ECONOMIC AND TRAVEL INDICATORS

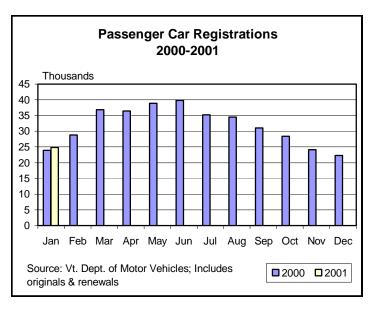
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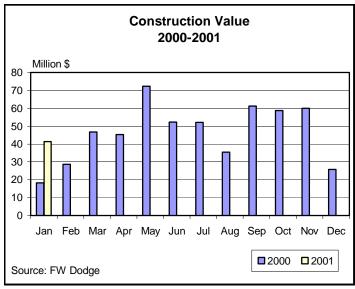
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| LABOR MARKET & BUSINESS ACTIVITY | CURRENT MONTH | LAST <u>MONTH</u> | YEAR <u>AGO</u> | % CHANGE LAST MONTH | % CHANGE LAST YEAR |
|-------------------------------------|------------------|----------------------|--------------------|------------------------|-----------------------|
| Employment (NonFarm,S.A.*,Thousand) | 299.2 | 300.6 | 295.9 | -0.5% | 1.1% |
| Avg. Weekly Hours (Manufacturing) | 39.9 | 39.9 | 40.9 | 0.0% | -2.4% |
| Unemployment Rate (S. A. %) | 2.7 | 2.7 | 3.0 | 0.0% | -0.3 |
| U.I. Initial Claims | 4,049 | 6,017 | 3,741 | -32.7% | 8.2% |
| U.I. Exhaustees | 212 | 173 | 197 | 22.5% | 7.6% |
| DET Job Placements | 390 | 433 | 533 | -9.9% | -26.8% |
| Passenger Car Registrations | 24,891 | 22,338 | 23,904 | 11.4% | 4.1% |
| Total Current Car Registrations | 389,105 | 388,773 | 382,638 | 0.1% | 1.7% |
| Total Current Pick-Up Truck Reg. | 114,252 | 114,123 | 113,343 | 0.1% | 0.8% |
| Bank Deposits - Survey (\$Million) | 4,181 | 4,287 | 4,304 | -2.5% | -2.9% |
| | CURRENT | YEAR | YEAR | YR. TO DATE | YR. TO DATE |
| | <u>MONTH</u> | TO DATE | <u>AGO</u> | LAST YEAR | % CHANGE |
| Residential Building Permits | | | | | |
| Housing Units | 114 | 114 | 92 | 92 | 23.9% |
| Estimated Value (\$Thousand) | 12,728 | 12,728 | 11,114 | 11,114 | 14.5% |
| Construction Value (\$Million) | 41.4 | 41.4 | 18.2 | 18.2 | 127.5% |
| Residential | 18.3 | 18.3 | 11.8 | 11.8 | 55.1% |
| Nonresidential | 12.6 | 12.6 | 4.8 | 4.8 | 162.5% |
| Nonbuilding | 10.6 | 10.6 | 1.7 | 1.7 | 523.5% |
| New Business Incorporations | 97 | 97 | 133 | 133 | -27.1% |
| Airport Enplanements (B.I.A.) | 40,429 | 40,429 | 31,342 | 31,342 | 29.0% |





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| STATE TAX REVENUES (\$Million) | CURRENT MONTH | FISCAL YR TO DATE | FYTD LAST YEAR | % CHANGE LAST YEAR | % CHANGE LAST FYTD |
|--------------------------------|------------------|----------------------|-------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| General Fund | 109.3 | 528.6 | 516.5 | 3.4% | 2.3% |
| Personal Income | 71.5 | 275.5 | 255.9 | 9.1% | 7.7% |
| Sales & Use | 22.1 | 131.6 | 136.0 | -10.5% | -3.2% |
| Rooms & Meals | 6.3 | 46.8 | 45.1 | -5.9% | 3.7% |
| Corporate Income | 1.1 | 20.1 | 16.6 | 3.1% | 21.1% |
| Property Transfer* | 0.7 | 4.5 | 4.5 | 23.1% | 0.8% |
| Other | 8.6 | 50.1 | 58.4 | 21.6% | -14.4% |
| Transportation Fund | 14.0 | 101.3 | 99.5 | 5.7% | 1.9% |
| Gasoline | 5.0 | 31.4 | 30.8 | 28.9% | 2.0% |
| Purchase and Use | 4.4 | 31.9 | 30.8 | 1.0% | 3.5% |
| Motor Vehicle Fees | 2.8 | 20.2 | 21.9 | -3.4% | -7.9% |
| Other | 1.8 | 17.8 | 15.9 | -14.8% | 11.9% |
| Education Fund | 7.9 | 87.0 | 86.2 | -16.6% | 0.9% |

