

# Tamworth, NH



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## Municipal Office Hours

**Selectmen: Tuesday through Friday, 9 am - 12 noon, 1 pm - 4 pm; Town Clerk, Tax Collector: Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday, 9 am - 12 noon, 1 pm - 4 pm, Thursday, 9 am - 12 noon, 1 pm - 6 pm**

County  
 Labor Market Area  
 Tourism Region  
 Planning Commission  
 Regional Development

**Carroll**  
**Conway, NH-ME LMA, NH part**  
**Lakes**  
**Lakes Region**  
**Mount Washington Valley Economic Council**

## Election Districts

US Congress  
 Executive Council  
 State Senate  
 State Representative

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

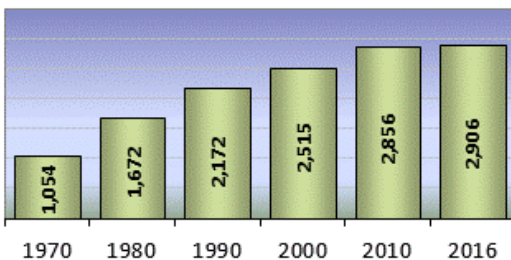
**Incorporated: 1766**

**Origin:** This town was granted in 1766 to John Webster and others, and named in honor of Admiral Washington Shirley, Viscount Tamworth, a close friend of Governor Benning Wentworth. There was considerable controversy regarding the boundaries of the town. A legislative committee was appointed in 1796 to fix the line between Tamworth and Burton (Albany), and between Tamworth and Eaton. Though the decision was to be final, another committee was appointed in 1808 to further fix town lines between Tamworth, Eaton, Sandwich, and Burton.

**Villages and Place Names:** Chocorua, South Tamworth, Wonalancet

**Population, Year of the First Census Taken:** 266 residents in 1790

**Population Trends:** Population change for Tamworth totaled 1,890 over 56 years, from 1,016 in 1960 to 2,906 in 2016. The largest decennial percent change was a 59 percent increase between 1970 and 1980, which was followed by a 30 percent increase between 1980 and 1990. The 2016 Census estimate for Tamworth was 2,906 residents, which ranked 110th among New Hampshire's incorporated cities and towns.



## Population Density and Land Area, 2016

*(US Census Bureau):* 48.6 persons per square mile of land area. Tamworth contains 59.8 square miles of land area and 0.8 square miles of inland water area.

<b>MUNICIPAL SERVICES</b>	
Type of Government	<b>Selectmen</b>
Budget: Municipal Appropriations, 2017	<b>\$3,908,018</b>
Budget: School Appropriations, 2017-2018	<b>\$6,930,529</b>
Zoning Ordinance	<b>No Ordinance</b>
Master Plan	<b>2008</b>
Capital Improvement Plan	<b>Yes</b>
Industrial Plans Reviewed By	<b>Planning Board</b>

Boards and Commissions  
 Elected: **Selectmen; Planning; Library; Trust Funds; Checklist; Cemetery; Fireward**  
 Appointed: **Conservation; Energy, LURC; Economic Dev; ZBA; CIP**

Public Library **Chocorua Public; Cook Memorial**

<b>EMERGENCY SERVICES</b>	
Police Department	<b>Full-time</b>
Fire Department	<b>Full-time Chief &amp; volunteer</b>
Emergency Medical Service	<b>Volunteer</b>

Nearest Hospital(s)	Distance	Staffed Beds
<b>Memorial Hospital, North Conway</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>LR Water Company; Private wells</b>
Sanitation	<b>Tamworth Village Assoc. &amp; 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>Fairpoint</b>
Cellular Telephone Access	<b>Yes</b>
Cable Television Access	<b>Limited</b>
Public Access Television Station	<b>No</b>
High Speed Internet Service:	
Business	<b>Limited</b>
Residential	<b>Limited</b>

<b>PROPERTY TAXES</b> (NH Dept. of Revenue Administration)	
2016 Total Tax Rate (per \$1000 of value)	<b>\$22.94</b>
2016 Equalization Ratio	<b>100.7</b>
2016 Full Value Tax Rate (per \$1000 of value)	<b>\$22.53</b>
2016 Percent of Local Assessed Valuation by Property Type	
Residential Land and Buildings	<b>83.7%</b>
Commercial Land and Buildings	<b>11.9%</b>
Public Utilities, Current Use, and Other	<b>4.4%</b>

<b>HOUSING</b> (ACS 2012-2016)	
Total Housing Units	<b>2,140</b>
Single-Family Units, Detached or Attached	<b>1,727</b>
Units in Multiple-Family Structures:	
Two to Four Units in Structure	<b>57</b>
Five or More Units in Structure	<b>150</b>
Mobile Homes and Other Housing Units	<b>206</b>

<b>POPULATION (1-YEAR ESTIMATES/DECENNIAL)</b> (US Census Bureau)		
Total Population	Community	County
2016	<b>2,906</b>	<b>47,289</b>
2010	<b>2,856</b>	<b>47,818</b>
2000	<b>2,515</b>	<b>43,918</b>
1990	<b>2,172</b>	<b>35,526</b>
1980	<b>1,672</b>	<b>27,929</b>
1970	<b>1,054</b>	<b>18,548</b>

<b>DEMOGRAPHICS, AMERICAN COMMUNITY SURVEY</b> (ACS) 2012-2016			
Population by Gender			
Male	<b>1,479</b>	Female	<b>1,414</b>
Population by Age Group			
Under age 5			<b>136</b>
Age 5 to 19			<b>145</b>
Age 20 to 34			<b>331</b>
Age 35 to 54			<b>860</b>
Age 55 to 64			<b>855</b>
Age 65 and over			<b>566</b>
Median Age			<b>54.1 years</b>

