



Analysis of Unique Veterans Utilization of VA Benefits & Services

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Project Objective

- ❖ To determine the number of unique Veterans receiving VA benefits or services in FY08
 - Utilization by age group and gender
 - Utilization by OEF/OIF Veterans



Key Points

- ❖ **23,440,000** is the Vetpop estimation of living Veterans as of 9/30/08
- ❖ **8,493,700** (36% of total living Veterans according to Vetpop) **received VA benefits and/or services in FY08**
 - 87% (7.38M) were male
 - 81% (6.89M) were 45 years old or older
- ❖ **5,756,800** of Veterans using VA only **used one program**
 - 84% (4.85M) were male
 - 81% (4.68M) were 45 years old or older
- ❖ **2,736,900** of Veterans using VA **used multiple programs**
 - 93% (2.53M) were male
 - 81% (2.21M) were 45 years old or older
- ❖ **40%** (1.17M) of the Veterans receiving VA disability compensation did not use VA health care

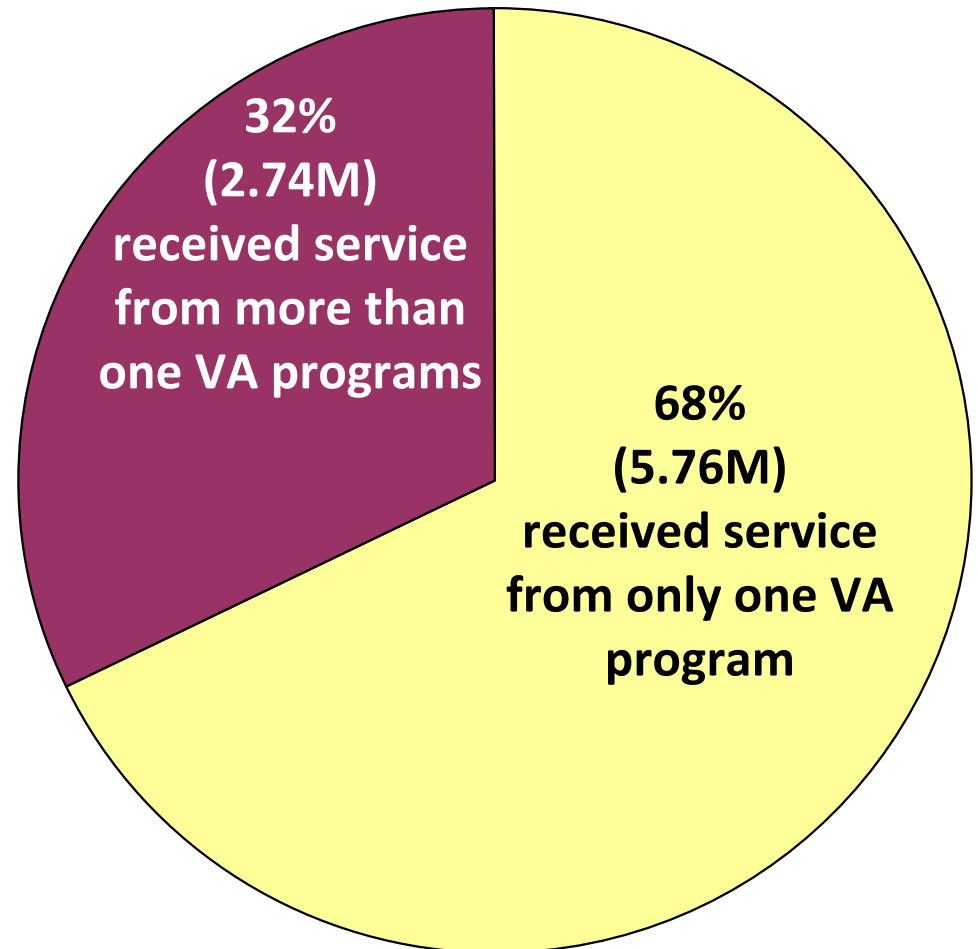


36% of the Veteran population received VA benefits and services in FY08

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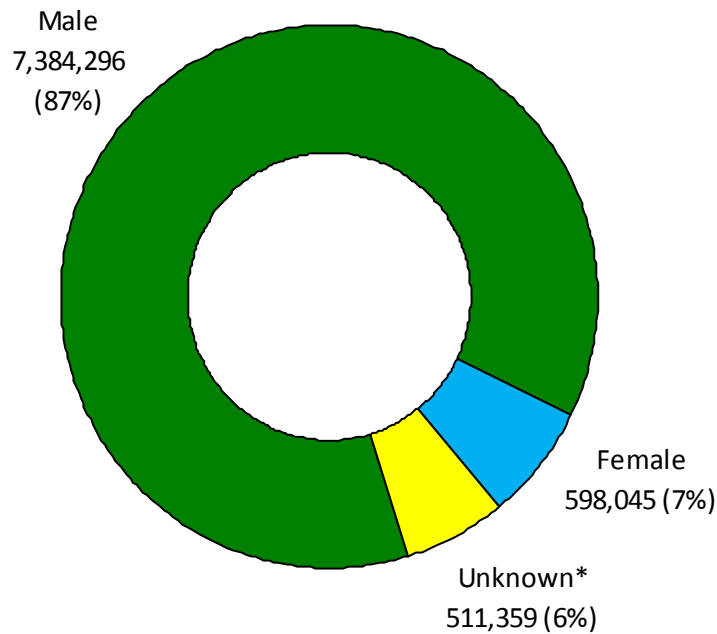
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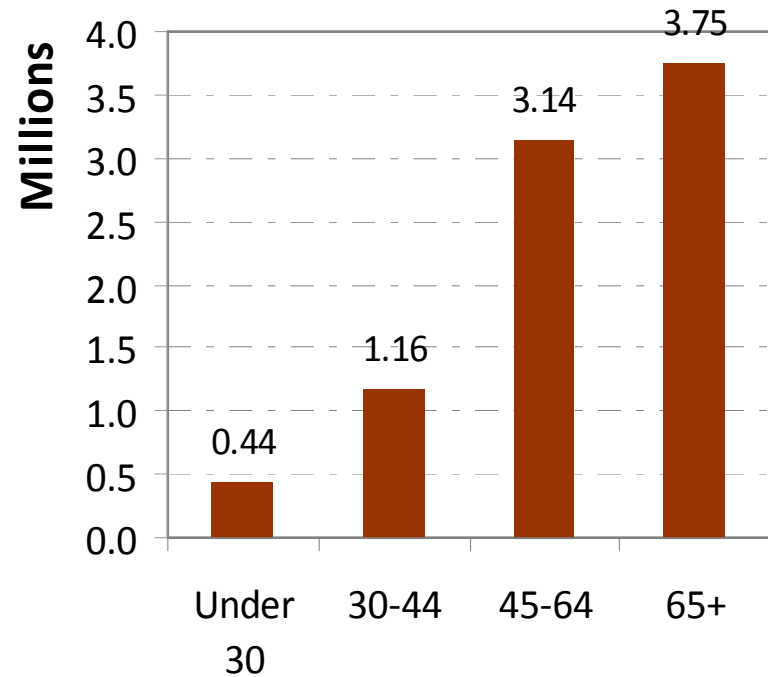
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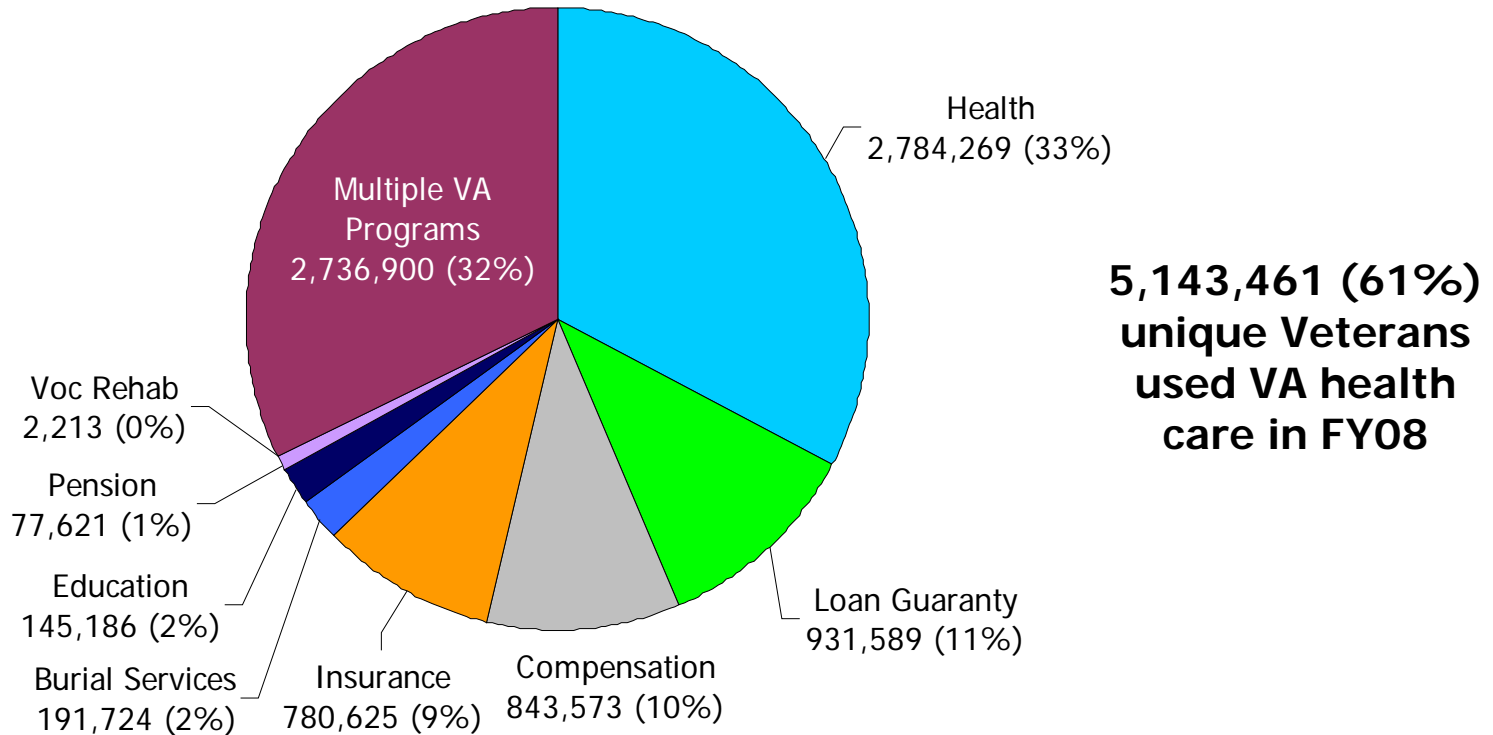
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By Age Group





