

**Summary of Veterans Benefits: FY2000 to FY2012**

Fiscal Year	Disability Compensation Recipients (DCR)	% Change in DCR From Previous Year	Disability Pension Recipients (DPR)	% Change in DPR From Previous Year	Education Beneficiaries (EB)	% Change in EB From Previous Year	Home Loans Guaranteed (HLG) During Fiscal Year	% Change in HLG From Previous Year	Life Insurance Policies <sup>1</sup> (LIP)	% Change in LIP From Previous Year	Vocational Rehabilitation and Employment (VR&E) Participants	% Change in VR&E Partisipants From Previous Year
2000	2,308,186	-	364,220	-	397,589	-	199,160	-	2,206,834	-	50,281	-
2001	2,321,103	0.56	348,052	-4.44	420,651	5.80	250,009	25.53	2,079,163	-5.79	52,402	4.22
2002	2,398,287	3.33	346,579	-0.42	464,159	10.34	317,251	26.90	1,962,525	-5.61	53,605	2.30
2003	2,485,229	3.63	346,555	-0.01	472,970	1.90	489,418	54.27	1,853,872	-5.54	55,589	3.70
2004	2,555,696	2.84	342,903	-1.05	490,397	3.68	335,788	-31.39	1,750,372	-5.58	55,805	0.39
2005	2,636,979	3.18	335,787	-2.08	498,498	1.65	165,854	-50.61	1,648,195	-5.84	55,228	-1.03
2006	2,725,824	3.37	329,856	-1.77	498,123	-0.08	142,708	-13.96	1,545,436	-6.23	52,982	-4.07
2007	2,844,178	4.34	322,875	-2.12	523,344	5.06	133,313	-6.58	1,446,004	-6.43	98,548	86.00
2008	2,952,282	3.80	315,763	-2.20	541,439	3.46	179,670	34.77	1,347,563	-6.81	103,126	4.65
2009	3,069,652	3.98	314,245	-0.48	564,487	4.26	325,690	81.27	1,254,059	-6.94	110,750	7.39
2010	3,210,261	4.58	313,563	-0.22	800,369	41.79	314,011	-3.59	1,167,081	-6.94	117,130	5.76
2011	3,354,741	4.50	313,665	0.03	923,836	15.43	357,594	13.88	1,085,004	-7.03	116,295	-0.71
2012	3,536,802	5.43	314,790	0.36	945,052	2.30	539,884	50.98	1,006,235	-7.26	121,236	4.25

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

<sup>1</sup>The 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 2012.

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Definitions:	
<b>Disability Compensation</b>	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.
<b>Disability Pension</b>	Disability pension is payable to certain wartime Veterans who are permanently and totally disabled, or age 65 and older.
<b>Education Programs</b>	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.
<b>Home Loan Guaranty</b>	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.
<b>Life Insurance Policies</b>	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.
<b>Vocational Rehabilitation and Employment</b>	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.