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## Housing Voucher Data for Vermont

- Of Vermont's 5,692 authorized vouchers, 97 percent were used by families last year.
- 179 fewer families in Vermont received assistance in 2007 than in 2004.
- This year, housing agencies in Vermont have sufficient funds, including reserves, to assist 189 additional families, thereby using up to 100 percent of their authorized vouchers. To encourage agencies to make efficient use of these resources, agencies must be reassured that voucher renewal funding policy will be both stable and take into account the additional vouchers used by these families. Congress should enact the Section 8 Voucher Reform Act (H.R. 1851 and S. 2684) to provide confidence that renewal funding needs will be met in future years, thereby encouraging agencies to put as many of their vouchers to use as possible.

Agency Name	Code	2004	2005	2006	2007		2008			
		% of Authorized Vouchers in Use	% of Authorized Vouchers in Use	% of Authorized Vouchers in Use	% of Authorized Vouchers in Use	Number of Vouchers in Use	Authorized Vouchers as of January 2008	Authorized Vouchers Funded under Renewal Formula	Additional Auth. Vouchers That Could be Funded Using Remaining Reserves	% of Authorized Vouchers Funded (Counting Reserves)
<b>Vermont Total</b>		<b>100%</b>	<b>97%</b>	<b>97%</b>	<b>97%</b>	<b>5,503</b>	<b>5,692</b>	<b>5,607</b>	<b>85</b>	<b>100%</b>
Barre	VT005	99%	92%	95%	90%	122	135	124	11	100%
Bennington	VT009	99%	95%	91%	93%	193	207	204	3	100%
Brattleboro	VT002	95%	90%	86%	92%	172	187	178	9	100%
Burlington	VT001	104%	100%	100%	95%	1,434	1,511	1,497	14	100%
Hartford	VT010	100%	100%	100%	100%	43	43	43	0	100%
Montpelier	VT008	98%	98%	99%	97%	118	122	120	2	100%
Rutland	VT003	100%	97%	97%	103%	72	70	70	0	100%
Springfield	VT004	98%	95%	100%	98%	60	61	61	0	100%
St. Albans City	VT011	100%	99%	97%	103%	82	85	85	0	100%
Vermont State	VT901	99%	97%	96%	98%	2,902	2,951	2,907	44	100%
Winooski	VT006	96%	96%	95%	95%	305	320	318	2	100%

Note: Authorized voucher figures for each agency are based on data from HUD's Resident Characteristics Report. The percentage of authorized vouchers in use in each year was determined by analysis of voucher leasing data reported by housing agencies to HUD's

Voucher Management System (VMS). The number of vouchers funded in 2008 under the renewal formula was calculated using actual renewal funding awards and an estimate of the additional funds assumed to be available from excess reserves (the "offset" amount); these estimates do not take into account amounts received under the \$50 million in supplemental adjustment funds available under the law. The number of additional authorized vouchers that could be funded using remaining reserves is based on estimates of each agency's fund balance at the end of 2007, excluding the 2008 offset, and per-voucher costs for 2008.