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# SUPPORTING VETERANS IN MASSACHUSETTS



MA'S VETERANS



VETERAN POPULATION

## 340,288

Veterans in Massachusetts



% VETERANS

## 6.4%

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

### SERVICE ERA\*



8.9% World War II



13.0% Korea



34.9% Vietnam



12.0% Gulf War I



10.9% Iraq & Afghanistan



25.8% Between Conflicts

Source: Housing Assistance Council Tabulations of the Census Bureau's 2012-2016 American Community Survey  
\* Totals may exceed 100%. Some veterans served in multiple eras.



LOCATION



GEOGRAPHY

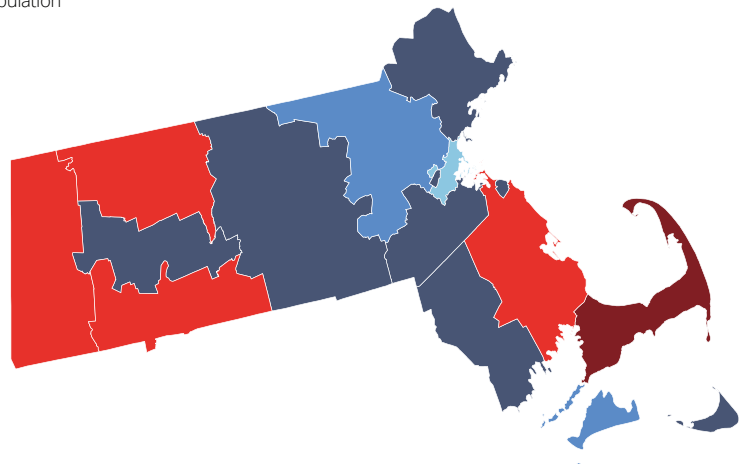
## Veterans by County

Veterans as a percent of the adult population

### Counties

Percent Veteran Population

- 0.0 - 3.3
- 3.4 - 5.2
- 5.3 - 7.5
- 7.6 - 9.2
- 9.3 - 11.0



To learn more about Veterans in your community visit

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

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**ECONOMIC  
WELL BEING**



**7.3%**

Unemployment rate for Massachusetts's veterans. The overall unemployment rate for Massachusetts is 6.6%. Younger persons have the highest rates of unemployment among veterans



**6.2%**

of Massachusetts's veterans live in poverty



**\$62,856**

Median household income of Massachusetts veterans. The median income of all Massachusetts households is \$70,358.



**16.1%**

of Massachusetts's veterans have a service connected disability rating (54,760 Veterans).

Source: Housing Assistance Council Tabulations of the Census Bureau's 2012-2016 American Community Survey



**HOUSING  
&  
HOMES**

**VETERAN  
OCCUPIED  
HOMES**

**214,447**



Approximately 214,447, or 8.4 percent, of Massachusetts's homes are occupied by veterans.

**HOME-  
OWNERSHIP**

**74.0%**



Homeownership rate of Massachusetts's veterans

**HOME  
VALUE**

**\$300,000**



The median value of Massachusetts veterans' homes is \$300,000. The state's overall median home value is \$325,000.

**HOUSING  
PROBLEMS**

**67,675**



Approximately 67,675 Massachusetts 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 31.2 percent of Massachusetts veterans pay too much for their housing.

**VA  
MORTGAGE  
LOANS**

**5,881**



In 2014, 5,881 VA home loan guarantees were made in Massachusetts to support veteran homeowners. VA loans represented 3.7 percent of Massachusetts's home mortgage originations in 2014.

**HOME-  
LESSNESS**

**853**



HUD estimates that approximately 853 Massachusetts veterans are homeless.

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