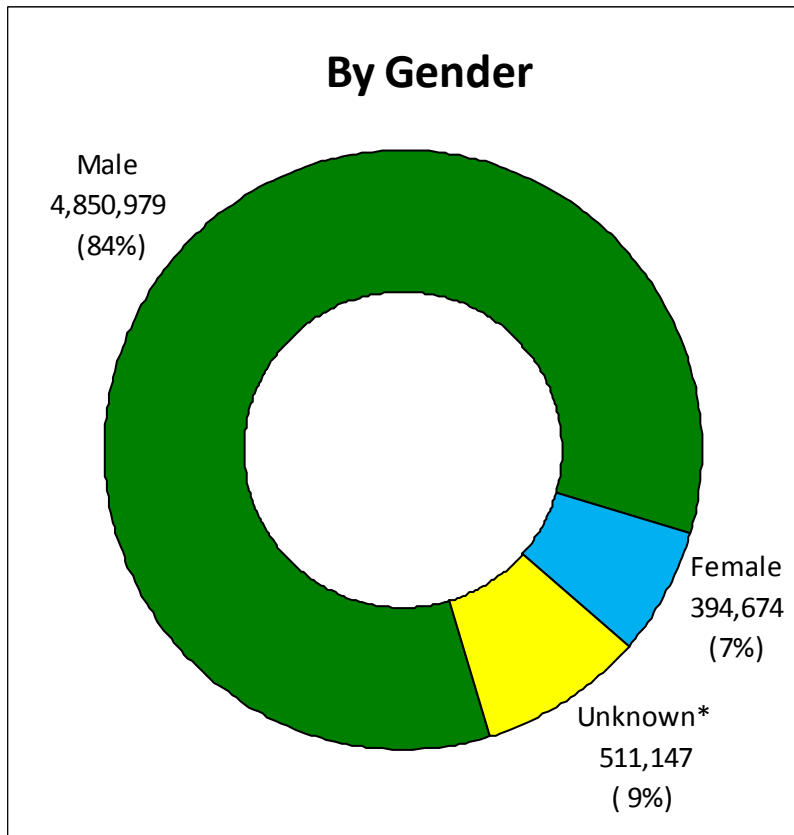
Patterns of Use



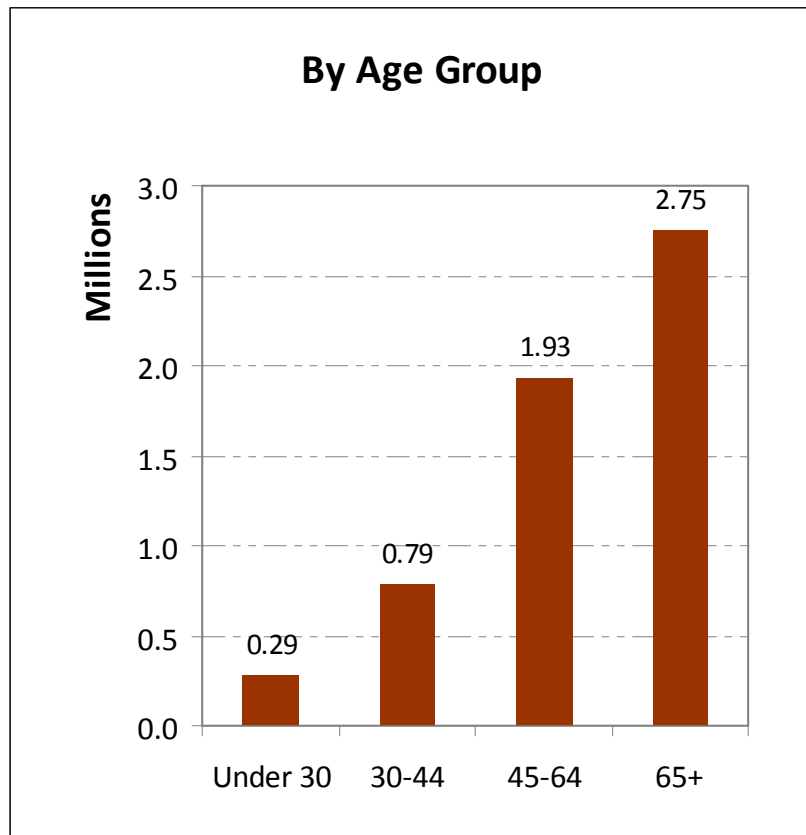
- ❖ 68% (5.76M) used one program
- ❖ 32% (2.74M) used multiple programs



