

# For use in 2017 VT ACEP-ALE Ranking

Ratio of the total acres of land in the parcel to be protected to average farm size in the county according to the most recent USDA Census of Agriculture (USDA - NASS - Census of Agriculture)

County	Average Farm Size (Acres - 2012 Census)
Addison	256
Bennington	136
Caledonia	146
Chittenden	125
Essex	274
Franklin	253
Grand Isle	157
Lamoille	149
Orange	141
Orleans	204
Rutland	170
Washington	127
Windham	114
Windsor	132

Decrease in the percentage of acreage of farm and ranch land in the county in which the parcel is located between the last two USDA Censuses of Agriculture (USDA - NASS - Census of Agriculture): 2007 to 2012

County	2007	2012	% Change
Addison	187,482	208,362	11.14%
Bennington	36,580	41,387	13.14%
Caledonia	81,946	81,828	-0.14%
Chittenden	83,382	73,583	-11.75%
Essex	26,732	25,491	-4.64%
Franklin	180,006	186,294	3.49%
Grand Isle	17,138	19,020	10.98%
Lamoille	49,749	52,093	4.71%
Orange	101,645	105,234	3.53%
Orleans	130,308	130,445	0.11%
Rutland	130,580	108,497	-16.91%
Washington	61,029	67,352	10.36%
Windham	50,746	50,765	0.04%
Windsor	95,972	101,362	5.62%

percent change = (2012-2007)/2007

Percent population growth in the county as documented by the United most recent United States Census (Census Bureau Home Page) - State Growth Rate = 0.05%

County	2010 Baseline Population	July 1 2015 US Census Projection	Growth Rate %	Growth Rate X
Addison	36,821	37,035	0.58%	1X to 25X
Bennington	37,125	36,317	-2.18%	0
Caledonia	31,227	30,780	-1.43%	0
Chittenden	156,545	161,382	3.09%	50X +
Essex	6,306	6,163	-2.27%	0
Franklin	47,746	48,799	2.21%	25X to 50X
Grand Isle	6,970	6,861	-1.56%	0
Lamoille	24,475	25,235	3.11%	50X +
Orange	28,936	28,899	-0.13%	0
Orleans	27,231	27,100	-0.48%	0
Rutland	61,642	59,736	-3.09%	0
Washington	59,534	58,612	-1.55%	0
Windham	44,513	43,386	-2.53%	0
Windsor	56,670	55,737	-1.65%	0

Growth rate = (2015-2010)/2010

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Population Density (Population per square mile) as documented by the most recent US Census

County	Population Density per square mile	Density X
Addison	45.7	0
Bennington	54.2	0
Caledonia	47.3	0
Chittenden	256.2	2X +
Essex	9.2	0
Franklin	69.7	1X to 2X
Grand Isle	35.9	0
Lamoille	53.6	0
Orange	41.8	0
Orleans	37.7	0
Rutland	64.4	0
Washington	85.3	1X to 2X
Windham	55.2	0
Windsor	57.7	0

State Population Density = 65.3/square mile