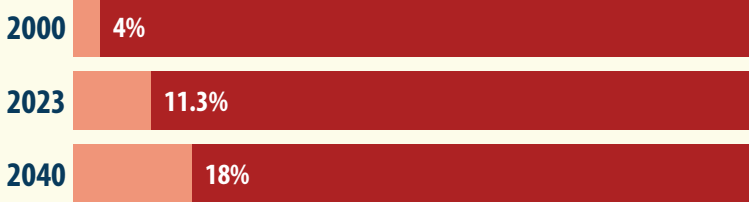


WOMEN VETERANS IN FOCUS



MORE THAN 2 MILLION WOMEN VETERANS LIVE IN THE U.S. TODAY

WOMEN ARE THE FASTEST GROWING GROUP IN THE VETERAN POPULATION



WOMEN IN MILITARY SERVICE IN 2023¹:



3 of 4 women Veterans who use VA health services have an urban residence but the number of rural women is increasing.



The median age of women Veterans was 52 in 2023. Approximately 22.5% were 65 or older and 2.2% were 85 or older.



Every VA Medical Center nationwide has a Women Veterans Program Manager to advise and advocate for women Veterans and help coordinate all the services they may need, from primary care to specialized care for chronic conditions or reproductive health.



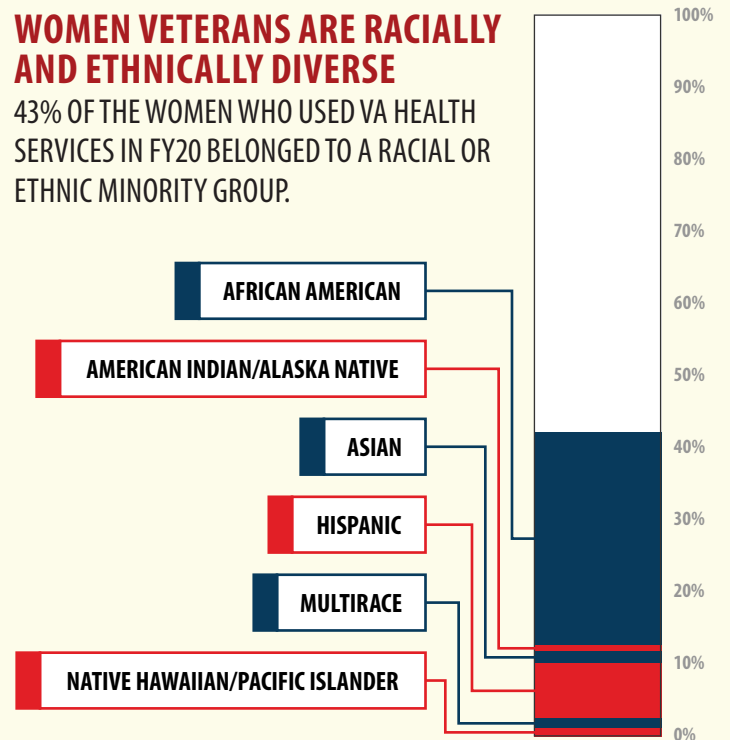
Every VA offers maternity care coordination. VA Maternity Care Coordinators understand women Veterans' unique needs and will support them through every stage of their pregnancy. Veterans have access to maternity care coordinators from the beginning of their pregnancy to 12 months postpartum.



VHA provides the highest quality, state-of-the-art systems and health care equipment, including on-site mammography at more than 80 VA facilities and community facilities nationwide.

WOMEN VETERANS ARE RACIALLY AND ETHNICALLY DIVERSE

43% OF THE WOMEN WHO USED VA HEALTH SERVICES IN FY20 BELONGED TO A RACIAL OR ETHNIC MINORITY GROUP.



In 2023, about 930,000 women Veterans were enrolled in VA health care compared to over 8.0 million men².

The number of women enrolled represents 45.0% of all women Veterans in FY 2023, while the percentage is 50.5% among men Veterans.

Not all Veterans who enroll in the health care system become health care users.

Approximately 650,000 women Veterans sought VA medical care in 2023, which is 70.0% of women enrollees.

¹ <https://demographics.militaryonesource.mil/women-in-the-military-demographics/>

² <https://www.data.va.gov/stories/s/wci3-yrsv>