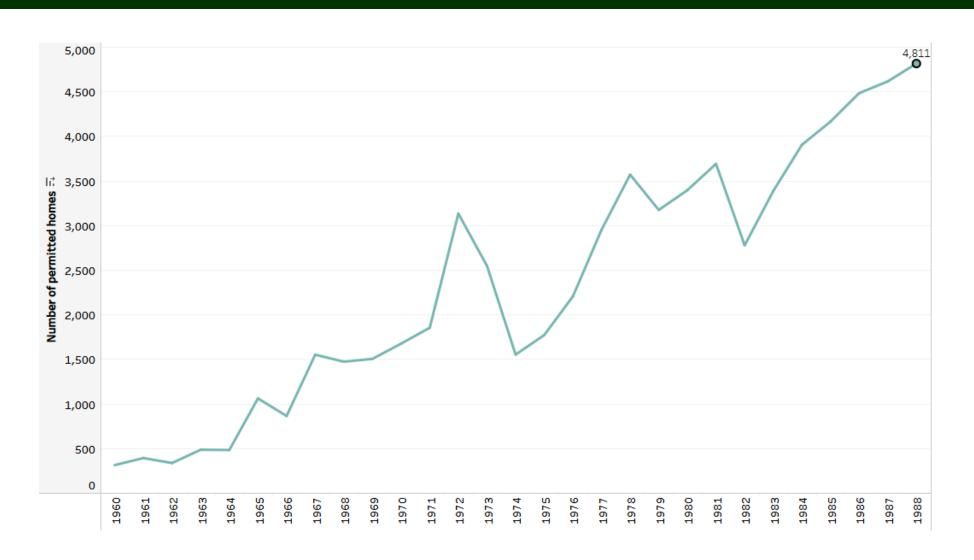


# Status of Housing in Vermont

**November 4, 2025** 



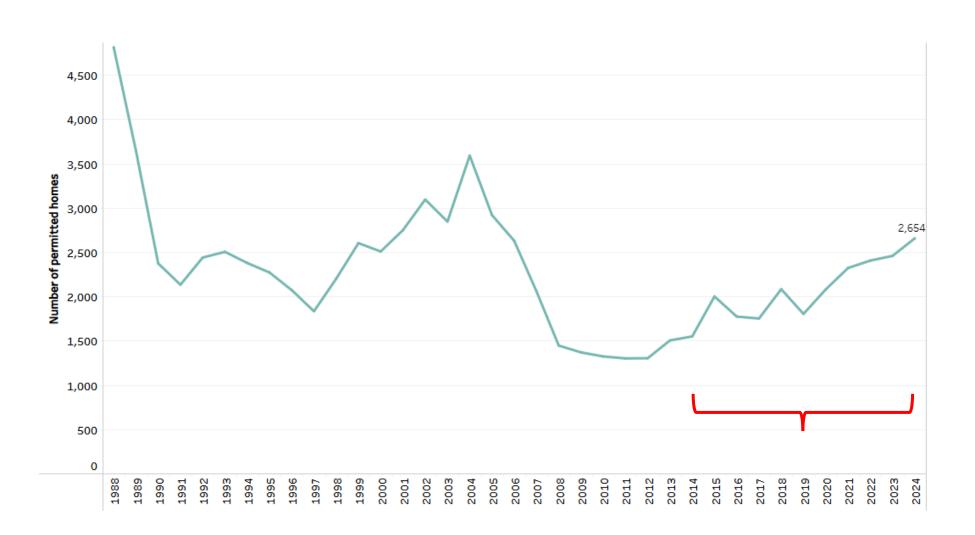
## Unit Shortage – Permitted Units 1960-1988



