

**2019
Needs
Assessment**



Quantitative Data





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METHODOLOGY

Demographic quantitative data was collected from a variety of sources, including:

- Community Commons
- Vital Statistics Bulletin 2016, Vermont Department of Health
- 2018 Point in Time Count
- US Department of Education (www2.ed.gov/programs/osepidea/618-data/static-tables/index.html)
- Data USA (<https://datausa.io/>)
- Child Care Capacity Report
- Child Care and Pre-Kindergarten Capacity Baseline Report
- Vermont 2-1-1 Call Data
- “Stalled at the Start: Vermont’s Child Care Challenge.” An Analysis of the Supply of and Demand for Regulated Infant and Toddler Care in Vermont, February 2018

Surveys were developed for customers and community members (Appendix B), partners (Appendix C) board members (Appendix D), and staff (Appendix E). Customers and community were asked questions related to:

- Employment
- Public benefits programs
- Housing and utilities
- Finances
- Transportation
- Health and mental health
- Child care
- “What’s important to you?”
- Agency satisfaction, and
- Demographics

In total, 32 questions were asked of customers, 16 of community members, 18 of partners, 17 of board members, and 17 of staff.

Customers and Community Members

Customers and community members had access to surveys in multiple ways. A SurveyMonkey link was sent via email to all participant emails on file. This was done two ways: non-Gmail accounts were sent directly from SurveyMonkey. Gmail addresses were sent from a Sue Minter email set up specifically for this survey to avoid the survey going directly to the Promotions tab. Links were sent once to Gmail recipients and twice to non-Gmail recipients.

Capstone had paper copies in the lobbies of all the offices and computers set up for participants to complete the survey while they were waiting for a service; office receptionists input the data from the paper copies. Capstone posted links to the survey on their website and social media accounts as well. To reach the broader community, Capstone’s employees shared the survey link with their respective town Front Porch Forum twice during the 3-week survey. Employees also sent the link to their partners and participants via email.

The customer and community member survey was completed by 1173 respondents. However, not all respondents answered all questions. Over a third (481) of the community respondents indicated that they have received services from Capstone in the past three years. The four most frequently cited programs by customers were: Food Shelf; Tax Preparation Program; Home Heating/Utility Assistance; and Head Start/Early Head Start.

Partners

Partners were sent an email requesting their participation in an electronic survey to assist with completion of Capstone's Community Assessment. One hundred thirty-two (132) people responded to the 17-question survey. Partners were asked to identify their service area and the population with whom they worked. They were also asked to rate community needs in the areas of:

- Budgeting and finances
- Housing/Homelessness/Energy
- Advocacy/Empowerment
- Education
- Youth and Child Care
- Food/Nutrition/Hunger
- Collaboration/Coordination of Services
- Health and Mental Health
- Transportation
- Seniors, and
- Jobs, Workforce, and Economic Development

Partners were also asked to rank their top five priority needs.

The data from each of the groups were then analyzed and presented to the agency in the form of both raw data and summary graphs/tables.

DEMOGRAPHIC DATA

POPULATION

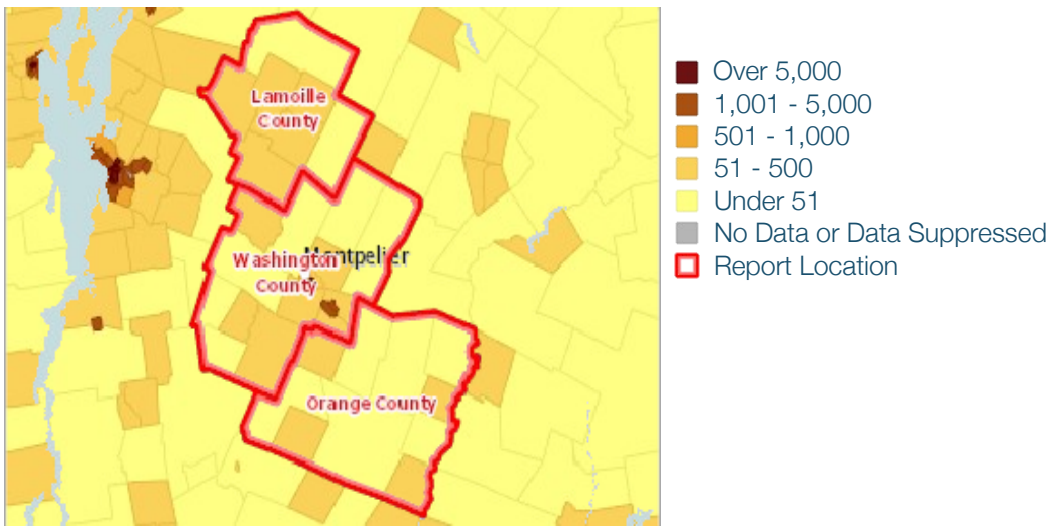
Population Change

Population change within the report area from 2000-2016 is shown below. During the sixteen-year period, total population estimates for the report area grew by 3.19 percent, increasing from 109,498 persons in 2000 to 112,996 persons in 2016.

Report Area	Total Population 2016 ACS	Total Population 2000 Census	Population Change from 2000–2016 Census/ACS	Percent Change from 2000-2016 Census/ACS
Report Location	112,996	109,498	3,498	3.19%
Lamoille County	25,136	23,233	1,903	8.19%
Orange County	28,897	28,226	671	2.38%
Washington County	58,963	58,039	924	1.59%
Vermont	626,249	608,827	17,422	2.86%
United States	318,558,162	281,421,906	37,136,256	13.2%

Data source: US Census Bureau, American Community Survey. US Census Bureau, Decennial Census. 2012–16. Source geography: County

Population Density (Persons per Square Mile) by Tract, ACS 2012–16



Age and Gender

Population by gender within the report area is shown below. According to ACS 2012–2017 5-year population estimates for the report area, the female population comprised 50.79% of the report area, while the male population represented 49.21%.

Report Area	0 to 4 Male	0 to 4 Female	5 to 17 Male	5 to 17 Female	18 to 64 Male	18 to 64 Female	Over 64 Male	Over 64 Female
Report Location	2,863	2,655	8,468	8,295	35,329	35,340	8,483	10,634
Lamoille County	657	680	2,040	1,991	7,882	8,006	1,775	2,010
Orange County	703	650	2,163	1,996	8,955	8,994	2,324	2,903
Washington County	1,503	1,325	4,265	4,308	18,492	18,340	4,384	5,721
Vermont	15,500	14,329	46,221	43,730	196,270	199,035	45,286	59,516
United States	10,151,822	9,701,693	27,458,617	26,289,147	99,353,006	100,317,733	18,945,773	26,677,081

Data source: US Census Bureau, American Community Survey. 2013–17.
Source geography: County

Adult Ages (18–65)

Report Area	18–24 Male	18–24 Female	25–34 Male	25–34 Female	35–44 Male	35–44 Female	45–54 Male	45–54 Female	55–64 Male	55–64 Female
Report Location	5,704	4,547	6,227	6,308	6,771	6,919	8,045	8,399	8,582	9,167
Lamoille County	1,186	1,209	1,581	1,531	1,643	1,582	1,746	1,771	1,726	1,913
Orange County	1,301	1,098	1,534	1,513	1,562	1,674	2,119	2,182	2,439	2,527
Washington County	3,217	2,240	3,112	3,264	3,566	3,663	4,180	4,446	4,417	4,727
Vermont	34,504	32,452	36,289	35,698	35,107	35,851	43,583	45,555	46,787	49,479
United States	15,968,535	15,162,949	22,256,013	21,788,160	20,243,714	20,412,705	21,240,123	21,851,020	19,644,621	21,102,899

Hispanic Ages (Male and Female Combined)

Report Area	0 to 4	5 to 17	18 to 24	25 to 34	35 to 44	45 to 54	55 to 64	Over 65
Report Location	146	389	356	251	239	234	65	201
Lamoille County	54	65	110	106	53	20	0	0
Orange County	16	109	10	50	61	72	14	54
Washington County	76	215	236	95	125	142	51	147
Vermont	775	2,308	2,141	1,968	1,355	1,105	745	786
United States	5,134,740	13,034,122	6,665,654	9,002,730	8,160,321	6,491,314	4,267,131	3,754,559

Race Demographics

Population by race within the report area is shown below. According to ACS 2012–2017 5-year population estimates, the white population comprised 96.29% of the report area, black population represented 0.82%, and other races combined were 2.9%. Persons identifying themselves as mixed race made up 1.84% of the population.

Report Area	White	Black	American Indian	Asian	Native Hawaiian	Mixed Race
Report Location	108,416	921	510	645	32	2,075
Lamoille County	24,135	227	208	161	0	425
Orange County	27,956	192	117	95	15	457
Washington County	56,325	502	185	389	17	1,193
Vermont	590,499	7,921	2,072	9,680	206	12,061
United States	234,370,202	40,610,815	2,632,102	17,186,320	570,116	10,081,044

Data source: US Census Bureau, American Community Survey. 2013–17.
Source geography: County

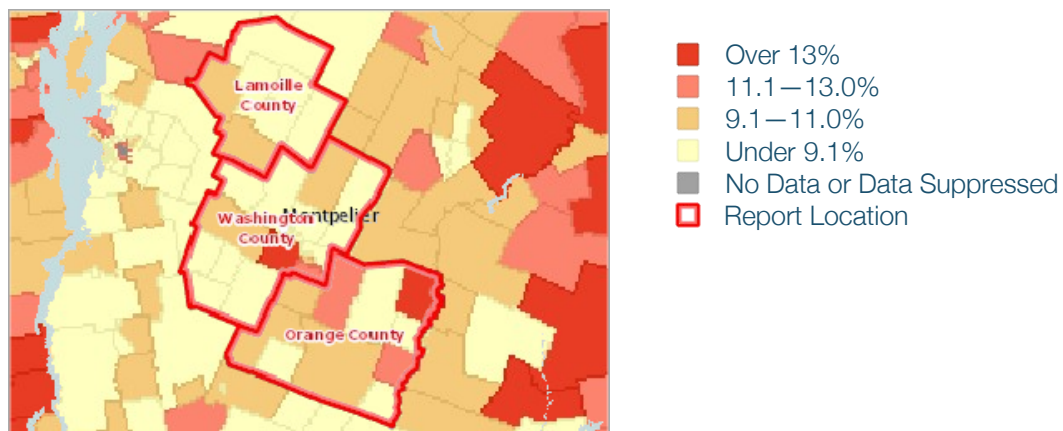
Veterans, Age and Gender Demographics

Veterans, Age and Gender Demographics show the number of veterans living in the report area. According to the American Community Survey (ACS), 8.58% of the adult population in the report area are veterans, which is more than the national average of 8.01%.

