

# **Report on VA Facility Specific Operation Enduring Freedom (OEF), Operation Iraqi Freedom (OIF), and Operation New Dawn (OND) Veterans Diagnosed with Potential or Provisional PTSD**

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# Introduction

This quarterly report on Veterans who have used VA health care and who served in Operation Enduring Freedom (OEF), Operation Iraqi Freedom (OIF), or Operation New Dawn (OND), shows the number and distribution of these Veterans diagnosed with a potential or provisional diagnosis of Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD). This report includes only those Veterans diagnosed at a VA Medical Center (VAMC), Veterans Integrated Service Network (VISN), or Vet Center. This report is created by linking the DoD roster of returning Veterans to VA's electronic inpatient and outpatient health records and Vet Center records.

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## Background

This report is provided in response to a Government Accountability Office (GAO) request in 2004 that VA enumerate the total number of OEF, OIF, and OND Veterans who were diagnosed with PTSD by VISN and specific VAMC using VA inpatient and outpatient records. GAO also requested that this information be aggregated with Vet Center utilization data. The Veterans Health Administration (VHA) prepared an initial report in October 2004 for health care utilization during FY 2004 (October 1, 2003-September 30, 2004). This current report covers VA health care data for FY 2002 through 3<sup>rd</sup> Qtr FY 2014 (October 1, 2001 – June 30, 2014).

# Data Sources

## OEF/OIF/OND Veteran Roster

Since October 2003, the Department of Defense (DoD) Defense Manpower Data Center (DMDC) has sent the VA, Office of Public Health, Post-Deployment Health Group, Epidemiology Program (EP), a periodically updated personnel roster of troops who participated in OEF/OIF/OND and who separated from active duty and became eligible for VA benefits. In September 2004 and April 2013, DMDC revised procedures for creating periodic updates of the roster. DMDC now utilizes additional service branch information from service branches of Veterans who served in OEF/OIF/OND troops to update the roster. Based on the latest DMDC file received on August 15, 2014, there are a total of 1,819,913 unique OEF/OIF/OND Veterans (including 5,858 Veterans who died in-theater) who, as of May 2014, separated from active duty following a deployment. For each Veteran, their demographic (social security number, name, date of birth, gender, education, etc.) and military service specific data (branch, rank, unit component, deployment dates, etc.) were included in the record. Beginning in 3<sup>rd</sup> Qtr FY 2009 (April 1, 2009- June 30, 2009), Veterans who died in-theater are included in both the DMDC total roster and health care utilization data because this is a cumulative report going back to 2002, and, due to the duration of the OEF/OIF/OND conflict and repeated deployments, a certain number of these Veterans may have accessed VA health care services for the evaluation and/or treatment of PTSD.

## VHA Health Care Utilization Records

The roster was checked against VA's inpatient (PTF) and outpatient (OPC) electronic patient records available through June 30, 2014 to identify those who had sought treatment in VA facilities and to identify the International Classification of Diseases, 9<sup>th</sup> Revision, Clinical Modification (ICD-9-CM) diagnostic codes used to describe the visits. These are administrative data and are not based on a review of patient records. For the purpose of this report, a search was conducted of individual health care utilization records during FY 2002 – 3<sup>rd</sup> Qtr FY 2014 following first deployments in Iraq or Afghanistan. For identification of a potential or provisional PTSD patient, we used ICD-9-CM, 309.81.

The Vet Center counts were based on the data provided to EP on September 3, 2014 by the Readjustment Counseling Service (RCS). The RCS staff matched the DMDC roster with Vet Center users' records through 3<sup>rd</sup> Qtr FY 2014. The Epidemiology Program does not make any modifications to the data provided by RCS.

