



# Community Profile

Addison County  
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## Introduction

*“One of the most beautiful places in Vermont, and thus one of the most beautiful places in New England, Addison county [is] a place of big sky and wide horizons. The flatness of the landscape, edged on all sides by the roll of the distant mountains, is unusual in New England. Beyond that, Addison county has the richest farmland in Vermont, bar none.” ~Edie Clark, Yankee Magazine*

Nestled in the gently rolling countryside of farms and woodlands with the Green Mountains to the east and the Adirondacks to the west, Addison County is rich in lake, pastoral and mountain beauty. History comes alive and each community offers glimpses of its past along with an array of social and cultural opportunities—from concerts, museums and community plays to pancake breakfasts and strawberry festivals. In springtime wildflowers grow in profusion, making our roadsides, meadows and woodlands a welcoming garden. Nearby mountains, forests and lakes invite you to pack a picnic, enjoy swimming holes, hike the trails or camp under a sea of stars.

Our towns and villages offer inviting parks and greens, restaurants and friendly businesses. Golf, tennis, hiking and biking are some of our favorite pastimes in the summer; in winter, snowy mountains and fields are perfect for Alpine and Nordic skiing as well as snowshoeing. The golds and reds of autumn make our fall foliage season one of the most spectacular in the world.

**Facts of Life:** (*Addison County, Vermont: Wikipedia, The Free Encyclopedia, 2018*)

- Lowest elevation: 364 feet
- Highest elevation: 4,072 feet
- Latitude: 44°03’N
- Longitude: 73°07’W
- 808 square miles
- 47 persons per square mile
- Area code for Vermont is 802

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## Finding Addison County

Addison County is located on the western side of Vermont bordering the southern end of Lake Champlain. Middlebury is the approximate geographical center of Addison County.

Approximate distances to reach us:

Burlington:	34 miles to the north
Rutland:	35 miles to the south
Boston:	200 miles
Albany:	125 miles
New York City:	265 miles
Manchester, NH:	150 miles
Montreal, Canada:	132 miles

Nearby Rutland and Burlington, Vermont are served by Amtrak, commercial airlines, and scheduled bus service.

## Population *(United States Census Bureau)*

	2016	2014	2012	2010
Bristol	3,906	3,918	3,788	3,894
Middlebury	8,654	8,545	8,183	8,496
Vergennes	2,599	2,597	2,741	2,588
All other towns	21,876	22,564	22,033	21,843
All Addison County	37,035	37,624	36,745	36,821

## Summary Demographics

*(Quickfacts Addison County, Vermont: United States Census Bureau, 2017)*

Number of households	14,429
Median household income	\$61,020
Age distribution	
18 and under	21.6%
Ages 19-64	59.3%
65 and over	19.1%
Education (Population 25 years and older)	
High school grad/some college	92.5%
College graduate	35.8%

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## Climate

The weather is always changing and sometimes difficult to predict, but the climate is steadier. Vermont's climate is classified as Continental Moist. This means that our summers are usually mild and our winters are cold. Precipitation is moderate in all seasons. Vermont has four distinct seasons.

The amount of snow Vermont receives varies from winter to winter and from one region of the state to another. The lower elevations near Lake Champlain receive about 60 inches of snow each year. Up to 120 inches of snow may fall each year in the southern Green Mountains. The average temperature for the winter season is 22 degrees F. The cold weather is broken up by thaws when temperatures reach 40 or 50 degrees F. and the snow melts.

Toward the end of March, signs of spring appear, such as patches of bare ground and precipitation in the form of rain instead of snow. Melting snow and rain can cause rivers and streams to overflow. Vermont often experiences floods at this time of the year as well as "mud season".

Summer is a pleasant season in Vermont with very few days reaching above 90 degrees F. This is also the season of quickly moving thunderstorms that can bring damaging hail, wind, and rain. The vast majority of summer days have temperatures in the 70's and 80's.

Fall in Vermont is considered by many people to be the most beautiful season. This is the time of the year when the leaves change color. The hills and valleys become a red and gold wonderland. Most Vermonters have heard about Indian summer. It is a warming trend of dry, moderate weather conditions that lasts for several days. The timing of Indian summer varies from year to year; however, to be a true Indian summer it must occur after the first frost.