Report Area	Veterans Total	Veterans Male	Veterans Female	% Pop over 18 Total	% Pop over 18 Male	% Pop over 18 Female
Report Location	7,765	7,179	586	8.58%	16.14%	1.27%
Lamoille County	1,491	1,433	58	7.52%	14.61%	0.58%
Orange County	2,258	2,053	205	9.65%	17.86%	1.72%
Washington County	4,016	3,693	323	8.5%	15.92%	1.34%
Vermont	40,145	37,044	3,101	7.96%	15.06%	1.2%
United States	18,939,219	17,351,288	1,587,931	7.69%	14.52%	1.25%

Data source: US Census Bureau, American Community Survey. 2013–17.
Source geography: County

Veterans, Percent of Total Population by Tract, ACS 2013–17



Veterans by Age

Report Area	Veteran Age 18-34 Males	Veteran Age 18-34 Females	Veteran Age 35-54 Males	Veteran Age 35-54 Females	Veteran Age 55-64 Males	Veteran Age 55-64 Females	Veteran Age Over 65 Males	Veteran Age Over 65 Females
Report Location	419	62	1,540	285	1,567	105	3,653	134
Lamoille County	60	12	290	10	296	22	787	14
Orange County	120	18	401	99	439	41	1,093	47
Washington County	239	32	849	176	832	42	1,773	73
Vermont	1,570	326	7,340	1,112	7,350	872	20,784	791
United States	1,339,788	300,568	3,849,326	660,553	3,178,575	338,939	8,983,599	287,871

POVERTY

Recent poverty estimates (2016) show a total of 12,052 persons living below the poverty level in the report area. Poverty information is at 100% of the federal poverty income guidelines.

Report Area	All Ages No. of Persons	All Ages Poverty Rate	Age 0–17 No. of Persons	Age 0–17 Poverty Rate	Age 5–17 No of Persons	Age 5–17 Poverty Rate
Report Location	12,052	10.67%	2,888	12.79%	1,915	11.35%
Lamoille County	2,986	12.1%	728	14.1%	472	12.3%
Orange County	2,986	10.6%	722	13.6%	495	12.5%
Washington County	6,080	10.8%	1,438	13%	948	11.5%
Vermont	135,651	10.83%	31,229	12.83%	20,768	11.37%
United States	44,268,996	13.90%	14,115,713	19.18%	9,648,486	17.95%

Poverty Rate Change

Poverty rate change in the report area from 2000 to 2016 is shown below. According to the US Census, the poverty rate for the area increased by 2.39%, compared to a national increase of 2.7%.

Report Area	Persons in Poverty 2000	Poverty Rate 2000	Persons in Poverty 2016	Poverty Rate 2016	Change in Poverty Rate 2000-2016
Report Location	9,393	8.65%	12,052	11.04%	2.39%
Lamoille County, VT	2,291	9.8%	2,986	12.1%	2.3%
Orange County, VT	2,488	8.8%	2,986	10.6%	1.8%
Washington County, VT	4,614	8.1%	6,080	10.8%	2.7%
Vermont	106,469	8.81%	135,651	11.29%	2.48%
United States	31,581,086	11.3%	44,268,996	14%	2.7%

Data source: US Census Bureau, Small Area Income & Poverty Estimates. 2016.
Source geography: County

Households in Poverty

The number and percentage of households in poverty are shown in the report area. In 2017, it is estimated that there were 5,494 households, or 11.59%, living in poverty within the report area.

Report Area	Total Households	Households in Poverty	Percent Households in Poverty
Report Location	47,395	5,494	11.59%
Lamoille County, VT	10,401	1,320	12.7%
Orange County, VT	12,275	1,403	11.4%
Washington County, VT	24,719	2,771	11.2%
Vermont	258,535	29,514	11.4%
United States	118,825,921	16,390,109	13.8%

Poverty Rate (ACS)

The following report section shows population estimates for all persons in poverty for report area. According to the American Community Survey 5 year estimates an average of 12.20% of all persons lived in a state of poverty during the 2012–2016 period. The poverty rate for all persons living in the report area is less than the national average of 14.58%.

Report Area	Total Population	Population in Poverty	Percent Population in Poverty
Report Location	109,380	13,346	12.2%
Lamoille County	24,578	3,439	13.99%
Orange County	28,337	3,249	11.47%
Washington County	56,465	6,658	11.79%
Vermont	600,127	68,144	11.35%
United States	313,048,563	45,650,345	14.58%

Data source: US Census Bureau, American Community Survey. 2013–17
Source geography: Tract

Population in Poverty by Gender

Report Area	Total Male	Total Female	Percent Male	Percent Female
Report Location	5,939	7,407	11.06%	13.3%
Lamoille County	1,501	1,938	12.26%	15.71%
Orange County	1,434	1,815	10.26%	12.64%
Washington County	3,004	3,654	10.93%	12.6%
Vermont	30,453	37,691	10.31%	12.36%
United States	20,408,626	25,241,719	13.31%	15.8%

Population in Poverty by Ethnicity Alone

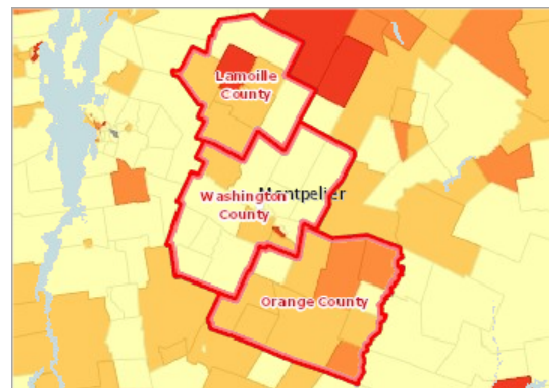
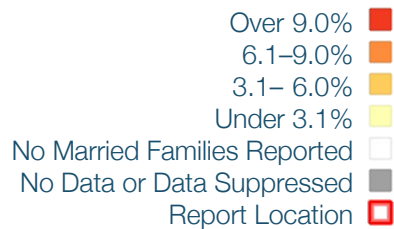
Report Area	Total Hispanic/Latino	Total Not Hispanic/Latino	Percent Hispanic/Latino	Percent Not Hispanic/Latino
Report Location	397	12,949	23.66%	12.02%
Lamoille County	131	3,308	34.93%	13.67%
Orange County	73	3,176	19.52%	11.36%
Washington County	193	6,465	20.78%	11.64%
Vermont	1,493	66,651	14.89%	11.29%
United States	12,269,452	33,380,893	22.15%	12.96%

Families in Poverty by Family Type

The number of families in poverty by type are shown in the report area. According to ACS 2012–2017 5-year estimates for the report area, there were 2,555 families living in poverty.

Report Area	Total Families	Total Families in Poverty	Families in Poverty Married Couples	Families in Poverty Male Householder	Families in Poverty Female Householder
Report Location	29,563	2,555	830	258	1,467
Lamoille County	6,315	640	239	21	380
Orange County	7,969	587	251	68	268
Washington County	15,279	1,328	340	169	819
Vermont	158,567	11,575	3,861	1,163	6,551
United States	78,298,703	8,253,388	3,023,580	880,989	4,348,819

Married Family Households Living Below the Poverty Level, Percent by Tract, ACS 2013-17



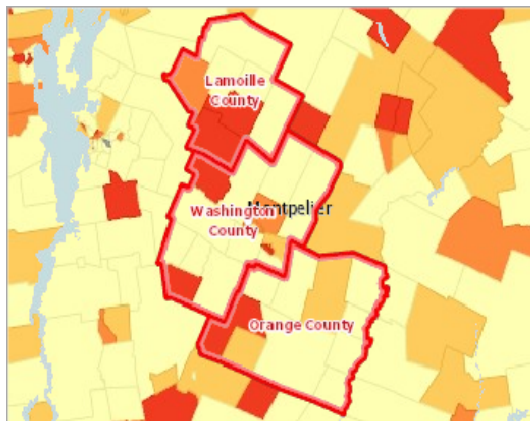
Family Poverty Rate by Family Type

The percentage of households in poverty by household type are shown for the report area. It is estimated that 8.6% of all households were living in poverty within the report area, compared to the national average of 11.3%. Of the households in poverty, female-headed households represented 5% of all households in poverty, compared to 2.8% and 0.9% of households headed by males and married couples, respectively.

Report Area	Poverty Rate All Types	Percent of Poverty Married Couples	Percent of Poverty Male Householder	Percent of Poverty Female Householder
Lamoille County	10.1%	37.3%	3.3%	59.4%
Orange County	7.4%	42.8%	11.6%	45.7%
Washington County	8.7%	25.6%	12.7%	61.7%
Vermont	7.3%	33.4%	10%	56.6%
United States	10.5%	36.6%	10.7%	52.7%

Data source: US Census Bureau, American Community Survey. 2013–17.
Source geography: County

Single-Parent Family Households Living Below the Poverty Level, Percent by Tract, ACS 2013–17



- Over 37.0%
- 30.1–37.0%
- 23.1–30.0%
- Under 23.1%
- No Single-Parent Households Reported
- No Data or Data Suppressed
- Report Location

Poverty Rate Change (Age 0–17)

The poverty rate change for all children in the report area from 2000 to 2016 is shown below. According to the US Census, the poverty rate for the area increased by 2.1%, compared to a national increase of 3.3%.

