



# Vermont Cannabis Control Board

March 27, 2024  
Board Meeting  
Executive Director Report

## PRIOR MONTH

- March 7: [Cultivation Challenges with Fungal Organisms](#) (YouTube link)

## UPCOMING

- April 11 at 10 AM: [Advertising Guidance review](#)

# Hiring activity update

- Outreach & Education Manager onboarded in February  
→ Patrick Crowley
- Director of Compliance & Enforcement onboarded in mid-March  
→ David Rubin
- Data Manager onboarded last week  
→ Liz Love

# Adult-Use Program Licensing Data

Data as of  
3/19/24

# ADULT USE PROGRAM

Number of issued cultivation licenses by type and tier

License Type	Issued	
Indoor Cultivator Tier 1	100	<b>120 indoor licenses</b>
Indoor Cultivator Tier 2	12	
Indoor Cultivator Tier 3	7	
Indoor Cultivation Tier 4	0	
Indoor Cultivator Tier 5	1	
Mixed Cultivator Tier 1	90	<b>119 mixed licenses</b>
Mixed Cultivator Tier 2	17	
Mixed Cultivator Tier 3	8	
Mixed Cultivator Tier 4	1	
Mixed Cultivator Tier 5	3	
Outdoor Cultivator Tier 1	114	<b>156 outdoor licenses</b>
Outdoor Cultivator Tier 2	22	
Outdoor Cultivator Tier 3	13	
Outdoor Cultivator Tier 4	4	
Outdoor Cultivator Tier 5	3	
<b>TOTAL ACTIVE CULTIVATION LICENSES</b>	<b>395</b>	

# ADULT USE PROGRAM

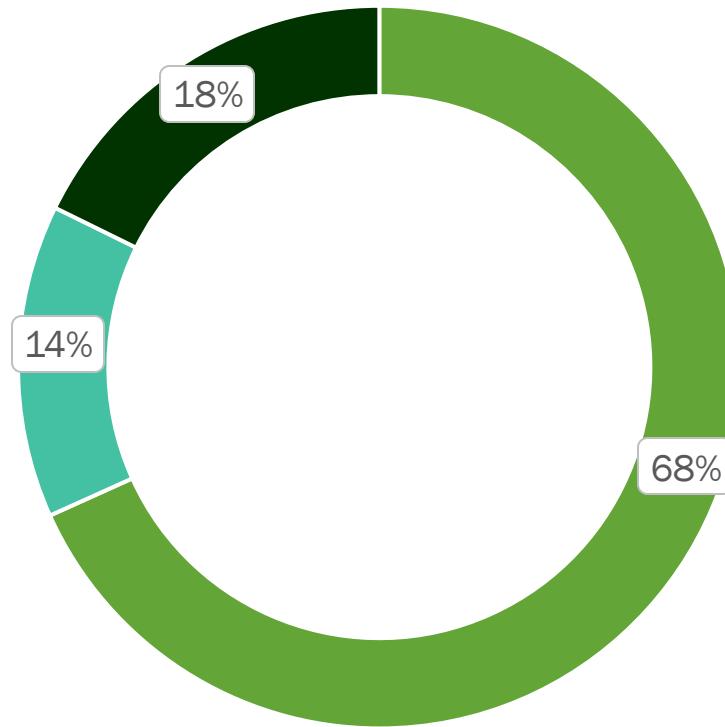
Number of issued licenses by type and tier

License Type	Number of Issued Licenses
Manufacturers Tier 1	10
Manufacturers Tier 2	58
Manufacturers Tier 3	9
Testing Labs	2
Wholesaler	8
Retailer	75
Integrated	3
<b>TOTAL ACTIVE LICENSES</b>	<b>560</b>

# ADULT USE PROGRAM

## Licensees by priority status

Total Licensees



■ Standard   ■ Social Equity   ■ Economic Empowerment

# ADULT USE PROGRAM

Licensees by priority status as of 3/25/24

License Type	Total	Social Equity	Economic Empowerment
Indoor Cultivator Tier 1	100	14	7
Indoor Cultivator Tier 2	12	3	1
Indoor Cultivator Tier 3	7	4	0
Indoor Cultivator Tier 4	0	N/A	N/A
Indoor Cultivator Tier 5	1	0	0

License Type	Total	Social Equity	Economic Empowerment
Outdoor Cultivator Tier 1	114	7	34
Outdoor Cultivator Tier 2	22	1	8
Outdoor Cultivator Tier 3	7	4	0
Outdoor Cultivator Tier 4	4	1	2
Outdoor Cultivator Tier 5	3	0	0



# ADULT USE PROGRAM

Licensees by priority status as of 3/25/24

License Type	Total	Social Equity	Economic Empowerment
Mixed Cultivator Tier 1	90	19	16
Mixed Cultivator Tier 2	17	3	2
Mixed Cultivator Tier 3	8	2	1