# Distribution of Veterans by Diagnostic Code and Facility

- A Veteran is counted only once in any facility specific category. For example, a Veteran who received health care from two or more medical centers within the same VISN was counted once for that VISN. Likewise, a Veteran who used services across two or more VISN facilities and a Vet Center was counted only once for the national overall total.
- The number for “Primary” indicates the total number of unique Veterans whose primary reason for the inpatient or outpatient visit was for treatment or evaluation of PTSD.
- The number for “Any” indicates the total number of unique Veterans coded with PTSD, whether or not the primary reasons for the inpatient or outpatient visit was for treatment or evaluation of PTSD.
- Both “Primary” and “Any” categories may include a potential or provisional diagnosis.

## Summary

A query of VHA health care utilization databases using the May 2014 DMDC roster yielded a total of 337,285 OEF/OIF/OND Veterans coded with PTSD at a VAMC and 84,077 Veterans who received Vet Center service for PTSD. Of these, 279,849 were seen only at a VAMC; 26,641 only at a Vet Center; and 57,436 were seen at both facilities. In summary, based on the electronic patient records available through June 30, 2014, a grand total of 363,926 OEF/OIF/OND Veterans were seen for potential or provisional PTSD at VHA facilities following their return from Iraq or Afghanistan.

# OEF/OIF/OND Veterans with a Diagnosis of Potential or Provisional PTSD Using VA Facilities

**Table 1: Number and Distribution of Unique OEF/OIF/OND Veterans with Potential or Provisional PTSD Utilizing VA Facilities during FY 2002-3<sup>rd</sup> Qtr FY 2014<sup>1</sup>**

VISN-Facility	Inpatients-Primary <sup>2</sup>	Inpatients-Any <sup>3</sup>	Outpatients-Primary <sup>5</sup>	Outpatients-Any <sup>6</sup>	Total Patients-Primary <sup>5</sup>	Total Patients-Any <sup>6</sup>	Vet Centers-PTSD	Vet Centers-Outreach	Vet Centers-Others	Grand Total <sup>4</sup>
1-BEDFORD	124	397	1,549	1,744	1,561	1,781	235	169	384	1,892
1-BOSTON	312	941	3,452	4,017	3,477	4,157	1,457	212	4,098	4,904
1-MANCHESTER	.	.	1,435	1,636	1,435	1,636	658	57	1,424	1,971
1-NORTHAMPTON	418	510	1,641	1,840	1,720	1,923	443	1,646	976	2,107
1-PROVIDENCE	90	245	1,621	1,794	1,625	1,813	659	167	2,490	2,108
1-TOGUS	90	225	1,779	1,993	1,784	2,007	1,217	1,180	1,146	2,522
1-WEST HAVEN	95	296	3,508	3,732	3,508	3,755	968	324	2,423	4,046
1-WHITE RIVER JCT	85	231	1,362	1,576	1,368	1,608	1,225	309	837	2,360
VISN 1	1,065	2,340	14,178	15,642	14,192	15,754	6,862	4,064	13,778	18,429
2-UPSTATE N.Y. HCS	467	918	7,559	8,344	7,576	8,390	2,153	7,111	9,049	9,379
VISN 2	467	918	7,559	8,344	7,576	8,390	2,153	7,111	9,049	9,379
3-BRONX	84	208	1,460	1,643	1,465	1,671	255	201	186	1,757
3-EAST ORANGE	210	423	3,598	3,962	3,606	3,999	1,890	22,742	1,647	5,153
3-MONTROSE VA HUDSON HCS NY	117	184	1,411	1,511	1,414	1,518	296	99	648	1,652
3-N.Y. HARBOR HCS	98	375	3,240	3,687	3,248	3,730	846	1,302	1,354	4,086
3-NORTHPORT	109	261	1,513	1,719	1,515	1,732	254	36	326	1,788
VISN 3	583	1,332	10,246	11,331	10,264	11,407	3,541	24,380	4,161	13,065
4-BUTLER	.	.	747	848	747	848	.	.	.	848
4-CLARKSBURG	69	196	1,235	1,370	1,239	1,396	280	1,247	426	1,495
4-COATESVILLE	142	325	1,631	1,718	1,650	1,765	.	.	.	1,765
4-ERIE	.	21	837	920	837	922	251	46	369	1,016
4-JAMES E VAN ZANDT VAMC	<sup>1</sup>	38	1,294	1,463	1,294	1,464	182	227	15	1,549
4-LEBANON	89	261	2,015	2,183	2,020	2,203	502	1,234	108	2,416
4-PHILADELPHIA	135	387	3,782	4,249	3,784	4,272	520	659	229	4,473

<sup>1</sup> To protect the privacy of Veterans, frequencies of fewer than 10 individuals are not reported.

