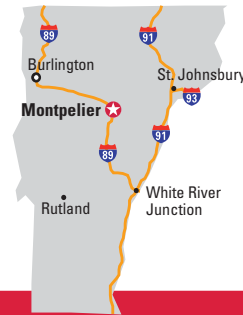




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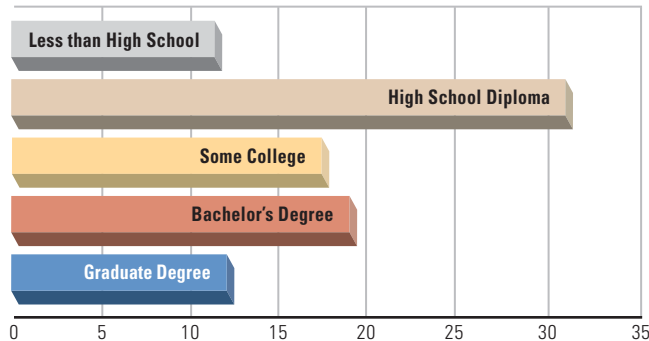
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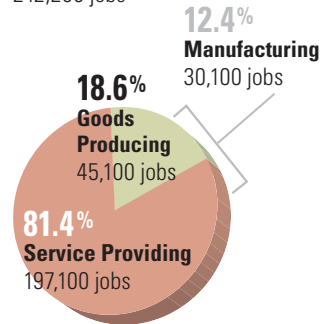
**Population 2009:** 622,109 **Population growth forecast 2009-2013:** 1.5% **Median household income:** \$51,551

## Work Force Education by Percentage



## Private Sector Employment

242,200 jobs



Employment by Majority-Owned U.S. Affiliates of Foreign Firms in 2007: **98,700**  
Percent of Total State Employment: **3.7**

Median Hourly Wage for Production Occupations: **\$14.30**  
Right-to-work state? **NO**

U.S. Recovery Act Highlight:  
Vermont Economic Development Authority  
**\$1 million**

## Legislative Update

- Gov. Jim Douglas allowed H. 446 to become law without his signature. The bill creates feed-in tariffs for fostering development of renewable energy technologies and encourages development of wind energy on state-owned land.
- The governor also signed into law a bill that will enhance the regulation and expansion of the captive insurance industry in Vermont, a key provider of revenues and jobs for the state.