

# Tilton, NH



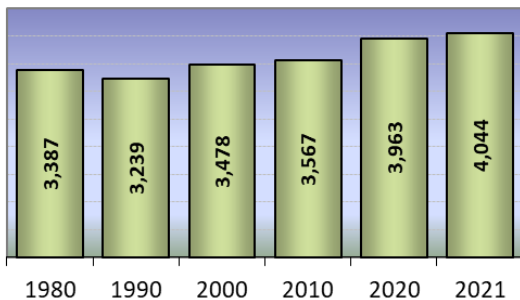
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County	<b>Belknap</b>
Labor Market Area	<b>Franklin, NH LMA</b>
Tourism Region	<b>Lakes</b>
Planning Commission	<b>Lakes Region</b>
Regional Development	<b>Belknap County Economic Development Council</b>
Election Districts	
US Congress	<b>District 1</b>
Executive Council	<b>District 1</b>
State Senate	<b>District 7</b>
State Representative	<b>Belknap County District 8</b>

**Incorporated:** 1869

**Origin:** This territory was settled long before it became a town, the southern part of Sanbornton known as Sanbornton Bridge or Bridge Village. It was incorporated as a separate town in 1869 and named Tilton, in honor of Nathaniel Tilton, one of the first settlers. Nathaniel Tilton established an iron foundry and the area's first hotel, the Dexter House. His grandson Charles was a prominent citizen of the town when it was incorporated, prompting the choice of name. Charles Tilton made a considerable fortune in the 1849 California Gold Rush. He donated many statues to the town, including the Tilton Arch, and his estate is now part of the Tilton School.

**Villages and Place Names:** East Tilton, The Plains, Winnisquam, Belmont Junction, Tilton Arch, Downtown Tilton Statues

**Population, Year of the First Census Taken:** 1,147 residents in 1870



**Population Trends:** Population change for Tilton totaled 657 over 41 years, from 3,387 in 1980 to 4,044 in 2021. The largest decennial percent change was a 11 percent between 2010 and 2020. The 2021 Census estimate for Tilton was 4,044 residents, which ranked 96th among New Hampshire's incorporated cities and towns.

**Population Density and Land Area, 2021 (US Census Bureau):** 354.4 persons per square mile of land area. Tilton contains 11.4 square miles of land area and 0.5 square miles of inland water area.

<b>MUNICIPAL SERVICES</b>	
Type of Government	<b>Selectmen/Town Meeting</b>
Budget: Municipal Appropriations, 2022	<b>\$6,258,316</b>
Budget: School Appropriations, 2021-2022	<b>\$7,697,743</b>
Zoning Ordinance	<b>1956/16</b>
Master Plan	<b>2013</b>
Capital Improvement Plan	<b>Yes</b>
Industrial Plans Reviewed By	<b>Planning Board</b>

Boards and Commissions  
 Elected: **Selectmen; Budget; Library; Sewer; Check List; Trust Funds**  
 Appointed: **Planning; Zoning; Conservation; Parks; Recycling**

Public Library **No Library**

<b>EMERGENCY SERVICES</b>	
Police Department	<b>Full-time</b>
Fire Department	<b>Municipal</b>
Emergency Medical Service	<b>Municipal</b>

Nearest Hospital(s)	Distance	Staffed Beds
<b>Concord Hospital - Franklin</b>	<b>3 miles</b>	<b>20</b>

<b>UTILITIES</b>	
Electric Supplier	<b>Eversource Energy</b>
Natural Gas Supplier	<b>Liberty Utilities</b>
Water Supplier	<b>Lochmere Village District; Tilton-Northfield Water District</b>

<b>Sanitation</b>	
Municipal Wastewater Treatment Plant	<b>No</b>
Solid Waste Disposal	
Curbside Trash Pickup	<b>Municipal</b>
Pay-As-You-Throw Program	<b>No</b>
Recycling Program	<b>Voluntary</b>

<b>Telephone Company</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>Yes</b>
Residential	<b>Yes</b>

