

John Hamm

Premier of Nova Scotia

Born in New Glasgow, Nova Scotia, on April 8, 1938, John Hamm earned a bachelor of science degree from the University of King's College in 1958 and a medical degree from Dalhousie University in 1963.

Mr. Hamm has served as a second lieutenant in the Canadian Army and was president of the College of Family Physicians of Nova Scotia and president of the Medical Society of Nova Scotia.

Mr. Hamm was first elected to the Nova Scotia legislative assembly in 1993 as the member for Pictou Centre. From 1993 to 1999, he was a member of the legislature's Standing Committee on Economic Development. In 1995, Mr. Hamm was elected Leader of the Progressive Conservative Party of Nova Scotia and was re-elected to the position in 1998.

In the Nova Scotia general election of July 27, 1999, the Progressive Conservative Party was elected to form a majority government with Mr. Hamm as Premier.

Mr. Hamm and his wife, Genesta Hartling, have three children.