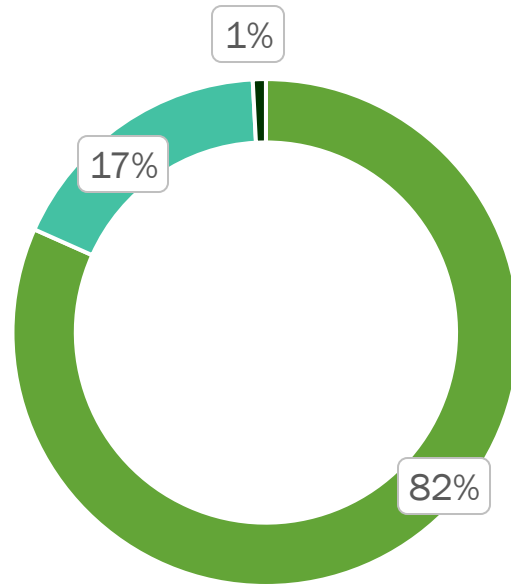
License Type	Total	Social Equity	Economic Empowerment
Manufacturer Tier 1	10	1	1
Manufacturer Tier 2	58	7	15
Manufacturer Tier 3	9	1	2

License Type	Total	Social Equity	Economic Empowerment
Retail	75	12	18
Integrated	3	0	0
Wholesale	8	0	0
Testing Labs	2	0	0

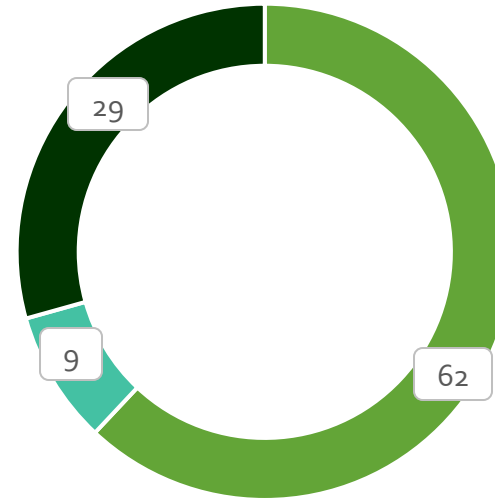
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## Cultivation licensees by priority status

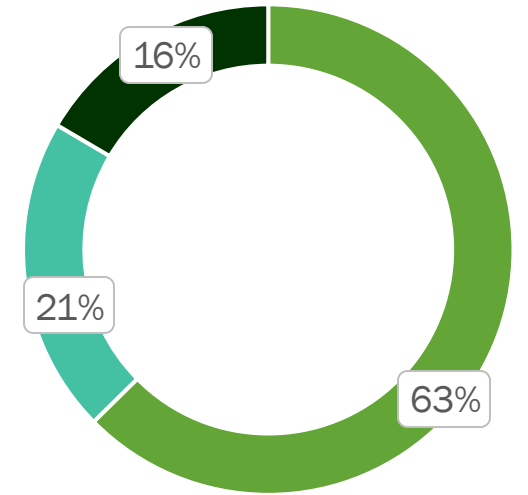
Indoor Cultivation



Outdoor Cultivation



Mixed Cultivation

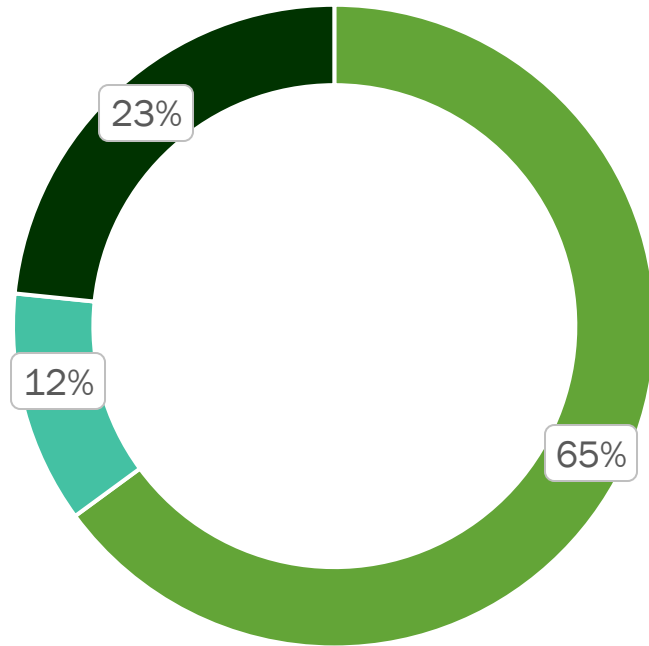


■ Standard   ■ Social Equity   ■ Economic Empowerment

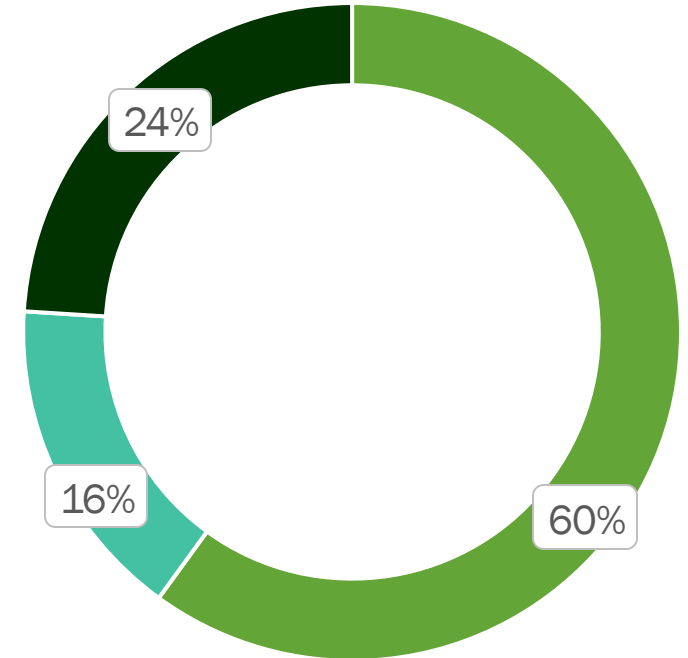
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Manufacturing and retail licensees by priority status