Number of units permitted annually in Vermont 1960-1988

Source: U.S. Census Bureau Building Permits Survey via HousingData.org

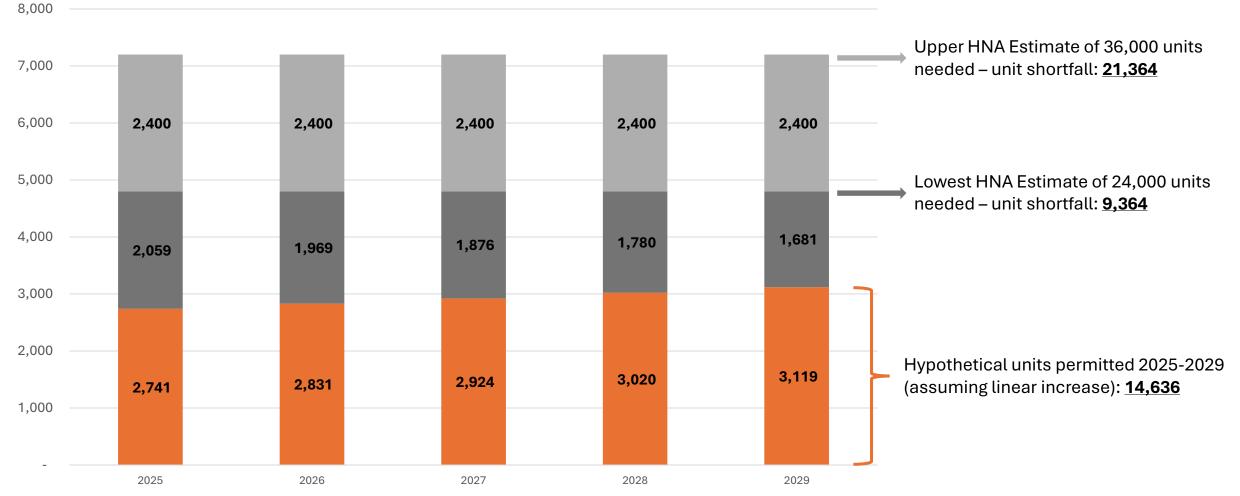
## **Unit Shortage – Permitted Units 1988-2024**



Average increase of ~3% units permitted per years over last 10 years

## **Permitted Units**





# Act 81 of 2023

- Vermont Housing Improvement Program (VHIP)
- Manufactured Housing Improvement & Repair (MHIR) program

## Vermont Housing Improvement Program - All Iterations

Since 2020, the Vermont Housing Improvement Program (VHIP) has created new affordable housing units. Administered by Vermont's five regional Homeownership Centers, these units serve Vermont's most vulnerable populations, including people exiting homelessness, refugees, survivors of domestic abuse, and people exiting foster care and incarceration. The program has gone through multiple iterations since its creation, but the commitment to expand the affordable housing stock for a minimal public investment has remained.

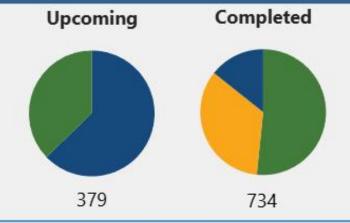


## "Proud to be part of this program!"

- Owner JRP Properties, VHIP participant in St. Johnsbury



Carriage house conversion ADU in Montpelier.



\$43.2M

Total Granted

\$36.4M

Estimated Property Owner Investment

6,745

Years of Affordability

1,113

Units Funded

\$39K

Average Award per Unit

#### Completed & Upcoming Franklin Orleans Essex Units Units Units Grand Isle Lamoille Units Caledonia 147 Chittenden Units 124 Washington Units 102 Units Addison Orange 34 Units Units Rutland Windsor 153 116 Units Units Bennington 75 Units Windham 136 Microsoft Bing © 2025 TomTom, © 2025 Microsoft Corporation Terms

## Manufactured Home Improvement & Repair Program (MHIR)

The Manufactured Home Improvement and Repair (MHIR) program supports **park improvements**, **home repairs**, and **foundation installation** in manufactured home communities in Vermont.



## **Program Totals**

**858** Total Projects Approved

**\$9M** in Approvals

155 Mobile Home Parks Have Participated

1,259 Applications Submitted

259 Site Visits Completed



### **Home Repair Awards**

Home repairs or accessibility projects that ensure occupants will remain healthily housed. Maximum award per home is \$18K.

