

Appendix J: Veteran Population and Projections

This appendix provides demographic information on Virginia's veteran populations and include population projections by city/county.

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Virginia's veteran and non-veteran residents are similar in demographics with certain exceptions (unadjusted for age and gender)

	Veterans	Non-veterans	Post-9/11 veterans	Pre-9/11 veterans
Basic characteristics				
Male	87.3%	42.6%	79.2%	90.1%
Female	12.7%	57.4%	20.8%	9.9%
Married	68.0%	49.6%	63.6%	69.5%
Have children	25.6%	37.0%	46.1%	18.5%
18-24 years old	1.8%	14.1%	6.9%	0.0%
25-34 years old	10.6%	18.6%	38.4%	0.9%
35-44 years old	12.7%	17.9%	23.4%	8.9%
45-54 years old	19.4%	18.6%	24.3%	17.7%
55-64 years old	19.9%	15.8%	6.3%	24.6%
65 years old or older	35.7%	15.0%	0.7%	47.9%
Average age	57	45	38	63
White	75.1%	70.4%	68.3%	77.4%
Black or African American	20.3%	18.8%	23.6%	19.1%
Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino	4.6%	7.9%	9.3%	3.0%
Asian	1.7%	6.5%	2.6%	1.4%
Economic characteristics				
Unemployed	4.7%	5.2%	5.6%	4.0%
Not in labor force	38.7%	32.2%	10.7%	48.5%
At or below poverty line	5.1%	11.6%	5.1%	5.1%
Median personal income	\$47,600	\$24,000	\$51,500	\$45,700
Median family income	\$89,300	\$78,500	\$100,500	\$86,200
Household receives SNAP	6.0%	11.4%	6.4%	5.9%
Owns a house	77.1%	67.6%	60.1%	83.0%
Receives public assistance, such as Temporary Assistance for Needy Families	0.3%	1.4%	0.2%	0.4%
Receives supplemental security income	1.9%	2.5%	0.7%	2.3%
Some college, bachelor's degree, or advanced degree	71.6%	61.2%	82.5%	67.9%

Source: JLARC staff analysis of 2013 American Community Survey data, specifically, Public Use Microdata Sample (PUMS) data.

Note: Percentage of adults in Virginia who are female is approximately 52 percent, but is higher for non-veterans because veterans are predominantly male.

TABLE J-2
Current and projected veteran population in Virginia

	2013			2033 (projected)	
	Total veterans	Percent veterans of total population	Percent post-9/11 veterans of total veteran population	Total veterans	Change 2013-2033
Accomack	3,693	14.1%	8.7%	2,830	-23.4%
Albemarle	7,308	9.3%	14.1%	5,617	-23.1%
Alexandria	10,864	9.3%	34.4%	8,777	-19.2%
Alleghany	1,751	13.6%	3.5%	1,366	-22.0%
Amelia	1,137	11.5%	5.1%	1,226	7.8%
Amherst	2,786	10.9%	6.4%	2,278	-18.2%
Appomattox	1,141	9.7%	12.0%	933	-18.2%
Arlington	13,469	7.6%	28.8%	11,108	-17.5%
Augusta	7,391	12.7%	10.0%	5,684	-23.1%
Bath	358	9.7%	6.6%	224	-37.4%
Bedford city	567	11.4%	6.7%	420	-25.9%
Bedford county	6,909	12.8%	8.5%	5,064	-26.7%
Bland	763	13.7%	7.2%	808	5.9%
Botetourt	3,297	12.7%	10.4%	2,818	-14.5%
Bristol	1,397	9.9%	3.6%	869	-37.8%
Brunswick	1,660	11.9%	8.1%	1,553	-6.4%
Buchanan	1,228	6.3%	5.8%	836	-31.9%
Buckingham	1,352	9.8%	13.6%	1,021	-24.4%
Buena Vista	504	9.5%	5.6%	444	-11.8%
Campbell	4,682	10.9%	4.3%	3,524	-24.7%
Caroline	3,383	15.7%	19.3%	4,397	30.0%
Carroll	2,504	10.5%	4.8%	1,618	-35.4%
Charles City	722	12.1%	13.0%	690	-4.5%
Charlotte	993	10.4%	12.6%	836	-15.8%
Charlottesville	2,191	5.9%	13.3%	1,689	-22.9%
Chesapeake	31,380	19.4%	28.8%	39,080	24.5%
Chesterfield	30,632	12.9%	16.5%	30,892	0.8%
Clarke	1,440	13.0%	6.9%	1,193	-17.2%
Colonial Heights	1,804	13.4%	13.8%	1,426	-21.0%
Covington	634	13.8%	4.4%	473	-25.4%
Craig	428	11.0%	1.4%	339	-20.9%
Culpeper	4,231	12.0%	12.4%	4,159	-1.7%
Cumberland	722	9.3%	22.3%	651	-9.8%
Danville	3,962	11.8%	11.3%	2,182	-44.9%
Dickenson	887	7.1%	8.2%	590	-33.5%
Dinwiddie	2,951	13.6%	13.7%	2,829	-4.1%
Emporia	404	9.0%	34.9%	346	-14.4%

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	Total veterans	Percent veterans of total population	Percent post-9/11 veterans of total veteran population	Total veterans	Change 2013-2033
Essex	954	10.8%	11.2%	960	0.7%
Fairfax city	2,164	12.0%	13.3%	1,583	-26.9%
Fairfax county	77,190	9.4%	26.0%	61,391	-20.5%
Falls Church	919	9.7%	24.5%	688	-25.1%
Fauquier	7,603	15.3%	14.2%	7,750	1.9%
Floyd	1,032	8.5%	4.8%	622	-39.7%
Fluvanna	3,239	16.2%	16.1%	2,716	-16.1%
Franklin City	973	15.1%	26.7%	1,032	6.0%
Franklin	5,016	11.2%	5.9%	3,558	-29.1%
Frederick	7,986	13.4%	12.6%	7,871	-1.4%
Fredericksburg	2,022	9.8%	39.7%	2,372	17.3%
Galax	428	7.9%	13.4%	240	-43.9%
Giles	1,289	9.6%	5.6%	938	-27.3%
Gloucester	5,054	17.7%	19.5%	5,222	3.3%
Goochland	1,845	10.7%	11.4%	1,708	-7.4%
Grayson	1,341	10.7%	2.7%	912	-32.0%
Greene	1,811	13.0%	13.1%	2,001	10.5%
Greensville	1,259	12.5%	16.0%	1,597	26.8%
Halifax	2,942	10.5%	7.9%	2,479	-15.8%
Hampton	28,450	28.0%	28.2%	4,2372	48.9%
Hanover	9,676	12.8%	9.6%	8,605	-11.1%
Harrisonburg	1,950	4.6%	22.1%	1,776	-8.9%
Henrico	21,969	9.3%	12.7%	15,819	-28.0%
Henry	4,840	11.4%	9.8%	3,131	-35.3%
Highland	278	13.8%	2.9%	259	-6.9%
Hopewell	3,149	18.9%	15.2%	3,173	0.8%
Isle of Wight	4,582	16.9%	22.0%	5,269	15.0%
James City	9,644	18.2%	14.3%	9,815	1.8%
King and Queen	677	12.1%	11.8%	760	12.2%
King George	3,708	21.9%	27.5%	6,393	72.4%
King William	1,374	11.4%	7.5%	1,343	-2.2%
Lancaster	1,742	18.3%	5.1%	1,328	-23.7%
Lee	2,020	9.9%	7.3%	1,637	-19.0%
Lexington	513	8.3%	40.0%	552	7.6%
Loudoun	23,124	10.2%	24.3%	26,659	15.3%
Louisa	3,624	13.9%	6.6%	3,685	1.7%
Lunenburg	1,441	14.0%	6.3%	1,439	-0.1%
Lynchburg	5,452	8.9%	9.1%	3,840	-29.6%
Madison	1,187	11.5%	14.3%	963	-18.8%

