

# Vermont Economic and Travel Indicators

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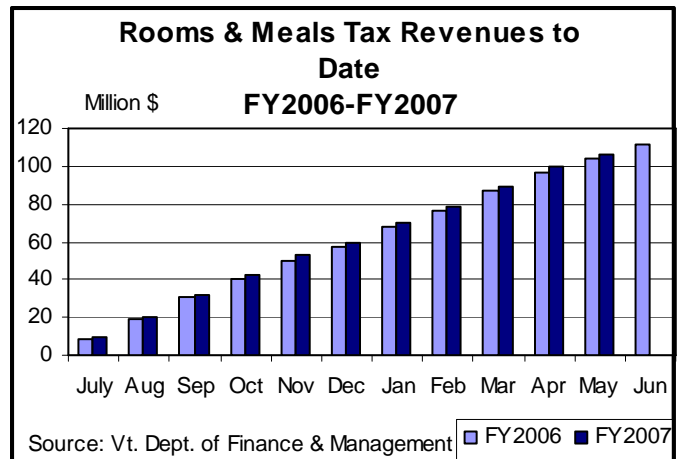
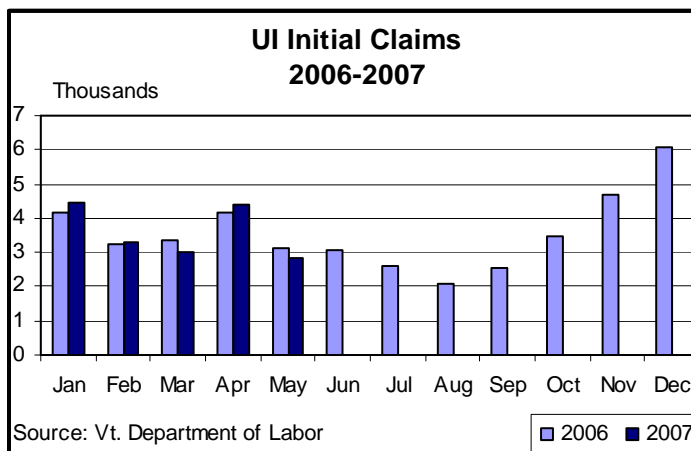
LABOR MARKET & BUSINESS ACTIVITY	CURRENT MONTH	LAST MONTH	YEAR AGO	% CHANGE LAST MONTH	% CHANGE LAST YEAR
Employment (NonFarm,S.A.,Thousand)	308.8	308.4	307.4	0.1%	0.5%
Avg. Weekly Hours (Manufacturing)	39.4	39.6	39.4	-0.5%	0.0%
Unemployment Rate (S. A. %)	3.8	3.9	3.3	-2.6%	15.2%
U.I. Initial Claims	2,849	4,378	3,099	-34.9%	-8.1%
U.I. Exhaustees	513	504	484	1.8%	6.0%
VDOL Jobs Filled (last 12 months)	1,090	1,146	1,534	-4.9%	-28.9%
Passenger Car Registrations	37,058	34,043	39,523	8.9%	-6.2%
Total Current Car Registrations	412,071	411,683	413,125	0.1%	-0.3%
Total Current Pick-Up Truck Reg.	119,791	119,916	121,777	-0.1%	-1.6%
Bank Deposits - Survey (\$Million)	5,620	5,703	5,609	-1.5%	0.2%
New Business Incorporations *	74	86	87	-14.0%	-14.9%
Airport Enplanements (B.I.A.)	55,496	60,728	52,330	-8.6%	6.1%

\* Includes "closed" corporations.

\*\* Bank Deposits adjusted to include 1 additional bank (2003-2004).

STATE TAX REVENUES (\$Million)	CURRENT MONTH	FISCAL YR TO DATE	FYTD LAST YEAR	% CHANGE LAST YEAR	% CHANGE LAST FYTD
<u>General Fund</u>	60.9	1044.0	1005.9	9.3%	3.8%
Personal Income	23.7	521.8	484.3	27.6%	7.7%
Sales & Use	16.2	204.2	200.4	3.3%	1.9%
Rooms & Meals	7.2	106.7	103.8	-0.8%	2.7%
Corporate Income	2.0	59.5	60.2	-15.3%	-1.2%
Property Transfer*	0.9	11.4	13.2	-0.8%	-13.3%
Other**	4.4	68.8	65.7	10.0%	4.7%
<u>Transportation Fund</u>	19.7	195.1	187.3	9.0%	4.2%
Gasoline	4.6	57.9	58.5	-7.3%	-1.1%
Purchase and Use	5.4	47.0	47.7	6.0%	-1.5%
Motor Vehicle Fees	6.7	57.5	50.4	16.2%	14.2%
Other	1.7	16.7	15.0	25.8%	10.8%
<u>Education Fund</u>	12.4	144.4	143.5	NA	0.6%

