

Vermont Cannabis Control Board

May 22, 2023 Board Meeting Executive Director Report

Public engagement since last **Board meeting** and upcoming

- May 4: <u>Training on</u> <u>Inventory Tracking</u> <u>Reporting for Cultivators</u>
- May 10: <u>Public hearing on</u> <u>Rule amendments</u> (10 AM)
- May 15: <u>Public hearing on</u> <u>rule amendments (6 PM)</u>
- May 11: <u>Guidance and</u> <u>Networking Session on</u> <u>Compliant Packaging</u>
- May 25: <u>Q&A on the</u> <u>emergency hemp derived</u> <u>products rule (5 PM)</u>
- June 1: Q&A on changes to the medical program (Tentatively 10am)

Hiring activity update

Medical Program Technician hired: Priya Holland

Guidance Updates

Packaging Materials
 <u>Guidance</u>

Legislative update: H.270

•As passed version has not been created by House Clerk's office as of 5/22/23.

•That means the bill has not yet been sent to the Governor's desk for signature.

Adult use program: licensing data

Data as of 5/17/23

Licensing cannabis establishments:

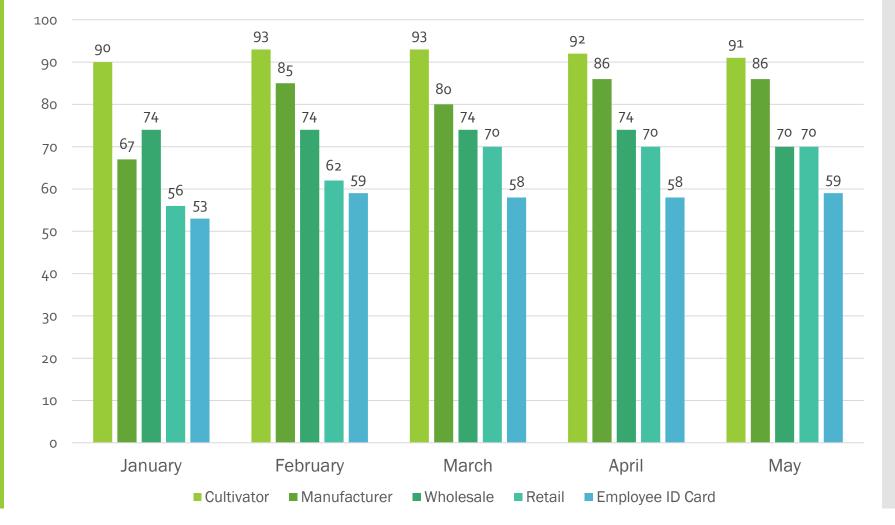
average days from submission to approval



Social Equity & Standard Applications

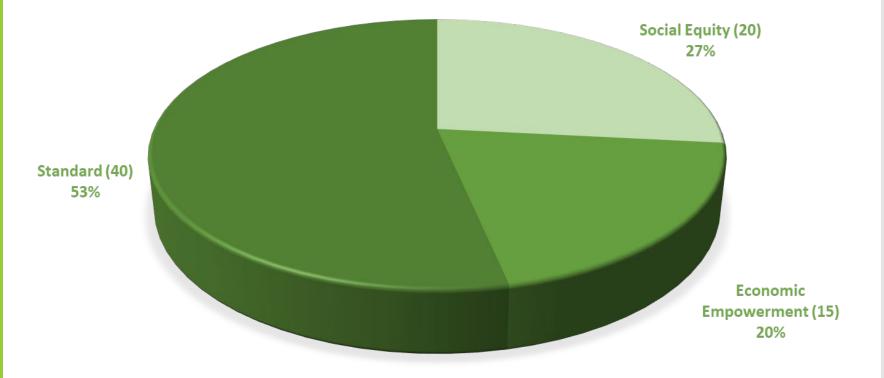
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average days from submission to approval



