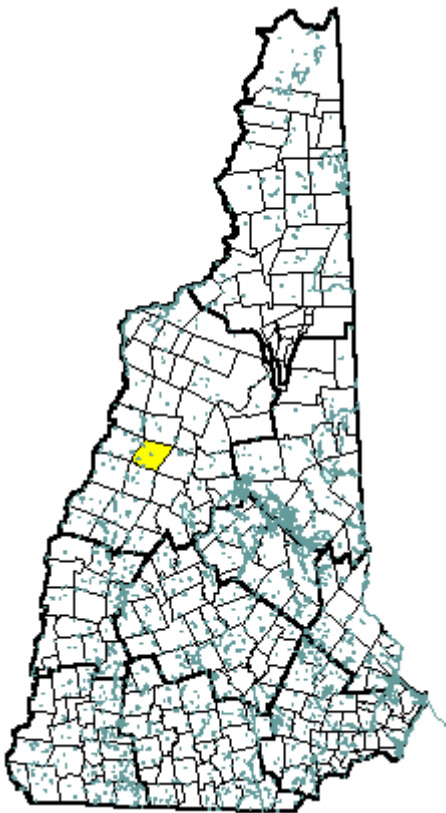


Wentworth, NH



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Municipal Office Hours

Selectmen: Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, 9 am - 1 pm;
Town Clerk/Tax Collector: Tuesday, 12 noon - 7 pm,
Wednesday and Thursday: 1 pm - 5 pm

County

Grafton

Labor Market Area

Plymouth NH LMA

Tourism Region

Dartmouth-Lake Sunapee

Planning Commission

North Country Council

Regional Development

Grafton County Economic Development Council

Election Districts

US Congress
 Executive Council
 State Senate
 State Representative

District 2
District 1
District 2
Grafton County District 6

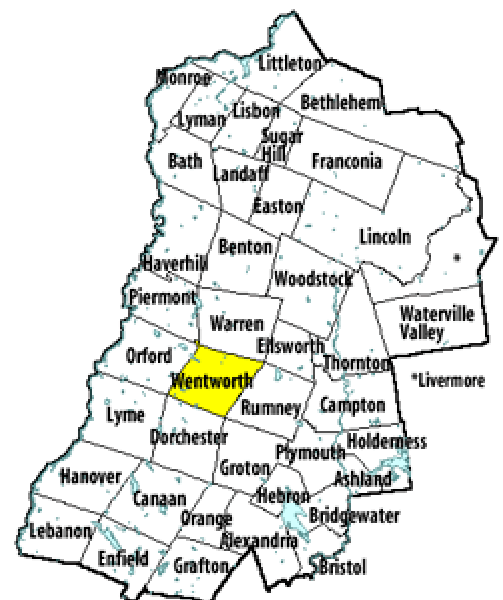
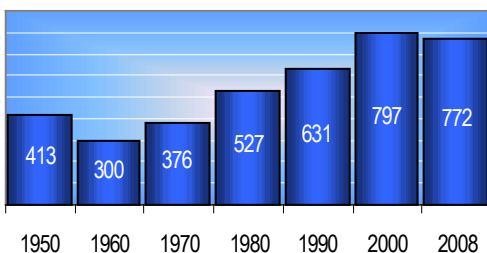
Incorporated: 1766

Origin: This town was first chartered in 1766 to John Page and others, and named Wentworth, in honor of Governor Benning Wentworth. The grantees were given five years to meet the terms of the grant, and the majority were unable to do so, forfeiting their claim. In 1772, Asa Porter and others from Haverhill petitioned Governor John Wentworth, Benning's nephew, for some of the forfeited shares, which was granted. Between them the Wentworth governors issued over 150 new town charters in New Hampshire, and nearly 130 new town charters in what is now Vermont, providing homes and farms for over 30,000 families.

Villages and Place Names: unknown

Population, Year of the First Census Taken: 241 residents in 1790

Population Trends: Population change for Wentworth totaled 384 over 50 years, from 413 in 1950 to 797 in 2000. The largest decennial percent change was a 40 percent increase between 1970 and 1980; population decreased by 27 percent between 1950 and 1960. The 2008 Census estimate for Wentworth was 772 residents, which ranked 202nd among New Hampshire's incorporated cities and towns.



Grafton County

Population Density and Land Area, 2008 (NH Office of Energy & Planning):

18.5 persons per square mile of land area. Wentworth contains 41.8 square miles of land area and 0.3 square miles of inland water area.

MUNICIPAL SERVICES

Type of Government	Selectmen
Budget: Municipal Appropriations, 2009	\$818,109
Budget: School Appropriations, 2009	\$1,100,603
Zoning Ordinance	No Board
Master Plan	1986
Capital Improvement Plan	No
Industrial Plans Reviewed By	Planning Board

Boards and Commissions

Elected: **Selectmen; Planning; Trust Funds; Town Clerk/Tax Collector**

Appointed: **Conservation; Library; Police Chief**

Public Library **Webster Memorial**

EMERGENCY SERVICES

Police Department	Part-time
Fire Department	Volunteer
Town Fire Insurance Rating	9/10
Emergency Medical Service	Volunteer
Nearest Hospital(s)	Distance Staffed Beds
Speare Memorial, Plymouth	16 miles 25

UTILITIES

Electric Supplier	NH Electric Coop
Natural Gas Supplier	None
Water Supplier	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	Yes
Telephone Company	Fairpoint
Cellular Telephone Access	No
Cable Television Access	Yes
Public Access Television Station	No
High Speed Internet Service: Business	Yes
Residential	Yes

