Brookfield, NH

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Municipal Office Hours  
Selectmen: last Saturday of month, 8 am - 10 am; Town Clerk: Monday, 11 am - 6 pm, Tuesday, 8:30 am - 1 pm, last Saturday, 9 am - 12 noon; Administrative Assistant: Wednesday, 8:30 am - 12:30 pm; Assessor Clerk: Friday, 8:30 am - 12:30 pm

County  
Carroll  
Labor Market Area  
Wolfeboro, NH LMA  
Tourism Region  
Lakes  
Planning Commission  
Strafford Regional  
Regional Development  
Wentworth Economic Development Corp.

Election Districts  
US Congress  
District 1  
Executive Council  
District 1  
State Senate  
District 3  
State Representative  
Carroll County Districts 5, 8

Incorporated: 1794

Origin: Settled in 1726 by Scotch-Irish immigrants while still under Massachusetts rule, this territory was part of a planned grant named Coleraine, after the Irish town of the same name. The grant was never authorized, and the settlement became part of Middleton. In 1785 residents of the northern portion of Middleton and part of Wolfeboro petitioned for a separately incorporated town. The petition was at first denied, but then was granted in 1794 as Brookfield, probably after a town of the same name in Massachusetts. The area was popular with farmers because of its fertile ground.

Villages and Place Names: unknown

Population, Year of the First Census Taken: 504 residents in 1800

Population Trends: Population change for Brookfield totaled 490 over 49 years, from 198 in 1970 to 688 in 2019. The largest decennial percent change was between 1970 and 1980, when the population increased by 94 percent, a numeric increase of 187. The 2019 Census estimate for Brookfield was 688 residents, which ranked 208th among New Hampshire’s incorporated cities and towns.

Population Density and Land Area, 2019 (US Census Bureau): 30.1 persons per square mile of land area. Brookfield contains 22.9 square miles of land area and 0.4 square miles of inland water area.
**Municipal Services**

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<th>Type of Government</th>
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<td>Budget: Municipal Appropriations, 2019</td>
<td>$1,032,629</td>
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<td>Budget: School Appropriations, 2018-2019</td>
<td>$1,332,485</td>
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<td>Zoning Ordinance</td>
<td>1961/10</td>
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<tr>
<td>Master Plan</td>
<td>2006</td>
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<tr>
<td>Capital Improvement Plan</td>
<td>No</td>
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<td>Industrial Plans Reviewed By</td>
<td>Planning Board</td>
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**Boards and Commissions**

- Elected: Selectmen; Planning; Cemetery; Auditors; Trust Funds
- Appointed: Conservation; ZBA; Heritage; Agriculture; Webmaster; Grant Review; Communications; Joint Loss Mgmt.

**Public Library**

No Library

**Emergency Services**

- Police Department: Wakefield PD - Full-time
- Fire Department: Wakefield FF - Full-time
- Emergency Medical Service: Wolfeboro - Municipal
- Nearest Hospital(s): Distance 11 miles Staffed Beds 25
- Huggins Hospital, Wolfeboro

**Utilities**

- Electric Supplier: Eversource Energy; NH Electric Coop; Wolfeboro Electric
- Natural Gas Supplier: None
- Water Supplier: Private wells
- Sanitation: Private septic
- Municipal Wastewater Treatment Plant: No
- Solid Waste Disposal: No
- Curbside Trash Pickup: Private
- Pay-As-You-Throw Program: No
- Recycling Program: Mandatory
- Telephone Company: Consolidated Communications
- Cellular Telephone Access: Yes
- Cable Television Access: Limited
- Public Access Television Station: No
- High Speed Internet Service: Business Yes Residential Yes

**Property Taxes**

(NH Dept. of Revenue Administration)

- 2019 Total Tax Rate (per $1000 of value) $16.70
- 2019 Equalization Ratio 103.6
- 2019 Full Value Tax Rate (per $1000 of value) $17.26
- 2019 Percent of Local Assessed Valuation by Property Type
  - Residential Land and Buildings 97.8%
  - Commercial Land and Buildings .8%
  - Public Utilities, Current Use, and Other 1.5%

**Housing**

(ACS 2015-2019)

- Total Housing Units 391
- Single-Family Units, Detached or Attached 391
- Units in Multiple-Family Structures:
  - Two to Four Units in Structure 0
  - Five or More Units in Structure 0
  - Mobile Homes and Other Housing Units 0

**Population (1-Year Estimates/Decennial)**

(US Census Bureau)

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<tr>
<th>Year</th>
<th>Community</th>
<th>County</th>
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<tr>
<td>2019</td>
<td>688</td>
<td>48,910</td>
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<tr>
<td>2010</td>
<td>712</td>
<td>47,818</td>
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<tr>
<td>2000</td>
<td>609</td>
<td>43,918</td>
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<tr>
<td>1990</td>
<td>520</td>
<td>35,526</td>
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<tr>
<td>1980</td>
<td>385</td>
<td>27,929</td>
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<td>1970</td>
<td>198</td>
<td>18,548</td>
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**Demographics**

(American Community Survey (ACS) 2015-2019)

