Texas ENVIRONMENTAL SCAN

Environment Scans (eScan) allow for a systematic method to prioritize VA resources and information sharing; resulting in a data-driven approach for outreach and engagement with Veterans, Family Members, Caregivers, and Survivors.

STATE PROFILE SNAPSHOT



State/County VA Partnership

Texas Veterans Commission (TVC) plays key role with CVEB by supporting and attending meetings. TVC has 8 major programs with 31 sub programs in support of Veterans



Caregivers/Survivors

Per VA Community Care, there are 1163 VA supported Caregivers in TX. There are 8 VA Caregiver Support Coordinator sites in TX.



Veterans Service Office/Title 38 Capability & Capacity

TX has 450 accredited Title 38, State, and County VSOs providing claims and benefit support services for veterans



Suicide Prevention/Mental Health Veteran The TX suicide Rate 32 per 100k which is at the same as the National Veteran rate of 32 per 100k. National suicide rate is (18.4)



Employment & Jobs

According to the U.S. Census Bureau, the Veteran unemployment rate in TX 4.3% slightly higher than the national average.²



Housing & Homelessness

The total number of Homeless Veteran is 1806. The total number of unsheltered Veteran is 581.



Education

According to the U.S. Census Bureau, the number of Veterans with some college or a degree in TX is 72.8% which is roughly 5% higher than the national average.⁴



Women's Veteran Issues

Female Veterans are 11.4% of population as compared to national average of 9.4%. Women veterans median income is \$10,500 less than their male counterparts.



Transition Post-9/11 Veterans/Gulf War

441,300 Veterans receive VA Compensation, and 20,263 veterans receive pension.



Access to Healthcare, Benefits and Memorial Services State total expenditures \$18.5B compensation/pension \$10.2b and unique patients served 513,806 by state.

VETERAN DEMOGRAPHICS

https://data.census.gov/cedsci/₁ (Updated: 17 Sep 20) https://www.va.gov/vetdata/stateSummaries.asp, (Updated: 30 Sep 17)

Veteran Population _{1,2}	Texas	National
Number of Veterans	1,405,059	17,418,351
Percent of Adult Population that are Veterans	6.5%	6.9%
Number of Women Veterans	160,263	1,636,487
Percent Women Veterans	11.4%	9.4%
Number of Military Retirees ₂	212,422	2,156,647
Percent of Veterans that are Military Retirees ₂	13.4%	10.8%
Number of Veterans Age 65 and Over	596,314	8,777,424
Percent of Veterans Age 65 and Over	42.4%	50.4%
Age Distribution ₁	Texas	National
75 years and over	18.9%	24.3%
65 to 74 years	23.5%	26.1%
55 to 64 years	17.2%	18.0%
35 to 54 years	29.3%	23.2%
18 to 34 years	11.1%	8.4%
Period of Service ₁	Texas	National
World War II	1.5%	2.2%
Korean War	4.7%	6.6%
Vietnam era	32.2%	35.6%
Gulf War I	27.1%	22.0%
Gulf War II	28.3%	21.7%
Household Income ₂	Texas	National
200k or more	6.0%	5.0%
100k to 199.9k	23.0%	21.0%
50k to 99.9k	36.0%	37.0%
25k to 49.9k	22.0%	26.0%
less than 25k	13.0%	11.0%
Educational Attainment ₁	Texas	National
Some college or Associate degree	40.4%	37.5%
Bachelor's or higher	32.4%	29.5%
VA Healthcare and Benefits ₂	Texas	Nationa
Number of Veterans Receiving Disability Compensation	441,300	4,552,819
Number of Veterans Receiving Pension	20,263	276,570
Number of Dependency & Indemnity Comp Beneficiaries	37,967	411,390
Number of Education Beneficiaries	96,425	987,577
Number of Enrolls in VA Healthcare System	747,211	9,116,200
Number of Unique Patients Treated	513,806	6,035,183

CVEBS AND COMMUNITY GROUPS

- » Amarillo
- » Central TX Coalition
- » Gulf Coast Region
- » Cameron CO Coalition
- » Northeast TX
- » Denton CO Coalition
- » San Antonio Region
- » Veteran Services Alliance
- » El Paso Borderplex
- » Collin CO Coalition» North TV Coalition
- » Rio Grande Valley
- » North TX Coalition
- » Combined Arms
- » Joint Base SA Coalition
- » East TX Comm Council» West Central TX
- » Valley Coastal Bend Coalition» West TX Veteran Counseling
- » Leadership Taskforce
- » East TX Veterans Alliance

PILOT PROGRAMS AND INITIATIVES IN ACTION

- » Together With Veterans
- » SAMHSA Governor's Challenge
- » Mavor's Challenge
- » Bob Woodruff Foundation
- » Community Clergy Training
- » Texas Veteran Network

CHALLENGES/GAPS SUMMARY

- » Choice Program
- » Women Veteran Support
- » Community Care
- Community CareCaregiver Support
- » Suicide Prevention Program Support
- » Homeless Veteran Support
- Transportation in Rural Communities
- » Military Sexual Trauma



*All numbers rounded to the nearest whole percent.



