

Craven County Veteran Services 2018 Annual Report



Craven County



This 2018 annual report is a compilation of data from various sources to show the direct impact that Veterans and their families have on Craven County. The Veteran Services Center assists them with compensation, pension, healthcare, education and a wide variety of other benefits for which they are entitled. This in turn, affords them the opportunity to maintain a livelihood and take advantage of the many things Craven County has to offer.

Veterans and their families are a cornerstone in this county and provide an invaluable economic impact. With the assistance of the various veterans organizations here in Craven County and other outreach programs, we ensure Veterans are made aware and maximize all the benefits and resources available to them. We work diligently to enrich the lives of every Veteran and their dependents that call Craven County home.

The staff here at Craven County Veteran Services are proud of our accomplishments during the last few years and the continual growth we are experiencing. We strive to provide the best services to the Veterans and their dependents of Craven County for the sacrifices they have made while serving our country.



***The data in this report is only from Craven County Veteran Services and from the Department of Veterans Affairs. This does not reflect any Department of Defense, or Civil Service Retirements.

Craven County Veteran Services Office

In-person / telephone calls

Calendar Year 2017

- 9081 Veteran/dependents served
- 38% increase from CY2016



38%

Fiscal Year 2018

- 9944 Veterans/dependents served
- 29% increase from FY 2017
- 63% increase from FY2016



29%



Veteran Population

16,383 Veterans

- **8th** in Veteran population in NC
- **9.55%** increase from FY16
 - **7th** in Veteran growth in NC

<u>County</u>	<u>Vet Population (FY17)</u>	<u>Vet Population (FY16)</u>	<u>Percent change 16 to 17</u>
CUMBERLAND	59,049	50,770	16.31%
WAKE	52,318	59,350	-11.85%
MECKLENBURG	50,348	56,428	-10.77%
ONSLOW	37,538	31,458	19.33%
GUILFORD	30,494	31,967	-4.61%
FORSYTH	23,538	25,149	-6.41%
BUNCOMBE	18,349	19,372	-5.28%
CRAVEN	16,383	14,955	9.55%
NEW HANOVER	15,851	17,564	-9.75%
DURHAM	14,702	15,419	-4.65%
HARNETT	14,662	14,525	0.94%
GASTON	14,285	16,139	-11.49%
BRUNSWICK	13,800	13,759	0.30%
JOHNSTON	13,412	14,356	-6.57%

* Data Source: VA Geographical Distribution of Expenditures published by the National Center for Veterans Analysis and Statistics

Per Capita

15.8 % of Craven County population are Veterans

- **3rd** in NC

<u>County</u>	<u>Population (2015)</u>	<u>Per Capita</u>
ONSLOW	194,636	19.29%
CUMBERLAND	328,860	17.96%
CRAVEN	103,691	15.80%
HOKE	51,776	14.20%
CURRITUCK	25,627	12.60%
CAMDEN	10,224	12.42%



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VA Expenditures

Total VA expenditure for Craven County - **\$136,559,000**

- This includes all expenditures in Compensation & Pension, Education, Healthcare, and Insurance

- **\$ 7.4 million** increase over FY16
- **Ranked 10th** in NC for total expenditures

<u>County</u>	<u>Total Expenditures (\$,000's)</u>
CUMBERLAND	\$865,390
ONSLOW	\$437,439
WAKE	\$417,543
MECKLENBURG	\$411,134
FORSYTH	\$272,388
GUILFORD	\$249,531
DURHAM	\$209,416
BUNCOMBE	\$198,948
ROWAN	\$171,892
CRAVEN	\$136,559
HARNETT	\$135,457
NEW HANOVER	\$134,632
WAYNE	\$130,734



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VA Expenditures

Compensation and Pension

Total received through Compensation or Pension benefits:

