

Conway, NH



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Municipal Office Hours

Town Hall: Monday to Friday, 8:30-4:30; Town Clerk/Tax Collector: Monday to Friday, 8:30-4:30, closed 12:30-1:30 daily

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 1

Incorporated: 1765

Origin: Conway was named for Henry Seymour Conway, ambitious son of a prominent English family, who was elected to the House of Commons at age twenty, fought at the Battle of Culloden in Scotland, and with Pitt and Rockingham supported the cause of the colonies. He was made Secretary of State in 1765, and the town was named Conway that same year. Early settlers had named this area near the Saco River Pequawket, the name of a local Abenaki tribe, known colloquially as Pigwacket. Conway boasts many natural features such as Cathedral Ledge, Echo Lake State Park, and Mount Cranmore.

Villages and Place Names: Center Conway, East Conway, North Conway, Intervale, Kearsarge, Quint, Redstone, South Conway

Population, Year of the First Census Taken: 640 residents in 1790

Population Trends: Population change for Conway totaled 4,941 over 50 years, from 4,865 in 1970 to 9,806 in 2020. The largest decennial percent change was a 47 percent increase from 1970 to 1980. The town's population decreased by three percent from 2010 to 2020. The 2022 Census estimate for Conway was 10,244 residents, which ranked 29th among New Hampshire's incorporated cities and towns.

Population Density and Land Area, 2022 (US Census Bureau): 147.0 persons per square mile of land area. Conway contains 69.7 square miles of land area and 2.0 square miles of inland water area.



MUNICIPAL SERVICES	
Type of Government	Selectmen
Budget: Municipal Appropriations, 2023	\$14,144,404
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Zoning Ordinance	1980/23
Master Plan	2016
Capital Improvement Plan	No
Industrial Plans Reviewed By	Planning Board

Boards and Commissions

Elected: **Selectmen; Planning; Library**
 Appointed: **Zoning; Conservation**

Public Library **Conway Public; North Conway Public**

EMERGENCY SERVICES			
Police Department			Full-time
Fire Department			Volunteer
Emergency Medical Service			Municipal & volunteer
Nearest Hospital(s)	Distance	Staffed Beds	
Memorial Hospital, North Conway	Local	25	

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

PROPERTY TAXES		<i>(NH Dept. of Revenue Administration)</i>	
2022 Total Tax Rate (per \$1000 of value)		\$17.08	
2022 Equalization Ratio		59.7	
2022 Full Value Tax Rate (per \$1000 of value)		\$10.14	
2022 Percent of Local Assessed Valuation by Property Type			
Residential Land and Buildings		70.3%	
Commercial Land and Buildings		26.2%	
Public Utilities, Current Use, and Other		3.5%	

HOUSING		<i>(ACS 2017-2021)</i>	
Total Housing Units		6,735	
Single-Family Units, Detached or Attached		4,117	
Units in Multiple-Family Structures:			
Two to Four Units in Structure		669	
Five or More Units in Structure		1,271	
Mobile Homes and Other Housing Units		678	

POPULATION (1-YEAR ESTIMATES/DECENNIAL)		<i>(US Census Bureau)</i>	
Total Population	Community	County	
2022	10,244	52,199	
2020	9,822	50,107	
2010	10,115	47,818	
2000	8,646	43,918	
1990	7,973	35,526	
1980	7,158	27,929	

DEMOGRAPHICS				<i>AMERICAN COMMUNITY SURVEY (ACS) 2017-2021</i>	
Population by Gender					
Male	4,952	Female		4,918	
Population by Age Group					
Under age 5				383	
Age 5 to 19				1,349	
Age 20 to 34				1,957	
Age 35 to 54				1,991	
Age 55 to 64				1,357	
Age 65 and over				2,833	
Median Age				46.3 years	
Educational Attainment, population 25 years and over: 7,577					
High school graduate or higher				93.0%	
Bachelor's degree or higher				37.4%	

INCOME, INFLATION ADJUSTED \$		<i>(ACS 2017-2021)</i>	
Per capita income			\$35,855
Median family income			\$79,012
Median household income			\$58,371
Median Earnings, full-time, year-round workers			
Male			\$40,798
Female			\$42,775
Individuals below the poverty level			13.4%

