

Veterans Benefits Administration



Advisory Committee on Gulf War Veterans

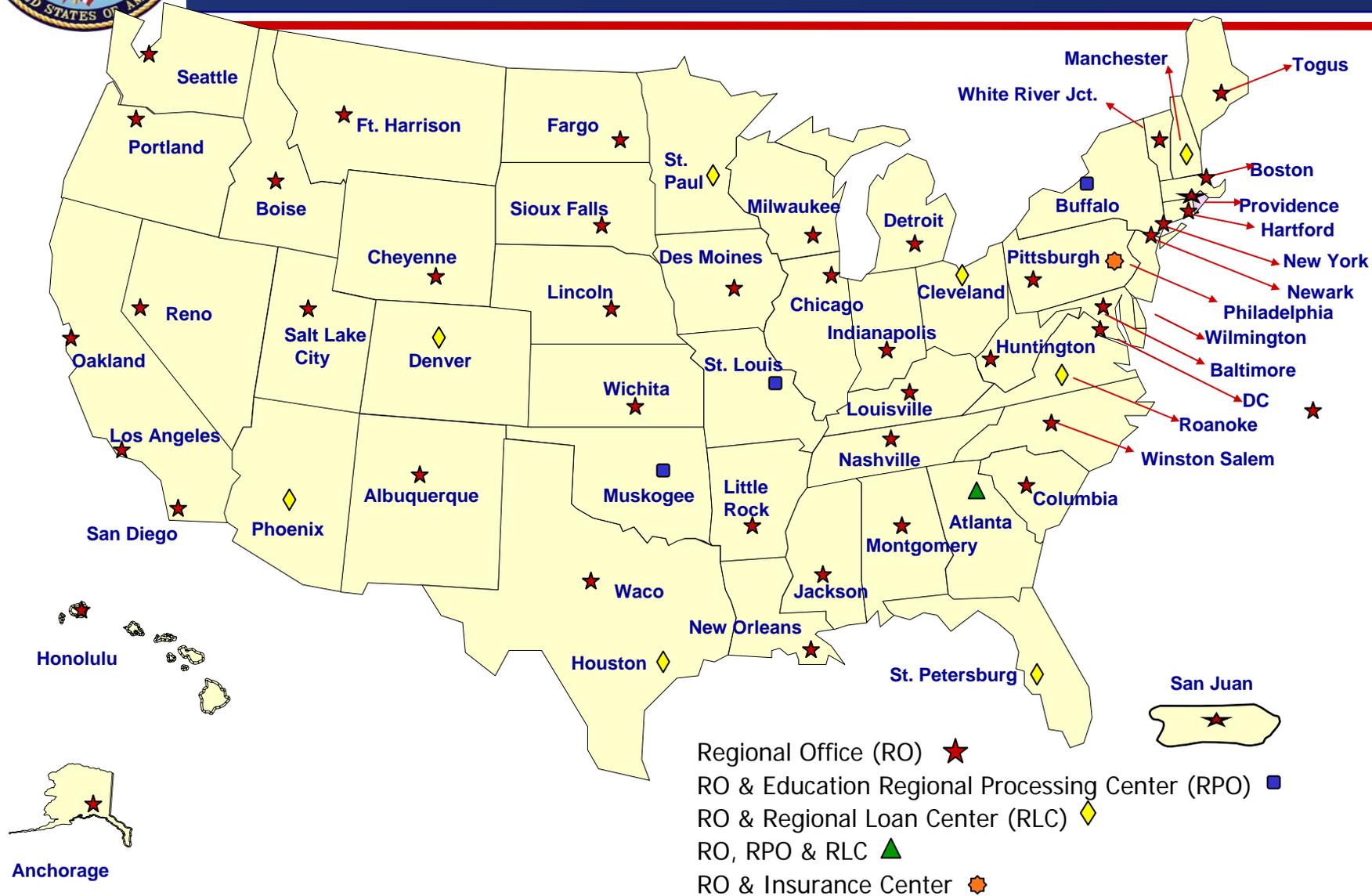
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VBA Regional Offices





VBA Programs

- Compensation & Pension
- Education
- Vocational Rehabilitation & Employment
- Loan Guaranty
- Insurance