\$96,394,000

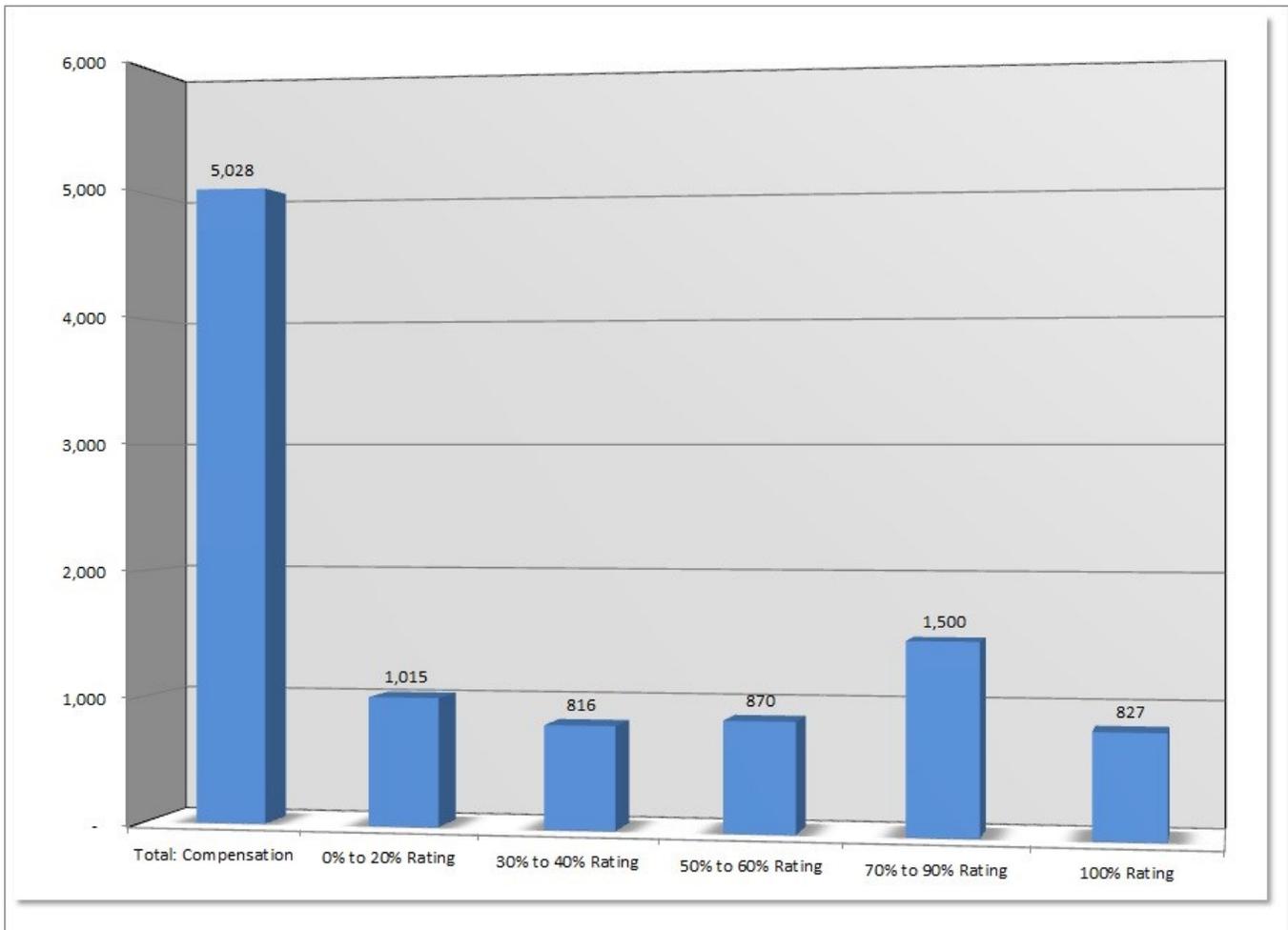
- Ranked **7th** in the state
- This is paid directly to the Veteran as a tax-free benefit

County	C&P (\$,000's)
CUMBERLAND	\$550,512
ONSLOW	\$318,878
WAKE	\$229,747
MECKLENBURG	\$216,227
GUILFORD	\$131,471
FORSYTH	\$102,239
CRAVEN	\$96,394
WAYNE	\$85,055
NEW HANOVER	\$81,462
BUNCOMBE	\$77,338
HARNETT	\$75,691
DURHAM	\$72,104



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VA Demographics
Disability Compensation Recipients
Craven County



