumber Mill	Madison	Lumber	58
Meredith Village Savings Bank	Moultonborough	Banking services	56

Source: Employer data were provided by individual municipalities; not all municipalities provided data.

COVERED EMPLOYMENT & WAGES – ANNUAL AVERAGES		
	2013	2023
Total, Private Industry plus Government		
Average Employment	19,971	19,530
Average Weekly Wage	\$646	\$956
Total Private Industry		
Average Employment	16,958	16,662
Average Weekly Wage	\$634	\$953
Private Goods-Producing Establishments		
Average Employment	2,084	2,163
Average Weekly Wage	\$806	\$1,127
Private Service-Providing Establishments		
Average Employment	14,874	14,500
Average Weekly Wage	\$610	\$927
Government (Federal, State, and Local)		
Average Employment	3,013	2,868
Average Weekly Wage	\$713	\$976

Source: NHES/ELMIB. 'n' = data do not meet disclosures standards. Data represent workers covered by unemployment insurance.

INCOME AND POVERTY	
Per Capita Income	\$49,562
Median Family Income	\$98,290
Median Household Income	\$82,961
Median Earnings (Full-Time Year-Round)	
Male	\$64,162
Female	\$56,156
Percent of individuals below the poverty level	
Persons under 18 years of age	7.3%
Persons 65 years of age or older	8.4%

Source: US Census Bureau, ACS 5-year Estimates 2019-2023

NEAREST HOSPITALS	STAFFED BEDS
Concord Hospital-Laconia, Laconia	45
Huggins Hospital, Wolfeboro	25
Memorial Hospital, North Conway	25
Speare Memorial, Plymouth	25

Source: NH Hospital Association

EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT

Population, age 25 and over	40,696
Less than 9th grade	517
9th to 12th grade, no diploma	1,284
High school graduate (includes equivalency)	10,433
Some college, no degree	8,337
Associate's degree	4,337
Bachelor's degree	9,062
Graduate or professional degree	6,726

Percent of age 25 and over population:

High school graduate or higher	95.6%
With a Bachelor's degree or higher	38.8%

Source: US Census Bureau, ACS 5-Year Estimates 2019-2023

EDUCATIONAL FACILITIES

School Districts Serving Carroll County Municipalities

- Bartlett (grades K-8)
- Conway (grades K-12)
- Freedom (grades K-6)
- Gilford (grades K-12)
- Governor Wentworth Regional: Brookfield, Effingham, Middleton, New Durham, Ossipee, Tuftonboro, Wolfeboro (grades K-12)
- Inter-Lakes Cooperative: Center Harbor, Meredith, Sandwich (grades K-12)
- Jackson (grades K-6)
- Moultonborough (grades K-12)
- Tamworth (grades K-8)
- Wakefield (grades K-8)
- Fryeburg, Maine (grades K-12, Chatham students)

Career Technology Centers

- J. Oliva Huot Technical Center (Laconia)
- Lakes Region Technology Center (Wolfeboro)
- Mount Washington Valley CTC (Conway)
- R.W. Creteau Regional Technology Ctr (Rochester)
- Winnisquam Agricultural Program (Tilton)

HIGHER EDUCATION FACILITIES

Nearest Community College

- Lakes Region Community College
- White Mountains Community College

Nearest Colleges/Universities

- Plymouth State University
- University of New Hampshire
- Nasson College (Springvale Maine)

Source: NH Department of Education

NH LICENSED CHILD CARE CENTERS, 2023

Total Licensed Facilities	27
Total Capacity	1,195

Source: NH DHHS, Bureau of Child Care Licensing

COMMUTING TO WORK

Total Workers, 16 years and over	24,272
Car, truck or van: drove alone	18,143
Car, truck or van: carpooled	1,628
Public transportation (excluding taxi)	102
Walked	506
Other means	258
Worked at home	3,635
Mean travel time to work (minutes)	26.3

Percent of working residents who:

Work in county of residence	75.2%
Commute to some other NH county	18.2%
Commute out of the state or the country	6.6%

Source: US Census Bureau, ACS 5-Year Estimates 2019-2023

TRANSPORTATION

Road Access	US Routes	302
	State Routes	16, 16A, 16B, 25, 28, 41, 109, 109A, 110, 112, 113, 113A, 113B, 153, 171

Nearest Interstate/Exits

- I-93 Exit 23 (New Hampton), Exit 24 (Ashland), Exit 32 (Lincoln), Exit 35 (Franconia); I-95, Exit 5 (Portsmouth), Exit 48 (Portland ME); Spaulding Tpk., Exit 18 (Milton)

Nearest Airport(s) with Scheduled Service	Passenger Airlines
Manchester-Boston Regional	7
Portsmouth International	2
Portland International (Maine)	9

Source: Local mapping data

HOUSING UNITS

Total Housing Units	40,110
Single-Family Units, Detached or Attached	31,958
Units in Multiple-Family Structures:	
Two to Four Units in Structure	2,412
Five or More Units in Structure	3,149
Mobile Homes and Other Housing Units	2,591

Source: US Census Bureau, ACS 5-Year Estimates 2019-2023

CURRENT HOUSING MARKET**New Hampshire Association of Realtors¹**

YTD Dec 2023 Median Sale Price, Residential	\$465,000
YTD Dec 2023 Average Days on Market Until Sale	38

NHHFA Residential Rental Cost Survey²

2023 Median Monthly Gross Rent, 2 Bedroom	\$1,425
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Source: see footnotes

2023 LOCAL ASSESSED VALUATION BY PROPERTY TYPE

Property Type	Share of Total Valuation
Residential Land and Buildings	91.1%
Commercial Land and Buildings	7.7%
Public Utilities, Current Use, and Other	1.1%

Source: NH Department of Revenue Administration

PROPERTY TAX RATES, 2023

Town	Total Tax Rate per \$1000	Equalization Ratio	Full Value Rate per \$1000
Albany	\$10.08	62.6	\$6.29
Bartlett	\$5.16	90.5	\$4.66
Brookfield	\$18.26	62.7	\$11.42
Chatham	\$16.42	68.4	\$11.20
Conway	\$10.18	97.8	\$9.90
Eaton	\$13.07	76.2	\$9.96
Effingham	\$24.69	63.2	\$15.52
Freedom	\$10.98	58.0	\$6.36
Hale's Location	\$3.88	70.3	\$2.72
Hart's Location	\$0.51	87.4	\$0.40
Jackson	\$12.36	60.2	\$7.43
Madison	\$16.98	58.6	\$9.91
Moultonborough	\$5.70	88.0	\$5.01
Ossipee	\$10.37	98.8	\$10.20
Sandwich	\$15.42	54.8	\$8.42
Tamworth	\$25.23	57.3	\$14.35
Tuftonboro	\$7.27	89.0	\$6.46
Wakefield	\$6.85	101.5	\$6.94
Wolfeboro	\$14.69	53.6	\$7.86

Source: NH Department of Revenue Administration

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² Source: 2023 NH Residential Rental Cost Survey, New Hampshire Housing Finance Authority. Copyright NHHFA 2023. <www.nhfa.org>

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Town of Albany
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 Albany NH 03818
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email contact@albanynh.org
web site www.albanynh.org
office hours Selectmen: MT 8-4, W 10-4; Town Clerk/Tax Collector: TTh 4:30-7, W 11-2:30, 1st Sat. of month 9-12

Town of Bartlett
 56 Town Hall Road
 Intervale NH 03845
 603-356-2950
 selectmen@townofbartlett.nh.org
 www.townofbartlett.nh.org
 Selectmen: M-F 8-1; Town Clerk/Tax Collector: MTF 8-4, W 7-6, closed 12:30-1:30 daily; closed Thursday

Town of Brookfield
 267 Wentworth Road
 Brookfield NH 03872
 603-522-3688
 admin.asst@brookfieldnh.org
 www.brookfieldnh.org
 Selectmen: last Sat. 8-10; Town Clerk: M 9-5, TW 3-5, last Sat. 9-12; Tax Collector: 2nd & 4th F 10-2, or by appointment

Chatham Town Clerk's Office
address 1071 Main Road
 Chatham NH 03813
phone 603-694-2117
email townclerk@chathamnh.org
web site http://chathamnh.org
office hours Town Clerk/Tax Collector: TTh 5-7

Town of Conway
 23 Main Street
 Conway NH 03813
 603-447-3811
 jtorres@conwaynhnh.org
 www.conwaynh.org
 Town Hall: M-F 8:30-4:30; Town Clerk/Tax Collector: M-F 8:30-4:30, closed 12:30-1:30

Town of Eaton
 Town Hall, PO Box 88
 Eaton NH 03832
 603-447-2840
 eatonth@roadrunner.com
 www.eatonnh.org
 Selectmen: meet 1st & 3rd T 4-6, Office Hours: M 9-12, TWTh 9-3; Town Clerk/Tax Collector: T 8-12 & 4-6

Town of Effingham
address 68 School Street
 Effingham NH 03882
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web site www.effinghamnh.net
office hours Town Hall: MTTh 8-2, W 8-12, closed F; Town Clerk/Tax Collector: M-Th 8-12, closed Friday

Town of Freedom
 33 Old Portland Road, PO Box 227
 Freedom NH 03836
 603-539-6323
 office@townoffreedom.net
 https://townoffreedom.net/
 Office: M-Th 8-3; Town Clerk: MTTh 11-5, W 9-5; Tax Collector: MW 11-1

Town of Hart's Location
 979 US Route 302, PO Box 540
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 Selectmen: 2nd & 4th M 5-6:30, or by appointment; Town Clerk: M 2:30-5, 4th Sat. 8-10

Town of Jackson
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Town of Madison
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Town of Sandwich
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 Selectmen: MTTh 7:30-5:30; Town Clerk/Tax Collector: TTh 8-5:30

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 Tamworth NH 03886
 603-323-7525
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 Selectmen: T-F 9-12 & 1-4; town Clerk/Tax Collector: TWF 9-12 & 1-4, Th 9-12 & 1-6; closed Monday

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 Tuftonboro NH 03816
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email selectmen@tuftonboro.org
web site www.tuftonboro.org
office hours Administration: MTWF 8-4, Th 8-12; Town Clerk: MWF 8:30-4, T 4-7, last Sat. 9-11; Tax Collector: TWF 9-12

Town of Wakefield
 2 High Street, Town Hall
 Sanbornville NH 03872
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 townadmin@wakefieldNH.com
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 Administration: M-F 8-4; Town Clerk: MTF 8:30-4, W 8:30-1:30, Th 8:30-6, first/last Sat. 8:30-12:30; Tax Collector: M-F 9-2

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