

VERMONT ECONOMIC AND TRAVEL INDICATORS

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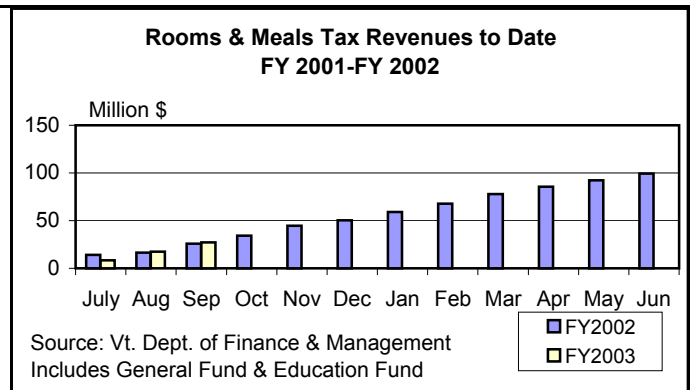
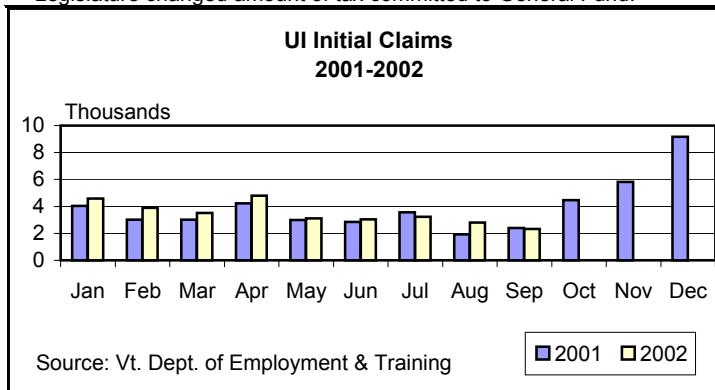
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<u>LABOR MARKET & BUSINESS ACTIVITY</u>	<u>CURRENT MONTH</u>	<u>LAST MONTH</u>	<u>YEAR AGO</u>	<u>% CHANGE LAST MONTH</u>	<u>% CHANGE LAST YEAR</u>
Employment (NonFarm,S.A.*,Thousand)	296.4	296.9	297.2	-0.2%	-0.3%
Avg. Weekly Hours (Manufacturing)	39.7	39.7	39.8	0.0%	-0.3%
Unemployment Rate (S. A. %)	4.0	4.2	3.8	-4.8%	5.3%
U.I. Initial Claims	2,337	2,799	2,389	-16.5%	-2.2%
U.I. Exhaustees	551	584	218	-5.7%	152.8%
DET Job Placements	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Passenger Car Registrations	32,033	33,736	33,583	-5.0%	-4.6%
Total Current Car Registrations	398,451	397,037	393,033	0.4%	1.4%
Total Current Pick-Up Truck Reg.	117,397	116,882	115,250	0.4%	1.9%
Bank Deposits - Survey (\$Million)	4,777	4,661	4,378	2.5%	9.1%
New Business Incorporations	83	94	86	-11.7%	-3.5%
Airport Enplanements (B.I.A.)	44,477	56,386	30,882	-21.1%	44.0%

<u>STATE TAX REVENUES (\$Million)</u>	<u>CURRENT MONTH</u>	<u>FISCAL YR TO DATE</u>	<u>FYTD LAST YEAR</u>	<u>% CHANGE LAST YEAR</u>	<u>% CHANGE LAST FYTD</u>
<u>General Fund</u>	80.6	210.6	211.5	-2.6%	-0.4%
Personal Income	43.4	104.0	106.6	-2.5%	-2.4%
Sales & Use	16.7	54.9	51.7	4.0%	6.2%
Rooms & Meals	7.9	22.2	21.0	4.9%	6.0%
Corporate Income	2.9	5.2	7.3	-54.8%	-28.6%
Property Transfer*	0.9	3.3	2.2	38.5%	53.4%
Other**	7.2	18.1	19.8	-0.9%	-8.4%
<u>Transportation Fund</u>	15.9	46.9	45.3	-16.6%	3.5%
Gasoline	2.8	12.2	14.2	-45.1%	-14.1%
Purchase and Use	5.6	16.2	14.5	-9.4%	11.9%
Motor Vehicle Fees	3.8	12.7	10.0	-41.8%	26.2%
Other	2.5	2.6	3.1	2148.7%	-18.0%
<u>Education Fund</u>	6.8	19.7	19.9	NA	-0.3%

* FYTD Adjusted for Transfers to Trust Funds. ** Reflects the allocation of all Cigarette Tax revenues to the Health Care Trust Fund, effective 7/1/00.

