# Vermont Fish and Wildlife 2014 License Sales

PRESENT AND FUTURE TRENDS



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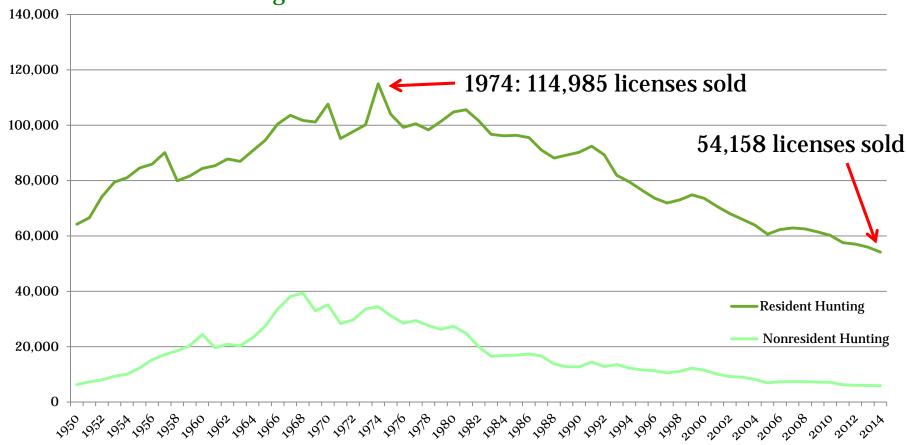
#### Background: Licenses and Permits

- Generate almost \$7 million annually
- Second largest source of revenue for the Department; 1/3 of the overall budget.
- Peak license sales:

