

9.F Veterans' Benefits

Table 9.F1—Number of disability compensation or pension payments, by type of payment and age of beneficiary, selected years 1940–2016 (in thousands)

Year	Total ^a	Service-connected							Not service-connected		
		All ages	Under age 65			Aged 65 or older			All ages	Under age 65	Aged 65 or older
			Subtotal	Disability rating ^b		Subtotal	Disability rating ^b				
				Less than 70 percent	70–100 percent		Less than 70 percent	70–100 percent			
As of June 30											
1940	610	385	...	...	...	...	...	...	189	...	...
1945	1,144	912	...	...	...	...	...	...	159	...	...
1950	2,368	1,990	...	...	...	...	...	...	290	...	...
1955	2,669	2,076	...	...	...	...	...	...	531	...	...
1956	2,739	2,083	2,026	1,841	185	57	43	14	597	319	278
As of June 20											
1957	2,797	2,074	2,004	1,825	179	70	53	17	670	304	366
1958	2,850	2,064	1,980	1,807	173	84	65	19	741	279	462
1959	2,934	2,053	1,952	1,781	171	101	78	23	841	257	584
1960	3,009	2,027	1,908	1,746	162	119	93	26	947	219	728
1961	3,107	2,000	1,868	1,711	158	131	104	27	1,077	182	895
1962	3,150	1,987	1,849	1,693	156	138	109	29	1,138	166	972
1963	3,181	1,989	1,844	1,686	158	145	115	30	1,170	165	1,005
1964	3,197	1,993	1,846	1,684	162	147	117	30	1,186	176	1,010
1965	3,217	1,992	1,846	1,679	167	146	117	29	1,210	197	1,013
1966	3,201	1,993	1,850	1,677	173	143	115	28	1,196	221	975
1967	3,182	1,999	1,858	1,683	175	141	114	27	1,173	243	930
1968	3,164	2,011	1,873	1,696	177	138	112	26	1,145	265	880
1969	3,160	2,039	1,904	1,712	192	135	110	25	1,114	286	828
1970	3,181	2,091	1,950	1,754	196	141	116	25	1,086	310	776
1971	3,222	2,146	1,995	1,780	215	151	128	23	1,073	335	738
1972	3,269	2,183	2,022	1,804	218	161	135	26	1,086	381	705
1973	3,257	2,204	2,028	1,806	222	176	150	26	1,053	402	651
1974	3,241	2,211	2,018	1,796	222	193	165	28	1,030	410	620
1975	3,227	2,220	2,006	1,784	222	214	185	29	1,006	430	576
1976	3,236	2,232	1,996	1,767	229	236	209	27	1,003	456	547

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Year	Total ^a	Service-connected							Not service-connected		
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			Subtotal	Disability rating ^b		Subtotal	Disability rating ^b				
				Less than 70 percent	70–100 percent		Less than 70 percent	70–100 percent			
As of September 30											
1977	3,280	2,248	1,989	1,759	230	258	226	32	1,032	505	527
1978	3,284	2,259	1,971	1,741	230	288	254	34	1,025	516	509
1979	3,241	2,267	1,944	1,717	227	323	285	38	974	500	474
1980	3,196	2,274	1,912	1,689	223	362	320	42	922	467	455
1981	3,154	2,279	1,873	1,656	217	406	359	47	875	438	437
1982	3,096	2,274	1,818	1,606	210	456	404	52	824	406	418
1983	3,044	2,263	1,744	1,544	200	519	461	58	781	373	408
1984	2,980	2,251	1,666	1,476	190	585	520	65	729	339	390
1985	2,931	2,240	1,589	1,408	181	651	579	72	690	306	384
1986	2,883	2,225	1,505	1,335	169	720	641	79	658	274	384
1987	2,844	2,212	1,428	1,268	160	784	698	86	631	244	387
1988	2,804	2,199	1,361	1,209	153	838	746	92	606	219	387
1989	2,776	2,192	1,302	1,156	146	890	792	98	584	196	388
1990	2,746	2,184	1,253	1,113	140	931	828	102	562	175	387
1991	2,709	2,179	1,238	1,098	140	941	838	103	530	156	375
1992	2,674	2,181	1,245	1,104	141	936	833	103	493	138	354
1993	2,660	2,198	1,265	1,122	143	932	828	104	462	128	335
1994	2,659	2,218	1,290	1,144	146	928	824	104	441	122	319
1995	2,669	2,236	1,310	1,158	152	926	819	107	433	120	313
1996	2,671	2,253	1,330	1,171	158	923	814	109	418	116	302
1997	2,667	2,263	1,346	1,178	168	917	805	112	404	112	292
1998	2,668	2,277	1,372	1,191	180	905	790	115	391	110	281
1999	2,673	2,294	1,404	1,209	195	890	771	119	379	113	266
2000	2,672	2,308	1,435	1,224	211	874	751	123	364	115	249
2001	2,669	2,321	1,464	1,238	226	857	731	126	348	116	232
2002	2,745	2,398	1,546	1,288	258	852	716	136	347	125	222
2003	2,832	2,485	1,634	1,335	299	852	703	148	347	136	210
2004	2,899	2,556	1,708	1,373	335	848	690	158	343	146	197
2005	2,973	2,637	1,792	1,421	371	845	677	168	336	151	185
2006	3,056	2,726	1,875	1,474	401	851	674	177	330	154	176
2007	3,167	2,844	1,974	1,540	434	869	681	188	323	153	170
2008	3,270	2,952	2,069	1,596	472	883	684	199	318	152	166
2009	3,384	3,070	2,154	1,640	514	916	697	218	314	148	166
2010	3,524	3,210	2,235	1,680	555	974	727	247	314	143	170
2011	3,668	3,355	2,279	1,688	590	1,075	774	301	314	135	179
2012	3,852	3,537	2,291	1,668	622	1,245	859	386	315	124	190
2013	4,039	3,734	2,322	1,657	665	1,411	939	473	305	115	190
2014	4,254	3,949	2,365	1,648	717	1,584	1,021	563	305	103	202
2015	4,464	^c 4,169	2,455	1,655	800	1,702	1,072	630	295	92	203
2016	4,629	4,340	2,556	1,663	893	1,784	1,106	678	^c 289	82	203

SOURCE: Department of Veterans Affairs, published and unpublished data.

NOTES: Totals do not necessarily equal the sum of rounded components.

... = not applicable.

a. Through 1971, the total includes some payments omitted from the category distribution. Most of the omitted payments reflect nonservice-connected pensions received by Spanish-American War and other pre-World War I veterans; others reflect persons receiving payments under special acts and as retired emergency and reserve officers.

b. Disability rated by the Department of Veterans Affairs according to average impairment of earning capacity, graduated in intervals from 10 percent to 100 percent.

c. Includes recipients of unknown age.

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