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	Total veterans	Percent veterans of total population	Percent post-9/11 veterans of total veteran population	Total veterans	Change 2013-2033
Manassas	2,811	9.9%	19.9%	2,276	-19.0%
Manassas Park	1,002	9.3%	34.7%	1,259	25.7%
Martinsville	1,122	10.4%	8.1%	751	-33.1%
Mathews	1,242	17.1%	3.9%	850	-31.6%
Mecklenburg	3,073	11.8%	6.7%	2,617	-14.8%
Middlesex	1,439	15.9%	8.3%	1,164	-19.1%
Montgomery	5,715	7.2%	8.3%	5,313	-7.0%
Nelson	1,414	11.7%	11.0%	1,106	-21.8%
New Kent	1,620	11.1%	11.3%	1,772	9.4%
Newport News	23,338	18.0%	34.5%	24,987	7.1%
Norfolk	31,353	18.3%	39.6%	41,036	30.9%
Northampton	1,173	11.9%	4.6%	725	-38.1%
Northumberland	1,857	18.0%	8.0%	1,376	-25.9%
Norton	265	8.3%	8.7%	187	-29.3%
Nottoway	1,575	12.6%	18.9%	1,529	-2.9%
Orange	3,800	14.4%	12.2%	4,086	7.5%
Page	2,133	11.2%	5.7%	1,398	-34.4%
Patrick	1,404	9.4%	8.3%	985	-29.8%
Petersburg	3,505	13.9%	12.4%	3,959	12.9%
Pittsylvania	5,348	10.7%	7.0%	3,853	-28.0%
Poquoson	1,175	12.9%	18.8%	1,196	1.8%
Portsmouth	12,522	17.8%	24.3%	14,419	15.2%
Powhatan	2,982	13.5%	10.2%	3,291	10.4%
Prince Edward	1,404	7.3%	16.0%	1,243	-11.5%
Prince George	5,186	19.7%	24.2%	7,318	41.1%
Prince William	42,489	14.6%	30.3%	53,389	25.7%
Pulaski	3,255	11.6%	7.9%	2,171	-33.3%
Radford	872	6.1%	33.2%	677	-22.3%
Rappahannock	712	11.8%	8.8%	490	-31.1%
Richmond city	12,559	7.4%	12.9%	7,839	-37.6%
Richmond county	960	12.7%	2.0%	1,071	11.6%
Roanoke city	8,266	10.9%	9.8%	5,824	-29.5%
Roanoke county	8,506	11.7%	7.1%	6,087	-28.4%
Rockbridge	1,868	10.3%	7.9%	1,314	-29.7%
Rockingham	5,438	9.2%	9.5%	4,374	-19.6%
Russell	2,075	9.0%	7.6%	1,438	-30.7%
Salem	2,549	12.8%	11.5%	1,790	-29.8%
Scott	1,901	10.2%	6.5%	1,625	-14.5%
Shenandoah	3,956	12.0%	8.7%	3,259	-17.6%

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Smyth	2,571	10.1%	12.3%	1,772	-31.1%
Southampton	2,060	14.1%	8.7%	2,035	-1.2%
Spotsylvania	15,246	17.0%	22.0%	18,688	22.6%
Stafford	20,304	22.6%	34.4%	29,117	43.4%
Staunton	2,226	11.5%	10.9%	1,863	-16.3%
Suffolk	11,961	19.6%	35.1%	17,048	42.5%
Surry	665	12.1%	11.4%	782	17.6%
Sussex	1,143	11.4%	13.8%	1,475	29.0%
Tazewell	3,402	9.5%	3.8%	2,118	-37.7%
Virginia Beach	58,909	18.7%	34.3%	62,040	5.3%
Warren	3,882	13.4%	11.2%	3,687	-5.0%
Washington	4,309	9.8%	7.0%	2,957	-31.4%
Waynesboro	1,879	11.7%	11.6%	1,522	-19.0%
Westmoreland	1,949	13.8%	9.1%	1,747	-10.4%
Williamsburg	872	6.7%	13.5%	904	3.7%
Winchester	1,935	9.4%	9.6%	1,124	-41.9%
Wise	2,741	8.4%	12.4%	1,940	-29.2%
Wythe	2,548	11.0%	7.7%	1,994	-21.8%
York	8,863	19.4%	30.2%	10,701	20.7%
Statewide	777,314	11.9%	21.7%^a	778,808	0.2%

Source: JLARC staff analysis of data from the VA and the U.S. Census Bureau.

^a The statewide average of post-9/11 veterans is lower (21.7%) from Census data than the average offered by the VA (27.9%).

TABLE J-3
Current and projected veteran population in Virginia, sorted by total veterans

