

## Economic and Travel Indicator



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Labor Market & Business Activity	Current	Last	Year	% Change	
	Month	Month	Ago	Last Month	Last Year
Employment (NonFarm,S.A.,Thousand) *	317.2	316.5	311.2	0.2%	1.9%
Avg. Weekly Hours (Manufacturing) *	40.2	39.6	38.8	1.5%	3.6%
Unemployment Rate (S. A. %)	3.2	3.3	3.7	-3.0%	-13.5%
U.I. Initial Claims	3,683	3,240	3,742	13.7%	-1.6%
U.I. Exhaustees	258	226	301	14.2%	-14.3%
Passenger Car Registrations	34,308	33,139	35,616	3.5%	-3.7%
Total Current Car Registrations	426,651	424,930	420,939	0.4%	1.4%
Total Current Pick-Up Truck Reg.	106,689	106,158	104,978	0.5%	1.6%
Bank Deposits - Survey (\$Million)	7,107	7,177	6,933	-1.0%	2.5%
Business Formations **	602	708	601	-15.0%	0.2%
Airport Enplanements (B.I.A.)	45,467	46,759	47,184	-2.8%	-3.6%

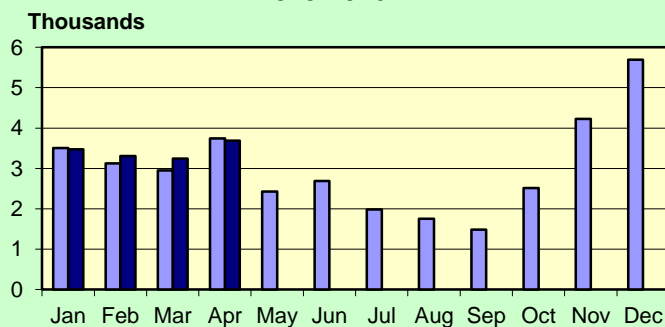
\* Current Month numbers are preliminary, Last Month & Year Ago are revised.

\*\* Not comparable to previous issues, <https://www.vtsosonline.com/>

State Tax Revenues (\$Million)	Current	Fiscal Year	FYTD	% Change	
	Month	To Date	Last Year	Last Year	Last FYTD
<b>General Fund</b>	<b>212.5</b>	<b>1,208.4</b>	<b>1186.0</b>	<b>-3.0%</b>	<b>1.9%</b>
Personal Income	155.8	641.9	608.8	-3.1%	5.4%
Sales & Use	19.6	203.8	200.8	-1.9%	1.5%
Corporate Income	15.0	98.6	102.2	5.0%	-3.5%
Rooms & Meals	12.5	133.6	130.9	-8.4%	2.1%
Property Transfer	0.8	9.4	8.8	-7.1%	6.7%
Other *	7.2	61.4	76.9	-32.9%	-20.1%
<b>Transportation Fund</b>	<b>23.1</b>	<b>213.5</b>	<b>209.5</b>	<b>-0.7%</b>	<b>1.9%</b>
Gasoline	6.2	65.6	64.8	6.3%	1.1%
Purchase and Use	5.4	52.3	50.5	-8.1%	3.6%
Motor Vehicle Fees	8.6	64.7	63.1	-1.5%	2.5%
Other	1.6	15.6	15.7	8.2%	-0.8%
<b>Education Fund, non-property tax component</b>	<b>15.1</b>	<b>156.2</b>	<b>150.7</b>	<b>-1.1%</b>	<b>3.6%</b>

\* Includes: Insurance, Inheritance & Estate, Bank Franchise, Telephone, Liquor, Beverage, Fees and Other Taxes.

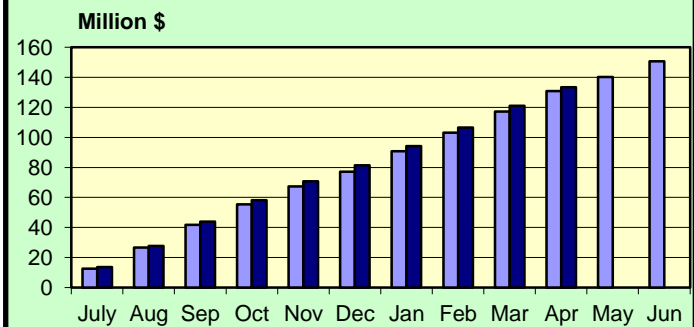
### UI Initial Claims 2015-2016



Source: Vt. Department of Labor

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### Rooms & Meals Tax Revenues to Date FY2015-FY2016