Report Area	Poverty Age 0–17 2000	Poverty Rate Age 0–17 2000	Poverty Age 0–17 2016	Poverty Rate Age 0–17 2016	Difference in Rate Age 0–17 2000–2016
Report Area	2,815	11.3%	2,888	13.4%	2.1%
Lamoille County	701	13%	728	14.1%	1.1%
Orange County	831	12.3%	722	13.6%	1.3%
Washington County	1,283	10%	1,438	13%	3%
Vermont	32,086	11.6%	31,229	13.5%	1.9%
United States	34,757,074	16.2%	42,341,696	19.5%	3.3%

Data source: US Census Bureau, Small Area Income & Poverty Estimates. 2016.
Source geography: County

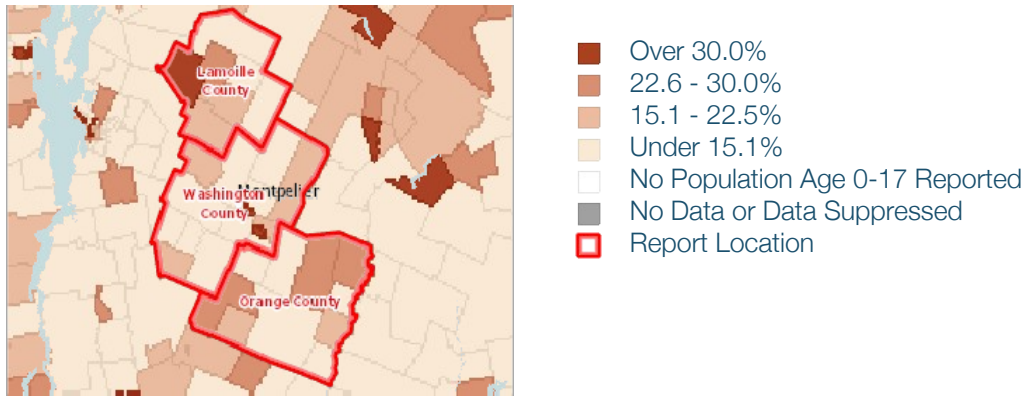
Child Poverty Rate

Population and poverty estimates for children age 0–17 are shown for the report area. According to the American Community Survey 5-year data, an average of 17.9% of children lived in a state of poverty during the survey calendar year of 2017. The poverty rate for children living in the report area is less than the national average of 21.2%.

Report Area	Ages 0-17 Total Population	Ages 0-17 In Poverty	Ages 0-17 Poverty Rate
Report Area	21,788	3,896	17.9%
Lamoille County	5,262	1,023	19.4%
Orange County	5,396	853	15.8%
Washington County	11,130	2,020	18.1%
Vermont	117,200	16,973	14.5%
United States	72,430,017	14,710,485	20.3%

Data source: US Census Bureau, American Community Survey. 2013–17.
Source geography: County

Population Below the Poverty Level, Children (Age 0–17), Percent by Tract, ACS 2013–17



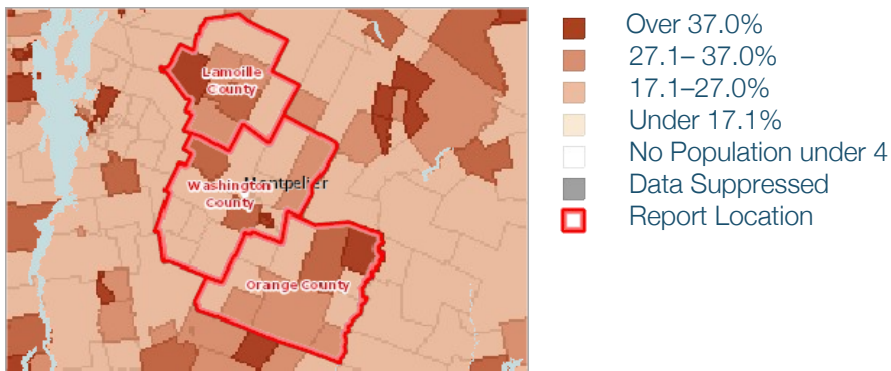
Child Poverty Rate (ACS) Ages 0–4

Population and poverty estimates for children age 0–4 are shown for the report area. According to the American Community Survey 5-year data, an average of 20.3% percent of children lived in a state of poverty during the survey calendar year. The poverty rate for children living in the report area is less than the national average of 23.6 percent.

Report Area	Ages 0-4 Total Population	Ages 0-4 In Poverty	Ages 0-4 Poverty Rate
Report Location	5,431	1,105	20.3%
Lamoille County	1,310	305	23.3%
Orange County	1,327	241	18.2%
Washington County	2,794	559	20%
Vermont	29,267	4,827	16.5%
United States	19,532,877	4,390,252	22.5%

Data source: US Census Bureau, American Community Survey. 2013–17.
Source geography: County

Population Below the Poverty Level, Children (Age 0-4), Percent by Tract, ACS 2013–17



Children in Poverty by Ethnicity Alone: Age 0–4

Report Area	Total Hispanic/Latino	Total Not Hispanic/Latino	Percent Hispanic/Latino	Percent Not Hispanic/Latino
Report Location	40	1,065	31.25%	20.08%
Lamoille County	2	303	5.56%	23.78%
Orange County	0	241	0%	18.38%
Washington County	38	521	50%	19.17%
Vermont	127	4,700	17.35%	16.47%
United States	1,595,668	2,794,584	31.59%	19.3%

Children in Poverty by Race Alone: Age 0–4

Report Area	Non-Hispanic White	Black or African American	Native American/ Alaska Native	Asian	Native Hawaiian/ Pacific Islander	Some Other Race	Multiple Race
Report Location	1,015	0	0	0	0	16	34
Lamoille County	303	0	0	0	0	0	0
Orange County	212	0	0	0	0	16	13
Washington	500	0	0	0	0	0	21
Vermont	4,294	92	4	43	0	24	312
United States	1,325,784	1,105,184	71,107	106,215	10,426	435,036	331,852

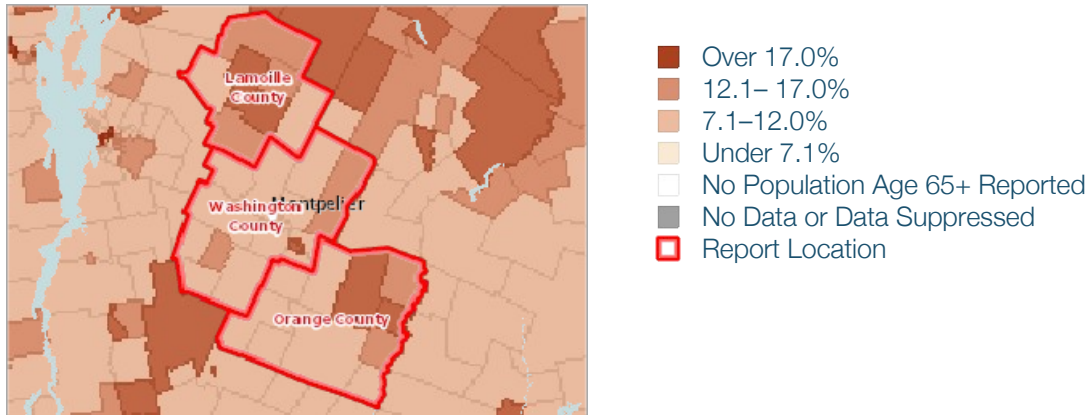
Seniors in Poverty

Poverty rates for seniors (persons age 65 and over) are shown below. According to American Community Survey estimates, there were 1,340 seniors, or 6.9% percent, living in poverty within the report area.

Report Area	Ages 65 and Up Total Population	Ages 65 and Up In Poverty	Ages 65 and Up Poverty Rate
Report Location	19,304	1,340	6.9%
Lamoille County	3,871	372	9.6%
Orange County	5,390	393	7.3%
Washington County	10,043	575	5.7%
Vermont	106,195	7,774	7.3%
United States	46,424,881	4,317,192	9.3%

Data source: US Census Bureau, American Community Survey. 2013–17.
Source geography: County

Population Below the Poverty Level, Senior (Age 65+), Percent by Tract, ACS 2013–17



Poverty by Gender: Age 65 and Up

Report Area	Total Male	Total Female	Percent Male	Percent Female
Report Location	547	793	6.04%	7.74%
Lamoille County	181	191	9.5%	9.72%
Orange County	150	243	5.94%	8.48%
Washington County	216	359	4.67%	6.62%
Vermont	2,747	5,027	5.63%	8.76%
United States	1,524,034	2,793,158	7.39%	10.82%

Household Income

Median annual household incomes in the report area for 2016 are shown in the table below. Since this reports a median amount, a "Report Area" value is not able to be calculated.

Report Area	Median Household Income
Lamoille County	\$56,207.00
Orange County	\$54,272.00
Washington County	\$55,803.00
Vermont	\$57,661.00
United States	\$57,617.00

EMPLOYMENT

Current Unemployment

Labor force, employment, and unemployment data for each county in the report area are provided in the table below. Overall, the report area experienced an average 2.7% unemployment rate in August 2018.

Report Area	Labor Force	Number Employed	Number Unemployed	Unemployment Rate
Report Location	65,535	63,796	1,739	2.7%
Lamoille County	14,434	13,969	465	3.2%
Orange County	16,284	15,864	420	2.6%
Washington County	34,817	33,963	854	2.5%
Vermont	348,360	338,600	9,760	2.8%
United States	162,996,774	156,527,318	6,469,456	4%

Data source: US Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics. 2018, August.
Source geography: County

Unemployment Change

Unemployment change within the report area during the one-year period from August 2017 to August 2018 is shown in the chart below. According to the US Department of Labor, unemployment for this one-year period grew from 1,739 persons to 1,829 persons, a rate change of 0.16%.

