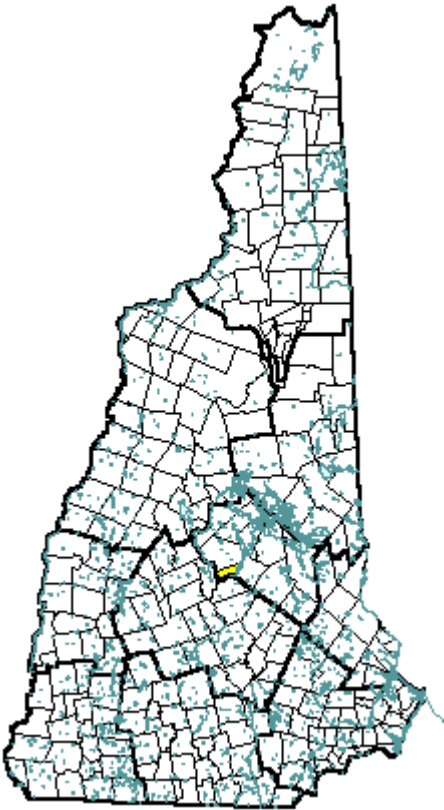


# Tilton, NH



## Community Contact

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## Municipal Office Hours

Monday through Friday, 8:30 am - 4:15 pm, plus Thursday until 5:30 pm for motor vehicle registrations and dog licenses only

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

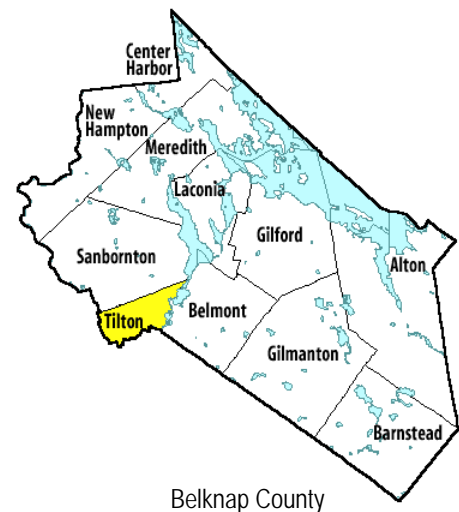
**Origin:** A part of Sanbornton until 1869, this town was known as Sanbornton Bridge and Bridge Village. It was incorporated as Tilton, in honor of Nathaniel Tilton, whose grandson Charles was a prominent citizen of the town. Nathaniel established an iron foundry and the area's first hotel, the Dexter House. Charles donated many statues to the town, including the Tilton Arch, and his estate is now part of the Tilton School. Tilton includes the village of Lochmere.

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

**Population Trends:** Tilton's population grew below the statewide average rate over four of the last five decades. Decennial growth rates ranged from a four percent decrease between 1980-1990 to a 31 percent increase between 1970-1980. Over fifty years, Tilton's population increased by a total of 1,392 residents, going from 2,085 in 1950 to 3,477 residents in 2000. The 2004 Census estimate for Tilton was 3,605 residents, which ranked 100th among New Hampshire's incorporated cities and towns.

**Population Density, 2004:** 316.0 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.

**Villages and Place Names:** East Tilton, The Plains, Winnisquam, Belmont Junction



**MUNICIPAL SERVICES**

Type of Government	Selectmen/Town Meeting
Budget: Municipal Appropriations, 2003	\$3,636,061
Budget: School Appropriations	not available
Zoning Ordinance	1956/04
Master Plan	1994
Capital Improvement Plan	No
Industrial Plans Reviewed By	Planning Board

**Boards and Commissions**

Elected:	Selectmen
Appointed:	Planning; Zoning; Conservation

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):**

**Franklin Regional, Franklin**  
Distance: 3 miles      Staffed Beds: 31

**UTILITIES**

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

**PROPERTY TAXES**

2004 Total Tax Rate (per \$1000 of value)	\$26.76
2004 Equalization Ratio	66.1
2004 Full Value Tax Rate (per \$1000 of value)	\$17.66
2004 Percent of Property Valuation by Type	
Residential Land and Buildings	43.0%
Commercial Land and Buildings	53.4%
Other Property including Utilities	3.6%

**HOUSING**

2003 Total Housing Units	1,696
2003 Single-Family Units	973
Building Permits Issued	15
2003 Multi-Family Units	453
Building Permits Issued	0
2003 Manufactured Housing Units	270

**DEMOGRAPHICS**

Total Population	Community	County
2004	3,605	60,858
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**

(Census 2000)

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**

1994

2004

Annual Average		
Civilian labor force	1,493	1,942
Employed	1,385	1,872
Unemployed	108	70
Unemployment rate	7.2%	3.6%

**EMPLOYMENT & WAGES**

1994

2004

Goods Producing Industries		
Average Employment	496	545
Average Weekly Wage	\$596	\$922
Service Providing Industries		
Average Employment	1,031	3,368
Average Weekly Wage	\$310	\$468
Total Private Industry		
Average Employment	1,527	3,912
Average Weekly Wage	\$403	\$531
Government (Federal, State, and Local)		
Average Employment	450	508
Average Weekly Wage	\$431	\$574
Total, Private Industry plus Government		
Average Employment	1,977	4,420
Average Weekly Wage	\$409	\$536

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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	2
Grade Levels		6-8	9-12	9-12
Total Enrollment		491	546	n/a

NH Licensed Child Care Facilities, 2004: Total Facilities: 4 Total Capacity: 241

Nearest Community/Technical College: **Laconia; Concord**  
 Nearest Colleges or Universities: **Plymouth State University; Colby-Sawyer**

LARGEST EMPLOYERS	PRODUCT/SERVICE	EMPLOYEES	ESTABLISHED
j.jill	Catalog distribution center	325+	1998
Lakes Region Factory Stores	Outlet stores	200+	1994
Home Depot	Retail Home Improvement	150+	2001
Wal-Mart	Department store	110	1994
Autoserv	Car dealership	110	1997
Shaw's Supermarket	Supermarket	100+	1998
The Tilton School	Education	85	1820
Quin-T Corporation	Power transmission products	70	1976

## TRANSPORTATION

Road Access	Federal Routes	3
	State Routes	132, 140
Nearest Interstate, Exit		I-93, Exit 20
	Distance	Local access
Railroad		No
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	35 miles
	Portland, Maine	113 miles
	Boston, Mass.	85 miles
	New York City, NY	282 miles
	Montreal, Quebec	236 miles

## COMMUTING TO WORK

(Census 2000)

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
X	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
	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
	Nearest Ski Area(s): <b>Gunstock</b>
	Other: <b>Hobo Railroad; Lakes; Summer concert series</b>