- Population by Gender
  - Male 421 Female 382
- Population by Age Group
  - Under age 5 11
  - Age 5 to 19 143
  - Age 20 to 34 107
  - Age 35 to 54 263
  - Age 55 to 64 127
  - Age 65 and over 152
  - Median Age 46.8 years
- Educational Attainment, population 25 years and over
  - High school graduate or higher 95.8%
  - Bachelor's degree or higher 40.4%

**Income, Inflation Adjusted $**

(ACS 2015-2019)

- Per capita income $39,892
- Median family income $95,714
- Median household income $93,523
- Median Earnings, full-time, year-round workers
  - Male $61,563
  - Female $47,500
- Individuals below the poverty level 3.1%

**Labor Force**

(NHES – ELM)

- Annual Average 2009 2019
  - Civilian labor force 384 302
  - Employed 364 291
  - Unemployed 20 11
  - Unemployment rate 5.2% 3.6%

**Employment & Wages**

(NHES – ELM)

- Annual Average Covered Employment 2009 2019
  - Goods Producing Industries
    - Average Employment 5 n
    - Average Weekly Wage $2,081 n
  - Service Providing Industries
    - Average Employment 16 n
    - Average Weekly Wage $974 n
  - Total Private Industry
    - Average Employment 21 14
    - Average Weekly Wage $1,234 $923
  - Government (Federal, State, and Local)
    - Average Employment 7 0
    - Average Weekly Wage $176 0
  - Total, Private Industry plus Government
    - Average Employment 28 14
    - Average Weekly Wage $976 $923

If “n” appears, data do not meet disclosure standards.
**EDUCATION AND CHILD CARE**

Schools students attend: Grades K-12 are part of Governor Wentworth Regional (Brookfield, Effingham, Middleton, New Durham, Ossipee, Tuftonboro, Wolfeboro)  
Career Technology Center(s): Lakes Region Technology Center (Wolfeboro)

Educational Facilities (includes Charter Schools)  
- Elementary
- Middle/Junior High
- High School
- Private/Parochial

Nearest Community College: Lakes Region  
Nearest Colleges or Universities: Plymouth State University; Granite State College-Wolfeboro

2020 NH Licensed Child Care Facilities (DHHS-Bureau of Child Care Licensing)  
Total Facilities: 0  
Total Capacity: 0

**LARGEST BUSINESSES**

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<tr>
<th>PRODUCT/SERVICE</th>
<th>EMPLOYEES</th>
<th>ESTABLISHED</th>
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<tr>
<td>Not Available</td>
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**TRANSPORTATION (distances estimated from city/town hall)**

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<tr>
<th>Road Access</th>
<th>US Routes</th>
<th>State Routes</th>
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<th>Nearest Interstate, Exit</th>
<th>Spaulding Tpk., Exit 18; I-95, Exit 5</th>
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<tr>
<td>Distance</td>
<td>7 miles; 40 miles</td>
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<tr>
<td>Railroad</td>
<td>No</td>
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<td>Public Transportation</td>
<td>No</td>
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<tr>
<th>Nearest Public Use Airport, General Aviation</th>
<th>Skyhaven, Rochester</th>
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<tr>
<td>Runway</td>
<td>4,200 ft. asphalt</td>
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<tr>
<td>Lighted?</td>
<td>Yes</td>
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<td>Navigation Aids?</td>
<td>Yes</td>
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<tr>
<th>Nearest Airport with Scheduled Service</th>
<th>Manchester-Boston Regional</th>
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<tr>
<td>Distance</td>
<td>66 miles</td>
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<td>Number of Passenger Airlines Serving Airport</td>
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<th>Driving distance to select cities:</th>
<th>Manchester, NH</th>
<th>Portland, Maine</th>
<th>Boston, Mass.</th>
<th>New York City, NY</th>
<th>Montreal, Quebec</th>
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<td></td>
<td>63 miles</td>
<td>53 miles</td>
<td>95 miles</td>
<td>302 miles</td>
<td>256 miles</td>
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<th>COMMUTING TO WORK</th>
<th>(ACS 2015-2019)</th>
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<td>Workers 16 years and over</td>
<td>86.8%</td>
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<td>Drove alone, car/truck/van</td>
<td>86.8%</td>
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<td>Public transportation</td>
<td>0.0%</td>
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<td>Walked</td>
<td>1.1%</td>
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<td>Other means</td>
<td>10.2%</td>
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<td>Worked at home</td>
<td>6.3%</td>
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<td>Mean Travel Time to Work</td>
<td>39.3 minutes</td>
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| Percent of Working Residents: ACS 2015-2019 |  
| Working in community of residence | 13.6% |
| Commuting to another NH community | 80.1% |
| Commuting out-of-state | 6.3% |

**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
- Museums
- Cinemas
- Performing Arts Facilities
- Tourist Attractions
- Youth Organizations (i.e., Scouts, 4-H)
- Youth Sports: Baseball
- Youth Sports: Soccer
- Youth Sports: Football
- Youth Sports: Basketball
- Youth Sports: Hockey
- Campgrounds
- Fishing/Hunting
- Boating/Marinas
- Snowmobile Trails
- Bicycle Trails
- Cross Country Skiing
- Beach or Waterfront Recreation Area
- Overnight or Day Camps

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<th>Nearest Ski Area(s):</th>
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<td>Other:</td>
<td>Town Clean Up Day; Hiking; Old Home Day; Frisbee Golf; Wolfeboro Parks &amp; Rec</td>
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