

Tilton, NH

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County
 Labor Market Area
 Tourism Region
 Planning Commission
 Regional Development

Belknap
 Franklin NH Micro-NECTA
 Lakes
 Lakes Region
 Belknap County Economic Development Council

Election Districts

US Congress
 Executive Council
 State Senate
 State Representative

District 2
 District 1
 District 4
 Belknap County District 2

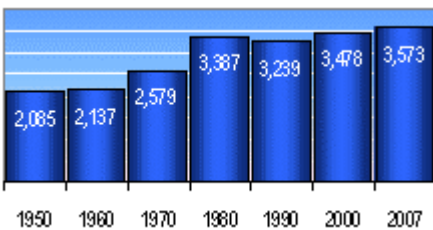
Incorporated: 1869

Origin: This territory was settled long before it became a town, the southern part of Sanbornton known as Sanbornton Bridge or Bridge Village. It was incorporated as a separate town in 1869 and named Tilton, in honor of Nathaniel Tilton, one of the first settlers. Nathaniel Tilton established an iron foundry and the area's first hotel, the Dexter House. His grandson Charles was a prominent citizen of the town when it was incorporated, prompting the choice of name. Charles Tilton made a considerable fortune in the 1849 California Gold Rush. He donated many statues to the town, including the Tilton Arch, and his estate is now part of the Tilton School.

Villages and Place Names: East Tilton, The Plains, Winnisquam, Belmont Junction, Tilton Arch, Downtown Tilton Statues

Population, Year of the First Census Taken: 1,147 residents in 1870

Population Trends: Population change for Tilton totaled 1,393 over 50 years, from 2,085 in 1950 to 3,478 in 2000. The largest decennial percent change was an increase of 31 percent



between 1970 and 1980; population declined four percent over the next decade. The 2007 Census estimate for Tilton was 3,573 residents, which ranked 100th among New Hampshire's incorporated cities and towns.

Population Density and Land Area (NH Office of Energy & Planning): 319.8 persons per square mile of land area. Tilton contains 11.4 square miles of land area and 0.5 square miles of inland water area.



MUNICIPAL SERVICES

Type of Government	Selectmen/Town Meeting
Budget: Municipal Appropriations, 2003	\$3,636,061
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Zoning Ordinance	1956/08
Master Plan	1994
Capital Improvement Plan	Yes
Industrial Plans Reviewed By	Planning Board

Boards and Commissions

Elected: **Selectmen; Budget; Library; Sewer; Town Clerk; Tax Collector; Check List; Trust Funds**

Appointed: **Planning; Zoning; Conservation; Parks**

Public Library **Hall Memorial**

EMERGENCY SERVICES

Police Department	Full-time
Fire Department	Tilton-Northfield Fire District
Town Fire Insurance Rating	5/9
Emergency Medical Service	Municipal
Nearest Hospital(s)	Distance Staffed Beds
Franklin Regional, Franklin	3 miles 25

UTILITIES

Electric Supplier	PSNH
Natural Gas Supplier	KeySpan
Water Supplier	Lochmere Village District; Tilton-Northfield Water District
Sanitation	Private septic & municipal
Municipal Wastewater Treatment Plant	No
Solid Waste Disposal	
Curbside Trash Pickup	Municipal
Pay-As-You-Throw Program	No
Recycling Program	Voluntary
Telephone Company	Fairpoint
Cellular Telephone Access	Yes
Cable Television Access	Yes
Public Access Television Station	Yes
High Speed Internet Service: Business	Yes
Residential	Yes

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

2007 Total Tax Rate (per \$1000 of value)	\$18.84
2007 Equalization Ratio	86.1
2007 Full Value Tax Rate (per \$1000 of value)	\$15.89
2007 Percent of Local Assessed Valuation by Property Type	
Residential Land and Buildings	51.7%
Commercial Land and Buildings	44.9%
Public Utilities, Current Use, and Other	3.3%

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

2007 Total Housing Units	1,771
2007 Single-Family Units	1,011
Residential Permits, Net Change of Units	4
2007 Multi-Family Units	474
Residential Permits, Net Change of Units	19
2007 Manufactured Housing Units	286

DEMOGRAPHICS*(US Census Bureau)*

Total Population	Community	County
2007	3,573	61,048
2000	3,478	56,576
1990	3,239	49,294
1980	3,387	42,884
1970	2,579	32,367

Census 2000 Demographics

Population by Gender			
Male	1,744	Female	1,733
Population by Age Group			
Under age 5			163
Age 5 to 19			726
Age 20 to 34			581
Age 35 to 54			1,079
Age 55 to 64			341
Age 65 and over			587
Median Age			39.6 years

