

# Waterville Valley, NH



## Community Contact

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## Municipal Office Hours

County  
Labor Market Area  
Tourism Region  
Planning Commission  
Regional Development

## Election Districts

US Congress  
Executive Council  
State Senate  
State Representative

**Town of Waterville Valley**  
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**Town Administrator, Town Clerk, Tax Collector: Monday to Friday, 8-4**

**Grafton**  
**Plymouth, NH LMA**  
**White Mountains**  
**North Country Council**  
**Grafton County Economic Development Council**

**District 2**  
**District 1**  
**District 3**  
**Grafton County District 4**

**Incorporated:** 1829

**Origin:** Waterville was incorporated in 1829 from the Gillis and Foss Grant, and the John Raymond Grant. For many years the town was a popular summer resort. In 1911, the Weeks Act was passed, authorizing the federal government to purchase lands for stream-flow protection, and to maintain those lands as national forests. The first land purchases for the White Mountain National Forest were in 1914, and as a result, the town of Waterville lost a substantial amount of acreage. Major development of Waterville as a winter recreation area began about 1965. In 1967, by an act of the General Court, the town officially adopted the name Waterville Valley.

**Villages and Place Names:** unknown

**Population, Year of the First Census Taken:** 16 residents in 1820

**Population Trends:** Population change for Waterville Valley totaled 402 over 50 years, from 109 in 1970 to 511 in 2020. The largest decennial percent change was an increase of 107 percent from 2010 to 2020, a gain of 264 residents, and the largest 2010 to 2020 percent increase among the cities and towns. The 2022 Census estimate for Waterville Valley was 516 residents, which ranked 216th among New Hampshire's incorporated cities and towns.

**Population Density and Land Area, 2022 (US Census Bureau):** 8.0 persons per square mile of land area. Waterville Valley contains 64.4 square miles of land area and 0 square miles of inland water area.



Grafton County

| <b>MUNICIPAL SERVICES</b>                |                       |
|--|-----------------------|
| Type of Government                       | <b>Selectmen</b>      |
| Budget: Municipal Appropriations, 2021   | <b>\$5,209,509</b>    |
| Budget: School Appropriations, 2021-2022 | <b>\$1,466,652</b>    |
| Zoning Ordinance                         | <b>1973/23</b>        |
| Master Plan                              | <b>2022</b>           |
| Capital Improvement Plan                 | <b>Yes</b>            |
| Industrial Plans Reviewed By             | <b>Planning Board</b> |

Boards and Commissions  
 Elected: **Selectmen; Library; Trust Funds; Supervisors Checklist**  
 Appointed: **Zoning; Conservation; Planning**

Public Library **Osceola**

| <b>EMERGENCY SERVICES</b> |                  |
|---------------------------|------------------|
| Police Department         | <b>Full-time</b> |
| Fire Department           | <b>Full-time</b> |
| Emergency Medical Service | <b>Full-time</b> |

| Nearest Hospital(s)              | Distance        | Staffed Beds |
|----------------------------------|-----------------|--------------|
| <b>Speare Memorial, Plymouth</b> | <b>19 miles</b> | <b>25</b>    |

| <b>UTILITIES</b>     |  |
|----------------------|--|
| Electric Supplier    | <b>Eversource Energy; NH Electric Coop</b> |
| Natural Gas Supplier | <b>None</b>                                |
| Water Supplier       | <b>Waterville Valley Water Department</b>  |

| <b>Sanitation</b>                    |  | <b>Municipal</b> |
|--------------------------------------|--|------------------|
| Municipal Wastewater Treatment Plant |  | <b>Yes</b>       |
| Solid Waste Disposal                 |  |                  |
| Curbside Trash Pickup                |  | <b>None</b>      |
| Pay-As-You-Throw Program             |  | <b>No</b>        |
| Recycling Program                    |  | <b>No</b>        |

|                                  |                                    |
|----------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| Telephone Company                | <b>Consolidated Communications</b> |
| Cellular Telephone Access        | <b>Yes</b>                         |
| Cable Television Access          | <b>Yes</b>                         |
| Public Access Television Station | <b>Yes</b>                         |
| High Speed Internet Service:     |                                    |
| Business                         | <b>Yes</b>                         |
| Residential                      | <b>Yes</b>                         |

| <b>PROPERTY TAXES</b> (NH Dept. of Revenue Administration) |                |
|--|----------------|
| 2022 Total Tax Rate (per \$1000 of value)                  | <b>\$10.60</b> |
| 2022 Equalization Ratio                                    | <b>83.9</b>    |
| 2022 Full Value Tax Rate (per \$1000 of value)             | <b>\$ 8.89</b> |

| 2022 Percent of Local Assessed Valuation by Property Type |              |
|---|--------------|
| Residential Land and Buildings                            | <b>95.1%</b> |
| Commercial Land and Buildings                             | <b>4.3%</b>  |
| Public Utilities, Current Use, and Other                  | <b>.7%</b>   |