Based on License Type

75 NEW SUBMISSIONS EXCLUDING RENEWALS 4.20.2023 - 5.15.23



ADULT USE PROGRAM

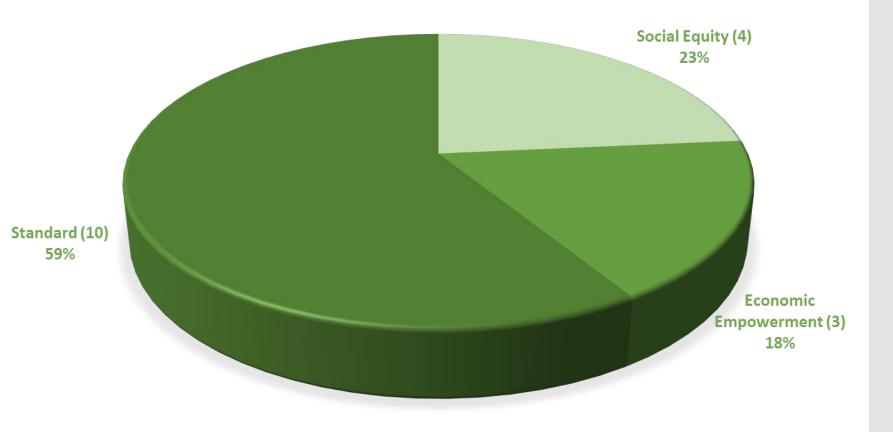
New cannabis establishment license application submissions:

by status

Renewal cannabis establishment license renewal submissions:

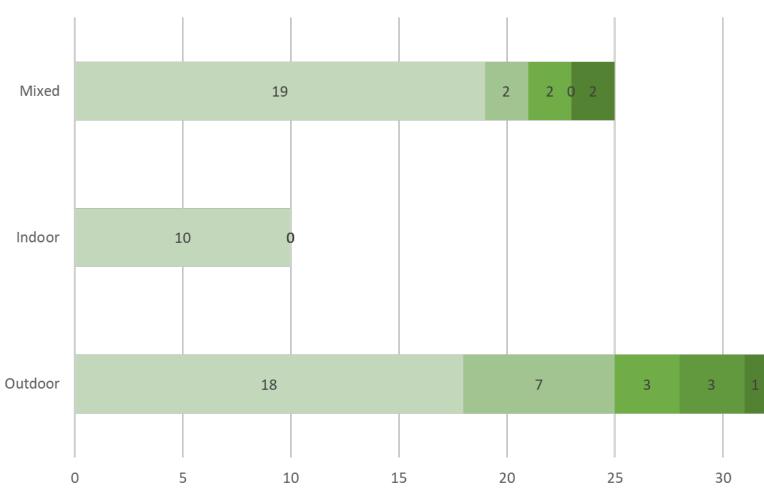
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17 RENEWAL SUBMISSIONS 4.20.2023 – 5.15.2023



New cannabis establishment license application submissions:

