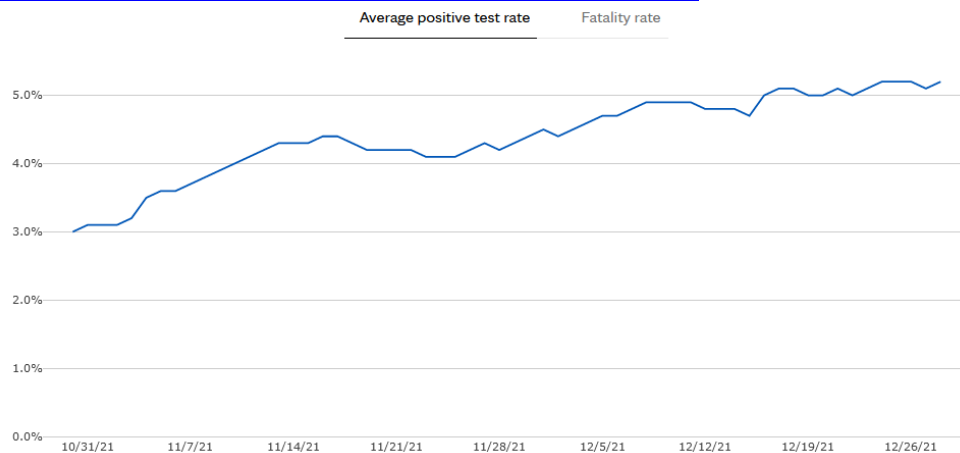


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OSHA ETS - In Response to COVID-19, Employers with 100+ Employees.

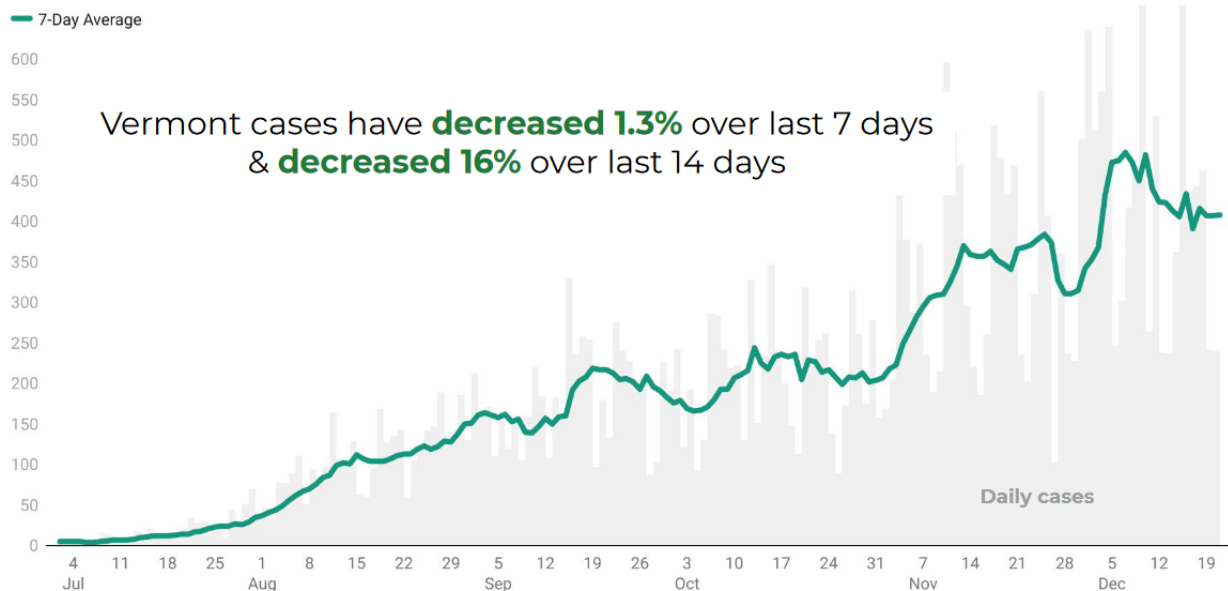
“On Friday December 17, 2021, a three-judge panel of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit lifted the Fifth Circuit’s stay that had prevented the Occupational Safety and Health Administration’s (OSHA) Emergency Temporary Standard (ETS) on COVID-19 from being implemented for employers with 100 or more employees. The ETS is now able to move forward absent issuance of a stay from the U.S. Supreme Court. OSHA has issued new compliance dates for employers.”

For more information, please visit <https://www.natlawreview.com/article/here-we-go-again-sixth-circuit-lifts-stay-osha-covid-19-ets-employers-100-or-more>



Vermont Cases as Reported by the Mayo Clinic

Vermont New COVID-19 Cases



Vermont Cases as Reported by the Vermont Department of Financial Regulation

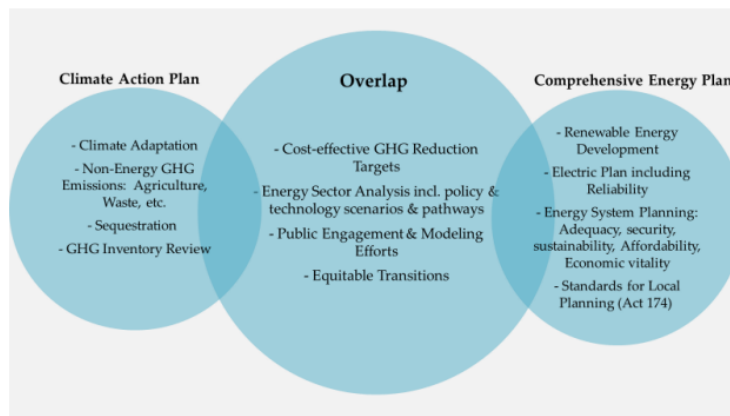
Vermont Climate Council Update

The Vermont Climate Council will be presenting to ASHRAE CVC on January 5th, 2022 to discuss the Climate Action Plan. On February 2nd, 2022, the same committee will present on the Vermont Comprehensive Energy Plan. These are both roadmaps to Vermont's energy usage in the coming years, and ASHRAE CVC urges all members to be present and get involved. Please email ASHRAEVT@gmail.com for more information.

The full report of the draft 2022 CEP can be found at the following link:

<https://publicservice.vermont.gov/sites/dps/files/documents/2022%20CEP%20Draft%20for%20Public%20Comment.pdf>

Exhibit ES-1: Comprehensive Energy Plan and Climate Action Plan



US Government Affairs Updates

(as reported by ASHRAE.org, partial topics listing)

Government Outreach

- ASHRAE Member Appointed to City of Minneapolis Energy Vision Advisory Committee

Global Government Affairs

- City of Halton Hills, Canada Pledges Net-Zero Emissions by 2030

US Congressional Activities

- Government funding extended through February 18th
- Senate Committees continue to deliberate on Build Back Better Plan

Federal Government Affairs

- President Biden Issues Executive Order to Support Net-Zero Emissions by 2050
- DOE Issues \$54 Million Funding Announcement for Community-Focused Clean Energy

State and Local Government Affairs

- Nebraska Public Power District Approves Goal of Net Zero Carbon by 2050
- San Jose, California Pledges to be Carbon-Neutral by 2030
- New Building Decarbonization Plan Proposed in Los Angeles
- City of Columbus, Ohio Announces First Climate Action Plan

For detailed information on the above topics, visit the ASHRAE Government Affairs

Update website page at:

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