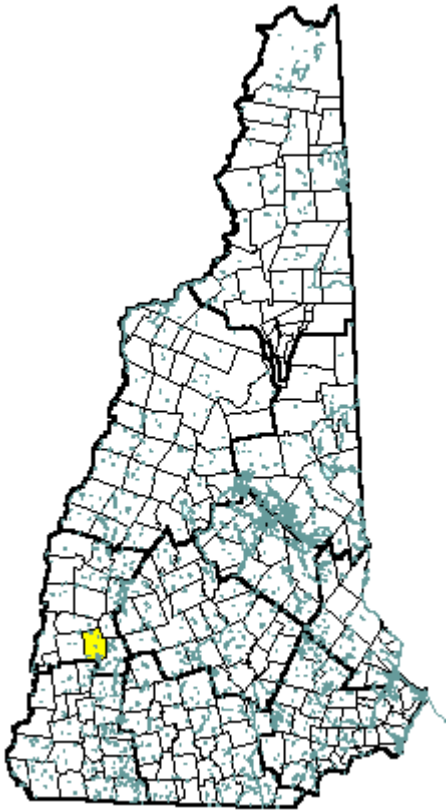


Lempster, NH



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Municipal Office Hours

Business Office: Monday, Wednesday, and Friday, 8 am - 4:30 pm; Town Clerk/Tax Collector: Monday and Wednesday, 8 am - 1 pm and 4 pm - 7 pm, Thursday, 2 pm - 7 pm, Friday, 8 am - 1 pm, and Saturday, 8 am - 12 noon, closed Tuesday

County

Sullivan

Labor Market Area
 Tourism Region
 Planning Commission
 Regional Development

**Newport NH LMA
 Dartmouth-Lake Sunapee
 Upper Valley/Lake Sunapee
 Capital Regional Development Council**

Election Districts

US Congress
 Executive Council
 State Senate
 State Representative

**District 2
 District 2
 District 8
 Sullivan County District 4**

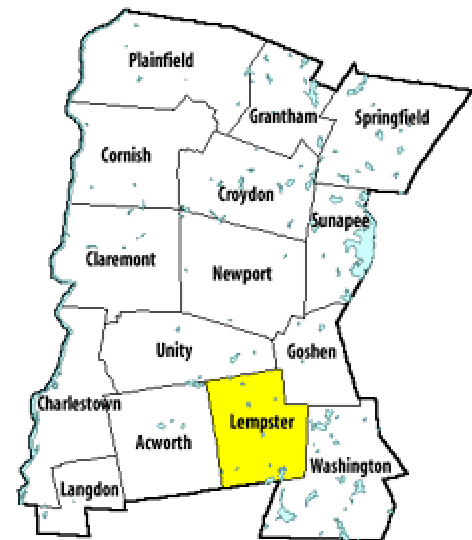
Incorporated: 1761

Origin: This territory was originally granted in 1735 by Massachusetts Governor Belcher as Number 9, the ninth in a line of forts established to guard against Indian attacks. It was regranted in 1753 by Governor Benning Wentworth under the name Dupplin, after Sir Thomas Hay, Lord Dupplin of Scotland, who had been in charge of the settlement of Nova Scotia. The town was granted yet again in 1761 as Lempster, named for Sir Thomas Fermor of Lempster, England, who was a Wentworth relation. Settlers were not able to meet the prescribed terms, so a regrant charter was issued in 1767. By 1770 only eight families had settled there, and a charter extension was requested of and issued by Governor John Wentworth in 1772.

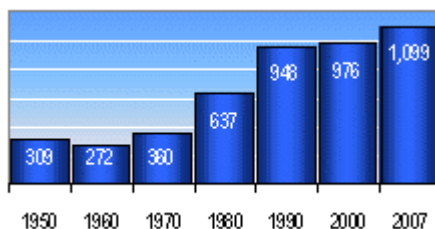
Villages and Place Names: Dodge Hollow, East Lempster, Keyes Hollow

Population, Year of the First Census Taken: 415 residents in 1790

Population Trends: Population change for Lempster totaled 667 over 50 years, from 309 in 1950 to 976 in 2000. The largest decennial percent change was a 77 percent increase between 1970 and 1980, followed by a 49 percent increase over the next decade. The 2007 Census estimate for Lempster was 1,099 residents, which ranked 178th among New Hampshire's incorporated cities and towns.



Sullivan County



Population Density and Land Area (NH Office of Energy & Planning): 34.1 persons per square mile of land area. Lempster contains 32.3 square miles of land area and 0.4 square miles of inland water area.

MUNICIPAL SERVICES

Type of Government	Selectmen
Budget: Municipal Appropriations, 2008	\$870,689
Budget: School Appropriations, 2008	\$3,745,219
Zoning Ordinance	No Board
Master Plan	2003
Capital Improvement Plan	Yes
Industrial Plans Reviewed By	

Boards and Commissions

Elected: **Selectmen; Planning; Library; Cemetery; Checklist; Trust Funds**

Appointed: **Conservation**

Public Library **Miner Memorial**

EMERGENCY SERVICES

Police Department	Full-time
Fire Department	Part-time
Town Fire Insurance Rating	9/10
Emergency Medical Service	Volunteer
Nearest Hospital(s)	Distance Staffed Beds
Valley Regional, Claremont	15 miles 25

UTILITIES

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

PROPERTY TAXES (NH Dept. of Revenue Administration)

