

# Vermont Economic and Travel Indicators

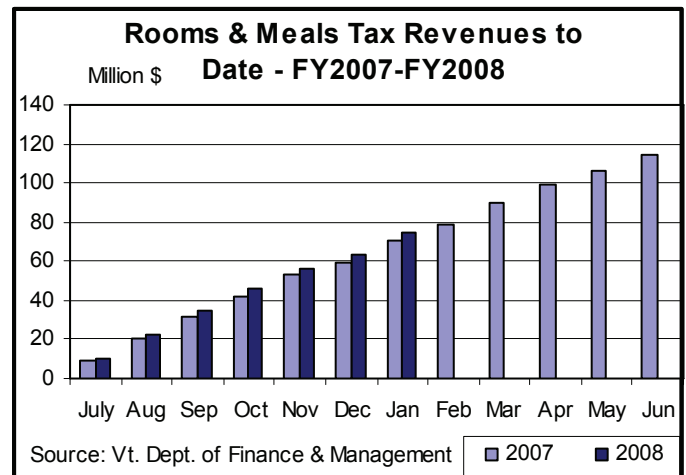
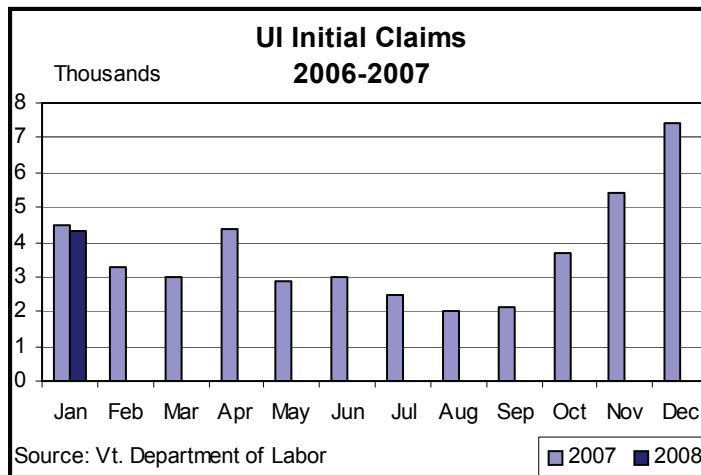
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LABOR MARKET & BUSINESS ACTIVITY	CURRENT MONTH	LAST MONTH	YEAR AGO	% CHANGE LAST MONTH	% CHANGE LAST YEAR
Employment (NonFarm,S.A.,Thousand)	307.8	308.5	307.6	-0.2%	0.1%
Avg. Weekly Hours (Manufacturing)	39.2	39.1	40.1	0.3%	-2.2%
Unemployment Rate (S. A. %)	4.2	3.9	4.0	7.7%	5.0%
U.I. Initial Claims	4,300	7,406	4,483	-41.9%	-4.1%
U.I. Exhaustees	350	393	314	-10.9%	11.5%
VDOL Jobs Filled (last 12 months)	1,231	1,166	1,168	5.6%	5.4%
Passenger Car Registrations	25,214	22,641	23,997	11.4%	5.1%
Total Current Car Registrations	404,846	411,923	412,808	-1.7%	-1.9%
Total Current Pick-Up Truck Reg.	116,603	119,161	120,563	-2.1%	-3.3%
Bank Deposits - Survey (\$Million)	5,669	5,826	5,506	-2.7%	3.0%
New Business Incorporations *	92	51	145	80.4%	-36.6%
Airport Enplanements (B.I.A.)	56,751	54,141	54,643	4.8%	3.9%

\* Includes "closed" corporations.

STATE TAX REVENUES (\$Million)	CURRENT MONTH	FISCAL YR TO DATE	FYTD LAST YEAR	% CHANGE LAST YEAR	% CHANGE LAST FYTD
<u>General Fund</u>	143.9	703.0	659.6	8.0%	6.6%
Personal Income	91.2	372.6	338.4	15.2%	10.1%
Sales & Use	29.4	142.0	138.8	3.9%	2.3%
Rooms & Meals	10.9	74.4	70.3	3.1%	5.9%
Corporate Income	3.3	36.7	28.5	83.2%	28.7%
Property Transfer*	0.8	7.3	8.1	-36.8%	-9.5%
Other**	7.4	44.2	45.8	-9.5%	-3.6%
<u>Transportation Fund</u>	16.8	127.4	123.9	3.7%	0.8%
Gasoline	5.4	37.6	38.1	24.2%	2.6%
Purchase and Use	3.6	29.9	30.1	-2.7%	3.3%
Motor Vehicle Fees	4.6	35.5	34.4	-0.5%	3.0%
Other	1.9	14.5	10.5	-24.2%	13.2%
<u>Education Fund</u>	18.3	180.6	175.9	NA	2.6%

\* 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.