Report Area	Unemployment August 2015	Unemployment August 2016	Unemployment Rate August 2017	Unemployment Rate August 2018	Rate Change
Report Location	1,739	1,829	2.65%	2.82%	0.16%
Lamoille County	465	450	3.22%	3.14%	-0.08%
Orange County	420	437	2.58%	2.69%	0.11%
Washington County	854	942	2.45%	2.74%	0.29%
Vermont	9,760	10,244	2.8%	2.94%	0.14%
United States	6,469,456	7,428,129	3.97%	4.58%	0.61%

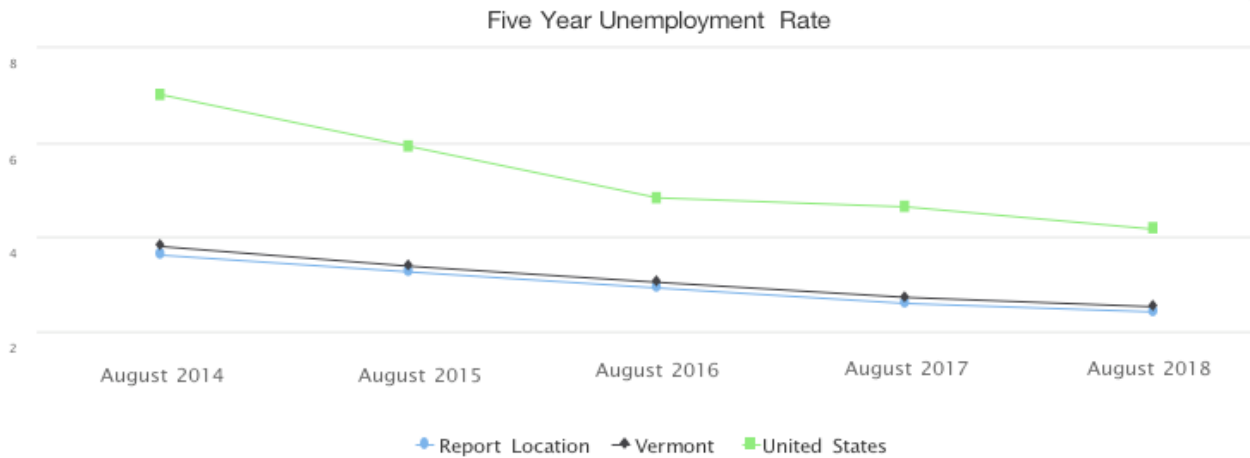
Data source: US Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics. 2018, August.
Source geography: County

Five-Year Unemployment Rate

Unemployment change within the report area from August 2014 to August 2018 is shown in the chart below. According to the US Department of Labor, unemployment for this five-year period fell from 4.03% to 2.82%.

Report Area	August 2014	August 2015	August 2016	August 2017	August 2018
Report Location	4.03%	3.67%	3.33%	3%	2.82%
Lamoille County, VT	4.65%	4.18%	3.7%	3.31%	3.14%
Orange County, VT	3.6%	3.44%	3.04%	2.84%	2.69%
Washington County, VT	3.99%	3.57%	3.32%	2.94%	2.74%
Vermont	4.22%	3.8%	3.46%	3.14%	2.94%
United States	7.41%	6.32%	5.24%	5.05%	4.58%

Data source: US Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics. 2018, August.
Source geography: County



TRANSPORTATION

Travel Time to Work

Travel times for workers who travel (do not work at home) to work is shown for the report area. The median commute time, according to the American Community Survey (ACS), for the report area is -0.51 minutes shorter than the national median commute time of 24.95 minutes.

Report Area	Workers 16 and Up	Travel Time in Minutes (Percent of Workers) Less than 10	Travel Time in Minutes (Percent of Workers) 10 to 30	Travel Time in Minutes (Percent of Workers) 30 to 60	Travel Time in Minutes (Percent of Workers) More than 60	Average Commute Time (mins)
Report Location	59,205	16.35	43.27	26.26	6.69	-0.51
Lamoille County	13,130	18.71	43.5	28.36	9.42	-0.76
Orange County	14,957	15.58	42.09	34.79	7.55	-0.67
Washington County	31,118	18.2	50.33	25.32	6.14	-0.32
Vermont	319,512	18.2	51.9	24.43	5.47	21.24
United States	148,432,042	12.67	49.83	28.6	8.9	25.13

Data source: US Census Bureau, American Community Survey. 2013–17.
Source geography: County

Number of Cars per Household

1,202 households in the three-county area do not own a car.

# of Cars	Lamoille County		Orange County		Washington County	
	# of Households	%	# of Households	%	# of Households	%
0	236	1.8%	312	2.1%	654	2.1%
1	2,425	18.8%	2738	18.7%	6,413	21%
2	5,817	45.1%	6662	45.6%	14,960	49%
3	2,997	23.2%	3076	21.1%	5,905	19.3%

Source: https://datausa.io/profile/geo/lamoille-county-vt/#category_transportation

Commuter Transportation to Work in the Capstone Service Area

Mode of Transportation	Lamoille County		Orange County		Washington County	
	Number of households	%	Number of households	%	Number of households	%
Drove alone	10,433	79 %	11,185	75.3 %	23,259	74.7 %
Carpooled	1,082	8.2 %	1526	10.3 %	3030	9.7 %
Work at home	860	6.5 %	1174	7.9 %	2138	6.9 %
Public transit	73	.6 %	95	.6 %	380	1.2 %
Walked	494	3.8 %	667	4.5 %	1891	6.1 %
Other	185	1.4 %	147	1 %	287	.9 %
Bike	20	.2 %	46	.3 %	98	.3 %
Motorcycle	3	.023 %	17	.1 %	41	.1 %
Taxi	0	0	0	0	0	0

Data source: https://datausa.io/profile/geo/washington-county-vt/#category_transportation

EDUCATION

Educational Attainment

Educational attainment shows the distribution of educational attainment levels in the report area. Educational attainment is calculated for persons over 25 and is an estimated average for the period from 2012 to 2017.

Report Area	Percent No High School Diploma	Percent High School Only	Percent Some College	Percent Associates Degree	Percent Bachelors Degree	Percent Graduate or Professional Degree
Report Area	7.04%	29.75%	17.03%	9.07%	21.4%	15.71%
Lamoille County	7.59%	26.3%	18.1%	10.4%	23%	14.6%
Orange County	7.95%	35.3%	17.8%	9%	17.6%	12.4%
Washington County	6.35%	28.4%	16.2%	8.5%	22.6%	17.9%
Vermont	7.74%	29.6%	17.4%	8.5%	21.8%	15%
United States	12.69%	27.3%	20.8%	8.3%	19.1%	11.8%

Data source: US Census Bureau, American Community Survey. 2013–17.
Source geography: County

Adult Literacy

The National Center for Education Statistics (NCES) produces estimates for adult literacy based on educational attainment, poverty, and other factors in each county.

Report Area	Estimated Population over 16	Percent Lacking Literacy Skills
Report Location	88,471	6.26%
Lamoille County	19,117	6%
Orange County	22,960	7%
Washington County	46,394	6%
Vermont	485,416	7%
United States	219,016,209	14.64%

Data source: National Center for Education Statistics (NCES). Estimates of Low Literacy.
Source geography: County

Veterans Educational Attainment

Veterans Educational Attainment contrasts the distribution of educational attainment levels between military veterans and non-veterans in the region. Educational attainment is calculated for persons over 25 and is an estimated average for the period from 2012 to 2017.

Report Area	Veterans				Non-Veterans			
	% No Diploma	% High School Diploma	% Some College Diploma	% Bachelors or Higher Diploma	% No Diploma	% High School Diploma	% Some College Diploma	% Bachelors or Higher Diploma
Report Location	6.29%	37.19%	28.2%	28.32%	7.12%	28.98%	25.88%	38.03%
Lamoille County	9.96%	29.41%	34.19%	26.45%	7.37%	26.06%	27.97%	38.6%
Orange County	6.35%	43.59%	26.37%	23.69%	8.14%	34.27%	26.83%	30.76%
Washington County	4.89%	36.51%	26.98%	31.62%	6.51%	27.58%	24.52%	41.39%
Vermont	6.84%	36.83%	27.72%	28.61%	7.83%	28.86%	25.68%	37.63%
United States	6.57%	28.48%	37.11%	27.85%	13.31%	27.26%	28.24%	31.2%

Data source: US Census Bureau, American Community Survey. 2013–17.
Source geography: County

Where should Capstone focus its work: increasing education levels, soft skills enhancement, a combination?

HOUSING

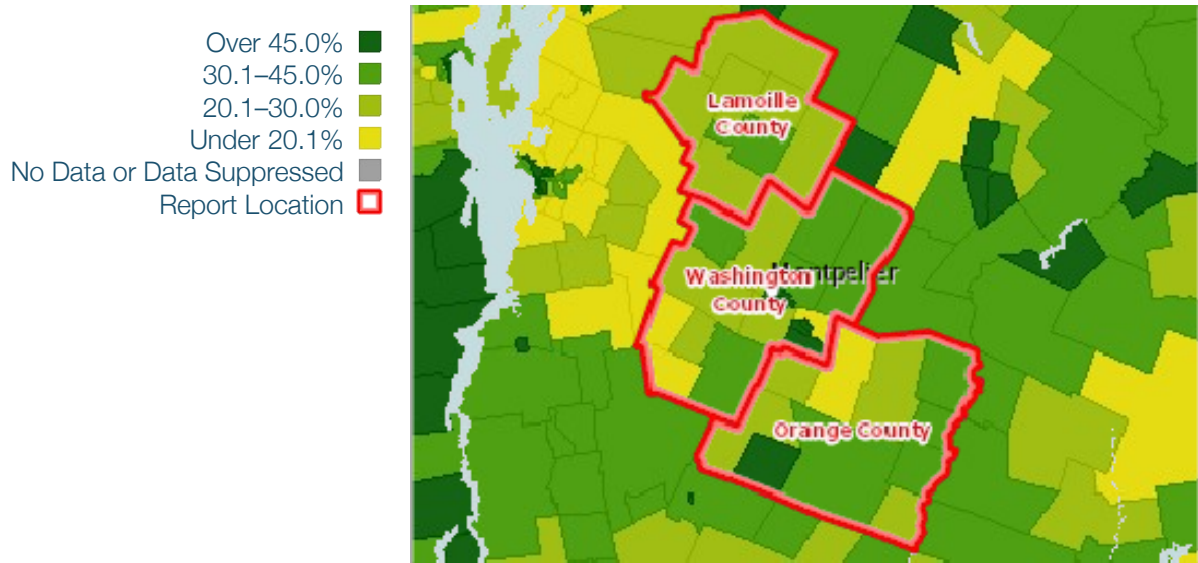
Housing Age

Total housing units, median year built, and median age in 2017 for the report area are shown below. Housing units used in housing age include only those where the year built is known.

Report Area	Total Housing Units	Median Year Built	Median Age (from 2017)
Lamoille County	13,431	1981	33
Orange County	15,242	1975	39
Washington County	30,510	1971	43
Vermont	331,106	1974	40
United States	135,393,564	1977	37

Data source: US Census Bureau, American Community Survey. 2013–17.
Source geography: County

Housing Constructed Before 1960, Percent by Tract, ACS 2013–17



Homeowners

The US Census Bureau estimated there were 31,311 homeowners in the report area in 2000, and 71.46% owner-occupied homes in the report area for the 5-year estimated period from 2012 to 2017.

