

# *Veterans Benefits Administration*



June 19, 2007

**Education Service Overview**



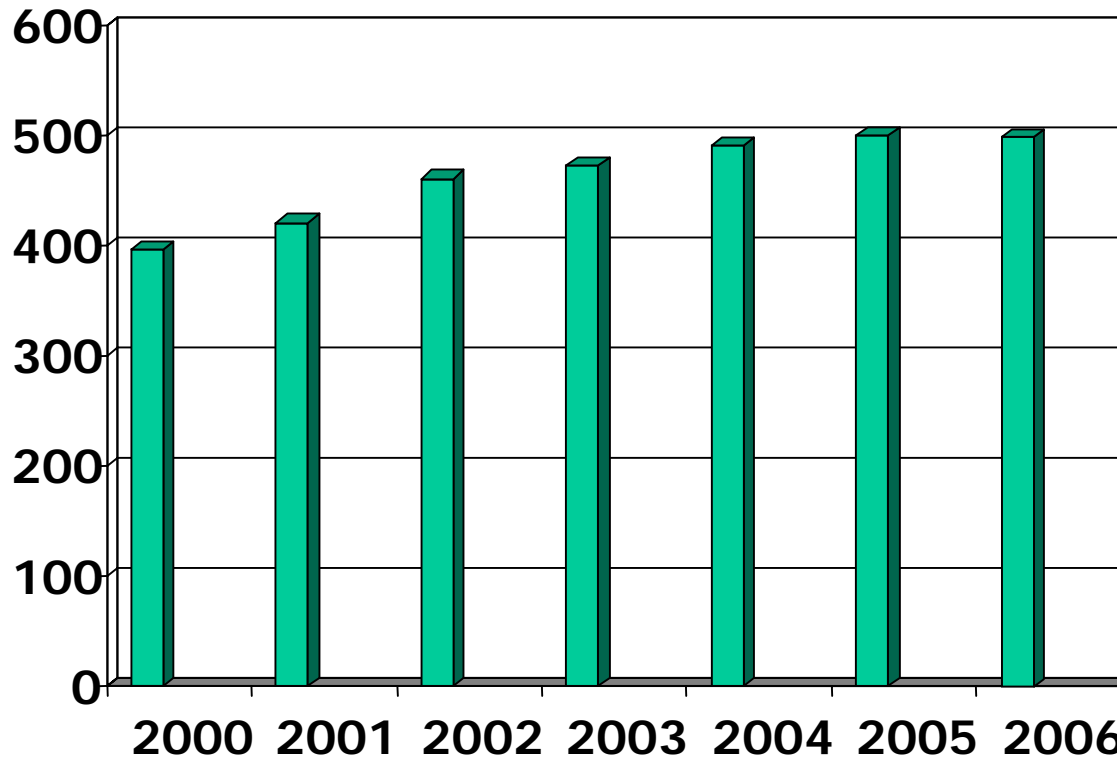
# Agenda

- Usage Data
- Claims Process Performance
- National Education Call Center
- Pending Legislation



# VA Education Beneficiaries

(in thousands)





