

**AIKEN COUNTY VETERANS AFFAIRS**  
**828 RICHLAND AVENUE, WEST**  
**AIKEN, SOUTH CAROLINA 29801**

**VETERANS AFFAIRS STATISTICS**

In FY 2009 Aiken County veterans received the following in VA monetary benefits:

Compensation/pension	\$30,366,000
Education/Voc Rehab	\$3,215,000
Insurance & Indemnities	\$794,000
Medical expenditures	\$34,956,000 / 4,481 patients*
<b>Total expenditures</b>	<b>\$69,332,000</b>

Compensation is received for a service connected disability.

Pension is received for a disability not incurred in service and is based on financial need

Pension is also provided to survivors of veterans  
(Widows/Widowers/Dependent Children)

Vocational Rehabilitation is paid to veterans with service connected disabilities in addition to monthly compensation.

As of September 30, 2009, the VA estimated that the veteran population in Aiken County was 14,840. This number most likely represents the veteran population that was receiving one of the VA monetary benefits listed above at that time. To my knowledge, the VA has no way of tracking veterans who are not in receipt of a VA benefit; therefore, the figure probably does not represent the true veteran population of Aiken County.

**\*2009 Medical Expenditures**