2007 Total Tax Rate (per \$1000 of value)	\$16.10
2007 Equalization Ratio	100
2007 Full Value Tax Rate (per \$1000 of value)	\$16.01
2007 Percent of Local Assessed Valuation by Property Type	
Residential Land and Buildings	94.4%
Commercial Land and Buildings	2.5%
Public Utilities, Current Use, and Other	3.0%

HOUSING SUPPLY (NH Office of Energy and Planning)

2007 Total Housing Units	691
2007 Single-Family Units	574
Residential Permits, Net Change of Units	10
2007 Multi-Family Units	18
Residential Permits, Net Change of Units	0
2007 Manufactured Housing Units	99

DEMOGRAPHICS

(US Census Bureau)

Total Population	Community	County
2007	1,099	42,689
2000	976	40,560
1990	948	38,652
1980	637	36,063
1970	360	30,949

Census 2000 Demographics

Population by Gender

Male	494	Female	477
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Population by Age Group

Under age 5	52
Age 5 to 19	203
Age 20 to 34	138
Age 35 to 54	352
Age 55 to 64	89
Age 65 and over	137
Median Age	41.4 years

Educational Attainment, population 25 years and over

High school graduate or higher	81.8%
Bachelor's degree or higher	15.3%

ANNUAL INCOME, 1999

(US Census Bureau)

Per capita income	\$19,172
Median 4-person family income	\$45,385
Median household income	\$40,458
Median Earnings, full-time, year-round workers	
Male	\$31,484
Female	\$22,566
Families below the poverty level	3.2%

LABOR FORCE

(NHES - ELMI)

Annual Average	1997	2007
Civilian labor force	498	556
Employed	485	537
Unemployed	13	19
Unemployment rate	2.6%	3.4%

EMPLOYMENT & WAGES

(NHES - ELMI)

Annual Average Covered Employment	1997	2007
Goods Producing Industries		
Average Employment	n	19
Average Weekly Wage	n	\$588
Service Providing Industries		
Average Employment	n	45
Average Weekly Wage	n	\$674
Total Private Industry		
Average Employment	101	64
Average Weekly Wage	\$425	\$648
Government (Federal, State, and Local)		
Average Employment	11	52
Average Weekly Wage	\$218	\$534
Total, Private Industry plus Government		
Average Employment	111	117
Average Weekly Wage	\$405	\$597

n = indicates that data does not meet disclosure standards

EDUCATION AND CHILD CARE

Schools students attend: **Grades K-8 are part of Goshen-Lempster Cooperative (Goshen, Lempster); grades 9-12 are tuitioned to Newport, Sunapee, Kearsarge, Keene, Fall Mountain, or Claremont** District: **SAU 71**

Career Technology Center(s): **Sugar River Valley Technical Center, Newport or Claremont** Region: **10**

Educational Facilities	Elementary	Middle/Junior High	High School	Private/Parochial
Number of Schools	1			
Grade Levels	K 1-8			
Total Enrollment	159			

NH Licensed Child Care Facilities, 2008: Total Facilities: **0** Total Capacity: **0**

Nearest Community College: **River Valley**

Nearest Colleges or Universities: **Keene State; Colby-Sawyer; New England**

LARGEST BUSINESSES	PRODUCT/SERVICE	EMPLOYEES	ESTABLISHED
Jolly Roger Moto-Sports Park (seasonal)	Motor sports park	15	1996
Lempster Wind, LLC	Wind farm	6-10	2008
Sturgeon's General Store	Convenience store	3-4	2008
Ashuelot Valley Outdoor	Small Engine repair & sales	1-2	2006

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

Road Access	US Routes	
	State Routes	10
Nearest Interstate, Exit	I-91 (VT), Exit 7	
Distance	18 miles	
Railroad		No
Public Transportation		No
Nearest Public Use Airport, General Aviation		
Parlin Field, Newport	Runway	3,450 ft. asphalt
Lighted? No	Navigation Aids?	No
Nearest Airport with Scheduled Service		
Lebanon Municipal	Distance	38 miles
Number of Passenger Airlines Serving Airport		1
Driving distance to select cities:		
Manchester, NH		49 miles
Portland, Maine		142 miles
Boston, Mass.		102 miles
New York City, NY		242 miles
Montreal, Quebec		226 miles

COMMUTING TO WORK

(US Census Bureau)

Workers 16 years and over	
Drove alone, car/truck/van	73.1%
Carpooled, car/truck/van	15.6%
Public transportation	0.0%
Walked	2.8%
Other means	0.8%
Worked at home	7.7%
Mean Travel Time to Work	33.1 minutes
Percent of Working Residents:	
Working in community of residence	20%
Commuting to another NH community	76%
Commuting out-of-state	4%

RECREATION, ATTRACTIONS, AND EVENTS

	Municipal Parks
	YMCA/YWCA
	Boys Club/Girls Club
	Golf Courses
	Swimming: Indoor Facility
	Swimming: Outdoor Facility
	Tennis Courts: Indoor Facility
	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
	Youth Sports: Soccer
	Youth Sports: Football
	Youth Sports: Basketball
	Youth Sports: Hockey
X	Campgrounds
X	Fishing/Hunting
X	Boating/Marinas
X	Snowmobile Trails
	Bicycle Trails
	Cross Country Skiing
	Beach or Waterfront Recreation Area
X	Overnight or Day Camps
	Nearest Ski Area(s): Mount Sunapee
	Other: