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Compensation and Pension Entitlement	# Pending	# Pending Over 125	% Over 125
March 14, 2011	801,881	464,963	58.0%

# Compensation and Pension Rating Bundle # Pending Over 125 781,941 458,656 58,7%

Compensation

	EP	# Pending	# Pending Over 125	% Over 125
Entitlement (Original and Supplemental)		744,310	446,511	60.0%
Original Entitlement - Veterans <sup>1</sup>				
Initial entitlement decisions for Voc Rehab	095	513	100	19.5%
Initial entitlement for service-connected disability (=>8)	010	43,815	26,314	60.1%
Initial entitlement for service-connected disability (<=7)	110	170,863	94,521	55.3%
Original Entitlement - Survivors <sup>2</sup>				
Initial claims from surviving spouses, children or parents	140	11,106	3,698	33.3%
Initial claims from children Veterans with Spina bifida and/or birth defects	410	66	25	37.9%
Supplemental Entitlement				
Increased evaluation and/or additional claimed conditions	020	405,806	235,258	58.0%
Increased entitlement due to hospitalization or surgery	320	2,674	726	27.2%
Spina bifida and/or birth defects reconsideration	420	27	7	25.9%
Agent Orange presumptives *				
Reopened or new Agent Orange claims prior to 8/30/10*	681	7,874	7,489	95.1%
Nehmer review cases based upon new Agent Orange presumptives*	687	75,059	71,309	95.0%
Reopened or new Agent Orange claims prior to After 9/01/10*	405	24,588	7,064	28.7%
Agent Orange claims where an interim decision was provided*	409	1,919	0	0.0%

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> First claim filed by a Veteran for benefits (including Voc Rehab memo ratings) based upon the effects of disabilities, diseases, or injuries incurred or aggravated during active military service.

<sup>\*</sup>As of 12/13/2010 the Agent Orange presumptive claim category will include EP 409

	EP	# Pending	# Pending Over 125	% Over 125
Award Adjustments		116,369	38,043	32.7%
Dependency	130	55,608	18,642	33.5%
Survivor restored entitlement	133	11	7	63.6%
Hospitalization adjustment (non-rating)	135	141	77	54.6%
Misc determinations	290	31,587	11,453	36.3%
Spina bifida and/or birth defects adjustments	450	5	4	80.0%
Future examination for disabilities	310	8,058	3,214	39.9%
Due process	600	20,959	4,646	22.2%

Involves the modification of benefits based not upon entitlement (in the majority of cases a rating to determine service connection and/or to assign a degree of disability is not required), but upon additional ancillary factors. Such activity usually occurs when a Veteran or survivor is currently entitled and receiving benefits. Some compensation award adjustment activities can be considered annual and cyclical in nature.

	EP	# Pending	# Pending Over 125	% Over 125
Program Reviews		24,197	10,423	43.1%
Income verification for unemployability	314	255	255	100.0%
Review of Hemodialysis related cases/conditions	680	174	157	90.2%
Review of Radiation related cases/conditions	682	662	562	84.9%
Review of Misc cases referred to central office	684	33	33	100.0%
Review of effective date related to herbicide exposure	685	34	7	20.6%
Cost of Living Adjustments (COLAs) and other reviews	690	4,392	1,824	41.5%
Social Security number verification 69	90 Group	18,647	7,585	40.7%

These actions are not initiated by Veterans or survivors. All program review actions are initiated by internal VBA controls and mandates. These actions are classified as internal controls necessary to audit, review, and ensure that benefits and entitlements are proper and the intent of laws and regulations is being followed.

	EP	# Pending	# Pending Over 125	% Over 125
Other		71,430	32,644	45.7%
Pre-decisional hearings	173	1,375	988	71.9%
Correspondence	400	32,523	10,048	30.9%
Congressional correspondence	500	459	143	31.2%
Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) requests	510	18,235	6,599	36.2%
Review, including quality assurance	930	18,587	14,704	79.1%
Correction of errors	960	251	162	64.5%
Combination of workload received from Veterans, survivors and internal sour	ces.			

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> First claim received from surviving spouses, dependent children and dependent parents based upon the Veteran's death due to service-related causes.

<sup>\*</sup>As of 11/1/10 Agent Orange presumptive will include EP 681, EP 687 and EP 405

### **Pension**

EP	# Pending	# Pending Over 125	% Over 125
Entitlement	57,571	18,452	32.1%
Increased entitlement and/or reconsideration 120	17,988	5,786	32.2%
Initial entitlement - Veteran 180	12,191	3,277	26.9%
Initial entitlement - Survivor	27,392	9,389	34.3%

Claims for benefits from Veterans and survivors that have never before applied for pension, as well as claims for aid and attendance, and housebound benefits. Some pension entitlement claims require a rating decision.

	EP	# Pending	# Pending Over 125	% Over 125
Award Adjustments		126,326	28,672	22.7%
Annual eligibility verification reporting - no adjustment	050	0	0	0.0%
Hospitalization adjustment (non-rating)	135	1,383	541	39.1%
Dependency	137	8,512	3,771	44.3%
Income adjustments	150	48,025	13,520	28.2%
Annual eligibility verification reporting (EVRs)	155	40,273	307	0.8%
Misc determinations	297	12,036	4,536	37.7%
Due process	607	16,097	5,997	37.3%
Involve the modification of benefits based upon income changes. Such activities can be considered annual and cyclical in nature.	pension award ad	justment		

EP	# Pending	# Pending Over 125	% Over 125
Program Reviews	6,485	6,056	93.4%
Income Verification Match 154	5,517	5,517	100.0%
Cost of Living Adjustments 696	55	13	23.6%
Non-entitlement reviews 697	913	526	57.6%

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	EP	# Pending	# Pending Over 125	% Over 125
Other		3,878	2,343	60.4%
Correspondence	407	1,002	740	73.9%
Congressional correspondence	507	467	28	6.0%
Internal quality reviews	937	2,409	1,575	65.4%
Combination of workload received from Veterans, survivors and internal sources.				

### **Additional Compensation, Pension and Education Workload**

Burial	EP	# Pending
Burial	160	34,253

Provides honor and assistance with the burial of Veterans through an enhanced burial benefit for those whose post-service death was due to or hastened by a service-connected disability. The burial program also provides a lesser burial and/or plot allowance to assist with the burial of certain Veterans not entitled to the service-connected burial benefit.

Accrued	EP	# Pending	
Accrued	165	4,496	

Benefits not paid prior to the death of a Veteran or survivor based upon a pending claim at the time of death which is later granted.

Appeals	EP	# Pending
As Of March 7, 2011	NA	230,603

Appealed cases include compensation, pension, burial, and accrued benefits and decisions. Retrieved from 214A reports - via VACOLS (includes BVA).

Education	Type	# Pending
	Ch 33	16,595
	All	93,412

Chapter 33 is the new Post-9/11GI Bill. "All" represents all Education Benefit Programs Including Chapter 33 claims.

More information on Chapter 33 Education Payments made for Spring 2010 enrollment is available at the following URL:

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## COMPENSATION AND PENSION INVENTORY

March 14, 2011

	Entitlement							
	Claims Pending	Pending over 125 days	Percent Pending over 125 days					
USA	801,881	464,963	58.0%					

All compensation and pension claims nationwide that require a rating decision (majority) which is the legal decision that obligates the Department of Veteran Affairs to the Veteran and/or beneficiary that claimed benefits. These are the *initial* claims that establish entitlement.

