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Compensation and Pension Entitlement	# Pending	# Pending Over 125	% Over 125
February 27, 2010	497,867	190,359	38.2%
Compensation and Pension Rating Bundle	# Pending	# Pending Over 125	% Over 125

476,340 178,725 37.5%

Compensation

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	EP	# Pending	# Pending Over 125	% Over 125
Entitlement (Original and Supplemental)		429,450	165,276	38.5%
Original Entitlement - Veterans <sup>1</sup>				
Initial entitlement decisions for Voc Rehab	095	596	106	17.8%
Initial entitlement for service-connected disability (=>8)	010	27,218	12,595	46.3%
Initial entitlement for service-connected disability (<=7)	110	102,318	41,943	41.0%
Original Entitlement - Survivors <sup>2</sup>				
Initial claims from surviving spouses, children or parents	140	14,034	5,632	40.1%
Initial claims from children Veterans with Spina bifida and/or birth defects	410	77	14	18.2%
Supplemental Entitlement				
Increased evaluation and/or additional claimed conditions	020	283,834	104,779	36.9%
Increased entitlement due to hospitalization or surgery	320	1,337	196	14.7%
Spina bifida and/or birth defects reconsideration	420	36	11	30.6%

<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>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.

	EP	# Pending	# Pending Over 125	% Over 125
Award Adjustments		120,370	37,692	31.3%
Dependency	130	41,059	10,451	25.5%
Survivor restored entitlement	133	6	5	83.3%
Hospitalization adjustment (non-rating)	135	144	37	25.7%
Misc determinations	290	43,810	20,811	47.5%
Spina bifida and/or birth defects adjustments	450	1	1	100.0%
Future examination for disabilities	310	10,987	2,138	19.5%
Due process	600	24,363	4,249	17.4%

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		43,356	13,049	30.1%
Income verification for unemployability	314	456	442	96.9%
Review of Hemodialysis related cases/conditions	680	25,359	5,352	21.1%
Review of Radiation related cases/conditions	682	749	662	88.4%
Review of Misc cases referred to central office	684	104	103	99.0%
Review of effective date related to herbicide exposure	685	8	8	100.0%
Cost of Living Adjustments (COLAs) and other reviews	690	4,275	1,318	30.8%
Social Security number verification 690	0 Group	12,405	5,164	41.6%

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		34,600	17,301	50.0%
Pre-decisional hearings	173	1,433	812	56.7%
Correspondence	400	3,408	1,319	38.7%
Congressional correspondence	500	324	22	6.8%
Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) requests	510	14,393	4,648	32.3%
Review, including quality assurance	930	14,893	10,445	70.1%
Correction of errors	960	149	55	36.9%
Combination of workload received from Veterans, survivors and internal sources.				

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#### **Pension**

	EP	# Pending	# Pending Over 125	% Over 125
Entitlement		68,417	25,083	36.7%
Increased entitlement and/or reconsideration	120	22,651	7,646	33.8%
Initial entitlement - Veteran	180	13,961	3,796	27.2%
Initial entitlement - Survivor	190	31,805	13,641	42.9%
Claims for handlits from Veterans and survivors that have never before applied for pension, as well				

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		102,323	25,775	25.2%
Annual eligibility verification reporting - no adjustment	050	0	0	0.0%
Hospitalization adjustment (non-rating)	135	1,492	310	20.8%
Dependency	137	7,961	3,898	49.0%
Income adjustments	150	41,455	13,882	33.5%
Annual eligibility verification reporting (EVRs)	155	27,682	6	0.0%
Misc determinations	297	8,776	3,017	34.4%
Due process	607	14,957	4,662	31.2%
Involve the modification of benefits based upon income changes. Suci activities can be considered annual and cyclical in nature.	h pension award ad	djustment		

EP	# Pending	# Pending Over 125	% Over 125
Program Reviews	20,352	20,332	99.9%
Income Verification Match 154	20,326	20,310	99.9%
Cost of Living Adjustments 696	14	11	78.6%
Non-entitlement reviews 697	12	11	91.7%