***Legislature changed amount of tax committed to General Fund.



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<u>CONSTRUCTION</u>	<u>CURRENT MONTH</u>	<u>YEAR TO DATE</u>	<u>YEAR AGO</u>	<u>YR. TO DATE LAST YEAR</u>	<u>YR. TO DATE % CHANGE</u>
<u>Residential Building Permits</u>					
Housing Units	256	2338	260	1969	18.7%
Estimated Value (\$Thousand)	31,569	270,971	31,241	232,499	16.5%
<u>Construction Value (\$Million)</u>					
Residential	27.9	305.8	28.2	259.2	18.0%
Nonresidential	12.4	294.5	10.2	137.9	113.6%
Nonbuilding	6.8	138.6	5.9	151.0	-8.2%

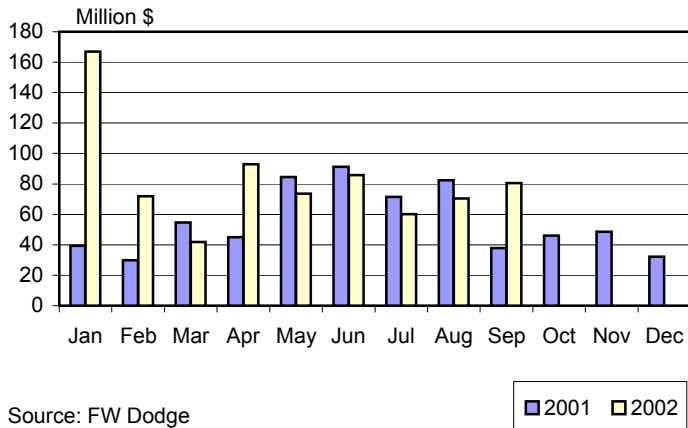
<u>TRAVEL & TOURISM</u>	<u>CURRENT MONTH</u>	<u>LAST MONTH</u>	<u>YEAR AGO</u>	<u>% CHANGE LAST MONTH</u>	<u>% CHANGE LAST YEAR</u>
Recreation Employment (S.A.,Thousand)	33.2	33.2	32.6	0.0%	1.8%
Selected Traffic Volume	93,638	105,329	92,390	-11.1%	1.4%
<u>Motels & Hotels Survey ** (Preliminary)</u>					
Average Room Rate (\$)	\$107.58	\$103.84	\$108.58	3.6%	-0.9%
Occupancy Rate (%)	50.4	54.8	43.4	-8.0%	16.1%
<u>Welcome Center Counts</u>					
Guilford	94,143	144,875	115,667	-35.0%	-18.6%
Fair Haven	24,501	32,312	22,813	-24.2%	7.4%
Highgate	8,913	13,086	11,464	-31.9%	-22.3%

**Lodging occupancy and room rate data based on a survey conducted by the Vermont Tourism Data Center at UVM.

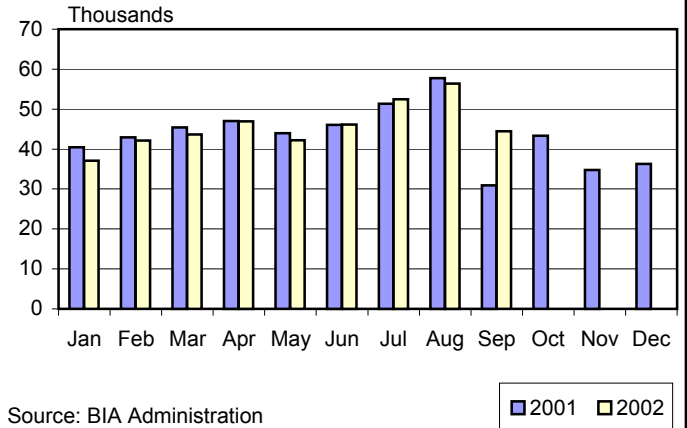
<u>SEASONAL INDICATORS</u>	<u>CURRENT MONTH</u>	<u>SEASON TO DATE</u>	<u>YEAR AGO</u>	<u>SEASON T.D. YEAR AGO</u>	<u>SEASON T.D. % CHANGE</u>
<u>Attendance Surveys</u>					
State Parks (Day Use)	51,188	393,956	23,722	340,219	15.8%
State Campgrounds (Campers)	90,810	469,672	35,868	382,116	22.9%
State Campgrounds (Occup. Rate, %)	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Private Campgrounds (Occup. Rate, %)	73.0	69.0	82.1	73.7	-4.7
Travel Attr. & Museums (Summer)	67,505	500,160	85,284	452,563	10.5%
Travel Attr. & Museums (Yr Rd) *	99,165	781,345	91,881	709,680	10.1%