^{*} FYTD Adjusted for Transfers to Trust Funds

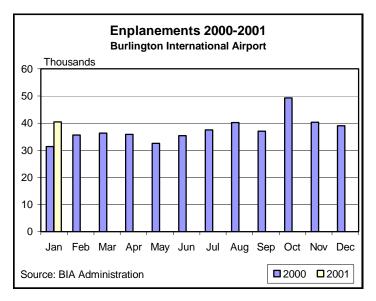
| TRAVEL & TOURISM | CURRENT <u>MONTH</u> | LAST MONTH | YEAR <u>AGO</u> L | % CHANGE .AST MONTH | % CHANGE LAST YEAR |
|-----------------------------------------|-------------------------|---------------|----------------------|------------------------|-----------------------|
| Recreation Employment (S.A.,Thousand) | 33.6 | 33.5 | 33.6 | 0.3% | 0.0% |
| Selected Traffic Volume | 79,958 | 79,338 | 76,229 | 0.8% | 4.9% |
| Motels & Hotels Survey ** (Preliminary) | | | | | |
| Average Room Rate (\$) | \$117.13 | \$117.98 | \$114.95 | -0.7% | 1.9% |
| Occupancy Rate (%) | 38.5 | 35.5 | 33.3 | 3.0 | 5.2 |
| Welcome Center Counts* | | | | | |
| Guilford * | 67,935 | 9,784 | 10,120 | 594.3% | 571.3% |
| Fair Haven | 7,051 | 8,195 | 9,525 | -14.0% | -26.0% |
| Highgate | 2,780 | 3,046 | 3,766 | -8.7% | -26.2% |

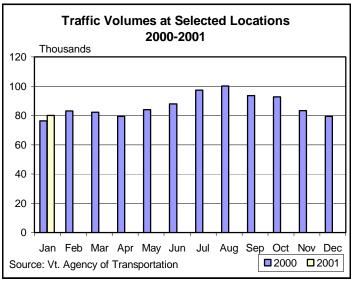
^{**}Lodging occupancy and room rate data based on a survey conducted by the Vermont Tourism Data Center at UVM.

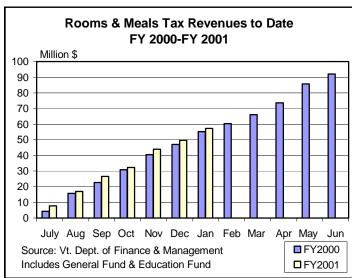
^{*}Guilford Welcome Center moved during Nov.99; electronic counter not yet installed;

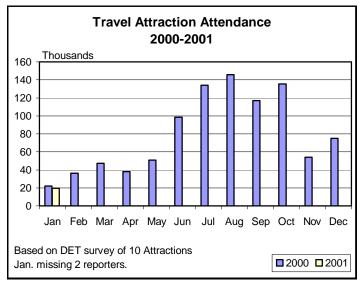
| Rooms & Meals Business Receipts * | DECEMBER 2000 | LAST <u>MONTH</u> | YEAR <u>AGO</u> L | % CHANGE _AST MONTH | % CHANGE LAST YEAR |
|-------------------------------------|------------------|----------------------|----------------------|------------------------|-----------------------|
| Taxable Room Rentals (\$Thousand) | N/A | N/A | 24,625 | N/A | N/A |
| Taxable Meals Sales (\$Thousand) | N/A | N/A | 47,078 | N/A | N/A |
| Taxable Beverage Sales (\$Thousand) | N/A | N/A | 9,296 | N/A | N/A |

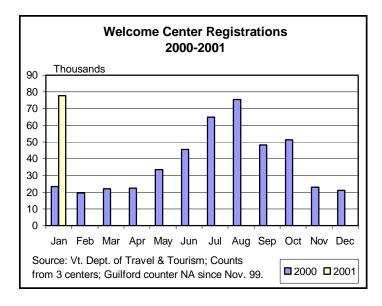
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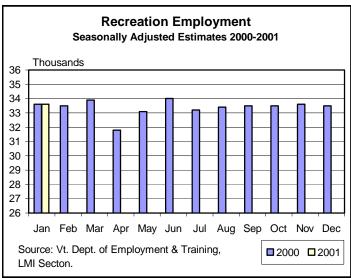












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| | CURRENT | SEASON | | SEASON T.D. | |
|------------------------------------|--------------|-----------|------------|-------------|----------|
| SEASONAL INDICATORS | <u>MONTH</u> | TO DATE | <u>AGO</u> | YEAR AGO | % CHANGE |
| Attendance Surveys | | | | | |
| 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) | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A |
| Travel Attr. & Museums (Yr Rd) | 19,437 | 19,437 | 22,182 | 22,182 | -12.4% |
| Skier Days (Survey) | | | | | |
| Alpine (Preliminary) | 705,980 | 1,351,949 | 619,937 | 1,119,954 | 20.7% |

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