

Church Planting Profile:

Montpelier, Vermont

Summary: Montpelier is the capital of Vermont, the smallest capital city in the nation. Its population is white, educated, and professional. Many are employed in the public sector. As a whole, the people of the state of Vermont are last in the United States in “regular” church attendance (tied with New Hampshire). Approximately 2% of the population of Washington County, of which Montpelier is a part, is evangelical. There is an Orthodox Presbyterian Church in Barre, approximately six miles south of Montpelier.



Vermont Capitol, Montpelier

Source: commons.wikimedia.org

Demographics:

City Population, 2007: 7,806

Pop. change: -1.9% since 2000

County Population, 2007: 58,926

Racial Breakdown:

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| White, non-Hispanic | 95.4% |
| Hispanic | 1.4% |
| Two or more races | 1.3% |
| American Indian | 1.0% |
| Black | 0.6% |
| Other | 0.3% |

Median Age: 40.5 (37.7 Vermont)

Age Breakdown:

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| Age 14 and under | 16.7% |
| Ages 15-24 | 13.1% |
| Ages 25-44 | 28.2% |
| Ages 45-64 | 27.0% |
| Age 65 and over | 14.9% |

Avg. Household Size: 2.1 people

Economics:

Median Household Income, 2006: \$41,600

Median House/Condo Value, 2006: \$189,600

Unemployment Rate, 9/07: 3.8%

Cost of Living, 2008 (US average = 100): 90.8

Principal Industries

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| Education/Health/Social Service | 25.4% |
| Public Administration | 12.8% |
| Arts/Entertainment/Recreation | 10.3% |
| Retail Trade | 9.7% |

Largest Employers, Central Vermont (900+)

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| State of Vermont | 9250 |
| Central Vermont Medical Center | 1178 |
| National Life Insurance Co. | 1000 |
| Sugarbush Ski Resort (in season) | 980 |

Other:

Educational Attainment Breakdown (age 25+)

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| High School or higher | 95.1% |
| Bachelor's Degree or higher | 46.8% |
| Graduate/Professional Degree | 19.9% |

Nearby Colleges and Universities:

Norwich University (2585 full-time students)

Principal Media Outlets:

Newspaper: *Burlington Free Press*
 Television: WCAX 3 (CBS), WPTZ 5 (NBC)
 Radio: WSKI 1240 AM

Average January Temperature: 19.0°

Average July Temperature: 69.0°

Average Annual Precipitation: 35.9 inches

Average Annual Snowfall: 108 inches

Montpelier and Montpelier-Area Churches:

Christ Episcopal Church (ECUSA)

www.christchurchvt.org

Bethany Church (UCC)

www.bethanychurchvt.org

Saint Augustine Parish (Roman Catholic)

www.saintaugustinechurch.com

Shepherd of the Hills Lutheran Church (ELCA)

www.christchurchburlington.org

Unitarian Church of Montpelier (UU)

www.unitarianchurchofmontpelier.org

Lighthouse Christian Church

www.lighthousechristianchurchvt.org

Covenant Presbyterian Church (OPC) [Barre]

www.copcvt.org

Middlesex United Methodist Church [Middlesex]

www.gbgn-umc.org/mdlsxvt

St. Jacob of Alaska Orthodox Ch. [Northfield Falls]

www.stjacobofalaska.org

Trinity United Methodist Church

Resurrection Baptist Church