

Vermont Economic and Travel Indicators

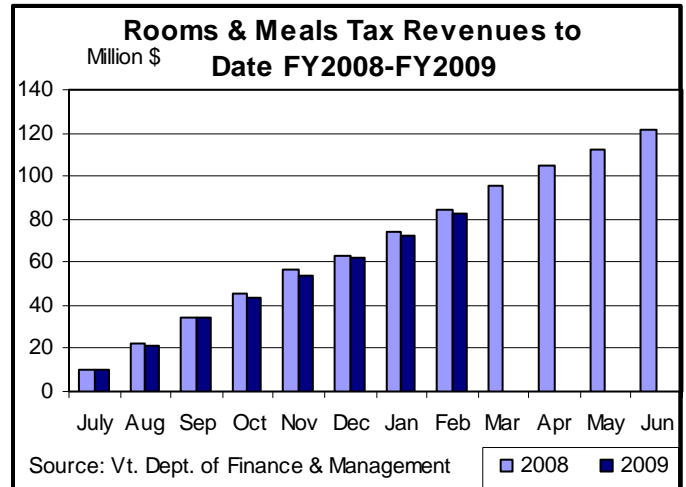
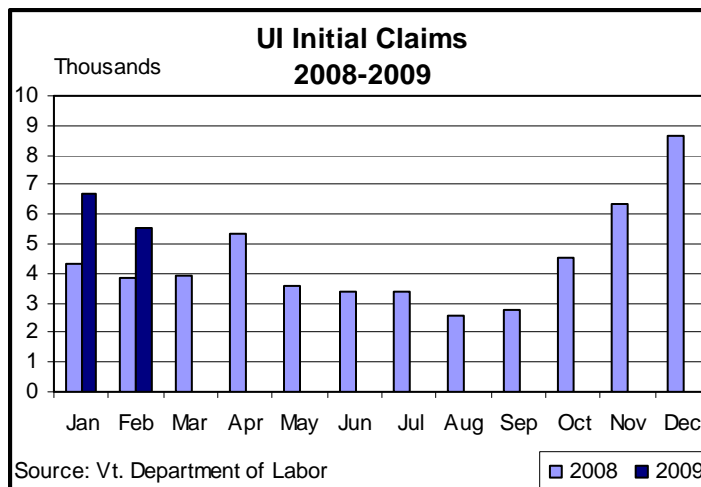
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LABOR MARKET & BUSINESS ACTIVITY	CURRENT MONTH	LAST MONTH	YEAR AGO	% CHANGE LAST MONTH	% CHANGE LAST YEAR
Employment (NonFarm,S.A.,Thousand)	296.2	297.2	308.9	-0.3%	-4.1%
Avg. Weekly Hours (Manufacturing)	39.3	39.5	39.4	-0.5%	-0.3%
Unemployment Rate (S. A. %)	7.0	6.8	4.4	2.9%	59.1%
U.I. Initial Claims	5,571	6,662	3,877	-16.4%	43.7%
U.I. Exhaustees	562	555	224	1.3%	150.9%
VDOL Jobs Filled (last 12 months)	768	807	1,287	-4.8%	-40.3%
Passenger Car Registrations	24,880	22,952	26,206	8.4%	-5.1%
Total Current Car Registrations	409,929	410,643	410,714	-0.2%	-0.2%
Total Current Pick-Up Truck Reg.	114,790	115,063	118,453	-0.2%	-3.1%
Bank Deposits - Survey (\$Million)	5,697	5,507	5,618	3.5%	1.4%
New Business Incorporations *	70	69	50	1.4%	40.0%
Airport Enplanements (B.I.A.)	57,047	53,433	57,216	6.8%	-0.3%

* Includes "closed" corporations.

STATE TAX REVENUES (\$Million)	CURRENT MONTH	FISCAL YR TO DATE	FYTD LAST YEAR	% CHANGE LAST YEAR	% CHANGE LAST FYTD
General Fund	60.3	735.2	767.2	-6.0%	-4.2%
Personal Income	0.5	361.0	375.4	-83.0%	-3.8%
Sales & Use	17.1	151.6	158.3	4.5%	-4.3%
Corporate Income	2.5	27.1	38.0	86.5%	-28.7%
Rooms & Meals	9.8	82.2	84.2	-0.4%	-2.4%
Property Transfer*	0.4	6.6	7.9	-37.5%	-17.0%
Other**	4.3	59.4	48.3	3.4%	22.9%
Transportation Fund	13.5	127.7	143.4	-15.7%	-11.0%
Gasoline	4.4	40.7	42.9	-17.4%	-5.1%
Purchase and Use	2.3	27.3	33.1	-28.4%	-17.5%
Motor Vehicle Fees	4.3	38.5	40.2	-8.7%	-4.3%
Other	1.6	11.3	16.4	-18.9%	-31.5%
Education Fund	11.8	102.1	107.9	2.6%	-5.4%

