

Campton, NH



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County
 Labor Market Area
 Tourism Region
 Planning Commission
 Regional Development

Grafton
Plymouth, NH LMA
White Mountains
North Country Council
Grafton County Economic Development Council

Election Districts

US Congress
 Executive Council
 State Senate
 State Representative

District 1
District 1
District 2
Grafton County District 7

Incorporated: 1761

Origin: First chartered in 1761, the town may have been named for a friend of Governor Benning Wentworth, Spencer Compton, Earl of Wilmington. Another source indicates that when surveyors came to the area, they built a camp here, and the name Campton comes from that. Conditions of the 1761 charter were not met, and a new charter was issued in 1767. An early settler was John Marsh, whose grandson Sylvester was born in Campton. Sylvester Marsh, a founder of the Chicago meat-packing industry, came up with the idea of building a railway to the summit of Mount Washington. Marsh invented the cog rail mechanism and special brakes so the locomotive could scale the steep terrain, completing the railway in July 1869.

Villages and Place Names: Beebe River, Blair, Campton Hollow, Campton Lower Village, Campton Station, Campton Upper Village, West Campton

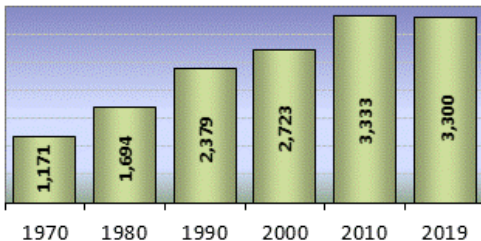
Population, Year of the First Census Taken: 395 residents in 1790

Population Trends: Population change for Campton totaled 2,129 over 49 years, from 1,171 in 1970 to 3,300 in 2019. The largest decennial percent change was a 45 percent increase between 1970 and 1980,



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followed by a 40 percent increase over the next decade. The 2019 Census estimate for Campton was 3,300 residents, which ranked 105th among New Hampshire's incorporated cities and towns.



Population Density and Land Area, 2019 (US Census Bureau): 63.5 persons per square mile of land area. Campton contains 51.9 square miles of land area and 0.6 square miles of inland water area.

MUNICIPAL SERVICES	
Type of Government	Selectmen
Budget: Municipal Appropriations, 2019	\$3,825,936
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Zoning Ordinance	1974/17
Master Plan	2004
Capital Improvement Plan	Yes
Industrial Plans Reviewed By	Planning Board

Boards and Commissions	
Elected:	Selectmen; Library; Checklist
Appointed:	Planning; Zoning; Conservation; Parks & Recreation
Public Library	Campton Public

EMERGENCY SERVICES		
Police Department		Full-time
Fire Department		Full-time
Emergency Medical Service		Full-time
Nearest Hospital(s)	Distance	Staffed Beds
Speare Memorial, Plymouth	9 miles	25

UTILITIES		
Electric Supplier	Eversource Energy; NH Electric Coop	
Natural Gas Supplier	None	
Water Supplier	Campton Village Precinct; Waterville Estate	
Sanitation	Private septic	
Municipal Wastewater Treatment Plant	No	
Solid Waste Disposal	Private	
Curbside Trash Pickup	Private	
Pay-As-You-Throw Program	No	
Recycling Program	Mandatory	
Telephone Company	Time Warner; 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)	\$23.21	
2019 Equalization Ratio	98.6	
2019 Full Value Tax Rate (per \$1000 of value)	\$22.63	
2019 Percent of Local Assessed Valuation by Property Type		
Residential Land and Buildings	89.6%	
Commercial Land and Buildings	7.0%	
Public Utilities, Current Use, and Other	3.4%	

HOUSING		(ACS 2015-2019)
Total Housing Units	2,136	
Single-Family Units, Detached or Attached	1,678	
Units in Multiple-Family Structures:		
Two to Four Units in Structure	149	
Five or More Units in Structure	63	
Mobile Homes and Other Housing Units	246	

POPULATION (1-YEAR ESTIMATES/DECENNIAL)		(US Census Bureau)
Total Population	Community	County
2019	3,300	89,886
2010	3,333	89,118
2000	2,723	81,826
1990	2,379	74,998
1980	1,694	65,806
1970	1,171	54,914

