# **VERMONT ECONOMIC AND TRAVEL INDICATORS**

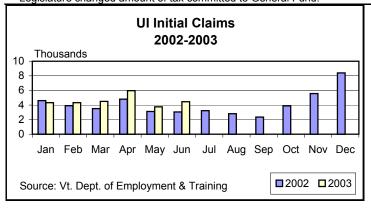
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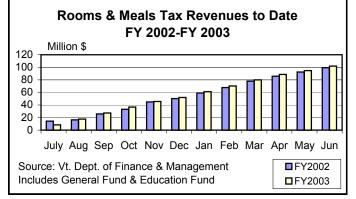
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LABOR MARKET & BUSINESS ACTIVITY	CURRENT MONTH	LAST <u>MONTH</u>	YEAR <u>AGO</u> L	% CHANGE AST MONTH	% CHANGE LAST YEAR
Employment (NonFarm,S.A.*,Thousand)	304.8	303.8	299.8	0.3%	1.7%
Avg. Weekly Hours (Manufacturing)	40.2	40.1	39.9	0.2%	0.8%
Unemployment Rate (S. A. %)	4.1	4.1	3.7	0.0%	10.8%
U.I. Initial Claims	4,453	3,747	3,042	18.8%	46.4%
U.I. Exhaustees	687	633	507	8.5%	35.5%
DET Jobs Filled (last 12 months)	2,916	3,067	NA	-4.9%	NA
Passenger Car Registrations	31,488	37,329	40,591	-15.6%	-22.4%
Total Current Car Registrations	403,166	402,955	398,338	0.1%	1.2%
Total Current Pick-Up Truck Reg.	119,081	118,975	117,378	0.1%	1.5%
Bank Deposits - Survey (\$Million)	4,612	4,588	4,490	0.5%	2.7%
New Business Incorporations	68	56	125	21.4%	-45.6%
Airport Enplanements (B.I.A.)	46,131	40,999	46,094	12.5%	0.1%

STATE TAX REVENUES (\$Million)	CURRENT MONTH	FISCAL YR TO DATE	FYTD LAST YEAR	% CHANGE LAST YEAR	% CHANGE LAST FYTD
General Fund	84.3	864.9	839.4	15.3%	3.0%
Personal Income	43.0	411.2	407.8	8.9%	0.8%
Sales & Use	17.5	218.6	214.8	9.9%	1.7%
Rooms & Meals	5.9	83.1	81.1	3.9%	2.5%
Corporate Income	6.3	28.6	25.9	25.1%	10.5%
Property Transfer*	0.9	9.8	9.9	-67.6%	-1.7%
Other**	6.9	53.7	51.7	110.1%	3.9%
Transportation Fund	24.0	207.8	206.4	-32.7%	0.7%
Gasoline	6.4	54.0	52.6	-15.9%	2.6%
Purchase and Use	8.9	68.7	67.7	-8.7%	1.5%
Motor Vehicle Fees	5.3	51.6	47.6	-14.4%	8.3%
Other	1.3	17.1	21.8	-86.1%	-21.8%
Education Fund	10.6	580.3	544.9	NA	6.5%

\* 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. \*\*\*Legislature changed amount of tax committed to General Fund.