<sup>2</sup> The number for "Primary" indicates the total number of unique Veterans whose primary reason for the inpatient or outpatient visit was for treatment or evaluation of PTSD.

<sup>3</sup> The number for "Any" indicates the total number of unique Veterans with PTSD whether or not the primary reasons for the inpatient or outpatient visit was for treatment or evaluation of PTSD.

<sup>4</sup> The number for "Grand Total" (n= 363,926) indicates the sum of "Any Total Patients" (n=337,285) and "Vet Center PTSD" (n=84,077) after excluding duplicates (n=57,436).

OEF/OIF/OND Veterans Coded with Potential or Provisional PTSD

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4-PITTSBURGH-UNIV DR	176	483	1,457	1,751	1,504	1,924	1,016	1,133	694	2,670
4-WILKES BARRE	40	189	1,621	1,845	1,623	1,860	626	1,365	605	2,194
4-WILMINGTON	1	25	1,159	1,273	1,159	1,273	593	1,106	168	1,536
VISN 4	623	1,772	13,825	15,309	13,841	15,439	3,970	7,017	2,614	17,174
5-BALTIMORE	139	323	2,559	2,945	2,570	2,982	753	2,563	444	3,302
5-MARTINSBURG	81	243	2,375	2,493	2,376	2,499	242	177	117	2,567
5-WASHINGTON	95	327	4,107	4,760	4,118	4,808	1,416	2,059	809	5,451
VISN 5	299	829	8,526	9,580	8,541	9,636	2,411	4,799	1,370	10,598
6-ASHEVILLE-OTTEEN	142	285	1,167	1,353	1,177	1,393	.	.	.	1,393
6-BECKLEY	.	21	888	937	888	937	267	29	107	1,019
6-DURHAM	203	397	3,078	3,411	3,085	3,472	1,010	8,210	332	3,960
6-FAYETTEVILLE NC	229	481	5,846	6,752	5,865	6,792	1,432	25,653	617	7,620
6-HAMPTON	117	251	3,262	3,793	3,264	3,812	688	6,111	772	4,168
6-RICHMOND	125	465	3,450	3,990	3,469	4,152	529	1,871	276	4,402
6-SALEM	231	366	1,632	1,858	1,672	1,930	91	12	11	1,944
6-SALISBURY	418	633	4,821	5,721	4,828	5,760	841	3,980	675	6,145