	2013			2033 (projected)	
	Total veterans	Percent veterans of total population	Percent post-9/11 veterans of total veteran population	Total veterans	Change 2013-2033
Fairfax county	77,190	9.4%	26.0%	61,391	-20.5%
Virginia Beach	58,909	18.7%	34.3%	62,040	5.3%
Prince William	42,489	14.6%	30.3%	53,389	25.7%
Chesapeake	31,380	19.4%	28.8%	39,080	24.5%
Norfolk	31,353	18.3%	39.6%	41,036	30.9%
Chesterfield	30,632	12.9%	16.5%	30,892	0.8%
Hampton	28,450	28.0%	28.2%	4,2372	48.9%
Newport News	23,338	18.0%	34.5%	24,987	7.1%
Loudoun	23,124	10.2%	24.3%	26,659	15.3%
Henrico	21,969	9.3%	12.7%	15,819	-28.0%
Stafford	20,304	22.6%	34.4%	29,117	43.4%
Spotsylvania	15,246	17.0%	22.0%	18,688	22.6%
Arlington	13,469	7.6%	28.8%	11,108	-17.5%
Richmond city	12,559	7.4%	12.9%	7,839	-37.6%
Portsmouth	12,522	17.8%	24.3%	14,419	15.2%
Suffolk	11,961	19.6%	35.1%	17,048	42.5%
Alexandria	10,864	9.3%	34.4%	8,777	-19.2%
Hanover	9,676	12.8%	9.6%	8,605	-11.1%
James City	9,644	18.2%	14.3%	9,815	1.8%
York	8,863	19.4%	30.2%	10,701	20.7%
Roanoke county	8,506	11.7%	7.1%	6,087	-28.4%
Roanoke city	8,266	10.9%	9.8%	5,824	-29.5%
Frederick	7,986	13.4%	12.6%	7,871	-1.4%
Fauquier	7,603	15.3%	14.2%	7,750	1.9%
Augusta	7,391	12.7%	10.0%	5,684	-23.1%
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Franklin	5,016	11.2%	5.9%	3,558	-29.1%
Henry	4,840	11.4%	9.8%	3,131	-35.3%
Campbell	4,682	10.9%	4.3%	3,524	-24.7%
Isle of Wight	4,582	16.9%	22.0%	5,269	15.0%
Washington	4,309	9.8%	7.0%	2,957	-31.4%
Culpeper	4,231	12.0%	12.4%	4,159	-1.7%

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Danville	3,962	11.8%	11.3%	2,182	-44.9%
Shenandoah	3,956	12.0%	8.7%	3,259	-17.6%
Warren	3,882	13.4%	11.2%	3,687	-5.0%
Orange	3,800	14.4%	12.2%	4,086	7.5%
King George	3,708	21.9%	27.5%	6,393	72.4%
Accomack	3,693	14.1%	8.7%	2,830	-23.4%
Louisa	3,624	13.9%	6.6%	3,685	1.7%
Petersburg	3,505	13.9%	12.4%	3,959	12.9%
Tazewell	3,402	9.5%	3.8%	2,118	-37.7%
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Fluvanna	3,239	16.2%	16.1%	2,716	-16.1%
Hopewell	3,149	18.9%	15.2%	3,173	0.8%
Mecklenburg	3,073	11.8%	6.7%	2,617	-14.8%
Powhatan	2,982	13.5%	10.2%	3,291	10.4%
Dinwiddie	2,951	13.6%	13.7%	2,829	-4.1%
Halifax	2,942	10.5%	7.9%	2,479	-15.8%
Manassas	2,811	9.9%	19.9%	2,276	-19.0%
Amherst	2,786	10.9%	6.4%	2,278	-18.2%
Wise	2,741	8.4%	12.4%	1,940	-29.2%
Smyth	2,571	10.1%	12.3%	1,772	-31.1%
Salem	2,549	12.8%	11.5%	1,790	-29.8%
Wythe	2,548	11.0%	7.7%	1,994	-21.8%
Carroll	2,504	10.5%	4.8%	1,618	-35.4%
Staunton	2,226	11.5%	10.9%	1,863	-16.3%
Charlottesville	2,191	5.9%	13.3%	1,689	-22.9%
Fairfax city	2,164	12.0%	13.3%	1,583	-26.9%
Page	2,133	11.2%	5.7%	1,398	-34.4%
Russell	2,075	9.0%	7.6%	1,438	-30.7%
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Fredericksburg	2,022	9.8%	39.7%	2,372	17.3%
Lee	2,020	9.9%	7.3%	1,637	-19.0%
Harrisonburg	1,950	4.6%	22.1%	1,776	-8.9%
Westmoreland	1,949	13.8%	9.1%	1,747	-10.4%
Winchester	1,935	9.4%	9.6%	1,124	-41.9%
Scott	1,901	10.2%	6.5%	1,625	-14.5%
Waynesboro	1,879	11.7%	11.6%	1,522	-19.0%
Rockbridge	1,868	10.3%	7.9%	1,314	-29.7%
Northumberland	1,857	18.0%	8.0%	1,376	-25.9%
Goochland	1,845	10.7%	11.4%	1,708	-7.4%

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Alleghany	1,751	13.6%	3.5%	1,366	-22.0%
Lancaster	1,742	18.3%	5.1%	1,328	-23.7%
Brunswick	1,660	11.9%	8.1%	1,553	-6.4%
New Kent	1,620	11.1%	11.3%	1,772	9.4%
Nottoway	1,575	12.6%	18.9%	1,529	-2.9%
Lunenburg	1,441	14.0%	6.3%	1,439	-0.1%
Clarke	1,440	13.0%	6.9%	1,193	-17.2%
Middlesex	1,439	15.9%	8.3%	1,164	-19.1%
Nelson	1,414	11.7%	11.0%	1,106	-21.8%
Patrick	1,404	9.4%	8.3%	985	-29.8%
Prince Edward	1,404	7.3%	16.0%	1,243	-11.5%
Bristol	1,397	9.9%	3.6%	869	-37.8%
King William	1,374	11.4%	7.5%	1,343	-2.2%
Buckingham	1,352	9.8%	13.6%	1,021	-24.4%
Grayson	1,341	10.7%	2.7%	912	-32.0%
Giles	1,289	9.6%	5.6%	938	-27.3%
Greensville	1,259	12.5%	16.0%	1,597	26.8%
Mathews	1,242	17.1%	3.9%	850	-31.6%
Buchanan	1,228	6.3%	5.8%	836	-31.9%
Madison	1,187	11.5%	14.3%	963	-18.8%
Poquoson	1,175	12.9%	18.8%	1,196	1.8%
Northampton	1,173	11.9%	4.6%	725	-38.1%
Sussex	1,143	11.4%	13.8%	1,475	29.0%
Appomattox	1,141	9.7%	12.0%	933	-18.2%
Amelia	1,137	11.5%	5.1%	1,226	7.8%
Martinsville	1,122	10.4%	8.1%	751	-33.1%
Floyd	1,032	8.5%	4.8%	622	-39.7%
Manassas Park	1,002	9.3%	34.7%	1,259	25.7%
Charlotte	993	10.4%	12.6%	836	-15.8%
Franklin city	973	15.1%	26.7%	1,032	6.0%
Richmond county	960	12.7%	2.0%	1,071	11.6%
Essex	954	10.8%	11.2%	960	0.7%
Falls Church	919	9.7%	24.5%	688	-25.1%
Dickenson	887	7.1%	8.2%	590	-33.5%
Radford	872	6.1%	33.2%	677	-22.3%
Williamsburg	872	6.7%	13.5%	904	3.7%
Bland	763	13.7%	7.2%	808	5.9%
Charles City	722	12.1%	13.0%	690	-4.5%
Cumberland	722	9.3%	22.3%	651	-9.8%

	2013			2033 (projected)	
	Total veterans	Percent veterans of total population	Percent post-9/11 veterans of total veteran population	Total veterans	Change 2013-2033
Rappahannock	712	11.8%	8.8%	490	-31.1%
King and Queen	677	12.1%	11.8%	760	12.2%
Surry	665	12.1%	11.4%	782	17.6%
Covington	634	13.8%	4.4%	473	-25.4%
Bedford city	567	11.4%	6.7%	420	-25.9%
Lexington	513	8.3%	40.0%	552	7.6%
Buena Vista	504	9.5%	5.6%	444	-11.8%
Craig	428	11.0%	1.4%	339	-20.9%
Galax	428	7.9%	13.4%	240	-43.9%
Emporia	404	9.0%	34.9%	346	-14.4%
Bath	358	9.7%	6.6%	224	-37.4%
Highland	278	13.8%	2.9%	259	-6.9%
Norton	265	8.3%	8.7%	187	-29.3%
Statewide	777,314	11.9%	21.7%^a	778,808	0.2%

Source: JLARC staff analysis of data from the VA and the U.S. Census Bureau.

