



## Minnesota Department of Veteran Affairs (MDVA) – Veteran Data Analytics

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The intent of this data is to provide transparency and high level trends. Users should be cautioned in applying this data to individual situations.

### Sources:

The following data is collected from the US Census Bureau 5-year data (2011-2015)

- Geographic Boundary Data (TIGER/LINE)
- State Veteran Population
- State Veteran Employment

The 5-year data is used due to of limitations in the 3-year and 1-year data.

Please refer to the Census Bureau's information on the American Community Survey and geography limitations via the link below.

[http://www.census.gov/acs/www/guidance\\_for\\_data\\_users/estimates/](http://www.census.gov/acs/www/guidance_for_data_users/estimates/)

All Veteran Expenditure data is collected from the 2016 Geographic Distribution of VA Expenditures (GDY) Report which includes VA expenditures at the state, county, and congressional district level including categories for the following:

- Compensation and Pension
- Construction
- Education and Vocational Rehab
- General Operating
- Insurance
- Loan Guaranty
- Medical