**1974** 114,985 hunting **1982** 107,110 fishing

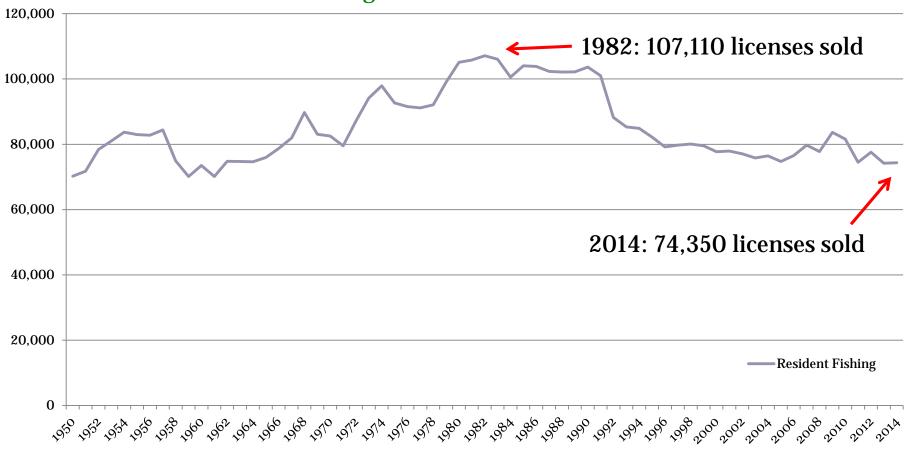
#### Historic License Sales



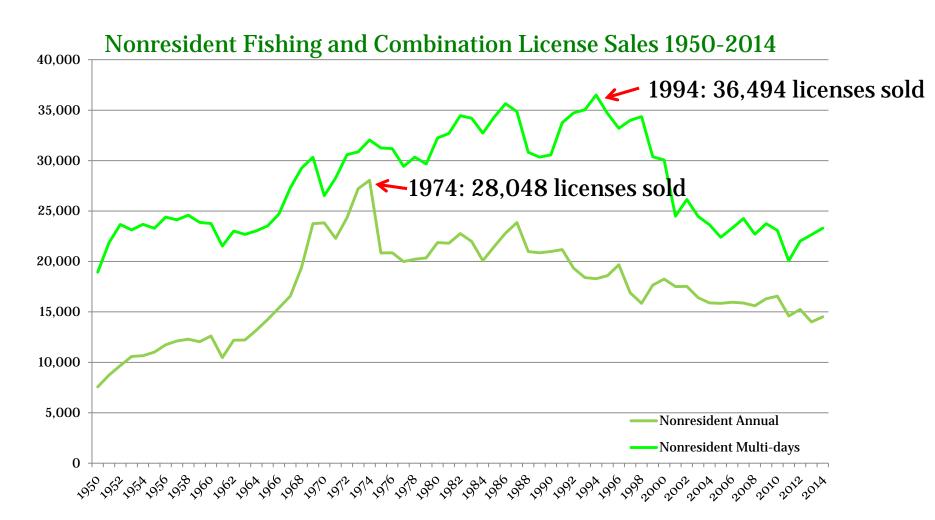


#### Historic License Sales

**Annual Resident Fishing and Combination License Sales 1950-2014** 



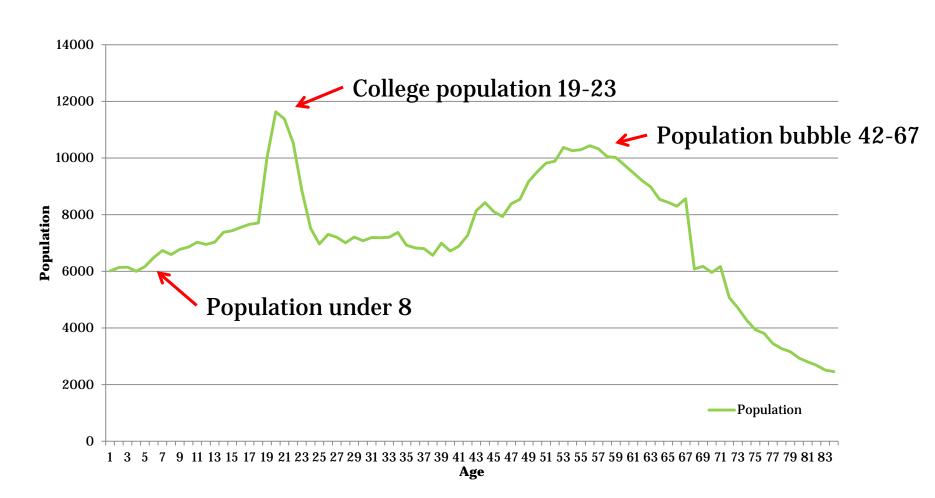
#### **Historic License Sales**



## License Sales and Population



### Vermont's Population in 2014



#### Population and License Sales



\*Please note that the left axis is for population and the right axis is for # of licenses sold\*

#### Revenues Generated by Age



#### Summary

- Majority of license buying population is between 42 and 64 years old
- Highest concentration in their mid-50s
- Hunting license sales are correlated closely with population
- Decline will likely continue based on demographic trends

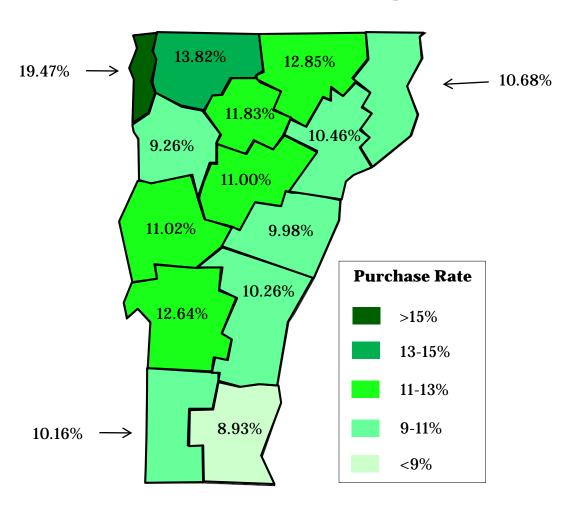
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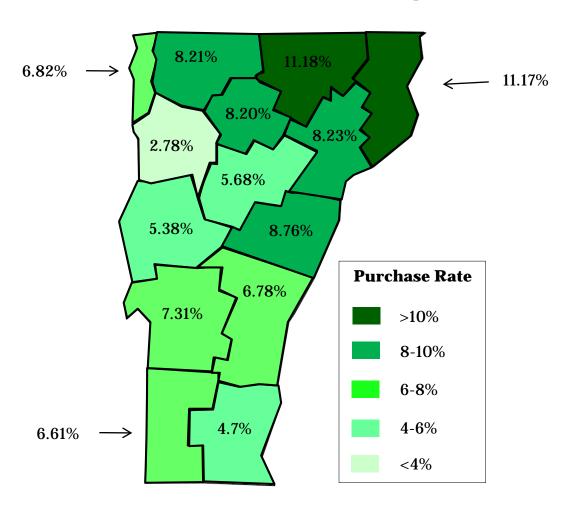
## County

