

Chatham, NH



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Municipal Office Hours

Town Clerk/Tax Collector: Tuesday and Thursday, 5-7

County
 Labor Market Area
 Tourism Region
 Planning Commission
 Regional Development

Carroll
Conway, NH-ME LMA, NH part
White Mountains
North Country Council
Mount Washington Valley Economic Council

Election Districts

US Congress
 Executive Council
 State Senate
 State Representative

District 1
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District 3
Carroll County District 2

Incorporated: 1767

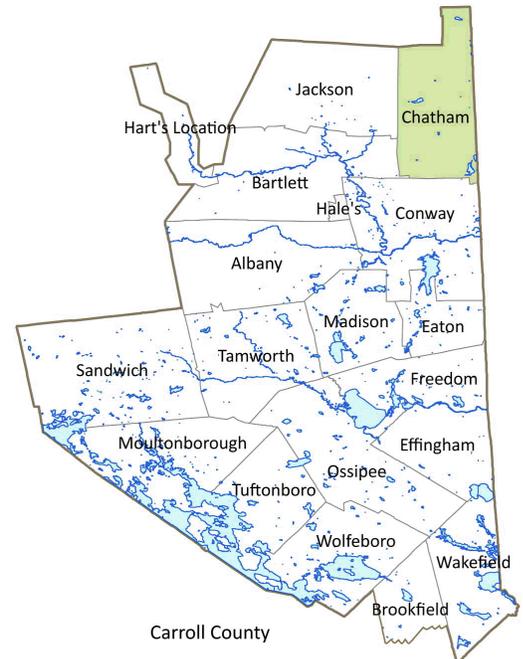
Origin: Chatham was first granted by the New Hampshire proprietors in 1767, and named in honor of William Pitt, Earl of Chatham and Prime Minister of England. Pitt was one of few who supported the Rockingham government in saying that England had no right to tax the colonists. None of the 73 grantees dared settle in the wilderness, because it was inhabited by the Pequawket. In 1770 the land was granted to new settlers, including Abiel Chandler, founder of the Chandler Scientific School at Dartmouth College, and Samuel Langdon, one time president of Harvard College, who made the famous Blanchard Map of the North Country.

Villages and Place Names: North Chatham, South Chatham

Population, Year of the First Census Taken: 58 residents in 1790

Population Trends: Population change for Chatham totaled 207 over 50 years, from 134 in 1970 to 341 in 2020. The largest decennial percent change was a 41 percent increase from 1970 to 1980, followed by a 42 percent increase from 1980 to 1990. The town's population increased by one percent from 2010 to 2020. The 2022 Census estimate for Chatham was 351 residents, which ranked 223rd among New Hampshire's incorporated cities and towns.

Population Density and Land Area, 2022 (US Census Bureau): 6.2 persons per square mile of land area. Chatham contains 56.7 square miles of land area and 0.5 square miles of inland water area.



MUNICIPAL SERVICES	
Type of Government	Selectmen
Budget: Municipal Appropriations, 2023	\$225,088
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Zoning Ordinance	No Board
Master Plan	1997
Capital Improvement Plan	No
Industrial Plans Reviewed By	Planning Board
Boards and Commissions	
Elected:	Selectmen
Appointed:	Planning; Conservation
Public Library	No Library

EMERGENCY SERVICES			
Police Department			Part-time
Fire Department			No
Emergency Medical Service			Fryeburg ME - Volunteer
Nearest Hospital(s)	Distance	Staffed Beds	
Memorial Hospital, North Conway	15 miles	25	

UTILITIES			
Electric Supplier			Eversource Energy
Natural Gas Supplier			None
Water Supplier			Private wells
Sanitation			Private septic
Municipal Wastewater Treatment Plant			No
Solid Waste Disposal			
Curbside Trash Pickup			None
Pay-As-You-Throw Program			No
Recycling Program			Voluntary
Telephone Company			Consolidated; Northland
Cellular Telephone Access			Limited
Cable Television Access			No
Public Access Television Station			No
High Speed Internet Service:	Business		Yes
	Residential		Yes

PROPERTY TAXES		<i>(NH Dept. of Revenue Administration)</i>	
2022 Total Tax Rate (per \$1000 of value)		\$13.37	
2022 Equalization Ratio		75.1	
2022 Full Value Tax Rate (per \$1000 of value)		\$10.02	
2022 Percent of Local Assessed Valuation by Property Type			
Residential Land and Buildings		96.1%	
Commercial Land and Buildings		.8%	
Public Utilities, Current Use, and Other		3.2%	

HOUSING		<i>(ACS 2017-2021)</i>	
Total Housing Units		253	
Single-Family Units, Detached or Attached		227	
Units in Multiple-Family Structures:			
Two to Four Units in Structure			
Five or More Units in Structure		4	
Mobile Homes and Other Housing Units		22	

