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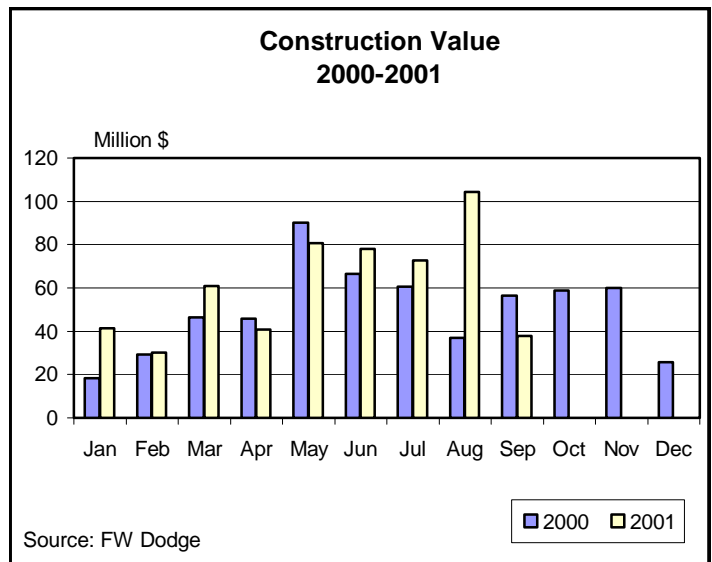
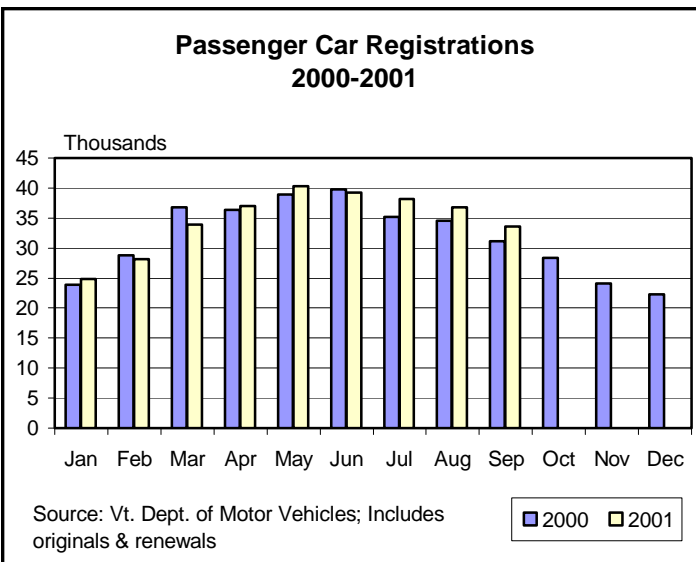
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<u>LABOR MARKET & BUSINESS ACTIVITY</u>	<u>CURRENT MONTH</u>	<u>LAST MONTH</u>	<u>YEAR AGO</u>	<u>% CHANGE LAST MONTH</u>	<u>% CHANGE LAST YEAR</u>
Employment (NonFarm,S.A. *,Thousand)	299.0	299.0	299.0	0.0%	0.0%
Avg. Weekly Hours (Manufacturing)	39.5	39.8	39.7	-0.8%	-0.5%
Unemployment Rate (S. A. %)	3.2	3.4	3.0	-5.9%	0.2
U.I. Initial Claims	2,389	1,916	1,484	24.7%	61.0%
U.I. Exhaustees	218	196	120	11.2%	81.7%
DET Job Placements	379	358	450	5.9%	-15.8%
Passenger Car Registrations	33,583	36,790	31,099	-8.7%	8.0%
Total Current Car Registrations	393,062	393,033	386,163	0.0%	1.8%
Total Current Pick-Up Truck Reg.	115,250	114,383	113,191	0.8%	1.8%
Bank Deposits - Survey (\$Million)	4,378	4,392	4,260	-0.3%	2.8%

	<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	260	1,969	181	1,781	10.6%
Estimated Value (\$Thousand)	31,241	232,499	21,831	209,269	11.1%
<u>Construction Value (\$Million)</u>	37.8	558.9	56.6	450.8	24.0%
Residential	22.0	250.5	22.5	191.4	30.9%
Nonresidential	10.0	156.9	10.5	142.5	10.1%
Nonbuilding	5.9	151.5	23.6	116.9	29.6%
New Business Incorporations	86	887	81	941	-5.7%
Airport Enplanements (B.I.A.)	30,882	406,234	36,989	321,543	26.3%



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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>	86.4	210.6	210.0	-2.0%	0.5%
Personal Income	48.1	105.7	100.6	1.3%	5.1%
Sales & Use	16.0	51.7	54.8	-7.8%	-5.6%
Rooms & Meals	7.5	21.0	21.6	-2.6%	-2.8%
Corporate Income	6.4	7.3	9.1	-11.1%	-19.6%
Property Transfer*	0.6	2.2	1.9	-3.1%	13.8%
Other**	7.8	22.7	22.1	1.8%	2.8%
<u>Transportation Fund</u>	19.0	45.2	43.7	17.2%	3.8%
Gasoline	5.0	14.2	14.0	-2.7%	1.2%
Purchase and Use	6.2	14.4	13.3	12.7%	8.5%
Motor Vehicle Fees	6.6	10.0	9.5	103.2%	5.5%
Other	1.2	6.6	6.8	-48.4%	-2.7%
<u>Education Fund</u>	6.9	19.8	21.9	NA	-9.4%