* 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	17	59	58	120	-50.8%
Estimated Value (\$Thousand)	3,155	9,062	8,310	18,141	-50.0%

	CURRENT MONTH	LAST MONTH	YEAR AGO	% CHANGE LAST MONTH	% CHANGE LAST YEAR
Construction Emp. (S.A., Thousand)	12.5	13.1	16.1	-4.6%	-22.4%

<u>TRAVEL & TOURISM</u>	CURRENT MONTH	LAST MONTH	YEAR AGO	% CHANGE LAST MONTH	% CHANGE LAST YEAR
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Leisure & Hospitality Emp. (SA -Thous.) *	32.3	31.4	33.1	2.9%	-2.4%
Selected Traffic Volume	81,516	73,676	78,773	10.6%	3.5%

Welcome Center Counts

Guilford	42,699	41,276	48,922	3.4%	-12.7%
Fair Haven	6,456	6,418	7,651	0.6%	-15.6%
Highgate	1,326	3,310	3,228	-59.9%	-58.9%

* Highgate center closed 2/15/09, counts for Feb. 2009 are for partial month.

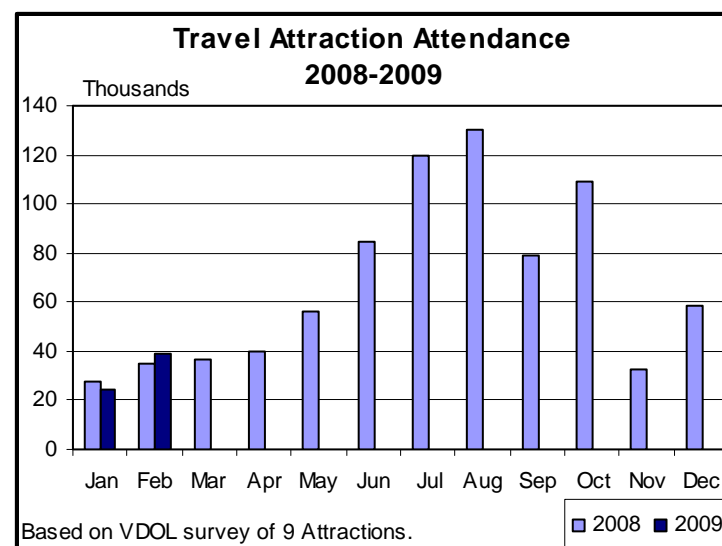
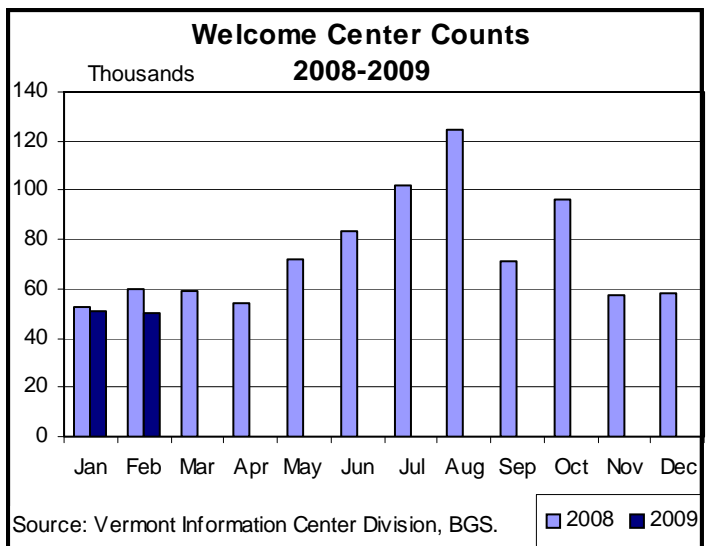
