

# Conway, NH



## Community Contact

**Town of Conway**  
**Thomas Irving, Planning Director**  
 1634 East Main Street  
 Center Conway, NH 03813

Telephone  
 Fax  
 E-mail  
 Web Site

**(603) 447-3811**  
**(603) 447-5012**  
**conway@conwaynh.org**  
**www.conwaynh.org**

## Municipal Office Hours

**Monday through Friday, 8 am - 5 pm**

County  
 Labor Market Area  
 Tourism Region  
 Planning Commission  
 Regional Development

**Carroll**  
**Conway, NH-ME LMA, NH part**  
**White Mountains**  
**North Country Council**  
**Mount Washington Valley Economic Council**

## Election Districts

US Congress  
 Executive Council  
 State Senate  
 State Representative

**District 1**  
**District 1**  
**District 3**  
**Carroll County Districts 2, 7**

**Incorporated:** 1765

**Origin:** Conway was named for Henry Seymour Conway, ambitious son of a prominent English family, who was elected to the House of Commons at age twenty, fought at the Battle of Culloden in Scotland, and with Pitt and Rockingham supported the cause of the colonies. He was made Secretary of State in 1765, and the town was named Conway that same year. Early settlers in the area had named the area Pequawket, known colloquially as Pigwacket, after the nearby mountain. Conway boasts many natural features such as Cathedral Ledge, Echo Lake State Park, and Mount Cranmore.

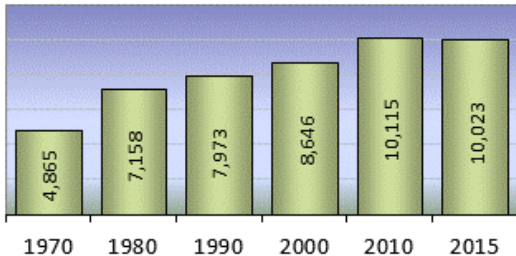
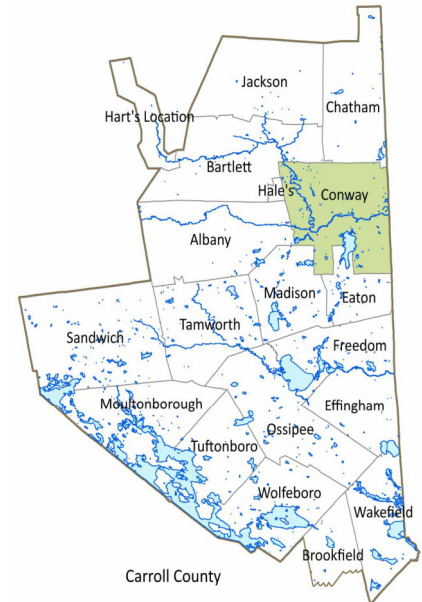
**Villages and Place Names:** Center Conway, East Conway, North Conway, Intervale, Kearsarge, Quint, Redstone, South Conway

**Population, Year of the First Census Taken:** 640 residents in 1790

**Population Trends:** Population change for Conway totaled 5,725 over 55 years, from 4,298 in 1960

to 10,023 in 2015. The largest decennial percent change was a 47 percent increase between 1970 and 1980, accounting for 40 percent of the total numeric growth.

The 2015 Census estimate for Conway was 10,023 residents, which ranked 29th among New Hampshire's incorporated cities and towns.



**Population Density and Land Area, 2015 (US Census Bureau):** 143.8 persons per square mile of land area. Conway contains 69.7 square miles of land area and 2.0 square miles of inland water area.