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	EP	# Pending	# Pending Over 125	% Over 125
Other		3,999	2,617	65.4%
Correspondence	407	1,820	1,541	84.7%
Congressional correspondence	507	534	30	5.6%
Internal quality reviews	937	1,645	1,046	63.6%
Combination of workload received from Veterans, survivors and internal sources.		•	•	

#### Additional Compensation, Pension and Education Workload

Burial	EP	# Pending
Buriai	160	25,180

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
4ccr ded	165	3,352

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
March 1, 2010	NA	184,552

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

Education	Type	# Pending
	Ch 33	8,055
	All	100,052

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**

February 27, 2010

	Entitlement								
	Claims Pending	Pending over 125 days	Percent Pending over 125 days						
USA	497,867	190,359	38.2%						

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**

	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	429,450	165,276	38.5%	120,370	37,692	31.3%	43,356	13,049	30.1%	34,600	17,301	50.0%	3,591	159	183,241
EASTERN AREA	91,149	39,121	42.9%	22,006	7,360	33.4%	10,078	3,959	39.3%	5,175	3,047	58.9%	236	30	33,336
Baltimore	9,077	5,292	58.3%	2,379	1,256	52.8%	2,620	1,945	74.2%	463	351	75.8%	10	5	2,392
Boston	4,791	1,984	41.4%	828	223	26.9%	711	362	50.9%	344	210	61.0%	1	3	2,375
Buffalo	5,180	2,293	44.3%	1,595	556	34.9%	594	128	21.5%	243	155	63.8%	-	-	745
Cleveland	10,865	4,128	38.0%	1,537	228	14.8%	1,095	213	19.5%	557	284	51.0%	-	-	6,193
Detroit	12,937	5,975	46.2%	2,179	482	22.1%	937	156	16.6%	652	394	60.4%	-	-	4,344
Hartford	1,582	430	27.2%	362	65	18.0%	249	64	25.7%	115	39	33.9%	1	1	1,060
Indianapolis	10,887	4,983	45.8%	4,016	1,457	36.3%	866	209	24.1%	687	377	54.9%	-	2	3,074
Manchester	1,519	565	37.2%	482	73	15.1%	37	5	13.5%	96	40	41.7%	29	2	680
New York	8,109	3,707	45.7%	2,463	822	33.4%	518	222	42.9%	553	349	63.1%	8	-	2,829
Newark	3,258	1,440	44.2%	550	135	24.5%	142	62	43.7%	184	119	64.7%	-	-	1,441
Philadelphia	13,125	4,918	37.5%	1,548	284	18.3%	781	265	33.9%	593	392	66.1%	135	-	3,060
Pittsburgh	4,621	1,861	40.3%	2,727	1,531	56.1%	858	222	25.9%	249	151	60.6%	7	16	2,488
Providence	1,517	361	23.8%	423	99	23.4%	145	38	26.2%	158	76	48.1%	21	1	1,217
Togus	2,210	552	25.0%	548	60	10.9%	409	56	13.7%	151	53	35.1%	-	-	678
White River J.	885	479	54.1%	173	41	23.7%	36	4	11.1%	43	30	69.8%	23	-	369
Wilmington	586	153	26.1%	196	48	24.5%	80	8	10.0%	87	27	31.0%	1	-	391
SOUTHERN AREA	136,620	52,617	38.5%	33,953	7,476	22.0%	15,413	4,606	29.9%	12,821	7,495	58.5%	567	31	50,668
Atlanta	18,642	7,636	41.0%	3,704	697	18.8%	1,731	715	41.3%	1,905	1,551	81.4%	-	2	6,780
Columbia	10,314	3,594	34.8%	1,632	220	13.5%	914	152	16.6%	1,410	697	49.4%	7	9	3,238
Huntington	2,190	370	16.9%	598	95	15.9%	383	91	23.8%	271	155	57.2%	-	-	2,304
Jackson	6,754	3,546	52.5%	1,508	286	19.0%	1,085	727	67.0%	304	196	64.5%	17	-	2,689
Louisville	5,141	1,354	26.3%	1,798	262	14.6%	894	178	19.9%	232	151	65.1%	-	4	1,494
Montgomery	11,223	6,063	54.0%	4,419	1,517	34.3%	2,639	1,084	41.1%	1,449	896	61.8%	-	1	7,667
Nashville	8,112	2,045	25.2%	1,370	119	8.7%	1,624	37	2.3%	473	228	48.2%	12	-	3,984
Roanoke	13,819	5,552	40.2%	2,075	247	11.9%	1,370	235	17.2%	559	285	51.0%	1	2	4,546
San Juan	3,921	1,705	43.5%	780	104	13.3%	142	49	34.5%	282	209	74.1%	3	-	3,617
St. Petersburg	29,885	11,627	38.9%	6,687	1,464	21.9%	2,877	948	33.0%	4,733	2,786	58.9%	25	5	8,354
Washington	17	9	52.9%	9	7	77.8%	184	36	19.6%	5	5	100.0%	498	-	10
Winston-Salem	26,602	9,116	34.3%	9,373	2,458	26.2%	1,570	354	22.5%	1,198	336	28.0%	4	8	5,985