VISN 6	1,363	2,613	21,835	24,782	21,862	24,977	5,346	46,897	3,070	27,560
7-ATLANTA	210	559	5,941	6,616	5,944	6,638	1,074	3,424	324	7,115
7-AUGUSTA	236	522	2,770	3,028	2,787	3,123	.	.	.	3,123
7-BIRMINGHAM	1	263	3,483	3,857	3,483	3,905	514	3,305	215	4,130
7-CHARLESTON	84	353	4,965	5,645	4,969	5,681	1,218	10,063	814	6,235
7-COLUMBIA SC	122	337	4,945	5,397	4,950	5,410	1,015	4,297	347	5,851
7-DUBLIN	.	60	1,950	2,146	1,950	2,148	110	16	87	2,196
7-MONTGOMERY	223	439	4,190	4,713	4,211	4,754	228	90	14	4,808
7-TUSCALOOSA	226	348	1,890	1,961	1,907	1,994	.	.	.	1,994
VISN 7	1,061	2,646	27,377	30,167	27,387	30,281	4,159	21,195	1,801	31,822
8-BAY PINES	169	436	3,264	3,586	3,270	3,613	626	1,754	251	3,795
8-MIAMI	126	365	3,309	3,633	3,318	3,673	981	2,421	1,510	4,126
8-N FL/S GA HCS	139	541	4,862	5,528	4,872	5,577	1,138	5,771	721	6,064
8-ORLANDO FL VAMC	.	.	5,044	5,660	5,044	5,660	989	2,893	407	5,985
8-SAN JUAN PR	113	481	2,163	2,522	2,163	2,544	691	4,389	1,604	2,784
8-TAMPA	206	981	3,613	4,461	3,638	4,790	354	748	314	4,935
8-W PALM BEACH	129	344	1,828	2,046	1,831	2,076	346	496	130	2,175
VISN 8	843	2,975	21,552	24,225	21,567	24,551	5,125	18,472	4,937	26,319
9-HUNTINGTON	.	62	1,123	1,234	1,123	1,237	443	1,507	197	1,506
9-LEXINGTON-LEESTOWN	152	370	2,693	2,953	2,695	2,962	700	653	205	3,219
9-LOUISVILLE	115	427	2,207	2,408	2,213	2,465	227	565	134	2,558
9-MEMPHIS	75	312	1,967	2,322	1,977	2,372	162	2,554	59	2,447
9-MOUNTAIN HOME	168	371	2,270	2,604	2,279	2,636	739	2,030	199	3,037
9-VA MID TENN HCS NASH TN	516	1,185	6,441	7,115	6,463	7,248	1,115	1,232	191	7,679
VISN 9	996	2,592	15,859	17,649	15,890	17,839	3,386	8,541	985	19,269
10-CHILLICOTHE	129	389	1,242	1,395	1,260	1,461	.	.	.	1,461
10-CINCINNATI	159	368	2,503	2,725	2,508	2,765	189	3,080	725	2,831