<b>MUNICIPAL SERVICES</b>	
Type of Government	<b>Selectmen</b>
Budget: Municipal Appropriations, 2017	<b>\$10,813,365</b>
Budget: School Appropriations, 2017-2018	<b>\$36,240,608</b>
Zoning Ordinance	<b>1980/17</b>
Master Plan	<b>2016</b>
Capital Improvement Plan	<b>Yes</b>
Industrial Plans Reviewed By	<b>Planning Board</b>

#### Boards and Commissions

Elected:	<b>Selectmen; Planning; Library</b>
Appointed:	<b>Zoning; Conservation</b>

Public Library **Conway Public; North Conway Public**

#### **EMERGENCY SERVICES**

Police Department	<b>Full-time</b>	
Fire Department	<b>Volunteer</b>	
Emergency Medical Service	<b>Municipal &amp; volunteer</b>	
Nearest Hospital(s)	Distance	Staffed Beds
<b>Memorial Hospital, North Conway</b>	<b>Local</b>	<b>25</b>

#### **UTILITIES**

Electric Supplier	<b>Eversource Energy; NH Electric Coop</b>	
Natural Gas Supplier	<b>None</b>	
Water Supplier	<b>N. Conway; Conway Village</b>	
Sanitation	<b>Municipal</b>	
Municipal Wastewater Treatment Plant	<b>Yes</b>	
Solid Waste Disposal	<b>Private</b>	
Curbside Trash Pickup	<b>Private</b>	
Pay-As-You-Throw Program	<b>No</b>	
Recycling Program	<b>Mandatory</b>	
Telephone Company	<b>Fairpoint; Northland</b>	
Cellular Telephone Access	<b>Yes</b>	
Cable Television Access	<b>Yes</b>	
Public Access Television Station	<b>Yes</b>	
High Speed Internet Service:	Business	<b>unknown</b>
	Residential	<b>unknown</b>

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

2016 Total Tax Rate (per \$1000 of value)	<b>\$19.31</b>
2016 Equalization Ratio	<b>90.1</b>
2016 Full Value Tax Rate (per \$1000 of value)	<b>\$17.44</b>
2016 Percent of Local Assessed Valuation by Property Type	
Residential Land and Buildings	<b>67.7%</b>
Commercial Land and Buildings	<b>28.5%</b>
Public Utilities, Current Use, and Other	<b>3.8%</b>

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

Total Housing Units	<b>6,478</b>
Single-Family Units, Detached or Attached	<b>3,803</b>
Units in Multiple-Family Structures:	
Two to Four Units in Structure	<b>943</b>
Five or More Units in Structure	<b>953</b>
Mobile Homes and Other Housing Units	<b>779</b>

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

Total Population	Community	County
2015	<b>10,023</b>	<b>47,513</b>
2010	<b>10,115</b>	<b>47,818</b>
2000	<b>8,646</b>	<b>43,918</b>
1990	<b>7,973</b>	<b>35,526</b>
1980	<b>7,158</b>	<b>27,929</b>
1970	<b>4,865</b>	<b>18,548</b>

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

Population by Gender			
Male	<b>5,019</b>	Female	<b>5,004</b>

#### Population by Age Group

Under age 5	<b>467</b>
Age 5 to 19	<b>1,738</b>
Age 20 to 34	<b>1,818</b>
Age 35 to 54	<b>2,664</b>
Age 55 to 64	<b>1,457</b>
Age 65 and over	<b>1,879</b>
Median Age	<b>44.3 years</b>

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

High school graduate or higher	<b>93.6%</b>
Bachelor's degree or higher	<b>26.9%</b>

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

Per capita income	<b>\$26,121</b>
Median family income	<b>\$53,125</b>
Median household income	<b>\$49,250</b>

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

Male	<b>\$40,574</b>
Female	<b>\$37,140</b>

Individuals below the poverty level **11.8%**

#### **LABOR FORCE** *(NHES – ELM)*

Annual Average	2006	2016
Civilian labor force	<b>5,338</b>	<b>5,377</b>
Employed	<b>5,156</b>	<b>5,238</b>
Unemployed	<b>182</b>	<b>139</b>
Unemployment rate	<b>3.4%</b>	<b>2.6%</b>

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

Annual Average Covered Employment	2006	2016
Goods Producing Industries		
Average Employment	<b>930</b>	<b>871</b>
Average Weekly Wage	<b>\$ 729</b>	<b>\$ 818</b>
Service Providing Industries		
Average Employment	<b>6,827</b>	<b>7,234</b>
Average Weekly Wage	<b>\$ 561</b>	<b>\$ 602</b>
Total Private Industry		
Average Employment	<b>7,757</b>	<b>8,105</b>
Average Weekly Wage	<b>\$ 581</b>	<b>\$ 625</b>
Government (Federal, State, and Local)		
Average Employment	<b>623</b>	<b>771</b>
Average Weekly Wage	<b>\$ 659</b>	<b>\$ 741</b>
Total, Private Industry plus Government		
Average Employment	<b>8,380</b>	<b>8,876</b>
Average Weekly Wage	<b>\$ 587</b>	<b>\$ 635</b>

