SUPPORTING EDUCATION AND TOURISM*

VT has 2 national parks where more than 30,000 visited last year. The parks generated an estimated $1.3 million economic benefit last year; VT is also home to 1 National Heritage Area, 12 National Natural Landmarks and 17 National Historic Landmarks. www.nps.gov

VT has 2 federally-run fish hatcheries (and 5 state run,) each with its own unique characteristics. www.fws.gov

The USDA VT Farm Service Agency assists the roughly 7,000 farms in the state and helps to provide economic stability for Vermont producers. FSA provides federal program benefits such as annual operating loans and land purchases, commodity price supports, disaster relief, and conservation. www.fsa.usda.gov

Visit www.usa.gov for more ideas!

TOP THREE FEDERAL EMPLOYERS* VERMONT

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MISCELLANEOUS VERMONT FACTS

- VT employees pledged more than $1 million to charity in 2010 via the Combined Federal Campaign, our workplace giving program; www.opm.gov/cfc
- Feds often participate in, and sponsor, a range of in-kind drives annually, including toys, food, & blood drives in their communities;
- The White River Junction VA Medical Center is located on 64 acres of hillside in the Upper Connecticut River Valley. The hospital's bi-state catchment area includes 94,000 veterans (64,000 in Vermont and 30,000 in New Hampshire); www.va.gov
- VT ranks #1 on the list of top 10 states with highest number of Peace Corps volunteers per capita (9.49 per 100,000 residents.) Burlington/South Burlington ranks as the #2 city per capita with 12.02 per 100,000. www.peacecorps.gov

DID YOU KNOW?

VT houses 12 border/land ports of entry. There are 36 border crossings in the New England region as VT, ME and NH all border Canada (as do 8 other states in the US.)

The Federal Workforce by the Numbers VERMONT

Prepared by: Greater Boston Federal Executive Board
Purpose and Scope

This brochure outlines the social impact of the Federal government’s presence in Vermont from a workforce perspective.

The Federal Government is the Nation’s largest employer and among the most significant in many states across the country, including Vermont. There are more than 2.1 million Federal employees nationwide with approximately 86% located outside of the Washington, D.C. metropolitan area. 6.3% works in New England alone.

Federal employees not only administer and support a wide range of programs like food stamps and social security but also work live, and participate in their communities in many ways, both socially and economically.

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LOCAL DEMOGRAPHICS

- VT is part of the six-state New England region;
- More than 40 Federal agencies maintain a presence here;
- Upwards of 4,000 Federal retirees reside here;
- The US Postal Service employs an additional 2000;
- VT is home to more than 200,000 veterans;

NEWS!
The US Department of State opened a new Passport Agency in St. Albans in 2011, just 17 miles from the Canadian border. [www.travel.state.gov](http://www.travel.state.gov)

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FEDERAL EMPLOYMENT #’s IN NEW ENGLAND**

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NATIONAL TRENDS*

- Approximately 50% of the Federal workforce is currently eligible to retire;
- The US Government hired more than 80,000 new employees annually from 2002-2008;
- 100,000 new hires were made in both 2009 & 2010;
- The hiring trend is expected to continue through at least 2016;
- National Administration hiring priorities include ensuring increased opportunities for our Nation’s veterans; individuals with disabilities; and students (via the new Pathways Program announced in December 2010;)

*Open source information obtained from the US Office of Personnel Management; Bureau of Labor Statistics; Census Bureau; updated January 2011

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FUN FACT
Ida May Fuller of Brattleboro was the first U.S. citizen to receive a Social Security check;

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DID YOU KNOW?
President John F. Kennedy created Federal Executive Boards in 1961 as a manner in which to foster greater collaboration among Federal agencies. The Boston FEB covers VT, which also hosts an active Federal VT Executive Association. [www.feb.gov](http://www.feb.gov)

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DID YOU KNOW?
VT is the birthplace of 2 US Presidents; 20th President Chester Arthur & 30th President Calvin Coolidge

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Percentage of Federal Workforce by Region

[Image of a map showing the percentage of Federal Workforce by Region]