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10-CLEVELAND-WADE PARK	96	436	3,723	4,133	3,725	4,176	516	2,255	1,761	4,350
10-COLUMBUS-IOC	.	.	1,899	2,166	1,899	2,166	471	89	309	2,395
10-DAYTON	157	381	1,894	2,140	1,910	2,198	143	36	65	2,249
VISN 10	527	1,475	10,338	11,468	10,353	11,565	1,319	5,460	2,860	12,016
11-ANN ARBOR HCS	114	319	2,601	2,955	2,616	3,016	240	223	31	3,111
11-BATTLE CREEK	311	487	2,960	3,265	2,970	3,300	681	1,379	78	3,603
11-DETROIT VAMC	70	283	1,586	2,052	1,599	2,115	584	1,068	99	2,392
11-ILLIANA HCS DANVILLE IL	79	212	1,947	2,254	1,953	2,271	378	1,553	1,501	2,421
11-INDIANAPOLIS-10TH ST	146	352	2,507	2,897	2,523	2,949	158	2,361	408	3,024
11-NORTHERN INDIANA HCS	56	198	1,737	1,962	1,745	1,986	249	1,075	296	2,089
11-SAGINAW	.	29	1,954	2,199	1,954	2,199	211	56	80	2,268
VISN 11	725	1,675	13,623	15,427	13,645	15,532	2,501	7,715	2,493	16,453
12-HINES	137	480	2,849	3,042	2,857	3,108	493	290	242	3,331
12-IRON MOUNTAIN	<sup>1</sup>	17	661	777	661	777	94	155	198	812
12-MADISON	101	331	1,618	1,822	1,630	1,887	897	30,440	1,216	2,648
12-MILWAUKEE	137	437	3,035	3,336	3,041	3,363	451	332	552	3,535
12-NORTH CHICAGO	83	235	1,703	1,999	1,725	2,035	294	919	192	2,232
12-TOMAH	85	207	1,635	1,813	1,639	1,828	156	38	46	1,915
12-VA CHICAGO HCS	144	315	2,066	2,367	2,072	2,396	391	675	671	2,583
VISN 12	632	1,794	12,022	13,352	12,048	13,472	2,860	32,875	3,141	14,891
15-VA HEARTLAND-E VH MO	293	812	5,136	5,772	5,151	5,847	833	3,314	890	6,199
15-VAMC HEARTLAND-W KANSAS MO	914	1,622	8,496	9,565	8,671	9,792	1,085	9,810	1,334	10,242
VISN 15	1,183	2,382	13,380	15,034	13,548	15,302	1,918	13,124	2,224	16,073
16-ALEXANDRIA	123	382	2,229	2,501	2,243	2,562	48	11	<sup>1</sup>	2,577
16-FAYETTEVILLE AR	165	385	2,576	2,775	2,583	2,803	419	171	150	2,992
16-GULF COAST HCS	123	269	3,637	4,066	3,645	4,100	1,154	3,933	226	4,655
16-HOUSTON	660	1,105	6,363	6,899	6,393	6,992	595	800	187	7,206
16-JACKSON	110	256	1,650	1,932	1,658	1,961	294	2,562	239	2,067
16-LITTLE ROCK	469	797	3,894	4,173	3,917	4,231	513	819	623	4,403
16-MUSKOGEE	107	308	2,276	2,452	2,284	2,483	454	19	93	2,695
16-OKLAHOMA CITY	189	510	3,673	4,250	3,693	4,328	661	855	204	4,565
16-SHREVEPORT	176	324	2,276	2,448	2,297	2,489	603	5,746	94	2,827
16-SOUTHEAST LA HCS	<sup>1</sup>	<sup>1</sup>	2,701	3,044	2,701	3,044	761	3,021	374	3,447
VISN 16	1,971	3,909	29,102	32,042	29,155	32,258	5,502	17,937	2,196	34,451
17-DALLAS	287	791	7,915	8,653	7,925	8,700	1,293	1,479	406	9,229
17-SAN ANTONIO	283	803	7,350	8,348	7,360	8,405	2,038	5,550	834	9,386
17-TX VALLEY COASTAL BEND HCS	.	.	2,174	2,535	2,174	2,535	.	.	.	2,535
17-VA CENTRAL TEXAS HCS	529	889	10,147	11,340	10,169	11,385	2,884	43,365	2,702	12,823
VISN 17	1,082	2,429	25,614	28,537	25,644	28,668	6,458	50,480	4,004	31,431
18-AMARILLO HCS	<sup>1</sup>	69	1,532	1,631	1,532	1,636	394	119	164	1,777
18-EL PASO HCS	.	.	2,632	3,232	2,632	3,232	296	6,958	647	3,359
18-NEW MEXICO HCS	149	370	3,301	3,570	3,303	3,591	1,037	646	335	3,969
18-NORTHERN ARIZONA HCS	<sup>1</sup>	17	1,086	1,208	1,086	1,208	285	84	76	1,318