### **COMPENSATION INVENTORY**

Γ	Entitlement *		Award Adjustment			Program Review			Other			Burial	Accrued	Appeals	
	Claims Pending	Pending over 125 days	Percent Pending over 125 days	Pending	Pending over 125 days	Percent Pending over 125 days	Pending	Pending over 125 days	Percent Pending over 125 days	Pending	Pending over 125 days	Percent Pending over 125 days	Claims Pending	Claims Pending	Pending
USA	744,310	446,511	60.0%	116,369	38,044	32.7%	24,197	10,423	43.1%	71,430	32,644	45.7%	15,250	384	227,722
EASTERN AREA	152,112	93,900	61.7%	23,545	9,332	39.6%	6,024	3,323	55.2%	16,927	7,904	46.7%	7,575	20	39,293
Baltimore	12,411	8,580	69.1%	3,121	1,669	53.5%	362	204	56.4%	1,457	869	59.6%	19	2	2,774
Boston	7,180	4,461	62.1%	1,152	454	39.4%	405	351	86.7%	748	422	56.4%	4	1	3,324
Buffalo	6,334	3,466	54.7%	1,781	615	34.5%	157	96	61.1%	600	259	43.2%	16	6	757
Cleveland	20,841	11,992	57.5%	2,597	693	26.7%	685	347	50.7%	3,235	1,091	33.7%	2	-	6,629
Detroit	18,463	11,570	62.7%	2,265	583	25.7%	281	131	46.6%	2,605	1,111	42.6%	10	1	5,444
Hartford	2,267	604	26.6%	627	123	19.6%	113	38	33.6%	296	62	20.9%	-	-	879
Indianapolis	17,179	11,480	66.8%	2,075	804	38.7%	376	226	60.1%	2,130	1,077	50.6%	12	3	4,310
Manchester	2,102	1,164	55.4%	430	136	31.6%	15	14	93.3%	254	101	39.8%	-	-	742
New York	12,928	8,915	69.0%	2,194	904	41.2%	150	112	74.7%	925	581	62.8%	-	2	3,735
Newark	4,856	2,646	54.5%	648	211	32.6%	144	108	75.0%	542	237	43.7%	6	2	1,567
Philadelphia	24,366	13,463	55.3%	1,825	722	39.6%	2,102	872	41.5%	1,468	809	55.1%	7,502	-	3,521
Pittsburgh	8,062	4,791	59.4%	2,496	1,563	62.6%	615	525	85.4%	1,398	702	50.2%	-	3	3,002
Providence	2,713	1,294	47.7%	532	223	41.9%	175	108	61.7%	356	130	36.5%	2	-	1,234
Togus	10,081	8,225	81.6%	1,376	482	35.0%	412	166	40.3%	651	348	53.5%	1	-	670
White River J.	1,072	636	59.3%	176	72	40.9%	7	7	100.0%	118	55	46.6%	1	-	285
Wilmington	1,257	613	48.8%	250	78	31.2%	25	18	72.0%	144	50	34.7%	-	-	420
SOUTHERN AREA	230,001	135,868	59.1%	37,045	10,838	29.3%	9,207	3,519	38.2%	22,247	10,042	45.1%	56	39	68,260
Atlanta	30,227	19,208	63.5%	3,521	951	27.0%	408	302	74.0%	3,679	2,142	58.2%	-	-	9,021
Columbia	20,329	13,339	65.6%	2,580	789	30.6%	333	145	43.5%	866	593	68.5%	2	8	4,192
Huntington	11,658	8,307	71.3%	1,658	467	28.2%	154	71	46.1%	939	447	47.6%	10	1	2,598
Jackson	9,286	5,911	63.7%	1,922	668	34.8%	910	653	71.8%	869	430	49.5%	21	2	3,521
Louisville	6,884	2,347	34.1%	2,019	368	18.2%	535	277	51.8%	852	201	23.6%	9	1	1,694
Montgomery	13,365	7,461	55.8%	3,634	1,203	33.1%	1,101	744	67.6%	1,675	782	46.7%	-	13	9,692
Nashville	12,758	5,203	40.8%	1,292	143	11.1%	416	125	30.0%	1,796	505	28.1%	-	1	5,147
Roanoke	23,743	14,634	61.6%	3,725	289	7.8%	2,314	142	6.1%	1,723	685	39.8%	4	7	6,202
San Juan	5,456	3,327	61.0%	1,152	499	43.3%	84	41	48.8%	612	407	66.5%	-	-	4,144
St. Petersburg	50,064	29,149	58.2%	6,365	1,699	26.7%	1,295	915	70.7%	6,870	2,977	43.3%	7	5	14,850
Washington	38	24	63.2%	90	10	11.1%	84	14	16.7%	11	9	81.8%	-	-	4
Winston-Salem	46,193	26,958	58.4%	9,087	3,752	41.3%	1,573	90	5.7%	2,355	864	36.7%	3	1	7,195