Report Area	Owner Occupied Homes 2000	Owner Occupied Homes 2000	Owner Occupied Homes 2017	Owner Occupied Homes 2017
Report Location	31,311	71.46%	35,047	59.22%
Lamoille County, VT	6,534	70.86%	7,427	55.3%
Orange County, VT	8,559	78.26%	9,911	65.02%
Washington County, VT	16,218	68.55%	17,709	58.04%
Vermont	169,784	70.56%	182,321	55.06%
United States	69,815,753	66.19%	75,833,135	56.01%

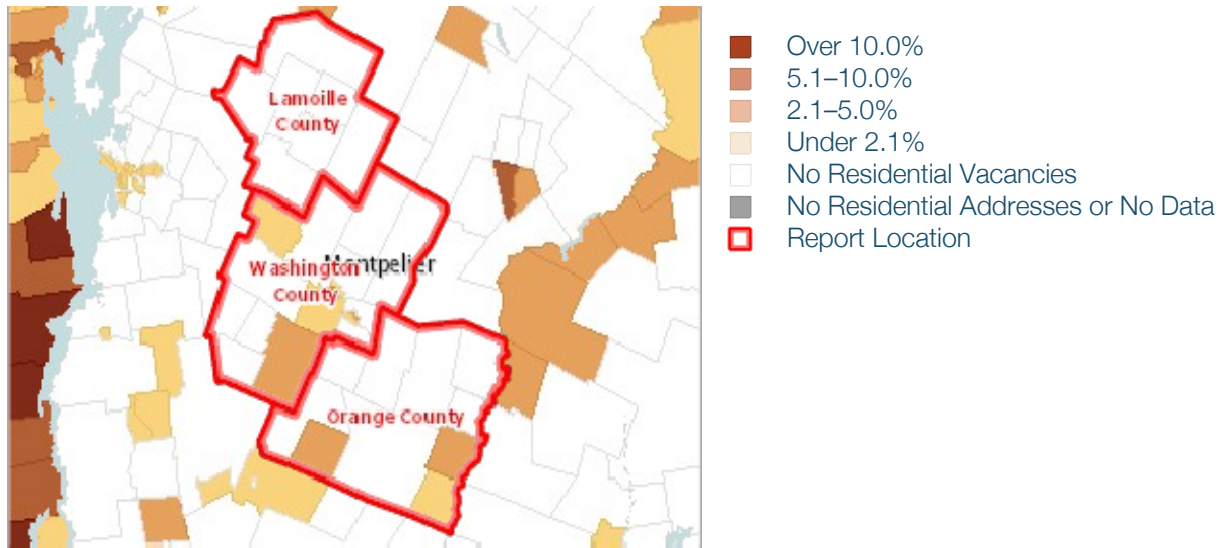
Vacancy Rates

The US Postal Service provided information quarterly to the US Department of Housing and Urban Development on addresses identified as vacant in the previous quarter. Residential and business vacancy rates for the report area in the first quarter of 2015 are reported. For this reporting period, a total of 487 residential addresses were identified as vacant in the report area, a vacancy rate of 0.9%, and 167 business addresses were also reported as vacant, a rate of 3.2.

Report Area	Residential Addresses	Vacant Residential Addresses	Residential Vacancy Rate	Business Addresses	Vacant Business Addresses	Business Vacancy Rate
Area	51,910	487	0.9%	5,182	167	3.2
Lamoille County	12,440	0	0%	1,175	0	0
Orange County	12,038	130	1.1%	507	41	8.1
Wash. Cty	27,432	357	1.3%	3,500	126	3.6
Vermont	297,543	4,064	1.4%	30,302	1,779	5.9
United States	146,832,025	3,825,190	2.6%	13,835,679	1,232,945	8.9

Data source: US Department of Housing and Urban Development. 2016, Q4.
Source geography: County

Residential Vacancies, Percent by Tract, HUD 2016-Q4



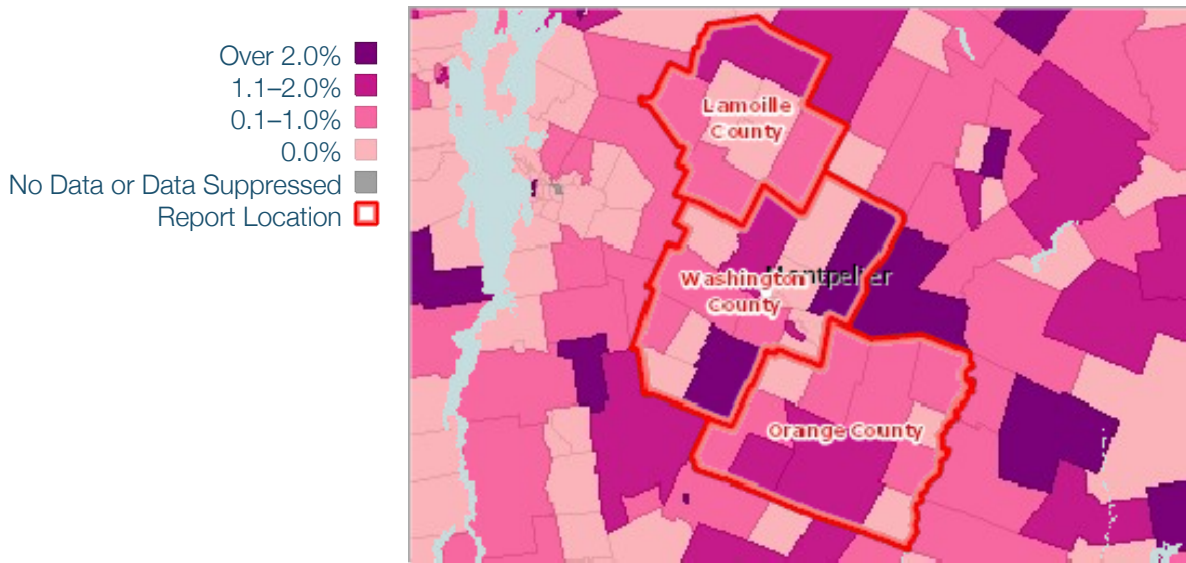
Number of Unsafe, Unsanitary Homes

The number and percentage of occupied housing units without plumbing are shown for the report area. U.S. Census data shows 399 housing units in the report area were without plumbing in 2000 and ACS five-year estimates show 349 housing units in the report area were without plumbing in 2017.

Report Area	Occupied Housing Units 2000	Housing Units without Plumbing 2000	Percent without Plumbing 2000	Occupied Housing Units 2017	Housing Units without Plumbing 2017	Percent without Plumbing 2017
Report Location	43,816	399	0.91%	47,395	349	0.74%
Lamoille County	9,221	70	0.64%	10,401	52	0.5%
Orange County	10,936	156	1.17%	12,275	80	0.65%
Washington County	23,659	173	0.63%	24,719	217	0.88%
Vermont	240,634	1,481	0.5%	258,535	1,282	0.5%
United States	106,741,426	736,626	0.69%	118,815,922	460,775	0.39%

Data source: US Census Bureau, American Community Survey. US Census Bureau, Decennial Census 2013–17. Source geography: County

Housing Units Lacking Complete Plumbing Facilities, Percent by Tract, ACS 2013–17



Evictions

The number evictions and eviction filings within the report area is shown in below. For the year 2016, the Eviction Lab reports that 25 of the 25 eviction filings ended in an eviction, for an eviction rate of 0.18%.

Report Area	Renter Occupied Households	Eviction Filings	Evictions	Eviction Filing Rate	Eviction Rate
Report Location	13,743	25	25	0.18%	0.18%
Lamoille County	3,197	6	6	0.19%	0.19%
Orange County	2,750	2	2	0.07%	0.07%
Washington County	7,796	17	17	0.22%	0.22%
Vermont	42,185	39	39	0.09%	0.09%
United States	38,372,860	2,350,042	898,479	6.12%	2.34%

Data source: Eviction Lab. 2016.
Source geography: County

Is there an opportunity for Capstone to partner with the Lamoille County Planning Commission, the Lamoille Housing Partnership, the Stowe Land Trust and/or others? What role should Capstone play in any partnerships? What are the opportunities in Washington and Orange Counties to address housing issues?

INCOME

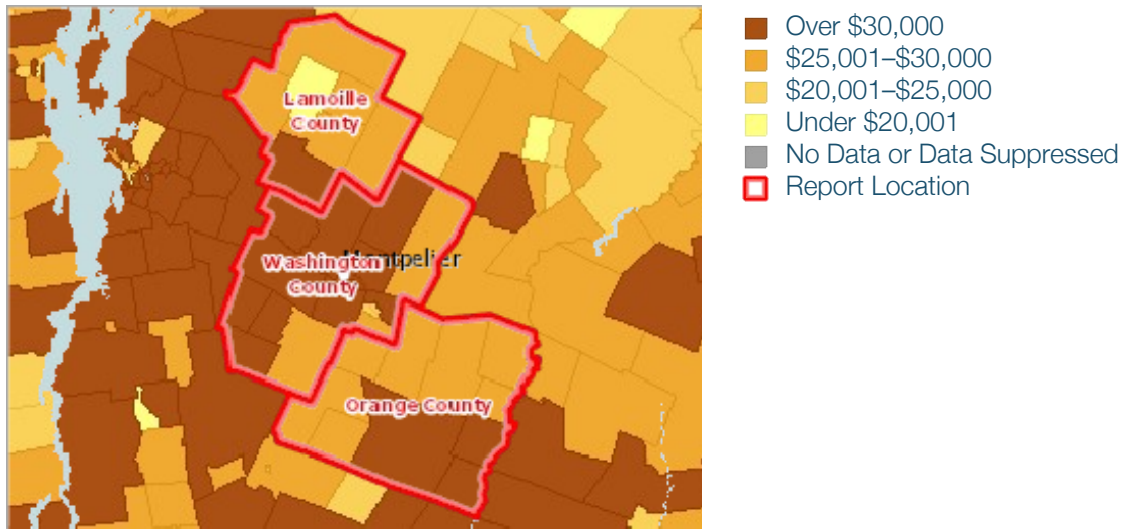
Income Levels

Two common measures of income are Median Household Income and Per Capita Income, based on US Census Bureau estimates. Both measures are shown for the report area below. The average per capita income for the report area is \$30,247.00, compared to a national average of \$29,829.00.