## **COMPENSATION INVENTORY**

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	E	Intitlement		Aw	Award Adjustment			gram Revie	w		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
CENTRAL AREA	111,552	40,204	36.0%	21,813	4,824	22.1%	9,382	1,775	18.9%	8,621	3,896	45.2%	2,441	16	44,304
Chicago	8,873	3,257	36.7%	2,526	639	25.3%	1,092	237	21.7%	1,018	433	42.5%	2	-	5,574
Des Moines	3,324	1,138	34.2%	465	99	21.3%	323	33	10.2%	168	67	39.9%	-	1	1,430
Fargo	1,218	219	18.0%	274	16	5.8%	220	17	7.7%	44	13	29.5%	-	-	238
Houston	20,799	9,946	47.8%	7,029	2,652	37.7%	846	221	26.1%	2,274	1,145	50.4%	14	-	11,221
Lincoln	1,911	230	12.0%	407	14	3.4%	232	20	8.6%	345	149	43.2%	249	-	1,142
Little Rock	5,226	1,823	34.9%	1,368	348	25.4%	403	108	26.8%	737	439	59.6%	20	6	2,495
Milwaukee	12,096	4,726	39.1%	1,014	84	8.3%	948	245	25.8%	537	98	18.2%	2,123	-	1,910
Muskogee	7,178	1,813	25.3%	1,346	66	4.9%	1,123	293	26.1%	563	173	30.7%	1	-	3,004
New Orleans	5,889	2,088	35.5%	886	125	14.1%	498	28	5.6%	205	120	58.5%	-	-	2,525
Sioux Falls	983	192	19.5%	209	27	12.9%	223	15	6.7%	52	8	15.4%	-	3	213
St. Louis	9,320	3,124	33.5%	1,814	399	22.0%	1,028	143	13.9%	620	288	46.5%	11	4	3,539
St. Paul	12,036	3,326	27.6%	835	45	5.4%	969	211	21.8%	479	202	42.2%	20	-	1,305
Waco	19,440	7,165	36.9%	2,824	241	8.5%	1,145	150	13.1%	1,083	401	37.0%	1	1	8,592
Wichita	3,259	1,157	35.5%	816	69	8.5%	332	54	16.3%	496	360	72.6%	-	1	1,116
WESTERN AREA	90,128	33,333	37.0%	42,591	18,028	42.3%	8,472	2,698	31.8%	7,964	2,861	35.9%	347	79	34,007
Albuquerque	3,146	1,134	36.0%	500	51	10.2%	129	14	10.9%	277	108	39.0%	-	-	1,933
Anchorage	1,339	557	41.6%	766	299	39.0%	296	139	47.0%	102	74	72.5%	1	-	210
Boise	1,531	244	15.9%	488	55	11.3%	150	18	12.0%	130	35	26.9%	-	-	541
Denver	6,075	1,845	30.4%	1,421	184	12.9%	1,324	266	20.1%	255	74	29.0%	1	-	3,111
Cheyenne	874	337	38.6%	365	187	51.2%	156	34	21.8%	79	21	26.6%	1	-	232
Fort Harrison	1,501	371	24.7%	306	18	5.9%	183	28	15.3%	146	21	14.4%	-	-	257
Honolulu	3,179	1,387	43.6%	524	72	13.7%	242	41	16.9%	314	209	66.6%			697
Los Angeles	9,508	4,059	42.7%	2,970	726	24.4%	257	79	30.7%	1,196	556	46.5%	4	1	5,267
Manila	1,700	412	24.2%	17,897	11,400	63.7%	57	39	68.4%	838	282	33.7%	320	58	1,262
Oakland	14,772	7,087	48.0%	3,417	1,408	41.2%	1,192	538	45.1%	965	461	47.8%	10	4	4,425
Phoenix	8,948	2,822	31.5%	1,430	154	10.8%	656	103	15.7%	718	247	34.4%	-		3,128
Portland	6,257	1,981	31.7%	2,608	916	35.1%	426	85	20.0%	513	183	35.7%		8	3,702
Reno	4,535	1,991	43.9%	731	91	12.4%	317	81	25.6%	124	39	31.5%	1		1,003
Salt Lake City	4,620	1,340	29.0%	1,431	259	18.1%	176	19	10.8%	614	169	27.5%		1	1,451
San Diego	11,796	3,462	29.3%	1,657	74	4.5%	1,237	188	15.2%	920	189	20.5%	1	-	2,801
Seattle	10,347	4,304	41.6%	6,080	2,134	35.1%	1,674	1,026	61.3%	773	193	25.0%	8	7	3,987
Other	1	1	100.0%	7	4	57.1%	11	11	100.0%	19	2	10.5%		3	20,926

