

Westmoreland, NH



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Municipal Office Hours

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County
 Labor Market Area
 Tourism Region
 Planning Commission
 Regional Development

Cheshire
Keene, NH Micropolitan NECTA
Monadnock
Southwest Region
Monadnock Economic Development Corp.

Election Districts
 US Congress
 Executive Council
 State Senate
 State Representative

District 2
District 2
District 10
Cheshire County District 1

Incorporated: 1752

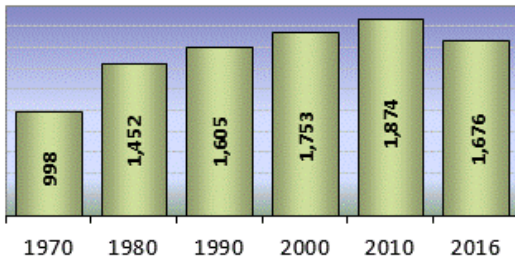
Origin: This territory was chartered by the Massachusetts government in 1735 as Number 2, being second in the line of Connecticut River fort towns designed to protect the colonies from Indian attack. For a while, the settlement was known as Great Meadows. When New Hampshire became an independent province, Governor Benning Wentworth granted the town to Thomas Chamberlain and others as Westmoreland. The name was in honor of a relative of the Governor, John Fane, seventh Earl of Westmoreland. The meetinghouse in Westmoreland, built in 1762, has a steeple bell cast by the Paul Revere Foundry.

Villages and Place Names: East Westmoreland, Gilboa, Poocham, Westmoreland Depot

Population, Year of the First Census Taken: 2,018 residents in 1790

Population Trends: Population change for Westmoreland totaled 755 over 56 years, from 921 in

1960 to 1,676 in 2016. The largest decennial percent change was an increase of 45 percent between 1970 and 1980, accounting for more than half the total numeric increase. The 2016 Census estimate for Westmoreland was 1,676 residents, which ranked 152nd among New Hampshire's incorporated cities and towns.



Cheshire County

Population Density and Land Area, 2016 (US Census Bureau): 46.7 persons per square mile of land area. Westmoreland contains 35.9 square miles of land area and 0.9 square miles of inland water area.

MUNICIPAL SERVICES	
Type of Government	Selectmen
Budget: Municipal Appropriations, 2017	\$1,448,228
Budget: School Appropriations, 2017-2018	\$3,991,060
Zoning Ordinance	1957/16
Master Plan	2016
Capital Improvement Plan	No
Industrial Plans Reviewed By	Planning Board

Boards and Commissions
 Elected: **Selectmen; Library; Budget; Cemetery, Briggs Fund; Trust Funds**
 Appointed: **Planning; Zoning; Conservation; Joint Loss Mgt; Recreation**

Public Library **Westmoreland Public**

EMERGENCY SERVICES			
Police Department			No
Fire Department			Volunteer
Emergency Medical Service			Volunteer
Nearest Hospital(s)	Distance	Staffed Beds	
Cheshire Medical Center, Keene	11 miles	108	
Brattleboro Memorial, Brattleboro VT	14 miles	61	

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

PROPERTY TAXES (NH Dept. of Revenue Administration)	
2016 Total Tax Rate (per \$1000 of value)	\$24.83
2016 Equalization Ratio	96.2
2016 Full Value Tax Rate (per \$1000 of value)	\$23.87
2016 Percent of Local Assessed Valuation by Property Type	
Residential Land and Buildings	89.2%
Commercial Land and Buildings	8.5%
Public Utilities, Current Use, and Other	2.3%

HOUSING (ACS 2012-2016)	
Total Housing Units	734
Single-Family Units, Detached or Attached	705
Units in Multiple-Family Structures:	
Two to Four Units in Structure	3
Five or More Units in Structure	26
Mobile Homes and Other Housing Units	0

POPULATION (1-YEAR ESTIMATES/DECENNIAL) (US Census Bureau)		
Total Population	Community	County
2016	1,676	75,774
2010	1,874	77,117
2000	1,753	73,993
1990	1,605	70,223
1980	1,452	62,116
1970	998	52,364

DEMOGRAPHICS, AMERICAN COMMUNITY SURVEY (ACS) 2012-2016			
Population by Gender			
Male	893	Female	1,019
Population by Age Group			
Under age 5			65
Age 5 to 19			314
Age 20 to 34			280
Age 35 to 54			526
Age 55 to 64			346
Age 65 and over			381
Median Age			50.2 years
Educational Attainment, population 25 years and over			
High school graduate or higher			97.7%
Bachelor's degree or higher			40.7%

