

UTAH DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS & MILITARY AFFAIRS

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MISSION

The Utah Department of Veterans & Military Affairs serves Veterans, current service members and their families by opening doors to benefits, education and jobs.

We advocate for Utah's military installations and defense sector.

ECONOMIC IMPACT

(Source: Kem C. Gardner Policy Institute, 2021)

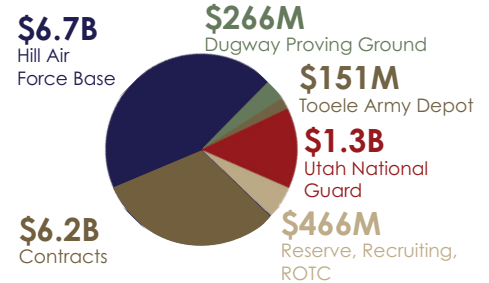
TOTAL ECONOMIC IMPACT

\$19.3B Economic Activity
10.6% Share of State GDP
211,000 Supported Jobs

VETERANS ECONOMIC IMPACT

\$3.2B Economic Activity
36,140 Supported Jobs

MILITARY ECONOMIC IMPACT



VETERANS



3,716
World War II Veterans



8,999
Korean War Veterans



43,246
Vietnam War Veterans



25,572
Cold War/Peacetime Veterans



62,482
Current Conflict Veterans

138,527
Total Veterans



91%



9%

CURRENT EFFORTS

FY2023 INITIATIVES

- Salt Lake Veterans Home
- State Park Pass, for disabled veterans
- Northern Utah Veterans Cemetery
- Military Schoolchildren Education Specialist
- Veterans Business Resource Center

EXECUTING ONE UTAH ROADMAP

TRANSITION EXCELLENCE CENTER

PARTICIPATION IN GOVERNOR'S SUICIDE PREVENTION CHALLENGE

CHAMPIONING DoD PRIORITIES & MILITARY INSTALLATION MISSIONS

FOCUSED COMMUNICATIONS & LEVERAGING TECHNOLOGY

- **Veterans Business Registry**
- **E-Newsletter**
- **veterans.utah.gov**

MILITARY



ARMY **8,454**
Active Duty 185
National Guard 5,648
Reserves 2,321



AIR FORCE **6,838**
Active Duty 4,175
National Guard 1,373
Reserves 1,290



NAVY **388**
Active Duty 47
Reserves 341



MARINES **210**
Active Duty 94
Reserves 341



SPACE FORCE **50**
Active Duty 50



COAST GUARD **2**
Active Duty 2

Active Duty 4,553
National Guard 7,021
Reserves 3,911
Civilians 15,562
31,454

(Source: National Center for Veterans Analysis, 2018)

VA BENEFITS & HEALTHCARE

HEALTHCARE



81,390
Unique Patients
VA Salt Lake City Health Care System
695,300
Outpatient visits (FY2022)

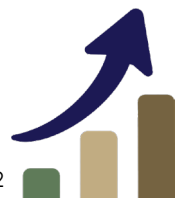


COMPENSATION & PENSION

\$713M
Compensation & Benefits
31,529
Utah Veterans w/ a Service Connected Disability

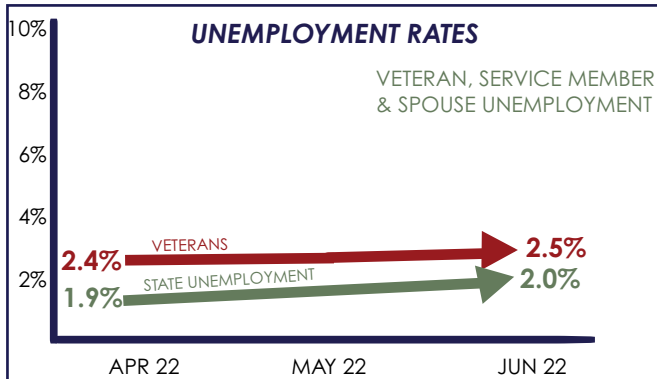
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Increase in Veterans' compensation from 2018-2022

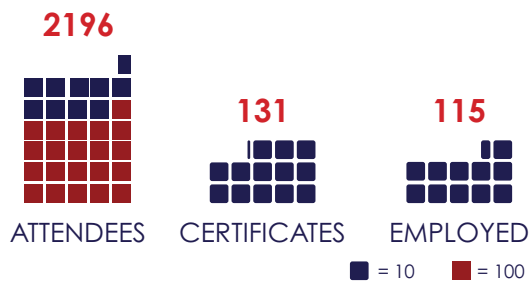


(Source: National Center for Veterans Analysis and Statistics, FY2018-2022; VA Salt Lake City Health Care, FY2022)

EMPLOYMENT



ACCELERATED CREDENTIALING TO EMPLOYMENT PROGRAM (ACE)

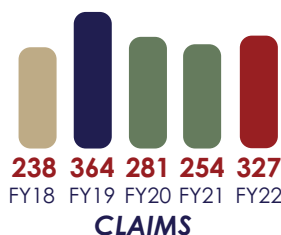
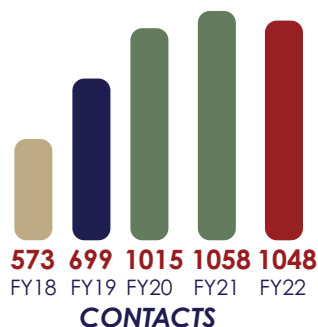


2,038

Utah Patriot Partners (2020)

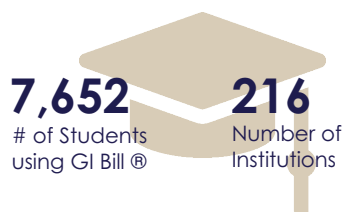
(Source: Utah Department of Workforce Services, FY21)

VETERANS OUTREACH & SERVICES



(Sources: Salt Lake Community College, UDVMA & Utah Attorney General's Office, FY21)

EDUCATION



VETERAN STUDENT SUPPORT CENTERS

Located at SLCC, SC SUU, UofU, USU UTU, UVU, WSU

1,969 Veterans Supported

Veteran Student Support Centers provide orientation, counseling and other services.

NURSING HOMES & CEMETERY

VETERANS HOMES

95%	Occupancy	800	Employees
378	Veterans	\$45.5M	Expenditures
20	Family Member		
398	Total Residents		

4-Star SLC | 5-Star Ogden, Payson, Ivins ★

CEMETERY

Interments		
FY23	309	Casket to Cremains
FY22	688	
FY21	687	Veterans to Spouses
		56:44
		68:32