457 Homes

\$16.5K Average Cost per Home

84 Emergency Home Repairs



#### Infill Awards

Park improvements to infill vacant or abandoned lots within a park.

Maximum award per lot is \$20K.

**151** Lots

\$15K Average per Lot



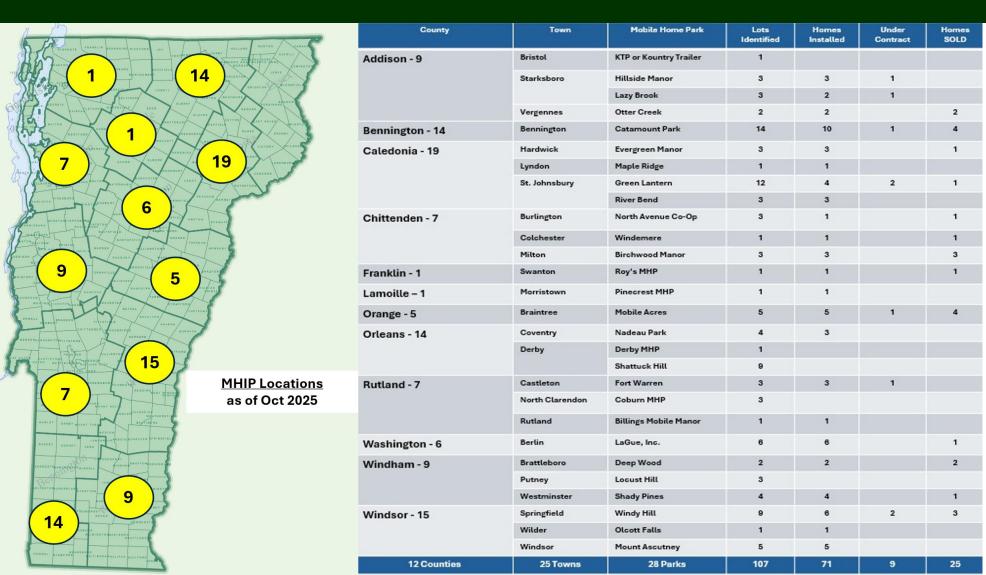
#### **Foundation Awards**

▶ Foundation, Skirting, and Utility Connections for Purchasing of a Mobile Home for a Vacant Lot. Maximum Award of \$15K.

**67** Foundations

\$14K Average per Foundation Project

## Rapid Response Mobile Home Infill Program (MHIP)



#### 612 Eligible MHIP Registrants

84% First-Time Homebuyers 68% Female 53% Between 25-45 years old 44% Experienced homelessness

#### **MHIP Lot Improvements:**

107 Identified Lots 96 improved lots

#### **MHIP Lot Improvements:**

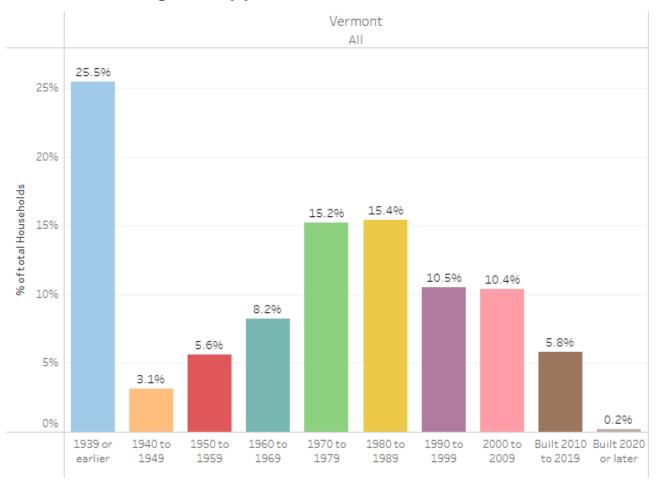
71 Installed Homes 6 homes in construction 4 homes coming online 81 homes installed by 2025 YE