Source: Vt. Dept. of Finance & Management

■ FY2015 ■ FY2016

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### Construction

Residential Building Permits	Current	Year	Year	Year To Date	
	Month	To Date	Ago	Last Year	% Change
Housing Units	142	400	131	556	-28.1%
Estimated Value (\$thousand)	47,820	91,269	24,717	144,069	-36.6%

Employment	Current	Last	Year	% Change	
	Month	Month	Ago	Last Month	Last Year
Construction Emp. (S.A.,thousand)	16.6	16.6	15.1	0.0%	9.9%

Travel & Tourism	Current	Last	Year	% Change	
	Month	Month	Ago	Last Month	Last Year
Leisure & Hospitality Emp. (S.A.,thousand)	36.2	36.1	36.1	0.3%	0.3%
Selected Traffic Volume *	114,868	112,825	112,328	1.8%	2.3%

>Welcome Center Counts, Total	56,212	53,546	55,149	5.0%	1.9%
Guilford	38,741	38,223	37,529	1.4%	3.2%
Fair Haven	10,510	9,126	10,349	15.2%	1.6%
Georgia (Southbound)	6,961	6,197	7,271	12.3%	-4.3%

\* Revised. Reporting different locations. Not comparable to previous years. Missing 1 location.

Seasonal Indicators	Current	Season	Year	Season To Date	
	Month	To Date	Ago	Year Ago	% Change

### Attendance Surveys

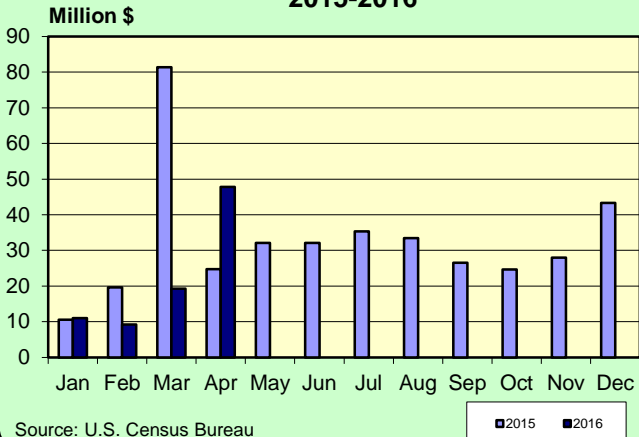
State Parks (Day Use)	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
State Campgrounds (Campers)	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Travel Attr. & Museums (Summer) *	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Travel Attr. & Museums (Year Round) **	40,138	143,659	39,823	122,042	17.7%

\* Based on VDOL survey of 8 Attractions operating during months of May - Oct. \*\* Based on VDOL survey of 7 attractions.

Travel Attraction data is collected as part of a managed sample; above information may not be directly comparable to previous releases..

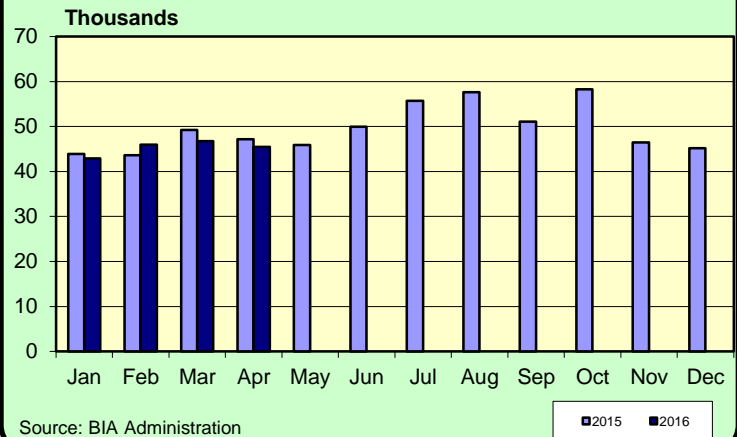
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**Vermont Residential Building Permits  
Estimated Value (\$Million)  
2015-2016**



