

# Effingham, NH



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## Municipal Office Hours

**Selectmen: Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, 9 am - 2 pm, Friday, 9 am - 12 noon, closed Wednesday; Town Clerk, Tax Collector: Tuesday, Thursday, 10 am - 6 pm, Wednesday, Friday, 8 am - 12 noon**

County  
 Labor Market Area  
 Tourism Region  
 Planning Commission  
 Regional Development

**Carroll**  
**Wolfeboro, NH LMA**  
**Lakes**  
**Lakes Region**  
**Wentworth Economic Development Corp.**

Election Districts  
 US Congress  
 Executive Council  
 State Senate  
 State Representative

**District 1**  
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**District 3**  
**Carroll County Districts 5, 8**

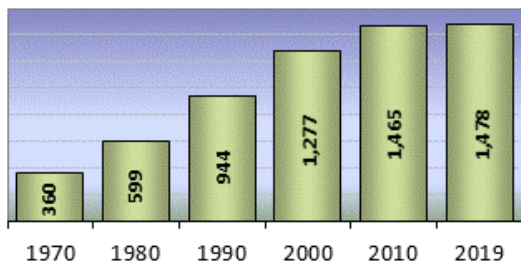
**Incorporated: 1778**

**Origin:** This town was first settled by the Leavitts of Hampton, led by Captain John Leavitt, a soldier who had fought the French and Indians at Lake George. The territory was known as Leavittstown from the time of the initial charter in 1749 until 1778. The name Effingham was probably selected by Governor Wentworth in honor of the Howard family, who were Earls of Effingham and related to the governor by marriage, although the name was not used until the town's 1778 incorporation, after the start of the Revolution.

**Villages and Place Names:** Center Effingham, Chases Mill, Effingham Falls, Grape Corner, Pine River, South Effingham, Drake's Corner

**Population, Year of the First Census Taken:** 154 residents in 1790

**Population Trends:** Population change for Effingham totaled 1,118 over 49 years, from 360 in 1970 to 1,478 in 2019. The largest decennial percent change was a 66 percent increase between 1970 and 1980, followed by a 58 percent increase over the next decade. The 2019 Census



estimate for Effingham was 1,478 residents, which ranked 164th among New Hampshire's incorporated cities and towns.

**Population Density and Land Area, 2019 (US Census Bureau):** 38.0 persons per square mile of land area. Effingham contains 38.9 square miles of land area and 1.1 square miles of inland water area.



<b>MUNICIPAL SERVICES</b>	
Type of Government	<b>Selectmen</b>
Budget: Municipal Appropriations, 2020	<b>\$2,775,288</b>
Budget: School Appropriations, 2019-2020	<b>\$2,623,833</b>
Zoning Ordinance	<b>2000/15</b>
Master Plan	<b>2013</b>
Capital Improvement Plan	<b>No</b>
Industrial Plans Reviewed By	

Boards and Commissions  
 Elected: **Selectmen; Planning; Zoning; Library**  
 Appointed: **Conservation; Historic District**

Public Library **Effingham Public**

<b>EMERGENCY SERVICES</b>			
Police Department			<b>Full-time</b>
Fire Department			<b>Volunteer</b>
Emergency Medical Service			<b>Volunteer/Contracted</b>
Nearest Hospital(s)	Distance	Staffed Beds	
<b>Huggins Hospital, Wolfeboro</b>	<b>20 miles</b>	<b>25</b>	

<b>UTILITIES</b>			
Electric Supplier	<b>Eversource Energy; NH Electric Coop</b>		
Natural Gas Supplier			<b>None</b>
Water Supplier			<b>Private wells</b>
Sanitation			<b>Private septic</b>
Municipal Wastewater Treatment Plant			<b>No</b>
Solid Waste Disposal			
Curbside Trash Pickup			<b>None</b>
Pay-As-You-Throw Program			<b>No</b>
Recycling Program			<b>Voluntary</b>
Telephone Company	<b>Time Warner Cable; Fairpoint</b>		
Cellular Telephone Access			<b>Limited</b>
Cable Television Access			<b>Yes</b>
Public Access Television Station			<b>No</b>
High Speed Internet Service:	Business		<b>Limited</b>
	Residential		<b>Limited</b>