Educational Attainment, population 25 years and over

High school graduate or higher	79.5%
Bachelor's degree or higher	17.7%

ANNUAL INCOME, 1999*(US Census Bureau)*

Per capita income	\$19,578
Median 4-person family income	\$50,143
Median household income	\$41,977
Median Earnings, full-time, year-round workers	
Male	\$32,095
Female	\$25,227
Families below the poverty level	2.9%

LABOR FORCE*(NHES - ELM)*

Annual Average	1997	2007
Civilian labor force	1,745	1,954
Employed	1,687	1,879
Unemployed	58	75
Unemployment rate	3.3%	3.8%

EMPLOYMENT & WAGES*(NHES - ELM)*

Annual Average Covered Employment	1997	2007
Goods Producing Industries		
Average Employment	615	331
Average Weekly Wage	\$612	\$1,093
Service Providing Industries		
Average Employment	1,740	3,745
Average Weekly Wage	\$328	\$474
Total Private Industry		
Average Employment	2,355	4,076
Average Weekly Wage	\$402	\$524
Government (Federal, State, and Local)		
Average Employment	474	682
Average Weekly Wage	\$462	\$637
Total, Private Industry plus Government		
Average Employment	2,828	4,758
Average Weekly Wage	\$412	\$541

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EDUCATION AND CHILD CARE

Schools students attend: **Grades K-12 are part of Winnisquam Regional (Northfield, Sanbornton, Tilton)** District: **SAU 59**
 Career Technology Center(s): **J. Oliva Huot Technical Center, Laconia; Winnisquam Regional High School, Tilton** Region: **08**

Educational Facilities	Elementary	Middle/Junior High	High School	Private/Parochial
Number of Schools		1	1	4
Grade Levels		6-8	9-12	7-12
Total Enrollment		377	563	347

NH Licensed Child Care Facilities, 2008: Total Facilities: 3 Total Capacity: 159

Nearest Community College: **NHTI-Concord; Lakes Region**
 Nearest Colleges or Universities: **Plymouth State University; Colby-Sawyer**

LARGEST BUSINESSES	PRODUCT/SERVICE	EMPLOYEES	ESTABLISHED
j.jill	Outlet store	325+	1998
Tanger Outlet Stores	Retail outlet stores	200+	1994
Home Depot	Home improvement center	150+	2001
Wal-Mart	Retail store	110	1994
Autoserv	Car dealership	110	1997
Shaw's Supermarket	Supermarket	100+	1998
The Tilton School	Education	85	1820
3M	Power transmission products	70	1976
Lowe's	Home improvement center		
BJ Superstore	Retail wholesale store		

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

Road Access	US Routes	3
	State Routes	132, 140
Nearest Interstate, Exit	I-93, Exit 20	
	Distance	Local access
Railroad		No
Public Transportation		Yes
Nearest Public Use Airport, General Aviation		
Laconia Municipal	Runway	5,286 ft. asphalt
Lighted? Yes	Navigation Aids?	Yes
Nearest Airport with Scheduled Service		
Manchester-Boston Regional	Distance	41 miles
Number of Passenger Airlines Serving Airport		8
Driving distance to select cities:		
Manchester, NH		35 miles
Portland, Maine		98 miles
Boston, Mass.		85 miles
New York City, NY		289 miles
Montreal, Quebec		236 miles

COMMUTING TO WORK *(US Census Bureau)*

Workers 16 years and over	
Drove alone, car/truck/van	76.1%
Carpooled, car/truck/van	13.4%
Public transportation	0.3%
Walked	5.0%
Other means	0.3%
Worked at home	4.8%
Mean Travel Time to Work	24.1 minutes
Percent of Working Residents:	
Working in community of residence	27%
Commuting to another NH community	70%
Commuting out-of-state	2%

RECREATION, ATTRACTIONS, AND EVENTS

X	Municipal Parks
	YMCA/YWCA
	Boys Club/Girls Club
X	Golf Courses
	Swimming: Indoor Facility
	Swimming: Outdoor Facility
	Tennis Courts: Indoor Facility
	Tennis Courts: Outdoor Facility
	Ice Skating Rink: Indoor Facility
	Bowling Facilities
	Museums
X	Cinemas
	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
X	Youth Sports: Hockey
	Campgrounds
X	Fishing/Hunting
X	Boating/Marinas
X	Snowmobile Trails
X	Bicycle Trails
X	Cross Country Skiing
X	Beach or Waterfront Recreation Area
	Overnight or Day Camps
	Nearest Ski Area(s): Gunstock
	Other: Hobo Railroad; Lakes; Summer Concert Series; Old Home Day; Summer Fair; Highland Motorcross Mountain; Christmas Fair & Parade