Total Manufacturing Licenses



Total Retail Licenses



■ Standard   ■ Social Equity   ■ Economic Empowerment

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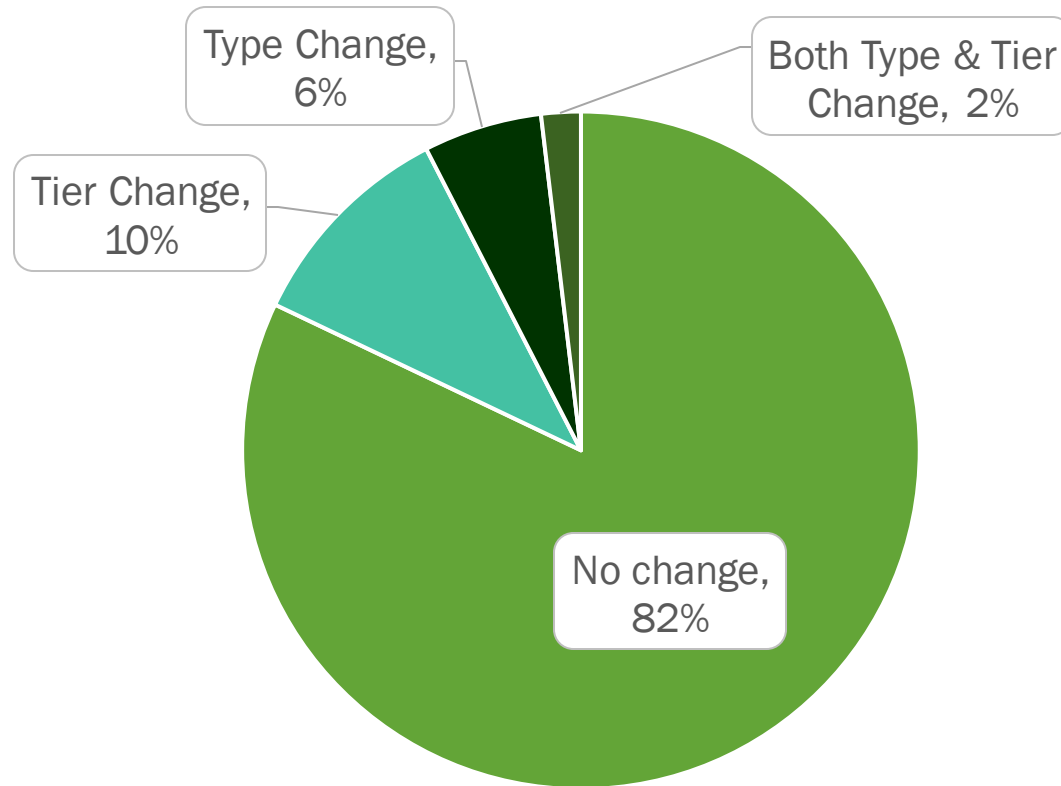
License  
relinquishments  
as of 3/25/24

Priority Status	Total	Percentage
Standard	35	64%
Economic Empowerment	13	23%
Social Equity	7	13%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>55</b>	