* Based on DET survey of 9 Attractions

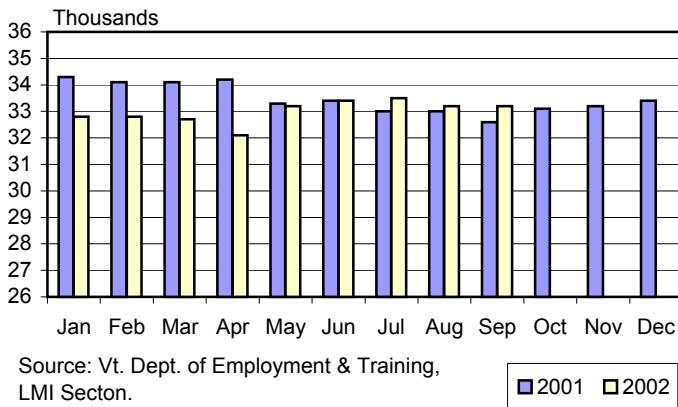
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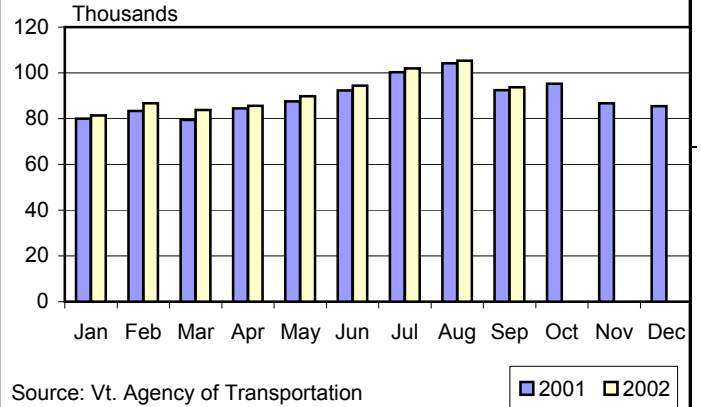
Enplanements 2001-2002 Burlington International Airport



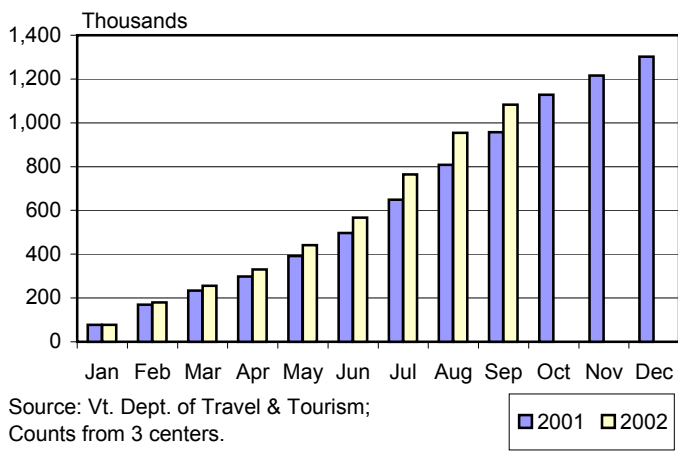
Recreation Employment Seasonally Adjusted Estimates 2001-2002



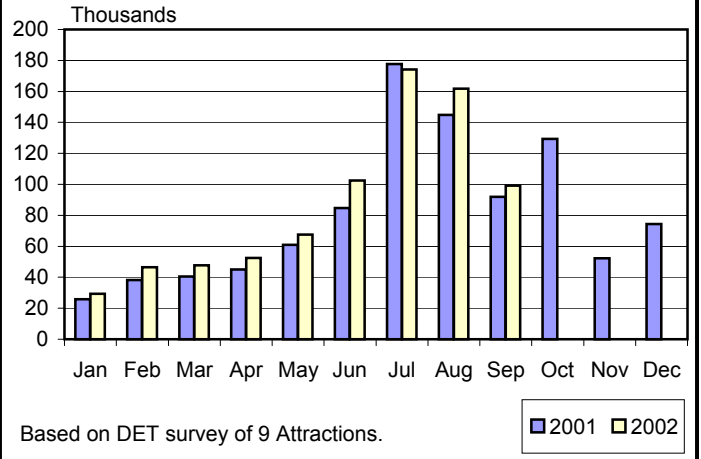
Traffic Volumes at Selected Locations 2001-2002



Welcome Center Registrations to Date 2001-2002



Travel Attraction Attendance 2001-2002



<u>Rooms & Meals Business Receipts</u>	<u>2nd Quarter</u> <u>* 2002</u>	<u>1st Quarter</u> <u>* 2002</u>	<u>2nd Quarter</u> <u>2001</u>	<u>% Change</u> <u>Last Quarter</u>	<u>% Change</u> <u>Last Year</u>
Taxable Room Rentals (\$Thousand)	48,497	99,906	48,486	-51.5%	0.0%
Taxable Meals Sales (\$Thousand)	147,490	157,427	143,933	-6.3%	2.5%
Taxable Beverage Sales (\$Thousand)	23,700	31,633	23,130	-25.1%	2.5%

* Numbers are preliminary.

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