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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	62	62	85	85	-27.1%
Estimated Value (\$Thousand)	9,821	9,821	13,683	13,683	-28.2%

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Construction Emp. (S.A.,Thousand)	16.4	17.7	17.3	-7.3%	-5.2%
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<u>TRAVEL &amp; TOURISM</u>	CURRENT MONTH	LAST MONTH	YEAR AGO	% CHANGE LAST MONTH	% CHANGE LAST YEAR
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Leisure & Hospitality Emp. (SA -Thous.) *	32.5	33.2	32.3	-2.1%	0.6%
Selected Traffic Volume	79,782	79,787	78,877	0.0%	1.1%

Welcome Center Counts

Guilford	41,788	49,146	42,897	-15.0%	-2.6%
Fair Haven	7,279	8,682	6,581	-16.2%	10.6%
Highgate	3,659	4,051	3,318	-9.7%	10.3%

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

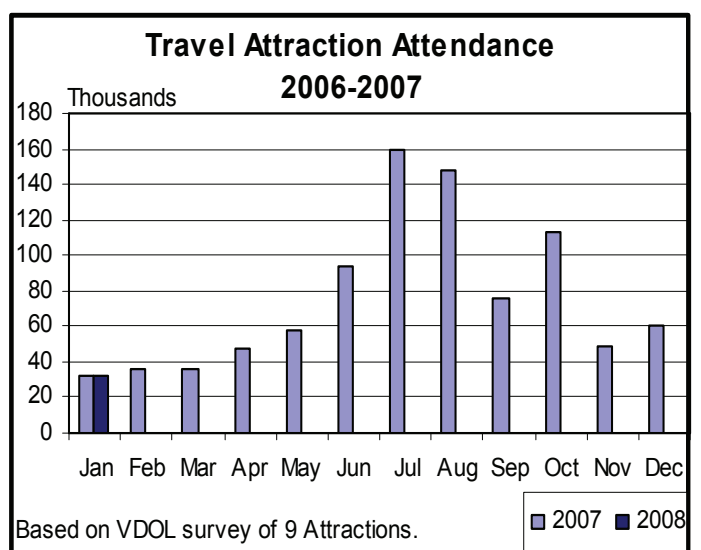
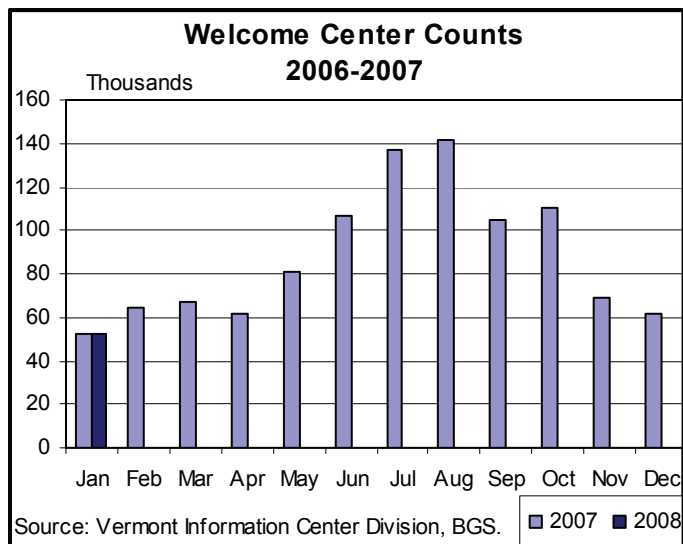
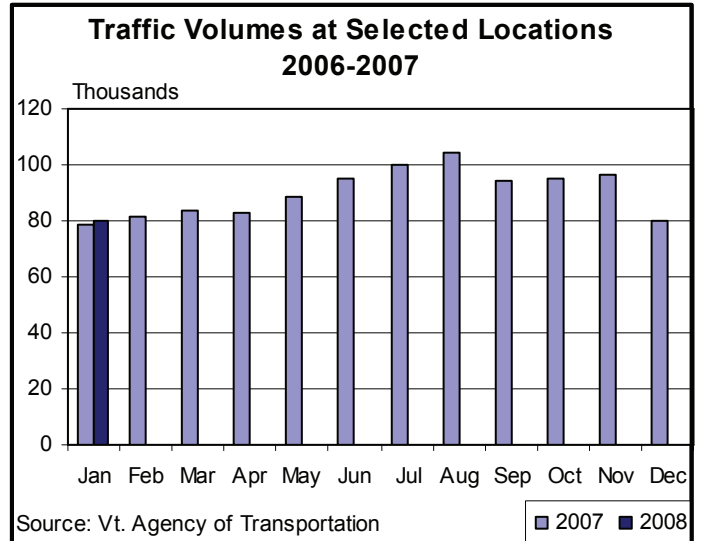
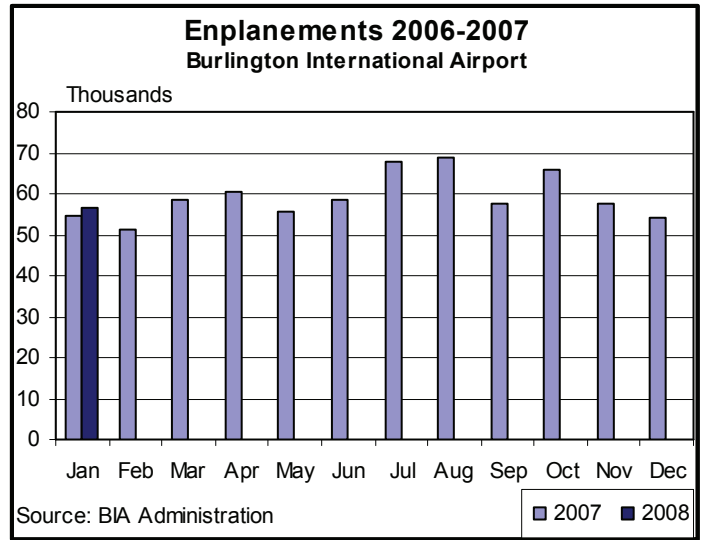