^a The statewide average of post-9/11 veterans is lower (21.7%) from Census data than the average offered by the VA (27.9%).

Appendix K: Total Federal VA Benefits Received by State

The VA reports federal expenditures for a variety of veterans programs. The tables below present expenditures for programs for which DVS staff provide claims assistance: pension, disability compensation, access to the VA's healthcare system, Vocational Rehabilitation and Employment, and educational assistance. Veterans must apply for these benefits because they are not awarded automatically.

Disability compensation and pension

Disability compensation and pension benefits are distinct programs (Table K-1, Table K-2, and Figure K-1). Disability compensation is limited to service-connected disabilities. The range of potential disabilities includes those incurred during combat, existing before service but aggravated by service, incurred over time (e.g., exposure to asbestos), or indirectly caused by a service-connected disability. Additionally, certain conditions are presumed to be service-connected based on the veteran's experiences during service. The VA rates the severity of the disability, which is a "rating" from 0% to 100% in increments of 10%. The amount of the benefit is higher for additional dependents, more severe disabilities, and other circumstances, but is unrelated to the veteran's income.

Pensions are limited to veterans with a financial need who are "permanently and totally disabled." The disability definition is automatically met by veterans who are over age 65, receiving skilled care in a nursing home due to their disability, or receiving Social Security Disability. To be deemed in financial need, the veteran's income must fall below a specified level. The amount of the benefit is calculated to increase the income to that specified amount. Additionally, veterans who are severely disabled or "housebound" receive higher amounts. To qualify for pensions, the veteran must have served for a minimum time in total and during wartime. The narrow criteria means far fewer veterans are eligible for pensions than for disability compensation.

Disability compensation and pension benefits consist of monthly benefits while veterans maintain eligibility. Both require a discharge type that is other than dishonorable. The amounts below include certain other programs whose benefits are received by survivors: the Dependency and Indemnity program (for family members of individuals dying during service or due to service-connected causes) and burial allowances.

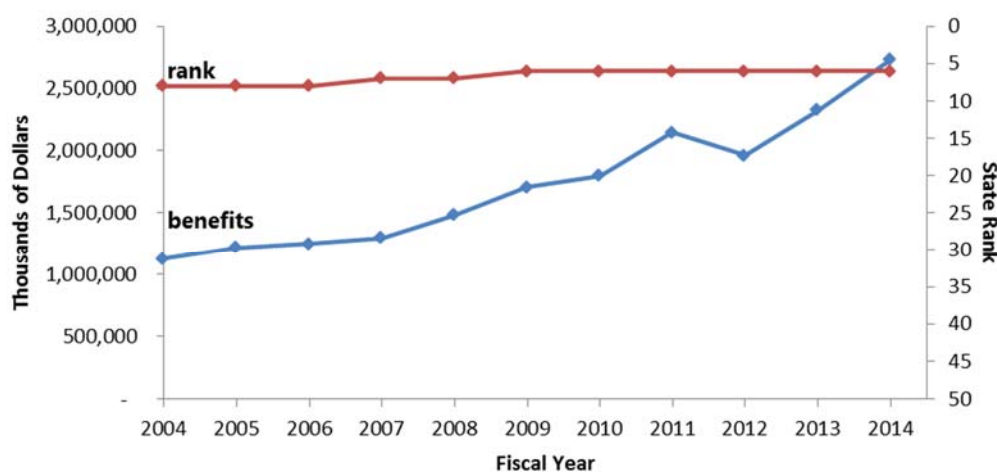
Table K-1
Disability compensation and pensions: amounts of benefits (FY 2014)

State	Total disability compensation & pension benefits (\$ thousands)	State rank
50-state total	\$ 74,306,525	
Texas	7,282,260	1
California	6,376,052	2
Florida	5,618,726	3
North Carolina	3,328,183	4
Georgia	3,004,840	5
Virginia	2,729,280	6
Pennsylvania	2,432,807	7
New York	2,396,837	8
Ohio	2,235,023	9
Washington	2,070,141	10
Tennessee	1,995,305	11
Michigan	1,983,451	12
Alabama	1,875,091	13
South Carolina	1,868,959	14
Oklahoma	1,823,983	15
Illinois	1,680,632	16
Arizona	1,666,170	17
Missouri	1,651,755	18
Colorado	1,447,416	19
Oregon	1,282,449	20
Kentucky	1,255,748	21
Indiana	1,239,688	22
Maryland	1,228,854	23
Louisiana	1,211,754	24
Massachusetts	1,159,009	25
Minnesota	1,146,384	26
Wisconsin	1,142,091	27
Arkansas	1,055,813	28
New Jersey	1,047,058	29
New Mexico	794,229	30
Mississippi	776,679	31
Nevada	776,443	32
West Virginia	722,958	33
Kansas	632,709	34
Iowa	592,671	35
Nebraska	557,741	36
Maine	541,754	37
Utah	433,073	38
Connecticut	432,271	39

State	Total disability compensation & pension benefits (\$ thousands)	State rank
Idaho	401,211	40
Hawaii	388,532	41
Montana	335,093	42
New Hampshire	311,022	43
Alaska	244,437	44
South Dakota	238,175	45
Rhode Island	232,604	46
Delaware	199,732	47
North Dakota	171,165	48
Wyoming	152,461	49
Vermont	135,803	50

Source: FY 2014 Geographic Distribution of VA Expenditures (GDX) report from the VA.

Figure K-1
Disability compensation and pensions in Virginia: amounts of benefits (FY 2004-2014)



Source: FY 2014 Geographic Distribution of VA Expenditures (GDX) report from the VA.

Note: Adjusted for inflation to 2014 dollars.