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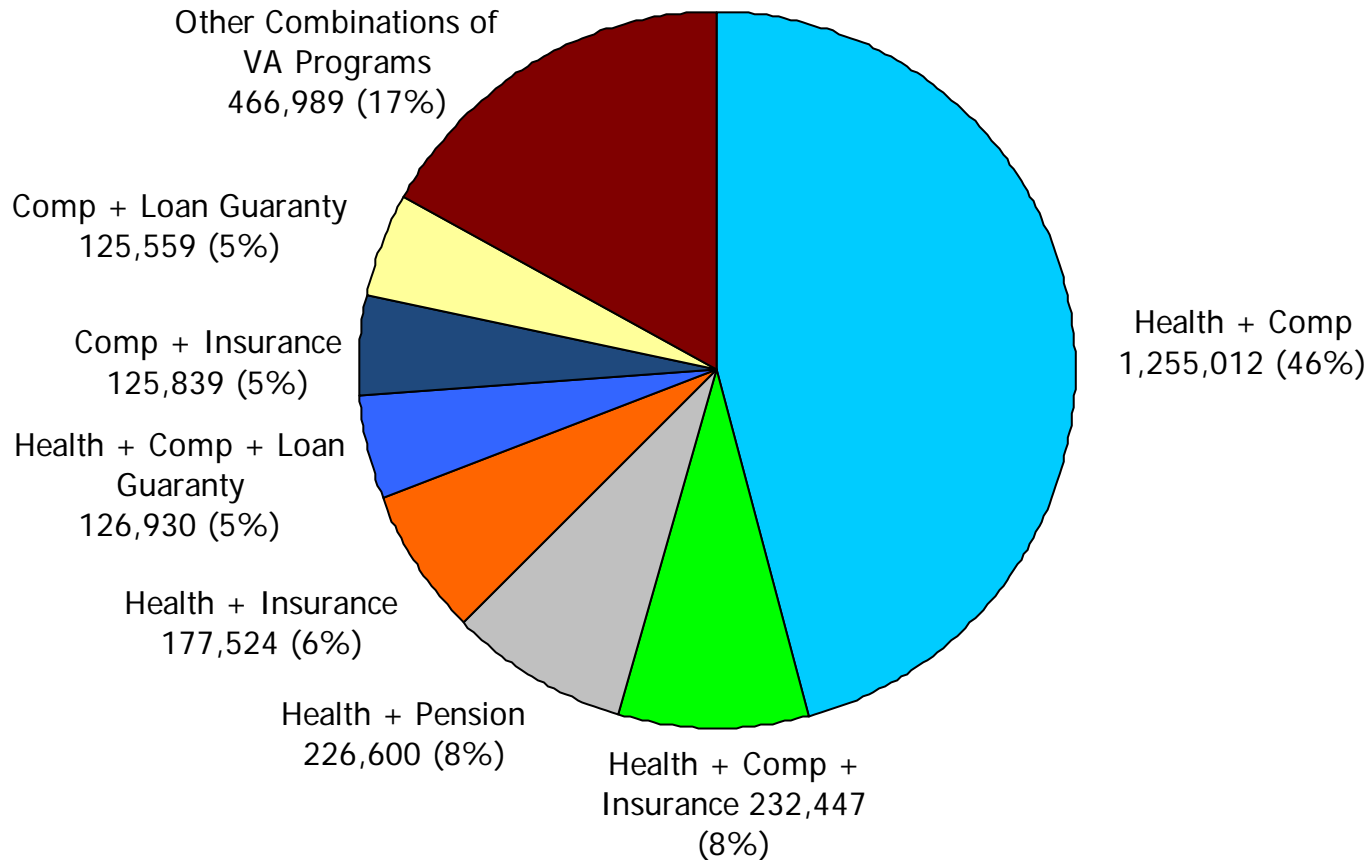


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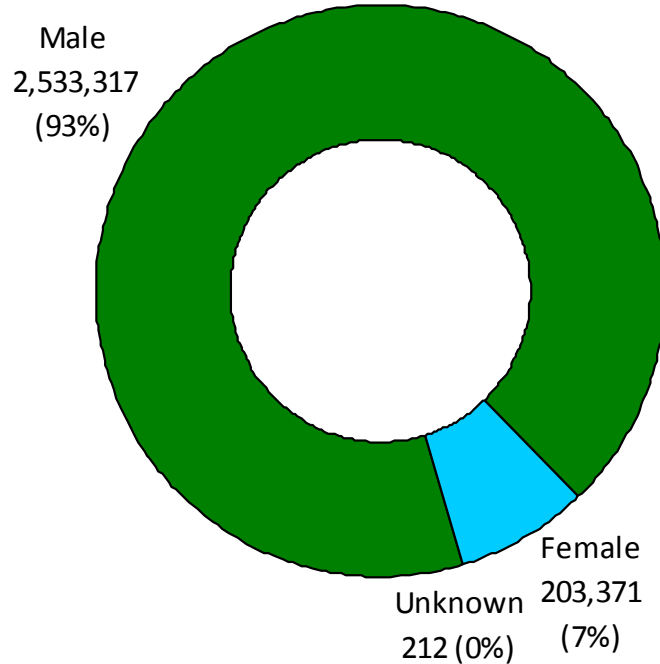
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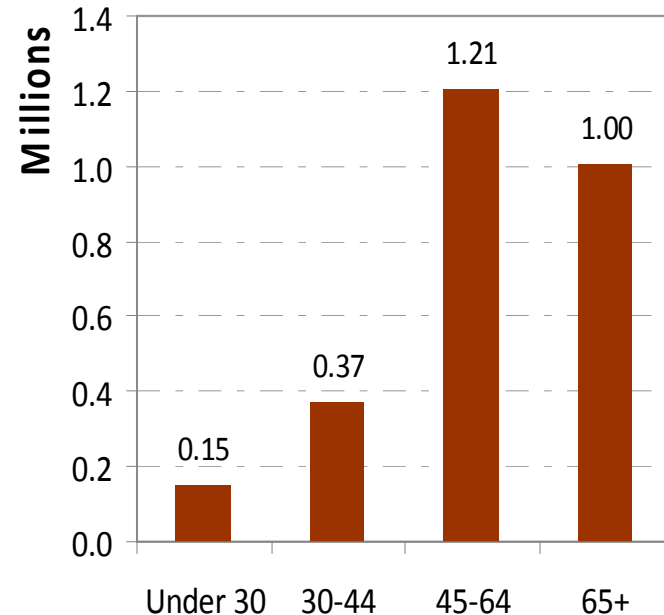


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UNIQUE OEF/OIF VETERANS RECEIVING VA BENEFITS/SERVICES



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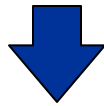
- ❖ There were **957,441** living OEF/OIF Veterans as of 9/30/08*
 - 89% were male and 11% were female
- ❖ **498,737** (52% of living OEF/OIF Veterans as of 9/30/08) **received VA benefits and/or services in FY08**
- ❖ **277,907** (56%) OEF/OIF Veterans using VA only **used one program**
 - 88% (246K) were male
 - 85% (235K) were 44 years old or younger
- ❖ **220,830** (44%) of OEF/OIF Veterans using VA **used multiple programs**
 - 87% (192K) were male
 - 81% (180K) were 44 years old or younger
- ❖ **39%** (84K) of the OEF/OIF Veterans **receiving disability compensation did not use VA health care**