County	Population Age 18-64	<b>Population Density</b>		
Addison	23,975	48 people/square mile		
Bennington	21,849	54 people/square mile		
Caledonia	19,337	48 people/square mile		
Chittenden	109,348	296 people/square mile		
Essex	3,688	9 people/square mile		
Franklin	30,694	76 people/square mile		
Grand Isle	4,443	85 people/square mile		
Lamoille	16,018	54 people/square mile		
Orange	18,153	42 people/square mile		
Orleans	16,177	39 people/square mile		
Rutland	37,921	65 people/square mile		
Washington	37,734	86 people/square mile		
Windham	27,321	56 people/square mile		
Windsor	34,071	58 people/square mile		

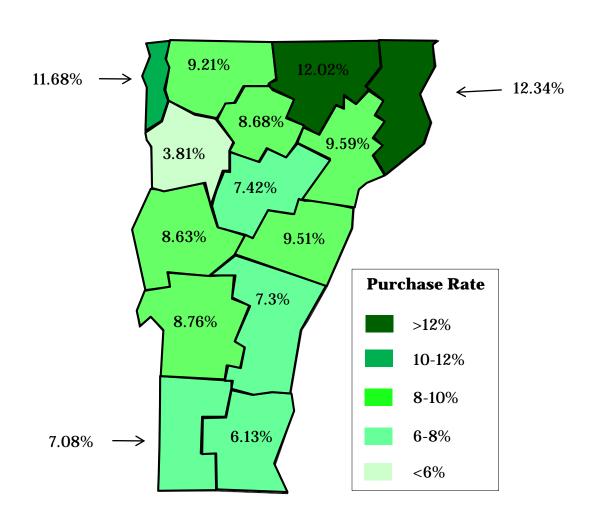
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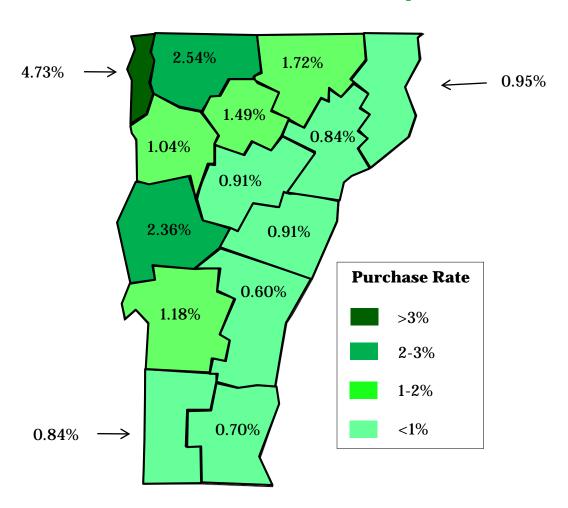
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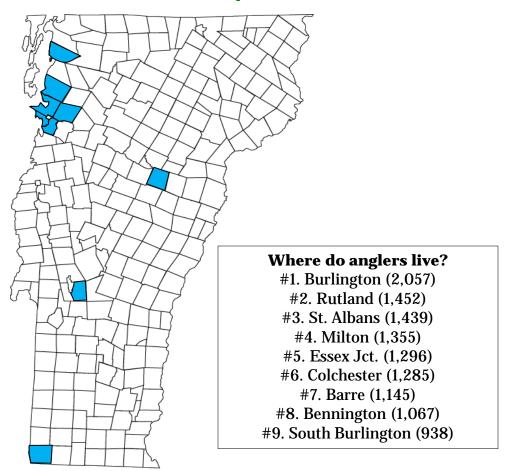
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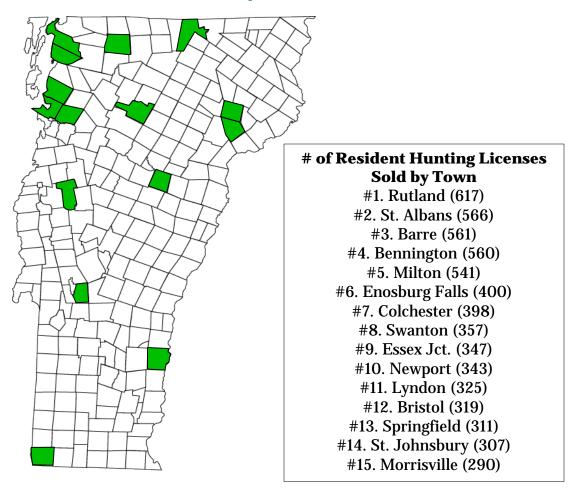
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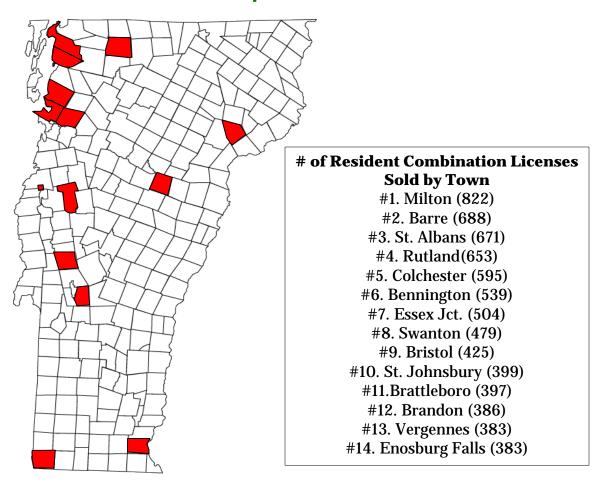
## Resident Fishing License Sales by Town Top 25% of Sales