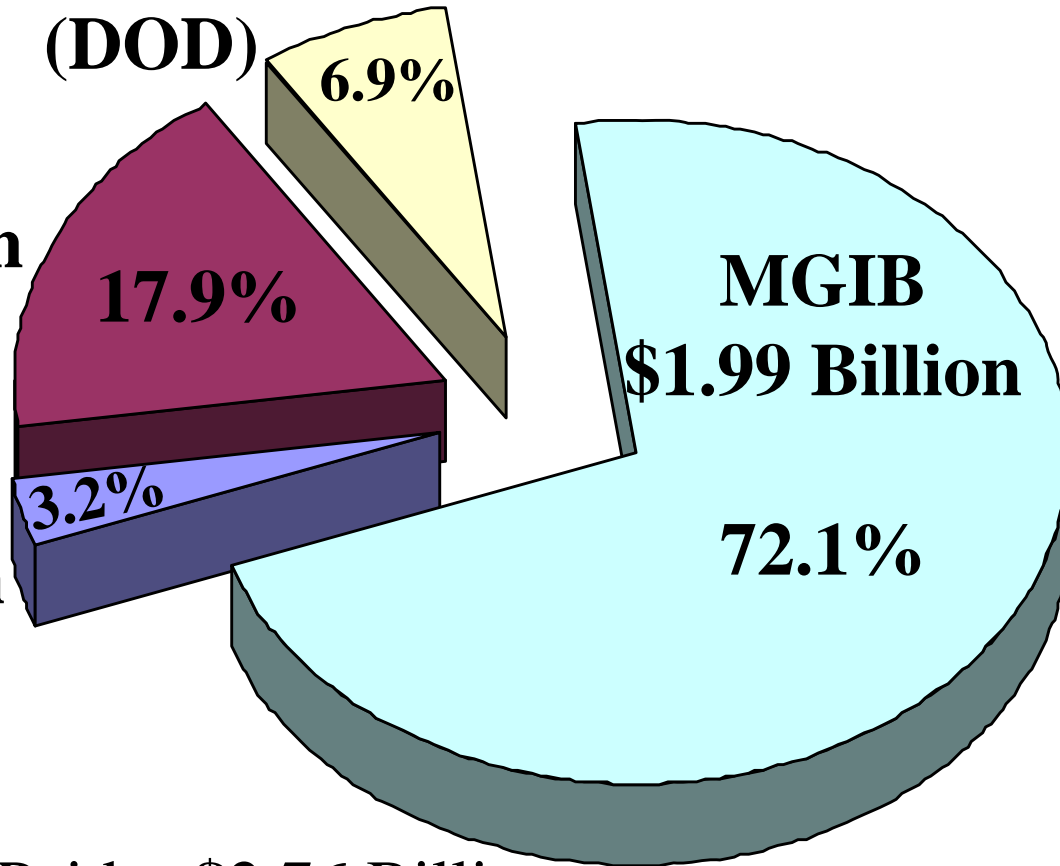
# FY 2006 Benefit Payments

**MGIB-SR**  
**\$190 Million**

**(DOD)**

**DEA**  
**\$494.9 Million**

**REAP**  
**\$88.4 Million**



Total Benefits Paid = \$2.76 Billion



# Type Training Pursued in 2006

- 42% 2-year degree
- 41% 4-Year degree
- 8% Graduate Degree
- 5% Vocational-Technical Training
- 3% OJT, Apprenticeship, Flight Training, Correspondence,