Compensation and Pension



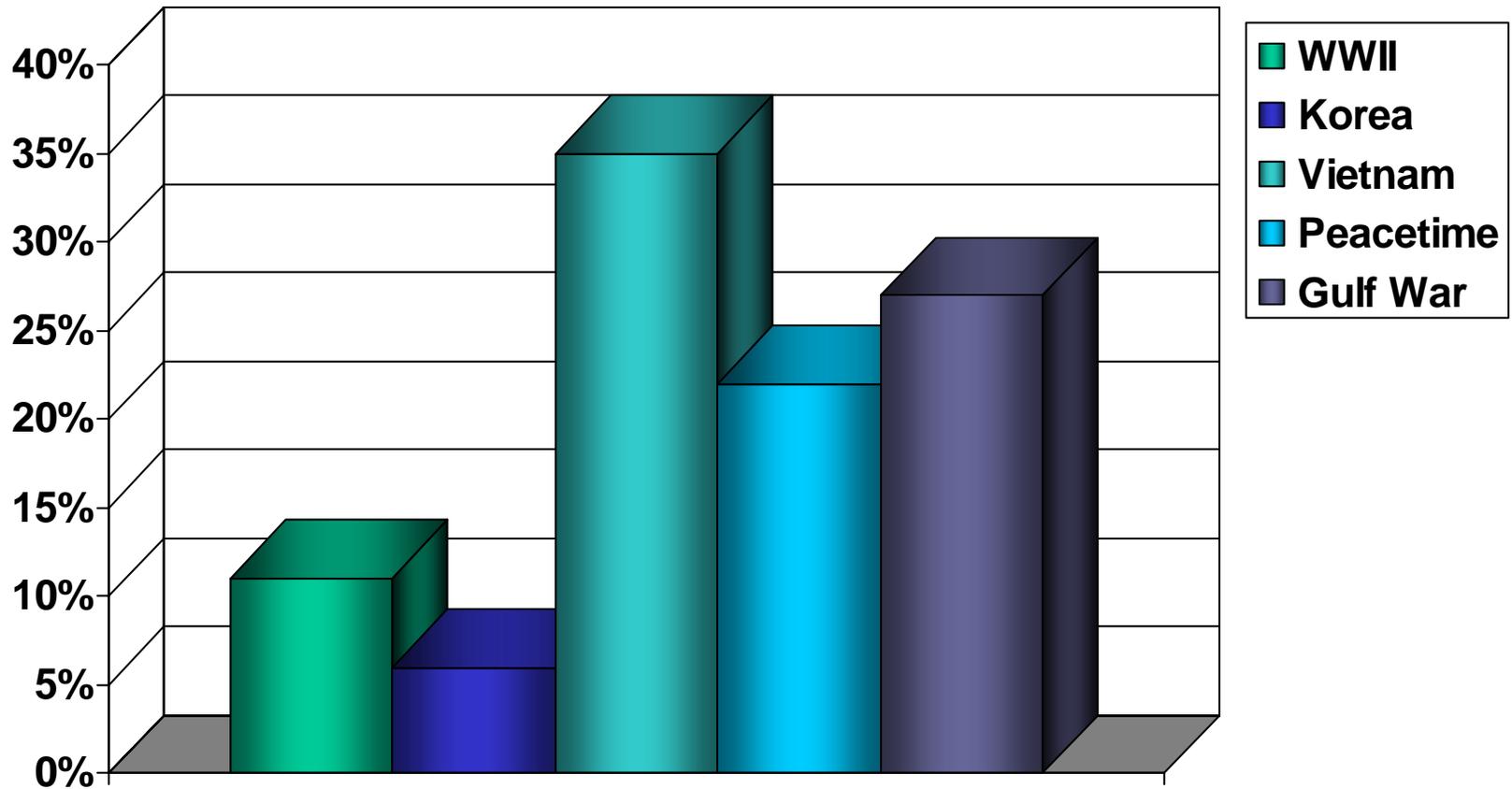
Compensation & Pension Benefits

- Disability Compensation
- Disability Pension
- Dependency and Indemnity Compensation
- Death Pension