*Source: Defense Manpower Data Center



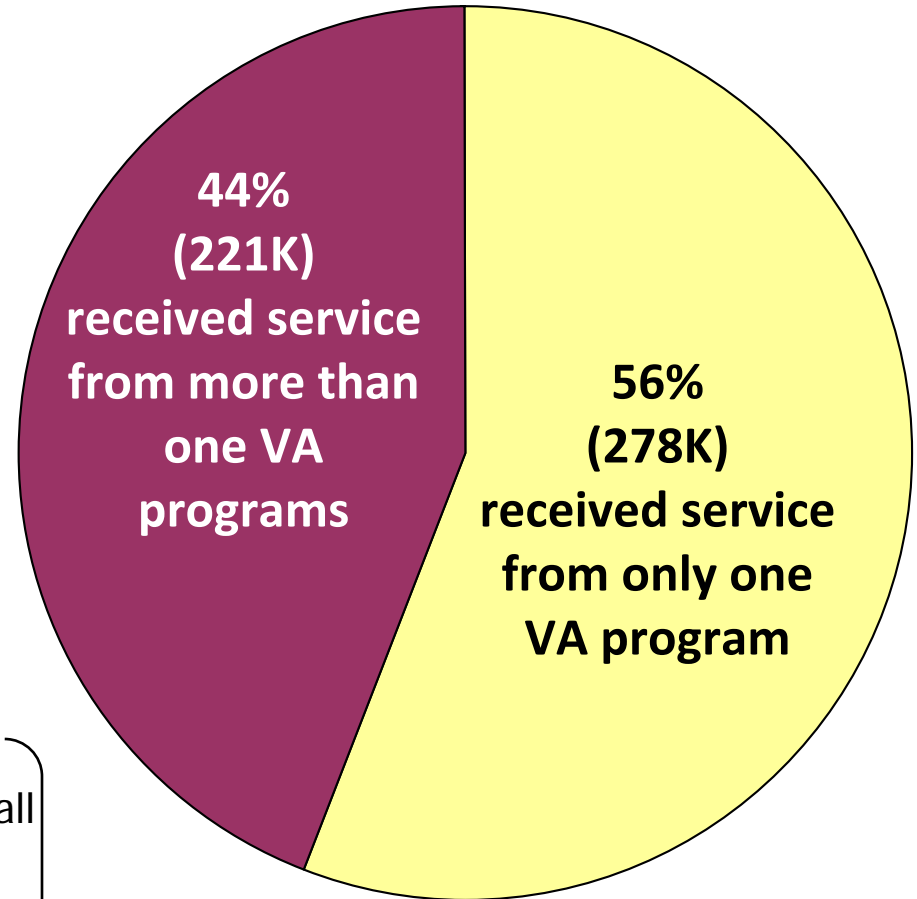
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Note: OEF/OIF Veterans represented **6%** of all Veterans who have received VA benefits and services in FY08.

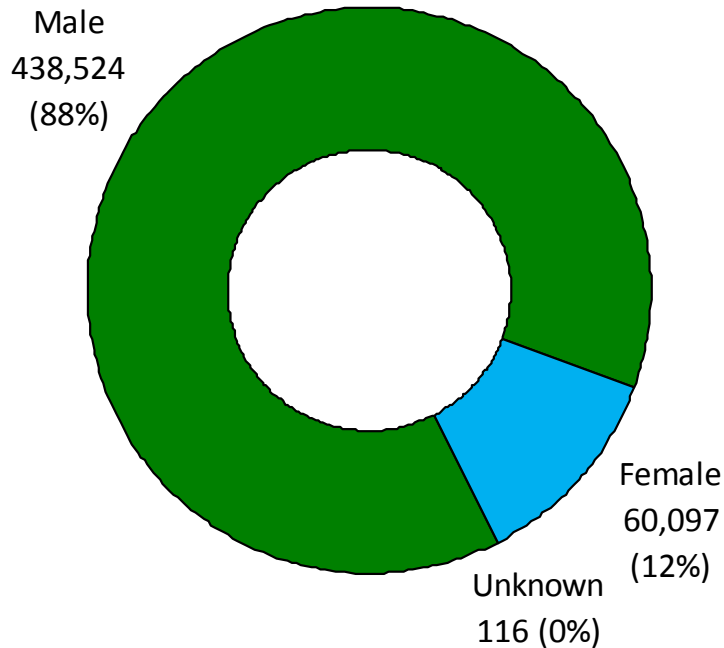


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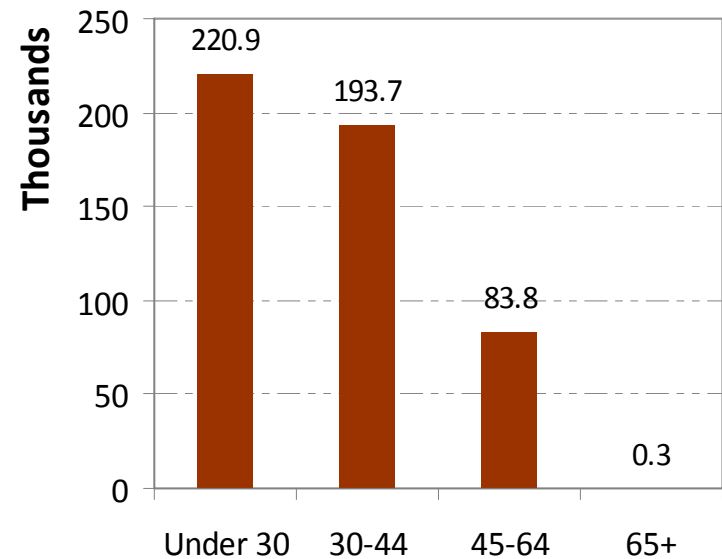


