

# Waterville Valley, NH



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## Municipal Office Hours

**Monday through Friday, 8 am - 4 pm**

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 2**  
**District 1**  
**District 3**  
**Grafton County District 4**

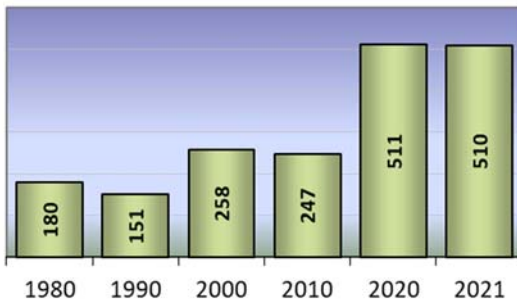
**Incorporated:** 1829

**Origin:** Waterville was incorporated in 1829 from the Gillis and Foss Grant, and the John Raymond Grant. For many years the town was a popular summer resort. In 1911, the Weeks Act was passed, authorizing the federal government to purchase lands for stream-flow protection, and to maintain those lands as national forests. The first land purchases for the White Mountain National Forest were in 1914, and as a result, the town of Waterville lost a substantial amount of acreage. Major development of Waterville as a winter recreation area began about 1965. In 1967, by an act of the General Court, the town officially adopted the name Waterville Valley.

**Villages and Place Names:** unknown

**Population, Year of the First Census Taken:** 16 residents in 1820

**Population Trends:** Population change for Waterville Valley totaled 330 over 41 years, from 180 in 1980 to 510 in 2021. The largest decennial percent change was an increase of 107 percent between 2010 and 2020. The 2021 Census estimate for Waterville Valley was 510 residents, which ranked 216th among New Hampshire's incorporated cities and towns.



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**Population Density and Land Area, 2021 (US Census Bureau):** 7.9 persons per square mile of land area. Waterville Valley contains 64.4 square miles of land area and 0 square miles of inland water area.

<b>MUNICIPAL SERVICES</b>	
Type of Government	<b>Selectmen</b>
Budget: Municipal Appropriations, 2021	<b>\$4,378,752</b>
Budget: School Appropriations, 2021-2022	<b>\$1,688,565</b>
Zoning Ordinance	<b>1973/28</b>
Master Plan	<b>2010</b>
Capital Improvement Plan	<b>Yes</b>
Industrial Plans Reviewed By	<b>Planning Board</b>

Boards and Commissions  
 Elected: **Selectmen; Library; Trust Funds; Supervisors Checklist**  
 Appointed: **Zoning; Conservation; Planning**

Public Library **Osceola**

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

Nearest Hospital(s)	Distance	Staffed Beds
<b>Speare Memorial, Plymouth</b>	<b>19 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>Waterville Valley Water Department</b>

	<b>Municipal</b>
Sanitation	<b>Yes</b>
Municipal Wastewater Treatment Plant	<b>Yes</b>
Solid Waste Disposal	<b>None</b>
Curbside Trash Pickup	<b>None</b>
Pay-As-You-Throw Program	<b>No</b>
Recycling Program	<b>No</b>

Telephone Company	<b>Consolidated Communications</b>
Cellular Telephone Access	<b>Yes</b>
Cable Television Access	<b>Yes</b>
Public Access Television Station	<b>Yes</b>
High Speed Internet Service:	<b>Yes</b>
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>\$15.66</b>
2021 Equalization Ratio	<b>76.2</b>
2021 Full Value Tax Rate (per \$1000 of value)	<b>\$11.88</b>

2021 Percent of Local Assessed Valuation by Property Type	
Residential Land and Buildings	<b>93.1%</b>
Commercial Land and Buildings	<b>6.1%</b>
Public Utilities, Current Use, and Other	<b>.8%</b>

<b>HOUSING</b> (ACS 2016-2020)	
Total Housing Units	<b>1,272</b>
Single-Family Units, Detached or Attached	<b>945</b>
Units in Multiple-Family Structures:	
Two to Four Units in Structure	<b>68</b>
Five or More Units in Structure	<b>259</b>
Mobile Homes and Other Housing Units	

<b>POPULATION (1-YEAR ESTIMATES/DECENNIAL)</b>		(US Census Bureau)	
Total Population	Community	County	
2021	<b>510</b>	<b>92,201</b>	
2020	<b>510</b>	<b>91,123</b>	
2010	<b>247</b>	<b>89,118</b>	
2000	<b>258</b>	<b>81,826</b>	
1990	<b>151</b>	<b>74,998</b>	
1980	<b>180</b>	<b>65,806</b>	

<b>DEMOGRAPHICS</b> AMERICAN COMMUNITY SURVEY (ACS) 2016-2020			
Population by Gender			
Male	<b>95</b>	Female	<b>135</b>
Population by Age Group			
Under age 5			<b>9</b>
Age 5 to 19			<b>34</b>
Age 20 to 34			<b>19</b>
Age 35 to 54			<b>42</b>
Age 55 to 64			<b>44</b>
Age 65 and over			<b>82</b>
Median Age			<b>57.8 years</b>

Educational Attainment, population 25 years and over	
High school graduate or higher	<b>100.0%</b>
Bachelor's degree or higher	<b>66.3%</b>

<b>INCOME, INFLATION ADJUSTED \$</b> (ACS 2016-2020)	
Per capita income	<b>\$56,128</b>
Median family income	<b>\$122,813</b>
Median household income	<b>\$76,750</b>
Median Earnings, full-time, year-round workers	
Male	<b>\$158,750</b>
Female	<b>\$</b>
Individuals below the poverty level	<b>.0%</b>

<b>LABOR FORCE</b> (NHES – ELMII)			
Annual Average	2011	2021	
Civilian labor force	<b>132</b>	<b>129</b>	
Employed	<b>124</b>	<b>125</b>	
Unemployed	<b>8</b>	<b>4</b>	
Unemployment rate	<b>6.1%</b>	<b>3.1%</b>	

<b>EMPLOYMENT &amp; WAGES</b> (NHES – ELMII)			
Annual Average Covered Employment	2011	2021	
Goods Producing Industries			
Average Employment			<b>n</b>
Average Weekly Wage	<b>\$</b>		<b>n</b>
Service Providing Industries			
Average Employment	<b>513</b>		<b>n</b>
Average Weekly Wage	<b>\$ 436</b>		<b>n</b>
Total Private Industry			
Average Employment	<b>513</b>	<b>369</b>	
Average Weekly Wage	<b>\$ 436</b>	<b>\$ 611</b>	
Government (Federal, State, and Local)			
Average Employment	<b>47</b>	<b>52</b>	
Average Weekly Wage	<b>\$ 716</b>	<b>\$ 917</b>	
Total, Private Industry plus Government			
Average Employment	<b>560</b>	<b>421</b>	
Average Weekly Wage	<b>\$ 460</b>	<b>\$ 649</b>	

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

**EDUCATION AND CHILD CARE**

Schools students attend: **Waterville Valley operates grades K-8; grades 9-12 are tuitioned to Pemi-Baker Cooperative (Ashland, Campton, Holderness, Plymouth, Rumney, Thornton, Wentworth)** District: **SAU 48**  
 Career Technology Center(s): **Plymouth Applied Technology Center**

Educational Facilities (includes Charter Schools)	Elementary	Middle/Junior High	High School	Private/Parochial
Number of Schools	1			1
Grade Levels	K 1-8			9-12
Total Enrollment	61			27

Nearest Community College: **Lakes Region**  
 Nearest Colleges or Universities: **Plymouth State University**

2021 NH Licensed Child Care Facilities (DHHS-Bureau of Child Care Licensing) Total Facilities: **1** Total Capacity: **12**

LARGEST BUSINESSES	PRODUCT/SERVICE	EMPLOYEES	ESTABLISHED
Waterville Valley Resort, Inc.	Ski area	500	1994
Waterville Valley Black & Blue Trail Smashers	Ski Education Foundation	100	1975
Golden Eagle Lodge	Hotel	26	1989
Boulder Path	Golf course, club	15	1965
Snowy Owl	Hotel	13	1970
White Mountain Athletic Club	Athletic center	10	1986

*Employer Information Supplied by Municipality*

TRANSPORTATION (distances estimated from city/town hall)			
Road Access	US Routes		
	State Routes		<b>49</b>
Nearest Interstate, Exit		<b>I-93, Exit 28</b>	
	Distance		<b>11 miles</b>
Railroad			<b>No</b>
Public Transportation			<b>The Schuss</b>
Nearest Public Use Airport, General Aviation			
<b>Plymouth Regional</b>	Runway	<b>2,380 ft. turf</b>	
Lighted?	<b>No</b>	Navigation Aids?	<b>No</b>
Nearest Airport with Scheduled Service			
<b>Lebanon Municipal</b>	Distance		<b>62 miles</b>
Number of Passenger Airlines Serving Airport			<b>1</b>
Driving distance to select cities:			
Manchester, NH			<b>76 miles</b>
Portland, Maine			<b>90 miles</b>
Boston, Mass.			<b>127 miles</b>
New York City, NY			<b>323 miles</b>
Montreal, Quebec			<b>215 miles</b>
COMMUTING TO WORK (ACS 2016-2020)			
Workers 16 years and over			
Drove alone, car/truck/van			<b>55.1%</b>
Carpooled, car/truck/van			<b>0.0%</b>
Public transportation			<b>0.0%</b>
Walked			<b>13.6%</b>
Other means			<b>11.0%</b>
Worked at home			<b>20.3%</b>
Mean Travel Time to Work			<b>27.7 minutes</b>
<b>Percent of Working Residents: ACS 2016-2020</b>			
Working in community of residence			<b>87.3%</b>
Commuting to another NH community			<b>0.0%</b>
Commuting out-of-state			<b>12.7%</b>

RECREATION, ATTRACTIONS, AND EVENTS	
<b>X</b>	Municipal Parks
	YMCA/YWCA
	Boys Club/Girls Club
<b>X</b>	Golf Courses
<b>X</b>	Swimming: Indoor Facility
<b>X</b>	Swimming: Outdoor Facility
<b>X</b>	Tennis Courts: Indoor Facility
<b>X</b>	Tennis Courts: Outdoor Facility
<b>X</b>	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)
	Youth Sports: Baseball
	Youth Sports: Soccer
	Youth Sports: Football
	Youth Sports: Basketball
<b>X</b>	Youth Sports: Hockey
<b>X</b>	Campgrounds
<b>X</b>	Fishing/Hunting
	Boating/Marinas
	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>Waterville Valley</b>
	Other: <b>Full-service Recreation Department; White Mountain Athletic Club; White Mountain National Forest</b>