## Resident Hunting License Sales by Town Top 25% of Sales



## Resident Combination License Sales by Town Top 25% of Sales



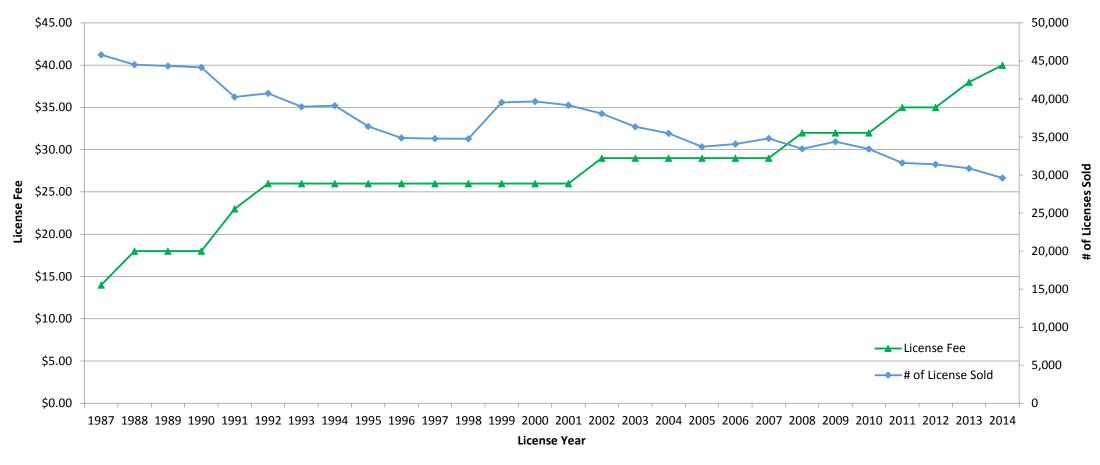
### Summary

- Resident fishing purchase rates trend higher toward northwestern Vermont.
- Resident hunting purchase rates trend higher toward northeastern Vermont.
- Waterfowl stamp purchase rates trend higher toward the Champlain Valley.
- Chittenden and Windham counties have low purchase rates for numerous licenses.