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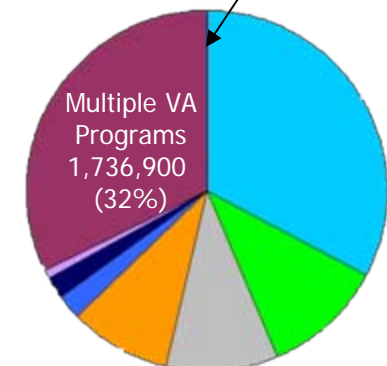
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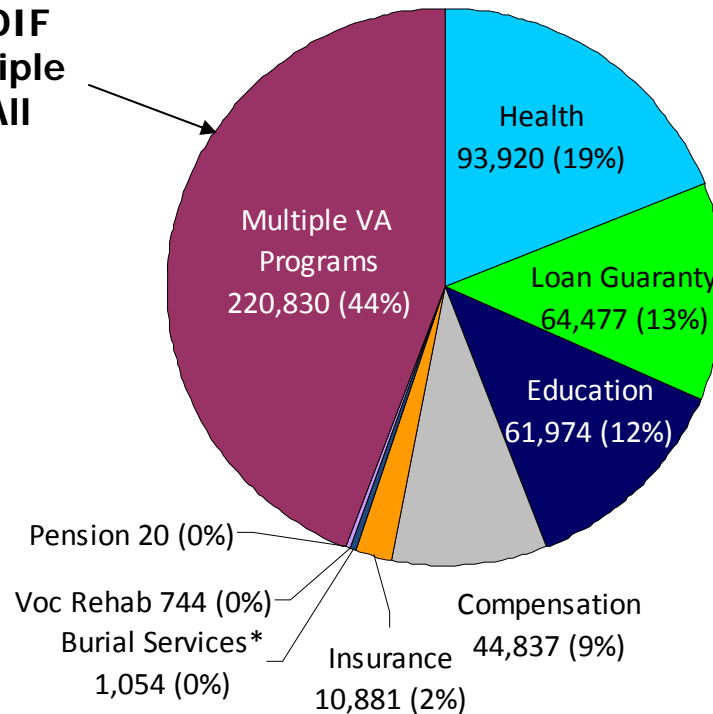


OEF/OIF Veteran Patterns of Use

Higher % of OEF/OIF Veterans used multiple VA programs vs. All Veterans



All Veteran Patterns of Use (see Slide 6)



263,800 (53% of OEF/OIF users) used VA health care in FY08

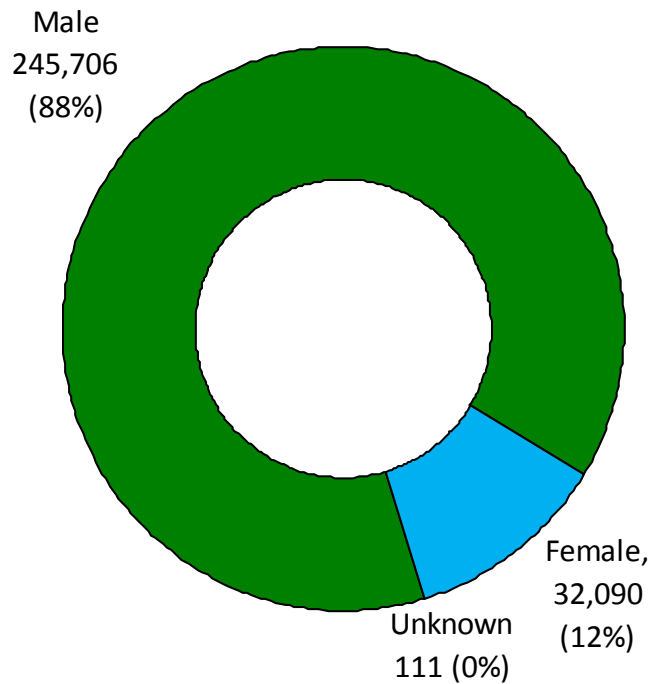
- ❖ 56% (277,907) of OEF/OIF Veterans using VA used only one program
- ❖ 44% (220,830) of OEF/OIF Veterans using VA used multiple programs

