

# Vermont Economic and Travel Indicators

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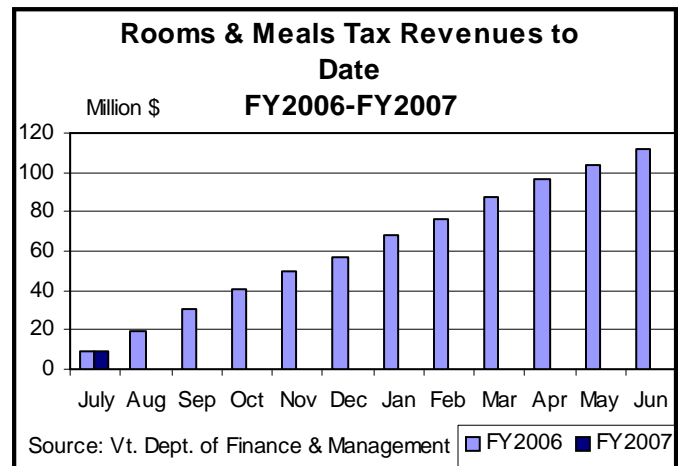
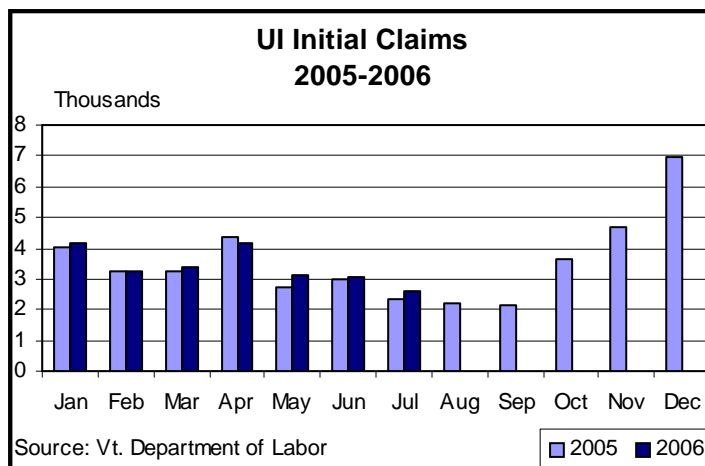
<u>LABOR MARKET &amp; BUSINESS ACTIVITY</u>	<u>CURRENT MONTH</u>	<u>LAST MONTH</u>	<u>YEAR AGO</u>	<u>% CHANGE LAST MONTH</u>	<u>% CHANGE LAST YEAR</u>
Employment (NonFarm,S.A.,Thousand)	308.0	307.6	305.2	0.1%	0.9%
Avg. Weekly Hours (Manufacturing)	39.7	39.6	38.3	0.3%	3.7%
Unemployment Rate (S. A. %)	3.5	3.3	3.5	6.1%	0.0%
U.I. Initial Claims	2,586	3,079	2,359	-16.0%	9.6%
U.I. Exhaustees	387	350	303	10.6%	27.7%
DET Jobs Filled (last 12 months)	1,381	1,492	1,682	-7.4%	-17.9%
Passenger Car Registrations	33,481	36,783	33,123	-9.0%	1.1%
Total Current Car Registrations	412,637	412,765	410,475	0.0%	0.5%
Total Current Pick-Up Truck Reg.	121,418	121,161	121,509	0.2%	-0.1%
Bank Deposits - Survey (\$Million)	5,659	5,432	5,398	4.2%	4.8%
New Business Incorporations *	71	78	69	-9.0%	2.9%
Airport Enplanements (B.I.A.)	67,302	56,325	66,383	19.5%	1.4%

\* Includes "closed" corporations.

\*\* Bank Deposits adjusted to include 1 additional bank (2003-2004).