<sup>\*</sup> Revised to more accurately categorize the Agent Orange presumptive workload.

## COMPENSATION INVENTORY

						OOM						Burial			
	Entitlement *			Awa	ard Adjustm		Pr	ogram Revie			Other			Accrued	Appeals
	Claims Pending	Pending over 125 days	Percent Pending over 125 days	Pending	Pending over 125 days	Percent Pending over 125 days	Pending	Pending over 125 days	Percent Pending over 125 days	Pending	Pending over 125 days	Percent Pending over 125 days	Claims Pending	Claims Pending	Pending
CENTRAL AREA	186,762	109,262	58.5%	28,140	8,872	31.5%	4,040	1,731	42.8%	17,423	7,748	44.5%	7,057	188	53,862
Chicago	15,819	9,594	60.6%	2,196	766	34.9%	829	487	58.7%	1,336	492	36.8%	1	3	6,442
Des Moines	5,714	3,135	54.9%	586	181	30.9%	151	64	42.4%	722	294	40.7%	_	_	1,828
Fargo	1,661	584	35.2%	290	62	21.4%	96	26	27.1%	197	66	33.5%	2	1	325
Houston	31,220	20,056	64.2%	8,403	4,356	51.8%	452	218	48.2%	3,382	2,066	61.1%	14	4	12,616
Lincoln	6,489	4,103	63.2%	1,418	52	3.7%	228	11	4.8%	798	245	30.7%	-	-	1,491
Little Rock	7,978	4,128	51.7%	2,096	768	36.6%	430	253	58.8%	1,287	675	52.4%	1	4	3,206
Milwaukee	12,906	5,794	44.9%	926	121	13.1%	102	40	39.2%	1,418	360	25.4%	6,708	-	2,356
Muskogee	15,814	9,038	57.2%	1,557	268	17.2%	551	166	30.1%	1,041	377	36.2%	2	-	3,296
New Orleans	8,828	4,822	54.6%	1,330	436	32.8%	95	59	62.1%	730	287	39.3%	8	1	4,168
Sioux Falls	1,048	227	21.7%	150	9	6.0%	43	9	20.9%	180	41	22.8%	-	2	271
St. Louis	16,103	9,274	57.6%	2,676	1,153	43.1%	393	209	53.2%	1,978	896	45.3%	-	-	5,542
St. Paul	12,750	4,891	38.4%	2,985	145	4.9%	102	34	33.3%	894	349	39.0%	46	-	1,308
Waco	45,654	30,823	67.5%	3,053	463	15.2%	485	106	21.9%	3,071	1,427	46.5%	275	173	10,415
Wichita	4,778	2,793	58.5%	474	92	19.4%	83	49	59.0%	389	173	44.5%	-	-	598
WESTERN AREA	175,435	107,481	61.3%	27,615	9,000	32.6%	4,926	1,850	37.6%	14,791	6,928	46.8%	562	136	44,444
Albuquerque	4,712	2,397	50.9%	498	42	8.4%	124	63	50.8%	619	295	47.7%	-	-	1,938
Anchorage	1,470	635	43.2%	421	62	14.7%	86	5	5.8%	188	105	55.9%	1	-	236
Boise	1,945	614	31.6%	1,067	76	7.1%	103	34	33.0%	333	107	32.1%	-	-	723
Denver	8,743	4,024	46.0%	1,885	288	15.3%	363	84	23.1%	648	166	25.6%	2	-	3,488
Cheyenne	1,217	539	44.3%	283	98	34.6%	67	55	82.1%	250	118	47.2%	-	-	220
Fort Harrison	1,206	247	20.5%	760	12	1.6%	68	9	13.2%	196	29	14.8%	-	-	317
Honolulu	4,929	3,098	62.9%	466	63	13.5%	52	35	67.3%	660	411	62.3%	3	-	728
Los Angeles	15,385	9,121	59.3%	2,394	725	30.3%	148	38	25.7%	926	568	61.3%	6	1	6,702
Manila	1,458	416	28.5%	1,713	787	45.9%	34	10	29.4%	723	408	56.4%	224	53	2,956
Oakland	23,989	15,486	64.6%	3,135	1,171	37.4%	532	230	43.2%	1,832	1,291	70.5%	1	-	6,485
Phoenix	21,706	15,004	69.1%	1,759	183	10.4%	606	189	31.2%	1,709	684	40.0%	2	2	4,170
Portland	10,346	4,861	47.0%	2,504	995	39.7%	493	153	31.0%	1,366	497	36.4%	1	-	4,582
Reno	7,208	4,758	66.0%	875	254	29.0%	68	22	32.4%	596	218	36.6%	-	-	1,030
Salt Lake City	8,533	2,249	26.4%	1,664	178	10.7%	1,084	309	28.5%	1,171	335	28.6%	-	-	1,755
San Diego	27,795	16,586	59.7%	1,770	337	19.0%	664	343	51.7%	1,290	531	41.2%	-	1	3,689
Seattle	34,793	27,446	78.9%	6,421	3,729	58.1%	434	271	62.4%	2,284	1,165	51.0%	322	79	5,425
Other	-	-	-	24	2	8.3%	•	-	-	42	22	52.4%	-	1	21,863