Report Area	Median Household Income	Per Capita Income
Report Location	No data	\$30,247.00
Lamoille County	\$53,316.00	\$29,180.00
Orange County	\$54,263.00	\$28,691.00
Washington County	\$58,171.00	\$31,464.00
Vermont	\$56,104.00	\$30,663.00
United States	\$55,322.00	\$29,829.00

Data source: US Census Bureau, American Community Survey. 2012–16.
Source geography: County

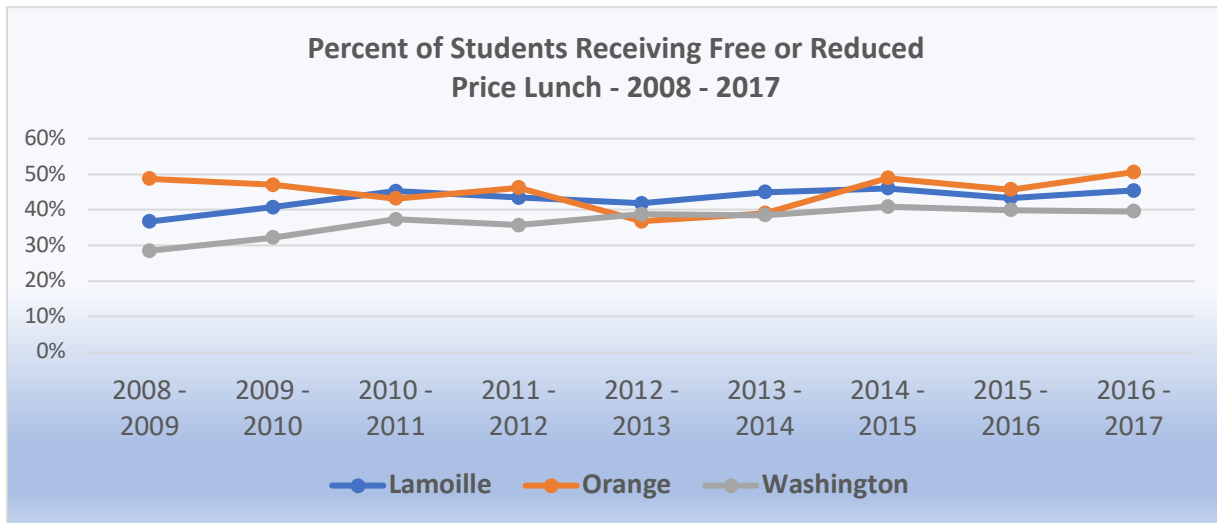
Per Capita Income by Tract, ACS 2012–16



Percent of Students Receiving Reduced-Price Lunch (2008–2017)

Location	2008–2009	2009–2010	2010–2011	2011–2012	2012–2013	2013–2014	2014–2015	2015–2016	2016–2017
Lamoille	36.7%	40.7%	45.2%	43.4%	41.8%	45.0%	46.0%	43.3%	45.4%
Orange	48.7%	47.0%	43.2%	46.2%	36.8%	39.0%	48.9%	45.7%	50.6%
Washington	28.5%	32.2%	37.3%	35.7%	38.8%	38.5%	40.9%	39.9%	39.6%

Data source: Voices for Vermont's Children.



Households Receiving SNAP by Poverty Status (ACS)

The table below shows that according to the American Community Survey (ACS), 5,673 households (or 12%) received SNAP payments during 2017. During this same period there were 3,021 households with income levels below the poverty level that were not receiving SNAP payments.

Report Area	Households Receiving SNAP				Households Not Receiving SNAP			
	Total	Percent	Income Below Poverty	Income Above Poverty	Total	Percent	Income Below Poverty	Income Above Poverty
Report Location	5,673	12%	2,473	3,200	41,722	88%	3,021	38,701
Lamoille County	1,302	12.52%	596	706	9,099	87.48%	724	8,375
Orange County	1,509	12.29%	563	946	10,766	87.71%	840	9,926
Washington County	2,862	11.58%	1,314	1,548	21,857	88.42%	1,457	20,400
Vermont	33,062	12.79%	13,740	19,322	225,473	87.21%	15,774	209,699
United States	15,029,498	12.65%	7,420,946	7,608,552	103,796,423	87.35%	8,969,163	94,827,260

Data source: US Census Bureau, American Community Survey. 2013–17.
Source geography: County

Food Insecurity

Feeding America uses the USDA's measure of food security when collecting its data. Food insecurity refers to USDA's measure of lack of access, at times, to enough food for an active, healthy life for all household members and limited or uncertain availability of nutritionally adequate foods. Food-insecure households are not necessarily food insecure all the time. Food insecurity may reflect a household's need to make trade-offs between important basic needs, such as housing or medical bills, and purchasing nutritionally adequate foods. The food insecurity rate for the Capstone service area is:

Food Insecurity Statistic	Lamoille County	Orange County	Washington County
Number of food insecure people	3,120	3,180	6,600
Food insecurity rate	12%	11%	11%
Estimated program eligibility among food insecure people in the county	65% below SNAP, other nutritional programs threshold 185% of poverty 35% above SNAP, other nutrition programs threshold of 185% of poverty	63% below SNAP, other nutritional programs threshold 185% of poverty 37% above SNAP, other nutrition programs threshold of 185% of poverty	61% below SNAP, other nutritional programs threshold 185% of poverty 39% above SNAP, other nutrition programs threshold of 185% of poverty
Average meal cost	\$4.03	\$3.96	\$3.89
Additional money required to meet food needs throughout the county	\$2,150,000	\$2,153,000	\$4,429,000

Data source: <http://map.feedingamerica.org/county/2016/overall/vermont/county/washington>

According to a 2018 list prepared by the Vermont Food Bank, there are 13 food shelves in Washington County, 4 in Lamoille County, and 12 in Orange County.

What role could Capstone play in reaching the three thousand people who could access this important benefit? There are only four food shelves in Lamoille County identified by the Vermont Food Bank and yet it has the highest food insecurity rate of the three counties and a higher cost-per-meal rate than the other two counties. Is this an area for Capstone to target?

With approximately 29 food shelves in the three-county area, are there inefficiencies in the distribution or other systems in the current structure? What role could Capstone play in exploring this issue further?

HEALTH CARE

Federally Qualified Health Centers

Federally Qualified Health Centers in the Capstone service area are located as follows:

County	Provider Number	FQHC Name	Address	City	Phone
Lamoille County	PN: 471819	Stowe Family Practice	1878 Mountain Road, Suite 3	Stowe	(802) 253-4853
Lamoille County	PN: 471820	Morrisville Family Health Center	607 Washington Highway	Morrisville	(802) 888-6000
Lamoille County	PN: 471821	Behavioral Medicine	65 Northgate Plaza, Suite 11	Morrisville	(802) 888-8320
Lamoille County	PN: 471856	Appleseed Pediatrics	609 Washington Highway	Morrisville	(802) 888-7337
Orange County	PN: 471824	Valley Health Center	720 Village Road	East Corinth	(802) 439-5321
Orange County	PN: 471825	Bradford Health Services	437 South Main Street	Bradford	(802) 222-5562
Orange County	PN: 471826	Wells River Clinic	65 Main Street	Wells River	(802) 757-2325
Orange County	PN: 471852	Gifford Primary Care Ob/Gyn	44 S Main Street	Randolph	(802) 728-2401
Orange County	PN: 471855	Chelsea Health Center	365 VT Route 110	Chelsea	(802) 685-4400
Orange County	PN: 471862	Gifford Health Care at Kingwood	1422 Route 66	Randolph	(802) 728-2356
Washington County	PN: 471817	Cabot Health Services	25 Common Road	Cabot	(802) 563-2118
Washington County	PN: 471818	The Health Center	157 Towne Ave	Plainfield	(802) 454-8336
Washington County	PN: 471853	Gifford Health Center at Berlin	2418 Airport Road, Suite 1	Barre	(802) 229-2325

Data source: US Department of Health & Human Services, Center for Medicare & Medicaid Services, Provider of Services File. March 2018.

Source geography: County

Medicare and Medicaid Providers

Total institutional Medicare and Medicaid providers, including hospitals, nursing facilities, federally qualified health centers, rural health clinics and community mental health centers for the report area are shown. According to the US Department of Health and Human Services, there were 29 active Medicare and Medicaid institutional service providers in the report area in the first quarter of 2018.

Report Area	Total Institutional Providers	Hospitals	Nursing Facilities	Federally Qualified Health Centers	Rural Health Clinics	Community Mental Health Centers
Report Location	29	4	6	13	1	0
Lamoille County	9	1	1	4	1	0
Orange County	8	1	1	6	0	0
Washington County	12	2	4	3	0	0
Vermont	152	18	36	54	11	0
United States	73,554	7,153	15,635	8,350	4,246	142

Data source: US Department of Health & Human Services, Center for Medicare & Medicaid Services, Provider of Services File. March 2018.

Source geography: County

Persons Receiving Medicare

The total number of persons receiving Medicare is shown, broken down by number over 65 and number of disabled persons receiving Medicare for the report area. The US Department of Health and Human Services reported that a total of 31,714 persons were receiving Medicare benefits in the report area in 2017. A large number of individuals in our society are aware that persons over 65 years of age receive Medicare; however, many of them are unaware that disabled persons also receive Medicare benefits. A total of 4,975 disabled persons in the report area received Medicare benefits in 2017.