POPULATION (1-YEAR ESTIMATES/DECENNIAL)		<i>(US Census Bureau)</i>	
Total Population	Community	County	
2022	351	52,199	
2020	341	50,107	
2010	337	47,818	
2000	261	43,918	
1990	269	35,526	
1980	189	27,929	

DEMOGRAPHICS				<i>AMERICAN COMMUNITY SURVEY (ACS) 2017-2021</i>	
Population by Gender					
Male	233	Female		184	
Population by Age Group					
Under age 5				13	
Age 5 to 19				97	
Age 20 to 34				39	
Age 35 to 54				107	
Age 55 to 64				69	
Age 65 and over				92	
Median Age				49.0 years	
Educational Attainment, population 25 years and over: 293					
High school graduate or higher				95.2%	
Bachelor's degree or higher				32.1%	

INCOME, INFLATION ADJUSTED \$		<i>(ACS 2017-2021)</i>	
Per capita income			\$39,846
Median family income			\$91,406
Median household income			\$71,964
Median Earnings, full-time, year-round workers			
Male			\$50,417
Female			\$36,750
Individuals below the poverty level			10.4%

LABOR FORCE				<i>(NHES – ELMII)</i>	
Annual Average	2012	2022			
Civilian labor force	164	157			
Employed	153	153			
Unemployed	11	4			
Unemployment rate	6.7%	2.5%			

EMPLOYMENT & WAGES				<i>(NHES – ELMII)</i>	
Annual Average Covered Employment	2012	2022			
Goods Producing Industries					
Average Employment	n	0			
Average Weekly Wage	n	\$0			
Service Providing Industries					
Average Employment	n	0			
Average Weekly Wage	n	\$0			
Total Private Industry					
Average Employment	7	0			
Average Weekly Wage	\$ 523	\$0			
Government (Federal, State, and Local)					
Average Employment	0	0			
Average Weekly Wage	\$0	\$0			
Total, Private Industry plus Government					
Average Employment	7	0			
Average Weekly Wage	\$ 523	\$0			

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EDUCATION AND CHILD CARE

Schools students attend: **Grades K-12 are tuitioned to the State of Maine (Fryeburg)** District: **SAU 9**
 Career Technology Center(s): **No Career Technical Center**

Educational Facilities (includes Charter Schools)	Elementary	Middle/Junior High	High School	Private/Parochial
Number of Schools				
Grade Levels				
Total Enrollment				

Nearest Community College: **White Mountains**
 Nearest Colleges or Universities: **Bates College (ME); Plymouth State; St. Joseph's College of Maine**

2022 NH Licensed Child Care Facilities (DHHS-Bureau of Child Care Licensing) Total Facilities: Total Capacity:

LARGEST BUSINESSES	PRODUCT/SERVICE	EMPLOYEES	ESTABLISHED
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Employer Information Supplied by Municipality

TRANSPORTATION (distances estimated from city/town hall)

Road Access	US Routes	
	State Routes	113B
Nearest Interstate, Exit	I-95 (ME), Exit 48	
	Distance	64 miles
Railroad		No
Public Transportation		No
Nearest Public Use Airport, General Aviation		
Eastern Slopes, Fryeburg ME	Runway	4,200 ft. asphalt
Lighted? Yes	Navigation Aids?	Yes
Nearest Airport with Scheduled Service		
Portland (ME) International	Distance	64 miles
Number of Passenger Airlines Serving Airport		8
Driving distance to select cities:		
Manchester, NH		108 miles
Portland, Maine		59 miles
Boston, Mass.		142 miles
New York City, NY		350 miles
Montreal, Quebec		220 miles

COMMUTING TO WORK (ACS 2017-2021)

Workers 16 years and over	
Drove alone, car/truck/van	86.5%
Carpooled, car/truck/van	10.1%
Public transportation	0.0%
Walked	0.5%
Other means	0.0%
Worked at home	2.9%
Mean Travel Time to Work	33.9 minutes
Percent of Working Residents	
Working in community of residence	4.3%
Commuting to another NH community	82.2%
Commuting out-of-state	13.5%

RECREATION, ATTRACTIONS, AND EVENTS

	Municipal Parks
	YMCA/YWCA
	Boys Club/Girls Club
	Golf Courses
	Swimming: Indoor Facility
	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
	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
X	Campgrounds
X	Fishing/Hunting
X	Boating/Marinas
X	Snowmobile Trails
	Bicycle Trails
X	Cross Country Skiing
X	Beach or Waterfront Recreation Area
	Overnight or Day Camps
	Nearest Ski Area(s): Cranmore, Attitash, Shawnee Peek
	Other: White Mountain National Forest