25 Units Sold
14 Under Contract
Total 39 homes under contract or sold

# APPENDICIES

# What are the contributing factors?

#### Estimated housing units by year structure built



## **Aging Housing Stock**

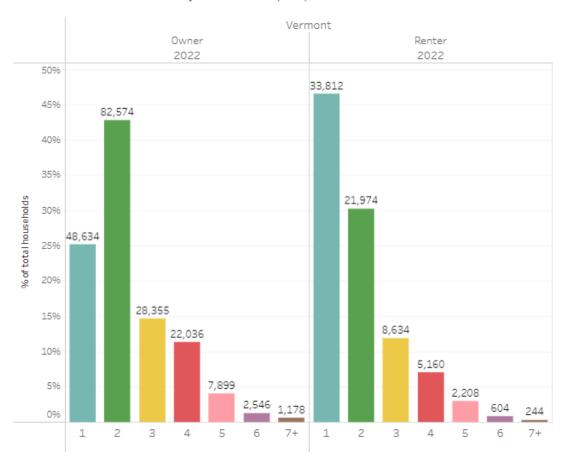
An estimated **500-600 units** (conservatively) are lost from VT's housing stock each year to deconstruction (disrepair, deferred maintenance, etc.).

Source: HUD <u>Components of Inventory Change (CINCH)</u>, 2017-2019. Housing needs projections in this report assume a 0.15% annual loss rate for both owner and renter homes to be conservative in light of the lack of state-level loss rate data.

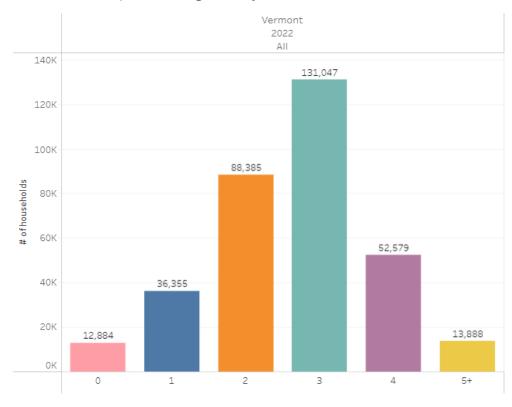
# What are the contributing factors?

## Mismatch - Housing Stock does not meet the needs of the population

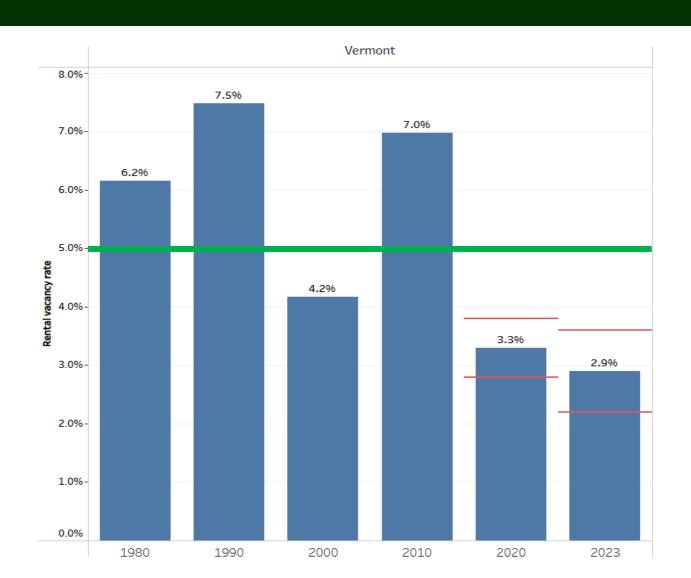
Estimated households by number of people



Estimated occupied housing units by number of bedrooms



# **Housing Shortage Indicators**



## **Low Vacancy Rates**

Healthy vacancy rates are considered to be around 5%. Because of a lack of housing stock, VT has an extremely low statewide vacancy rate.

As of 2023, the rental vacancy rate is only 2.9% in VT, and just 1.5% in Chittenden County.

# **Housing Targets**

To accommodate projected household growth and meet other current housing market needs, Vermont is likely to need to expand its total housing stock by **79,000**-172,000 homes by 2050, which will require an average annual pace of increase of 0.8-1.6% (between 3,160 and 6,880 homes per year) In 2010-2020, Vermont's housing stock increased by an average rate of 0.4% (1,178 homes per year).