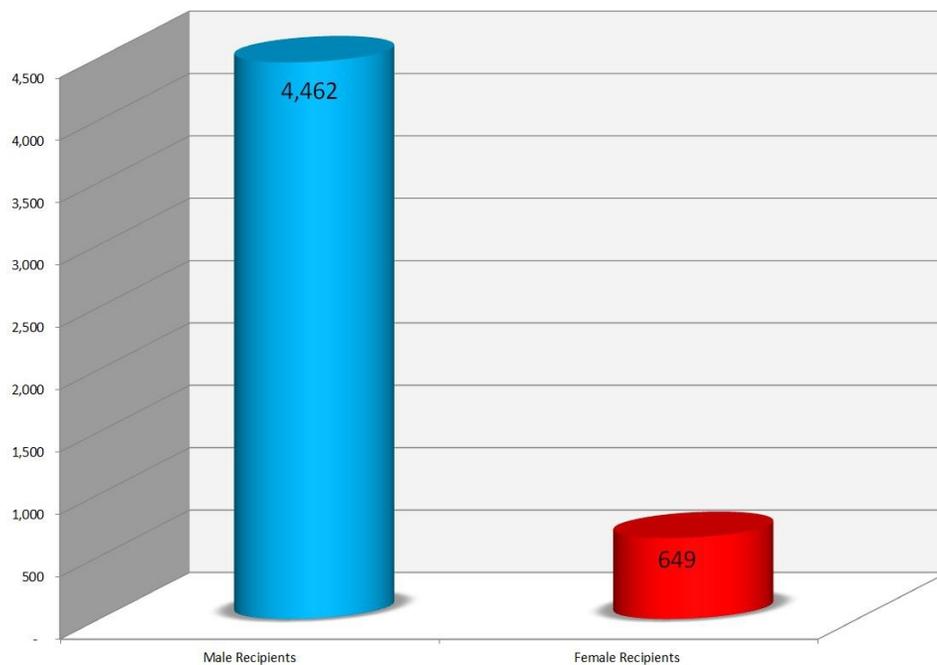
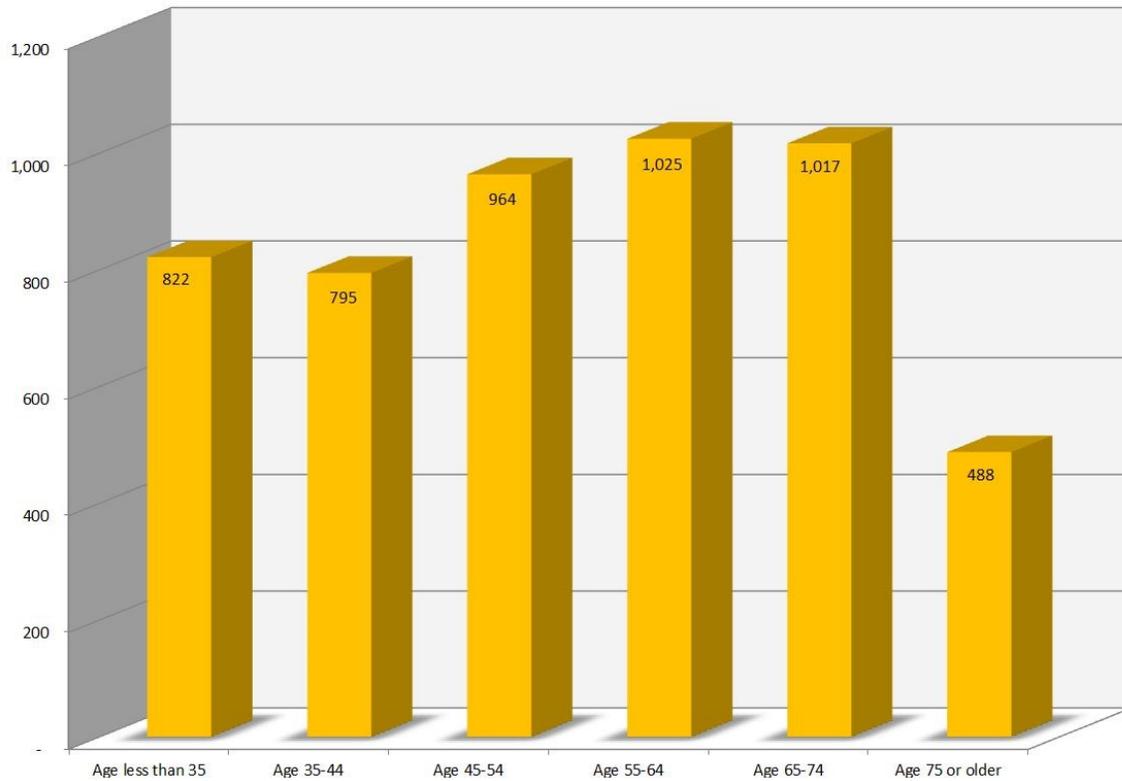
Disability compensation is a monetary benefit paid to Veterans who are determined by VA to be disabled by an injury or illness that was incurred or aggravated during active military service. Monthly disability compensation varies with the degree of disability and the number of eligible dependents.

* Data Source: Department of Veterans Affairs Office of Data Governance and Analytics, US Veterans Eligibility Trends & Statistics (USVETS) FY2017

VA Demographics

Disability Compensation Recipients

Craven County





The veterans of our military have put their lives on the line to protect the freedoms that we enjoy. They have dedicated their lives to their country and deserve to be recognized for their commitment.