by license type

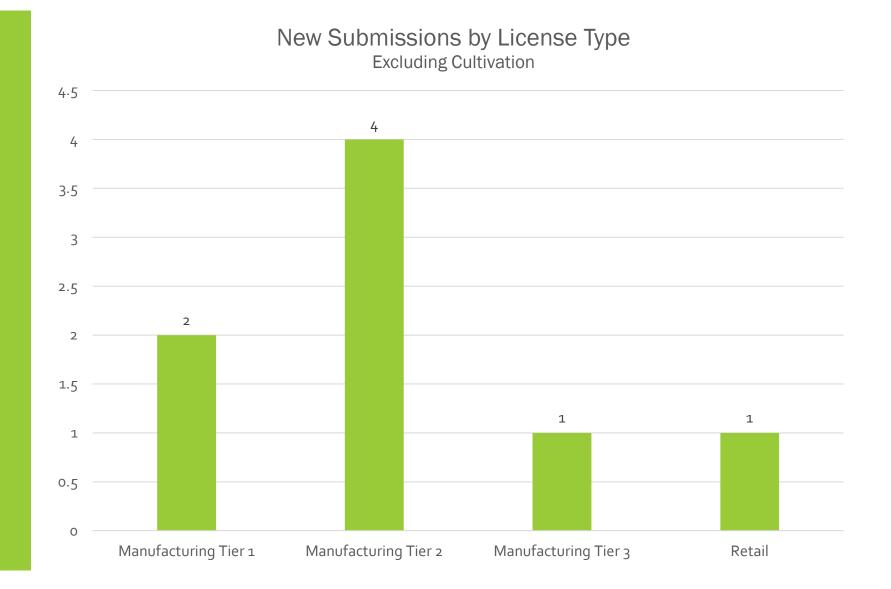


New Cultivation Submissions by Type & Tier

■ Tier 1 ■ Tier 2 ■ Tier 3 ■ Tier 4 ■ Tier 5

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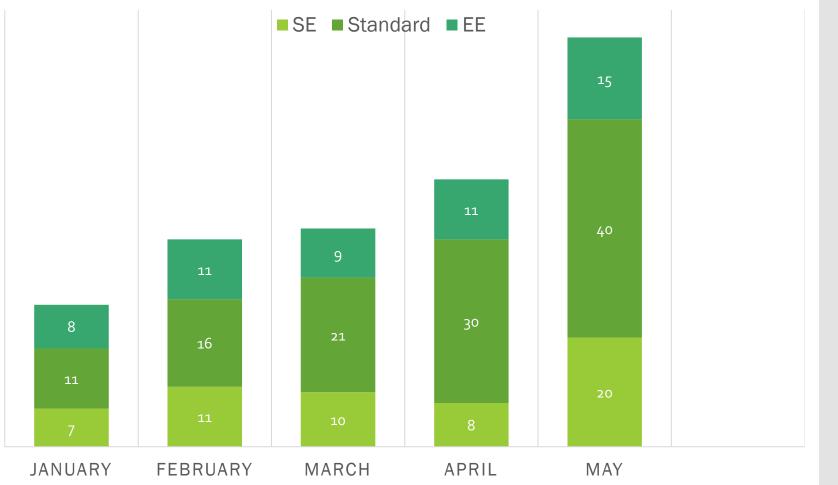
by license type cont.



New cannabis establishment license application submissions:

Monthly review

NEW SUBMISSIONS BY STATUS



New cannabis establishment license application submissions:

Monthly review

NEW SUBMISSIONS BY LICENSE TYPE



Number of issued licenses by type and tier as of 5/17/23

Applying For	Issued
Indoor Cultivator Tier 1 Small Cultivator	78
Indoor Cultivator Tier 2	12
Indoor Cultivator Tier 3	7
Indoor Cultivator Tier 4	0
Indoor Cultivator Tier 5	1
Integrated Licenses	2
Manufacturers Tier 1	7
Manufacturers Tier 2	32
Manufacturers Tier 3	9
Mixed Cultivator Tier 1 Small Cultivator	68
Mixed Cultivator Tier 2	12
Mixed Cultivator Tier 3	4
Mixed Cultivator Tier 4	1
Mixed Cultivator Tier 5	2
Outdoor Cultivator Tier 1 Small Cultivator	95
Outdoor Cultivator Tier 2	16
Outdoor Cultivator Tier 3	5
Outdoor Cultivator Tier 4	4
Outdoor Cultivator Tier 5	3
Retailers	53
Testing Labs	3
Wholesalers	9
Total	424

Issued License Amendments

&

Employee ID cards

Applying For	Issued
Indoor Cultivator Tier 1 Small Cultivator Amendment	2
Indoor Cultivator Tier 2 Amendment	1
Indoor Cultivator Tier 3 Amendment	1
Manufacturers Tier 2 Amendment	1
Manufacturers Tier 3 Amendment	1
Mixed Cultivator Tier 1 Small Cultivator Amendment	5
Mixed Cultivator Tier 4 Amendment	1
Outdoor Cultivator Tier 1 Small Cultivator Amendment	8
Outdoor Cultivator Tier 2 Amendment	1
Retailers Amendment	2
Testing Labs Amendment	1
Total	24

