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# SUPPORTING VETERANS IN ILLINOIS



IL'S VETERANS



VETERAN POPULATION

699,522

Veterans in Illinois



% VETERANS

7.1%

of Illinois's adult population are veterans of the U.S. military

### SERVICE ERA\*



8.8% World War II



11.7% Korea



35.1% Vietnam



14.3% Gulf War I



10.4% Iraq & Afghanistan



24.7% Between Conflicts

Source: Housing Assistance Council Tabulations of the Census Bureau's 2010-2014 American Community Survey  
\* Totals may exceed 100%. Some veterans served in multiple eras.



LOCATION



GEOGRAPHY

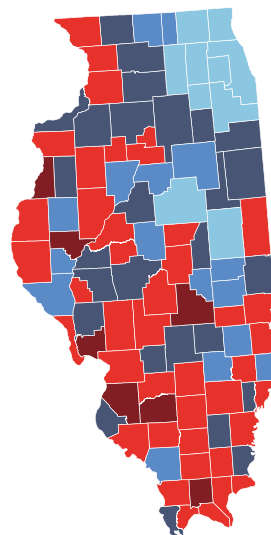
## Veterans by County

Veterans as a percent of the adult population

### Counties

Percent Veteran Population

- 5.1 - 7.3
- 7.4 - 9.3
- 9.4 - 10.5
- 10.6 - 12.1
- 12.2 - 14.4



To learn more about Veterans in your community visit

Veterans Data Central at [www.veteransdata.info](http://www.veteransdata.info)

Source: Housing Assistance Council Tabulations of the Census Bureau's 2010-2014 American Community Survey



**ECONOMIC  
WELL BEING**



**10.0%**

Unemployment rate for Illinois's veterans. The overall unemployment rate for Illinois is 9.8%. Younger persons have the highest rates of unemployment among veterans



**6.9%**

OF ILLINOIS'S VETERANS LIVE IN POVERTY



**\$57,160**

Median household income of Illinois veterans. The median income of all Illinois households is \$56,712.



**11.9%**

of Illinois's veterans have a service connected disability rating (83,306 Veterans).

Source: Housing Assistance Council Tabulations of the Census Bureau's 2010-2014 American Community Survey



**HOUSING  
&  
HOMES**

**VETERAN  
OCCUPIED  
HOMES**

**483,137**



Approximately 483,137, or 10.1 percent, of Illinois's homes are occupied by veterans.

**HOME-  
OWNERSHIP**

**78.8%**



Homeownership rate of Illinois's veterans

**HOME  
VALUE**

**\$150,000**



The median value of Illinois veterans' homes is \$150,000. The state's overall median home value is \$175,000.

**HOUSING  
PROBLEMS**

**128,002**



Approximately 128,002 Illinois veterans live in homes with one or more major problems of quality, crowding, or cost. Housing affordability is the greatest housing problem among veterans. Roughly 26.1 percent of Illinois veterans pay too much for their housing.

**VA  
MORTGAGE  
LOANS**

**8,798**



In 2014, 8,798 VA home loan guarantees were made in Illinois to support veteran homeowners. VA loans represented 3.9 percent of Illinois's home mortgage originations in 2014.

**HOME-  
LESSNESS**

**1,226**



HUD estimates that approximately 1,226 Illinois veterans are homeless.

Source: Housing Assistance Council Tabulations of the Census Bureau's 2010-2014 American Community Survey (ACS), 2013 Home Mortgage Disclosure Act (HMDA) Data, and 2015 HUD Point in Time Homeless Estimates (PIT)

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