**EDUCATION AND CHILD CARE**

Schools students attend: **Conway operates grades K-12** District: **SAU 9**  
 Career Technology Center(s): **Mt. Washington Valley CTC (Conway)** Region: **6**

Educational Facilities (includes Charter Schools)	Elementary	Middle/Junior High	High School	Private/Parochial
Number of Schools	4	1	1	2
Grade Levels	K 1-8	7-8	9-12	P K R 1-8
Total Enrollment	793	281	749	90

Nearest Community College: **White Mountains; Lakes Region**  
 Nearest Colleges or Universities: **Plymouth State University; Granite State College**

2017 NH Licensed Child Care Facilities (DHHS-Bureau of Child Care Licensing) Total Facilities: **10** Total Capacity: **394**

LARGEST BUSINESSES	PRODUCT/SERVICE	EMPLOYEES	ESTABLISHED
Memorial Hospital	Health care services	350	
Conway School District	Education	274	
Hannaford Brothers	Supermarket	175	
Wal-Mart	Retail Store	140-170	
Red Jacket Inn	Hotel	156	
North Conway Grand Hotel	Hotel	80-100	

## Employer Information Supplied by Municipality

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

Road Access	US Routes	302
	State Routes	16, 112, 113, 153
Nearest Interstate, Exit		I-93, Exit 32 or 24
	Distance	39 miles; 49 miles
Railroad		Conway Scenic
Public Transportation		No
Nearest Public Use Airport, General Aviation		
	<b>Eastern Slopes, Fryeburg ME</b>	Runway 4,200 ft. asphalt
	Lighted? <b>Yes</b>	Navigation Aids? <b>Yes</b>
Nearest Airport with Scheduled Service		
	<b>Portland (ME) International</b>	Distance 54 miles
	Number of Passenger Airlines Serving Airport	6
Driving distance to select cities:		
	Manchester, NH	97 miles
	Portland, Maine	57 miles
	Boston, Mass.	132 miles
	New York City, NY	304 miles
	Montreal, Quebec	221 miles

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

Workers 16 years and over	
Drove alone, car/truck/van	82.1%
Carpooled, car/truck/van	8.3%
Public transportation	0.2%
Walked	5.6%
Other means	0.5%
Worked at home	3.2%
Mean Travel Time to Work	16.1 minutes
<b>Percent of Working Residents: ACS 2011-2015</b>	
Working in community of residence	75.5
Commuting to another NH community	21.4
Commuting out-of-state	3.1

**RECREATION, ATTRACTIONS, AND EVENTS**

X	Municipal Parks
	YMCA/YWCA
	Boys Club/Girls Club
X	Golf Courses
X	Swimming: Indoor Facility
X	Swimming: Outdoor Facility
X	Tennis Courts: Indoor Facility
X	Tennis Courts: Outdoor Facility
X	Ice Skating Rink: Indoor Facility
	Bowling Facilities
X	Museums
X	Cinemas
X	Performing Arts Facilities
X	Tourist Attractions
X	Youth Organizations (i.e., Scouts, 4-H)
X	Youth Sports: Baseball
X	Youth Sports: Soccer
X	Youth Sports: Football
X	Youth Sports: Basketball
X	Youth Sports: Hockey
X	Campgrounds
X	Fishing/Hunting
	Boating/Marinas
X	Snowmobile Trails
X	Bicycle Trails
X	Cross Country Skiing
	Beach or Waterfront Recreation Area
	Overnight or Day Camps
	Nearest Ski Area(s): <b>Cranmore, Attitash, Black Mtn., Bear Peak, Bretton Woods, King Pine, Shawnee Peak, Wildcat</b>
	Other: <b>Conway Scenic Railroad; Dahl Wildlife Sanctuary; Mount Washington Observatory</b>