



**Using data to look at the Veteran population as a whole,  
we can learn much about the Veterans of Today.**  
**The example below shows a variety of Veteran characteristics, such as  
cohort, insured and non-insured status, disability rating, and more.**

## Key Statistics by Veteran Status and Period of Service

Key Characteristics of the Veteran Population	Statistic	Veteran Cohorts						All Veterans	All Non-Veterans
		Post-9/11	Pre-9/11	Vietnam Era	Korean Conflict	World War II	Peacetime Only		
<b>Age</b>	Median (Years)	35	47	68	83	91	59	64	44
<b>Gender</b>	% Male	83.0%	85.7%	96.8%	97.3%	95.5%	90.6%	91.4%	45.3%
<b>Race and Hispanic Origin</b>	% White	65.4%	69.6%	82.7%	88.0%	91.7%	79.0%	77.7%	62.1%
<b>Educational Attainment</b>	% With Some College	46.3%	43.9%	36.9%	24.0%	20.0%	35.2%	37.5%	29.9%
<b>Employment Status</b>	% Employed	77.3%	75.8%	26.8%	5.5%	2.4%	45.8%	44.2%	61.2%
<b>Occupation</b>	% In Service Industry	17.0%	13.9%	12.3%	14.1%	11.7%	13.7%	14.2%	18.9%
<b>Individual Earnings and Income</b>	Median Individual Income (\$K)	41,988	51,302	36,000	27,894	25,599	34,991	37,297	22,991
<b>Health Care Coverage</b>	% Without Health Care Coverage	5.6%	4.8%	1.0%	0.1%	0.2%	3.8%	2.9%	10.6%
<b>Use of VA Healthcare</b>	% Who Use VA Healthcare	36.4%	29.4%	40.7%	38.2%	36.3%	26.8%	34.9%	0.4%
<b>Disability Status*</b>	% With at Least One Disability	14.7%	16.5%	32.9%	55.7%	74.3%	30.1%	30.1%	14.8%
<b>Service-connected Disability Status</b>	% With a Service-connected Disability	35.9%	26.4%	23.3%	10.8%	12.9%	10.8%	21.8%	0.1%
<b>Service-connected Disability Rating</b>	% With 70% or Higher Rating	38.1%	26.0%	39.1%	22.0%	25.9%	24.2%	34.1%	29.1%
<b>Home Ownership</b>	% That Own a Home	57.6%	71.7%	82.7%	82.7%	72.0%	76.8%	75.7%	61.9%
<b>Privately Owned Vehicle (POV) Status</b>	% With One or More Vehicles	96.8%	95.9%	95.1%	92.2%	77.9%	93.7%	94.2%	90.8%
<b>Marital Status</b>	% Married	55.7%	64.1%	69.0%	64.4%	46.4%	62.7%	63.3%	47.8%
<b>Household Earnings and Income</b>	Median Household Income (\$K)	73,953	82,286	57,895	43,098	37,718	55,979	59,995	55,998
<b>Presence of Children</b>	% With No Children at Home	56.2%	65.7%	98.6%	99.9%	100.0%	91.7%	86.6%	70.8%
<b>Presence of Person(s) 65 or Older</b>	% With Person(s) 65 or Older Living in the Home	4.3%	13.6%	83.8%	100.0%	100.0%	49.3%	57.1%	25.8%

\* Disability (as defined by Census Bureau) includes six basic areas of functioning and limitations in activities - hearing, vision, cognition, and ambulation, difficulty bathing and dressing, and difficulty performing errands such as shopping.

**Source:** 2016 American Community Survey Public Use Microdata Sample