Applying For	Issued
Employee ID Card	471

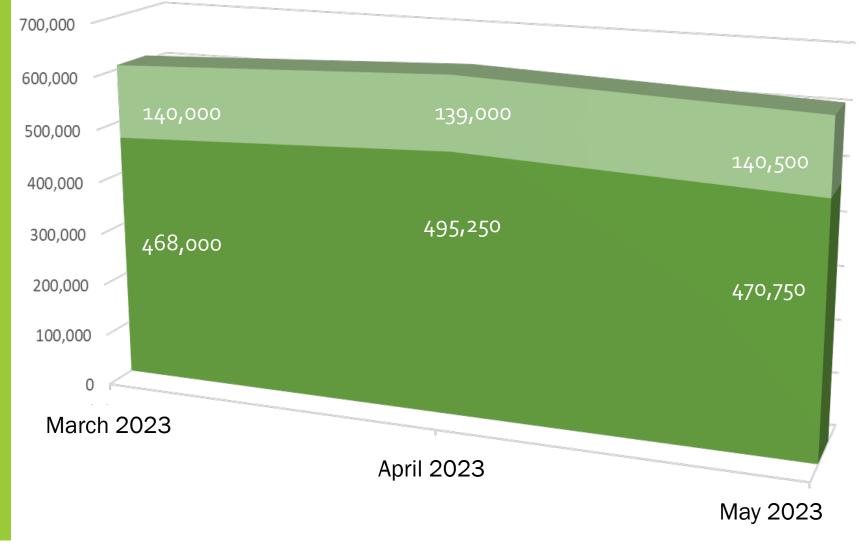
Canopy Capacity Change with Renewals

ADULT USE PROGRAM Renewals

State Licensed Canopy with cultivation renewals in the queue

- 24,500 sq/ft Outdoor Canopy

+ 1,500 sq/ft Indoor Canopy



Total submissions received from March 27 – April 19

- 92 licensing applications in 25 calendar days (new & renewals)
- 246 product registration submissions
- 117 employee ID card applications

Retail locations in Vermont

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 Town locations for retail cannabis establishments. PLEASE NOTE: For retail applicants, location is approximation for 104,285 views Published seconds ago

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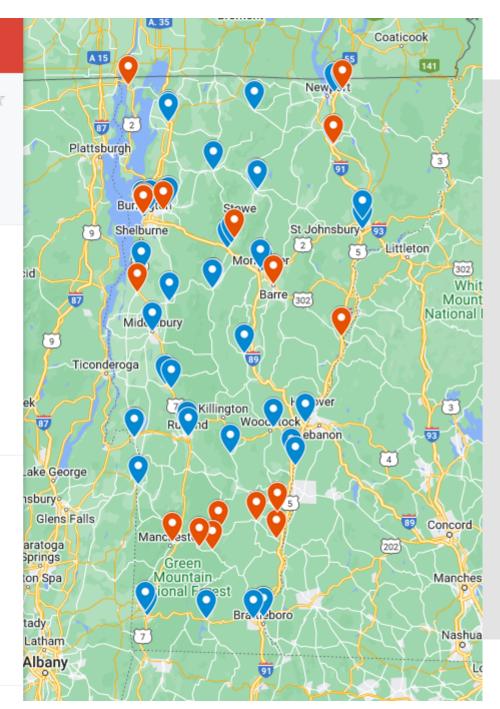
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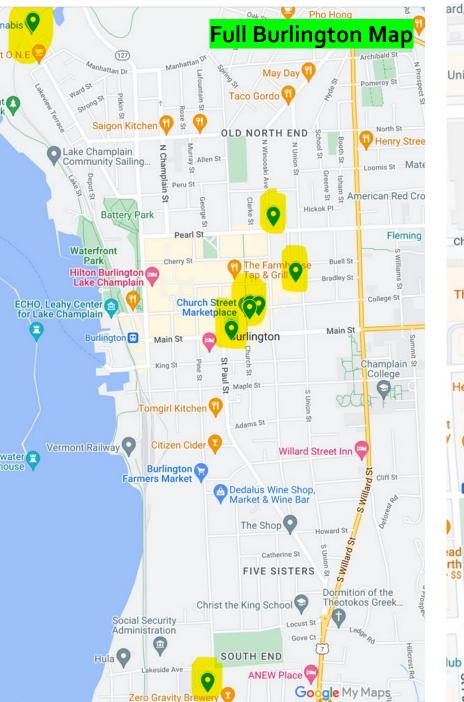
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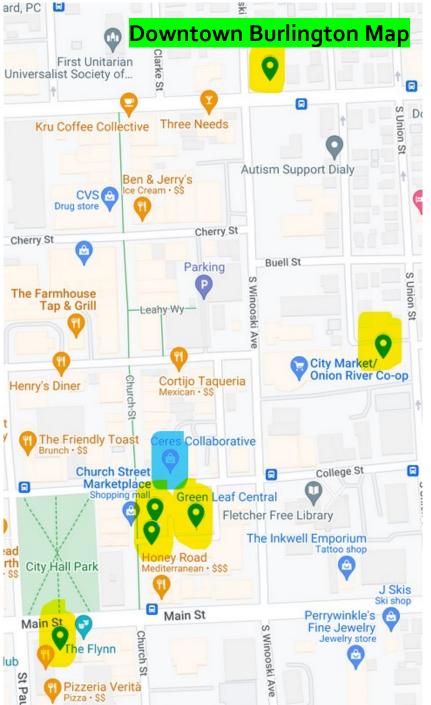
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- Silver Therapeutics Cannabis Dispensary Benni...
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- Retail Cannabis Applicants
 - 🍳 Alburgh Retail Cannabis Establishment
 - 💡 Barre Retail Cannabis Establishment
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 - ... 14 more



