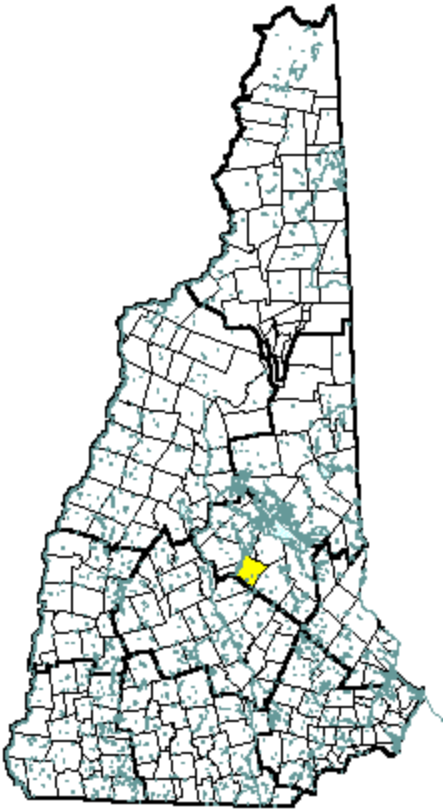


# Belmont



Incorporated: **1727**

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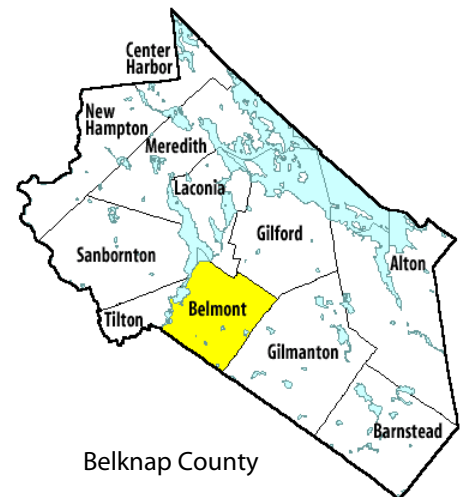
City/Town Office Hours: **Monday through Friday, 7:30 am – 4 pm**

County: **Belknap**  
Labor Market Area: **Laconia**  
Planning Commission: **Lakes Region**  
Tourism Region: **Lakes**

**Demographics, 2000 Census:** Population in Belmont increased by 15.9 percent from 1990 to 2000, growing by 920 to 6,716. The median age is 38.4, with 25.0 percent of the population under the age of 18 and 11.4 percent age 65 and older. The total number of households is 2,641, with an average size of 2.54 persons. Of those, 1,868 are family households, with an average size of 2.95 persons. As of April 1, 2000, there were 3,113 total housing units.

**Population density, 2000:** 222.8 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.

**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.



**MUNICIPAL SERVICES**

City/Town Office Hours:

**M-F 7:30-4 pm**

Type of Government	<b>Selectmen</b>
Annual Budget (2002)	<b>\$6,622,601</b>
Planning Board	<b>Elected</b>
Industrial Plans Reviewed By	<b>Planning Board</b>
Zoning Master Plan	<b>1986/99</b>
Capital Improvement Plan	<b>1992</b>
Public Library	<b>Belmont Public</b>

**EMERGENCY SERVICES**

Police Department	<b>Full-time</b>
Fire Department	<b>Full-time</b>
Town Fire Insurance Rating	<b>4/9</b>
Emergency Medical Service	<b>Municipal</b>
Nearest Hospital(s):	
<b>Lakes Region General, Laconia</b>	<b>Beds: 107</b>
Distance: <b>7 miles</b>	

**TAXES**

2001 Total Tax Rate	<b>\$27.54</b>
2001 Equalization Ratio	<b>0.82</b>
2001 Full Value Tax Rate	<b>\$22.14</b>
2001 Property Valuation:	
Residential	<b>74.8%</b>
Commercial	<b>23.4%</b>
Other	<b>1.9%</b>

**UTILITIES**

Electric Supplier	<b>PSNH; NH Electric Coop.</b>
Natural Gas Supplier	<b>EnergyNorth</b>
Water Supplier	<b>Belmont Water Department</b>
Sanitation	<b>Septic &amp; Municipal</b>
Municipal Treatment Plant	<b>No</b>
Curbside Trash Pickup	<b>Yes</b>
Mandatory Recycling Program	<b>No</b>
Telephone Company	<b>Verizon</b>
Cellular Telephone Access	<b>Yes</b>
Cable Television Access	<b>Yes</b>

**HOUSING****2000**

Total Housing Units	<b>3,113</b>
Single-Family Units	<b>1,798</b>
Building Permits Issued	<b>23</b>
Multi-Family Units	<b>453</b>
Building Permits Issued	<b>8</b>
Manufactured Housing Units	<b>862</b>
Median Value, Owner-Occupied Housing	<b>\$96,300</b>
Median Gross Rent (monthly)	<b>\$636</b>

