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# SUPPORTING VETERANS IN KENTUCKY



KY'S VETERANS



VETERAN POPULATION

## 235,118

Veterans in Kentucky



% VETERANS

## 6.8%

of Kentucky's adult population are veterans of the U.S. military

### SERVICE ERA\*



1.2% World War II



3.9% Korea



34.6% Vietnam



24.6% Gulf War I



22.7% Iraq & Afghanistan



22.7% Between Conflicts

Source: Housing Assistance Council tabulations of the 2019-2023 American Community Survey (ACS PUMs used for certain estimates)  
\* Totals may exceed 100%. Some veterans served in multiple eras.



LOCATION



GEOGRAPHY

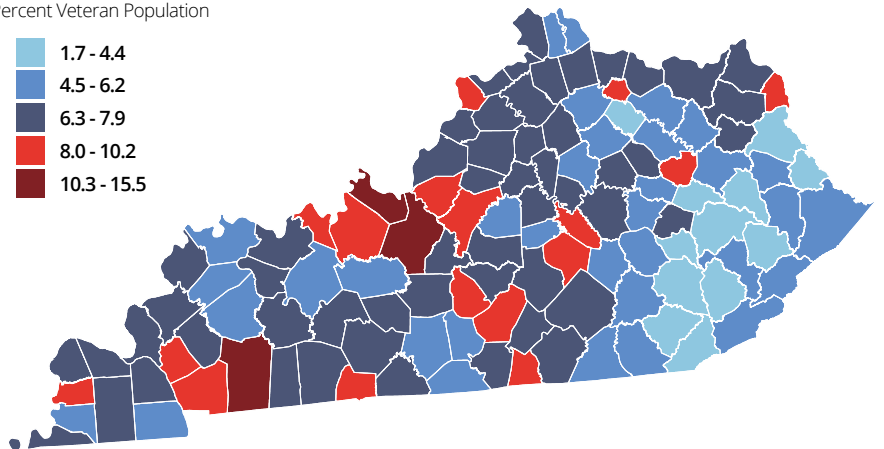
## Veterans by County

Veterans as a percent of the adult population

### Counties

Percent Veteran Population

- 1.7 - 4.4
- 4.5 - 6.2
- 6.3 - 7.9
- 8.0 - 10.2
- 10.3 - 15.5



To learn more about Veterans in your community visit

**Veterans Data Central**  
at [www.veteransdata.info](http://www.veteransdata.info)

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**ECONOMIC  
WELL BEING**



**4.0%**

Unemployment rate for Kentucky's veterans. The overall unemployment rate for Kentucky is 4.8%. Younger persons have the highest rates of unemployment among veterans



**8.6%**

of Kentucky's veterans live in poverty



**\$64,900**

Median household income of Kentucky veterans. The median income of all Kentucky households is \$61,330.



**28.3%**

of Kentucky's veterans have a service connected disability rating (66,478 Veterans).

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**HOUSING  
&  
HOMES**

**VETERAN  
OCCUPIED  
HOMES**

**148,814**



Approximately 148,814, or 8.3 percent, of Kentucky's homes are occupied by veterans.

**HOME-  
OWNERSHIP**

**78.5%**



Homeownership rate of Kentucky's veterans

**HOME  
VALUE**

**\$175,000**



The median value of Kentucky veterans' homes is \$175,000. The state's overall median home value is \$175,000.

**HOUSING  
PROBLEMS**

**32,092**



Approximately 32,092 Kentucky veterans live in homes with one or more major problems of quality, crowding, or cost. Housing affordability is the greatest housing problem among veterans. Roughly 21.0 percent of Kentucky veterans pay too much for their housing.

**VA  
MORTGAGE  
LOANS**

**5,314**



In 2023, 5,314 VA home loan guarantees were made in Kentucky to support veteran homeowners. VA loans represented 8.7 percent of Kentucky's home mortgage originations in 2023.

**HOME-  
LESSNESS**

**391**



HUD estimates that approximately 391 Kentucky veterans are homeless.

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