Retail locations in Burlington





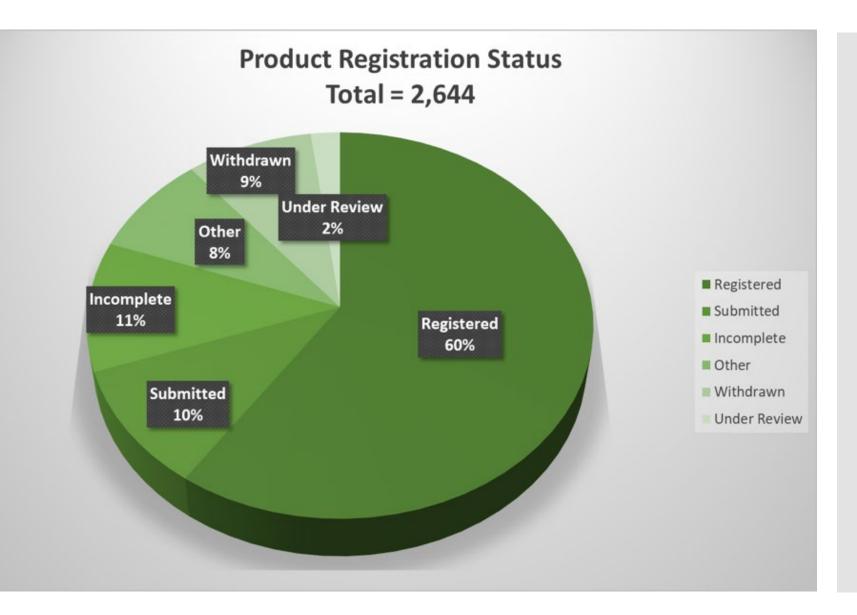
Retail locations: areas of density

	Licensed Retailers (and Integrated)	Retail applications in the queue
Burlington	9	4
Montpelier	3	0
Rutland	3	0
Brattleboro	3	0
Morrisville	3	0
Brandon	2	1
Waterbury/ Waterbury Center	2	1
Derby	1	2

Product registration: by numbers 2,644 total product registration applications submitted

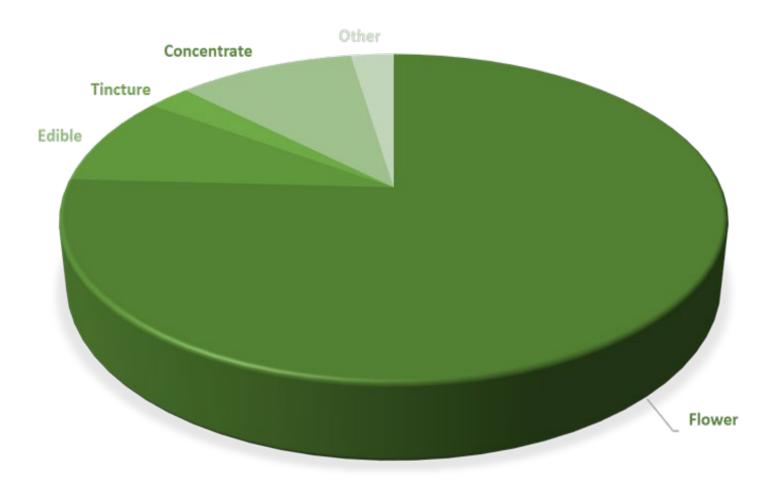
- 267 applications awaiting review
- 287 applications incomplete
- 1,575 products registered

