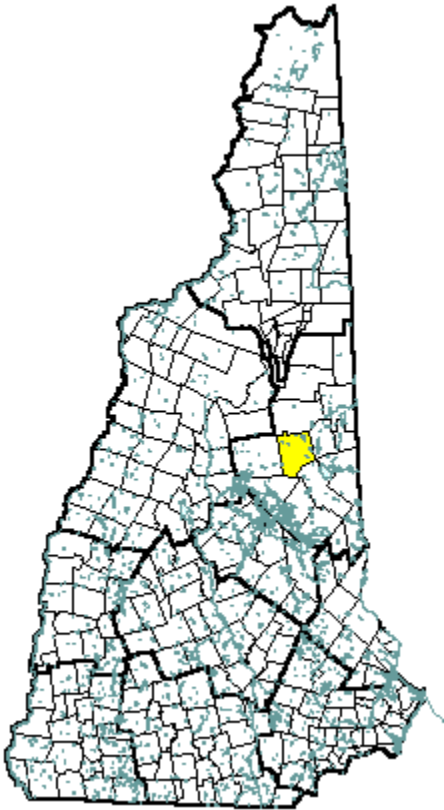


# Tamworth, NH



## 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

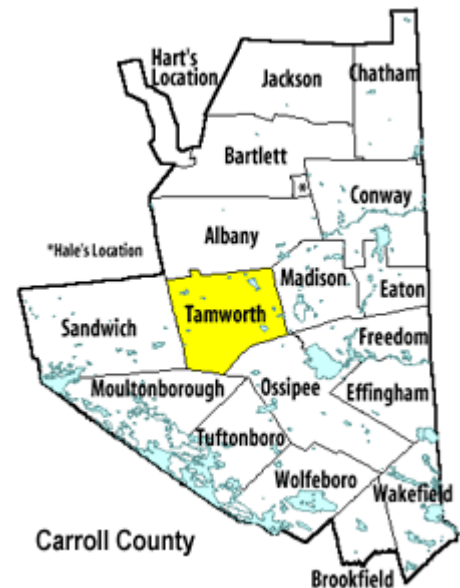
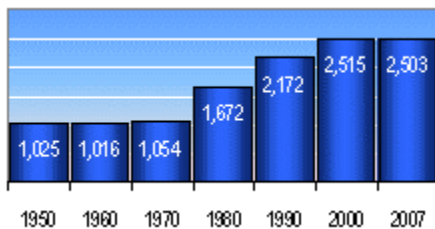
**Incorporated:** 1766

**Origin:** This town was granted in 1766 to John Webster and others, and named in honor of Admiral Washington Shirley, Viscount Tamworth, a close friend of Governor Benning Wentworth. There was considerable controversy regarding the boundaries of the town. A legislative committee was appointed in 1796 to fix the line between Tamworth and Burton (Albany), and between Tamworth and Eaton. Though the decision was to be final, another committee was appointed in 1808 to further fix town lines between Tamworth, Eaton, Sandwich, and Burton.

**Villages and Place Names:** Chocorua, South Tamworth, Wonalancet

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

**Population Trends:** Population change for Tamworth totaled 1,490 over 50 years, from 1,025 in 1950 to 2,515 in 2000. The largest decennial percent change was a 59 percent increase between 1970 and 1980, which was followed by a 30 percent increase between 1980 and 1990. The 2007 Census estimate for Tamworth was 2,503 residents, which ranked 118th among New Hampshire's incorporated cities and towns.



**Population Density and Land Area** (*NH Office of Energy & Planning*): 44.1 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.

**MUNICIPAL SERVICES**

|                                        |                |
|----------------------------------------|----------------|
| Type of Government                     | Selectmen      |
| Budget: Municipal Appropriations, 2008 | \$3,243,339    |
| Budget: School Appropriations,         | not available  |
| Zoning Ordinance                       | No Board       |
| Master Plan                            | 1995           |
| Capital Improvement Plan               | No             |
| Industrial Plans Reviewed By           | Planning Board |

**Boards and Commissions**

Elected: **Selectmen; Planning; Library; Firewards, Trust Funds; Checklist**

Appointed: **Conservation; Finance**

Public Library **Chocorua Public; Cook Memorial**

**EMERGENCY SERVICES**

|                                        |                             |
|----------------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Police Department                      | Full-time                   |
| Fire Department                        | Full-time Chief & volunteer |
| Town Fire Insurance Rating             | 9/10                        |
| Emergency Medical Service              | Volunteer & private         |
| Nearest Hospital(s)                    | Distance Staffed Beds       |
| <b>Memorial Hospital, North Conway</b> | <b>20 miles 25</b>          |