| <b>HOUSING</b> (ACS 2017-2021)            |              |
|---|--------------|
| Total Housing Units                       | <b>1,130</b> |
| Single-Family Units, Detached or Attached | <b>798</b>   |
| Units in Multiple-Family Structures:      |              |
| Two to Four Units in Structure            | <b>73</b>    |
| Five or More Units in Structure           | <b>259</b>   |
| Mobile Homes and Other Housing Units      |              |

| <b>POPULATION (1-YEAR ESTIMATES/DECENNIAL)</b> |            | (US Census Bureau) |  |
|--|------------|--------------------|--|
| Total Population                               | Community  | County             |  |
| 2022   | <b>516</b> | <b>91,126</b>      |  |
| 2020   | <b>508</b> | <b>91,118</b>      |  |
| 2010   | <b>247</b> | <b>89,118</b>      |  |
| 2000   | <b>258</b> | <b>81,826</b>      |  |
| 1990   | <b>151</b> | <b>74,998</b>      |  |
| 1980   | <b>180</b> | <b>65,806</b>      |  |

| <b>DEMOGRAPHICS</b> AMERICAN COMMUNITY SURVEY (ACS) 2017-2021 |           |        |                   |
|---|-----------|--------|-------------------|
| Population by Gender  |           |        |                   |
| Male  | <b>83</b> | Female | <b>115</b>        |
| Population by Age Group                                       |           |        |                   |
| Under age 5   |           |        | <b>9</b>          |
| Age 5 to 19   |           |        | <b>22</b>         |
| Age 20 to 34  |           |        | <b>17</b>         |
| Age 35 to 54  |           |        | <b>26</b>         |
| Age 55 to 64  |           |        | <b>44</b>         |
| Age 65 and over   |           |        | <b>80</b>         |
| Median Age  |           |        | <b>59.9 years</b> |

| Educational Attainment, population 25 years and over: |  | <b>159</b>    |
|---|--|---------------|
| High school graduate or higher                        |  | <b>100.0%</b> |
| Bachelor's degree or higher                           |  | <b>66.0%</b>  |

| <b>INCOME, INFLATION ADJUSTED \$</b>           |  | (ACS 2017-2021)  |
|--|--|------------------|
| Per capita income                              |  | <b>\$64,985</b>  |
| Median family income                           |  | <b>\$130,938</b> |
| Median household income                        |  | <b>\$83,281</b>  |
| Median Earnings, full-time, year-round workers |  |                  |
| Male   |  | <b>\$128,250</b> |
| Female   |  | <b>\$94,375</b>  |
| Individuals below the poverty level            |  | <b>.0%</b>       |

| <b>LABOR FORCE</b> (NHES – ELMII) |             |             |
|-----------------------------------|-------------|-------------|
| Annual Average                    | 2012        | 2022        |
| Civilian labor force              | <b>129</b>  | <b>130</b>  |
| Employed                          | <b>123</b>  | <b>127</b>  |
| Unemployed                        | <b>6</b>    | <b>3</b>    |
| Unemployment rate                 | <b>4.7%</b> | <b>2.3%</b> |

| <b>EMPLOYMENT &amp; WAGES</b> (NHES – ELMII) |               |               |
|--|---------------|---------------|
| Annual Average Covered Employment            | 2012          | 2022          |
| Goods Producing Industries                   |               |               |
| Average Employment                           | <b>n</b>      | <b>n</b>      |
| Average Weekly Wage                          | <b>n</b>      | <b>n</b>      |
| Service Providing Industries                 |               |               |
| Average Employment                           | <b>n</b>      | <b>n</b>      |
| Average Weekly Wage                          | <b>n</b>      | <b>n</b>      |
| Total Private Industry                       |               |               |
| Average Employment                           | <b>490</b>    | <b>405</b>    |
| Average Weekly Wage                          | <b>\$ 443</b> | <b>\$ 644</b> |
| Government (Federal, State, and Local)       |               |               |
| Average Employment                           | <b>46</b>     | <b>57</b>     |
| Average Weekly Wage                          | <b>\$ 756</b> | <b>\$ 906</b> |
| Total, Private Industry plus Government      |               |               |
| Average Employment                           | <b>536</b>    | <b>463</b>    |
| Average Weekly Wage                          | <b>\$ 470</b> | <b>\$ 677</b> |

If "n" appears, data do not meet disclosure standards.

**EDUCATION AND CHILD CARE**

Schools students attend: **Waterville Valley operates grades K-8; grades 9-12 are tuitioned to Pemi-Baker Cooperative (Ashland, Campton, Holderness, Plymouth, Rumney, Thornton, Wentworth)** District: **SAU 48**  
 Career Technology Center(s): **Plymouth Applied Technology Center**

| Educational Facilities (includes Charter Schools) | Elementary | Middle/Junior High | High School | Private/Parochial |
|---|------------|--------------------|-------------|-------------------|
| Number of Schools                                 | 1          |                    |             | 1                 |
| Grade Levels                                      | K 1-8      |                    |             | 9-12              |
| Total Enrollment                                  | 51         |                    |             | 26                |

Nearest Community College: **Lakes Region**  
 Nearest Colleges or Universities: **Plymouth State**