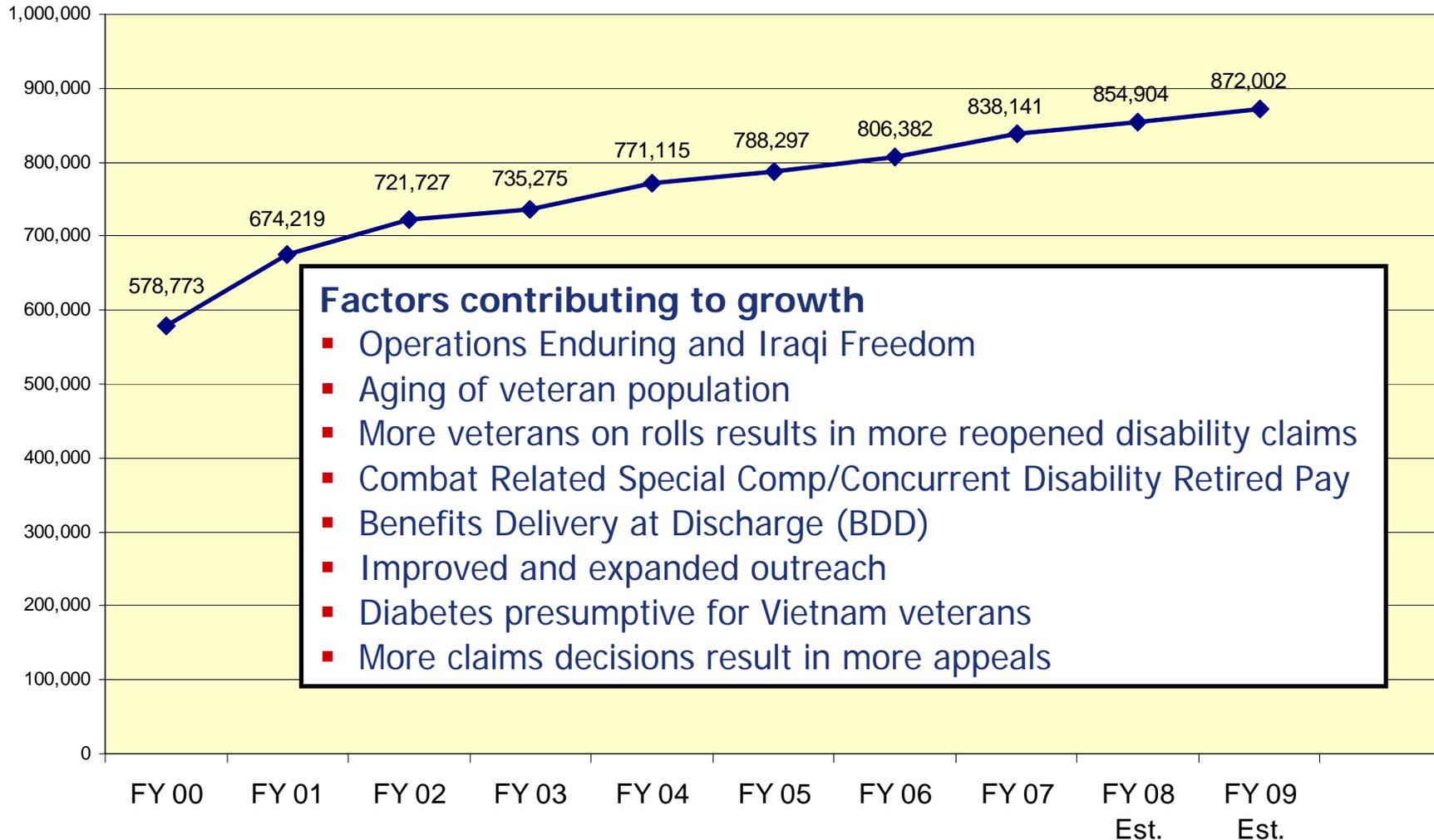
Compensation and Pension

Veterans Receiving Compensation