Table K-2
Disability compensation and pensions: veteran recipients (FY 2014)

State	Percentage of veterans receiving disability compensation & pension benefits	State rank
50-state total	19%	
Nebraska	29%	1
Oklahoma	26%	2
Minnesota	24%	3
Alaska	24%	4
Texas	23%	5
Alabama	23%	6
Colorado	23%	7
North Carolina	23%	8
South Carolina	22%	9
Georgia	22%	10
Virginia	22%	11
New Mexico	22%	12
Washington	21%	13
Montana	21%	14
North Dakota	21%	15
Maine	21%	16
Tennessee	21%	17
Florida	21%	18
South Dakota	21%	19
Hawaii	21%	20
Oregon	20%	21
Arkansas	20%	22
Wyoming	20%	23
Kentucky	20%	24
California	20%	25
West Virginia	20%	26
Nevada	19%	27
Louisiana	19%	28
Mississippi	19%	29
Missouri	18%	30
Arizona	18%	31
Idaho	18%	32
Maryland	18%	33
Rhode Island	18%	34
Indiana	18%	35
Kansas	17%	36
Wisconsin	17%	37
Utah	17%	38
Massachusetts	17%	39

State	Percentage of veterans receiving disability compensation & pension benefits	State rank
Iowa	17%	40
New Hampshire	16%	41
Michigan	16%	42
Delaware	16%	43
Ohio	15%	44
Vermont	15%	45
New York	15%	46
Illinois	14%	47
New Jersey	13%	48
Pennsylvania	13%	49
Connecticut	13%	50

Source: FY 2014 Geographic Distribution of VA Expenditures (GDX) report from the VA and the FY 2014 Disability Compensation and Pension Recipients by County Report from the VA.

Medical benefits

The VA's healthcare system is the largest in the country. It operates 26 medical facilities in Virginia, including hospitals and community-based outpatient clinics. Medical benefits through the VA are not a health insurance plan. The medical amounts below (Table K-3; Figure K-2) represent expenditures by the VA on its healthcare system, and include indirect expenses such as research. Data is also provided on the percent of veterans in each state receiving medical benefits (Table K-4; Figure K-3).

The VA requires most veterans to enroll in its health system prior to receiving services. An other than dishonorable discharge is mandatory, as well as a minimum time in service for more recent veterans. The VA categorizes veterans into priority groups, based on such factors as the severity of disability, income, and prisoner of war status. Federal law allows the VA to use priority groups to determine access to services when funding is limited. The priority group, whether the veteran is seeking treatment for a service-connected condition, and the service itself determines if the veteran is subject to a co-payment. Generally, veterans whose income falls above a designated amount are subject to co-payments for services. Post-9/11 veterans are eligible for five years of free healthcare for conditions related to combat experience. VA health services include outpatient care, psychiatric services, prescription drugs, and hospice, as well as special services for female veterans or those in need of rehabilitation. Eligible veterans can receive items such as wheelchairs, prosthetics, and hearing aids. The VA also provides services for veteran-specific issues such as military sexual trauma and exposure to Agent Orange.

Not all veterans enrolled in VA's healthcare system will use services in a given year. At the end of FY 2014, 260,560 Virginia veterans were enrolled, while 148,572 veterans received medical treatment.

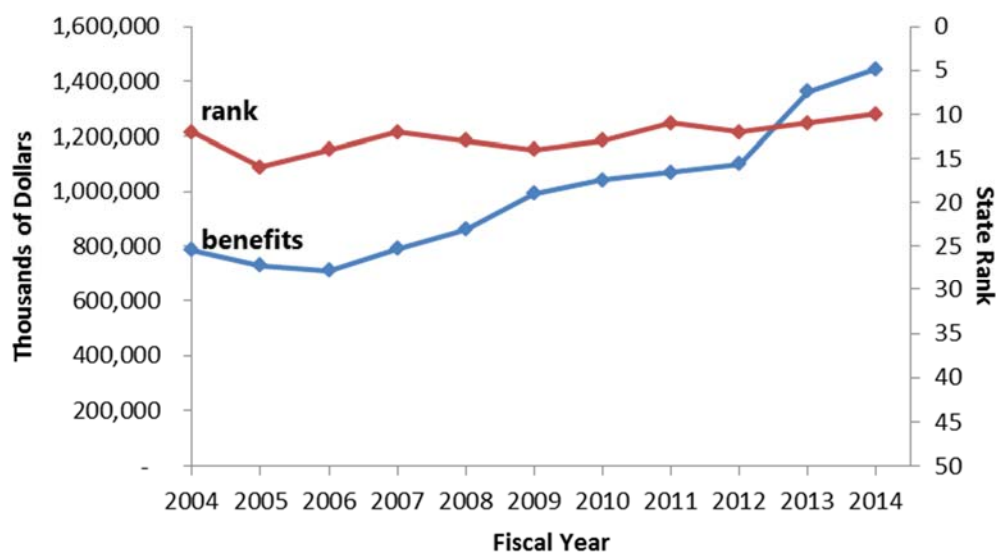
Table K-3
Medical benefits: amounts of VA expenditures (FY 2014)

State	Total VA expenditures for medical benefits (\$ thousands)	State rank
50-state total	\$ 58,539,622	
California	5,584,851	1
Florida	4,662,293	2
Texas	4,345,103	3
New York	2,930,966	4
Ohio	2,316,111	5
Pennsylvania	2,193,637	6
Illinois	2,088,426	7
North Carolina	1,987,216	8
Georgia	1,707,821	9
Virginia	1,443,669	10
Michigan	1,420,982	11
Tennessee	1,393,181	12
Arizona	1,375,088	13
Missouri	1,312,031	14
Wisconsin	1,263,430	15
Washington	1,202,932	16
Indiana	1,186,402	17
Massachusetts	1,146,155	18
Minnesota	1,136,313	19
South Carolina	1,045,378	20
Oregon	1,039,903	21
Maryland	1,027,397	22
Alabama	1,021,715	23
Kentucky	945,028	24
Arkansas	940,246	25
Colorado	931,562	26
Louisiana	875,694	27
Nevada	818,193	28
Oklahoma	808,574	29
New Jersey	784,096	30
West Virginia	716,202	31
Mississippi	698,780	32
Iowa	638,221	33
Connecticut	593,312	34
Kansas	569,972	35
New Mexico	540,540	36
Nebraska	449,167	37
Utah	405,189	38
Idaho	351,404	39

State	Total VA expenditures for medical benefits (\$ thousands)	State rank
Maine	344,244	40
Montana	338,208	41
South Dakota	328,675	42
New Hampshire	285,915	43
Hawaii	254,149	44
Rhode Island	225,710	45
Alaska	222,938	46
Wyoming	205,410	47
North Dakota	155,677	48
Delaware	150,788	49
Vermont	130,727	50

Source: FY 2014 Geographic Distribution of VA Expenditures (GDX) report from the VA.

Figure K-2
Medical benefits in Virginia: amounts of VA expenditures (FY 2004-2014)



Source: Geographic Distribution of VA Expenditures (GDX) reports from VA.

