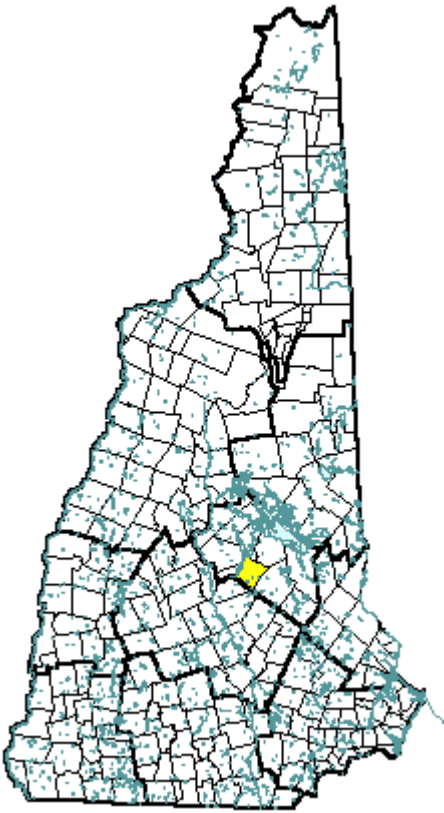


Belmont, NH



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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 1
District 4
District 31

Incorporated: 1727

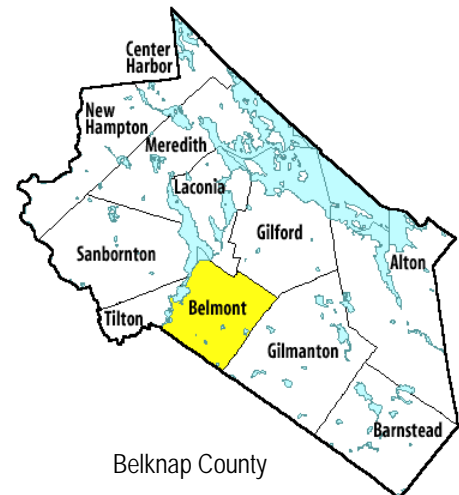
Origin: First chartered in 1727 as a parish of Gilmanton, known as Upper Gilmanton. In 1859, the voters of the town petitioned to rename the town Belmont, to honor Mr. August Belmont, a New York financier, in hopes that he might make a financial contribution to the town. Mr. Belmont, however, never even bothered to acknowledge the act. The town borders Lake Winnisquam.

Population, Year of the First Census Taken: 1,189 residents in 1860

Population Trends: Belmont's population has grown well above the statewide average rate over each of the last five decades. Decennial growth rates ranged from a 16 percent increase between 1990-2000 to a 61 percent increase between 1970-1980. Belmont's population grew more than four times larger, increasing by a total of 5,105 residents, going from 1,611 in 1950 to 6,716 residents in 2000. The 2003 Census estimate for Belmont was 7,219 residents, which ranked 43rd among New Hampshire's incorporated cities and towns.

Population Density, 2003: 229.0 persons per square mile of land area. Belmont contains 30.1 square miles of land area and 1.8 square miles of inland water area.

Villages and Place Names: Gardners Grove, Lochmere, Winnisquam, Tioga



MUNICIPAL SERVICES

Type of Government	Selectmen
2004 Annual Budget	\$6,358,716
Zoning Ordinance	1986/04
Master Plan	2002
Capital Improvement Plan	Yes
Industrial Plans Reviewed By	Planning Board

Boards and Commissions

Elected:	Board of Selectmen; Planning Board; Zoning Board
Appointed:	Conservation Commission; Library Trustees; Cemetery Trustees

Public Library **Belmont Public****EMERGENCY SERVICES**

Police Department	Full-time
Fire Department	Full-time
Town Fire Insurance Rating	4/9
Emergency Medical Service	Municipal

Nearest Hospital(s):

Lakes Region General, Laconia
Distance: **7 miles** Staffed Beds: **106**

UTILITIES

Electric Supplier	PSNH; NH Electric Coop.
Natural Gas Supplier	KeySpan
Water Supplier	Belmont Water Department
Sanitation	Private septic & Municipal
Municipal Wastewater Treatment Plant	No
Solid Waste Disposal	
Curbside Trash Pickup	Municipal
Pay-As-You-Throw Program	No
Recycling Program	None
Telephone Company	Verizon
Cellular Telephone Access	Yes
Cable Television Access	Yes
High Speed Internet Service:	Business unknown
	Residential unknown

PROPERTY TAXES

2003 Total Tax Rate (per \$1000)	\$23.99
2003 Equalization Ratio	89.1
2003 Full Value Tax Rate (per \$1000)	\$21.12
2003 Percent of Property Valuation by Type	
Residential Land and Buildings	79.3%
Commercial Land and Buildings	19.5%
Other Property including Utilities	1.3%

