

Summary of Veterans Benefits: FY2000 to FY2011

Fiscal Year	Disability Compensation Recipients	Disability Pension Recipients	Education Beneficiaries	Home Loans Guaranteed During Fiscal Year	Life Insurance Policies¹	Vocational Rehabilitation and Employment Participants
2000	2,308,186	364,220	397,589	199,160	2,206,834	50,281
2001	2,321,103	348,052	420,651	250,009	2,079,163	52,402
2002	2,398,287	346,579	464,159	317,251	1,962,525	53,605
2003	2,485,229	346,555	472,970	489,418	1,853,872	55,589
2004	2,555,696	342,903	490,397	335,788	1,750,372	55,805
2005	2,636,979	335,787	498,498	165,854	1,648,195	55,228
2006	2,725,824	329,856	498,123	142,708	1,545,436	52,982
2007	2,844,178	322,875	523,344	133,313	1,446,004	98,548
2008	2,952,285	315,763	541,439	179,670	1,347,563	103,126
2009	3,069,652	314,245	564,487	325,690	1,254,059	110,750
2010	3,210,261	313,563	800,369	314,011	1,167,081	117,130
2011	3,354,741	313,665	923,836	357,594	1,085,004	116,295

NOTE: Totals include Philippines, Puerto Rico, all other U.S. possessions and foreign countries.

¹The totals shown here are for the six life insurance programs administered by the Department of Veterans Affairs (USGLI, NSLI, VSLI, VRI, SDVI, and VMLI). Life insurance programs that are administered by Prudential Insurance Company of America and supervised by VA are not included here. For more information on life insurance programs, see the Annual Benefits Reports located at: <http://www.vba.va.gov/REPORTS/abr/index.asp>.

Source: Department of Veterans Affairs, Veterans Benefits Administration, Annual Benefits Reports, 2000 to 2011.

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Definitions:	
Disability Compensation	The compensation program provides monthly benefits to Veterans in recognition of the effects of disabilities, diseases, or injuries incurred or aggravated during active military service.
Disability Pension	Disability pension is payable to certain wartime Veterans who are permanently and totally disabled, or age 65 and older.
Education Programs	Education programs provide Veterans, servicemembers, reservists, and certain family members of Veterans with educational resources to supplement opportunities missed because of military service. There are seven active education programs.
Home Loan Guaranty	The objective of the VA Home Loan Guaranty program is to help eligible Veterans, active duty personnel, surviving spouses, and members of the Reserves and National Guard purchase, retain, and adapt homes in recognition of their service to the Nation.
Life Insurance Policies	The life insurance programs provide servicemembers and their families with universally available life insurance (available to all servicemembers and their families without underwriting), as well as traumatic injury protection insurance for servicemembers.

**Vocational
Rehabilitation
and Employment**

The VR&E Program provides a wide range of vocational and employment services to Veterans, active-duty servicemembers and eligible dependents. These services are designed to help servicemembers and Veterans choose a career path and assist them in achieving their employment goals.