Note: Adjusted for inflation to 2014 dollars.

Table K-4
Medical benefits: percentage of veterans receiving VA healthcare (FY 2014)

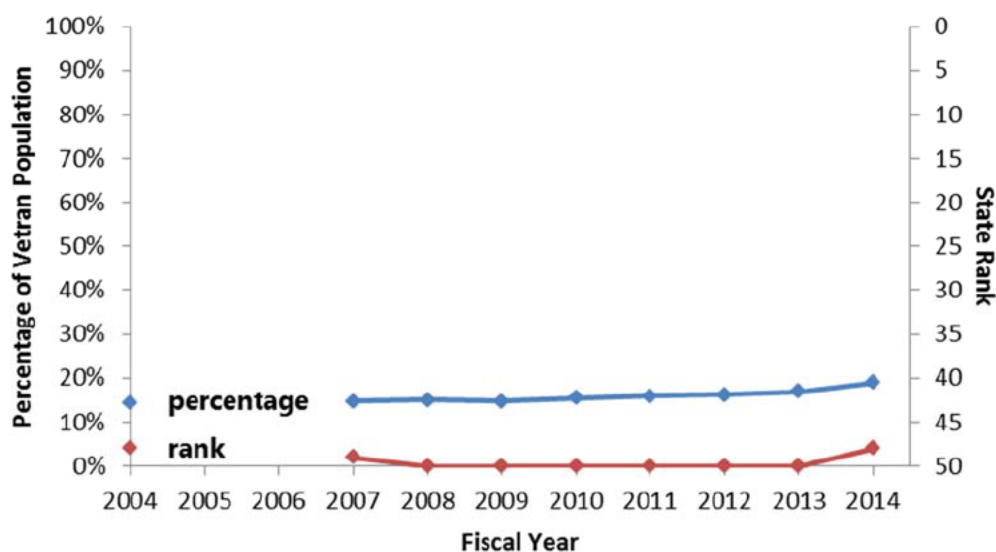
State	Percentage of veterans receiving VA health care	State rank
50-state total	26%	
South Dakota	41%	1
Wyoming	38%	2
Montana	36%	3
West Virginia	35%	4
Arkansas	35%	5
North Dakota	33%	6
Nebraska	33%	7
Mississippi	32%	8
Minnesota	31%	9
Maine	31%	10
Iowa	31%	11
Florida	31%	12
Idaho	31%	13
Kentucky	31%	14
Vermont	31%	15
South Carolina	31%	16
Nevada	30%	17
New Mexico	30%	18
Oregon	30%	19
Wisconsin	29%	20
Missouri	28%	21
Tennessee	28%	22
Rhode Island	28%	23
North Carolina	28%	24
Oklahoma	27%	25
Indiana	27%	26
Arizona	27%	27
Louisiana	27%	28
Alabama	27%	29
Ohio	27%	30
Texas	27%	31
Kansas	26%	32
New York	26%	33
New Hampshire	25%	34
Illinois	25%	35
Georgia	25%	36
California	25%	37
Pennsylvania	25%	38
Alaska	25%	39

State	Percentage of veterans receiving VA health care	State rank
Connecticut	24%	40
Utah	23%	41
Colorado	23%	42
Michigan	23%	43
Massachusetts	22%	44
Hawaii	21%	45
Washington	21%	46
Delaware	19%	47
Virginia	19%	48
Maryland	19%	49
New Jersey	18%	50

Source: FY 2014 Geographic Distribution of VA Expenditures (GDX) report from the VA.

Figure K-3

Medical benefits in Virginia: percentage of veterans receiving VA healthcare (FY 2004-2014)



Source: Geographic Distribution of VA Expenditures (GDX) reports from VA.

Note: Data was not available for FY 2005 and 2006.

Vocational Rehabilitation and Employment (VR&E) and Education benefits

This category combines two programs: Vocational Rehabilitation and Employment (VR&E) program and Education benefits (Table K-5 and Figure K-4). VR&E is a benefit for veterans with either (1) a service-connected disability rating of at least 20% and an “employment handicap,” or (2) a service-connected disability rating of at least 10% and a “serious employment handicap.” Generally, the VA limits eligibility to the later of twelve years after separation or notification of the service-connected disability. The program also requires an other than dishonorable discharge. VR&E provides services such as job-training, resume development, assistance with self-employment, and case management. Depending on the veteran’s needs, he or she can be eligible to receive an allowance during training or training expenses.

The VA’s multiple education programs all require a minimum length of service, but vary regarding the dates of service and discharge type for eligibility. The programs generally fund the same types of programs, including universities, trade schools, apprenticeships, on-the-job training, licensing tests, and other institutions approved by the State Approving Agency (see Appendix D).

The Montgomery GI Bill, Vietnam Era Veterans’ Educational Assistance (VEAP), and Post-9/11 GI Bill provide up to 36 months of education benefits. Versions of the Montgomery GI Bill exist for the Reserves and National Guard. The Montgomery GI Bill and VEAP require veterans contribute to an education fund during active duty to be eligible. These benefits usually expire ten years after discharge, while the Post-9/11 GI Bill expires within fifteen years of discharge.

Expenditures below include adaptive automobiles, equipment, and housing. Additionally, the amounts below include the Survivors’ and Dependents’ Educational Assistance Program for family members of veterans who are permanently and total disabled or deceased due to service-related causes, or who died during service. Data is also provided on the percentage of veterans enrolled in Education programs during the fiscal year (Table K-6).

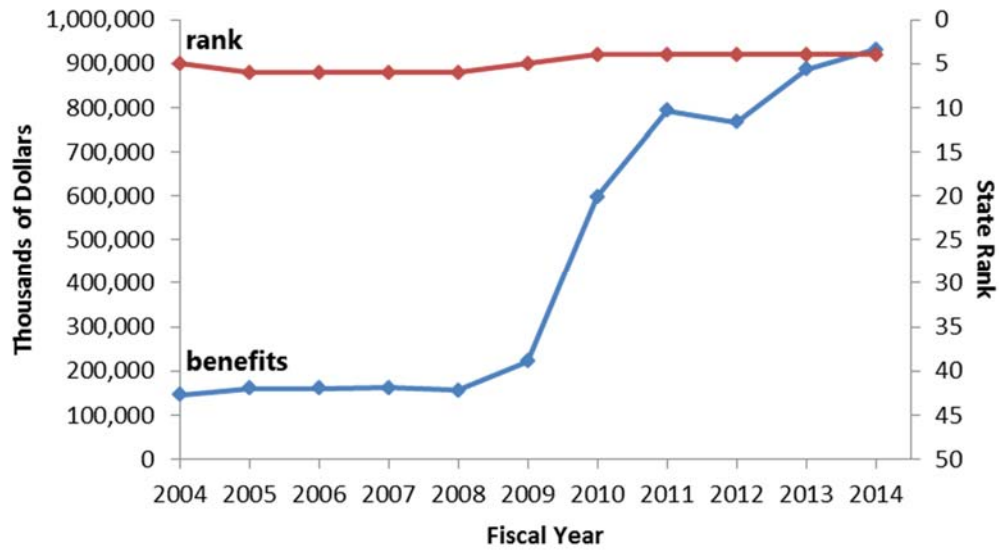
Table K-5
Vocational Rehabilitation and Employment (VR&E) and Education: amounts of benefits
(FY 2014)