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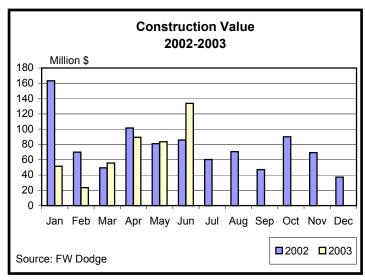
CONSTRUCTION	CURRENT MONTH	YEAR TO DATE	YEAR AGO	YR. TO DATE LAST YEAR	YR. TO DATE <u>% CHANGE</u>
Residential Building Permits					
Housing Units	289	1333	313	1753	-24.0%
Estimated Value (\$Thousand)	41,244	184,520	41,246	202,013	-8.7%
Construction Value (\$Million)	133.8	449.3	86.5	552.4	-18.7%
Residential	43.8	203.3	35.1	192.3	5.7%
Nonresidential	53.9	169.2	10.9	266.1	-36.4%
Nonbuilding	30.1	76.7	40.5	94.0	-18.4%
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	CURRENT	LAST	YEAR	% CHANGE	% CHANGE
TRAVEL & TOURISM					
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	<b>MONTH</b> 33.9	<b>MONTH</b> 33.7	<u>AGO I</u> 33.2	_AST MONTH 0.6%	LAST YEAR 2.1%
Leisure & Hospitality Emp. (S.A.,Thousand) * Selected Traffic Volume				_	
Leisure & Hospitality Emp. (S.A.,Thousand) * Selected Traffic Volume	33.9	33.7	33.2	0.6%	2.1%
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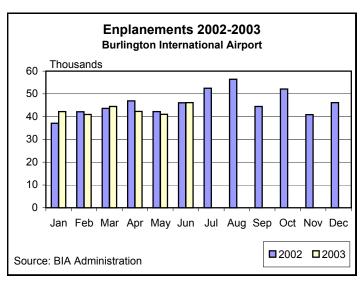
<sup>\*</sup> Now NAICS based and includes sectors 71 (arts, ent., & rec.) & 72 (accomodations & food srvs). Not comparable to previous reported data.

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

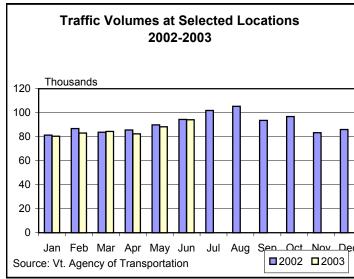
SEASONAL INDICATORS	CURRENT MONTH	SEASON TO DATE	YEAR S AGO	SEASON T.D. S YEAR AGO	SEASON T.D. <u>% CHANGE</u>
Attendance Surveys					
State Parks (Day Use)	15,055	20,338	75,986	82,067	-75.2%
State Campgrounds (Campers)	55,177	76,906	64,233	85,551	-10.1%
State Campgrounds (Occup. Rate, %)	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Private Campgrounds (Occup. Rate, %)	60.9	58.5	62.4	62.8	-4.3
Travel Attr. & Museums (Summer)	70,836	93,304	65,593	92,109	1.3%
Travel Attr. & Museums (Yr Rd) *	91,917	298,071	102,463	346,327	-13.9%

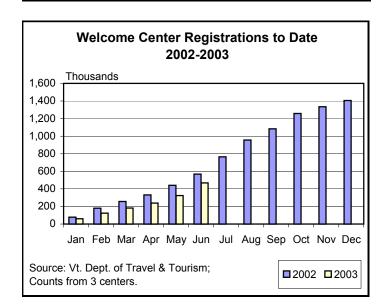
<sup>\*</sup> Based on DET survey of 9 Attractions

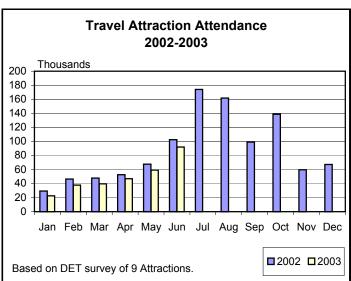












Rooms & Meals Business Receipts	CY 1st Qtr (Jan-Mar) <u>* 2003</u>	CY 4th Qtr (Oct-Dec) 2002	CY 1st Qtr (Jan-Mar) 2002	% Change <u>Last Quarter</u>	% Change <u>Last Year</u>
Taxable Room Rentals (\$Thousand)	100,593	74,996	100,623	34.1%	0.0%
Taxable Meals Sales (\$Thousand)	158,353	158,821	159,357	-0.3%	-0.6%
Taxable Beverage Sales (\$Thousand)	32,367	28,243	32,218	14.6%	0.5%

\* Numbers are preliminary.

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<sup>\*\*</sup> All Business Receipts are for the Calendar Year (CY).