LABOR FORCE			<i>(NHES – ELMII)</i>	
Annual Average	2012	2022		
Civilian labor force	5,682	5,254		
Employed	5,398	5,135		
Unemployed	284	119		
Unemployment rate	5.0%	2.3%		

EMPLOYMENT & WAGES				<i>(NHES – ELMII)</i>	
Annual Average Covered Employment	2012	2022			
Goods Producing Industries					
Average Employment	972	855			
Average Weekly Wage	\$ 751	\$ 957			
Service Providing Industries					
Average Employment	7,186	6,788			
Average Weekly Wage	\$ 585	\$ 893			
Total Private Industry					
Average Employment	8,158	7,643			
Average Weekly Wage	\$ 605	\$ 900			
Government (Federal, State, and Local)					
Average Employment	712	750			
Average Weekly Wage	\$ 711	\$ 904			
Total, Private Industry plus Government					
Average Employment	8,870	8,392			
Average Weekly Wage	\$ 614	\$ 900			

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EDUCATION AND CHILD CARE

Schools students attend: **Conway operates grades K-12** District: **SAU 9**
 Career Technology Center(s): **Mount Washington Valley CTC (Conway)**

Educational Facilities (includes Charter Schools)	Elementary	Middle/Junior High	High School	Private/Parochial
Number of Schools	5	1	2	
Grade Levels	K 1-8	7-8	9-12	
Total Enrollment	781	235	706	

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

2022 NH Licensed Child Care Facilities (DHHS-Bureau of Child Care Licensing) Total Facilities: **11** Total Capacity: **472**

LARGEST BUSINESSES	PRODUCT/SERVICE	EMPLOYEES	ESTABLISHED
Memorial Hospital	Health care services	350	
Conway School District	Education	274	
Hannaford Brothers	Supermarket	175	
Red Jacket Inn	Hotel	156	
Wal-Mart	Retail Store		
North Conway Grand Hotel	Hotel		

Employer Information Supplied by Municipality

TRANSPORTATION (distances estimated from city/town hall)

Road Access	US Routes	302
	State Routes	16, 112, 113, 153
Nearest Interstate, Exit		I-93, Exit 32 or 24
	Distance	39 miles; 49 miles
Railroad		Conway Scenic
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 54 miles
	Number of Passenger Airlines Serving Airport	8
Driving distance to select cities:		
	Manchester, NH	97 miles
	Portland, Maine	57 miles
	Boston, Mass.	132 miles
	New York City, NY	304 miles
	Montreal, Quebec	221 miles

COMMUTING TO WORK (ACS 2017-2021)

Workers 16 years and over	
Drove alone, car/truck/van	76.0%
Carpooled, car/truck/van	10.5%
Public transportation	1.0%
Walked	2.6%
Other means	0.0%
Worked at home	10.0%
Mean Travel Time to Work	20.9 minutes
Percent of Working Residents	
Working in community of residence	66.9%
Commuting to another NH community	22.6%
Commuting out-of-state	10.5%

RECREATION, ATTRACTIONS, AND EVENTS

X	Municipal Parks
	YMCA/YWCA
	Boys Club/Girls Club
X	Golf Courses
X	Swimming: Indoor Facility
X	Swimming: Outdoor Facility
X	Tennis Courts: Indoor Facility
X	Tennis Courts: Outdoor Facility
X	Ice Skating Rink: Indoor Facility
	Bowling Facilities
X	Museums
X	Cinemas
X	Performing Arts Facilities
X	Tourist Attractions
X	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
	Boating/Marinas
X	Snowmobile Trails
X	Bicycle Trails
X	Cross Country Skiing
	Beach or Waterfront Recreation Area
	Overnight or Day Camps
	Nearest Ski Area(s): Cranmore, Attitash, Black Mtn., Bear Peak, Bretton Woods, King Pine, Shawnee Peak, Wildcat
	Other: Conway Scenic Railroad; Dahl Wildlife Sanctuary; Mount Washington Observatory, WMNF