State	Total VR&E and education benefits (\$ thousands)	State rank
50-state total	\$ 13,565,329	
California	1,848,364	1
Texas	1,357,830	2
Florida	1,043,675	3
Virginia	931,880	4
New York	548,240	5
Georgia	528,777	6
North Carolina	478,939	7
Arizona	410,041	8
Washington	392,247	9
Colorado	379,047	10

State	Total VR&E and education benefits (\$ thousands)	State rank
Pennsylvania	376,417	11
Maryland	364,342	12
Illinois	349,069	13
Ohio	324,969	14
Tennessee	269,071	15
South Carolina	267,185	16
Michigan	232,514	17
Alabama	225,325	18
New Jersey	214,108	19
Missouri	209,426	20
Massachusetts	209,261	21
Hawaii	167,447	22
Indiana	165,293	23
Oklahoma	155,650	24
Kentucky	155,455	25
Minnesota	151,587	26
Louisiana	146,468	27
Wisconsin	143,544	28
Oregon	142,348	29
Utah	120,457	30
Kansas	113,362	31
Nevada	108,908	32
Connecticut	106,709	33
Mississippi	100,467	34
Arkansas	95,186	35
New Mexico	79,524	36
Iowa	78,530	37
Alaska	74,731	38
Nebraska	70,254	39
Idaho	58,612	40
New Hampshire	58,392	41
West Virginia	49,784	42
Maine	45,924	43
Montana	42,166	44
Rhode Island	40,498	45
Delaware	38,126	46
South Dakota	31,787	47
North Dakota	25,528	48
Vermont	20,321	49
Wyoming	17,544	50

Source: FY 2014 Geographic Distribution of VA Expenditures (GDX) report from the VA.

Figure K-4
Vocational Rehabilitation and Employment (VR&E) and Education: amounts of benefits (FY 2004-2014)



Source: Geographic Distribution of VA Expenditures (GDX) reports from VA.
 Note: Adjusted for inflation to 2014 dollars.

Table K-6
Education benefits: percentage of veterans receiving benefits (FY 2013)

State	Percentage of veterans receiving education benefits	State rank
National average	5%	
West Virginia	13%	1
Arizona	12%	2
Iowa	9%	3
Colorado	8%	4
Virginia	8%	5
Hawaii	7%	6
Utah	7%	7
Alabama	7%	8
Maryland	7%	9
California	6%	10
Nebraska	6%	11
Missouri	6%	12
Florida	6%	13
Texas	6%	14
Alaska	5%	15
Georgia	5%	16
Minnesota	5%	17
North Dakota	5%	18
Kansas	5%	19
Illinois	5%	20
South Carolina	5%	21
North Carolina	5%	22
Oklahoma	4%	23
New Mexico	4%	24
Washington	4%	25
South Dakota	4%	26
Vermont	4%	27
Mississippi	4%	28
New Hampshire	4%	29
Kentucky	4%	30
New York	4%	31
Louisiana	4%	32
Massachusetts	4%	33
Arkansas	4%	34
Tennessee	4%	35
Rhode Island	4%	36
Oregon	4%	37
Idaho	4%	38
Delaware	4%	39

State	Percentage of veterans receiving education benefits	State rank
Wyoming	4%	40
Nevada	3%	41
Connecticut	3%	42
Montana	3%	43
Indiana	3%	44
Wisconsin	3%	45
Pennsylvania	3%	46
Ohio	3%	47
New Jersey	3%	48
Maine	3%	49
Michigan	3%	50

Source: "Department of Veterans Affairs Education Program Beneficiaries by Geography: FY2000 to FY2013" from the VA.

Total federal VA benefits received by locality in Virginia

The benefits received by each city or county (Table K-7) depend on the percentage of veterans who apply for benefits and the percentage of veterans found to be eligible. A low percentage might mean that few veterans are eligible or that few potentially eligible veterans applied for the benefits. The amount of the benefits depends on the veterans' circumstances.

TABLE K-7
Benefits amounts and receipt rate by Virginia locality

Locality	Veteran population	Disability compensation or pension	Education & vocational rehabilitation/employment	Medical benefits		
		Amount	% of veterans receiving benefits	Amount of VA expenditures	% of veterans receiving health care	
Accomack	3,655	8,959	14%	1,036	4,441	18%
Albemarle	7,233	14,065	13%	3,343	6,458	14%
Alexandria City	10,741	34,656	22%	18,953	11,197	12%
Alleghany	1,736	2,281	17%	162	5,278	29%
Amelia	1,151	3,812	19%	286	5,314	30%
Amherst	2,772	7,445	15%	1,007	5,800	27%
Appomattox	1,138	3,410	14%	267	3,609	34%
Arlington	13,373	36,743	18%	23,529	10,801	9%
Augusta	7,325	11,101	13%	993	12,813	22%
Bath	354	1,326	19%	107	1,259	34%
Bedford	7,391	17,864	15%	1,924	21,552	27%
Bland	768	2,603	16%	130	1,779	28%
Botetourt	3,286	8,520	15%	650	13,243	30%
Bristol	1,364	5,760	22%	224	4,464	42%
Brunswick	1,667	5,374	14%	278	4,811	26%
Buchanan	1,209	8,509	26%	304	2,806	31%
Buckingham	1,340	3,269	14%	147	2,856	20%
Buena Vista	505	2,038	13%	146	1,942	31%
Campbell	4,637	9,312	15%	806	11,085	29%
Caroline	3,442	10,536	18%	1,975	7,339	21%
Carroll	2,458	6,686	16%	576	9,495	40%
Charles City County	727	1,695	18%	150	3,044	29%
Charlotte	989	4,349	20%	251	3,082	34%
Charlottesville	2,173	4,819	10%	3,870	1,703	13%
Chesapeake	32,105	139,314	27%	61,984	33,646	15%
Chesterfield	30,912	101,522	18%	19,944	77,208	22%
Clarke	1,435	3,262	12%	719	3,169	19%
Colonial Heights	1,787	16,238	28%	2,654	5,858	29%
Covington	625	4,773	17%	188	2,073	34%
Craig	424	1,858	21%	79	2,526	41%
Culpeper	4,247	9,915	15%	2,011	5,126	13%
Cumberland	721	1,479	17%	115	2,718	31%
Danville	3,857	16,791	17%	2,091	11,309	36%
Dickenson	872	6,103	32%	194	3,978	45%
Dinwiddie	2,959	6,212	22%	716	10,212	27%
Emporia	400	1,143	15%	94	2,270	36%
Essex	957	2,943	15%	354	1,885	25%
Fairfax	76,229	252,798	24%	116,426	40,116	8%
Fairfax City	2,125	9,003	15%	5,287	726	6%

