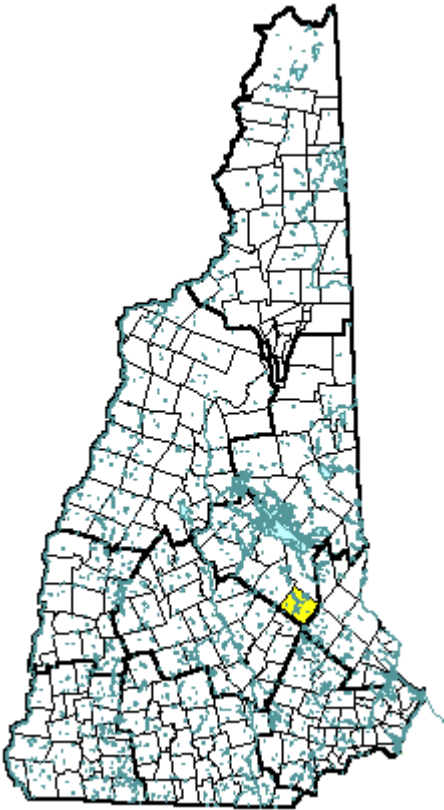


# Barnstead, NH



## Community Contact

Barnstead Board of Selectmen  
Gordon Preston, Chairman  
PO Box 11, Route 126  
Center Barnstead, NH 03225

Telephone  
Fax  
E-mail  
Web Site

(603) 269-4071  
(603) 269-4072  
townhall@metrocast.net  
www.barnstead.org

## Municipal Office Hours

Town Clerk/Tax Collector: Monday, Wednesday, Thursday,  
and Friday, 9:00 am - 4:30 pm, and Tuesday, 9:00 am - 7 pm

County  
Tourism Region  
Planning Commission  
Regional Development

Belknap  
Lakes  
Lakes Region  
Belknap County Economic Development Council

## Election Districts

US Congress  
Executive Council  
State Senate  
State Representative

District 1  
District 2  
District 4  
District 31

Incorporated: 1727

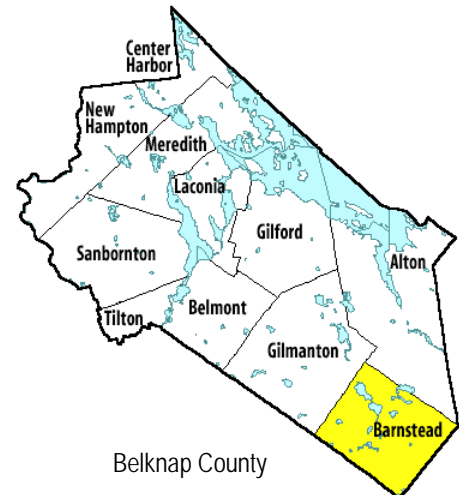
**Origin:** Granted in 1727, the town was established to deal with rapidly expanding population in the seacoast area. A majority of new settlers came from either Barnstable on Cape Cod or Hampstead on Long Island, and the town's name is a conjunction of the two. The town includes three villages, South Barnstead, Center Barnstead, and Barnstead; and is home to at least nine lakes and ponds.

**Population, Year of the First Census Taken:** 807 residents in 1790

**Population Trends:** Decennial population growth rates in Barnstead have ranged from virtually no change between 1950-1960, when the population increased by only four residents, to a 105 percent increase between 1970-1980, when the population more than doubled in size. Barnstead's population went from 846 in 1950 to 3,886 in 2000, a total increase of 3,040 residents. The 2003 Census estimate for Barnstead was 4,362 residents, which ranked 82nd among New Hampshire's incorporated cities and towns.

**Population Density, 2003:** 93.0 persons per square mile of land area. Barnstead contains 42.9 square miles of land area and 2.0 square miles of inland water area.

**Villages and Place Names:** Barnstead Parade, Center Barnstead, Lockes Corner, South Barnstead, North Barnstead



**MUNICIPAL SERVICES**

Type of Government	Selectmen
2004 Annual Budget	\$2,792,354
Zoning Ordinance	1971/03
Master Plan	2003
Capital Improvement Plan	Yes
Industrial Plans Reviewed By	Planning Board

**Boards and Commissions**

Elected:	<b>Board of Selectmen; Planning Board; Budget Committee; Library Trustees</b>
Appointed:	<b>Zoning Board; Parks &amp; Recreation; Conservation Commission</b>

Public Library      **Oscar Foss Memorial**

**EMERGENCY SERVICES**

Police Department	Full-time
Fire Department	Full-time
Town Fire Insurance Rating	9/10
Emergency Medical Service	Municipal

**Nearest Hospital(s):**

**Concord Hospital or Frisbie Memorial, Rochester**  
 Distance: 21 miles      Staffed Beds: 199; 70

**UTILITIES**

Electric Supplier	PSNH; NH Electric Coop.
Natural Gas Supplier	None
Water Supplier	Locke Lake Colony; Central Water Co., Inc.
Sanitation	Private septic
Municipal Wastewater Treatment Plant	No
Solid Waste Disposal	
Curbside Trash Pickup	None
Pay-As-You-Throw Program	No
Recycling Program	Mandatory
Telephone Company	Verizon; Union
Cellular Telephone Access	Yes
Cable Television Access	Yes
High Speed Internet Service:	Business      unknown
	Residential      unknown