<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>	83.1	83.1	79.2	4.9%	4.9%
Personal Income	44.4	44.4	40.0	10.9%	10.9%
Sales & Use	20.7	20.7	19.7	5.2%	5.2%
Rooms & Meals	9.3	9.3	8.8	5.7%	5.7%
Corporate Income	-0.9	-0.9	2.5	-134.7%	-134.7%
Property Transfer*	1.1	1.1	1.6	-28.3%	-28.3%
Other**	6.7	6.7	5.8	17.0%	17.0%
<u>Transportation Fund</u>	16.4	15.4	16.4	6.3%	6.3%
Gasoline	5.4	5.6	5.4	-2.7%	-2.7%
Purchase and Use	3.6	3.8	3.6	-5.0%	-5.0%
Motor Vehicle Fees	4.8	4.0	4.8	19.6%	19.6%
Other	1.4	0.9	1.4	59.9%	59.9%
<u>Education Fund</u>	13.1	13.1	12.8	NA	2.7%

\* 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. **Please note that comparisons from prior year are difficult, given the change in tax component distribution from FY04 to FY05. See Secretary of Administration's press release for details.**



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<u>CONSTRUCTION</u>	CURRENT MONTH	YEAR TO DATE	YEAR AGO	YR. TO DATE LAST YEAR	YR. TO DATE % CHANGE
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Residential Building Permits

Housing Units	301	1,767	286	1,825	-3.2%
Estimated Value (\$Thousand)	47,636	290,065	38,176	262,225	10.6%

	CURRENT MONTH	LAST MONTH	YEAR AGO	% CHANGE LAST MONTH	% CHANGE LAST YEAR
Construction Emp. (S.A., Thousand)	17.8	17.5	17.1	1.7%	4.1%

<u>TRAVEL &amp; TOURISM</u>	CURRENT MONTH	LAST MONTH	YEAR AGO	% CHANGE LAST MONTH	% CHANGE LAST YEAR
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Leisure & Hospitality Emp. (S.A., Thousand) *	33.5	33.3	33.4	0.6%	0.3%
Selected Traffic Volume	99,587	93,424	101,989	6.6%	-2.4%

Welcome Center Counts

Guilford	112,605	79,383	120,065	41.9%	-6.2%
Fair Haven	20,737	16,769	15,620	23.7%	32.8%
Highgate	13,220	6,712	7,664	97.0%	72.5%

\* Now NAICS based and includes sectors 71 (arts, ent., & rec.) & 72 (accommodations & food srvs). Not comparable to previous reported data.