by Period of Service



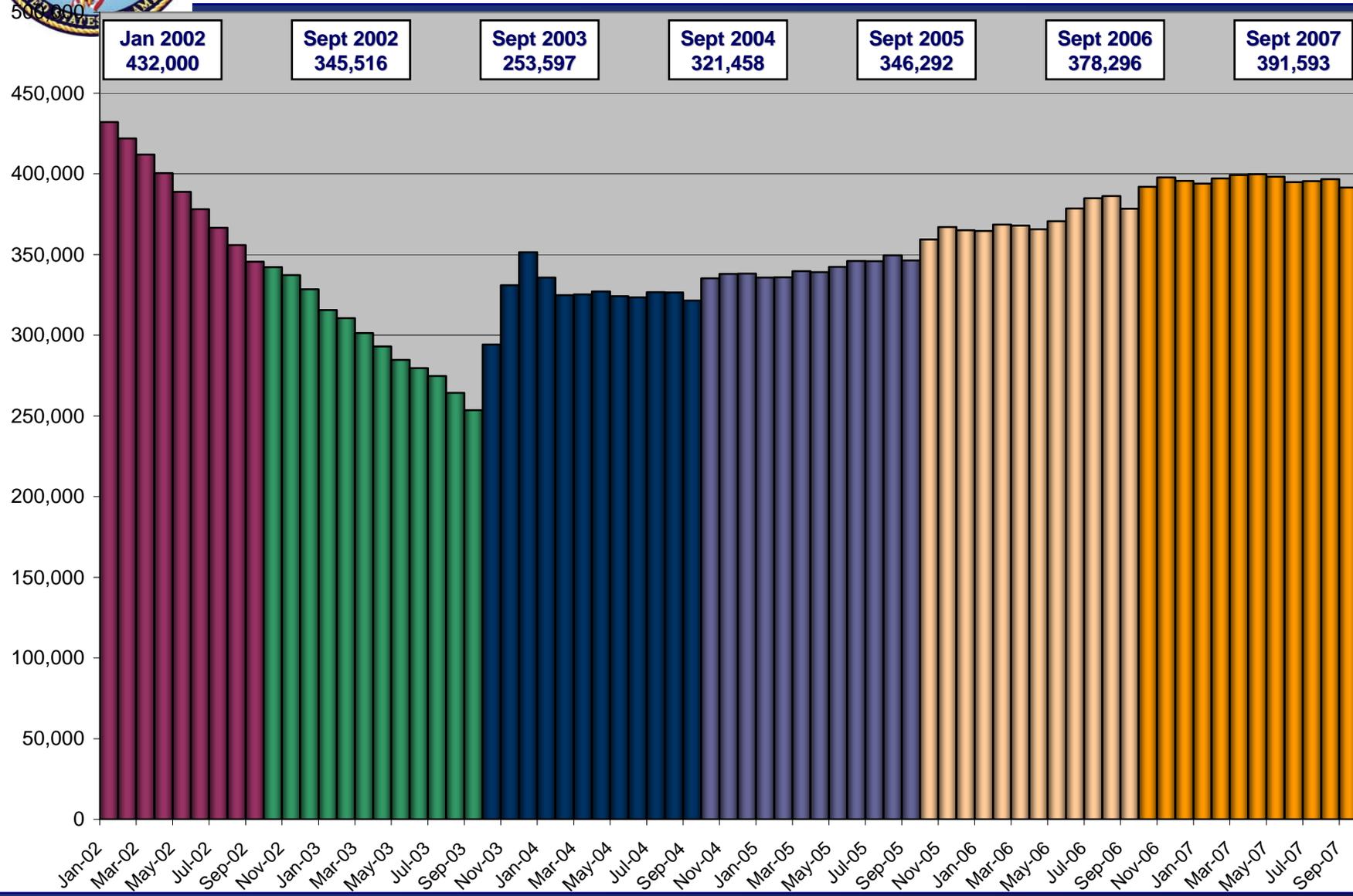


Growth in Claims Receipts



