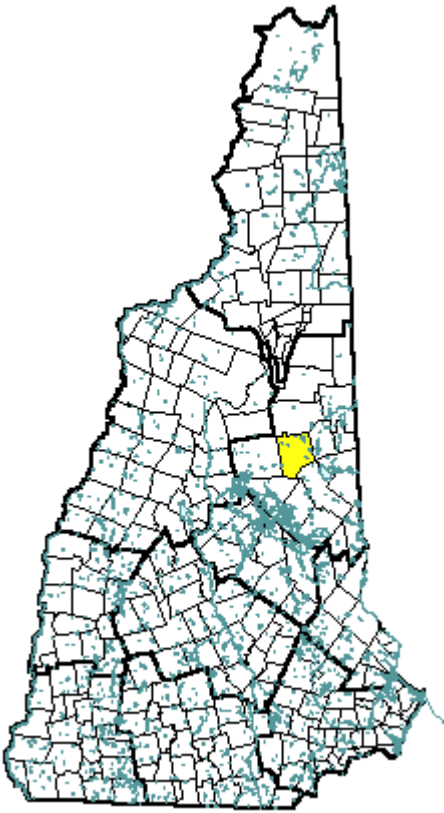


# Tamworth, NH



## Community Contact

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## Municipal Office Hours

Selectmen: Tuesday through Thursday, 9 am - 12 noon and  
1 pm - 4 pm; Town Clerk: Tuesday through Friday, 8 am -  
12 noon and 1 pm - 4:30 pm

## County

Carroll

## Labor Market Area

Conway NH-ME LMA, NH Portion

## Tourism Region

Lakes

## Planning Commission

Lakes Region

## Regional Development

Mount Washington Valley Economic Council

## Election Districts

US Congress

District 1

Executive Council

District 1

State Senate

District 3

State Representative

Carroll County District 3

Incorporated: 1766

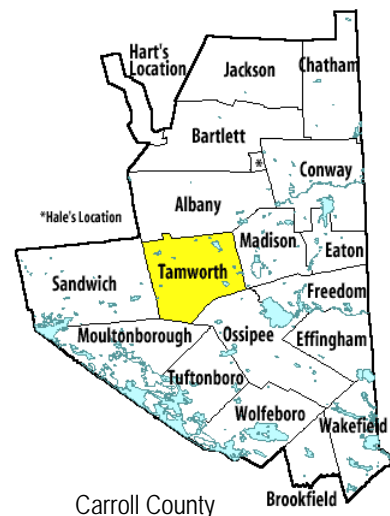
**Origin:** Granted in 1766, this town was named in honor of Admiral Washington Shirley, Viscount Tamworth, a close friend of Governor Benning Wentworth. The Admiral's daughter, Selina Shirley, was instrumental in the founding of Dartmouth College. Tamworth includes the villages of Chocorua, Wonalancet, and Whittier. Mount Whittier in Ossipee, like the village, was named for poet John Greenleaf Whittier.

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

**Population Trends:** Tamworth's population grew well above the statewide average rate over the last thirty years. After decreasing by one percent between 1950-1960, decennial growth peaked with a 59 percent increase between 1970-1980. Over fifty years, Tamworth's population increased by a total of 1,485 residents, going from 1,025 in 1950 to 2,510 residents in 2000. The 2004 Census estimate for Tamworth was 2,540 residents, which ranked 114th among New Hampshire's incorporated cities and towns.

**Population Density, 2004:** 42.5 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.

**Villages and Place Names:** Bennett Corners, Chocorua, Pequawket, South Tamworth, Whittier, Wonalancet



**MUNICIPAL SERVICES**

Type of Government	Selectmen
Budget: Municipal Appropriations, 2005	\$2,729,946
Budget: School Appropriations	not available
Zoning Ordinance	No
Master Plan	1995
Capital Improvement Plan	No
Industrial Plans Reviewed By	Planning Board

**Boards and Commissions**

Elected:	Selectmen; Planning; Library Trustees
Appointed:	Conservation; Finance Committee

Public Library      **Chocorua Public; Cook Memorial**

**EMERGENCY SERVICES**

Police Department	Full-time
Fire Department	Volunteer
Town Fire Insurance Rating	9
Emergency Medical Service	Volunteer

**Nearest Hospital(s):**

**Memorial Hospital, North Conway**  
 Distance: 18 miles      Staffed Beds: 35

**UTILITIES**

Electric Supplier	PSNH; NH Electric Coop.
Natural Gas Supplier	None
Water Supplier	LR Water Co.
Sanitation	Private septic
Municipal Wastewater Treatment Plant	No
Solid Waste Disposal	
Curbside Trash Pickup	None
Pay-As-You-Throw Program	No
Recycling Program	Voluntary
Telephone Company	Verizon
Cellular Telephone Access	Yes
Cable Television Access	Yes
Public Access Television Station	Yes
High Speed Internet Service:	Yes
Business	Yes
Residential	Yes