<b>PROPERTY TAXES</b> (NH Dept. of Revenue Administration)	
2021 Total Tax Rate (per \$1000 of value)	<b>\$16.36</b>
2021 Equalization Ratio	<b>70.2</b>
2021 Full Value Tax Rate (per \$1000 of value)	<b>\$11.38</b>

<b>2021 Percent of Local Assessed Valuation by Property Type</b>	
Residential Land and Buildings	<b>47.9%</b>
Commercial Land and Buildings	<b>46.2%</b>
Public Utilities, Current Use, and Other	<b>5.9%</b>

<b>HOUSING</b> (ACS 2016-2020)	
Total Housing Units	<b>1,874</b>
Single-Family Units, Detached or Attached	<b>1,089</b>
Units in Multiple-Family Structures:	
Two to Four Units in Structure	<b>243</b>
Five or More Units in Structure	<b>219</b>
Mobile Homes and Other Housing Units	<b>323</b>

<b>POPULATION (1-YEAR ESTIMATES/DECENNIAL)</b>		(US Census Bureau)
Total Population	Community	County
2021	<b>4,044</b>	<b>64,460</b>
2020	<b>3,968</b>	<b>63,743</b>
2010	<b>3,567</b>	<b>60,088</b>
2000	<b>3,478</b>	<b>56,576</b>
1990	<b>3,239</b>	<b>49,294</b>
1980	<b>3,387</b>	<b>42,884</b>

<b>DEMOGRAPHICS</b> AMERICAN COMMUNITY SURVEY (ACS) 2016-2020			
Population by Gender			
Male	<b>1,885</b>	Female	<b>1,665</b>
Population by Age Group			
Under age 5			<b>226</b>
Age 5 to 19			<b>335</b>
Age 20 to 34			<b>679</b>
Age 35 to 54			<b>976</b>
Age 55 to 64			<b>476</b>
Age 65 and over			<b>858</b>
Median Age			<b>48.5 years</b>

<b>Educational Attainment, population 25 years and over</b>	
High school graduate or higher	<b>94.1%</b>
Bachelor's degree or higher	<b>23.0%</b>

<b>INCOME, INFLATION ADJUSTED \$</b>		(ACS 2016-2020)
Per capita income		<b>\$30,353</b>
Median family income		<b>\$60,114</b>
Median household income		<b>\$53,992</b>
Median Earnings, full-time, year-round workers		
Male		<b>\$47,361</b>
Female		<b>\$41,307</b>
Individuals below the poverty level		<b>9.3%</b>

<b>LABOR FORCE</b> (NHES - ELMI)		
Annual Average	2011	2021
Civilian labor force	<b>1,913</b>	<b>1,802</b>
Employed	<b>1,798</b>	<b>1,725</b>
Unemployed	<b>115</b>	<b>77</b>
Unemployment rate	<b>6.0%</b>	<b>4.3%</b>

<b>EMPLOYMENT &amp; WAGES</b> (NHES - ELMI)		
Annual Average Covered Employment	2011	2021
Goods Producing Industries		
Average Employment	<b>196</b>	<b>180</b>
Average Weekly Wage	<b>\$ 983</b>	<b>\$1,493</b>
Service Providing Industries		
Average Employment	<b>3,573</b>	<b>3,734</b>
Average Weekly Wage	<b>\$ 491</b>	<b>\$ 712</b>
Total Private Industry		
Average Employment	<b>3,768</b>	<b>3,914</b>
Average Weekly Wage	<b>\$ 517</b>	<b>\$ 748</b>
Government (Federal, State, and Local)		
Average Employment	<b>697</b>	<b>576</b>
Average Weekly Wage	<b>\$ 714</b>	<b>\$ 980</b>
Total, Private Industry plus Government		
Average Employment	<b>4,465</b>	<b>4,490</b>
Average Weekly Wage	<b>\$ 548</b>	<b>\$ 778</b>

**EDUCATION AND CHILD CARE**

Schools students attend: **Grades K-12 are part of Winnisquam Regional (Northfield, Sanbornton, Tilton)** District: **SAU 59**  
 Career Technology Center(s): **J. Oliva Huot Technical Center (Laconia); Winnisquam Agricultural Programs**