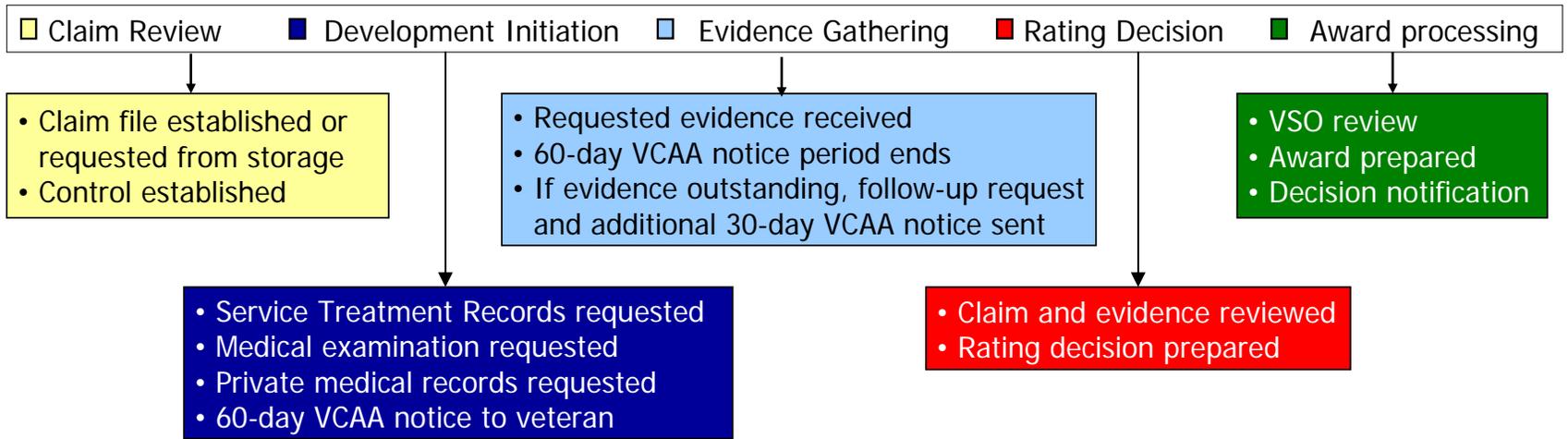
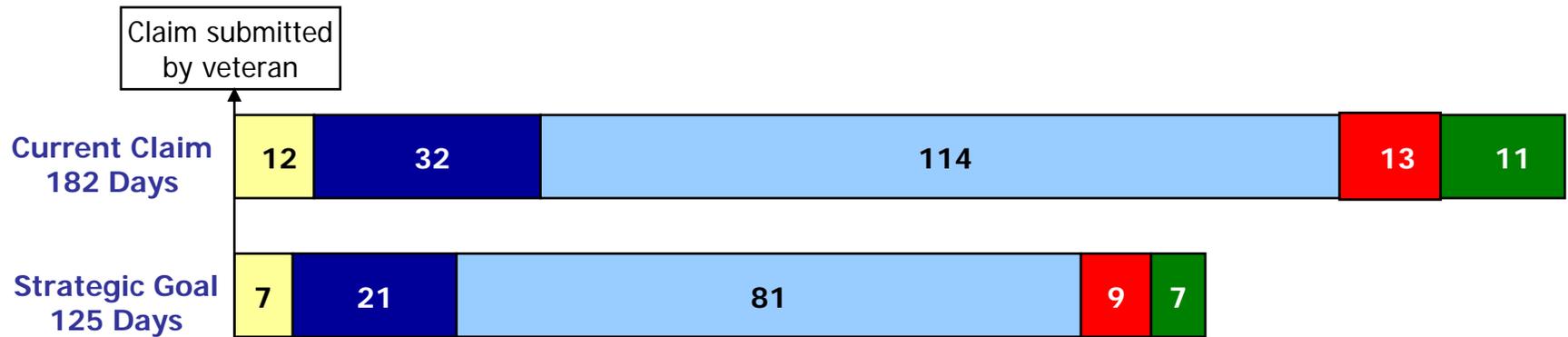