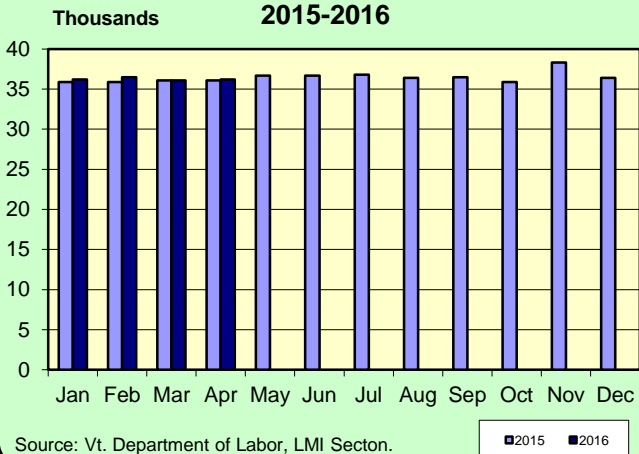
Source: U.S. Census Bureau

**Enplanements 2015-2016  
Burlington International Airport**



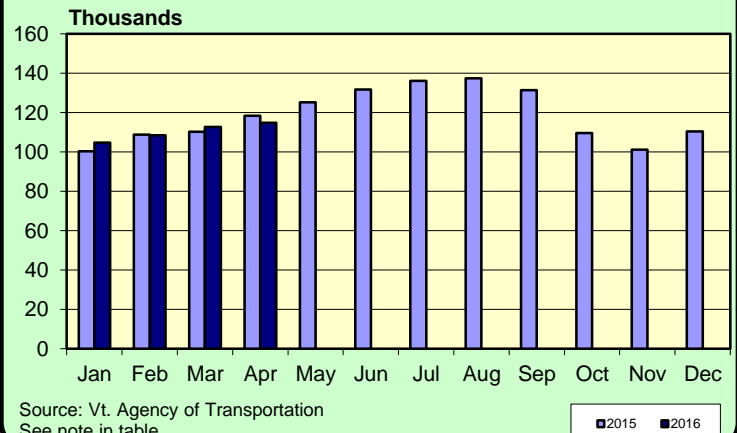
Source: BIA Administration

**Leisure & Hospitality Employment  
Seasonally Adjusted Estimates  
2015-2016**



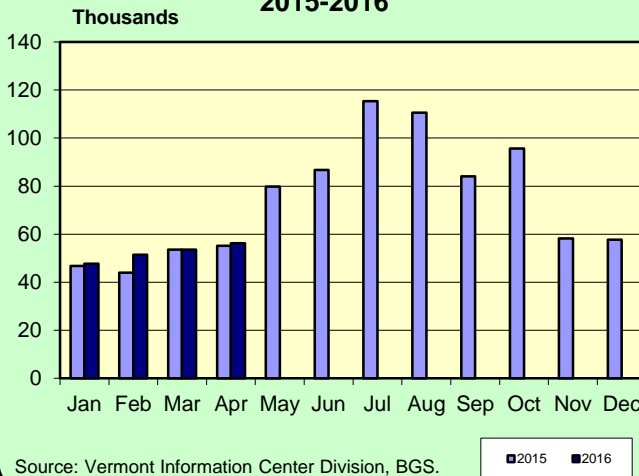
Source: Vt. Department of Labor, LMI Section.

**Traffic Volumes at Selected Locations  
2015-2016**



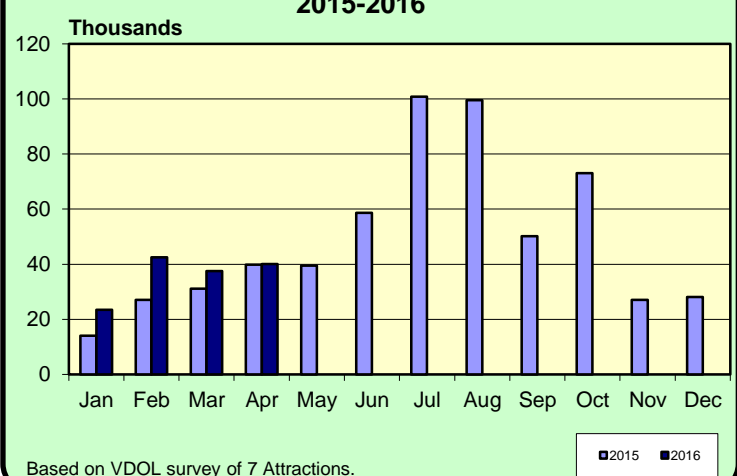
Source: Vt. Agency of Transportation  
See note in table.

**Welcome Center Counts  
2015-2016**



Source: Vermont Information Center Division, BGS.

**Travel Attraction Attendance (Yr Rd)  
2015-2016**



Based on VDOL survey of 7 Attractions.

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Rooms & Meals Business Receipts **	CY 4th Qtr	CY 3rd Qtr	CY 4th Qtr	% Change	
	(Oct-Dec) 2015 *	(Jul-Sep) 2015	(Oct-Dec) 2014	Last Quarter	Last Year
Meals (\$Thousand)	239,986	285,978	234,082	-16.1%	2.5%
Room (\$Thousand)	101,014	147,051	108,221	-31.3%	-6.7%
Alcohol (\$Thousand)	45,194	53,827	43,664	-16.0%	3.5%

\* Numbers are preliminary.

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

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