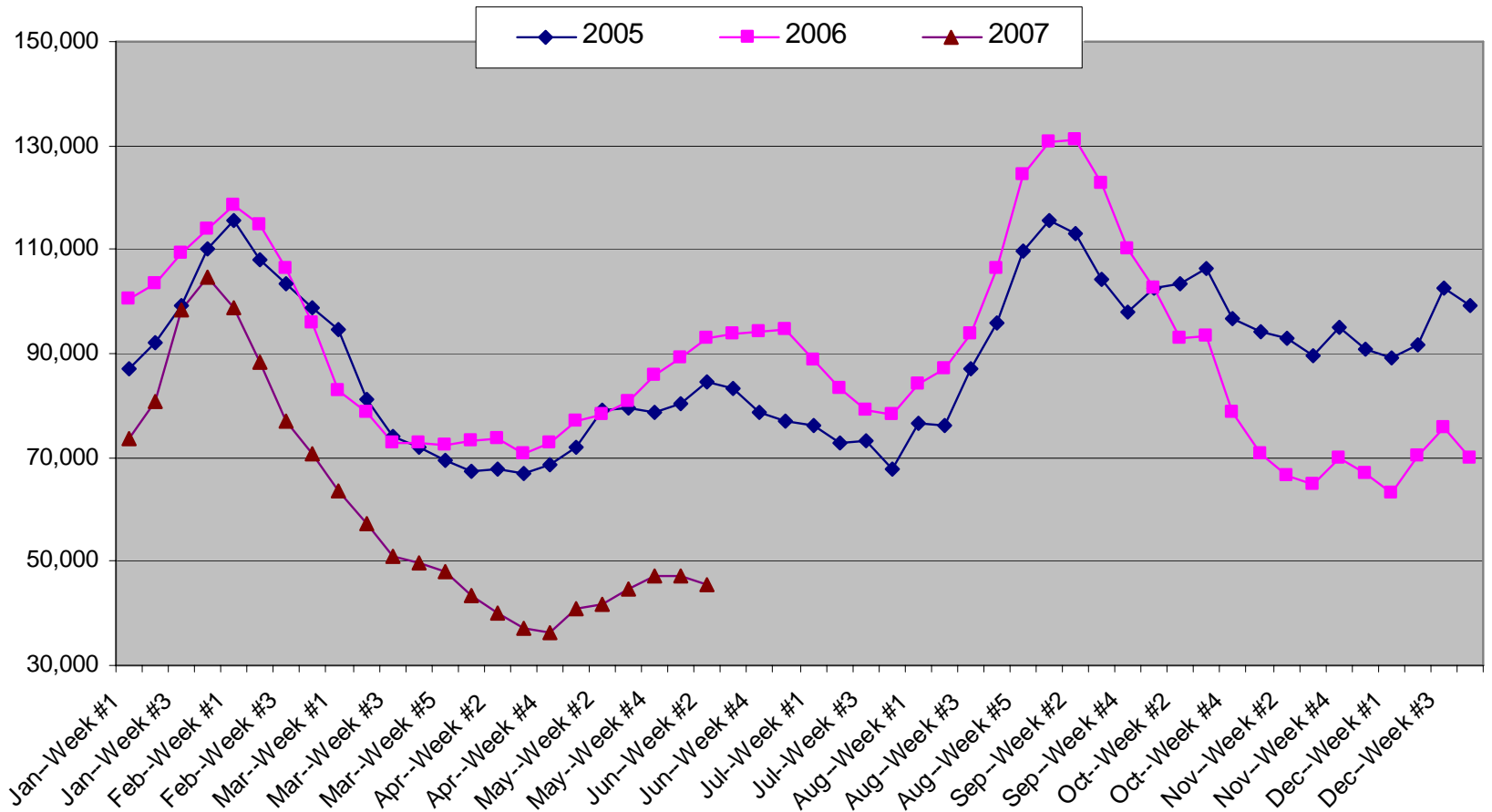


# Trained During FY2006

■ Chapter 30	= 332,184	66.77%
■ Chapter 35	= 75,460	15.27%
■ Chapter 1606	= 66,105	13.29%
■ REAP	= 23,747	4.77%
■ TOTAL	= 497,496	100%