Growth in Pending Claims Inventory





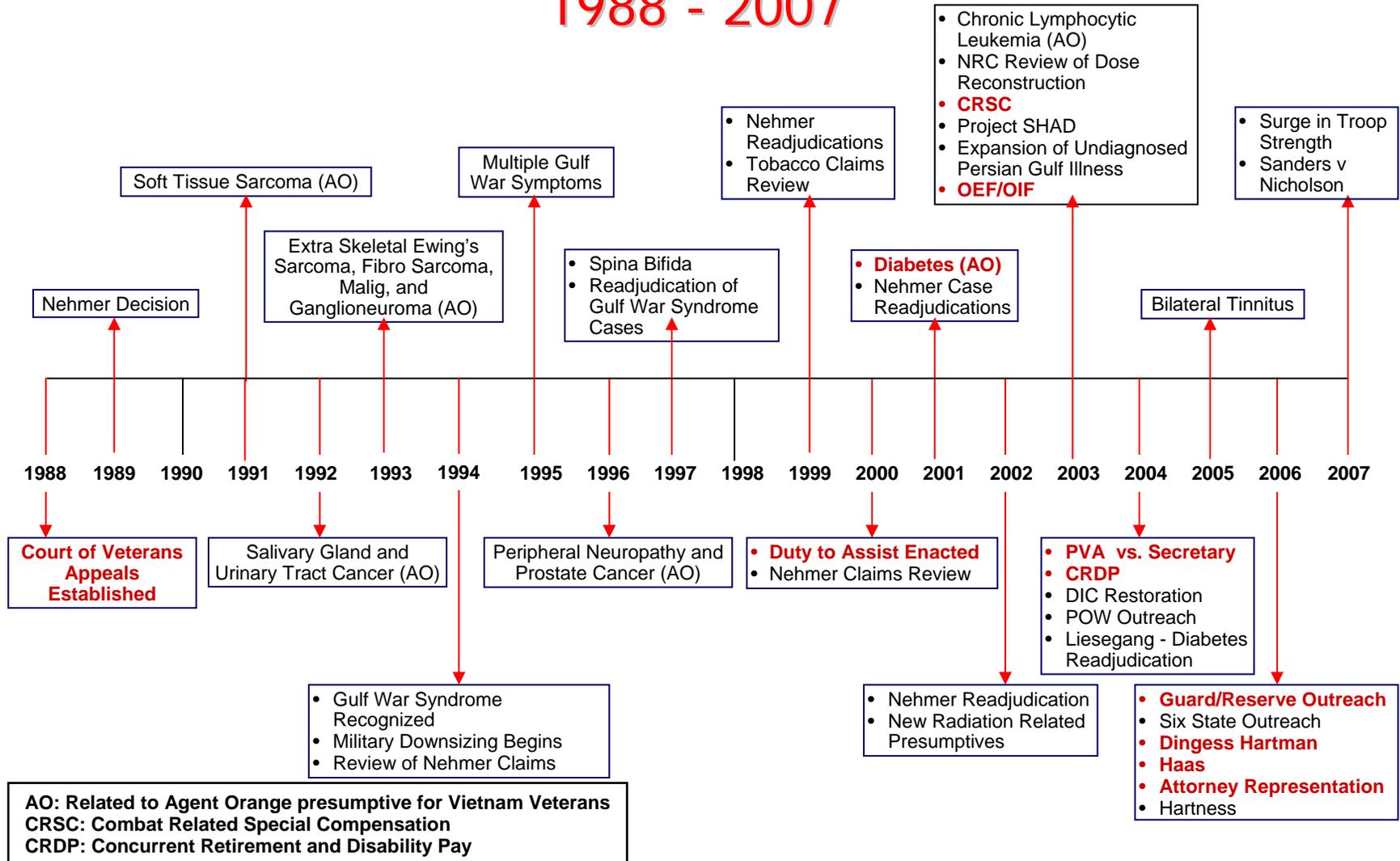
Disability Claim Timeline





External Influences on VBA Compensation Workload

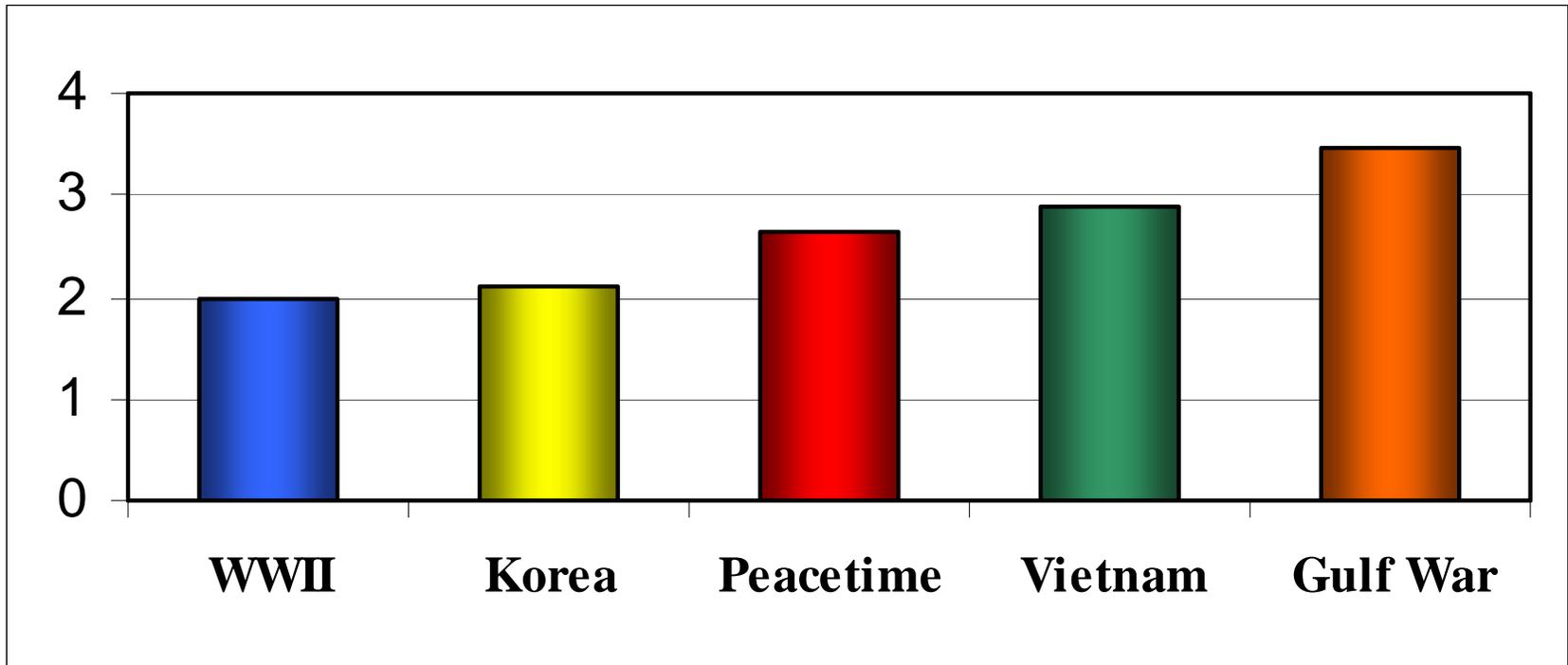
1988 - 2007





Compensation and Pension

Number of S/C Disabilities per Veteran





Compensation and Pension By the Numbers - FY 2007

Compensation

- 2.8 million veterans in receipt
- \$29 billion paid

Dependency and Indemnity Compensation (DIC)

- 332,837 survivors in receipt
- \$4.5 billion paid

Pension

- 325,378 veterans in receipt
- \$2.8 billion paid

Death Pension

- 198,047 survivors in receipt
- \$828 million paid



Education



VA Education Programs

- Montgomery GI Bill – Active Duty (Chapter 30)
- Montgomery GI Bill – Selected Reserve (Chapter 1606)
- Reserve Educational Assistance Program (REAP) (Chapter 1607)
- Dependents' Educational Assistance (DEA) (Chapter 35)



Education By the Numbers

- 21 million veterans and dependents have received GI bill benefits since 1944
- \$3 billion - Education Benefits Paid in FY 2007
- 523,000 - Veterans, Reservists, and Family Members Receiving Benefits in FY 2007



Vocational Rehabilitation & Employment



Vocational Rehabilitation & Employment

Mission:

- Achieve and maintain suitable employment
- Independent Living

By the Numbers – Fiscal Year 2007:

- 91,000 - Veterans Received Vocational Rehabilitation Assistance
- \$802 Million - Benefits Paid



Home Loan Guaranty



Home Loan Guaranty

- Zero downpayment loans made by mortgage lenders
- VA guarantees up to \$104,250
- Maximum no downpayment loan: \$417,000
- Since 1944 VA has guaranteed \$935 billion
 - \$209 billion currently outstanding

By the Numbers – Fiscal Year 2007:

- 133,000 Loans
- \$25 billion in loans



Insurance



Insurance

Five Life Insurance Programs Currently Open

- Servicemembers' Group Life Insurance
- Traumatic Injury Protection Under Servicemembers' Group Life Insurance
- Veterans' Group Life Insurance
- Service-Disabled Veterans Insurance
- Veterans Mortgage Life Insurance



Insurance By the Numbers

- \$1.3 Trillion Face Amount of Coverage
- 7.1 Million Individuals Insured
- \$3.3 Billion Disbursed in FY 2007