*Excluded OEF/OIF KIA

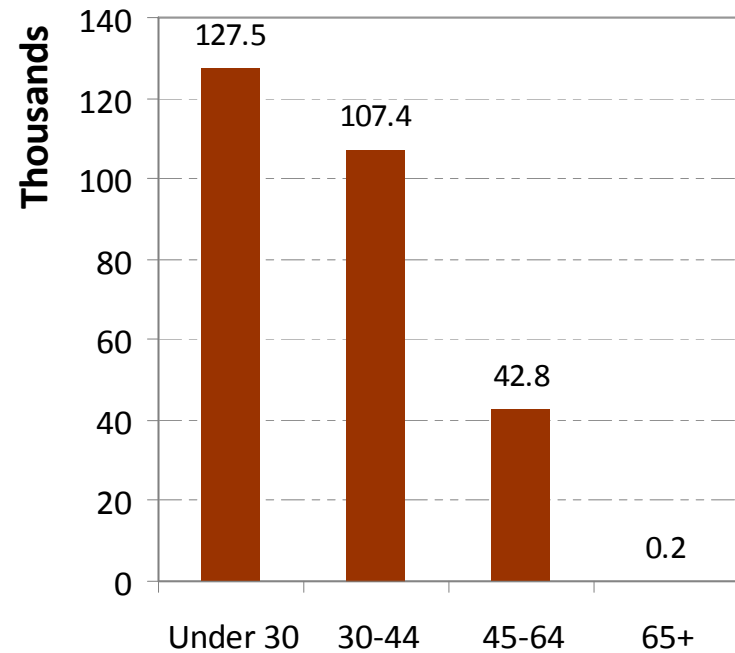


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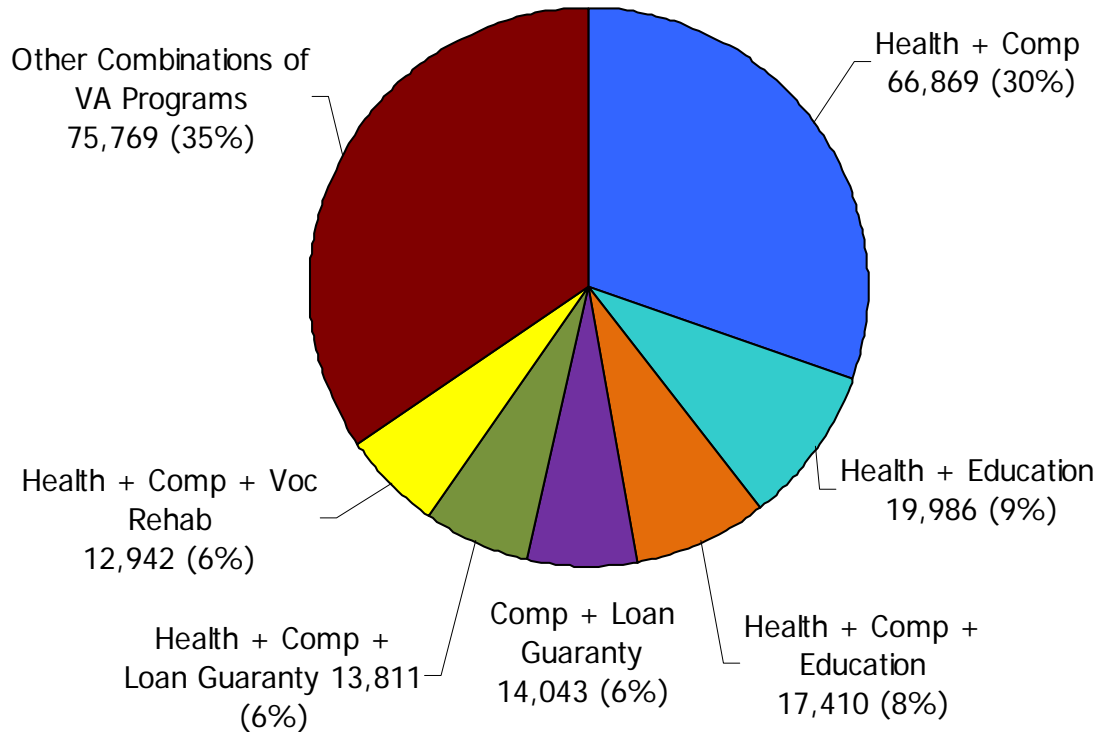


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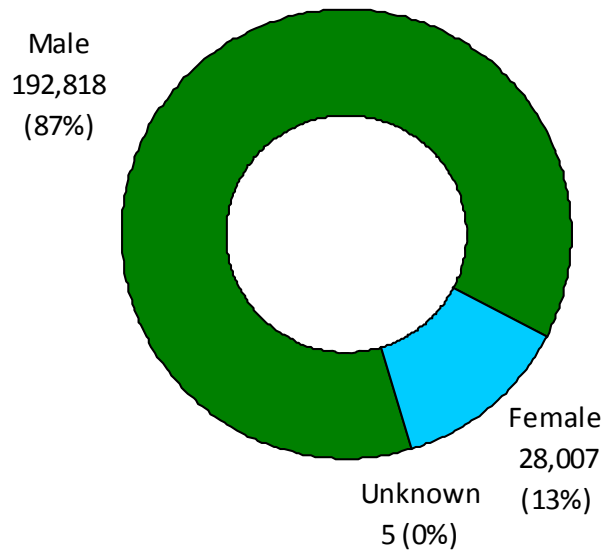
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