VA Benefits & Health Care Utilization

Updated 1/20/18

Number of Veterans Receiving VA Disability Compensation (as of 12/31/17): 4.60 M
Number of Veterans Rated 100% Disabled (as of 12/31/17): 625,947
Number of Veterans Receiving VA Pension (as of 12/31/17): 272,712
Number of Spouses Receiving DIC (as of 12/31/17): 396,823
Number of Total Enrollees in VA Health Care System (FY 17): 9.12 M 1
Number of Total Unique Patients Treated (FY 17): 6.41 M 1
Number of Veterans Compensated for PTSD (as of 12/31/17): 978,226
Number of Veterans in Receipt of IU Benefits (as of 12/31/17): 351,333
Number of VA Education Beneficiaries (FY 17): 946,829
Number of Life Insurance Policies Supervised and Administered by VA (as of 12/31/17): 6.06 M
Face Amount of Insurance Policies Supervised and Administered by VA (as of 12/31/17): 1.22 T
Number of Veterans Participating in Voc Rehab (Chapter 31) (FY 17): 132,218 3
Number of Active VA Home Loan Participants (as of 12/31/17): 2.96 M
Number of Health Care Professionals Rotating Through VA (Academic Year (AC) 17): 122,949
Number of OEF/OIF Amputees (as of 1/01/18): 1,718 2

Veterans Demographics

Projected U.S. Veterans Population: 19,998,799  {Female 1,882,848  9.4%}
Projected Number of Living WW II Veterans: 623,653
Estimated Number of WW II Veterans Pass Away Per Day: 404
Percentage of Veteran Population 65 or Older: 47.1%
Veteran Population by Race:
  White 81.6%
  Black 12.3%
  Asian/Pacific Islander 1.8%
  Other 3.5%
  American Indian/Alaska Natives 0.7%
  Hispanic 7.4%

About VA

Number of VA Employees in Pay Status: 382,440
  Number of Full Time VA Employees (as of 12/31/17): 354,629
Number of VA Hospitals: 145
Number of VA Outpatient Sites: 1,231 1
Number of VA Vet Centers: 300
Number of VBA Regional Offices: 56
Number of VA National Cemeteries: 135

FY16 Appropriations (actual)  2
  VA: $166.93B
  VHA: $64.79B 3
  VBA-GOE: $2.70B 4
  NCA: $271M
  OIT: $4.06B

FY17 Appropriations (actual)  2
  VA: $182.18B
  VHA: $68.79B 3
  VBA-GOE: $2.84B 4
  NCA: $286M
  OIT: $4.27B

FY18 Appropriations (requested)  2
  VA: $186.46B
  VHA: $73.07B 3
  VBA-GOE: $2.84B 4
  NCA: $306M
  OIT: $4.06B

Source: Veteran Population (VP2016) as of 09/30/17; VA Employ Pay Status Count 12/31/17; Veterans Affairs Site Tracking (VAST) 9/30/17 1 (Does not include temporarily deactivated sites); NCA as of 9/30/17; Office of Budget; Health Services Training Report FY17; 2 Includes MCCF; 3Medical Care w/ MCCF, joint, medical research; 4Discretionary Spending Only.

Source: VBA Office of Performance Analysis and Integrity; Health Services Training Report; VBA Education Service; 1 VHA OABI and VSSC (10E2A);
2 DoD. Produced by the National Center for Veterans Analysis and Statistics; 3 Includes 1,651 Veterans in interrupted case status over one year.
http://www.va.gov/vetdata/pocketcard/index.asp