# ADULT USE PROGRAM

Issued renewals: cultivators and manufacturers

## Renewal Changes by Type and Tier



■ No change

■ Type Change

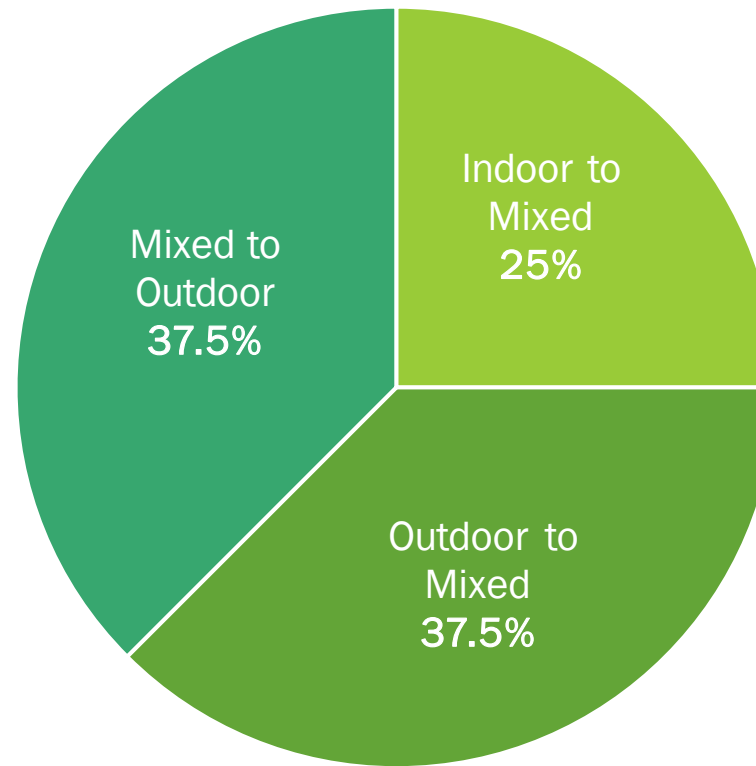
■ Tier Change

■ Both Type & Tier Change

# ADULT USE PROGRAM

Issued renewal changes: cultivators

## License Type Change Upon Renewal

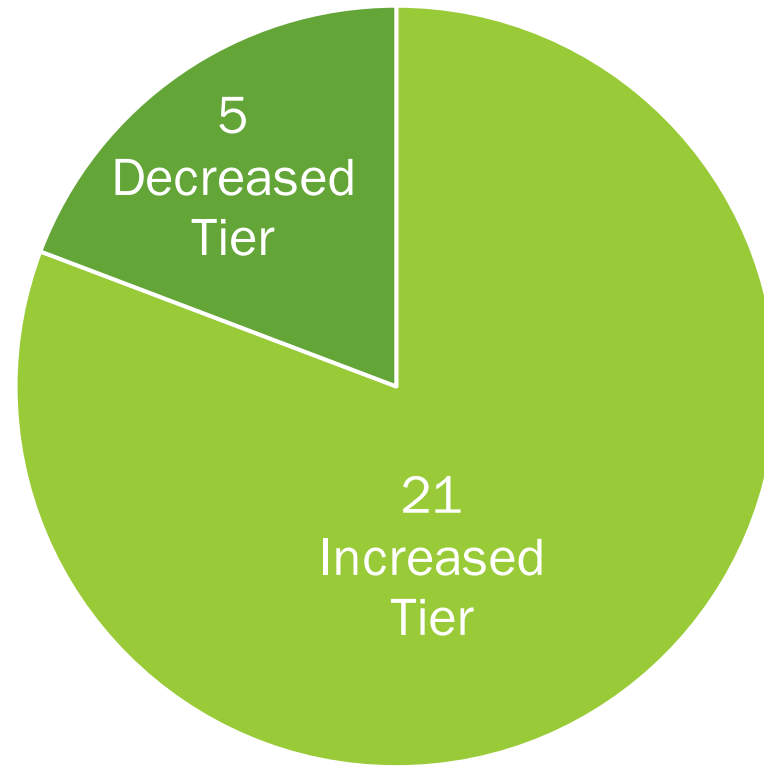


■ Indoor to Mixed    ■ Outdoor to Mixed    ■ Mixed to Outdoor

# ADULT USE PROGRAM








Issued renewal changes: cultivators and manufacturers

## License Tier Change Upon Renewal











■ Increased Tier Size    ■ Decreased Tier Size

# Cultivation Tier and Type Changes Upon Renewal

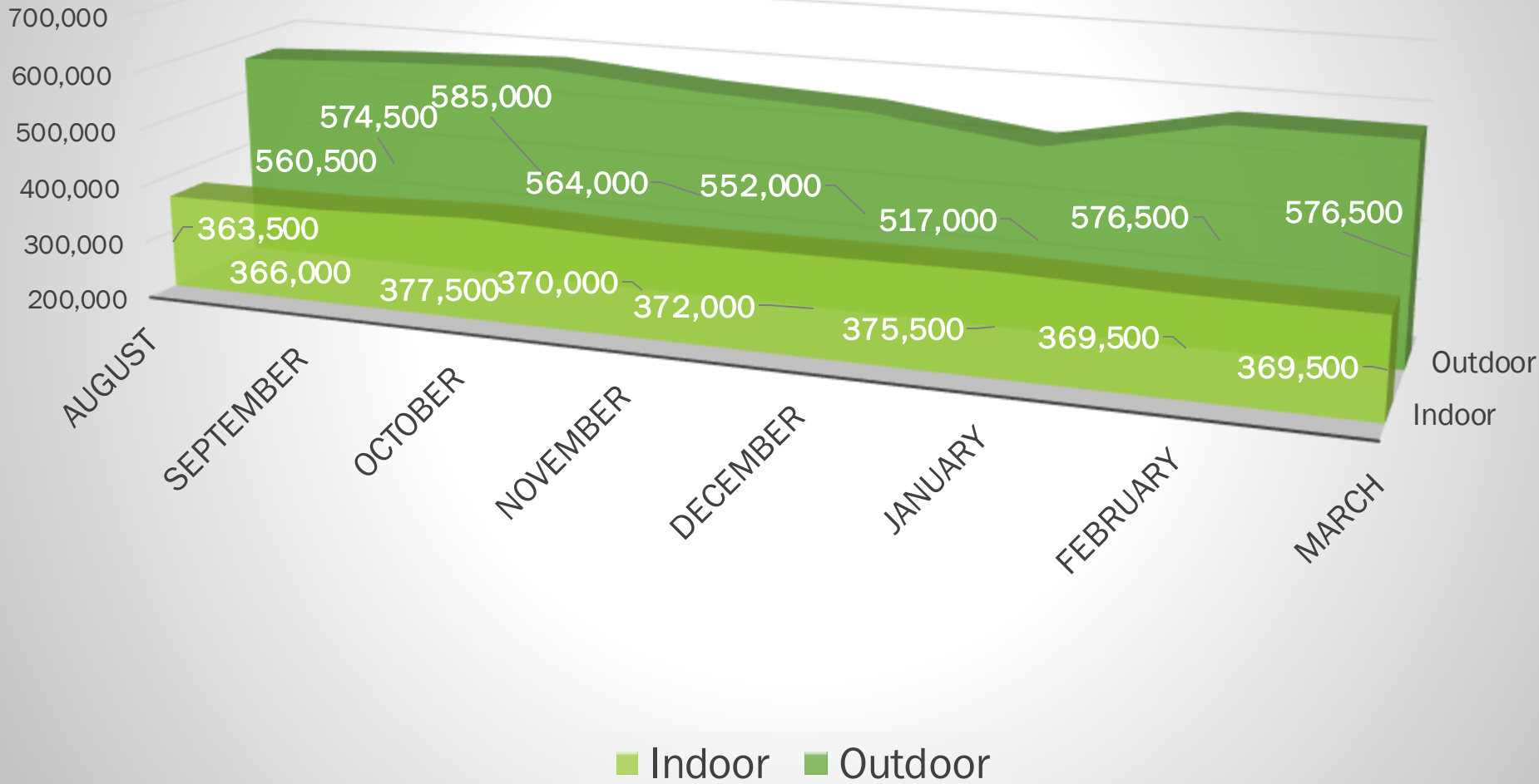
Cultivation Type/Tier Change:	Number of Licensees:
Indoor Tier 1  Indoor Tier 2	2
Indoor Tier 1 → Mixed Tier 1	4
Outdoor Tier 1  Outdoor Tier 2	3
Outdoor Tier 1  Outdoor Tier 3	1
Outdoor Tier 1 → Mixed Tier 1	2
Mixed Tier 1 → Outdoor Tier 1	4
Mixed Tier 1  Mixed Tier 3	4
Outdoor Tier 2  Outdoor Tier 3	4
Outdoor Tier 2 → Mixed Tier 2	1
Outdoor Tier 2  Mixed Tier 3	1
Outdoor Tier 2  Outdoor Tier 1	1
Mixed Tier 2 → Outdoor Tier 2	1