**UTILITIES**

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

**PROPERTY TAXES** *(NH Dept. of Revenue Administration)*

|                                                           |         |
|-----------------------------------------------------------|---------|
| 2007 Total Tax Rate (per \$1000 of value)                 | \$19.67 |
| 2007 Equalization Ratio                                   | 84.6    |
| 2007 Full Value Tax Rate (per \$1000 of value)            | \$16.39 |
| 2007 Percent of Local Assessed Valuation by Property Type |         |
| Residential Land and Buildings                            | 84.6%   |
| Commercial Land and Buildings                             | 10.4%   |
| Public Utilities, Current Use, and Other                  | 5.0%    |

**HOUSING SUPPLY** *(NH Office of Energy and Planning)*

|                                          |       |
|------------------------------------------|-------|
| 2007 Total Housing Units                 | 1,800 |
| 2007 Single-Family Units                 | 1,417 |
| Residential Permits, Net Change of Units | 17    |
| 2007 Multi-Family Units                  | 196   |
| Residential Permits, Net Change of Units | 0     |
| 2007 Manufactured Housing Units          | 187   |

**DEMOGRAPHICS***(US Census Bureau)*

|                  |           |        |
|------------------|-----------|--------|
| Total Population | Community | County |
| 2007             | 2,503     | 47,380 |
| 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***(US Census Bureau)*

|                                                |          |
|------------------------------------------------|----------|
| 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***(NHES - ELM)*

|                      |       |       |
|----------------------|-------|-------|
| Annual Average       | 1997  | 2007  |
| Civilian labor force | 1,515 | 1,341 |
| Employed             | 1,471 | 1,286 |
| Unemployed           | 44    | 55    |
| Unemployment rate    | 2.9%  | 4.1%  |

**EMPLOYMENT & WAGES***(NHES - ELM)*

|                                         |       |       |
|-----------------------------------------|-------|-------|
| Annual Average Covered Employment       | 1997  | 2007  |
| Goods Producing Industries              |       |       |
| Average Employment                      | 118   | 132   |
| Average Weekly Wage                     | \$456 | \$733 |
| Service Providing Industries            |       |       |
| Average Employment                      | 282   | 433   |
| Average Weekly Wage                     | \$269 | \$420 |
| Total Private Industry                  |       |       |
| Average Employment                      | 400   | 565   |
| Average Weekly Wage                     | \$324 | \$493 |
| Government (Federal, State, and Local)  |       |       |
| Average Employment                      | 209   | 108   |
| Average Weekly Wage                     | \$355 | \$621 |
| Total, Private Industry plus Government |       |       |
| Average Employment                      | 609   | 673   |
| Average Weekly Wage                     | \$335 | \$514 |

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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      |                    |             | 1-12              |
| Total Enrollment       | 231        |                    |             | 32                |

NH Licensed Child Care Facilities, 2008: Total Facilities: 2 Total Capacity: 114

Nearest Community College: **Lakes Region**

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

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

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

Road Access US Routes  
 State Routes **16, 25, 113, 113A**  
 Nearest Interstate, Exit **I-93, Exit 24**  
 Distance **29 miles**

Railroad **No**  
 Public Transportation **No**

Nearest Public Use Airport, General Aviation  
**Moultonborough Airport** Runway **3,475 ft. asphalt**  
 Lighted? **Yes** Navigation Aids? **No**

Nearest Airport with Scheduled Service  
**Portland (ME) International Jetport** Distance **61 miles**  
 Number of Passenger Airlines Serving Airport **7**

Driving distance to select cities:  
 Manchester, NH **79 miles**  
 Portland, Maine **62 miles**  
 Boston, Mass. **120 miles**  
 New York City, NY **333 miles**  
 Montreal, Quebec **236 miles**

## COMMUTING TO WORK *(US Census Bureau)*

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  
 X Bicycle Trails  
 Cross Country Skiing  
 X Beach or Waterfront Recreation Area  
 Overnight or Day Camps

Nearest Ski Area(s): **King Pine**

Other: **Barnstormers Summer Theatre; White Lake State Park**