Product registration: by status



Product registration: by product type

TYPES OF PRODUCTS IN ALL STATUSES



Adult use program: compliance data

Data as of 5/15/23

Advertising data since 11/21/22

- 96 advertising submissions received and reviewed
 - Approved: 46
 - Denied: 35
 - Withdrawn or incomplete: 5
- Reasons for denial (some denied for multiple reasons):
 - 19 failed to meet 15% threshold for youth audience composition
 - 12 failed to include health warnings
 - 5 included prizes or giveaways of cannabis
 - 5 lacked sufficient information
 - 2 were considered appealing to children
 - 1 other

Inspections from April 20 – May 15 •Total inspections: 100 •Cultivation site: 74

- Manufacturing site: 17
- Wholesale site: 0
- Retail site: 9

Investigations from April 20 – May 15 Total new investigations: 24

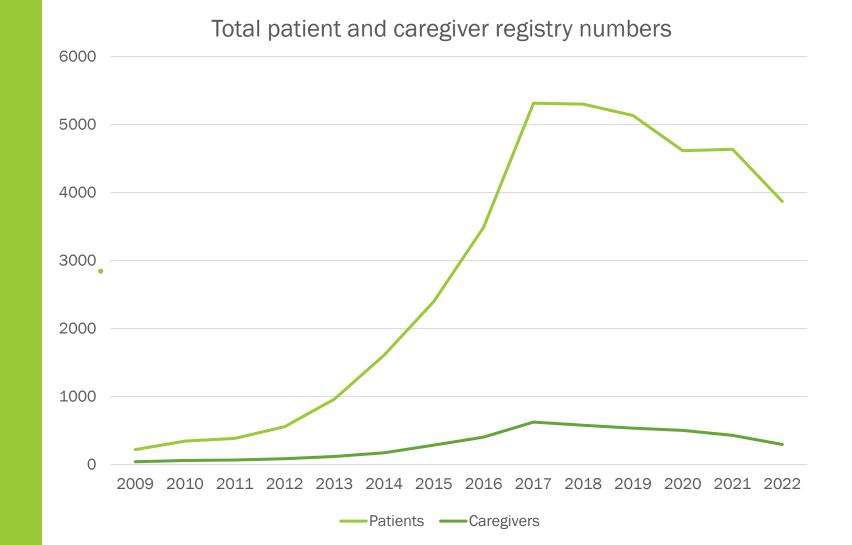
- Advertising
- Labeling deficiencies
- Diversion/Inversion
- Onsite consumption
- Product registration
- New complaints received: 20
- •Letters of Warning Issued: 1 (advertising)

Medical program data

Data as of 5/18/23

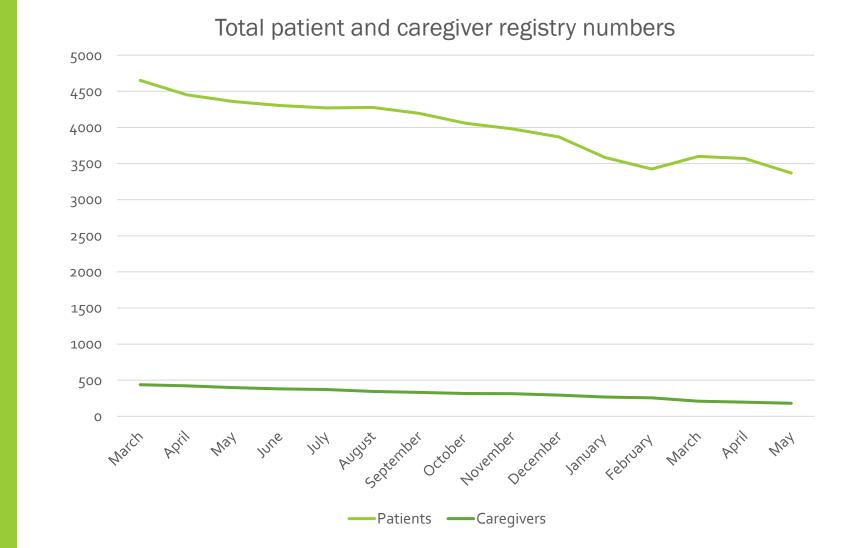
MEDICAL CANNABIS PROGRAM

Patient and caregiver numbers: 2009-2022



MEDICAL CANNABIS PROGRAM

Patient and caregiver numbers over last 15 months



Adult use program: staff recommendations

5/18/23

Staff recommendations on social equity status

Staff Recommendations for Social Equity Status Denial

Submission S-000002605

Staff recommends denial of social equity status for this applicant, as the applicant does not meet the criteria for social equity applicant as defined in Board Rule 1.1.3 (q)(ii)

