Workforce Development Programs Overview

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WD Division Resources

- Regions (5) & Positions (75)
 - Central Office: 19
 - Central Region: 8
 - Northwest Region: 12
 - Northeast Region: 6
 - Southwest Region: 15
 - Southeast Region: 7
 - Vacancies: 8

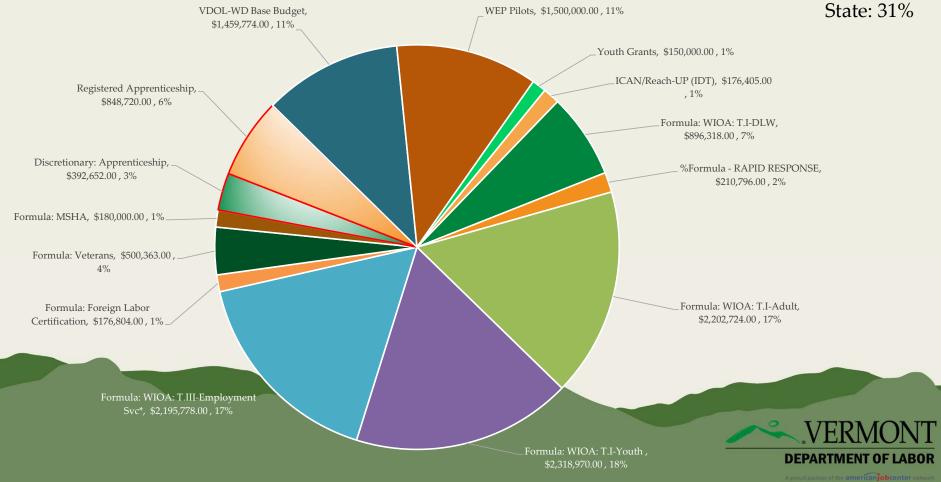
- Offices (11)
 - C Barre*
 - C Satellite (Morrisville)*
 - C White River*
 - NE Newport*
 - NE St. Johnsbury
 - NW Burlington
 - NW St. Albans*
 - SE Brattleboro*
 - SE Springfield
 - SW Bennington*
 - SW Middlebury*
 - SW Rutland*



WD Division Resources

Total: \$13,209,304

Federal: 69%



Internal Priorities

- Federal Program Compliance
- Capacity Building
- Staff Training & Development
- Leveraging Technology
- System Partner Collaboration



External Priorities

- Outreach & Communications
- Priority Service for the Unemployed
- Provision & Coordination of Services
- Developing New Training Opportunities
- Effectively Serving Businesses



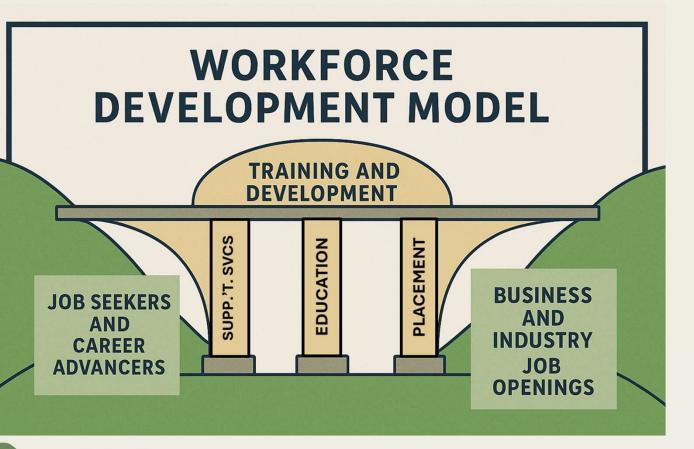
Vermont Job Link

Labor Market Information

Weekly Jobs Newsletter

Interest Assessment

Population Specific Strategies



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Job Fairs & Hiring Events

Sector Specific Strategies

OJT & Work Experiences



APRIL

Apr 16: Franklin County Apprenticeship Fair (closed)

Apr 17: River Valley Employment Fair

Apr 25: NEK Workforce Partners' Job Fair

Apr 30: National Apprenticeship Day

MAY

May 1: Middlebury Job Fest

May 7: Southeast Youth Apprenticeship Fair (closed)

May 8: Rutland Job Fest

May 9: NEK Workforce Partners' Spring Job Fest

MAY

May 15: Bennington Job Fest

May 19: Upper Valley Job Fair

May 19: Lamoille Union High School career event for seniors

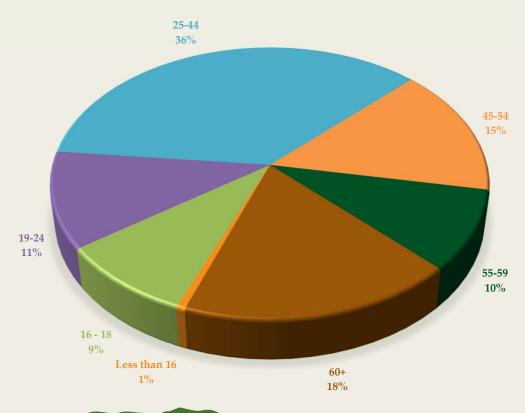
May 20: Bring Back The Trades Event





Employment Services

AGE AT PARTICIPATION





Communications & Outreach



Outreach Activities – Attracting Talent

- Military Retirements
- Collaboration with Department of Tourism & Marketing
 - GROW (Grant for Relocation Outreach Work)
- Foreign Labor Certification (H2A)
 - Migrant & Seasonal Farm Workers





