



From the FY 2010 Department of Veterans Affairs Annual Benefits Report.

Most Prevalent Service-Connected Disabilities for Veterans Receiving Compensation at the End of Fiscal Year 2010

- Tinnitus 744,871
- Hearing loss 672,410
- Post traumatic stress disorder 437,310
- Scars, general 418,748
- Diabetes mellitus 332,065
- Hypertensive vascular disease 284,552
- Traumatic arthritis 279,402
- Lumbosacral or cervical strain 277,417
- Impairment of the knee, general 267,049

Most Prevalent Service-Connected Disabilities for Veterans Who Began Receiving Compensation During Fiscal Year 2010

(Disability Number of Veterans Percent of Total)

- Tinnitus 92,260 10.7%
- Hearing loss 63,583 7.3%
- Post traumatic stress disorder 37,263 4.3%
- Limitation of flexion, knee 34,456 4.0%
- Lumbosacral or cervical strain 31,881 3.7%
- Tendon inflammation 25,826 3.0%
- Degenerative arthritis of the spine 25,394 2.9%
- Diabetes mellitus 24,233 2.8%
- Limitation of motion of the ankle 20,623 2.4%
- Scars, general 20,562 2.4%

Most Prevalent Disabilities by Period of Service at the End of Fiscal Year 2010

717,463 male veterans and 27,408 female veterans are rated for tinnitus; and 632,627 male veterans and 9,710 female veterans are rated for hearing loss.

Rank by Period of Service (Compare these new numbers with the following page – to see the changes since 2008.

| Period | Hearing Loss | Tinnitus |
|-------------|--------------|----------|
| WWII | #1 | #2 |
| Korean War | #1 | #2 |
| Vietnam War | #3 | #4 |
| Gulf War | #6 | #1 |
| Peacetime | #1 | #2 |