**DEMOGRAPHICS****(US CENSUS)**

Total Population	Community	County
2000	<b>6,716</b>	<b>56,325</b>
1990	<b>5,796</b>	<b>49,216</b>
1980	<b>4,026</b>	<b>42,884</b>
1970	<b>2,493</b>	<b>32,367</b>
Population by Gender, 2000		
Male	<b>3,313</b>	Female <b>3,403</b>
Population by Age Group, 2000		
Under age 5		<b>360</b>
Age 5 to 19		<b>1,492</b>
Age 20 to 34		<b>1,112</b>
Age 35 to 54		<b>2,358</b>
Age 55 to 64		<b>630</b>
Age 65 and over		<b>764</b>
Median Age		<b>38.4 years</b>
Total Households	<b>2,648</b>	Ave. Size <b>2.54 persons</b>
Total Families	<b>1,876</b>	Ave. Size <b>2.95 persons</b>
Educational Attainment, population 25 years and over		
High school graduate or higher		<b>81.4%</b>
Bachelor's degree or higher		<b>16.3%</b>

**ANNUAL INCOME, 1999****(US CENSUS)**

Per capita income	<b>\$19,986</b>
Median 4-person family income	<b>\$53,125</b>
Median household income	<b>\$47,717</b>
Median Earnings, full-time, year-round workers	
Male	<b>\$35,000</b>
Female	<b>\$25,882</b>
Families below the poverty level	<b>3.8%</b>

**TRANSPORTATION**

Road Access	Federal Routes	<b>3</b>
	State Routes	<b>106, 107, 140</b>
Nearest Interstate, Exit	<b>I-93, Exit 20</b>	
	Distance	<b>4 miles</b>
Railroad	<b>State owned line</b>	
Public Transportation	<b>Yes</b>	
Nearest Airport	<b>Laconia</b>	
Runway	<b>5,286 feet</b>	
Lighted?	<b>Yes</b>	Navigational Aids? <b>Yes</b>
Nearest Commercial Airport	<b>Manchester</b>	
Distance	<b>30 miles</b>	
<b>DISTANCE TO</b>		
Manchester, NH	<b>34 miles</b>	
Portland, ME	<b>108 miles</b>	
Boston, MA	<b>88 miles</b>	
New York City, NY	<b>285 miles</b>	
Montreal, Quebec	<b>239 miles</b>	

## EDUCATION/CHILD CARE FACILITIES

	Elementary	Middle/Junior High	High School	Private/Parochial
Primary & Secondary				
Number of Schools	1	1	1	1
Grade Levels	K-4	5-8	9-12	K-8
Total Enrollment	437	467	413	60

If no schools, district students attend:

Regional Career Technology Center(s): **J. Oliva Huot Tech Ctr.; Winnisquam Agricultural Ed Ctr.**

Region: **08**

NH Licensed Child Care Facilities, 2001: Total Facilities: **6** Total Capacity: **281**

Nearest Community/Technical College: **Laconia**

Nearest Colleges or Universities: **Plymouth State; 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

## LABOR FORCE

Annual Average	1990	2001
Civilian labor force	<b>3,350</b>	<b>3,619</b>
Employed	<b>3,193</b>	<b>3,504</b>
Unemployed	<b>157</b>	<b>115</b>
Unemployment rate	<b>4.7%</b>	<b>3.2%</b>

## COMMUTING TO WORK, 2000

(US CENSUS)

Workers 16 years and over	
Drove alone, car/truck/van	<b>83.0%</b>
Carpooled, car/truck/van	<b>9.9%</b>
Public transportation	<b>0.9%</b>
Walked	<b>2.8%</b>
Other means	<b>0.8%</b>
Worked at home	<b>2.7%</b>

Mean Travel Time to Work **23.7 minutes**

## EMPLOYMENT & WAGES

1991

2000

Manufacturing Industries		
Average Employment	<b>98</b>	<b>423</b>
Average Weekly Wage	<b>\$600</b>	<b>\$623</b>
Non-Manufacturing Industries		
Average Employment	<b>819</b>	<b>1,732</b>
Average Weekly Wage	<b>\$334</b>	<b>\$559</b>
Total Private Industry		
Average Employment	<b>917</b>	<b>2,154</b>
Average Weekly Wage	<b>\$362</b>	<b>\$572</b>
Government		
Average Employment	<b>208</b>	<b>60</b>
Average Weekly Wage	<b>\$432</b>	<b>\$615</b>
Total, Private plus Government		
Average Employment	<b>1,125</b>	<b>2,214</b>
Average Weekly Wage	<b>\$375</b>	<b>\$573</b>

n = indicates that data does not meet disclosure standards

## RECREATIONAL FACILITIES

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
	Bicycle Trails
X	Cross Country Skiing
	Nearest Ski Area(s): <b>Gunstock</b>
	Other: <b>Belknap 4-H Fair; Lakes Region Greyhound Park</b>