HOUSING

2002 Total Housing Units	3,242
2002 Single-Family Units	1,888
Building Permits Issued	35
2002 Multi-Family Units	437
Building Permits Issued	0
2002 Manufactured Housing Units	917

DEMOGRAPHICS

Total Population	Community	County
2003	7,219	60,356
2000	6,716	56,325
1990	5,796	49,216
1980	4,026	42,884
1970	2,493	32,367

Census 2000 Demographics

Population by Gender			
Male	3,313	Female	3,403

Population by Age Group

Under age 5	360
Age 5 to 19	1,492
Age 20 to 34	1,112
Age 35 to 54	2,358
Age 55 to 64	630
Age 65 and over	764
Median Age	38.4 years

Educational Attainment, population 25 years and over

High school graduate or higher	81.4%
Bachelor's degree or higher	16.3%

ANNUAL INCOME, 1999

(Census 2000)

Per capita income	\$19,986
Median 4-person family income	\$53,125
Median household income	\$47,717

Median Earnings, full-time, year-round workers

Male	\$35,000
Female	\$25,882

Families below the poverty level

3.8%

LABOR FORCE

Annual Average	1993	2003
Civilian labor force	3,843	3,800
Employed	3,601	3,646
Unemployed	242	154
Unemployment rate	6.3%	4.1%

EMPLOYMENT & WAGES

1993 2003

Goods Producing Industries		
Average Employment	180	563
Average Weekly Wage	\$551	\$798
Service Providing Industries		
Average Employment	910	1,425
Average Weekly Wage	\$395	\$600
Total Private Industry		
Average Employment	1,090	1,988
Average Weekly Wage	\$421	\$656
Government (Federal, State, and Local)		
Average Employment	215	273
Average Weekly Wage	\$484	\$720
Total, Private Industry plus Government		
Average Employment	1,305	2,261
Average Weekly Wage	\$431	\$663

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EDUCATION AND CHILD CARE

Schools students attend: **Grades K-12 are part of Shaker Regional (Belmont, Canterbury)** District: **SAU 80**
 Career Technology Center(s): **J. Oliva Huot Tech Ctr.; Winnisquam Agricultural Ed Ctr.** Region: **08**

Educational Facilities	Elementary	Middle/Junior High	High School	Private/Parochial
Number of Schools	1	1	1	1
Grade Levels	P K R 1-4	5-8	9-12	K-12
Total Enrollment	457	463	494	n/a

NH Licensed Child Care Facilities, 2003: Total Facilities: 5 Total Capacity: 255

Nearest Community/Technical College: **Laconia**

Nearest Colleges or Universities: **Plymouth State University; Southern NH University, Laconia**

LARGEST EMPLOYERS	PRODUCT/SERVICE	EMPLOYEES	ESTABLISHED
Wilcom Products, Inc.	Telecommunication test equipment	108	1967
Verizon	Telecommunications	100+	1990
Noyes Fiber Systems	Fiber optic testing equipment	72	1987
All-Metals Industries, Inc.	Metal raw product	60	1986
Contract Support Group	Contract manufacturing	58	1997
Lakes Region Manufacturing	Seals	45	1996
Pike Industries	Asphalt paving offices	37	1997
Milpower Source, Inc.	Switched power supplies	35	1985
Laconia Magnetics, Inc.	Custom built transformers	32	1992
KRC Northern	Re-cover paper rolls	20	1988

TRANSPORTATION

Road Access	Federal Routes	3
	State Routes	106, 107, 140
Nearest Interstate, Exit		I-93, Exit 20
	Distance	4 miles
Railroad	State owned line	
Public Transportation		Yes
Nearest Airport		Laconia
	Runway	5,286 feet
	Lighted? Yes	Navigational Aids? Yes
Nearest Commercial Airport		Manchester
	Distance	30 miles
Driving distance to select cities:		
	Manchester, NH	34 miles
	Portland, Maine	108 miles
	Boston, Mass.	88 miles
	New York City, NY	285 miles
	Montreal, Quebec	239 miles

COMMUTING TO WORK

(Census 2000)

Workers 16 years and over	
Drove alone, car/truck/van%	83.0%
Carpooled, car/truck/van	9.9%
Public transportation	0.9%
Walked	2.8%
Other means	0.8%
Worked at home	2.7%
Mean Travel Time to Work	23.7 minutes
Percent of Working Residents:	
Working in community of residence	19%
Commuting to another NH community	78%
Commuting out-of-state	3%

RECREATION, ATTRACTIONS, AND EVENTS

X	Municipal Parks
	YMCA/YWCA
	Boys Club/Girls Club
X	Golf Courses
	Swimming: Indoor Facility
X	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
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
X	Bicycle Trails
X	Cross Country Skiing
X	Beach or Waterfront Recreation Area
	Nearest Ski Area(s): Gunstock
	Other: Belknap 4-H Fair; Lakes Region Greyhound Park