DEMOGRAPHICS			AMERICAN COMMUNITY SURVEY (ACS) 2015-2019
Population by Gender			
Male	1,633	Female	1,658
Population by Age Group			
Under age 5			105
Age 5 to 19			498
Age 20 to 34			667
Age 35 to 54			891
Age 55 to 64			504
Age 65 and over			626
Median Age			47.3 years
Educational Attainment, population 25 years and over			
High school graduate or higher			87.1%
Bachelor's degree or higher			41.2%

INCOME, INFLATION ADJUSTED \$		(ACS 2015-2019)
Per capita income		\$32,657
Median family income		\$85,000
Median household income		\$62,045
Median Earnings, full-time, year-round workers		
Male		\$42,204
Female		\$29,386
Individuals below the poverty level		6.9%

LABOR FORCE			(NHES – ELMII)
Annual Average	2009		2019
Civilian labor force	1,691		1,996
Employed	1,588		1,956
Unemployed	103		40
Unemployment rate	6.1%		2.0%

EMPLOYMENT & WAGES				(NHES – ELMII)
Annual Average Covered Employment	2009		2019	
Goods Producing Industries				
Average Employment	104		99	
Average Weekly Wage	\$ 767		\$1,013	
Service Providing Industries				
Average Employment	425		383	
Average Weekly Wage	\$ 444		\$ 547	
Total Private Industry				
Average Employment	529		482	
Average Weekly Wage	\$ 507		\$ 642	
Government (Federal, State, and Local)				
Average Employment	153		297	
Average Weekly Wage	\$ 693		\$ 888	
Total, Private Industry plus Government				
Average Employment	682		778	
Average Weekly Wage	\$ 549		\$ 736	

EDUCATION AND CHILD CARE

Schools students attend:	Campton operates grades K-8; grades 9-12 are part of Pemi-Baker Coopertive (Ashland, Campton, Holderness, Plymouth, Rumney, Thornton, Wentworth)				District: SAU 48
Career Technology Center(s):	Plymouth Applied Technology Center				Region: 5
Educational Facilities (includes Charter Schools)	Elementary	Middle/Junior High	High School	Private/Parochial	
Number of Schools	1				
Grade Levels	P K 1-8				
Total Enrollment	309				

Nearest Community College: **Lakes Region**Nearest Colleges or Universities: **Plymouth State University; Granite State College-Laconia**2020 NH Licensed Child Care Facilities (DHHS-Bureau of Child Care Licensing) Total Facilities: **5** Total Capacity: **101**

LARGEST BUSINESSES	PRODUCT/SERVICE	EMPLOYEES	ESTABLISHED
Owls Nest Golf Course	Golf	60	1998
Days Inn	Lodging	18	
Becket School	Private education	15	
Top Notch Tree Experts	Logging, tree work	14	
Campton Sand & Gravel	Aggregate	12	
Evergreen Embroidery	Textile	12	
Sunset Grill	Restaurant	10	
Andrews Construction	Construction		
Persons Concrete	Construction		

Employer Information Supplied by Municipality

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

Road Access	US Routes	3
	State Routes	49, 175
Nearest Interstate, Exit	I-93, Exits 27 - 28	
	Distance	Local access
Railroad	State owned line	
Public Transportation	No	
Nearest Public Use Airport, General Aviation		
Plymouth Regional	Runway	2,380 ft. turf
Lighted? No	Navigation Aids?	No
Nearest Airport with Scheduled Service		
Lebanon Municipal	Distance	52 miles
Number of Passenger Airlines Serving Airport		1
Driving distance to select cities:		
Manchester, NH		66 miles
Portland, Maine		99 miles
Boston, Mass.		116 miles
New York City, NY		313 miles
Montreal, Quebec		205 miles

COMMUTING TO WORK (*ACS 2015-2019*)

Workers 16 years and over	
Drove alone, car/truck/van	84.5%
Carpooled, car/truck/van	3.7%
Public transportation	0.0%
Walked	6.7%
Other means	5.1%
Worked at home	1.9%
Mean Travel Time to Work	25.6 minutes

Percent of Working Residents: ACS 2015-2019

Working in community of residence	12.4
Commuting to another NH community	85.7
Commuting out-of-state	1.9

RECREATION, ATTRACTIONS, AND EVENTS

	Municipal Parks
	YMCA/YWCA
	Boys Club/Girls Club
X	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
X	Tourist Attractions
X	Youth Organizations (i.e., Scouts, 4-H)
X	Youth Sports: Baseball
	Youth Sports: Soccer
X	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
	Beach or Waterfront Recreation Area
X	Overnight or Day Camps

Nearest Ski Area(s): **Waterville Valley**

Other: