

Belmont, NH



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County	Belknap
Labor Market Area	Belmont, NH LMA
Tourism Region	Lakes
Planning Commission	Lakes Region
Regional Development	Belknap County Economic Development Council
Election Districts	
US Congress	District 1
Executive Council	District 2
State Senate	District 7
State Representative	Belknap County Districts 6, 9

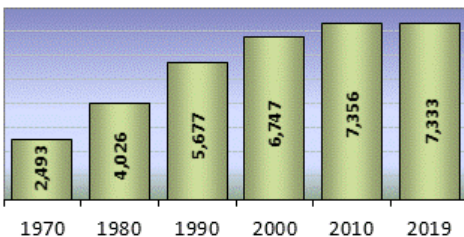
Incorporated: 1727

Origin: The town was first chartered in 1727 as a parish of Gilmanton known as Upper Gilmanton, and incorporated as such in 1859. In 1869, the voters of the town, who felt the many locations named Gilmanton was confusing, petitioned to rename the town Belmont, to honor Mr. August Belmont, a New York financier, in hopes that he might make a financial contribution to the town. Mr. Belmont never acknowledged the act, having passed away that same year. Belmont was the residence of Governor William Badger, first elected in 1834.

Villages and Place Names: Gardners Grove, Lochmere, Winnisquam, Tioga

Population, Year of the First Census Taken: 1,189 residents in 1860

Population Trends: Population change for Belmont totaled 4,840 over 49 years, from 2,493 in 1970 to 7,333 in 2019. The largest decennial percent change was a 61 percent increase between 1970 and 1980, followed by a 41 percent increase over the next decade. The 2019 Census estimate for Belmont was 7,333 residents, which ranked 42nd among New Hampshire's incorporated cities and towns.



Population Density and Land Area, 2019 (US Census Bureau): 243.2 persons per square mile of land area, which tied with Plymouth. Belmont contains 30.2 square miles of land area and 1.8 square miles of inland water area.



MUNICIPAL SERVICES	
Type of Government	Selectmen
Budget: Municipal Appropriations, 2020	\$13,655,202
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Zoning Ordinance	1986/18
Master Plan	2002
Capital Improvement Plan	Yes
Industrial Plans Reviewed By	Planning Board

Boards and Commissions

Elected: **Selectmen; Planning; Zoning; Budget; Library**
 Appointed: **Conservation; Cemetery; Heritage**

Public Library **Belmont Public**

EMERGENCY SERVICES

Police Department	Full-time	
Fire Department	Full-time & On-Call	
Emergency Medical Service	Full-time & On-Call	
Nearest Hospital(s)	Distance	Staffed Beds
Lakes Region General, Laconia	6 miles	96

UTILITIES

Electric Supplier	Eversource Energy; NH Electric Coop
Natural Gas Supplier	Liberty Utilities
Water Supplier	Belmont Water Department; private wells
Sanitation	Private septic & municipal
Municipal Wastewater Treatment Plant	No
Solid Waste Disposal	Municipal
Curbside Trash Pickup	No
Pay-As-You-Throw Program	No
Recycling Program	Voluntary - Curbside
Telephone Company	Fairpoint
Cellular Telephone Access	Yes
Cable Television Access	Yes
Public Access Television Station	Yes
High Speed Internet Service: Business	Yes
Residential	Yes

PROPERTY TAXES (NH Dept. of Revenue Administration)

2019 Total Tax Rate (per \$1000 of value)	\$25.01
2019 Equalization Ratio	89.6
2019 Full Value Tax Rate (per \$1000 of value)	\$22.17
2019 Percent of Local Assessed Valuation by Property Type	
Residential Land and Buildings	81.1%
Commercial Land and Buildings	17.2%
Public Utilities, Current Use, and Other	1.6%

HOUSING (ACS 2015-2019)

Total Housing Units	3,699
Single-Family Units, Detached or Attached	2,333
Units in Multiple-Family Structures:	
Two to Four Units in Structure	294
Five or More Units in Structure	252
Mobile Homes and Other Housing Units	820

POPULATION (1-YEAR ESTIMATES/DECENNIAL) (US Census Bureau)

Total Population	Community	County
2019	7,333	61,303
2010	7,356	60,088
2000	6,747	56,576
1990	5,677	49,294
1980	4,026	42,884
1970	2,493	32,367