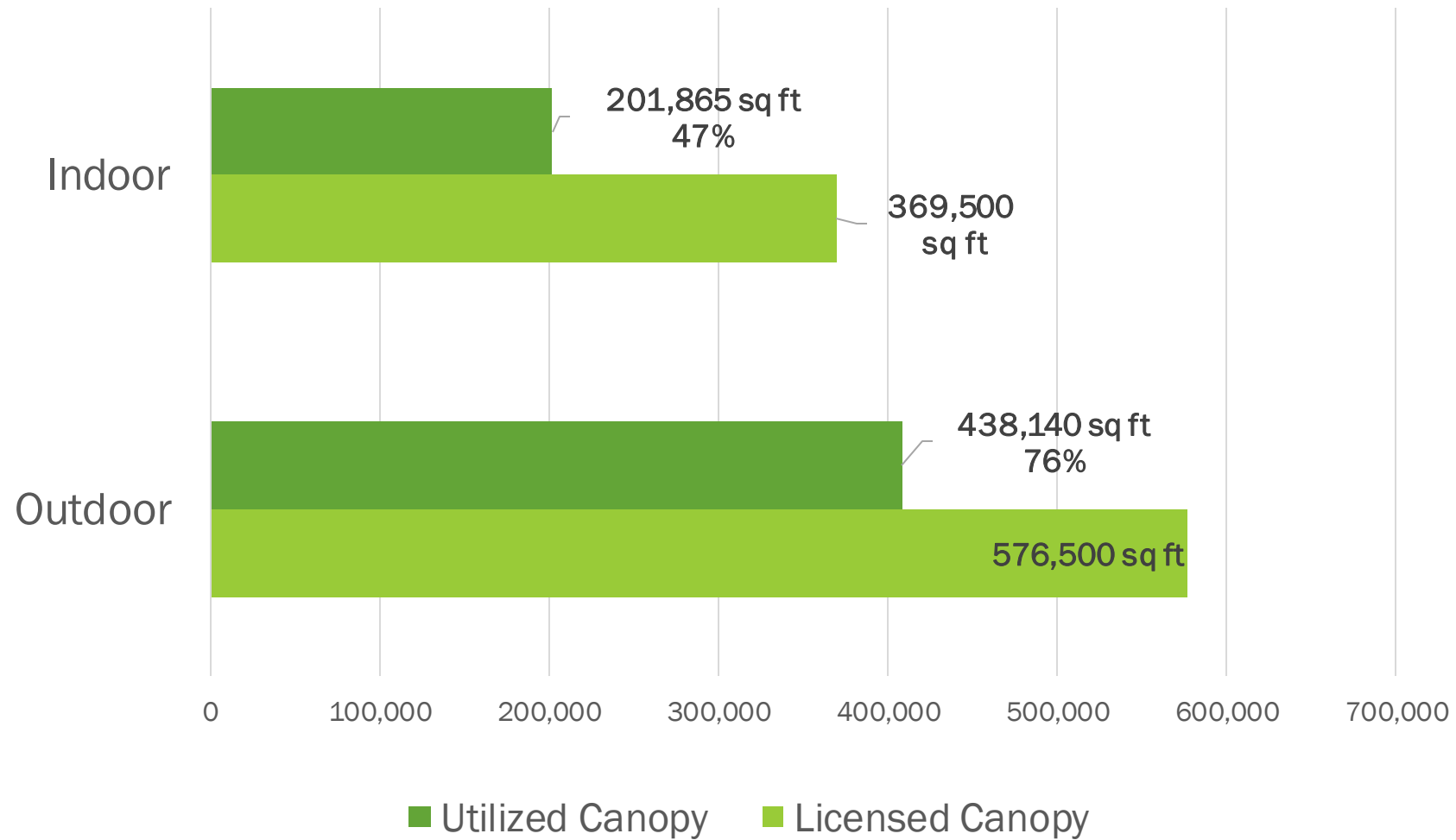
# Cultivation Tier and Type Changes Upon Renewal