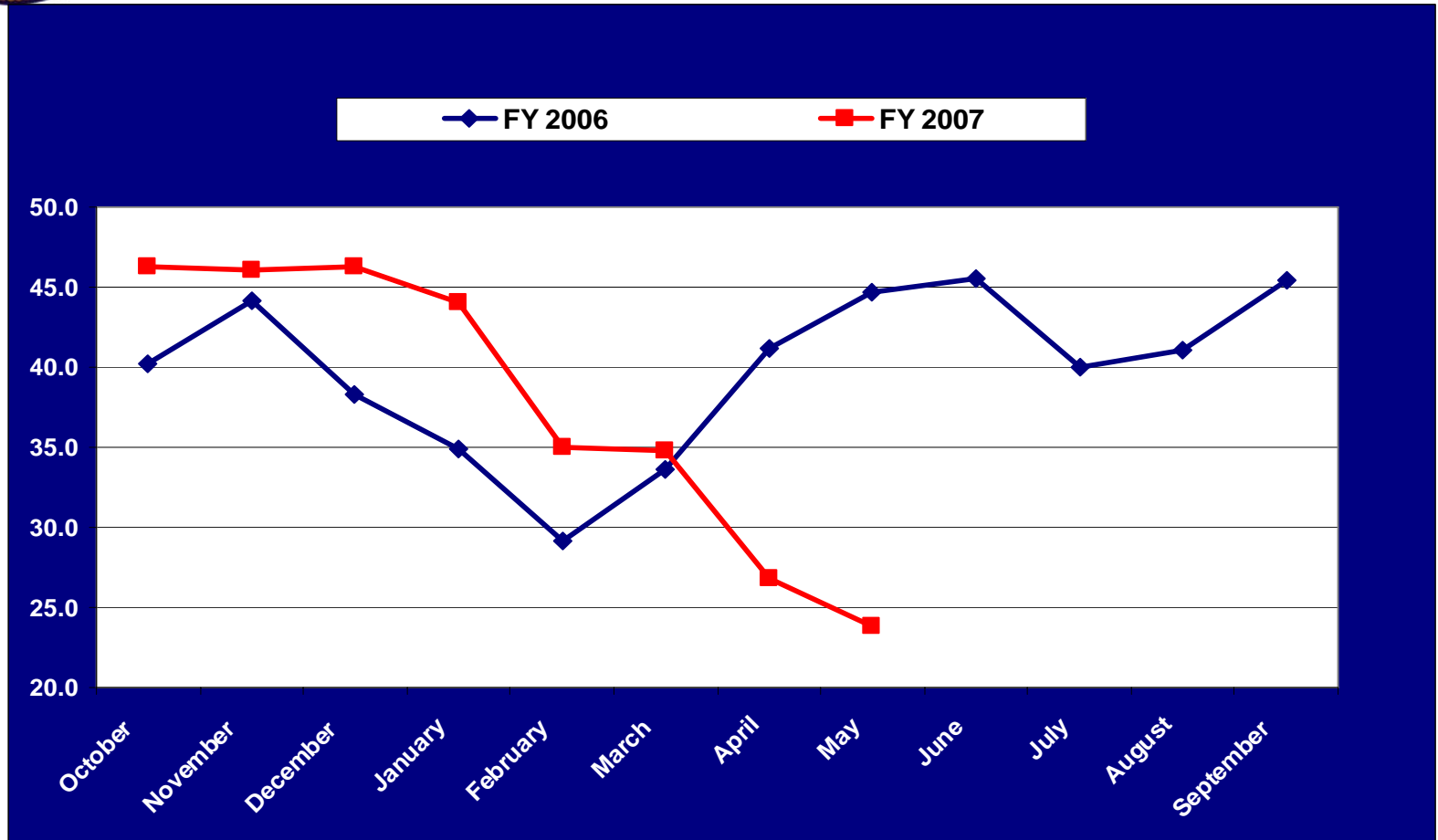


# Monday Morning Workload Report





# Average Days to Complete Original Claims







# National Education Call Center

- Staffed by VA Employees
- Muskogee and Buffalo Calls in November 2007
- Atlanta and St. Louis calls in July 2008
- 1-888-GIBILL-1 number won't change



# Pending Legislation in the 110<sup>th</sup> Congress

- HR 67- Improve outreach activities
- HR 81- Transferability, increase MGIB rates annually based on average costs of higher learning
- HR 100- Prevent veteran contributions to education benefits from reducing Federal student financial assistance
- HR 112- Stipends for veterans who pursue doctoral degrees in science or technology
- HR 1102- Make MGIB-SR and REAP part of Title 38
- S 22- Amend Title 38, USC, to include the costs of tuition, room and board, and a monthly stipend of \$1,000. Give a 15-year delimiting date for MGIB



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