PROPERTY TAXES (NH Dept. of Revenue Administration)

2008 Total Tax Rate (per \$1000 of value)	\$15.99
2008 Equalization Ratio	86.3
2008 Full Value Tax Rate (per \$1000 of value)	\$14.40
2008 Percent of Local Assessed Valuation by Property Type	
Residential Land and Buildings	83.4%
Commercial Land and Buildings	6.4%
Public Utilities, Current Use, and Other	10.2%

HOUSING SUPPLY (NH Office of Energy and Planning)

2008 Total Housing Units	497
2008 Single-Family Units	437
Residential Permits, Net Change of Units	6
2008 Multi-Family Units	21
Residential Permits, Net Change of Units	0
2008 Manufactured Housing Units	39

DEMOGRAPHICS

(US Census Bureau)

Total Population	Community	County
2008	772	85,921
2000	797	81,826
1990	631	74,998
1980	527	65,806
1970	376	54,914

Census 2000 Demographics

Population by Gender

Male	407	Female	391
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Population by Age Group

Under age 5	23
Age 5 to 19	198
Age 20 to 34	124
Age 35 to 54	244
Age 55 to 64	96
Age 65 and over	113
Median Age	39.6 years

Educational Attainment, population 25 years and over

High school graduate or higher	82.7%
Bachelor's degree or higher	17.9%

ANNUAL INCOME, 1999

(US Census Bureau)

Per capita income	\$18,258
Median 4-person family income	\$47,917
Median household income	\$44,219
Median Earnings, full-time, year-round workers	
Male	\$31,250
Female	\$24,500
Families below the poverty level	6.1%

LABOR FORCE

(NHES - ELMI)

Annual Average	1998	2008
Civilian labor force	348	436
Employed	340	421
Unemployed	8	15
Unemployment rate	2.3%	3.4%

EMPLOYMENT & WAGES

(NHES - ELMI)

Annual Average Covered Employment	1998	2008
Goods Producing Industries		
Average Employment	150	116
Average Weekly Wage	\$596	\$670
Service Providing Industries		
Average Employment	31	30
Average Weekly Wage	\$426	\$532
Total Private Industry		
Average Employment	181	146
Average Weekly Wage	\$567	\$642
Government (Federal, State, and Local)		
Average Employment	26	41
Average Weekly Wage	\$280	\$423
Total, Private Industry plus Government		
Average Employment	207	187
Average Weekly Wage	\$531	\$594

n = indicates that data does not meet disclosure standards

EDUCATION AND CHILD CARE

Schools students attend: **Wentworth operates grades K-8; grades 9-12 are part of Pemi-Baker Cooperative (Ashland, Campton, Holderness, Plymouth, Rumney, Thornton, Wentworth)** District: **SAU 48**

Career Technology Center(s): **Plymouth Regional High School** Region: **05**

Educational Facilities	Elementary	Middle/Junior High	High School	Private/Parochial
Number of Schools	1			
Grade Levels	1-8			
Total Enrollment	54			

NH Licensed Child Care Facilities, 2009: Total Facilities: **0** Total Capacity: **0**

Nearest Community/Technical College: **River Valley; Lakes Region**

Nearest Colleges or Universities: **Dartmouth; Plymouth State University**

LARGEST BUSINESSES	PRODUCT/SERVICE	EMPLOYEES	ESTABLISHED
King Forest Lumber Co.	Wood, lumber products	141	1994
Precision Lumber	Wood, lumber	36	1994
Shawnee's	Grocery store	5	2008

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

Road Access	US Routes	
	State Routes	25, 25A, 118
Nearest Interstate, Exit		I-93, Exit 26
	Distance	20 miles
Railroad		No
Public Transportation		No
Nearest Public Use Airport, General Aviation		
	Plymouth Regional	Runway 2,380 ft. turf
Lighted?	No	Navigation Aids? No
Nearest Airport with Scheduled Service		
	Lebanon Municipal	Distance 40 miles
	Number of Passenger Airlines Serving Airport	1
Driving distance to select cities:		
	Manchester, NH	80 miles
	Portland, Maine	110 miles
	Boston, Mass.	130 miles
	New York City, NY	298 miles
	Montreal, Quebec	195 miles

COMMUTING TO WORK (*US Census Bureau*)

Workers 16 years and over	
Drove alone, car/truck/van	83.0%
Carpooled, car/truck/van	12.0%
Public transportation	0.0%
Walked	2.9%
Other means	0.0%
Worked at home	2.2%
Mean Travel Time to Work	29.4 minutes
Percent of Working Residents:	
Working in community of residence	23%
Commuting to another NH community	72%
Commuting out-of-state	5%

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
	Museums
	Cinemas
	Performing Arts Facilities
	Tourist Attractions
	Youth Organizations (i.e., Scouts, 4-H)
X	Youth Sports: Baseball
X	Youth Sports: Soccer
	Youth Sports: Football
	Youth Sports: Basketball
	Youth Sports: Hockey
X	Campgrounds
X	Fishing/Hunting
	Boating/Marinas
X	Snowmobile Trails
	Bicycle Trails
	Cross Country Skiing
X	Beach or Waterfront Recreation Area
X	Overnight or Day Camps
	Nearest Ski Area(s): Tenney Mountain
	Other: Plummer Ledge Natural Area; Market Day; Summer Concerts; Volleyball Court