Locality	Veteran population	Disability compensation or pension	Education & vocational rehabilitation/employment		Medical benefits	
			% of veterans receiving benefits	Amount	Amount of VA expenditures	% of veterans receiving health care
Falls Church	909	2,533	17%	1,100	714	9%
Fauquier	7,644	13,052	12%	3,653	5,736	8%
Floyd	1,011	3,336	22%	83	3,902	40%
Fluvanna	3,215	5,108	11%	1,055	2,946	14%
Franklin	4,957	16,521	17%	1,192	18,521	33%
Franklin City	977	3,999	16%	774	1,669	16%
Frederick	8,016	17,773	13%	2,952	18,214	22%
Fredericksburg	2,051	8,342	23%	4,067	3,272	26%
Galax	417	4,447	21%	367	2,162	44%
Giles	1,275	5,169	21%	331	3,616	31%
Gloucester	5,090	18,660	23%	4,321	5,621	14%
Goochland	1,861	3,853	11%	610	3,992	18%
Grayson	1,323	3,528	19%	115	3,646	44%
Greene	1,837	4,080	14%	1,127	2,947	17%
Greensville	1,284	3,712	12%	306	4,029	19%
Halifax	2,931	12,208	19%	520	8,300	32%
Hampton	29,658	114,909	23%	37,136	91,981	21%
Hanover	9,681	17,445	10%	2,886	15,947	14%
Harrisonburg	1,940	6,961	11%	1,547	2,865	22%
Henrico	21,598	54,286	15%	11,620	59,940	23%
Henry	4,758	9,844	15%	697	17,881	38%
Highland	276	798	10%	51	359	24%
Hopewell	3,177	17,683	21%	3,000	9,587	27%
Isle Of Wight	4,642	16,493	24%	5,146	5,154	15%
James City County	9,641	43,578	20%	11,771	8,171	12%
King And Queen	688	1,557	13%	128	2,170	20%
King George	3,855	11,372	19%	3,507	3,950	12%
King William	1,380	3,626	13%	523	2,927	18%
Lancaster	1,724	3,947	11%	141	3,427	16%
Lee	2,003	8,961	21%	347	6,567	31%
Lexington City	514	4,249	13%	533	518	17%
Loudoun	23,266	49,986	16%	21,771	11,857	7%
Louisa	3,645	7,522	13%	801	6,136	16%
Lunenburg	1,451	3,315	15%	290	5,838	24%
Lynchburg	5,373	19,415	15%	8,013	11,729	28%
Madison	1,183	2,689	11%	240	1,286	14%
Manassas City	2,792	7,694	16%	3,613	2,169	10%
Manassas Park City	1,021	126	18%	28	1,382	9%
Martinsville	1,104	7,170	16%	945	3,731	37%
Mathews	1,219	3,277	13%	198	1,094	14%
Mecklenburg	3,068	11,312	18%	935	10,753	28%
Middlesex	1,435	3,984	12%	423	3,314	18%

Locality	Veteran population	Disability compensation or pension	Education & vocational rehabilitation/ employment	Medical benefits	
		Amount	% of veterans receiving benefits	Amount	% of veterans receiving health care
Montgomery	5,698	13,321	13%	3,629	20%
Nelson	1,413	4,767	15%	452	21%
New Kent	1,642	7,972	23%	888	25%
Newport News	23,646	110,887	33%	45,002	23%
Norfolk City	32,392	104,227	23%	62,142	17%
Northampton	1,147	2,727	13%	317	18%
Northumberland	1,851	2,709	10%	190	15%
Norton City	262	1,660	16%	99	35%
Nottoway	1,581	6,036	16%	593	28%
Orange	3,831	12,299	17%	2,905	16%
Page	2,098	5,293	13%	456	28%
Patrick	1,387	5,037	18%	290	44%
Petersburg	3,571	34,415	30%	5,009	39%
Pittsylvania	5,296	12,703	18%	865	37%
Poquoson	1,182	5,891	37%	1,721	14%
Portsmouth	12,721	49,003	24%	18,604	20%
Powhatan	3,010	6,091	11%	839	15%
Prince Edward	1,402	5,928	18%	870	33%
Prince George	5,330	20,420	31%	5,780	24%
Prince William	43,371	172,246	28%	81,233	11%
Pulaski	3,213	9,185	15%	587	29%
Radford City	862	3,758	13%	774	23%
Rappahannock	706	980	12%	135	13%
Richmond	974	2,313	11%	152	17%
Richmond City	12,287	41,636	19%	14,793	39%
Roanoke	8,408	25,217	17%	2,479	31%
Roanoke City	8,151	33,574	19%	9,493	42%
Rockbridge	1,850	3,582	18%	166	31%
Rockingham	5,403	10,543	13%	1,059	28%
Russell	2,029	6,658	16%	289	24%
Salem	2,518	12,471	14%	1,302	32%
Scott	1,885	7,959	17%	401	32%
Shenandoah	3,937	10,683	15%	1,249	29%
Smyth	2,540	10,239	19%	364	36%
Southampton	2,071	4,026	15%	589	15%
Spotsylvania	15,535	51,926	25%	17,827	18%
Stafford	20,977	93,654	30%	42,174	14%
Staunton	2,219	8,814	15%	810	26%
Suffolk City	12,286	52,558	29%	22,295	16%
Surry	676	2,318	19%	210	25%
Sussex	1,167	3,230	16%	471	24%
Tazewell	3,340	20,587	26%	849	39%

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		Amount	% of veterans re-ceiving benefits	Amount	Amount of VA expenditures	% of veterans re-ceiving health care
Virginia Beach City	59,592	277,684	38%	147,210	58,475	16%
Warren	3,888	8,609	14%	1,500	8,901	22%
Washington	4,241	17,644	21%	947	11,930	35%
Waynesboro City	1,859	7,191	14%	830	3,623	23%
Westmoreland	1,945	4,619	15%	638	4,239	19%
Williamsburg City	871	473	22%	137	1,087	18%
Winchester City	1,881	4,405	13%	917	5,605	30%
Wise	2,702	15,657	26%	967	7,293	36%
Wythe	2,530	8,896	16%	451	7,760	34%
York	9,034	37,552	35%	15,100	8,319	14%
Total	781,388	2,729,280	22%	931,880	1,443,669	19%

Source: FY 2014 Geographic Distribution of VA Expenditures (GDX) report from the VA and the FY 2014 Disability Compensation and Pension Recipients by County Report from the VA.