### Weather Statistics *(Climate Vermont - Burlington: U.S. Climate Data, 2017)*

Month	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Year
Avg. Temp (F)	18.7	21.5	31.0	44.8	56.3	65.8	70.6	68.8	60.5	48.1	38.2	25.8	46.0
Avg. Highs (F)	27.2	30.6	40.0	54.7	67.2	76.3	80.9	79.0	70.4	57.2	45.5	33.2	55.3
Avg. Lows (F)	10.2	12.5	22.0	34.8	45.4	55.3	60.3	58.5	50.7	39.1	30.9	18.5	36.6
Avg. Precip (in)	2.06	1.76	2.2	2.8	3.5	3.7	4.2	3.9	3.6	3.6	3.1	2.4	36.8
Avg. Snow (in)	21.1	16.4	15.8	4.6	TR	0	0	0	TR	0.3	5.1	17.9	81.2

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## Transportation

Addison County is accessible by several routes. Route 7 is the major north/south highway running the entire length of the state. Other routes coming in and out of Addison County include: 17, 22A, 23, 30, 116, 73, 74, 100 and 125.

### Bus

Addison County Transit Resources (ACTR): Regional bus service.

Serving Bristol, Vergennes and Middlebury with limited service to Burlington.

Website: [www.actr-vt.org](http://www.actr-vt.org)

Phone: 802-388-2287

Green Mountain Transit (GMT): GMT is the public transit provider in Northwestern & Central, VT. LINK Express routes serve Montpelier, Middlebury, and St. Albans commuters.

Website: [www.ridegmt.com](http://www.ridegmt.com)

Phone: 802-864-2282

Vermont Translines: Daily motor coach service connecting Vermont to Albany Airport, Rutland, Vt. and Hanover, N.H.

Website: [www.vttranslines.com](http://www.vttranslines.com)

Phone: 844-888-7267

### Private Coach/Limo

Middlebury Transportation: Custom ground transportation by reservation from your home or office to Burlington Albany, Manchester, N.H., Montreal and New York City area airports as well as all regional Amtrak stations.

Website: [www.middleburytransportation.com](http://www.middleburytransportation.com)

Phone: 802-388-3838 or 1-800-388-1002

### Rail

AMTRAK Passenger Train: Ethan Allen Express, Vermonter, and Adirondack services connect Vermont to New England, New York and beyond. Nearest stations are Essex Jct, Rutland and Randolph, VT or Ticonderoga and Port Henry, NY.

Website: [www.amtrak.com](http://www.amtrak.com)

Phone: 1-800-USA-RAIL

### Air

Burlington International Airport: Vermont's only international airport with commercial flights, and charter and private aircraft from both the U.S. and Canada.

Website: [www.btv.aero](http://www.btv.aero)

Phone: 802-863-2874

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Rutland Southern Vermont Regional Airport: Less than 30 minutes from central and southern Vermont locations such as Manchester, Brandon, Castleton, Killington and Okemo.

Website: [www.flyrutlandvt.com](http://www.flyrutlandvt.com)

Phone: 802-786-8881

Middlebury State Airport: A small community airport, for private planes only, is located 3 miles southeast of Middlebury.

Website: <http://aviation.vermont.gov/airports/middlebury>

Phone: 802-388-2022

### **Water**

Fort Ticonderoga Ferry: A seasonal scenic, historic shortcut across Lake Champlain. It provides continuous seven-minute trips between Shoreham, VT and Ticonderoga, NY.

Website: [www.forttiferry.com](http://www.forttiferry.com)

Phone: 802-897-7999

Lake Champlain Transportation Company Ferries: From Grand Isle, VT to Plattsburgh, NY; Burlington, VT to Port Kent, NY; and Charlotte, VT to Essex, NY.