Submission S-000003744

Staff recommends denial of social equity status for this applicant, as the applicant does not meet the criteria for social equity applicant as defined in Board Rule 1.1.3 (q)(ii)

Staff recommendations on social equity status

Staff Recommendations for Social Equity Status Approval

Submission S-000003866

Staff recommends approval of social equity status for this applicant, as the applicant meets the criteria for social equity business applicant as defined in Board Rule 1.1.3 (q)(i)

Submission S-000003594 Staff recommends approval of social equity status for this applicant, as the applicant meets the criteria for social equity business applicant as defined in Board Rule 1.1.3 (o)(i)

Submission S-000001304 Staff recommends approval of social equity status for this applicant, as the applicant meets the criteria for social equity business applicant as defined in Board Rule 1.1.3 (o)(i)

Submission S-000001278 Staff recommends approval of social equity status for this applicant, as the applicant meets the criteria for social equity business applicant as defined in Board Rule 1.1.3 (o)(ii)

Submission S-000003782 Staff recommends approval of social equity status for this applicant, as the applicant meets the criteria for social equity business applicant as defined in Board Rule 1.1.3 (q)(i)

Submission S-000003979 Staff recommends approval of social equity status for this applicant, as the applicant meets the criteria for social equity business applicant as defined in Board Rule 1.1.3 (q)(i)

Submission S-000004005 Staff recommends approval of social equity status for this applicant, as the applicant meets the criteria for social equity business applicant as defined in Board Rule 1.1.3 (q)(i)

Submission S-000003769 Staff recommends approval of social equity status for this applicant, as the applicant meets the criteria for social equity business applicant as defined in Board Rule 1.1.3 (q)(i)

Submission S-000003926 Staff recommends approval of social equity status for this applicant, as the applicant meets the criteria for social equity business applicant as defined in Board Rule 1.1.3 (q)(i)

Submission S-000001036 Staff recommends approval of social equity status for this applicant, as the applicant meets the criteria for social equity business applicant as defined in Board Rule 1.1.3 (q)(i)

Adult use program: staff recommendations for licensure

The following applicants have demonstrated compliance with all requirements for their license contained in CCB Rules 1.4 and 1.5 and 7 V.S.A. chapter 33.

As of 5/18/23

Staff recommendations for licensure

Business Name	Applying For	City	Priority Status
MMMDELIVERIES	Mixed Cultivator Tier 1 Small Cultivator	Lunenburg	Economic Empowermen
Up North Cannabis LLC	Indoor Cultivator Tier 1 Small Cultivator	Holland	Standard
Devils Den Cannabis Company	Retailers	Bradford	Economic Empowermen
Theory Wellness of VT Manufacturing LLC. DBA "Theory Wellness"	Manufacturers Tier 2	Brattleboro	Standard
31° North Holdings LLC	Retailers	Waterbury Center	Economic Empowermen
Volcanic Organic, LLC (DBA Volcanic Botanic)	Mixed Cultivator Tier 1 Small Cultivator	Jericho	Social Equity
Pine Crest Healing LLC	Outdoor Cultivator Tier 1 Small Cultivator	Bradford	Standard
GPC LLC	Outdoor Cultivator Tier 1 Small Cultivator	Orwell	Standard
Quintessential Botanicals LLC	Manufacturers Tier 2	Cabot	Standard
Jimmy Green Grass LLC	Indoor Cultivator Tier 1 Small Cultivator	Warren	Standard
Northern Slope LLC, DBA Samsara Farms	Outdoor Cultivator Tier 1 Small Cultivator	Washington	Standard
River Ridge Cannabis LLC	Outdoor Cultivator Tier 2	Waterville	Economic Empowermer
Smoke Em If You Got Em LLC d/b/a SMUGE d/b/a/ Rolling J's Farm	Outdoor Cultivator Tier 3	Addison	Economic Empowermer
Root to Vitality Cannabis LLC	Mixed Cultivator Tier 1 Small Cultivator	East Hardwick	Social Equity
Root to Vitality Cannabis LLC	Manufacturers Tier 2	East Hardwick	Social Equity
Pressure Lab Cultivation	Mixed Cultivator Tier 2	Hinesburg	Social Equity