## Price Elasticity for Select F&W Licenses

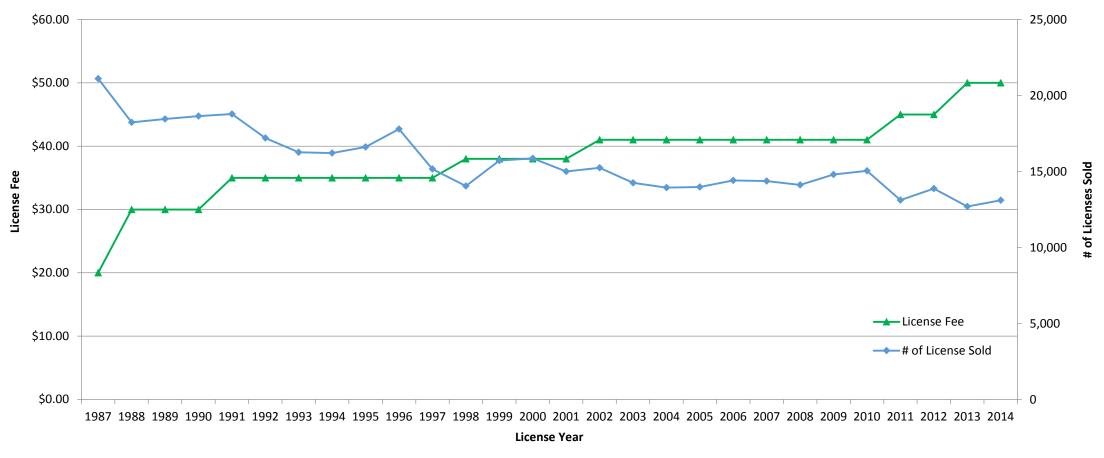


#### Resident Combination Licenses



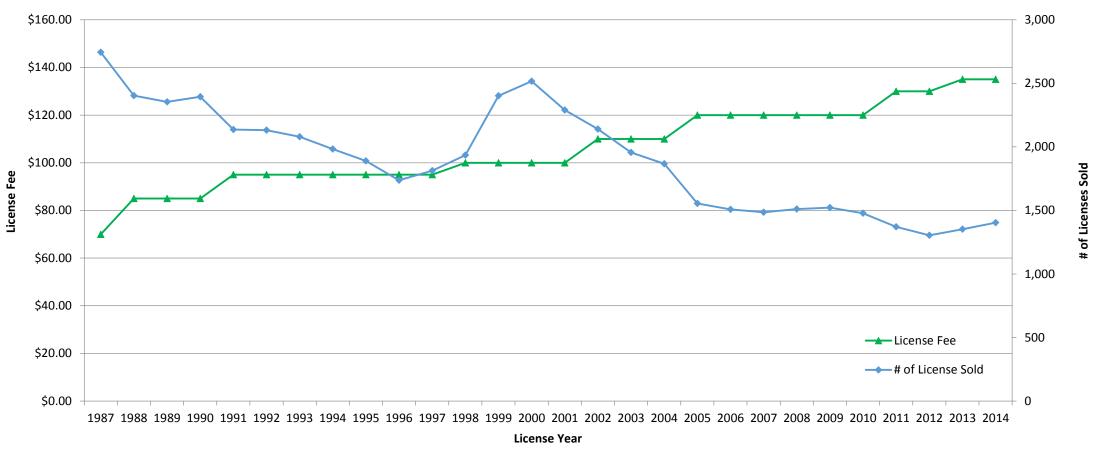
Average year over year change in the number of licenses sold for non-fee years = -0.67%Average year over year change in the number of licenses sold for fee years = -3.55%

#### Nonresident Annual Fishing Licenses



Average year over year change in the number of licenses sold for non-fee years = -0.24% Average year over year change in the number of licenses sold for fee years = -5.24%

#### Nonresident Combination Licenses



Average year over year change in the number of licenses sold for non-fee years = -1.01%Average year over year change in the number of licenses sold for fee years = -4.93%

#### Revenue Analysis of Proposed Change in Permanent License Age

	FY2015	FY2016	FY2017	FY2018	FY2019	FY2020	FY2021
Revenues from Permanent License Sales	\$ 108,850	\$ 117,626	\$ 61,200	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Revenues from Annual License Sales	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 33,711	\$ 97,443	\$ 154,779	\$ 209,266	\$ 263,429
TOTAL SALES	\$ 108,850	\$ 117,626	\$ 94,911	\$ 97,443	\$ 154,779	\$ 209,266	\$ 263,429

Sold an average of 2,169 permanent licenses annually between 2013-2015.