Website: [www.ferries.com](http://www.ferries.com)

Phone: 802-864-9804

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## Utilities

### Electricity

Green Mountain Power Corp. 888-835-4672

### Propane

All Star Fuels, Bristol 802-453-3101

Blue Flame Gas 866-279-9525

**Fyles Brothers, Orwell 802-948-2300**

**Jackman Fuels, Vergennes 802-877-2661**

Jackman's Inc., Bristol 802-453-2381

**Suburban Propane, Rutland 802-775-2357**

### Heating Oil

All Star Fuels, Bristol 802-453-3101

B&W Fuels Inc., New Haven 802-453-3131

**Champlain Valley Plumbing & Heating, Bristol 802-453-2325**

**Champlain Valley Plumbing & Heating, Middlebury 802-388-4975**

**Jackman Fuels, Vergennes 802-877-2661**

Jackman's Inc., Bristol 802-453-2381

**MacIntyre Services, Middlebury 802-388-9260**

**Mike's Fuels, Bridport 802-758-3835**

**Suburban Propane, Rutland 802-775-2357**

### Telephone

Comcast 800-COMCAST

Consolidated Communications 877-212-7445

OTT Communications 877-643-6246

**Waitsfield and Champlain Valley Telecom 800-496-3391**

### Cable Television

Comcast 800-COMCAST

DirectTV 888-777-2454

DISH 844-897-0845

### Internet Service Providers

Comcast 800-COMCAST

Consolidated Communications 877-212-7445

**Green Mountain Access 888-321-0815**

Sovernet Communications 877-877-2120

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### Solid Waste

**Addison County Solid Waste Management District** 802-388-2333

### Trash/Recycling Pickup

**Casella Waste Management** 800-796-4515

PDS Waste Management 802-453-7548

### Recycling

**Addison County Solid Waste Management District** 802-388-2333

Or call your town clerk's office for drop off times and location.

Many towns have other haulers in addition to the larger companies listed above. See a list of other haulers and the towns they serve at: <http://www.addisoncountycycles.org/articles/list-of-licensed-haulers/>.

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## Education

Vermont is known nationwide for its accomplishments in setting and assessing high academic standards for its public schools. Beyond secondary education, Addison County is home to Middlebury College, considered one of the most outstanding small, private liberal arts colleges in the country.

For the adult learner, there are numerous opportunities and resources available through cooperative efforts established by education and business.

### Elementary and Secondary Education

There are five school districts that serve the communities of Addison County. Many towns in Addison County offer preschools and all have elementary education programs. For secondary education students go on to consolidated school districts which serve neighboring communities. The Patricia A. Hannaford Career Center offers an integrated work and learning program to students in three of these supervisory unions. In addition to these public schools, there are private schools for students at all grade levels.

See the addendum with this document for contact information for all area schools.

### *Public School Student Enrollment*

School Supervisory Union	Towns	# of students (PK-12)
Addison Central	Bridport, Cornwall, Middlebury, Ripton, Salisbury, Shoreham, Weybridge	1900
Addison Northeast	Bristol, Lincoln, Monkton, New Haven, Starksboro	1506
Addison Northwest	Addison, Ferrisburgh, Panton, Vergennes, Waltham	964
Addison Rutland	Orwell	142
Rutland Northeast	Brandon, Leicester, Whiting	120

*(State of Vermont Agency of Education: School Report, Enrollment Report, 2017-2018)*

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### *High School Completion Rates*

School	% Completion
Middlebury Union High School	89.51%
Mount Abraham Union High School (Bristol)	91.23%
Vergennes Union High School	96.30%

*(State of Vermont Agency of Education: School Report, 2016-2017)*

### Higher Education

Addison County residents have access to many higher educational institutions. The University of Vermont, Champlain College, Saint Michael's College, Burlington College, Castleton State College, and Vermont Technical College are within close proximity to Addison County. Middlebury College and Community College of Vermont are both located within the county.

### Middlebury College

Since its founding in 1800 Middlebury has developed from “the town’s college” into an institution of international renown. In addition to undergraduate and graduate degree programs it hosts the summer Language Schools and the respected Bread Loaf School of English and Writers’ Conference. [www.middlebury.edu](http://www.middlebury.edu)

### Community College of Vermont

The Community College of Vermont (CCV) was founded in 1970 and merged with the Vermont State College system in 1972. Over the years CCV has received national recognition for its innovative programs and its unique way of bringing college learning to residents of Vermont. Today the CCV serves approximately 7,000 students per semester, making its enrollment the second largest of any college in the state. [www.ccv.edu](http://www.ccv.edu)

### Northlands Job Corps

Job Corps is a no-cost education and career technical training program administered by the U.S. Department of Labor that helps young people ages 16-24 improve the quality of their lives. <https://northlands.jobcorps.gov>

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## Housing

Average Purchase Prices: (Primary residences, 2015)

- Single Family: \$268,211
- Condominium: \$148,548
- Mobile home with land: \$102,822

Median Rental Prices: (Fair Market Rent: HUD User, 2018)

- Studio: \$784
- 1 BR: \$870
- 2 BR: \$1,021
- 3 BR: \$1,315
- 4 BR: \$1,580

## Healthcare

Addison County is fortunate to have access to high quality health care. UVM Health Network - Porter Medical Center is centrally located in Middlebury and Fletcher Allen Health Care in Burlington (affiliated with the University of Vermont) is within an hour's drive. Dartmouth Hitchcock Medical Center (affiliated with Dartmouth College) in Hanover New Hampshire is a 90 minute drive.

UVM Health Network - Porter Medical Center is a fully accredited medical facility serving all of Addison County and adjoining areas of Vermont and New York State. The facility is comprised of a 25-bed acute care facility, a 105 bed skilled nursing facility which includes a memory care unit, short-term rehabilitation unit and a long-term care unit. Porter operates a network of primary care and specialty medical practices throughout Addison county and the town of Brandon, as well as an infusion center and "Porter ExpressCare". ExpressCare is a walk-in care clinic for adults and children over age 2 with minor illnesses or injuries who are unable to get an immediate appointment with their primary care doctor.

Dental care, eye care, home health and hospice care services are available throughout the county. The Counseling Service of Addison County and privately practicing counselors provide individual and family counseling. Residents also have their choice of chiropractic, holistic health and nutritional counseling services and many other types of health care options.

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### Town of Middlebury – Shire Town of Addison County

Middlebury, the shire town of Addison County, was chartered in 1761 and was settled just after the Revolutionary War. Today, the village is listed on the National Register of Historic Places and is home to many shops, businesses and architecturally distinguished churches and public buildings. It is the largest community in the county with a population of approximately 8,500.

It is comprised of 39 square miles located in the west central part of Vermont. As the shire town, Middlebury is home to many of the state services in the county, such as the Superior, Family and District Courts, UVM Health Network - Porter Medical Center, Department for Children and Families, employment and Economic Services offices. It is also the center for education, business and industry in this part of the state. The town has a village center where most services, retail, housing and industry are located. The remainder of the community is made up of scattered housing developments, agricultural land and the village of East Middlebury.

#### Emergency Services:

- Police: 13 full-time officers; 2 part-time officers
- Fire: 34 firefighters
- Ambulance: 40+ staff members (Middlebury Regional EMS provides 24-hour emergency and non-emergency patient transport, heavy rescue, and other EMS related services to most of Addison County and beyond.)

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## Government

There are 22 towns and one city in Addison County, each with its own government. The three largest communities are the towns of Bristol, Middlebury and the City of Vergennes. For information on tax information, zoning, building permits, and licenses, contact the individual town offices. A complete listing of contact information and office hours for each town clerk is available on our website. <https://www.addisoncounty.com/town-clerks>

Town clerks are responsible for the record keeping of deeds, land records, notes and liens, mortgages, property transfers, voter registration, vital statistics and licenses.

Vermont town meeting, essentially the town legislature, is a tradition dating back to before there was a Vermont. The first town meeting was held in Bennington in 1762, 15 years before Vermont was created. On Town Meeting Day, the first Tuesday in March, citizens across Vermont come together in their communities to discuss the business of their towns, elect local officials and vote on budgets. For more than 200 years Town Meeting Day, also a state holiday, has been an important political event as well as a time for neighbors to discuss the civic issues of their community, state, and nation.

Addison County is represented in the state legislature by nine representatives and two senators. Vermont sends two senators and one representative to the U.S. Congress. A complete listing of state and federal representatives is available on our website. <https://www.addisoncounty.com/local-state-govt>

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### **Tax Structure** (*Department of Taxes: Local Option Tax, 2018; Participating Municipalities, 2018*)

- Vermont sales tax: 6% (Middlebury only 6% + 1% local option tax)
- Room & meals tax: 9% (Middlebury only 9% + 1% local option tax)
- Alcohol: 10% (Middlebury only 10% + 1% local option tax)
- Income tax: Rates are assessed over six tax brackets.