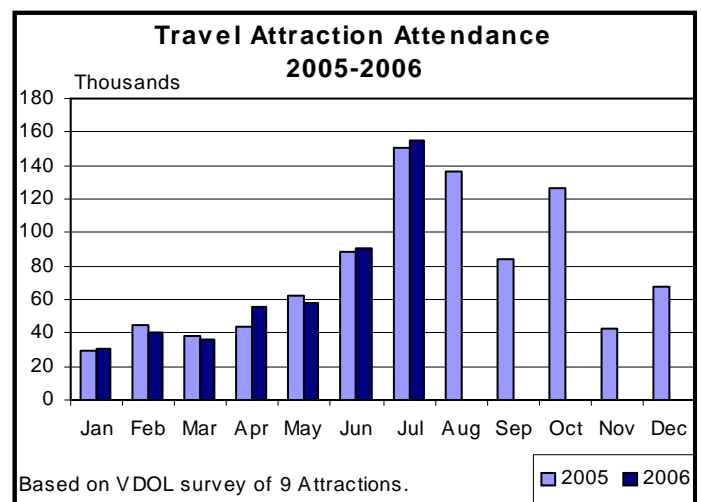
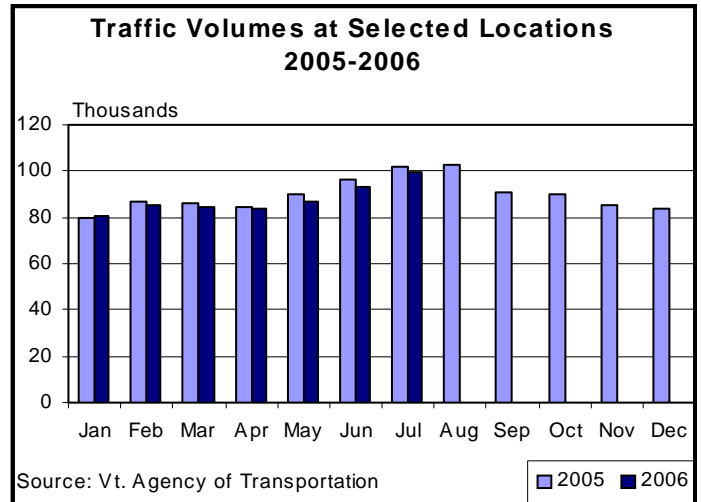
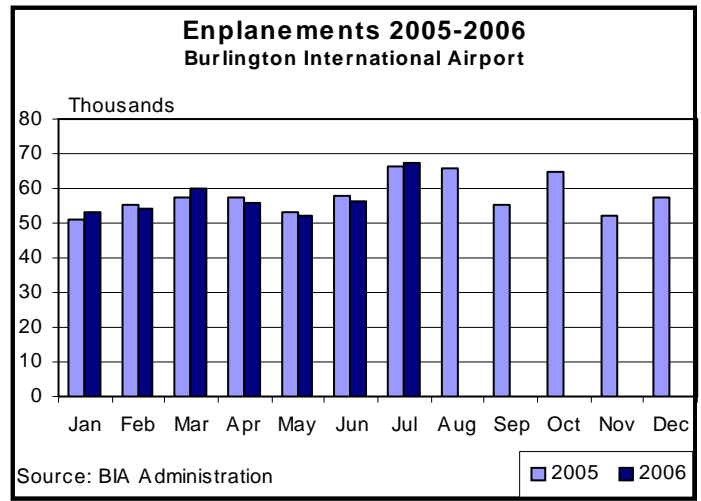
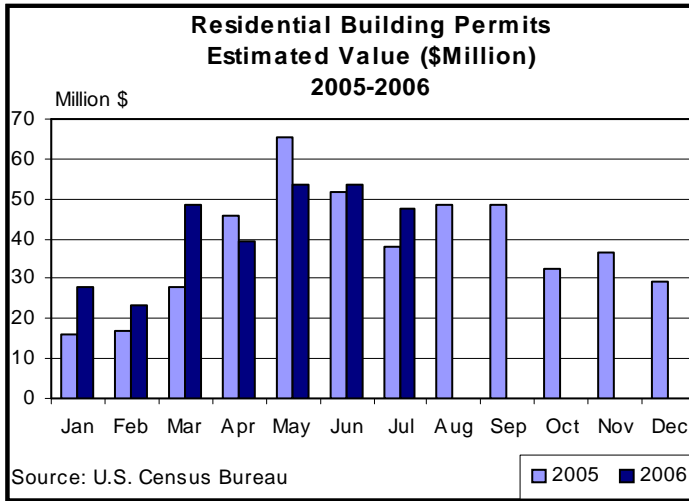
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Attendance Surveys

State Parks (Day Use)	126,170	188,713	144,627	213,218	-11.5%
State Campgrounds (Campers)	140,679	209,911	120,394	186,011	12.8%
Private Campgrounds (Occup. Rate, %)	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Travel Attr. & Museums (Summer) *	123,243	195,444	135,781	214,971	-9.1%
Travel Attr. & Museums (Yr Rd) *	154,402	456,474	150,539	457,309	-0.2%

\* Based on DET survey of 9 Attractions

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<b>ROOMS &amp; MEALS BUSINESS RECEIPTS **</b>	<b>CY 1st Qtr (Jan-Mar) * 2006</b>	<b>CY 4th Qtr (Oct-Dec) * 2005</b>	<b>CY 1st Qtr (Jan-Mar) 2005</b>	<b>% Change Last Quarter</b>	<b>% Change Last Year</b>
Taxable Room Rentals (\$Thousand)	99,877	83,071	101,349	20.2%	-1.5%
Taxable Meals Sales (\$Thousand)	184,902	181,898	176,829	1.7%	4.6%
Taxable Beverage Sales (\$Thousand)	35,154	31,192	34,728	12.7%	1.2%

\* Numbers are preliminary.

\*\* All Business Receipts are for the Calendar Year (CY).

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