<b>PROPERTY TAXES</b>		<i>(NH Dept. of Revenue Administration)</i>	
2019 Total Tax Rate (per \$1000 of value)		<b>\$26.90</b>	
2019 Equalization Ratio		<b>84.4</b>	
2019 Full Value Tax Rate (per \$1000 of value)		<b>\$22.62</b>	
2019 Percent of Local Assessed Valuation by Property Type			
Residential Land and Buildings		<b>86.5%</b>	
Commercial Land and Buildings		<b>10.1%</b>	
Public Utilities, Current Use, and Other		<b>3.4%</b>	

<b>HOUSING</b>		<i>(ACS 2015-2019)</i>	
Total Housing Units		<b>913</b>	
Single-Family Units, Detached or Attached		<b>799</b>	
Units in Multiple-Family Structures:			
Two to Four Units in Structure		<b>13</b>	
Five or More Units in Structure		<b>27</b>	
Mobile Homes and Other Housing Units		<b>74</b>	

<b>POPULATION (1-YEAR ESTIMATES/DECENNIAL)</b>		<i>(US Census Bureau)</i>	
Total Population	Community	County	
2019	<b>1,478</b>	<b>48,910</b>	
2010	<b>1,465</b>	<b>47,818</b>	
2000	<b>1,277</b>	<b>43,918</b>	
1990	<b>944</b>	<b>35,526</b>	
1980	<b>599</b>	<b>27,929</b>	
1970	<b>360</b>	<b>18,548</b>	

<b>DEMOGRAPHICS</b>				<i>AMERICAN COMMUNITY SURVEY (ACS) 2015-2019</i>	
Population by Gender					
Male	<b>712</b>	Female		<b>918</b>	
Population by Age Group					
Under age 5				<b>115</b>	
Age 5 to 19				<b>305</b>	
Age 20 to 34				<b>312</b>	
Age 35 to 54				<b>378</b>	
Age 55 to 64				<b>246</b>	
Age 65 and over				<b>274</b>	
Median Age				<b>41.0 years</b>	
Educational Attainment, population 25 years and over					
High school graduate or higher				<b>93.4%</b>	
Bachelor's degree or higher				<b>24.6%</b>	

<b>INCOME, INFLATION ADJUSTED \$</b>		<i>(ACS 2015-2019)</i>	
Per capita income		<b>\$31,507</b>	
Median family income		<b>\$77,935</b>	
Median household income		<b>\$70,000</b>	
Median Earnings, full-time, year-round workers			
Male		<b>\$48,125</b>	
Female		<b>\$32,264</b>	
Individuals below the poverty level		<b>9.8%</b>	

<b>LABOR FORCE</b>			<i>(NHES – ELMII)</i>	
Annual Average	2009	2019		
Civilian labor force	<b>778</b>	<b>724</b>		
Employed	<b>726</b>	<b>704</b>		
Unemployed	<b>52</b>	<b>20</b>		
Unemployment rate	<b>6.7%</b>	<b>2.8%</b>		

<b>EMPLOYMENT &amp; WAGES</b>				<i>(NHES – ELMII)</i>	
Annual Average Covered Employment	2009	2019			
Goods Producing Industries					
Average Employment	<b>n</b>	<b>n</b>			
Average Weekly Wage	<b>n</b>	<b>n</b>			
Service Providing Industries					
Average Employment	<b>n</b>	<b>n</b>			
Average Weekly Wage	<b>n</b>	<b>n</b>			
Total Private Industry					
Average Employment	<b>n</b>	<b>55</b>			
Average Weekly Wage	<b>n</b>	<b>\$ 676</b>			
Government (Federal, State, and Local)					
Average Employment	<b>42</b>	<b>41</b>			
Average Weekly Wage	<b>\$ 573</b>	<b>\$ 688</b>			
Total, Private Industry plus Government					
Average Employment	<b>n</b>	<b>96</b>			
Average Weekly Wage	<b>n</b>	<b>\$ 681</b>			

If "n" appears, data do not meet disclosure standards.