**PROPERTY TAXES**

2004 Total Tax Rate (per \$1000 of value)	\$17.00
2004 Equalization Ratio	100.0
2004 Full Value Tax Rate (per \$1000 of value)	\$16.61
2004 Percent of Property Valuation by Type	
Residential Land and Buildings	83.3%
Commercial Land and Buildings	10.9%
Other Property including Utilities	5.8%

**HOUSING**

2003 Total Housing Units	1,670
2003 Single-Family Units	1,325
Building Permits Issued	0
2003 Multi-Family Units	163
Building Permits Issued	0
2003 Manufactured Housing Units	182

**DEMOGRAPHICS**

Total Population	Community	County
2004	2,540	46,762
2000	2,515	43,918
1990	2,172	35,526
1980	1,672	27,929
1970	1,054	18,548

**Census 2000 Demographics**

Population by Gender			
Male	1,278	Female	1,232

**Population by Age Group**

Under age 5	138
Age 5 to 19	506
Age 20 to 34	375
Age 35 to 54	824
Age 55 to 64	273
Age 65 and over	394
Median Age	40.5 years

**Educational Attainment, population 25 years and over**

High school graduate or higher	78.3%
Bachelor's degree or higher	22.3%

**ANNUAL INCOME, 1999**

(Census 2000)

Per capita income	\$17,961
Median 4-person family income	\$41,121
Median household income	\$35,200

**Median Earnings, full-time, year-round workers**

Male	\$30,389
Female	\$23,352

**Families below the poverty level**

7.1%

**LABOR FORCE**

1994

2004

Annual Average		
Civilian labor force	1,247	1,379
Employed	1,201	1,337
Unemployed	46	42
Unemployment rate	3.7%	3.0%

**EMPLOYMENT & WAGES**

1994

2004

<b>Goods Producing Industries</b>			
Average Employment	125	176	
Average Weekly Wage	\$399	\$697	
<b>Service Providing Industries</b>			
Average Employment	280	376	
Average Weekly Wage	\$252	\$356	
<b>Total Private Industry</b>			
Average Employment	405	552	
Average Weekly Wage	\$297	\$465	
<b>Government (Federal, State, and Local)</b>			
Average Employment	182	146	
Average Weekly Wage	\$385	\$577	
<b>Total, Private Industry plus Government</b>			
Average Employment	587	697	
Average Weekly Wage	\$324	\$488	

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## EDUCATION AND CHILD CARE

Schools students attend: **Tamworth operates grades K-8; grades 9-12 are tuitioned to Conway** District: **SAU 13**  
 Career Technology Center(s): **Kennett High School, Conway** Region: **06**

Educational Facilities	Elementary	Middle/Junior High	High School	Private/Parochial
Number of Schools	1			1
Grade Levels	K 1-8			4-12
Total Enrollment	262			n/a

NH Licensed Child Care Facilities, 2004: Total Facilities: 3 Total Capacity: 129

Nearest Community/Technical College: **Laconia**

Nearest Colleges or Universities: **Plymouth State University; Granite State College-Conway**

LARGEST EMPLOYERS	PRODUCT/SERVICE	EMPLOYEES	ESTABLISHED
Kenneth A. Brett School	Education (K-8)	47	
Baybutt Foundations	Foundations	25	1970

## TRANSPORTATION

Road Access	Federal Routes	
	State Routes	16, 25, 113
Nearest Interstate, Exit		I-93, Exit 23
	Distance	40 miles
Railroad		No
Public Transportation		No
Nearest Airport		Wolfeboro
	Runway	2,540 feet
	Lighted?	Yes
	Yes	Navigational Aids? Yes
Nearest Commercial Airport		Portland, ME
	Distance	60 miles
Driving distance to select cities:		
	Manchester, NH	79 miles
	Portland, Maine	119 miles
	Boston, Mass.	122 miles
	New York City, NY	330 miles
	Montreal, Quebec	236 miles

## COMMUTING TO WORK

(Census 2000)

Workers 16 years and over	
	Drove alone, car/truck/van 79.3%
	Carpooled, car/truck/van 10.7%
	Public transportation 0.0%
	Walked 3.2%
	Other means 0.2%
	Worked at home 6.5%
Mean Travel Time to Work	25.6 minutes
Percent of Working Residents:	
	Working in community of residence 30%
	Commuting to another NH community 67%
	Commuting out-of-state 3%

## RECREATION, ATTRACTIONS, AND EVENTS

X	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
X	Museums
	Cinemas
X	Performing Arts Facilities
X	Tourist Attractions
X	Youth Organizations (i.e., Scouts, 4-H)
X	Youth Sports: Baseball
X	Youth Sports: Soccer
X	Youth Sports: Football
X	Youth Sports: Basketball
	Youth Sports: Hockey
X	Campgrounds
X	Fishing/Hunting
X	Boating/Marinas
X	Snowmobile Trails
	Bicycle Trails
X	Cross Country Skiing
X	Beach or Waterfront Recreation Area
	Nearest Ski Area(s): <b>King Pine</b>
	Other: <b>Barnstormers Summer Theatre; White Lake State Park</b>