INCOME, INFLATION ADJUSTED \$ (ACS 2012-2016)	
Per capita income	\$37,288
Median family income	\$92,917
Median household income	\$90,577
Median Earnings, full-time, year-round workers, 16 years and over	
Male	\$57,014
Female	\$42,011
Individuals below the poverty level	6.3%

LABOR FORCE (NHES – ELMII)		
Annual Average	2006	2016
Civilian labor force	994	956
Employed	966	937
Unemployed	28	19
Unemployment rate	2.8%	2.0%

EMPLOYMENT & WAGES (NHES – ELMII)		
Annual Average Covered Employment	2006	2016
Goods Producing Industries		
Average Employment	123	88
Average Weekly Wage	\$ 867	\$ 860
Service Providing Industries		
Average Employment	146	122
Average Weekly Wage	\$ 646	\$ 777
Total Private Industry		
Average Employment	269	210
Average Weekly Wage	\$ 747	\$ 811
Government (Federal, State, and Local)		
Average Employment	426	295
Average Weekly Wage	\$ 547	\$ 646
Total, Private Industry plus Government		
Average Employment	695	505
Average Weekly Wage	\$ 624	\$ 715

EDUCATION AND CHILD CARE

Schools students attend: **Westmoreland operates grades K-8; grades 9-12 are tuitioned to Keene** District: **SAU 29**
 Career Technology Center(s): **Cheshire Career Center (Keene); Fall Mountain RHS - CTE** Region: **13**

Educational Facilities (includes Charter Schools)	Elementary	Middle/Junior High	High School	Private/Parochial
Number of Schools	1			1
Grade Levels	K 1-8			1-8
Total Enrollment	138			10

Nearest Community College: **River Valley**

Nearest Colleges or Universities: **Keene State; Franklin Pierce University; Antioch New England**

2017 NH Licensed Child Care Facilities (DHHS-Bureau of Child Care Licensing) Total Facilities: **0** Total Capacity: **0**

LARGEST BUSINESSES	PRODUCT/SERVICE	EMPLOYEES	ESTABLISHED
Maplewood Nursing Home	Nursing Home	200	
Servpro	Cleaning service	8	
Cox Woodworking	Millwork	5	1981
Westmoreland Wood Products	Woodturning	4	1970

Employer Information Supplied by Municipality

TRANSPORTATION (distances estimated from city/town hall)

Road Access	US Routes	
	State Routes	12, 63
Nearest Interstate, Exit	I-91 (VT), Exit 3 or 5	
Distance	10 miles; 11 miles	
Railroad		No
Public Transportation		Yes
Nearest Public Use Airport, General Aviation		
Dillant-Hopkins, Swanzey	Runway	6,201 ft. asphalt
Lighted? Yes	Navigation Aids?	Yes
Nearest Airport with Scheduled Service		
Lebanon Municipal	Distance	54 miles
Number of Passenger Airlines Serving Airport		1
Driving distance to select cities:		
Manchester, NH		78 miles
Portland, Maine		168 miles
Boston, Mass.		111 miles
New York City, NY		212 miles
Montreal, Quebec		236 miles

COMMUTING TO WORK (ACS 2012-2016)

Workers 16 years and over	
Drove alone, car/truck/van	86.1%
Carpooled, car/truck/van	4.8%
Public transportation	0.3%
Walked	1.2%
Other means	0.4%
Worked at home	7.2%
Mean Travel Time to Work	21.6 minutes

Percent of Working Residents: ACS 2012-2016

Working in community of residence	18.2
Commuting to another NH community	68.3
Commuting out-of-state	13.5

RECREATION, ATTRACTIONS, AND EVENTS

	Municipal Parks
	YMCA/YWCA
	Boys Club/Girls Club
	Golf Courses
	Swimming: Indoor Facility
	Swimming: Outdoor Facility
	Tennis Courts: Indoor Facility
X	Tennis Courts: Outdoor Facility
	Ice Skating Rink: Indoor Facility
	Bowling Facilities
	Museums
	Cinemas
	Performing Arts Facilities
	Tourist Attractions
X	Youth Organizations (i.e., Scouts, 4-H)
X	Youth Sports: Baseball
X	Youth Sports: Soccer
	Youth Sports: Football
	Youth Sports: Basketball
	Youth Sports: Hockey
	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): Mount Snow & Okemo, VT
	Other: