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JUNE 2000

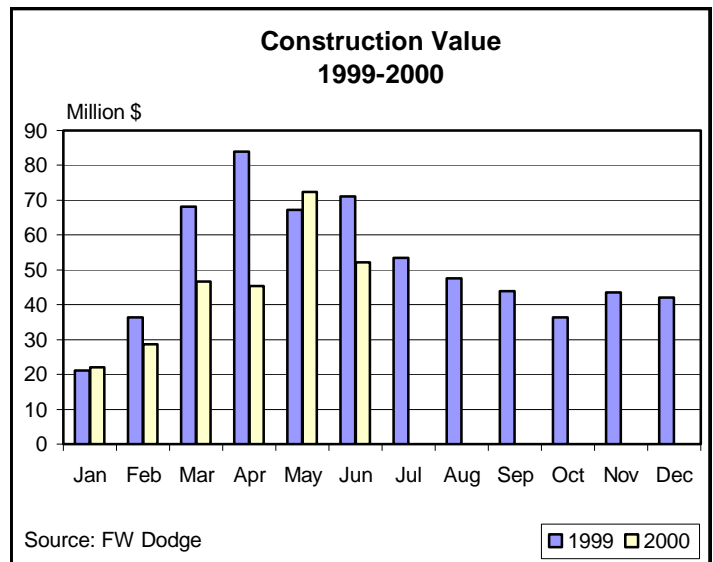
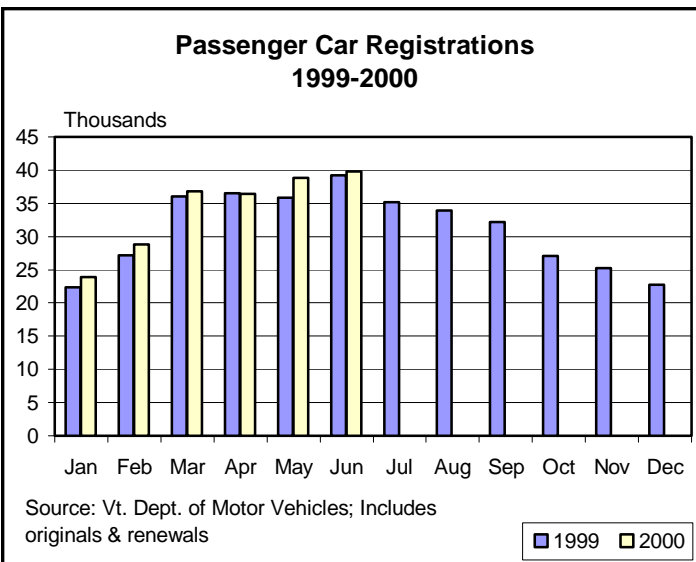
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<u>LABOR MARKET & BUSINESS ACTIVITY</u>	<u>CURRENT MONTH</u>	<u>LAST MONTH</u>	<u>YEAR AGO</u>	<u>% CHANGE LAST MONTH</u>	<u>% CHANGE LAST YEAR</u>
Employment (NonFarm,S.A. *,Thousand)	294.9	296.4	289.8	-0.5%	1.8%
Avg. Weekly Hours (Manufacturing)	41.0	40.5	39.1	1.2%	4.9%
Unemployment Rate (S. A. %)	2.6	2.5	3.1	0.1	-0.5
U.I. Initial Claims	2,618	2,317	2,590	13.0%	1.1%
U.I. Exhaustees	199	277	230	-28.2%	-13.5%
DET Job Placements	461	529	500	-12.9%	-7.8%
Passenger Car Registrations	39,800	38,879	39,189	2.4%	1.6%
Total Current Car Registrations	385,387	383,662	375,554	0.4%	2.6%
Total Current Pick-Up Truck Reg.	113,134	112,839	111,877	0.3%	1.1%
Bank Deposits - Survey (\$Million)	4,233	4,135	4,562	2.4%	-7.2%

	<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	298	1,165	437	1,386	-15.9%
Estimated Value (\$Thousand)	32,186	133,773	39,152	145,059	-7.8%
<u>Construction Value (\$Million)</u>	52.2	268.1	71.0	353.0	-24.1%
Residential	24.9	122.5	25.1	136.9	-10.5%
Nonresidential	13.2	77.6	22.7	139.2	-44.3%
Nonbuilding	14.2	68.1	23.2	76.8	-11.3%
New Business Incorporations	90	662	104	684	-3.2%
Airport Enplanements (B.I.A.)	35,383	206,839	36,024	207,353	-0.2%



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<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>	77.3	885.7	830.3	3.9%	6.7%
Personal Income	37.4	432.0	383.5	0.6%	12.7%
Sales & Use	16.6	216.3	205.6	1.5%	5.2%
Rooms & Meals	5.2	75.2	71.1	7.3%	5.7%
Corporate Income	8.2	41.0	46.2	17.9%	-11.3%
Property Transfer*	0.5	6.9	5.1	253.5%	35.3%
Other	9.4	114.3	118.9	0.1%	-3.7%
<u>Transportation Fund</u>	22.5	181.3	169.2	1.4%	7.1%
Gasoline	5.0	51.8	48.4	3.3%	6.9%
Purchase and Use	8.4	58.0	53.3	-2.2%	8.9%
Motor Vehicle Fees	5.1	42.8	40.7	-6.8%	5.3%
Other	4.0	28.6	26.8	21.3%	6.9%
<u>Education Fund</u>	31.9	160.4	117.2	61.1%	36.8%

* FYTD Adjusted for Transfers to Trust Funds

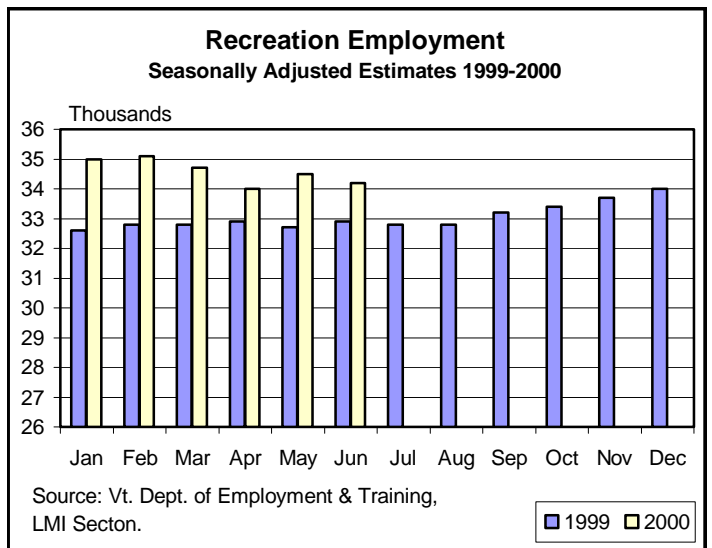
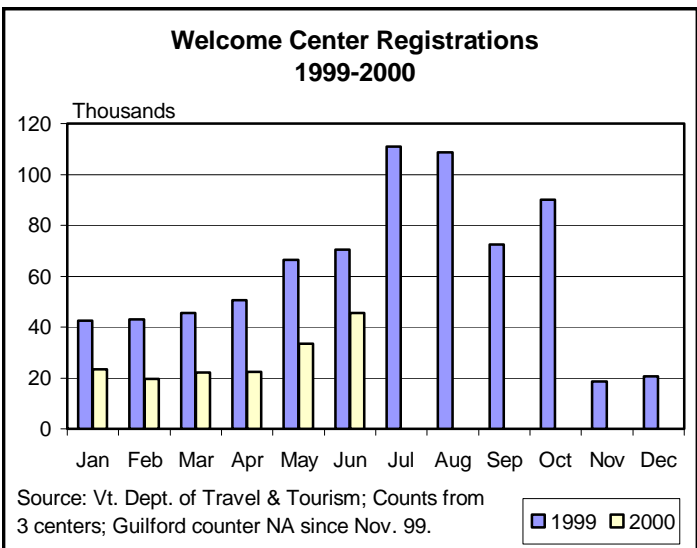
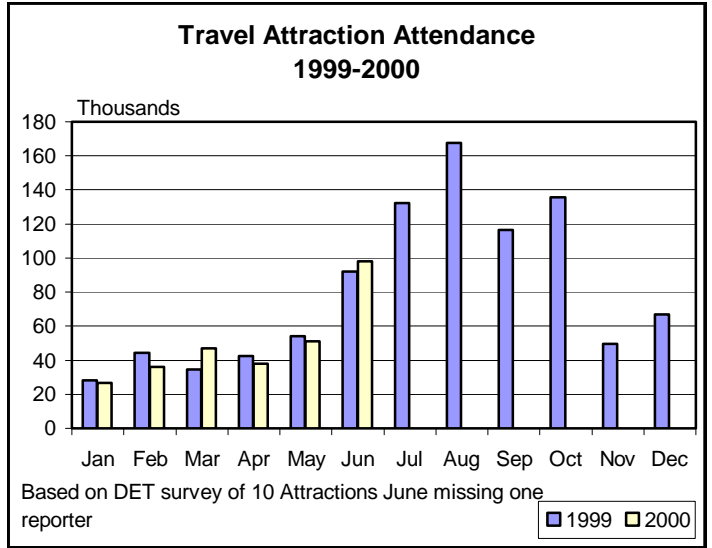
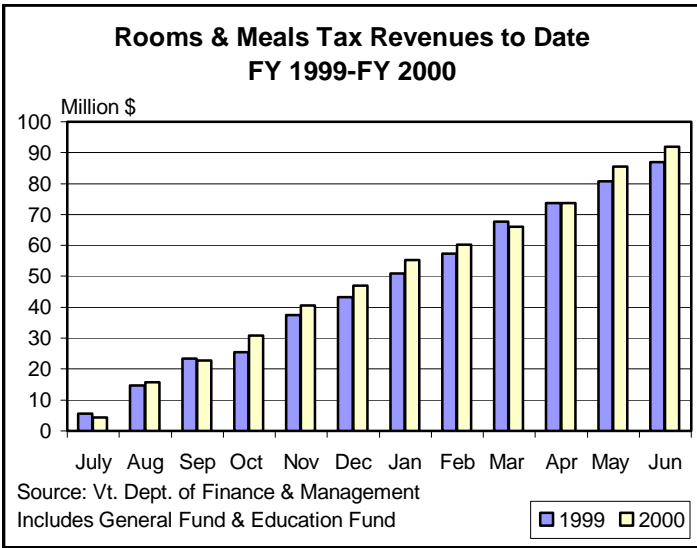
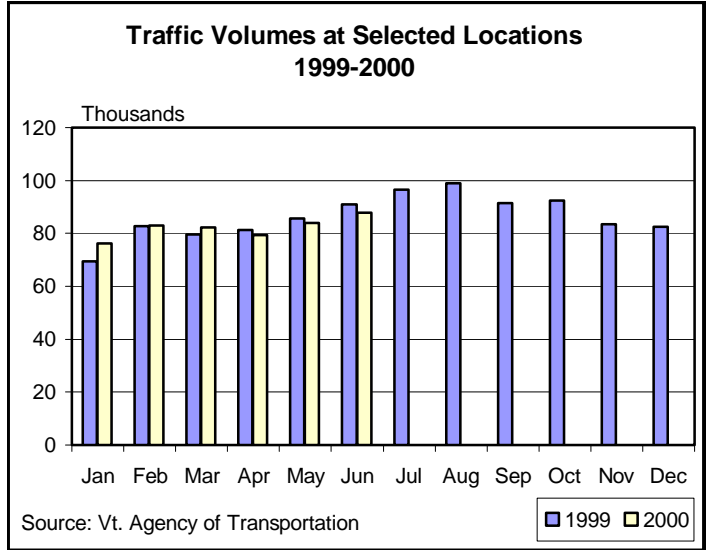
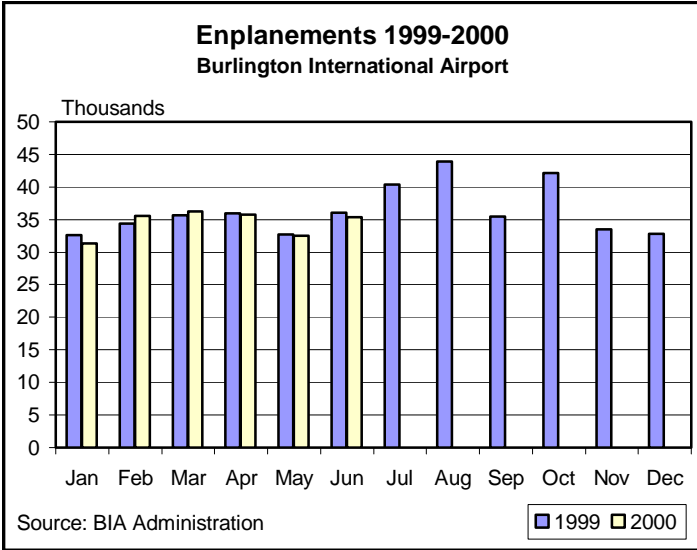
<u>TRAVEL & TOURISM</u>	<u>CURRENT MONTH</u>	<u>LAST MONTH</u>	<u>YEAR AGO</u>	<u>% CHANGE LAST MONTH</u>	<u>% CHANGE LAST YEAR</u>
Recreation Employment (S.A.,Thousand)	34.2	34.5	32.9	-0.9%	4.0%
Selected Traffic Volume	87,941	83,889	91,060	4.8%	-3.4%
<u>Motels & Hotels Survey ** (Preliminary)</u>					
Average Room Rate (\$)	\$99.19	\$97.56	\$92.54	1.7%	7.2%
Occupancy Rate (%)	42.4	33.2	40.5	9.2	1.9
<u>Welcome Center Counts*</u>					
Guilford *	12,629	8,554	37,321	47.6%	-66.2%
Fair Haven	21,461	15,213	19,618	41.1%	9.4%
Highgate	11,512	9,748	13,554	18.1%	-15.1%