### For single taxpayers: (*Department of Taxes, 2017*)

- 3.55 percent on the first \$37,900 of taxable income
- 6.8 percent on taxable income between \$37,900 and \$75,000
- 6.8 percent on taxable income between \$75,000 and \$91,850
- 7.8 percent on taxable income between \$91,850 and \$191,650
- 8.8 percent on taxable income between \$191,650 and \$416,650
- 8.95 percent on taxable income of \$416,650 and above.

### For married persons filing joint returns:

- 3.55 percent on the first \$63,300 of taxable income
- 6.8 percent on taxable income between \$63,300 and \$75,000
- 6.8 percent on taxable income between \$75,000 and \$153,100
- 7.8 percent on taxable income between \$153,100 and \$233,300
- 8.8 percent on taxable income between \$233,300 and \$416,650
- 8.95 percent on taxable income of \$416,650 and above.

## Property Tax

Property is assessed at the municipal local level. The legislative body of the municipality (selectboard or alderboard) sets a tax rate or rates to raise money for highways and other necessary municipal expenses. There are also provisions for levying of taxes in villages and fire districts.

For the purpose of education funding, all real property is classified as either homestead or non-residential. A statewide education tax is imposed on these two classes of property at different rates. The homestead education tax rate in each municipality depends upon the local per pupil spending. Both the homestead and non-residential education tax rates are adjusted by the local common level of appraisal.

Contact your town clerk's office for current tax rates. A list of all town clerks can be found on our website. <https://www.addisoncounty.com/town-clerks>

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### Financial Institutions

Bank	Address	Town/City	Phone #
<b>Citizens Bank</b> <i>www.citizensbank.com</i>	36 Middle Road 186 Main Street	Middlebury Vergennes	802-388-6791 802-877-6818
<b>Community Bank</b> <i>www.communitybankna.com</i>	15 West Street 25 Monkton Road	Bristol Vergennes	802-453-2371 802-877-3143
<b>First National Bank of Orwell</b> <i>www.fnborwell.com</i>	441 Main Street 2936 Route 22A	Orwell Shoreham	802-948-2811 802-897-2265
<b>Key Bank NA</b> <i>www.key.com</i>	47 Creek Road	Middlebury	802-388-4031
<b>National Bank of Middlebury</b> 877-508-8455 <i>www.nbmvt.com</i>	30 Main Street 15 Seymour Street 240 Court Street 140 Commerce Street 29 Green Street 28 Main Street	Middlebury Middlebury Middlebury Hinesburg Vergennes Bristol	802-388-4982
<b>One Credit Union</b> <i>www.onecu.org</i>	7 Green Street	Vergennes	802-877-0018
<b>People's United Bank</b> <i>www.peoplesunited.com</i>	114 South Village Green 3 North Maple Street 69 Monkton Road	Middlebury Vergennes Ferrisburgh	802-388-6316 802-877-3111 802-877-3827
<b>Vermont Federal Credit Union</b> <i>www.vermontfederal.org</i>	1 Court Street 100 Panton Road, UTC	Middlebury Vergennes	888-252-0202 802-877-4540

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## Economics

Addison County is largely rural, but is the home to the towns of Middlebury, the county’s shire town; Bristol, a gateway to the Green Mountains; and Vergennes, Vermont’s oldest and smallest city. Middlebury is the primary population and job center within the county, which is home to more than a quarter of the county’s population.

Addison County is an agricultural leader in Vermont. It has the most farm acreage in the state, and continues to lead the state in the value of agricultural products sold. This is mainly through dairy operations, but also by well-established apple orchards within the county. The area is also noted for contributing to the state’s total hardwood production.

The Champlain Valley has long been noted for its dairy farms and agricultural harvests—hence its reputation as the “land of milk and honey.” Today, milk production and fruit products remain a mainstay of the economy. The many acres of forests are a source of raw materials for sawmills and wood product companies. Numerous light manufacturing plants produce paper products, beer, cheese products, construction materials, furniture, and other goods. Addison County is also home to magazine and book publishers, artists, advertising agencies, architects, illustrators, designers, writers and other professionals. This mix of people is served by a variety of small retail and service businesses.