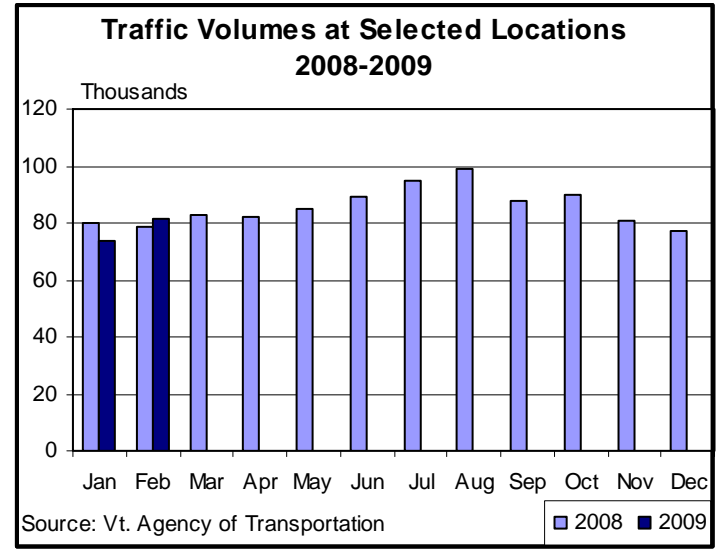
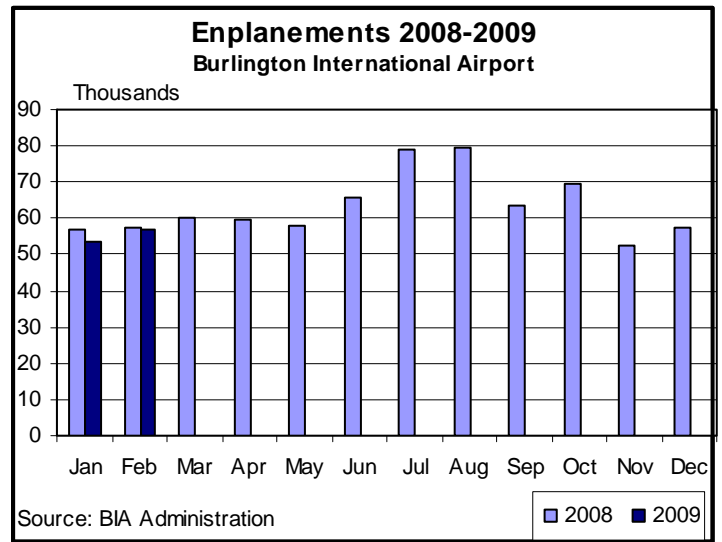
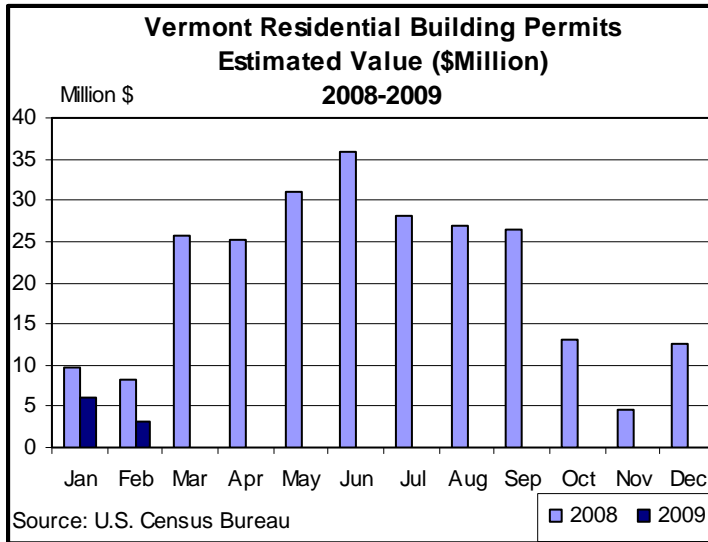
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Attendance Surveys

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) **	39,015	63,515	34,938	62,699	1.3%

* Based on VDOL survey of 9 Attractions.

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ROOMS & MEALS BUSINESS RECEIPTS **	CY 4th Qtr (Oct-Dec) * 2008	CY 3rd Qtr (Jul-Sep) * 2008	CY 4th Qtr (Oct-Dec) 2007	% Change Last Quarter	% Change Last Year
Taxable Room Rentals (\$Thousand)	80,520	114,383	87,172	-29.6%	-7.6%
Taxable Meals Sales (\$Thousand)	184,566	224,409	190,201	-17.8%	-3.0%
Taxable Beverage Sales (\$Thousand)	31,758	38,128	32,767	-16.7%	-3.1%

* Numbers are preliminary.

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

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