

Response to Questions on S.204

How many full-time employees (FTE) are used to cover the licensing and inspection of lodging establishments under current law?

The Food and Drug Administration (FDA) recommends a national standard for food and lodging programs to have 1 FTE for every 280-320 inspections.

Of the 6,067 licenses for food, lodging and food manufacturing in Vermont, 741 are lodging establishments. In 2018, the Department of Health had a total of 10.5 FTE inspectors. These inspectors are assigned to a specific geographic region of the state and are responsible for inspecting all licensed facilities within their regions (this includes lodging, restaurants and food manufacturers).