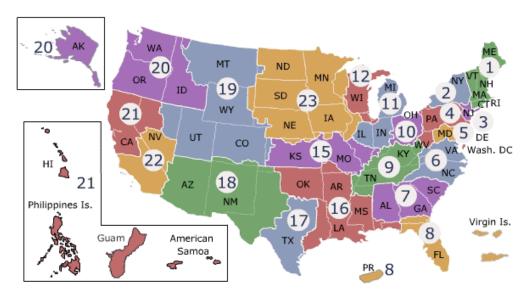
Number of Homeless Veterans & Veteran-Specific Beds by Region

The VA's annual **Project CHALENG** report provides the most regular and reliable account of homeless veterans and their needs as cited by homeless veterans and service providers alike. The primary way of grouping the survey data collected by Project CHALENG is by **VISN**, which stands for Veterans Integrated Service Network. Each of the 153 VA hospitals are part of a VISN, of which there are 21 nationwide.

This page uses data from the 2009 CHALENG report, published in March 2010. For a breakdown of homeless veterans by site (VA medical center or health care system), click on the appropriate VISN number in the left-hand column below the map. If you are unsure which VISN you are located in, <u>click here</u>.



Using the latest CHALENG Report data, the following chart defines the number of transitional veteran-specific beds available and the additional number of beds needed, as identified by respondents in each VISN:

VISN	Transitional Beds Available	Transitional Beds Needed	Homeless Veterans
<u>1</u>	1,032	396	2,927
<u>2</u>	201	59	1,815
<u>3</u>	528	260	6,526
<u>4</u>	668	404	2,654
<u>5</u>	292	260	2,062
2 3 4 5 6 7	423	455	2,269
<u>7</u>	614	260	5,729
<u>8</u> <u>9</u>	733	655	8,690
<u>9</u>	592	111	2,218
<u>10</u>	257	140	2,363
<u>11</u>	555	424	4,397
<u>12</u>	593	84	1,983
<u>15</u>	321	460	2,798
<u>16</u>	924	373	7,346
<u>17</u>	799	765	5,420
<u>18</u>	592	400	4,772
<u>19</u>	437	435	3,279
<u>20</u>	761	469	8,714
<u>21</u>	739	440	12,771
<u>22</u>	2,542	525	13,847
<u>23</u>	450	450	3,978
Total:	14,053	7,825	106,558

Transitional housing programs, such as the VA Homeless Providers Grant and Per Diem Program (GPD), are an important form of housing for homeless veterans. There are two other major types of housing as well: emergency and permanent housing. Transitional housing falls in between these two.

A homeless veteran with no shelter whatsoever, for example, would need emergency housing; he or she could then move into a transitional housing program for up to two years and possibly transition into permanent supportive housing. This last transition might occur if a veteran could not fully reach self-sufficiency without regular supportive services.

The following chart shows the number of emergency and permanent veteran-specific beds available and the additional number of beds needed, as identified by respondents in each VISN:

VISN	Emergency Beds Available	Emerg. Beds Needed	Permanent Beds Available	Perm. Beds Needed
<u>1</u>	75	485	1,368	1,790
<u>2</u>	0	86	347	307
<u>2</u> <u>3</u>	294	40	1,932	245
<u>4</u>	161	324	790	520
<u>5</u>	318	102	405	669
4 5 6 7 8 9	40	430	638	705
<u>7</u>	53	165	984	535
<u>8</u>	25	935	1,321	1,260
<u>9</u>	30	105	831	265
<u>10</u>	48	220	628	450
<u>11</u>	195	379	810	806
<u>12</u>	0	114	420	494
<u>15</u>	70	371	432	549
<u>16</u>	6	297	1,458	525
<u>17</u>	20	793	507	825
<u>18</u>	40	235	435	470
<u>19</u>	47	245	693	710
<u>20</u>	153	434	1,051	890
<u>21</u>	36	308	879	1,410
<u>22</u>	242	500	2,454	1,450
<u>23</u>	90	377	595	490
Total:	1,943	6,945	18,978	15,365

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