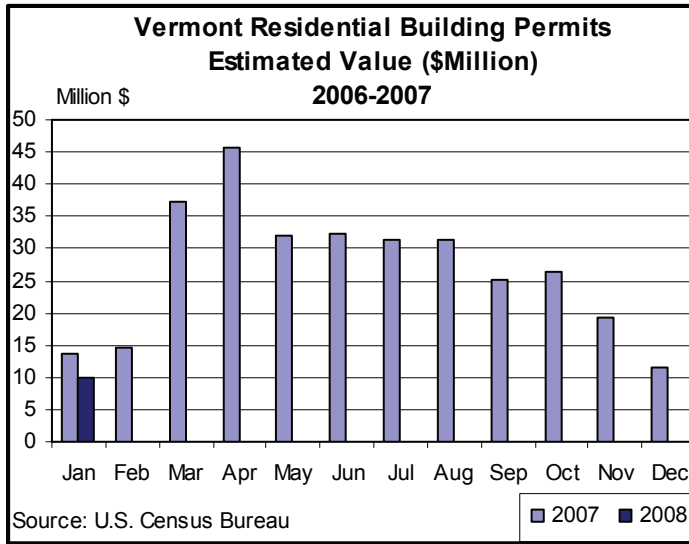
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Attendance Surveys

State Parks (Day Use)	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
State Campgrounds (Campers)	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Travel Attr. & Museums (Summer) *	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Travel Attr. & Museums (Yr Rd)	31,713	31,713	32,519	32,519	-2.5%

Based on DET survey of 9 Attractions

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<u>ROOMS &amp; MEALS BUSINESS RECEIPTS **</u>	CY 4th Qtr (Oct-Dec) * 2007	CY 3rd Qtr (Jul-Sep) * 2007	CY 4th Qtr (Oct-Dec) 2006	% Change Last Quarter	% Change Last Year
Taxable Room Rentals (\$Thousand)	86,988	115,124	81,527	-24.4%	6.7%
Taxable Meals Sales (\$Thousand)	191,744	225,282	185,707	-14.9%	3.3%
Taxable Beverage Sales (\$Thousand)	32,849	38,057	31,609	-13.7%	3.9%

\* Numbers are preliminary.

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

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