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

*Guilford Welcome Center moved during November; electronic counter not yet installed; April counts revised

	<u>MAY 2000</u>	<u>LAST MONTH</u>	<u>YEAR AGO</u>	<u>% CHANGE LAST MONTH</u>	<u>% CHANGE LAST YEAR</u>
<u>Rooms & Meals Business Receipts *</u>					
Taxable Room Rentals (\$Thousand)	13,359	9,372	12,468	42.5%	7.1%
Taxable Meals Sales (\$Thousand)	43,280	38,400	42,508	12.7%	1.8%
Taxable Beverage Sales (\$Thousand)	6,986	6,453	6,853	8.3%	1.9%

* Year ago data may be overstated due to change in reporting methodology.



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<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)	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
State Campgrounds (Campers)	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
State Campgrnds (Occup. Rate, %)	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Private Campgrnds (Occup. Rate, %)	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Travel Attr. & Museums (Summer)*/**	55,838	74,154	62,149	89,136	-16.8%
Travel Attr. & Museums (Yr Rd)**	97,937	296,820	91,954	296,355	0.2%
<u>Skier Days (Survey)</u>					
Alpine (Preliminary)	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

*One reporter closed during May 2000

** Missing one reporter

DATA SOURCES

New England Telephone Co.; U.S. Dept. of Commerce; F.W. Dodge & Co.; Burlington Airport Administration; Vt. Departments of Employment & Training, Finance & Management, Forests, Parks and Recreation, Taxes, Motor Vehicles, Tourism & Marketing, Vt. Agency of Transportation; Secretary of State's Office; Vt. Division for Historic Preservation; University of Vermont

NOTE: Survey data for comparison only; Not intended as statewide estimates