<sup>\*</sup> Revised to more accurately categorize the Agent Orange presumptive workload.

#### Monday Morning Workload Report

## **PENSION INVENTORY**

	E	Entitlement			Award Adjustment		Program Review			Other			Burial	Accrued	Appeals
	Claims Pending	Pending over 125 days	Percent Pending over 125 days	Pending	Pending over 125 days	Percent Pending over 125 days	Pending	Pending over 125 days	Percent Pending over 125 days	Pending	Pending over 125 days	Percent Pending over 125 days	Claims Pending	Claims Pending	Pending
USA (PMC's)	57,571	18,452	32.1%	126,326	28,672	22.7%	6,485	6,056	93.4%	3,878	2,343	60.4%	19,003	4,112	2,881
Philadelphia	27,160	9,536	35.1%	57,339	14,605	25.5%	31	19	61.3%	1,200	633	52.8%	5,840	2,369	980
Milwaukee	15,379	3,973	25.8%	31,438	4,859	15.5%	961	934	97.2%	843	374	44.4%	1,351	858	860
St. Paul	14,556	4,630	31.8%	36,282	8,912	24.6%	5,452	5,068	93.0%	1,611	1,146	71.1%	11,729	885	1,041
Other (in transit)	476	313	65.8%	1,267	296	23.4%	41	35	85.4%	224	190	84.8%	83	N/A	N/A

### **EDUCATION INVENTORY**

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	С	hapter 33 Cla	aims Pendir	ng	*All Claims Pending								
	Current Work Items Pending	Work Items Pending Last Week Change		Percent Change	Current Work Items Pending	Work Items Pending Last Week	Weekly Change	Percent Change					
USA (Education)	16,595	18,579	(1,984)	-10.7%	93,412	107,521	(14,109)	-13.1%					
Buffalo	5,474	6,245	(771)	-12.3%	31,279	34,441	(3,162)	-9.2%					
Atlanta	3,168	3,780	(612)	-16.2%	19,630	22,667	(3,037)	-13.4%					
St Louis	3,554	4,665	(1,111)	-23.8%	25,224	27,525	(2,301)	-8.4%					
Muskogee	4,399	3,889	510	13.1%	17,279	22,888	(5,609)	-24.5%					

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