

MILITARY RETIREMENT AND VA COMPENSATION ANNUAL CONTRIBUTIONS

1. Average annual income from retired pay - $\$6,493,000/\text{month} \times 12 \text{ months} = \$77,916,000/\text{year} \div 3,583 \text{ retirees} = \$21,746/\text{retiree}/\text{year}^1$
2. Average annual gross pay - $\$77,916,000$
3. Cash benefits from the Department of Veteran Affairs - $\$145,689 \text{ (Comp \& Pen)} + \$22,324,000 \text{ (Ed \& Voc Rehab)} = \$168,013,000^2$
4. Total dollars paid to Survivor Benefit Plan recipients - $\$625,000/\text{month} \times 12 = \$7,500,000$ paid annually to 714 survivors³
5. Total DOD dollars retirees and their survivors contribute to Vermont – (#1. + #4) $\$85,416,000$

Federal benefits to Vermont veterans (DoD and VA): (#3+#4+#5) $\$260,929,000$

¹ Department of Defense, Office of the Actuary, http://actuary.defense.gov/Portals/15/Documents/MRS_StatRpt_2016%20v4%20FINAL.pdf?ver=2017-07-31-104724-430, pg. 28

² Department of Veterans Affairs, https://www.va.gov/vetdata/docs/SpecialReports/State_Summaries_Vermont.pdf, pg. 1

³ Department of Defense, Office of the Actuary, <http://actuary.defense.gov/Portals/15/Documents/CONGDIST%202016.pdf?ver=2017-04-05-125959-323>, pg. 50