\* 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. **Please note that comparisons from prior year are difficult, given the change in tax component distribution from FY04 to FY05. See Secretary of Administration's press release for details.**



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<u>CONSTRUCTION</u>	CURRENT MONTH	YEAR TO DATE	YEAR AGO	YR. TO DATE LAST YEAR	YR. TO DATE % CHANGE
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Residential Building Permits

Housing Units	191	815	309	1,150	-29.1%
Estimated Value (\$Thousand)	31,932	141,704	53,405	190,777	-25.7%

	CURRENT MONTH	LAST MONTH	YEAR AGO	% CHANGE LAST MONTH	% CHANGE LAST YEAR
Construction Emp. (S.A.,Thousand)	17.5	17.5	17.3	0.0%	1.2%

<u>TRAVEL &amp; TOURISM</u>	CURRENT MONTH	LAST MONTH	YEAR AGO	% CHANGE LAST MONTH	% CHANGE LAST YEAR
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Leisure & Hospitality Emp. (SA -Thous.) *	34.2	33.9	33.9	0.9%	0.9%
Selected Traffic Volume	88,763	82,801	86,757	7.2%	2.3%

Welcome Center Counts

Guilford	61,597	46,514	63,016	32.4%	-2.3%
Fair Haven	12,481	9,953	13,413	25.4%	-6.9%
Highgate	6,652	5,338	5,806	24.6%	14.6%

\* Now NAICS based and includes sectors 71 (arts, ent., & rec.) & 72 (accommodations & food srvs). Not comparable to previous reported data.