Report Area	Persons Over 65 Receiving Medicare	Disabled Persons Receiving Medicare	Total Persons Receiving Medicare
Report Location	26,739	4,975	31,714
Lamoille County	9,604	1,607	11,211
Orange County	5,631	934	6,565
Washington County	11,504	2,434	13,938
Vermont	234,743	44,193	278,938
United States	49,775,028	8,768,041	58,543,069

Data source: Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services. 2012–16.
Source geography: County

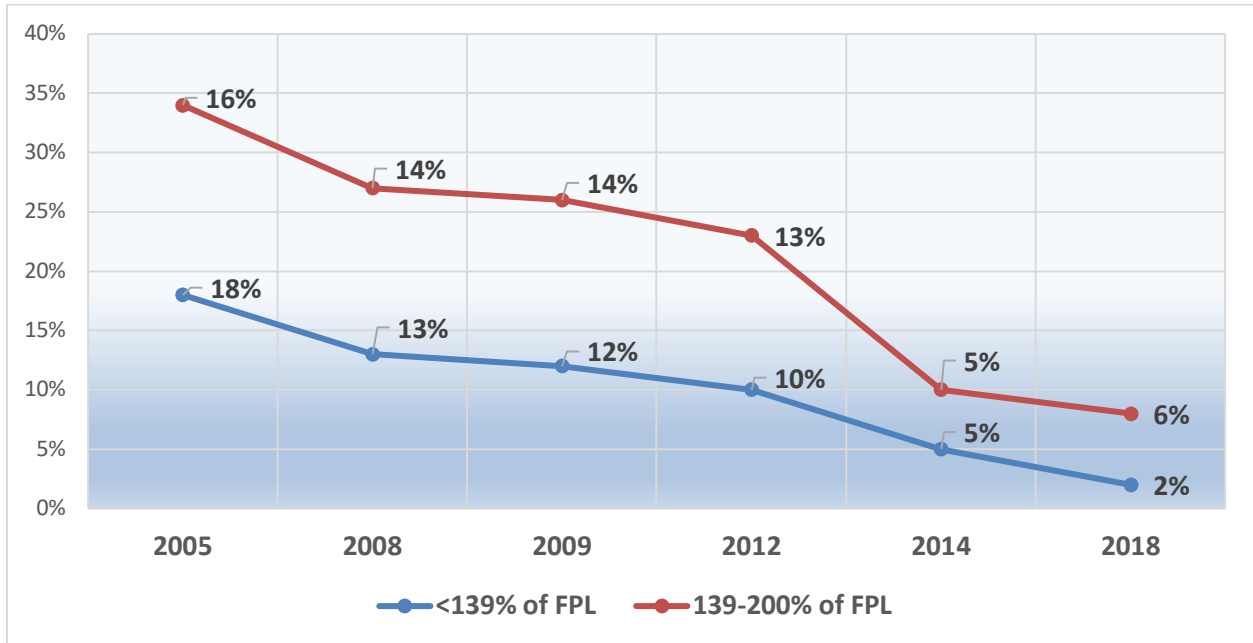
Uninsured Population

The uninsured population is calculated by estimating the number of persons eligible for insurance (generally those under 65) minus the estimated number of insured persons.

Report Area	Insurance Population (2017 Estimate)	Number Insured	Number Uninsured	Percent Uninsured
Report Location	112,783	85,068	4,261	3.78%
Lamoille County	25,191	19,454	1,143	4.54%
Orange County	28,901	21,603	1,139	3.94%
Washington County	58,691	44,011	1,979	3.37%
Vermont	624,636	468,242	23,063	3.69%
United States	321,004,407	240,510,253	26,749,668	8.33%

Data source: US Census Bureau, American Community Survey. US Census Bureau, Small Area Health Insurance Estimates. 2016.
Source geography: County

Uninsured Vermonters by Federal Poverty Level (FPL)



Data source: State of Vermont data

According to the Vermont Household Health Insurance Survey done by VDH in 2018, Lamoille County reported the highest uninsured rate in Vermont (11%), with Washington County being one of the lowest in the state at 2%. Orange County has an uninsured rate of 4%. It should be noted that the uninsured rate statewide is typically between 2 and 4%, with Lamoille County being the outlier.

Is there a role for Capstone to play in addressing this issue in Lamoille County?

Dental Care

Access to dental care was also identified by Gifford Health Center as a priority need.

The Vermont State Dental Society has hired a recruiter to bring dentists to Vermont to meet the dental shortage.

Opioid Treatment

Vermont developed the first in the nation Specialized Health Home focused on expanding evidence-based Medication Assisted Treatment (MAT) for OUD, known as the Hub and Spoke Program. Vermont's Hub and Spoke Program has garnered national attention for its effective, responsive, and comprehensive approach to providing MAT. Vermont accomplishes this through the integration of opioid treatment programs (OTPs), providing higher levels of care (hubs) with primary care, obstetrics-gynecology, outpatient addiction treatment, and pain management practices (spokes) providing office-based opioid treatment (OBOTs). Regional hubs offer medication, counseling, case management, and home health services to complex patients. Spokes provide care to individuals who have either been stabilized at a regional hub or whose needs do not require the intensity of services offered by the regional hubs. Spoke staff, supported by enhanced care coordination through the Blueprint for Health Community Health Teams and local Recovery Support services, ensure essential clinical and counseling support services are provided.

According to the Vermont Department of Health, as of January 2019, there are 493 people in Washington, Lamoille, and Orange Counties who are going to a hub to receive buprenorphine (163) and Methadone (330).

- There are three treatment centers in Lamoille County, two in Orange County, and four in Washington County.
- The hub is in Barre.
- In addition, there are a number of substance abuse therapists in the three-county area.

In its community health needs assessment, Central Vermont Medical Center identified drug abuse as a priority health need. In addition, Gifford Hospital identified substance abuse counseling as a priority need for its communities.

Central Vermont Medical Center primarily serves the region of Washington County, VT. In addition to Washington County, CVMC's service area includes a few outlying towns in Orange County: Brookfield, Orange, Washington, and Williamstown. In its 2016 Community Health Needs Assessment, the Medical Center focused its data collection and analysis on the Washington County population. Priority health needs established in its assessment are:

- Drug abuse
- Mental health
- Tobacco use
- Healthy diets
- Youth participation in physical activities

EARLY CHILDHOOD DATA

The data provided below show the numbers of Head Start–eligible infants, toddlers, and preschool age children in each county in the service area. Also shown is the number of new mothers in 2016 and their race, ethnicity, and language.

Births by County (1999–2016)

The number of expectant mothers can be extrapolated from the number of births over a period of 18 years.

Over the 18-year period from 1999 to 2016 births per year averaged:

- 241 (Lamoille County)
- 279 (Orange County)
- 599 (Washington County)

Race of New Mothers 2016 by County

County	White	Black	American Indian	Asian or Pacific Islanders	Other Non-White	Unknown	Multiple Race	Total
Lamoille	255	2	0	1	3	1	4	266
Orange	262	2	0	2	2	0	2	270
Washington	484	3	1	9	2	1	8	508

Data source: 2016 Vital Statistics Report published by the Vermont Department of Health, Agency of Human Services.

Language of New Mothers 2016 by County

County	French	Spanish	Serbo-Croatian	German	English
Lamoille	1.27%	1.44%	0	0.47%	96.82%
Orange	0.97%	0.82%	0	0.49%	97.72%
Washington	1.33%	0.54%	0.37%	0	97.76%

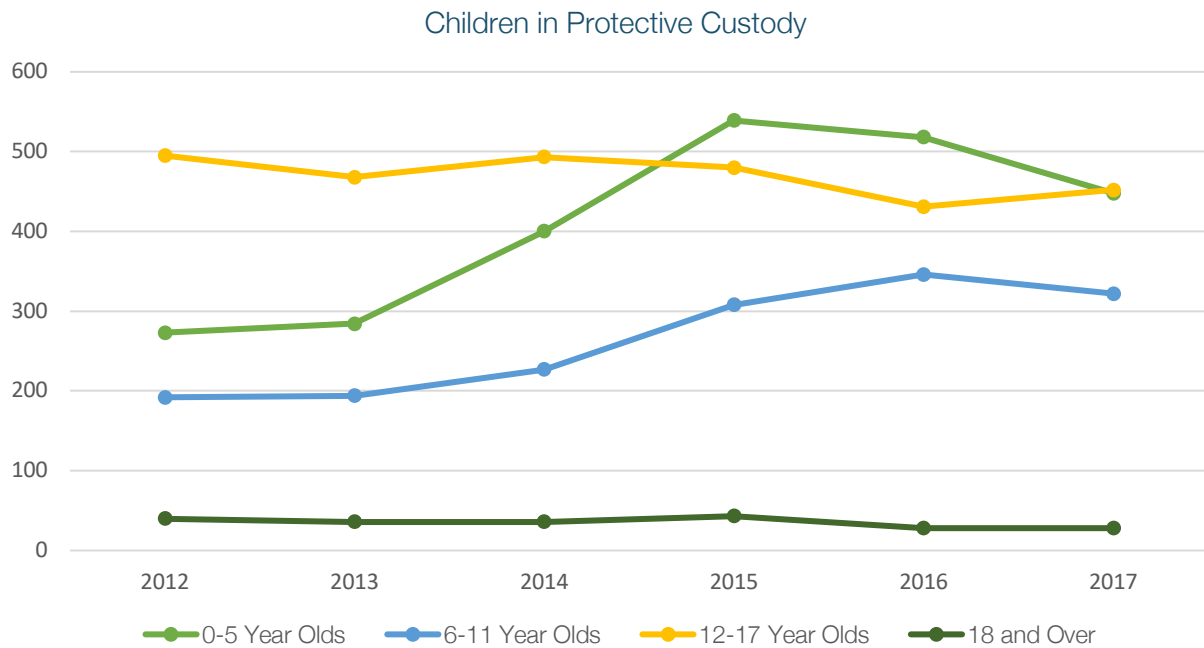
Data source: <https://datausa.io/profile/geo/orange-county-vt/>

Households with Children Experiencing Homelessness in Collaboration with, to the Extent Possible, McKinney-Vento Local Education Agency Liaisons (42 U.S.C. 11432 (6)(A)).2

	Lamoille County	Orange County	Washington County
<i>Total Number Households</i>	13	18	108
Households with at least 1 adult and 1 child	4	0	16
2 Members	0	0	7
3 Members	3	0	8
4 Members	0	0	1
5+ Members	1	0	0
Households without children	9	18	91
Household with only children	0	0	0

Data source: 2018 Point in Time Count.

Children in Foster Care (2012–2017)



Children with Disabilities

Types of Disabilities

Disability Category	Vermont 2017–2018	Lamoille North SU	Lamoille South SU	Orange East SU	Orange Southwest SU	Orange-North SU	Orange Windsor SUP	Washington Central SU	Washington Northeast SU	Washington West SU	Washington South SU	Montpelier SD	Blue Mountain SC	Barre SD	Rivendell Interstate SC
All Disabilities	2005	301	221	250	149	143	199	205	79	260	129	119	75	218	518
Autism	74	18	19	14	***	11	***	***	***	18	***	16	***	34	***
Developmental Delay	0	64	40	55	11	24	30	31	19	20	21	21	***	111	15
Emotional Disturbance	1,857	47	25	24	16	29	34	24	***	34	26	13	***	87	11
Hearing Impairment	0	0	0	0	0	0	***	***	0	***	0	***	***	0	0
Intellectual Disability	4	23	11	15	***	***	***	***	***	13	***	0	***	27	***
Multiple Disability	1	***	***	***	***	***	***	***	***	***	***	0	***	***	***
Orthopedic Impairment	0	0	***	***	0	***	0	0	0	***	***	0	0	0	0
Other Health Impairment		27	41	42	22	25	34	32	13	42	24	23	***	60	16
Specific Learning Disability		89	64	72	60	36	66	90	25	108	36	36	37	161	12
Speech/Language Impairment	38	26	18	25	26	***	15	11	***	***	13	***	***	28	0
Traumatic Brain Injury	2	0	0	0	0	0	***	***	0	***	0	0	0	***	0
Visual Impairment	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	***	0	***

Data source: <https://www2.ed.gov/programs/osepidea/618-data/static-tables/index.html>

Resources Available to Children with Disabilities

- Children’s Integrated Services (CIS)

CIS offers early intervention, family support, and prevention services that help ensure the healthy development and well-being of children, pre-birth to age 5. Services are available at low or no cost to families.
- Early Intervention Services (IDEA Part C), ages 0 to 2 years
- Essential Early Education (EEE), ages 3 to 5 years
- Vermont Family Network
- Parent-child centers:
 - Lamoille Family Center
 - Orange County Parent-Child Center
 - Family Center of Washington County
- Children with Special Health Needs

211 Call Summary

Need Category	Lamoille County	Orange County	Washington County
Total Basic Needs Calls	220	187	993
<i>Housing/Shelter</i>	(74.5%)	(56%)	(84%)
<i>Food</i>	(2%)	(6%)	(7%)
<i>Transportation</i>	(8%)	(9%)	(4%)
<i>Utilities</i>	(13%)	(21%)	(6%)
Consumer Services	31	26	80
Criminal Justice and Legal Services	48	71	125
Education	1	2	1
Environmental/Public Health/ Public Safety	8	12	24
Health Care	25	38	83
Income, Support, and Employment	83	117	263
<i>Public assistance programs</i>	(67%)	(54%)	(73%)
Individual and Family Life Individual and Family Support Services	86%	48%	58%
Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services	30	19	116
<i>Mental Health Evaluation and Treatment</i>	(73%)	(89%)	(66%)
Organizational Community Services	104	153	384

Head Start, Early Head Start, Early Head Start-Child Care Partnership Family Services Provided by Capstone in 2017–2018

Family Service	Head Start		Early Head Start		Early Head Start-Child Care Partnership	
	Identified Need	Receiving Service	Identified Need	Receiving Service	Identified Need	Receiving Service
Emergency/crisis intervention such as meeting immediate needs for food, clothing, or shelter	15	6	7	3	0	0
Housing assistance, such as subsidies, utilities, repairs, etc.	43	42	52	39	6	2
Mental health services	29	33	20	46	2	5
English as a Second Language (ESL) training	1	0	3	0	0	0
Adult education, such as GED programs and college selection	31	12	46	17	15	3
Job training	37	16	47	16	8	6
Substance abuse prevention	0	0	2	0	0	0
Substance abuse treatment	0	0	2	0	0	0
Child abuse and neglect services	4	3	3	2	0	1
Domestic violence services	2	2	4	2	0	0
Child support assistance	3	0	10	1	4	0
Health education	41	116	34	124	4	31
Assistance to families of incarcerated individuals	1	0	0	1	0	0
Parenting education	56	150	44	142	7	41
Relationship/marriage education	11	1	11	3	3	0
Asset-building services (such as financial education, opening savings and checking accounts, debt counseling, etc.)	0	29	0	32	0	8

Educational, Health, Nutrition and Social Service Needs of Eligible Children and Their Families, Including Prevalent Social or Economic Factors That Impact Their Well-Being.

In a recent survey of customers completed by Capstone as part of the community needs assessment, 61% of the 556 people responding had Head Start–eligible incomes (less than \$30,000 per year).

The education levels of 574 respondents indicated that 31% had a high school diploma and 6% had less than a high school diploma. Inability to pay for additional education and a poor history with school are the primary reasons for people not furthering their education.

In the aforementioned survey, 548 people responded to the question asking them to identify the four most important needs for them and their family. The five top answers were:

1. Food
2. Heat/Utilities
3. Housing
4. Transportation
5. Health care

Survey respondents were also asked to identify the four most important needs in their community. The 552 respondents identified:

1. Affordable housing
2. Transportation
3. Jobs and training
4. Access to nutritious food
5. Access to health care

Typical work, School, and Training Schedules of Parents with Eligible Children

According to the Reach UP participants occupations in Vermont, 44% of the jobs are in the health services field (nurses, etc.), food service, and sales, while 23.8% are professional, technical, and managerial.

Health services and food service hours include nights and weekends, while the professional jobs are more 9-5 hours. For the period of October 2016 through September 2017, 244 Reach Up participants participated in training and education programs. Of those, 184 were in work experience/community service roles, 1 was in on-the-job training, 22 were in vocational education, 10 job skills training, with 28 having a satisfactory school attendance.

The monthly benefit that families receive for Reach Up is dependent on the size of the family. For example, a family of two receives \$680, and a family of five receives \$1,247. Even with SNAP benefits, the monthly income for participants is below 100% of poverty, which means that any child under the age of five would be eligible for Head Start.

Other Child Development, Child Care Centers, and Family Child Care Programs That Serve Eligible Children (Including Home Visiting, Publicly Funded State and Local Preschools) and the Approximate Number of Eligible Children Served

Lamoille County: 1,604 children 0–5

Licensed Providers (Center or Home-based Care) as of June 2018

	Total Providers	Infant Slots	Toddler Slots	Pre-K Slots	School-Age Slots	Total Slots
Total Private Center Slots	21	102	164	360	207	833
Total Prequalified Pre-K Slots (Public and Private)	17	48	74	366	34	522
Total Center Slots (including Public Pre-K)	28	102	164	518	207	991
Total Registered Home Slots	26	48	48	62	96	254
Registered Home Prequalified Pre-K	1	0	0	6	4	10

Source: 2018 Stalled at the Start: Vermont’s Child Care Challenge. Produced by Let’s Grow Kids.

Orange County: 1,680 children 0-5

Licensed Providers (Center or Home-based Care) as of June 2018

	Total Providers	Infant Slots	Toddler Slots	Pre-K Slots	School-Age Slots	Total Slots
Total Private Center Slots	16	55	75	255	40	425
Total Prequalified Pre-K Slots (Public and Private)	18	34	41	343	18	436
Total Center Slots (including Public Pre-K)	23	55	75	419	40	589
Total Registered Home Slots	14	28	28	30	44	130
Registered Home Prequalified Pre-K	1	2	2	2	0	6

Washington County: 3,462 children 0–5

Licensed Providers (Center or Home-based Care) as of June 2018

	Total Providers	Infant Slots	Toddler Slots	Pre-K Slots	School-Age Slots	Total Slots
Total Private Center Slots	37	164	171	668	88	1,091
Total Prequalified Pre-K Slots (Public and Private)	28	60	66	783	23	932
Total Center Slots (including Public Pre-K)	54	164	171	1,119	88	1,542
Total Registered Home Slots	63	108	126	148	208	590
Registered Home Prequalified Pre-K	3	0	3	15	8	26

Population and Need for Quality Care by County

Infant

County	Infant Population	Number of Infants Likely to Need Care	Total Reported Desired Infant Capacity	Total Reported Desired Infant Capacity for High-Quality Providers
Lamoille	533	372	131	74
Orange	530	369	83	42
Washington	1138	872	247	66

Toddler

County	Toddler Population	Number of Toddlers Likely to Need Care	Total Reported Desired Toddler Capacity	Total Reported Desired Toddler Capacity for High-Quality Providers
Lamoille	256	179	171	100
Orange	294	205	108	58
Washington	577	442	284	78

Resources Available in the Community to Address the Needs of Eligible Children and Their Families

- The Lamoille Family Center has a nursing and family support program that provides home visiting.
- The Orange County Parent-Child Center has a family/child home-visiting program.
- The Washington County Family Center has family support workers who provide in-home support to families.
- In addition, Children's Integrated Services, a statewide program that is implemented in each county provides in-home supports to children with mental health needs.

EMERGENCY FOOD

Lamoille County

- Lamoille Community Food Share
- Capstone Community Action
- Lamoille County Mental Health Services
- Worcester Community Kitchen and Food Shelf
- Faith in Action

Orange County

- Capstone Community Action
- Randolph Area Food Shelf
- Newbury Bible Church
- United Church of Chelsea

Washington County

- Capstone Community Action
- St. Monica Parish
- Hedding United Methodist Church
- Salvation Army
- Middlesex Food Shelf
- Christ Episcopal Church
- Trinity United Methodist
- Roxbury Union Congregational Church
- Community Action Service Team
- Websterville Baptist Church
- Worcester Community Food Shelf

HOUSING ASSISTANCE

Lamoille County

- Lamoille Housing Partnership

Washington County

- Good Samaritan Haven
- Circle Domestic Violence Shelter and Assistance
- Vermont State Housing Authority
- Barre Housing Authority
- Capstone Community Action

MENTAL HEALTH

- Washington County Mental Health
- The Clara Martin Center
- Lamoille County Mental Health
- Private therapists in all counties

ADULT EDUCATION

- Vermont Adult Learning
- Community College of Vermont

JOB TRAINING

- Vermont Department of Labor
- Vocational Rehabilitation

SUBSTANCE ABUSE

Lamoille County

- Lamoille County Mental Health
- Alcoholics Anonymous
- Narcotics Anonymous
- Community Health Services of Lamoille Valley Behavioral Health and Wellness
- Tri County Substance Abuse Services
- Central Vermont Addiction

Orange County

- Clara Mountain Center
- Treatment Associates
- Alcoholics Anonymous
- Narcotics Anonymous

Washington County

- Central Vermont Addiction
- Washington County Mental Health
- Washington County Youth Services
- Clara Martin Center
- Treatment Associates
- Alcoholics Anonymous
- Narcotics Anonymous
- Turning Point Center

PARENTING EDUCATION

- Washington County Family Center
- Capstone Head Start/Early Head Start

LEGAL SERVICES

- Vermont Legal Aid
- Vermont Law School