



# New Hampshire's Veterans

## POPULATION

**94,508 Veterans**      **1,123 Active Duty**  
**5,751 National Guard & Reservists**

Veteran Population <sub>1,2</sub>	New Hampshire
Number of Veterans	94,508
Percent of Adult Population that are Veterans	8.6%
Number of Women Veterans	8,362
Percent Women Veterans	8.8%
Number of Military Retirees <sub>2</sub>	9,533
Percent of Veterans that are Military Retirees <sub>2</sub>	10%
Number of Veterans Age 65 and Over	50,124
Percent of Veterans Age 65 and Over	53%
Age Distribution <sub>1</sub>	New Hampshire
75 years and over	25.4%
65 to 74 years	27.6%
55 to 64 years	18.7%
35 to 54 years	21.3%
18 to 34 years	7.0%
Period of Service <sub>1</sub>	New Hampshire
World War II	2.1%
Korean War	7.1%
Vietnam era	36.7%
Gulf War I	20.3%
Gulf War II	16.2%
Household Income <sub>2</sub>	New Hampshire
200k or more	7%
100K to 199.9k	28.4%
50k to 99.9k	33.6%
25k to 49.9k	19.5%
less than 25k	11.3%
Educational Attainment <sub>1</sub>	New Hampshire
Some college or Associate degree	32.1%
Bachelor's or higher	30.6%
VA Healthcare and Benefits <sub>2</sub>	New Hampshire
Number of Veterans Receiving Disability Compensation	22,779
Number of Veterans Receiving Pension	601
Number of Dependency & Indemnity Comp Beneficiaries	1,772
Number of Education Beneficiaries	14,082
Number of Enrolls in VA Healthcare System	45,520
Number of Unique Patients Treated	30,786

**Sources of data:** Multiple sources were used to compile this snapshot. Most use a Point in Time or an average count. For that reason, some numbers will not add up exactly to the total Veteran count shown. All numbers should be considered approximate and serve to provide an overall snapshot. Veterans Data Central, [www.veteransdata.info](http://www.veteransdata.info); US Dept of Veterans Affairs, [www.datahub.va.gov/stories/s/swvp-s4cw](http://www.datahub.va.gov/stories/s/swvp-s4cw); US Census Bureau, 7/1/22, [www.census.gov/quickfacts/NH](http://www.census.gov/quickfacts/NH); DoD Defense Manpower Data Center, 12/31/22; ACS 2017-21 5-Yr Nat'l Estimates Veterans Select Demographic Data; National HUD Nat'l Point in Time Homeless Count Data, 2022; U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, 2022



## ECONOMIC WELL BEING

**2.3%**

2022 Veteran unemployment rate in NH was slightly higher than the overall 2.1% unemployment rate for NH.

**\$78,316** Median household income of NH Veterans is \$78,316 which is below the NH median of \$83,449. 69% of Veterans make more than \$50,000/year.

1,876 Veteran households receive food stamps. 5.1% NH Veterans live in poverty. 7/1/22

## HOUSING & HOMELESSNESS

**127**

Out of the 127 Veterans experiencing homelessness in NH, 115 are sheltered in emergency or transitional housing. 12 remain unsheltered.\*

\*2022 HUD Point in Time Homeless Data Count



**79%**

Homeownership rate of NH Veterans. 7/1/22

**16,901**

Approximately 16,901 NH Veterans live in homes with one or more major problems of quality, crowding or cost. Housing affordability is the greatest housing problem among NH Veterans. 7/1/22

## VETERAN DISTRIBUTION & DIVERSITY

### VETERAN POPULATION

1. Hillsborough, NH (25,790 veterans)
2. Rockingham, NH (20,676 veterans)
3. Merrimack, NH (10,592 veterans)
4. Strafford, NH (9,408 veterans)
5. Grafton, NH (6,421 veterans)
6. Cheshire, NH (6,171 veterans)
7. Belknap, NH (5,362 veterans)
8. Carroll, NH (4,193 veterans)
9. Sullivan, NH (3,500 veterans)
10. Coos, NH (2,386 veterans)

21.4% NH Veterans have service-connected disability rating

2.5% of NH's Veteran population identifies as Hispanic.





# Supporting New Hampshire's Veterans

## STATE GOVERNMENT

### DEPT OF MILITARY AFFAIRS & VETERANS SERVICES

Division of Veterans Services  
Division of Community Based Military Programs  
NH State Veterans Cemetery  
State Veterans Council  
NH Military Leadership Team

### NH VETERANS HOME

Located in Tilton, NH, the NH Veterans Home strives to provide the best quality of life for NH Veterans with dignity, honor & respect.

### NH SUICIDE PREVENTION COUNCIL-- MILITARY & VETERANS COMMITTEE

This committee merged with the NH Governor's Challenge to Prevent Suicide among SMVF team. Info about committee on [Suicide Prevention Efforts DMAVS webpage](#).

## INITIATIVES & NEEDS

### Initiatives

Suicide Prevention  
NH Veteran-Friendly Business Network  
Ask the Question  
Military/Veteran Family Support

### Needs

Coordinated/centralized resource & referral assistance with customized support  
Affordable housing  
In-home aging services  
Increase VA enrollment



## VETERANS AFFAIRS



### VA Medical Centers

#### Manchester VA Medical Center

#### White River Junction VA Medical Center

- Community Based Outpatient Clinics: Conway, Keene, Littleton, Portsmouth, Somersworth, Tilton
- Wide variety of specialists available. VA care has positive health outcomes and is often more accessible.

### Vet Centers

- Vet Centers and Outstations: Berlin, Keene, Manchester, Portsmouth

### Veterans Benefit Administration

- \$417,784,000 into NH Veterans pockets in 2020

## COMMUNITY PARTNERS & RESOURCES

There are a variety of groups, coalitions and organizations serving Veterans statewide to meet needs in a variety of areas and more are in development. The Department of Military Affairs & Veterans Services has representation on, involvement in and/or a partnership with the following:

- [State Veterans Advisory Committee](#)
- [North Country Veterans Committee](#)
- [Seacoast Veterans Committee](#)
- [Justice Involved Veterans Task Force](#)
- [NH Veteran-Friendly Business Network](#)
- [Lakes Region Veterans Coalition](#)
- [Community Behavioral Health Association](#)
- [Governor's Commission on Housing Stability](#)
- [Alliance for Healthy Aging](#)
- [NH Military Interstate Compact Commission \(MIC3\)](#)
- [Servicelink](#)
- 2-1-1