## Major Employers

*(ELMI Employer Database: Vermont Department of Labor, 2018)*

Employer	Location
Middlebury College	Middlebury
UTC Aerospace Systems	Vergennes
UVM Health Network - Porter Medical Center	Middlebury
Addison Central Supervisory Union	Middlebury
Addison Northeast Supervisory Union	Bristol
Addison Northwest School District	Vergennes
Counseling Service of Addison County	Middlebury
Addison County Home Health & Hospice	New Haven
Northlands Job Corps Center	Vergennes
Cabot Creamery	Middlebury
JP Carrara & Sons	Middlebury
Casella Waste Systems	Middlebury
Basin Harbor Resort	Vergennes
Bet-cha Transit	Middlebury
A. Johnson Company	Bristol
Co-op Insurance	Middlebury
National Bank of Middlebury	Middlebury
The Dock Doctors	Ferrisburgh
The Residence at Otter Creek	Middlebury
Bread Loaf Corporation	Middlebury

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### Recreation

Enjoy all-season recreational opportunities. The Green Mountain National Forest (includes more than 500 miles of trails extending two-thirds the length of Vermont. These trails offer endless opportunities to explore the outdoors in any season. The Vermont State Parks and the U.S. Forest Service expand the recreational opportunities by providing camping, boating, hiking, fishing, hunting, birding and recreational areas. [www.fs.usda.gov/gmfl](http://www.fs.usda.gov/gmfl)

Nestled in the Green Mountain National Forest is the Moosalamoo Region—16,000 acres of public and private land devoted to providing public access for outdoor recreational opportunities. There are over 70 miles of well-maintained trails for hiking, skiing, snowshoeing, as well as biking, horseback riding, and snowmobiling. Hiking in the Moosalamoo Region offers everything from wilderness solitude to views of waterfalls, lakes, mountains, and scenic vistas. [www.moosalamoo.org](http://www.moosalamoo.org)

The Middlebury Area Land Trust “Trail Around Middlebury” (TAM) has conserved acres of farm and woodlands to create accessible biking, running, walking and hiking trails. The clear lakes and rivers in Addison County invite swimming, canoeing, kayaking, sailing and boating adventures. These special places give you a chance to get away from it all. [www.maltvt.org](http://www.maltvt.org)

Vermonters exemplify the motto “work hard, play hard.” The accessibility of recreational opportunities makes many Vermonters fitness and outdoor enthusiasts. When snow covers the land, skiers of all abilities will find groomed cross-country trails at the Rikert Nordic Center located on the Middlebury College Bread Loaf Campus and the Ralph Myhre Golf Course adjacent to the College’s main campus. The Middlebury College Snow Bowl offers challenging alpine skiing and snowboarding. Snowy mountains and fields are also perfect for snowshoeing and snowmobiling. Logging and hiking routes abound for those who like to blaze their own trails.

There are many golf courses in the area as well as tennis, swimming, skating, hockey, horseback riding, and indoor workout facilities. Organized sports, outings and races abound and our sporting goods stores and tack shops are prepared to outfit sports enthusiasts of any age, interest and ability.

For more information, visit our website for a complete list of activities and things to do.

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## Lodging/Hospitality

Whether you're visiting Addison County for a long weekend, extended vacation or Middlebury College function such as graduation or parents' weekend, the region is home to a variety of lodging properties to fit any style and budget. You could stay at a resort on the shores of Lake Champlain, an in-town bed and breakfast in Middlebury or rent a cabin in the woods—there are many choices.

There are approximately 700 beds available in Addison County, as well as several campgrounds and rental homes.

Many restaurants, civic groups, and halls have conference/meeting facilities with seating from 10 to 200 people. <https://www.addisoncounty.com/meetings>

Addison County has many fine restaurants featuring all types of cuisine, a number of capable caterers and equipment rentals.

## Arts and Entertainment

Addison County is alive in the arts. From the fine handcrafted artwork created by many local artisans to bluegrass bands playing at the Annual Festival on the Green, visual and performing artists thrive in the scenic and creative atmosphere of our area.