Total additional home targets, 2025-2030 and 2025-2050

	2025	-2030	2025-2050			
Region	Lower	Upper	Lower	Upper		
Addison County	1,296	1,978	4,103	8,088		
Bennington County	1,453	2,188	4,483	8,836		
Central Vermont	2,540	3,864	8,045	15,856		
Chittenden County	7,301	10,537	15,783	47,407		
Lamoille County	1,387	1,959	3,359	6,621		
Mount Ascutney	1,207	1,781	3,750	7,391		
Northeastern Vermont	2,836	4,193	9,014	17,768		
Northwest Vermont	2,144	3,249	6,755	13,315		
Rutland Regional	2,707	4,065	8,100	15,965		
Two Rivers-Ottauquechee	2,424	3,640	7,692	15,162		
Windham Regional	2,571	3,730	7,933	15,635		
Vermont	27,867	41,185	79,018	172,044		

2025-2030: "Lower" assume VT year-round households increase at the 2016-2019 average annual rate of 1.02%. "Higher" assume the 2019-2022 rate of 1.77%.

2025-2050: "Lower" based on population projection. "Higher" assume VT year-round households increase at the long-term annual average rate of 1.4%.

All targets include additional projected year-round households plus homes needed to normalize vacancy rates, eliminate homelessness, replace destroyed homes, and provide a margin to address Vermont's 15% seasonal home rate.

# **Local Housing Targets - CCRPC**

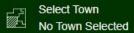
	EXISTING HOUSING	2050 HOUSING TARGET RANGES					ANNUAL HISTORIC	2050 ANNUAL #S*			
	UNITS (2023)	LOW# a	ınd %	d % MID # and %		HIGH # and %		GROWTH (2000-23)	LOW	MID	HIGH
BOLTON	550	59	11%	118	21%	177	32%	6	2	5	7
BUEL'S GORE	12	1	11%	3	21%	4	32%	0	0	0	0
BURLINGTON	18,245	3,557	19%	7,120	39%	10,683	59%	77	142	285	427
CHARLOTTE	1,643	176	11%	353	21%	530	32%	6	7	14	21
COLCHESTER	7,673	848	11%	1,697	22%	2,546	33%	39	34	68	102
ESSEX	4,889	1,233	25%	2,467	50%	3,702	76%	51	49	99	148
<b>ESSEX JUNCTION</b>	4,955	1,462	30%	2,927	59%	4,392	89%	52	58	117	176
HINESBURG	2,071	375	18%	752	36%	1,128	54%	16	15	30	45
HUNTINGTON	876	94	11%	188	21%	282	32%	6	4	8	11
JERICHO	2,014	210	10%	419	21%	629	31%	10	8	17	25
MILTON	4,515	640	14%	1,282	28%	1,923	43%	42	26	51	77
RICHMOND	1,729	202	12%	404	23%	606	35%	8	8	16	24
SHELBURNE	3,529	802	23%	1,605	45%	2,409	68%	33	32	64	96
SOUTH BURLINGTON	9,921	3,788	38%	7,583	76%	11,378	115%	142	152	303	455
ST. GEORGE	314	34	11%	67	21%	101	32%	2	1	3	4
UNDERHILL	1,313	141	11%	282	21%	423	32%	9	6	11	17
WESTFORD	899	96	11%	193	21%	290	32%	6	4	8	12
WILLISTON	4,725	1,402	30%	2,807	59%	4,212	89%	70	56	112	168
WINOOSKI	3,665	663	18%	1,327	36%	1,991	54%	27	27	53	80
COUNTY TOTAL	73,538	15,783	21%	31,595	43%	47,407	64%	602	631	1,264	1,896

#### **Housing Development Dashboard**

Measuring progress towards Vermont's 2030 Housing Targets (BETA v0.1)

 Image: Select Region

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Filter Map by Year Built 2021-Current

2025-2030

Target
41,184
Annual need: 8,237

On Pace to Build 12,204
Annual avg: 2,441



Annual Home Construction: 2021-2024 Average vs Target