Cultivation Type/Tier change:	Number of licensees:
Outdoor Tier 3  Outdoor Tier 4	1
Outdoor Tier 4  Outdoor Tier 1	1
Outdoor Tier 4  Outdoor Tier 5	1
Outdoor Tier 4  Mixed Tier 5	1
Outdoor Tier 5  Outdoor Tier 4	1
Outdoor Tier 5  Mixed Tier 2	1
Mixed Tier 3  Mixed Tier 4	1
Mixed Tier 4  Outdoor Tier 3	1

# Licensed Canopy Capacity Square Footage



## Licensed Canopy Square Footage Capacity vs. Utilization



# ADULT USE PROGRAM

Retail locations: areas of density (2 or more locations)

	Licensed Retailers (and Integrated)	Retail initial applications in the queue
Barre	1	1
Barton	2	
Bennington	2	
Brandon	3	
Brattleboro/ West Brattleboro	3	
Burlington	12	1
Derby	3	
Essex/Essex Junction	2	1
Fair Haven	2	

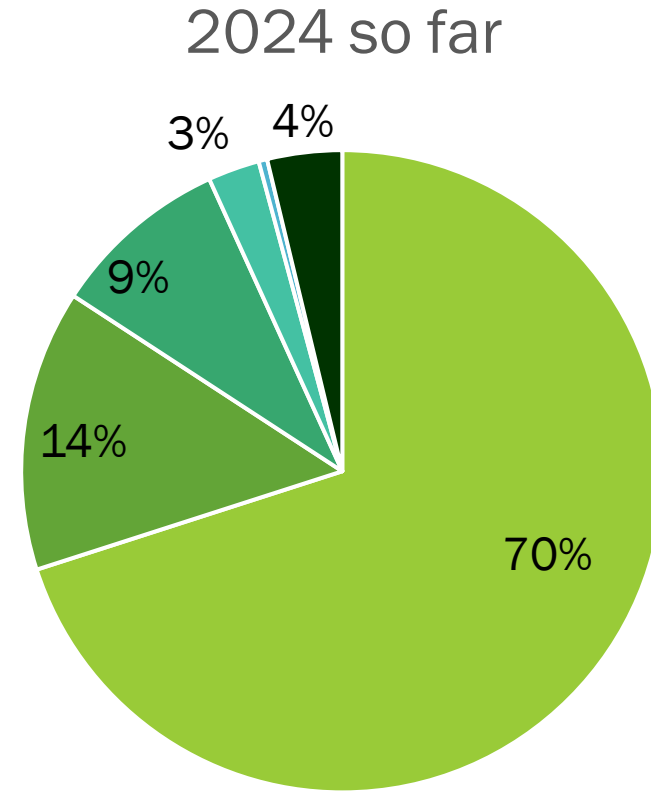
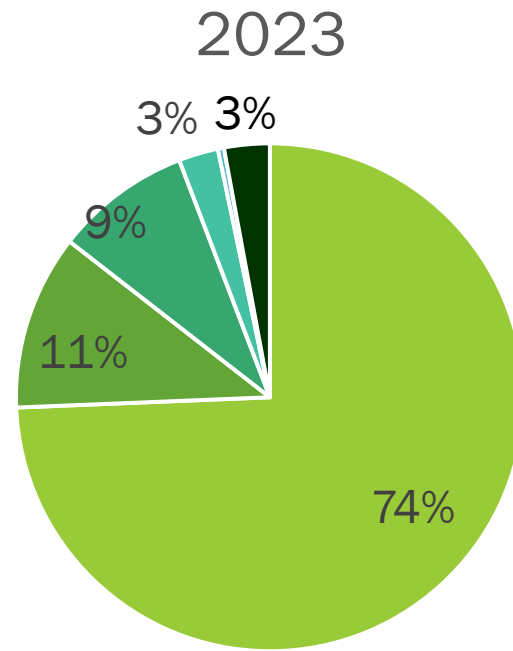
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Retail locations: areas of density (2 or more locations)

	Licensed Retailers (and Retail Portion of Integrated)	Retail initial applications in the queue
Manchester Center	1	1
Montpelier	2	
Morrisville	4	
Rutland	4	1
St. Albans/ St. Albans City	2	
St. Johnsbury/ St. Johnsbury Ctr.	2	
Waitsfield	2	
Waterbury/ Waterbury Center	3	
White River/ White River Junction	3	
Windsor	2	
Wilmington	2	