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18-PHOENIX	350	710	6,198	6,830	6,214	6,890	1,192	3,038	326	7,257
18-SOUTHERN ARIZONA HCS	357	616	2,796	3,164	2,820	3,232	549	5,666	1,277	3,497
18-WEST TEXAS HCS	1	12	1,261	1,412	1,261	1,412	262	96	252	1,501
VISN 18	824	1,698	17,592	19,582	17,607	19,674	4,015	16,607	3,077	20,979
19-CHEYENNE	3	20	1,469	1,616	1,469	1,617	556	717	418	1,865
19-DENVER	432	729	7,693	8,902	7,715	8,960	1,764	9,717	1,882	9,577
19-FORT HARRISON	94	206	2,300	2,558	2,303	2,563	870	1,749	493	2,903
19-GRAND JUNCTION	32	64	589	625	589	631	122	1	16	679
19-SALT LAKE CITY HTHCARE	190	508	3,642	4,073	3,645	4,102	873	2,887	1,060	4,470
19-SHERIDAN	170	297	1,047	1,202	1,058	1,220	.	.	.	1,220
VISN 19	858	1,674	15,606	17,661	15,626	17,731	4,185	15,077	3,869	19,231
20-ALASKA HCS & RO	1	1	1,341	1,529	1,341	1,529	1,025	3,068	2,985	2,080
20-BOISE	60	135	1,217	1,476	1,225	1,495	589	776	1,169	1,817
20-PORTLAND	237	613	5,082	5,739	5,088	5,792	1,029	1,361	1,083	6,100
20-PUGET SOUND HCS	573	897	7,958	8,917	8,029	9,012	2,197	10,349	2,977	10,091
20-S.ORG REHAB WHITE CITY	.	.	945	998	945	998	148	64	185	1,047
20-SPOKANE	62	169	1,534	1,764	1,537	1,778	848	935	3,991	2,240
20-VA ROSEBURG HCS	254	285	1,375	1,509	1,445	1,573	491	3,398	613	1,798
20-WALLA WALLA	1	1	1,133	1,294	1,133	1,294	23	14	25	1,299
VISN 20	1,115	1,968	18,848	21,146	18,899	21,243	6,350	19,965	13,028	23,796
21-CENTRAL CALIFORNIA HCS	98	241	1,626	1,851	1,627	1,872	375	1,730	339	2,007
21-HONOLULU	43	91	2,110	2,389	2,114	2,403	586	2,776	3,519	2,655
21-MANILA	.	.	378	426	378	426	.	.	.	426
21-NCHC MARTINEZ	81	254	4,361	5,297	4,368	5,322	1,322	2,407	1,172	5,831
21-PALO ALTO-PALO ALTO	231	706	4,167	4,621	4,199	4,785	874	5,437	1,999	5,100
21-SAN FRANCISCO	52	205	1,875	2,061	1,878	2,120	359	533	614	2,216
21-SIERRA NEVADA HCS	49	158	1,230	1,351	1,232	1,373	228	1,543	175	1,463
VISN 21	534	1,569	14,537	16,474	14,567	16,675	3,744	14,426	7,818	17,903
22-GREATER LA HCS	185	522	5,997	6,916	6,001	6,984	1,324	3,975	2,699	7,509
22-LOMA LINDA	211	706	4,804	5,688	4,811	5,768	1,286	10,212	1,153	6,476
22-VA LONG BEACH HCS CA	134	390	4,679	5,161	4,684	5,199	758	467	1,271	5,616
22-VA SAN DIEGO HCS CA	151	650	7,275	8,373	7,283	8,432	1,436	8,754	4,705	8,999
22-VA SOUTHERN NEVADA HCS	110	280	2,425	2,719	2,436	2,751	446	93	866	2,919
VISN 22	761	2,389	23,441	26,603	23,468	26,778	5,250	23,501	10,694	28,782
23-FARGO	54	145	1,570	1,860	1,571	1,865	468	1,771	398	2,036
23-FORT MEADE	32	83	904	997	904	1,001	150	877	165	1,066
23-MINNEAPOLIS	70	420	2,605	3,121	2,610	3,215	747	1,994	654	3,628
23-SIOUX FALLS	26	133	962	1,125	962	1,136	490	1,580	1,558	1,370
23-ST CLOUD	70	235	1,912	2,011	1,914	2,021	.	.	.	2,021
23-VA NEB-WESTERN IA HCS	268	796	6,647	7,274	6,652	7,320	1,167	3,578	1,531	7,649

VISN-Facility	Inpatients- Primary <sup>2</sup>	Inpatients- Any <sup>3</sup>	Outpatients -Primary <sup>5</sup>	Outpatients- Any <sup>6</sup>	Total Patients- Primary <sup>5</sup>	Total Patients- Any <sup>6</sup>	Vet Centers- PTSD	Vet Centers- Outreach	Vet Centers- Others	Grand Total <sup>4</sup>
VISN 23 <sup>5</sup>	503	1,726	13,394	14,979	13,399	15,081	3,022	9,800	4,306	16,200
Unique Counts	17,174	39,670	303,925	335,737	304,163	337,285	84,077	369,443	101,475	363,926

<sup>5</sup> In 2002, VA merged VISNs 13 and 14 to form VISN 23.