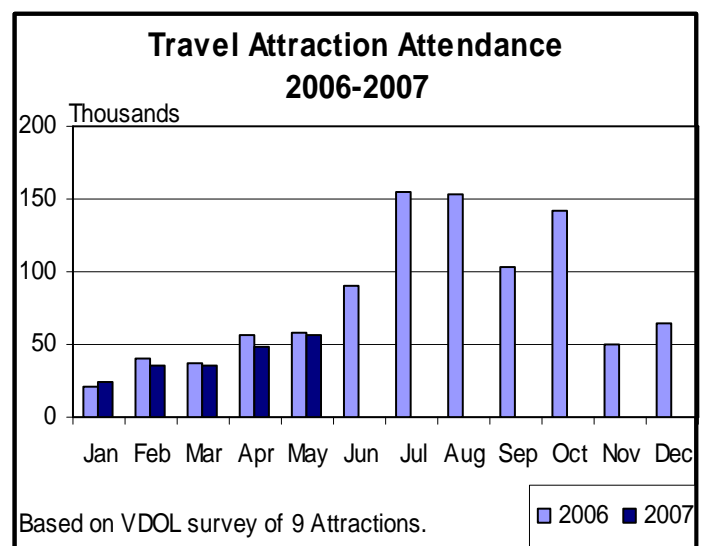
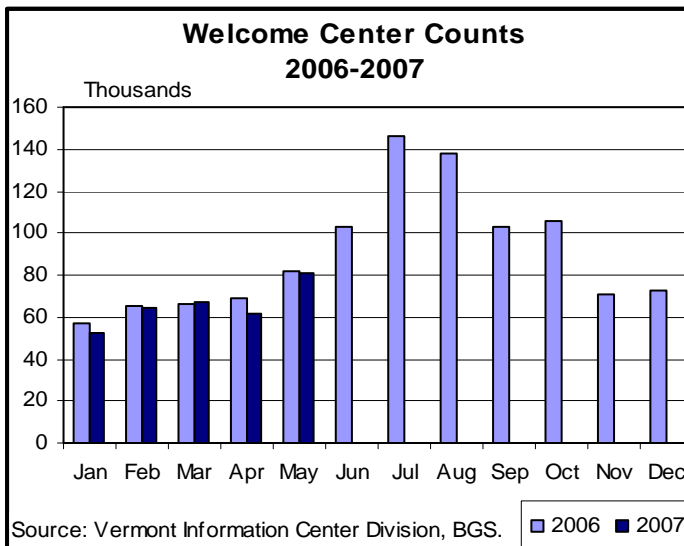
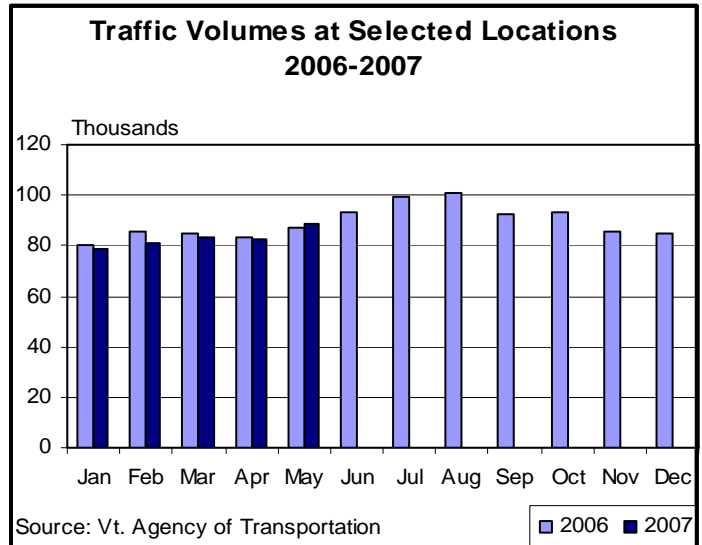
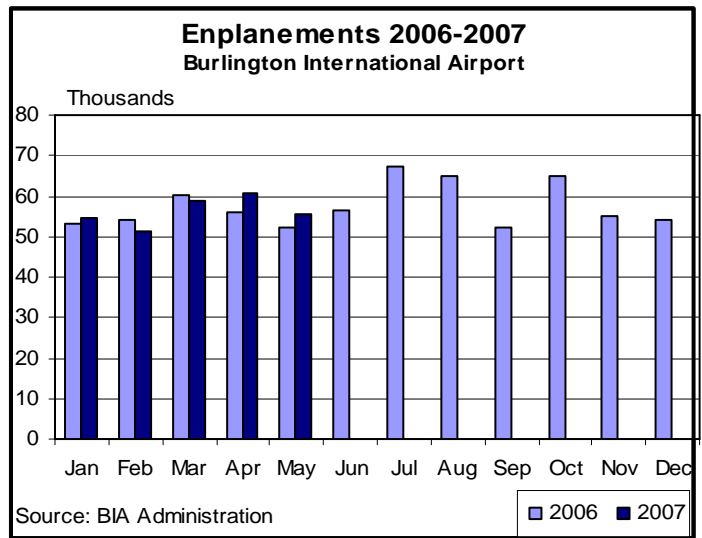
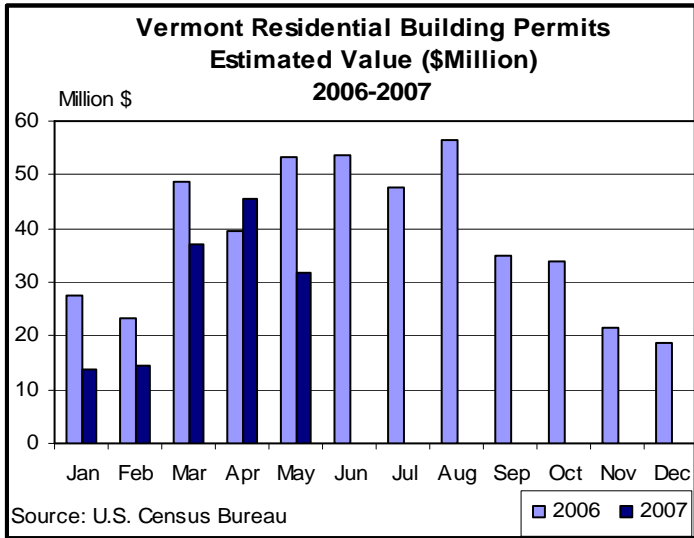
<u>SEASONAL INDICATORS</u>	CURRENT MONTH	SEASON TO DATE	YEAR AGO	SEASON T.D. YEAR AGO	SEASON T.D. % CHANGE
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Attendance Surveys

State Parks (Day Use)	11,801	11,801	11,174	11,174	5.6%
State Campgrounds (Campers)	20,960	20,960	19,964	19,964	5.0%
Travel Attr. & Museums (Summer) *	18,672	18,672	20,368	20,368	-8.3%
Travel Attr. & Museums (Yr Rd) *	57,244	209,120	57,763	211,854	-1.3%

\* Based on DET survey of 9 Attractions **NOTE: 1 attraction missing in January**

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<b>ROOMS &amp; MEALS BUSINESS RECEIPTS **</b>	<b>CY 1st Qtr (Jan-Mar) * 2007</b>	<b>CY 4th Qtr (Oct-Dec) 2006</b>	<b>CY 1st Qtr (Jan-Mar) 2006</b>	<b>% Change Last Quarter</b>	<b>% Change Last Year</b>
Taxable Room Rentals (\$Thousand)	97,181	82,147	99,870	18.3%	-2.7%
Taxable Meals Sales (\$Thousand)	187,437	188,353	184,435	-0.5%	1.6%
Taxable Beverage Sales (\$Thousand)	35,408	32,096	35,052	10.3%	1.0%

\* Numbers are preliminary.

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

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