# ADULT USE PROGRAM

## Product Registration submissions comparison



■ Flower ■ Extract ■ Edible ■ Tincture ■ Topical ■ Other

# ADULT USE PROGRAM

Prequalification applications as of 3/25/24

Status	Number of Applications
Received	1
Under Review	29
Incomplete	20
Resubmitted	4
Approved	35
Denied	2
Dismissed	16
Withdrawn	12
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>120</b>

# ADULT USE PROGRAM

Prequalification



full applications  
as of 3/25/24

Applying For	In Progress
Indoor Cultivator Tier 1	8
Outdoor Cultivator Tier 1	8
Outdoor Cultivator Tier 2	3
Manufacturers Tier 2	1
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>20</b>



# ADULT USE PROGRAM

Cultivator renewals: tier 3 and tier 2 mixed

Applying For	In Progress
Outdoor Cultivator Tier 3	5
Mixed Cultivator Tier 3	1
Mixed Cultivator Tier 2	3
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>9</b>

# ADULT USE PROGRAM

New tier 3 cultivator applications in the queue

Applying For	Full Applications in Progress
Outdoor Cultivator Tier 3	1
Indoor Cultivator Tier 3	1

# Adult use program: compliance data

Data as of  
3/22/24

# ADULT USE PROGRAM

Summary of compliance work from 2/24/24-3/22/24

	Inspections	Investigations
Cultivation	31	7
Manufacturing	5	2
Retail	2	2
Wholesale	0	0
Integrated	0	0
Testing lab	0	0
<b>Totals</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>11</b>

# ADULT USE PROGRAM

Summary of compliance work from 2/24/24-3/22/24

- **New complaints received: 6**
- **New investigations: 7**
  - Pesticide Misuse
  - Advertising
  - On-site consumption
  - Unlicensed establishment
  - Inventory Tracking
  - Record Keeping
  - General compliance
- **Notices of Violation issued: 3**
  - Pesticides, employee ID card, record-keeping
  - Unlicensed source of cannabis product, record-keeping
  - Employee ID card
- **Corrective Action Plans issued: 0**
- **Letters of Warning issued: 0**
- **Observed product destructions: 4**