2022 NH Licensed Child Care Facilities (DHHS-Bureau of Child Care Licensing) Total Facilities: **1** Total Capacity: **12**

| LARGEST BUSINESSES             | PRODUCT/SERVICE          | EMPLOYEES | ESTABLISHED |
|--------------------------------|--------------------------|-----------|-------------|
| Waterville Valley Resort, Inc. | Ski area                 | 500       | 1994        |
| Golden Eagle Lodge             | Hotel                    | 26        | 1989        |
| Snowy Owl                      | Hotel                    | 13        | 1970        |
| Boulder Path                   | Golf course, club        | 15        | 1965        |
| White Mountain Athletic Club   | Athletic center          | 10        | 1986        |
| WVBBTS-SEF                     | Ski Education Foundation | 100       | 1975        |

Employer Information Supplied by Municipality

| TRANSPORTATION (distances estimated from city/town hall) |              |                       |                     |
|--|--------------|-----------------------|---------------------|
| Road Access  | US Routes    |                       |                     |
|  | State Routes |                       | <b>49</b>           |
| Nearest Interstate, Exit                                 |              | <b>I-93, Exit 28</b>  |                     |
|  | Distance     |                       | <b>11 miles</b>     |
| Railroad   |              |                       | <b>No</b>           |
| Public Transportation                                    |              |                       | <b>The Schuss</b>   |
| Nearest Public Use Airport, General Aviation             |              |                       |                     |
| <b>Plymouth Regional</b>                                 | Runway       | <b>2,380 ft. turf</b> |                     |
| Lighted?   | <b>No</b>    | Navigation Aids?      | <b>No</b>           |
| Nearest Airport with Scheduled Service                   |              |                       |                     |
| <b>Lebanon Municipal</b>                                 | Distance     |                       | <b>62 miles</b>     |
| Number of Passenger Airlines Serving Airport             |              |                       | <b>1</b>            |
| Driving distance to select cities:                       |              |                       |                     |
| Manchester, NH   |              |                       | <b>76 miles</b>     |
| Portland, Maine  |              |                       | <b>90 miles</b>     |
| Boston, Mass.  |              |                       | <b>127 miles</b>    |
| New York City, NY  |              |                       | <b>323 miles</b>    |
| Montreal, Quebec   |              |                       | <b>215 miles</b>    |
| COMMUTING TO WORK (ACS 2017-2021)                        |              |                       |                     |
| Workers 16 years and over                                |              |                       |                     |
| Drove alone, car/truck/van                               |              |                       | <b>50.0%</b>        |
| Carpooled, car/truck/van                                 |              |                       | <b>0.0%</b>         |
| Public transportation                                    |              |                       | <b>0.0%</b>         |
| Walked   |              |                       | <b>16.3%</b>        |
| Other means  |              |                       | <b>5.8%</b>         |
| Worked at home   |              |                       | <b>27.9%</b>        |
| Mean Travel Time to Work                                 |              |                       | <b>21.5 minutes</b> |
| Percent of Working Residents                             |              |                       |                     |
| Working in community of residence                        |              |                       | <b>68.3%</b>        |
| Commuting to another NH community                        |              |                       | <b>22.1%</b>        |
| Commuting out-of-state                                   |              |                       | <b>9.6%</b>         |

| RECREATION, ATTRACTIONS, AND EVENTS |  |
|-------------------------------------|--|
| <b>X</b>                            | Municipal Parks  |
|                                     | YMCA/YWCA  |
|                                     | Boys Club/Girls Club   |
| <b>X</b>                            | Golf Courses   |
| <b>X</b>                            | Swimming: Indoor Facility  |
| <b>X</b>                            | Swimming: Outdoor Facility   |
| <b>X</b>                            | Tennis Courts: Indoor Facility   |
| <b>X</b>                            | Tennis Courts: Outdoor Facility  |
| <b>X</b>                            | Ice Skating Rink: Indoor Facility  |
|                                     | Bowling Facilities   |
|                                     | Museums  |
|                                     | Cinemas  |
|                                     | Performing Arts Facilities   |
| <b>X</b>                            | Tourist Attractions  |
| <b>X</b>                            | Youth Organizations (i.e., Scouts, 4-H)  |
|                                     | Youth Sports: Baseball   |
|                                     | Youth Sports: Soccer   |
|                                     | Youth Sports: Football   |
|                                     | Youth Sports: Basketball   |
| <b>X</b>                            | Youth Sports: Hockey   |
| <b>X</b>                            | Campgrounds  |
| <b>X</b>                            | Fishing/Hunting  |
|                                     | Boating/Marinas  |
|                                     | Snowmobile Trails  |
| <b>X</b>                            | Bicycle Trails   |
| <b>X</b>                            | Cross Country Skiing   |
| <b>X</b>                            | Beach or Waterfront Recreation Area  |
| <b>X</b>                            | Overnight or Day Camps   |
|                                     | Nearest Ski Area(s): <b>Waterville Valley</b>  |
|                                     | Other: <b>Full-service Recreation Department; White Mountain Athletic Club; White Mountain National Forest</b> |