Staff recommendations for licensure

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Business Name	Applying For	City	Priority Status
Veracious Cultivation &	Mixed Cultivator Tier 1		
Genetics, LLC	Small Cultivator	Cambridge	Standard
Green Mountain High	Indoor Cultivator Tier 1		
Growers	Small Cultivator	Pittsford	Standard
	Outdoor Cultivator Tier		
Legacy 14 Llc	1 Small Cultivator	Weybridge	Standard
		weyblidge	
	Outdoor Cultivator Tier		
Treetop Alliance	2	Elmore	Standard
	Indoor Cultivator Tier 1		
J2 Rules LLC	Small Cultivator	Williamstown	Standard
	Outdoor Cultivator Tier		
Guy's Greens, LLC	1 Small Cultivator	Wells	Standard
Octogenarian		VVCII3	
Enterprises LLC d/b/a/	Outdoor Cultivator Tier		
Addison Pure	1 Small Cultivator	Ferrisburgh	Economic Empowermer
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Last Minute Farm, LLC	Manufacturers Tier 2	Weybridge	Standard
	Indoor Cultivator Tier 1		
Pine Grove Gardens LLC	Small Cultivator	Brandon	Standard
	Outdoor Cultivator Tier		
Pilin' It Higher Farms LLC	2	Duxbury	Economic Empowermer
Urban Herbn, LLC d.b.a.	Outdoor Cultivator Tier		
The House Of Doja	3	West Charleston	Standard
Juniper Lane LLC dba	Mixed Cultivator Tier 1		
Juniper Lane	Small Cultivator	Bennington	Social Equity
West Coast	Outdoor Cultivator Tier		
Development Company	5	Windsor	Standard
Burlington Kush Factory,			
LLC	Mixed Cultivator Tier 5	Townshend	Standard
Flower Craft Cannabis,	Mixed Cultivator Tier 1		
LLC	Small Cultivator	Woodbury	Standard

Staff recommendations for licensure

Business Name	Applying For	City	Priority Status
Vermont Alter-Native,			
LLC	Manufacturers Tier 2	Alburgh	Standard
Vermont Alter-Native,			
LLC	Retailers	Alburgh	Standard
	Mixed Cultivator Tier 1		
Rabbit Hill Farm, LLC	Small Cultivator	Granville	Standard
	Mixed Cultivator Tier 1		
TDN Growers, LLC	Small Cultivator	Island Pond	Social Equity
Apex Cannabis LLC	Indoor Cultivator Tier 2	Pittsford	Standard
	Mixed Cultivator Tier 1		
Parker Hill Cannabis, LLC		Springfield	Standard
	Mixed Cultivator Tier 1		
Freedom Flower llc	Small Cultivator	Eden Mills	Standard

Staff recommendations for license renewal

Business Name	Applying For	City	Priority Status
Sunset Lake Cannabis LLC	Outdoor Cultivator Tier 5	South Hero	Standard
	Mixed Cultivator Tier 2		
Mend Botanical LLC	Renewal	East Calais	Standard
JUSTIN'S CRAFT CANNABIS	Indoor Cultivator Tier 1		
LLC	Small Cultivator Renewal	Underhill	Standard
	Indoor Cultivator Tier 1		
Valley Organics LLC	Small Cultivator Renewal	Jefferesonville	Economic Empowerment
Kria Commons, LLC	Manufacturers Tier 3	Colchester	Standard
Jeezum Crow Bud			
Company LLC	Outdoor Cultivator Tier 4	Bridport	Standard
	Outdoor Cultivator Tier 1		
Uprising LLC	Small Cultivator	Bridport	Standard
	Manufacturers Tier 2		
KnR Cannabis	Renewal	Ludlow	Standard
	Outdoor Cultivator Tier 2		
Birdland LLC, Birdland	Renewal	Athens	Standard
VT Green Castle Reserve,			
LLC (DBA - VT Green	Indoor Cultivator Tier 1		
Castle)	Small Cultivator Renewal	Johnson	Standard
Rutland Craft Cannabis	Mixed Cultivator Tier 1		
LTD CO	Small Cultivator	brandon	Social Equity