DEMOGRAPHICS AMERICAN COMMUNITY SURVEY (ACS) 2015-2019

Population by Gender		
Male	3,300	Female 4,011
Population by Age Group		
Under age 5		291
Age 5 to 19		1,301
Age 20 to 34		1,220
Age 35 to 54		1,868
Age 55 to 64		1,482
Age 65 and over		1,149
Median Age		44.4 years
Educational Attainment, population 25 years and over		
High school graduate or higher		90.7%
Bachelor's degree or higher		27.1%

INCOME, INFLATION ADJUSTED \$ (ACS 2015-2019)

Per capita income	\$35,434
Median family income	\$87,755
Median household income	\$70,407
Median Earnings, full-time, year-round workers	
Male	\$54,214
Female	\$46,587
Individuals below the poverty level	9.5%

LABOR FORCE (NHES - ELMII)

Annual Average	2009	2019
Civilian labor force	4,142	3,634
Employed	3,845	3,541
Unemployed	297	93
Unemployment rate	7.2%	2.6%

EMPLOYMENT & WAGES (NHES - ELMII)

Annual Average Covered Employment	2009	2019
Goods Producing Industries		
Average Employment	570	514
Average Weekly Wage	\$1,079	\$1,309
Service Providing Industries		
Average Employment	1,509	1,521
Average Weekly Wage	\$ 692	\$ 935
Total Private Industry		
Average Employment	2,080	2,035
Average Weekly Wage	\$ 798	\$1,030
Government (Federal, State, and Local)		
Average Employment	327	348
Average Weekly Wage	\$ 828	\$ 889
Total, Private Industry plus Government		
Average Employment	2,406	2,383
Average Weekly Wage	\$ 802	\$1,009

EDUCATION AND CHILD CARE

Schools students attend: **Grades K-12 are part of Shaker Regional (Belmont, Canterbury)** District: **SAU 80**
 Career Technology Center(s): **J. Oliva Huot Technical Center (Laconia); Winnisquam Agricultural Programs** Region: **8**

Educational Facilities (includes Charter Schools)	Elementary	Middle/Junior High	High School	Private/Parochial
Number of Schools	1	1	1	
Grade Levels	P K 1-4	5-8	9-12	
Total Enrollment	412	368	391	

Nearest Community College: **Lakes Region**

Nearest Colleges or Universities: **Plymouth State University; Southern NH University, Laconia**

2020 NH Licensed Child Care Facilities (DHHS-Bureau of Child Care Licensing) Total Facilities: **5** Total Capacity: **202**

LARGEST BUSINESSES	PRODUCT/SERVICE	EMPLOYEES	ESTABLISHED
Shaw's Supermarket	Supermarket	95	
First Student	Bus transportation	80	
All Metals Industries, Inc.	Metal product supplier	80	
Belmont Elementary School	Education	76	
Atlantic Broadband	Provide cable service	73	
Lakes Region Coca-Cola	Bottling & distribution center	70	
Belmont High School	Education	69	
Belmont Middle School	Education	68	

Employer Information Supplied by Municipality

TRANSPORTATION (distances estimated from city/town hall)			
Road Access	US Routes		3
	State Routes		106, 107, 140
Nearest Interstate, Exit			I-93, Exit 20
	Distance		5 miles
Railroad		State owned line	
Public Transportation			WTS
Nearest Public Use Airport, General Aviation			
Laconia Municipal	Runway	5,286 ft. asphalt	
Lighted? Yes	Navigation Aids?		Yes
Nearest Airport with Scheduled Service			
Manchester-Boston Regional	Distance		40 miles
Number of Passenger Airlines Serving Airport			4
Driving distance to select cities:			
Manchester, NH			41 miles
Portland, Maine			82 miles
Boston, Mass.			91 miles
New York City, NY			288 miles
Montreal, Quebec			239 miles
COMMUTING TO WORK (ACS 2015-2019)			
Workers 16 years and over			
Drove alone, car/truck/van			86.3%
Carpooled, car/truck/van			10.1%
Public transportation			0.0%
Walked			0.3%
Other means			3.3%
Worked at home			1.8%
Mean Travel Time to Work			23.0 minutes
Percent of Working Residents: ACS 2015-2019			
Working in community of residence			16.9
Commuting to another NH community			81.3
Commuting out-of-state			1.8

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
	Cinemas
	Performing Arts Facilities
	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
X	Boating/Marinas
X	Snowmobile Trails
X	Bicycle Trails
X	Cross Country Skiing
X	Beach or Waterfront Recreation Area
X	Overnight or Day Camps
	Nearest Ski Area(s): Gunstock
	Other: Belknap 4-H Fair