Through its concert, arts and lecture series, Middlebury College offers outstanding performers, speakers, and exhibits available to the community and most events are free. Concert series and performances are held in the spectacular 370-seat recital hall of the Middlebury College Center for the Arts. You can take in nationally known folk, blues, Celtic and acoustic performers at the After Dark Music Series, bring a picnic dinner to an evening concert at the Festival on the Green, or watch a spectacular display of fireworks at the Annual Vermont Symphony Orchestra's Pops Concert in July. Residents and visitors are always welcome to listen to the Bristol Band play at the Village Green bandstand or the Vergennes City Band play at the City Park bandstand.

Ongoing performances can be found at the historical Vergennes Opera House, the Ripton Coffee House or Middlebury's Town Hall Theater. The Vermont Folklife Center offers a gallery of folk and traditional arts as well as crafts and one-of-a-kind gifts. The Middlebury College Kevin P. Mahaney '84 Center for the Arts offers year-round art exhibitions, programs and special events. For the ultimate taste of the arts, the state hosts an Open Studio Weekend where members of Vermont's artisan community open their doors to the public for demonstrations and sale of their work. Many organizations and individuals also offer art classes for adults and children.

Mahaney Center for the Arts	802-443-6433	<a href="http://www.middlebury.edu/arts">www.middlebury.edu/arts</a>
Town Hall Theater	802-382-9222	<a href="http://www.townhalltheater.org">www.townhalltheater.org</a>
Vergennes Opera House	802-877-6737	<a href="http://www.vergennesoperahouse.org">www.vergennesoperahouse.org</a>

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## Religion

Addison County is home to more than 100 places of worship across numerous denominations. For a complete list of area churches, refer to the Addison Independent's Worship Directory included in this package.

## Service Organizations

There is a strong sense of community, civic pride and volunteerism here. Below is a list of service and fraternal organizations located in Addison County.

American Legion Post 19, Bristol	802-453-2951
American Legion Post 27, Middlebury	802-388-9311
American Legion Post 14, Vergennes	802-877-3216
Dorchester Masonic Lodge, Vergennes	800-479-3975
Fraternal Order of Eagles, Vergennes	802-877-2055
Lions Club of Middlebury	802-458-7361
Lions Club of Vergennes	630-571-5466
Rotary Club of Middlebury	802-989-4420
Rotary Club of Vergennes	802-877-2878
Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 7823, Middlebury	802-388-1011

## Media

### Newspapers

Addison Independent (Monday & Thursday)	802-388-9499
The Vermont Eagle (Weekly)	518-873-6368

### Radio

Addison County's Radio Station 92.1 WVTK-FM	802-388-7563
Eagle County 97.5 WTNN-FM	802-864-9750
Farm Fresh Radio 102.9 WCLX-FM	802-758-5000
VPR News 99.5	802-655-9451
VPR Classical 90.1 WVXM-FM	802-655-9451
Radio Vermont Radio 96.1 WDEV-FM/AM	802-244-7321
The Big Station 98.9 WOKO-FM	802-658-1230
The Buzz 99.9 WBTZ-FM	802-658-4999

## Community Profile – Addison County, Vermont

### Economic Development Organizations

#### Addison County Regional Planning Commission

14 Seminary Street  
Middlebury, VT 05753  
802-388-3141  
[www.acrpc.org](http://www.acrpc.org)

#### Addison County Chamber of Commerce

93 Court Street  
Middlebury, VT 05753  
802-388-7951  
[www.addisoncounty.com](http://www.addisoncounty.com)

#### Addison County Economic Development Corp.

1590 Route 7 South, Suite 8  
Middlebury, VT 05753  
802-388-7953  
[www.addisoncountyedc.org](http://www.addisoncountyedc.org)

#### Vermont Small Business Development Center

c/o Addison County Economic Development Corp.  
See above  
[www.vtsbdc.org](http://www.vtsbdc.org)

#### Better Middlebury Partnership

P.O. Box 853  
Middlebury, VT 05753  
(802) 377-1752  
[www.experiencemiddlebury.com](http://www.experiencemiddlebury.com)

#### Bristol CORE

P.O. Box 413  
Bristol, VT 05443  
(802) 453-7378  
[www.bristolecore.org](http://www.bristolecore.org)