Educational Attainment, population 25 years and over	
High school graduate or higher	<b>93.8%</b>
Bachelor's degree or higher	<b>22.9%</b>

<b>INCOME, INFLATION ADJUSTED \$</b> (ACS 2012-2016)	
Per capita income	<b>\$33,988</b>
Median family income	<b>\$61,651</b>
Median household income	<b>\$49,821</b>

Median Earnings, full-time, year-round workers, 16 years and over	
Male	<b>\$38,802</b>
Female	<b>\$50,331</b>

Individuals below the poverty level	<b>9.8%</b>
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<b>LABOR FORCE</b> (NHES – ELMII)		
Annual Average	2006	2016
Civilian labor force	<b>1,323</b>	<b>1,455</b>
Employed	<b>1,275</b>	<b>1,406</b>
Unemployed	<b>48</b>	<b>49</b>
Unemployment rate	<b>3.6%</b>	<b>3.4%</b>

<b>EMPLOYMENT &amp; WAGES</b> (NHES – ELMII)		
Annual Average Covered Employment	2006	2016
Goods Producing Industries		
Average Employment	<b>140</b>	<b>114</b>
Average Weekly Wage	<b>\$ 843</b>	<b>\$ 755</b>
Service Providing Industries		
Average Employment	<b>419</b>	<b>369</b>
Average Weekly Wage	<b>\$ 390</b>	<b>\$ 633</b>
Total Private Industry		
Average Employment	<b>559</b>	<b>484</b>
Average Weekly Wage	<b>\$ 504</b>	<b>\$ 661</b>
Government (Federal, State, and Local)		
Average Employment	<b>104</b>	<b>130</b>
Average Weekly Wage	<b>\$ 595</b>	<b>\$ 816</b>
Total, Private Industry plus Government		
Average Employment	<b>662</b>	<b>614</b>
Average Weekly Wage	<b>\$ 518</b>	<b>\$ 694</b>

**EDUCATION AND CHILD CARE**

Schools students attend:	<b>Tamworth operates grades K-8; grades 9-12 are tuitioned to Conway</b>				District: <b>SAU 13</b>
Career Technology Center(s):	<b>Mt. Washington Valley CTC (Conway)</b>				Region: <b>6</b>
Educational Facilities (includes Charter Schools)	Elementary	Middle/Junior High	High School	Private/Parochial	
Number of Schools	<b>1</b>			<b>1</b>	
Grade Levels	<b>K 1-8</b>			<b>9-12</b>	
Total Enrollment	<b>204</b>			<b>29</b>	

Nearest Community College: **Lakes Region**Nearest Colleges or Universities: **Plymouth State University; Granite State College-Conway**2017 NH Licensed Child Care Facilities (DHHS-Bureau of Child Care Licensing) Total Facilities: **2** Total Capacity: **114**

<b>LARGEST BUSINESSES</b>	<b>PRODUCT/SERVICE</b>	<b>EMPLOYEES</b>	<b>ESTABLISHED</b>
Kenneth A. Brett School	Education (K-8)	47	
Pinetree Power - Tamworth	20 MW Bio-Mass wood chip fired steam electrical generating facility		
Eversource	Electric services		

## Employer Information Supplied by Municipality

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

Road Access	US Routes	
	State Routes	<b>16, 25, 113, 113A</b>
Nearest Interstate, Exit		<b>I-93, Exit 24</b>
	Distance	<b>29 miles</b>
Railroad		<b>No</b>
Public Transportation		<b>No</b>
Nearest Public Use Airport, General Aviation		
	<b>Moultonborough Airport</b>	Runway <b>3,475 ft. asphalt</b>
	Lighted? <b>Yes</b>	Navigation Aids? <b>No</b>
Nearest Airport with Scheduled Service		
	<b>Portland (ME) International</b>	Distance <b>61 miles</b>
	Number of Passenger Airlines Serving Airport	<b>6</b>
Driving distance to select cities:		
	Manchester, NH	<b>79 miles</b>
	Portland, Maine	<b>64 miles</b>
	Boston, Mass.	<b>119 miles</b>
	New York City, NY	<b>327 miles</b>
	Montreal, Quebec	<b>242 miles</b>

**COMMUTING TO WORK** (*ACS 2012-2016*)

Workers 16 years and over	
Drove alone, car/truck/van	<b>82.7%</b>
Carpooled, car/truck/van	<b>5.5%</b>
Public transportation	<b>0.0%</b>
Walked	<b>1.9%</b>
Other means	<b>6.0%</b>
Worked at home	<b>3.9%</b>
Mean Travel Time to Work	<b>23.7 minutes</b>
<b>Percent of Working Residents: ACS 2012-2016</b>	
Working in community of residence	<b>27.5</b>
Commuting to another NH community	<b>66.9</b>
Commuting out-of-state	<b>5.6</b>

**RECREATION, ATTRACTIONS, AND EVENTS**

<b>X</b>	Municipal Parks
	YMCA/YWCA
	Boys Club/Girls Club
	Golf Courses
	Swimming: Indoor Facility
	Swimming: Outdoor Facility
	Tennis Courts: Indoor Facility
<b>X</b>	Tennis Courts: Outdoor Facility
	Ice Skating Rink: Indoor Facility
	Bowling Facilities
<b>X</b>	Museums
	Cinemas
<b>X</b>	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
<b>X</b>	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
<b>X</b>	Beach or Waterfront Recreation Area
<b>X</b>	Overnight or Day Camps
	Nearest Ski Area(s): <b>King Pine</b>
	Other: <b>Barnstormers Summer Theatre; White Lake State Park; Remick Country Doctor Museum and Farm</b>