* 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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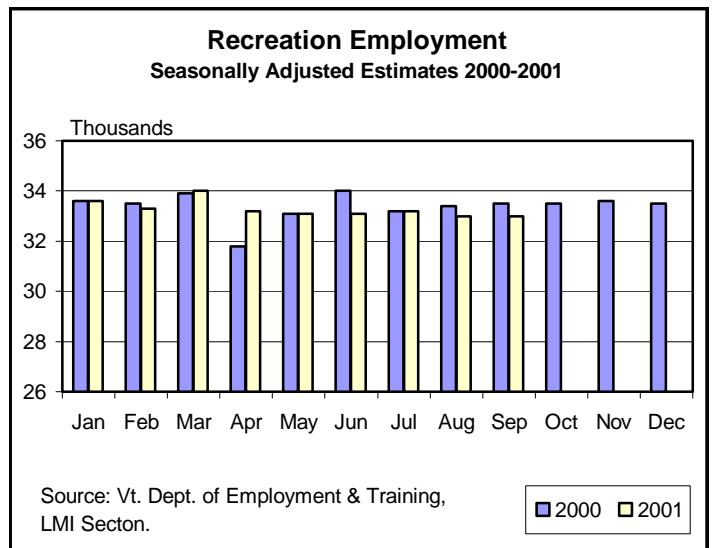
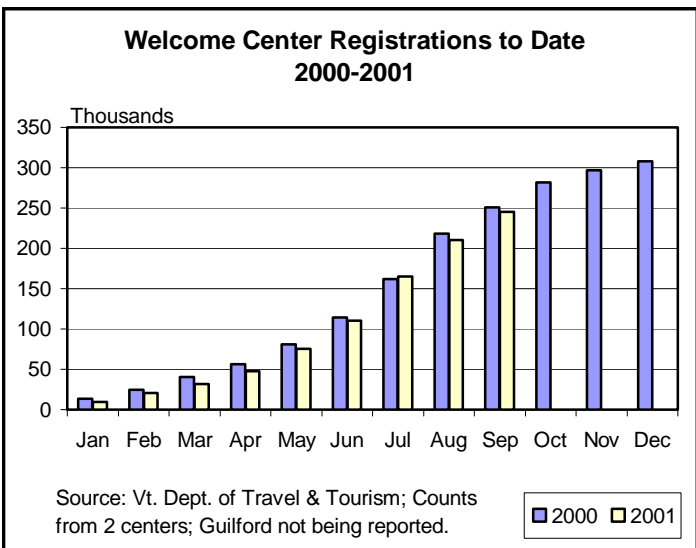
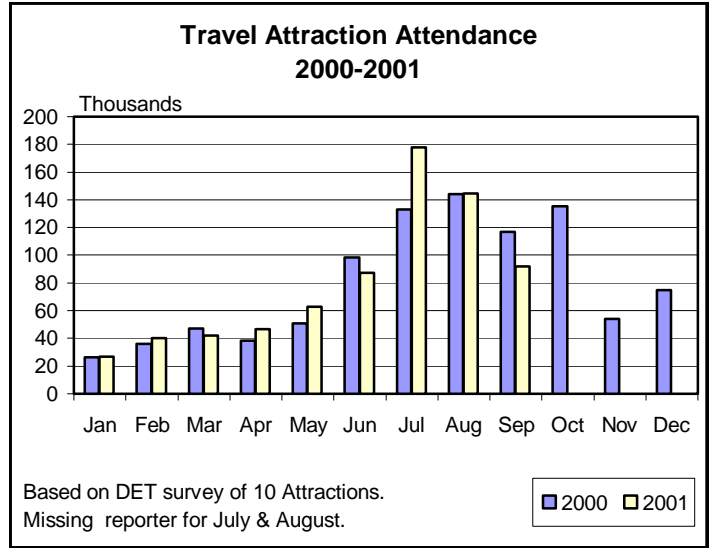
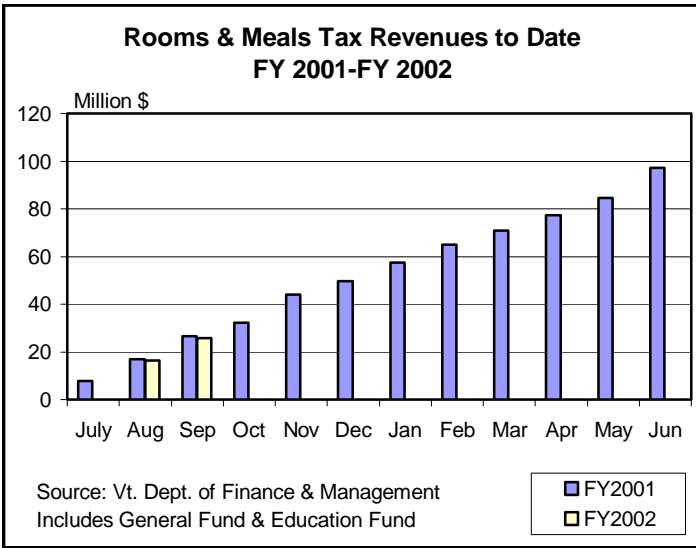
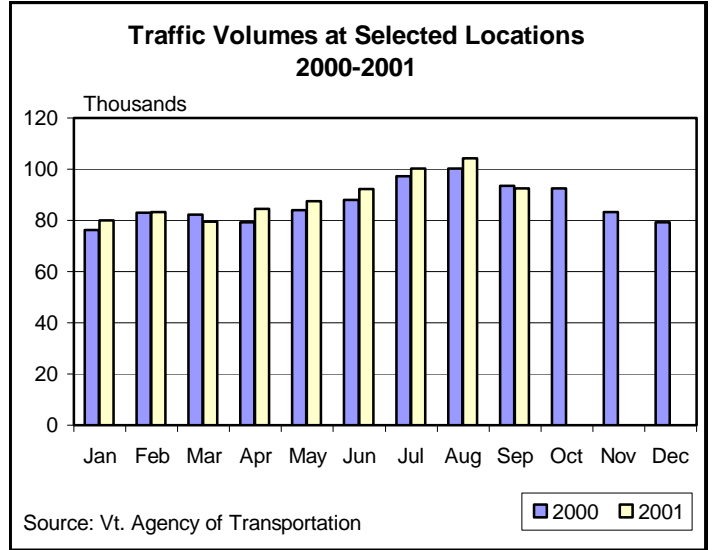
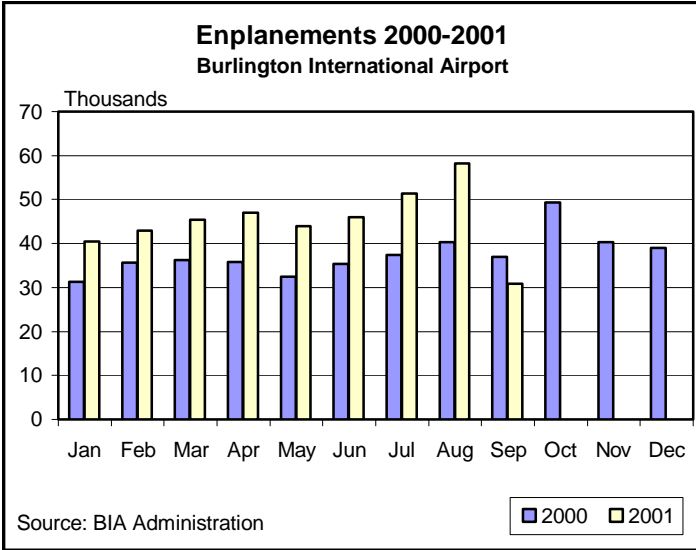
<u>TRAVEL & TOURISM</u>	<u>CURRENT MONTH</u>	<u>LAST MONTH</u>	<u>YEAR AGO</u>	<u>% CHANGE LAST MONTH</u>	<u>% CHANGE LAST YEAR</u>
Recreation Employment (S.A.,Thousand)	33.0	33.0	33.5	0.0%	-1.5%
Selected Traffic Volume	92,423	104,154	93,571	-11.3%	-1.2%
<u>Motels & Hotels Survey ** (Preliminary)</u>					
Average Room Rate (\$)	\$108.58	\$104.21	\$111.77	4.2%	-2.9%
Occupancy Rate (%)	43.4	51.2	53.8	-7.8	-10.4
<u>Welcome Center Counts*</u>					
Guilford *	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Fair Haven	22,813	30,239	23,171	-24.6%	-1.5%
Highgate	11,464	15,732	10,119	-27.1%	13.3%

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

*Guilford's data temporarily not being reported, due to year-ago data not being comparable.

<u>Rooms & Meals Business Receipts *</u>	<u>AUGUST 2001</u>	<u>LAST MONTH</u>	<u>YEAR AGO</u>	<u>% CHANGE LAST MONTH</u>	<u>% CHANGE LAST YEAR</u>
Taxable Room Rentals (\$Thousand)	NA	NA	32384	NA	NA
Taxable Meals Sales (\$Thousand)	NA	NA	58132	NA	NA
Taxable Beverage Sales (\$Thousand)	NA	NA	9283	NA	NA

* Not Available for year 2001 due to processing backlogs in the new income tax system.



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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)	23,722	340,219	N/A	N/A	N/A
State Campgrounds (Campers)	35,868	382,116	N/A	N/A	N/A
State Campgrnds (Occup. Rate, %)	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Private Campgrnds (Occup. Rate, %)	82.1	73.7	64.8	49.4	24.3
Travel Attr. & Museums (Summer)	71,964	375,811	80,685	391,245	-3.9%
Travel Attr. & Museums (Yr Rd) *	91,881	720,664	115,293	689,728	4.5%

* Missing 1 reporter.

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