#### Vergennes Partnership

PO Box 304  
Vergennes, VT 05491  
(802) 877-1163  
[www.vergennesdowntown.org](http://www.vergennesdowntown.org)

## ADDISON COUNTY EDUCATION CONTACT INFORMATION

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### Addison Central Supervisory Union

49 Charles Avenue, Middlebury, VT 05753

[www.acsdvt.org](http://www.acsdvt.org)

**802-382-1274**

Bridport	Bridport Central School	PK - 6	802-758-2331	Public
Cornwall	Cornwall Elementary School	K - 6	802-462-2463	Public
Middlebury	Mary Hogan School	K - 6	802-388-4421	Public
	Middlebury Union Middle School	7 - 8	802-382-1600	Public
	Middlebury Union High School	9 - 12	802-382-1500	Public
Ripton	Ripton Elementary School	PK - 6	802-388-2208	Public
Salisbury	Salisbury Community School	PK - 6	802-352-4291	Public
Shoreham	Shoreham Elementary School	K - 6	802-897-7181	Public
Weybridge	Weybridge Elementary School	K - 6	802-545-2113	Public

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### Addison Northwest School District

11 Main Street, Suite B100, Vergennes, VT 05491

[www.anwsd.org](http://www.anwsd.org)

**802-877-3332**

Addison	Addison Central School	K - 6	802-759-2131	Public
Ferrisburgh	Ferrisburgh Central School	K - 6	802-877-3463	Public
Vergennes	Vergennes Union Elementary School	PK - 6	802-877-3761	Public
	Vergennes Union Middle/High School	7 - 12	802-877-2938	Public
	Early Education Program	PK (3-5 yrs)	802-877-2867	Public

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### Addison Rutland Supervisory Union

49 Main Street, Fair Haven, VT 05743

[www.arsu.org](http://www.arsu.org)

**802-265-4905**

Orwell	Orwell Village School	K - 8	802-948-2871	Public
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**Mount Abraham Unified School District****72 Munsill Avenue, Building 6, Suite 601, Bristol, VT 05443****802-453-3657**[www.anesu.org](http://www.anesu.org)

	Early Education	PK (3-5 yrs)	802-453-3674	Public
Bristol	Bristol Elementary School	K - 6	802-453-3227	Public
	Mt. Abraham Union Middle/High School	7 - 12	802-453-2333	Public
Lincoln	Lincoln Community School	K - 6	802-453-2119	Public
Monkton	Monkton Central School	K - 6	802-453-2314	Public
New Haven	Beeman Elementary School	K - 6	802-453-2331	Public
Starksboro	Robinson Elementary School	K - 6	802-453-2949	Public

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**Rutland Northeast Supervisory Union****49 Court Drive, Brandon, VT 05733****802-247-5757**[www.rnesu.org](http://www.rnesu.org)

Brandon	Neshobe School	PK - 6	802-247-3721	Public
	Otter Valley Union School	7 - 12	802-247-6833	Public
Leicester	Leicester Central School	PK - 6	802-247-8825	Public
Whiting	Whiting Elementary School	K - 6	802-623-7991	Public

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**PRIVATE SCHOOLS**

Aurora School	K - 8	802-388-2637	Private
Bridge School	K - 6	802-388-3498	Private
Champlain Valley Christian School	K - 8	802-877-3640	Private
North Branch School	7 - 9	802-388-3269	Private
Red Cedar School	K - 8	802-453-5213	Private

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**HIGHER EDUCATION/ADULT EDUCATION CONTACT INFORMATION****Community College of Vermont (CCV)****802-388-3032** Public

Vermont's second largest college, serving over 7,000 students each semester.

CCV has twelve locations and extensive online learning options

**Middlebury College****802-443-5000** Private

Middlebury College is an independent, residential, world-class liberal arts college.

**Northlands Job Corps****802-877-2922** Public

Job Corps is a no-cost education and career technical training program administered by the U.S. Department of Labor that helps young people ages 16-24 improve the quality of their lives.

**Patricia A. Hannaford Career Center****802-382-1012** Public

The Hannaford Career Center offers twelve technical and four foundational programs.

**Vermont Adult Learning (VAL)****802-388-4392** PrivateVAL is a private, non-profit provider of adult education and literacy to Vermonters ages 16 and older.

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