**PROPERTY TAXES**

2003 Total Tax Rate (per \$1000)	\$20.84
2003 Equalization Ratio	92.1
2003 Full Value Tax Rate (per \$1000)	\$19.10
2003 Percent of Property Valuation by Type	
Residential Land and Buildings	96.3%
Commercial Land and Buildings	2.3%
Other Property including Utilities	1.5%

**HOUSING**

2002 Total Housing Units	2,183
2002 Single-Family Units	2,030
Building Permits Issued	123
2002 Multi-Family Units	53
Building Permits Issued	4
2002 Manufactured Housing Units	100

**DEMOGRAPHICS**

Total Population	Community	County
2003	4,362	60,356
2000	3,886	56,325
1990	3,100	49,216
1980	2,292	42,884
1970	1,119	32,367

**Census 2000 Demographics**

Population by Gender			
Male	1,981	Female	1,905

**Population by Age Group**

Under age 5	243
Age 5 to 19	865
Age 20 to 34	609
Age 35 to 54	1,335
Age 55 to 64	411
Age 65 and over	423
Median Age	38.8 years

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

High school graduate or higher	86.0%
Bachelor's degree or higher	17.8%

**ANNUAL INCOME, 1999**

(Census 2000)

Per capita income	\$19,773
Median 4-person family income	\$49,404
Median household income	\$47,449

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

Male	\$34,130
Female	\$24,904

**Families below the poverty level**

2.8%

**LABOR FORCE**

Annual Average	1993	2003
Civilian labor force	1,894	2,626
Employed	1,767	2,549
Unemployed	127	77
Unemployment rate	6.7%	2.9%

**EMPLOYMENT & WAGES**

1993      2003

<b>Goods Producing Industries</b>			
Average Employment	149	113	
Average Weekly Wage	\$304	\$596	
<b>Service Providing Industries</b>			
Average Employment	85	160	
Average Weekly Wage	\$268	\$386	
<b>Total Private Industry</b>			
Average Employment	234	272	
Average Weekly Wage	\$291	\$473	
<b>Government (Federal, State, and Local)</b>			
Average Employment	88	141	
Average Weekly Wage	\$401	\$454	
<b>Total, Private Industry plus Government</b>			
Average Employment	322	413	
Average Weekly Wage	\$321	\$466	

n = indicates that data does not meet disclosure standards

## EDUCATION AND CHILD CARE

Schools students attend:	<b>Barnstead operates grades K-8; grades 9-12 attend Prospect Mountain HS, Alton, which is jointly managed with Alton</b>			District: <b>SAU 51/JMA</b>
Career Technology Center(s):	<b>Concord High School; Pembroke Academy</b>			Region: <b>11</b>
Educational Facilities	Elementary	Middle/Junior High	High School	Private/Parochial
Number of Schools	<b>1</b>			
Grade Levels	<b>P K 1-8</b>			
Total Enrollment	<b>600</b>			
NH Licensed Child Care Facilities, 2003:	Total Facilities: <b>4</b>	Total Capacity: <b>77</b>		
Nearest Community/Technical College:	<b>Concord</b>			
Nearest Colleges or Universities:	<b>University of NH; Franklin Pierce Law</b>			

<b>LARGEST EMPLOYERS</b>	<b>PRODUCT/SERVICE</b>	<b>EMPLOYEES</b>	<b>ESTABLISHED</b>
Barnstead Elementary School	Education	82	
Town of Barnstead	Municipal services	34	
Barnstead Country Store	General merchandise	22	1988
Barton's Lumber	Lumber Yard	15	
Bosco Bell	Convenience store, gas	14	
JJ Goodwin's	Restaurant	8	1997

## TRANSPORTATION

Road Access	Federal Routes	
	State Routes	<b>28, 126</b>
Nearest Interstate, Exit	<b>I-93, Exit 14</b>	
	Distance	<b>20 miles</b>
Railroad		<b>No</b>
Public Transportation		<b>No</b>
Nearest Airport		<b>Concord</b>
Runway		<b>6,005 feet</b>
Lighted?	<b>Yes</b>	Navigational Aids? <b>Yes</b>
Nearest Commercial Airport		<b>Manchester</b>
Distance		<b>29 miles</b>
Driving distance to select cities:		
Manchester, NH		<b>28 miles</b>
Portland, Maine		<b>95 miles</b>
Boston, Mass.		<b>87 miles</b>
New York City, NY		<b>285 miles</b>
Montreal, Quebec		<b>271 miles</b>

## COMMUTING TO WORK

(Census 2000)

Workers 16 years and over	
Drove alone, car/truck/van	<b>82.3%</b>
Carpooled, car/truck/van	<b>11.0%</b>
Public transportation	<b>0.0%</b>
Walked	<b>0.9%</b>
Other means	<b>0.5%</b>
Worked at home	<b>5.4%</b>
Mean Travel Time to Work	<b>36.6 minutes</b>
Percent of Working Residents:	
Working in community of residence	<b>14%</b>
Commuting to another NH community	<b>82%</b>
Commuting out-of-state	<b>3%</b>

## RECREATION, ATTRACTIONS, AND EVENTS

	Municipal Parks
	YMCA/YWCA
	Boys Club/Girls Club
	Golf Courses
	Swimming: Indoor Facility
X	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
X	Youth Sports: Soccer
	Youth Sports: Football
X	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
	Nearest Ski Area(s): <b>Gunstock</b>
	Other: <b>Outdoor Hockey and skating rinks; outdoor basketball courts</b>