Educational Facilities (includes Charter Schools)	Elementary	Middle/Junior High	High School	Private/Parochial
Number of Schools		<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>
Grade Levels		<b>6-8</b>	<b>9-12</b>	<b>9-12 PG</b>
Total Enrollment		<b>312</b>	<b>447</b>	<b>197</b>

Nearest Community College: **NHTI-Concord; Lakes Region**  
 Nearest Colleges or Universities: **Plymouth State University; Colby-Sawyer**

2021 NH Licensed Child Care Facilities (DHHS-Bureau of Child Care Licensing) Total Facilities: **5** Total Capacity: **468**

LARGEST BUSINESSES	PRODUCT/SERVICE	EMPLOYEES	ESTABLISHED
Winnisquam Regional School District	Education	114	1936
NuCar	Car dealership	110	1997
Wal-Mart	Retail store	110	1994
The Tilton School	Education	99	1845
Lowes	Home improvement center	94	2005
3M	Power transmission products	70	1976
Hobby Lobby	Retail arts, crafts, & home furnishings	35	2017
Home Depot	Home improvement center		2001
j.jill	Contact & distribution center of women's apparel		1998
Tanger Outlet Stores	Retail outlet stores		1994

*Employer Information Supplied by Municipality*

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

Road Access	US Routes	<b>3</b>
	State Routes	<b>132, 140</b>
Nearest Interstate, Exit		<b>I-93, Exit 20</b>
	Distance	<b>Local access</b>
Railroad		<b>No</b>
Public Transportation		<b>WTS</b>
Nearest Public Use Airport, General Aviation		
<b>Laconia Municipal</b>	Runway	<b>5,286 ft. asphalt</b>
Lighted? <b>Yes</b>	Navigation Aids?	<b>Yes</b>
Nearest Airport with Scheduled Service		
<b>Manchester-Boston Regional</b>	Distance	<b>41 miles</b>
Number of Passenger Airlines Serving Airport		<b>4</b>
Driving distance to select cities:		
Manchester, NH		<b>35 miles</b>
Portland, Maine		<b>127 miles</b>
Boston, Mass.		<b>85 miles</b>
New York City, NY		<b>282 miles</b>
Montreal, Quebec		<b>236 miles</b>

**COMMUTING TO WORK (ACS 2016-2020)**

Workers 16 years and over	
Drove alone, car/truck/van	<b>76.9%</b>
Carpooled, car/truck/van	<b>13.4%</b>
Public transportation	<b>0.7%</b>
Walked	<b>0.6%</b>
Other means	<b>3.8%</b>
Worked at home	<b>4.5%</b>
Mean Travel Time to Work	<b>26.1 minutes</b>
<b>Percent of Working Residents: ACS 2016-2020</b>	
Working in community of residence	<b>53.7%</b>
Commuting to another NH community	<b>45.2%</b>
Commuting out-of-state	<b>1.1%</b>

**RECREATION, ATTRACTIONS, AND EVENTS**

<b>X</b>	Municipal Parks
	YMCA/YWCA
	Boys Club/Girls Club
<b>X</b>	Golf Courses
	Swimming: Indoor Facility
	Swimming: Outdoor Facility
	Tennis Courts: Indoor Facility
<b>X</b>	Tennis Courts: Outdoor Facility
<b>X</b>	Ice Skating Rink: Indoor Facility
	Bowling Facilities
	Museums
<b>X</b>	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
<b>X</b>	Youth Sports: Football
<b>X</b>	Youth Sports: Basketball
<b>X</b>	Youth Sports: Hockey
	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
	Overnight or Day Camps
	Nearest Ski Area(s): <b>Gunstock</b>
	Other: <b>Senior Center; Merrimack Valley Railroad; Lakes; Summer Concert Series; Old Home Day; Highland Mountain Bike Park; Christmas Parade; Winnepesaukee River Trail; Kayaking</b>