**EDUCATION AND CHILD CARE**

Schools students attend:	<b>Grades K-12 are part of Governor Wentworth Regional (Brookfield, Effingham, Middleton, New Durham, Ossipee, Tuftonboro, Wolfeboro)</b>				District: <b>SAU 49</b>
Career Technology Center(s):	<b>Lakes Region Technology Center (Wolfeboro)</b>				Region: <b>9</b>
Educational Facilities (includes Charter Schools)	Elementary	Middle/Junior High	High School	Private/Parochial	
Number of Schools	<b>1</b>				
Grade Levels	<b>K 1-6</b>				
Total Enrollment	<b>114</b>				

Nearest Community College: **Lakes Region**  
 Nearest Colleges or Universities: **Granite State College-Conway**

2020 NH Licensed Child Care Facilities (DHHS-Bureau of Child Care Licensing)      Total Facilities: **1**    Total Capacity: **17**

<b>LARGEST BUSINESSES</b>	<b>PRODUCT/SERVICE</b>	<b>EMPLOYEES</b>	<b>ESTABLISHED</b>
Green Mountain Treatment Center	Substance abuse treatment	75	2016
Boyles Family Market	Convenience store	10	

## Employer Information Supplied by Municipality

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

Road Access	US Routes		
	State Routes	<b>25, 153</b>	
Nearest Interstate, Exit		<b>I-93, Exit 24</b>	
	Distance	<b>42 miles</b>	
Railroad		<b>No</b>	
Public Transportation		<b>No</b>	
Nearest Public Use Airport, General Aviation			
<b>Eastern Slopes, Fryeburg ME</b>	Runway	<b>4,200 ft. asphalt</b>	
Lighted?	Yes	Navigation Aids?	<b>Yes</b>
Nearest Airport with Scheduled Service			
<b>Portland (ME) International</b>	Distance	<b>44 miles</b>	
Number of Passenger Airlines Serving Airport		<b>6</b>	
Driving distance to select cities:			
Manchester, NH		<b>78 miles</b>	
Portland, Maine		<b>48 miles</b>	
Boston, Mass.		<b>115 miles</b>	
New York City, NY		<b>326 miles</b>	
Montreal, Quebec		<b>235 miles</b>	

**COMMUTING TO WORK** (*ACS 2015-2019*)

Workers 16 years and over	
Drove alone, car/truck/van	<b>84.5%</b>
Carpooled, car/truck/van	<b>8.1%</b>
Public transportation	<b>0.0%</b>
Walked	<b>0.9%</b>
Other means	<b>6.5%</b>
Worked at home	<b>7.8%</b>
Mean Travel Time to Work	<b>32.7 minutes</b>

**Percent of Working Residents: ACS 2015-2019**

Working in community of residence	<b>10.7</b>
Commuting to another NH community	<b>81.5</b>
Commuting out-of-state	<b>7.8</b>

**RECREATION, ATTRACTIONS, AND EVENTS**

	Municipal Parks
	YMCA/YWCA
	Boys Club/Girls Club
<b>X</b>	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
<b>X</b>	Tourist Attractions
<b>X</b>	Youth Organizations (i.e., Scouts, 4-H)
<b>X</b>	Youth Sports: Baseball
<b>X</b>	Youth Sports: Soccer
	Youth Sports: Football
	Youth Sports: Basketball
	Youth Sports: Hockey
<b>X</b>	Campgrounds
<b>X</b>	Fishing/Hunting
<b>X</b>	Boating/Marinas
<b>X</b>	Snowmobile Trails
<b>X</b>	Bicycle Trails
<b>X</b>	Cross Country Skiing
	Beach or Waterfront Recreation Area
<b>X</b>	Overnight or Day Camps
	Nearest Ski Area(s): <b>King Pine</b>
	Other: <b>Watts Sanctuary; Annual Street Fair</b>