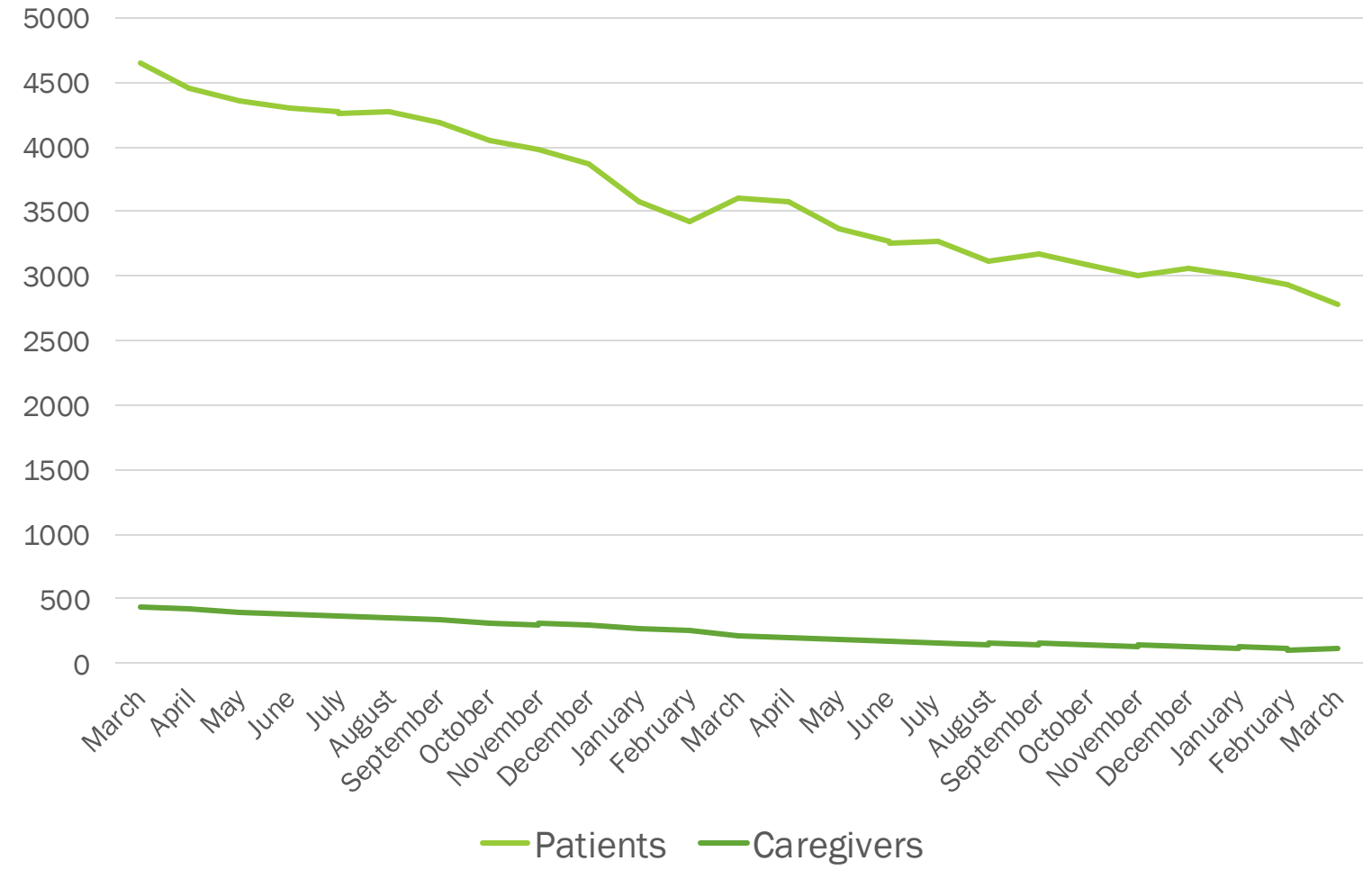
# Medical Program

As of 3/25/24

# MEDICAL PROGRAM

## Patient and caregiver numbers

Total patient and caregiver registry numbers



As of 3/25/24

# 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.



# ADULT USE PROGRAM

Staff  
recommendations  
on social equity  
status

## Staff Recommendations for Social Equity Status Approval

Submission S-000007608

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 (n).

## Staff Recommendations for Social Equity Status Denial

Submission S-000005196

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

# ADULT USE PROGRAM

Staff recommendations for initial license

Business Name	Applying For	Priority Status
Strange Kloudz LLC	Indoor Cultivator Tier 3	Social Equity
802 Joint Ventures	Manufacturers Tier 2	Standard
Antler Ridge LLC	Indoor Cultivator Tier 1 Small Cultivator	Economic Empowerment
Bent Tree, LLC	Indoor Cultivator Tier 1 Small Cultivator	Standard
Dr. Dank	Indoor Cultivator Tier 1 Small Cultivator	Standard
Champlain Craft Cultivators LLC dba Red Clover Canopies	Outdoor Cultivator Tier 1 Small Cultivator	Standard
Chronic Creations	Outdoor Cultivator Tier 1 Small Cultivator	Standard
Felony Farmz, LLC	Indoor Cultivator Tier 1 Small Cultivator	Social Equity

# ADULT USE PROGRAM

Staff recommendations for license renewal

Business Name	Applying For	Priority Status
802Farmacy LLC	Indoor Cultivator Tier 1 Small Cultivator Renewal	Social Equity
Passion Fruit Farms llc	Indoor Cultivator Tier 1 Small Cultivator Renewal	Social Equity
Herman Johann Carreno, Casa Guarne Farms LLC	Outdoor Cultivator Tier 1 Small Cultivator Renewal	Social Equity
Medi Leaf Farms, LLC	Indoor Cultivator Tier 3 Renewal	Social Equity
EDWARD-HASH-HANDS LLC	Mixed Cultivator Tier 1 Small Cultivator Renewal	Social Equity
High Priestess LLC, High Priestess	Indoor Cultivator Tier 1 Small Cultivator Renewal	Social Equity
Giving Tree Farm LLC DBA Blezz	Mixed Cultivator Tier 2 Renewal	Standard
Vermont Select, LLC	Mixed Cultivator Tier 2 Renewal	Standard
Pilin' It Higher Farms LLC	Outdoor Cultivator Tier 2 Renewal	Economic Empowerment
Taconic Chronic LLC	Outdoor Cultivator Tier 2 Renewal	Standard
American Beauty Cannabis, LLC	Outdoor Cultivator Tier 1 Small Cultivator Renewal	Economic Empowerment
Vermont Kind Manufacturing, LLC	Manufacturers Tier 3 Renewal	Standard

# ADULT USE PROGRAM

Staff recommendations for license renewal

Business Name	Applying For	Priority Status
Horticultural Professionals 2, LLC	Indoor Cultivator Tier 2 Renewal	Standard
Lovely Cannabis LLC; Lovely Cannabis; Love Cann Grow; Love Cann	Mixed Cultivator Tier 1 Small Cultivator Renewal	Economic Empowerment
Hidden Door Cannabis LLC	Indoor Cultivator Tier 1 Small Cultivator Renewal	Standard
Freedom Flower Ilc	Manufacturers Tier 2 Renewal	Standard
Palm Treez LLC	Indoor Cultivator Tier 1 Small Cultivator Renewal	Standard
Rainbows End Cannabis LLC	Mixed Cultivator Tier 2 Renewal	Standard
Big Intelligence Group, LLC dba/ Wild Legacy Cannabis	Retailers Renewal	Economic Empowerment
Vermont Craft Edibles	Manufacturers Tier 2 Renewal	Standard
Bern Legacy Cannabis	Retailers Renewal	Standard
Sharp Family Farms d.b.a The Gas Station	Retailers Renewal	Standard

# ADULT USE PROGRAM

Staff recommendations for license renewal

Business Name	Applying For	Priority Status
Cloud9 Cannabis LLC	Retailers Renewal	Standard
Kingdom Boyz	Indoor Cultivator Tier 2 Renewal	Standard
Fine Bud Farms, LLC	Outdoor Cultivator Tier 1 Small Cultivator Renewal	Standard
The Flying Cactus LLC	Indoor Cultivator Tier 2 Renewal	Standard
Cognizant Sparks LLC, DBA Top Notch Headies	Indoor Cultivator Tier 1 Small Cultivator Renewal	Social Equity
Ratu's Cannabis Supply, LLC	Retailers Renewal	Standard