

**Table 506. Veterans Compensation and Pension Benefits—Number on Rolls by Period of Service and Status: 1990 to 2006**

[In thousands (3,548 represents 3,548,000), except as indicated. As of September 30. Living refers to veterans receiving compensation for disability incurred or aggravated while on active duty and low-income war veterans receiving pension who have permanent and total mostly nonservice-connected disabilities or are age 65 or older. Deceased refers to deceased veterans whose dependents were receiving pensions and compensation benefits]

Period of service and veteran status	1990	1995	2000	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006
<b>Total . . . . .</b>	<b>3,584</b>	<b>3,330</b>	<b>3,236</b>	<b>3,285</b>	<b>3,369</b>	<b>3,432</b>	<b>3,503</b>	<b>3,582</b>
Living veterans . . . . .	2,746	2,669	2,672	2,745	2,832	2,899	2,973	3,056
Service-connected . . . . .	2,184	2,236	2,308	2,398	2,485	2,556	2,637	2,726
Nonservice-connected . . . . .	562	433	364	347	347	343	336	330
Deceased veterans . . . . .	838	662	564	540	538	533	530	527
Service-connected . . . . .	320	307	307	310	314	318	323	326
Nonservice-connected . . . . .	518	355	257	230	224	215	207	201
Prior to World War I . . . . .	4	2	1	1	1	(Z)	(Z)	(Z)
Living . . . . .	(Z)	(Z)	(Z)	(Z)	(Z)	(Z)	(Z)	(Z)
World War I . . . . .	198	89	34	23	19	16	13	11
Living . . . . .	18	3	(Z)	(Z)	(Z)	(Z)	(Z)	(Z)
World War II . . . . .	1,723	1,307	968	856	813	766	718	674
Living . . . . .	1,294	961	676	583	546	506	466	430
Korean conflict <sup>1</sup> . . . . .	390	368	323	308	306	302	295	290
Living . . . . .	305	290	255	243	241	237	231	226
Vietnam era <sup>2</sup> . . . . .	774	868	969	1,052	1,120	1,172	1,218	1,260
Living . . . . .	685	766	848	922	983	1,028	1,068	1,104
Gulf War <sup>3</sup> . . . . .	(X)	138	334	431	490	552	630	716
Living . . . . .	(X)	134	326	421	479	540	617	701
Peacetime . . . . .	495	559	607	613	620	624	627	631
Living . . . . .	444	514	567	575	583	587	591	596

X Not applicable. Z Fewer than 500. <sup>1</sup> Service during period June 27, 1950, to January 31, 1955. <sup>2</sup> Service from August 5, 1964, to May 7, 1975. <sup>3</sup> Service from August 2, 1990 to the present.

Source: U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs, 1990 to 1995, *Annual Report of the Secretary of Veterans Affairs*; beginning 2000, *Annual Accountability Report* and unpublished data; <<http://www1.va.gov/vetdata/>>.