Search for Green Jobs

Q job title or keywords		city, state, country or zip code	Search
Filter by Company	+	500 Jobs	Sort Relevance ▼
Filter by City	+	Senior Planning Engineer Lumen - Montpelier, VT	Apply
Filter by Title	+	Farmworkers Laborers Crop Uncle Steve's Christmas Trees - Lemington, VT	Apply
		Lead Data Scientist - Research and Development Highmark Health - Montpelier, VT	Apply
		Electronic/Navy Systems Engineer Noblis - Montpelier, VT	Apply

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Outreach Activities - Veterans

Helping Veterans with these significant barriers seek employment

Businesses and people served

- People served between (7/23/- 6/24) 488
- People served between (7/24 current) 121
- Businesses served between (7/23 6/24) 150
- Businesses served between (7/24 current) 35









Outreach Activities - Engaging Youth

Youth - Grants

- Opportunity Youth: Summer "Youth Career Connector" program next week
 - Community partner capacity
 - Outreach to "Opportunity" youth
 - Career services + paid work experiences for eligible youth



Workforce Expansion Program -Key Dates:

Website:

- labor.vermont.gov/wep
- Includes
 - Full Description of the Program and Application
 - Downloadable application documents
 - Supporting Materials

Week of April 7, 2025: **Application Period Begins**

May 6, 2025: Deadline for emailed questions

May 12, 2025, 12:00 p.m.: **Application Deadline**

By May 30, 2025: Notification of selection



Connecting Activities - Unemployed

- WD Services in Orientation Packet
- Upgrading Job Center Computers
- In-person Service Priority
 - Staff Cross-training
 - Troubleshooting "Chat"
 - "Bat Phone"

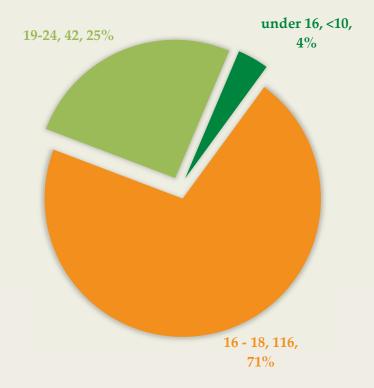


Connecting Activities: SNAP/TANF

- Individual Career Advancement Network (ICAN)
- Job Search
- Case Management
- Supportive Services



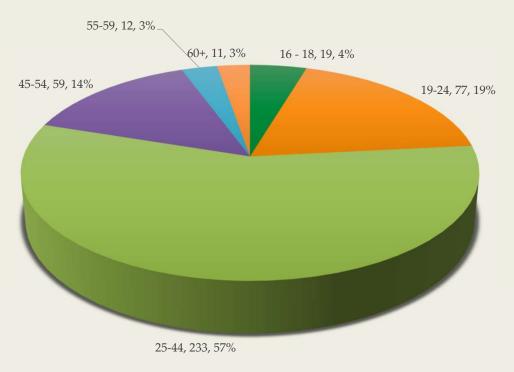
Supportive Services Youth





Supportive Services -Adult

Age at Participation - WIOA Adult

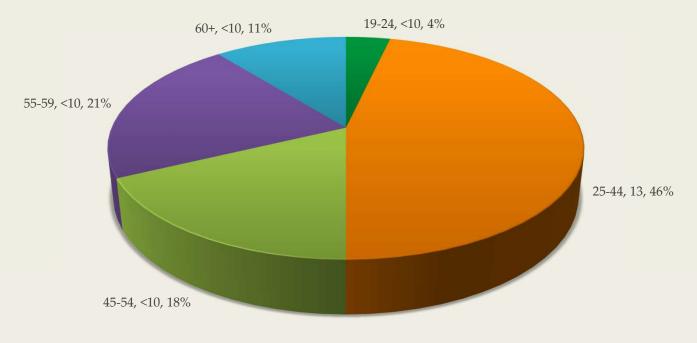


19-24 **25-**44 **45-**54 **55-**59 **60+**



Supportive Services – Dislocated Worker

Age at Participation - WIOA Dislocated Worker



■ 19-24 **■** 25-44 **■** 45-54 **■** 55-59 **■** 60+



Training Programs



Local Training Providers

- Adult Career Technical Education (ACTE) Programs:
 - Annual block grants (\$20k), providing CTE to high school students and adult learners. Helping to equip individuals with industry-relevant skills to meet labor market demands and improve employability.
 - Focus on LNA and Welding
 - Local programs address other areas



Registered Apprenticeship

- State Grants
 - VMEC
 - VTSU Randolph
- Federal Discretionary Grant year 3 of 5
 - Teacher
 - Trades
- Other Statewide Priority
 - Manufacturing

Active Apprentices:

1,633

Average Age: 26



Business Services



Business Services

Posting Jobs

Vermont Job Link

- 1,823 (Vetted) Employers Using Job Link
- 6,848 Vermont based jobs posted
- 3,567 Active Job Seeker Accounts

Layoff Support

Rapid Response

Partner with UI and VT Health Connect to help answer questions in person or virtually



Business Services

Risk Reduction

Federal Bonding

 Insurance policy for employers against larceny, embezzlement, forgery, and theft. Department purchases bonds covering up to \$5000 of loss for \$100 each through an online portal.

Pro-active Compliance

 Early April - Wage & Hour employer seminars attracted over 200 employers around the state to hear from VDOL and USDOL about wage & hour law.

Best Practice Promotion

Employer Edge Newsletter

 Highlighting Vermont employers that have changed business practices for the better that led to significant growth and improved employee retention.



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