# **PENSION INVENTORY**

Entitlement				Aw	ard Adjustm	ent	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)	68,417	25,083	36.7%	102,323	25,775	25.2%	20,352	20,332	99.9%	3,999	2,617	65.4%	21,589	3,193	1,311
Philadelphia	29,443	11,932	40.5%	51,501	14,328	27.8%	9,225	9,208	99.8%	1,466	699	47.7%	12,645	1,659	447
Milwaukee	16,932	4,572	27.0%	26,172	6,950	26.6%	4,384	4,383	100.0%	469	209	44.6%	2,487	685	372
St. Paul	21,445	8,429	39.3%	24,298	4,362	18.0%	6,704	6,703	100.0%	1,932	1,655	85.7%	6,431	849	492
Other (in transit)	597	150	25.1%	352	135	38.4%	39	38	97.4%	132	54	40.9%	26	N/A	N/A

# **EDUCATION INVENTORY**

	С	hapter 33 Cla	aims Pendir	ng	*All Claims Pending							
	Current Work Items Pending	Work Items Pending Last Week	Weekly Change	Percent Change	Current Work Items Pending	Work Items Pending Last Week	Weekly Change	Percent Change				
USA (Education)	8,055	11,654	(3,599)	-30.9%	100,052	113,662	(13,610)	-12.0%				
Buffalo	2,033	4,064	(2,031)	-50.0%	32,591	36,928	(4,337)	-11.7%				
Atlanta	1,604	2,050	(446)	-21.8%	27,237	31,671	(4,434)	-14.0%				
St Louis	1,245	1,120	125	11.2%	10,940	12,646	(1,706)	-13.5%				
Muskogee	3,173	4,420	(1,247)	-28.2%	29,284	32,417	(3,133)	-9.7%				

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