

Vermont Mental Health Performance Indicator Project
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TO: Vermont Mental Health Performance Indicator Project
Advisory Group and Interested Parties

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RE: Veterans Served by Substance Abuse or Adult Outpatient Programs
FY2000 - FY2006

Last year at this time, we observed Veteran's Day by distributing a brief report that compared Veterans and others served by adult mental health and substance abuse programs in Vermont during FY2005.¹ This year we examined the overall representation of veterans on the caseloads of Substance Abuse or Adult Mental Health Outpatient Programs during each fiscal year from 2000 through 2006, a period marked by a substantial increase in the involvement of Vermont residents in military combat. The information provided in this report is based on analysis of Monthly Service Report (MSR) data provided to DMH by designated community agencies.

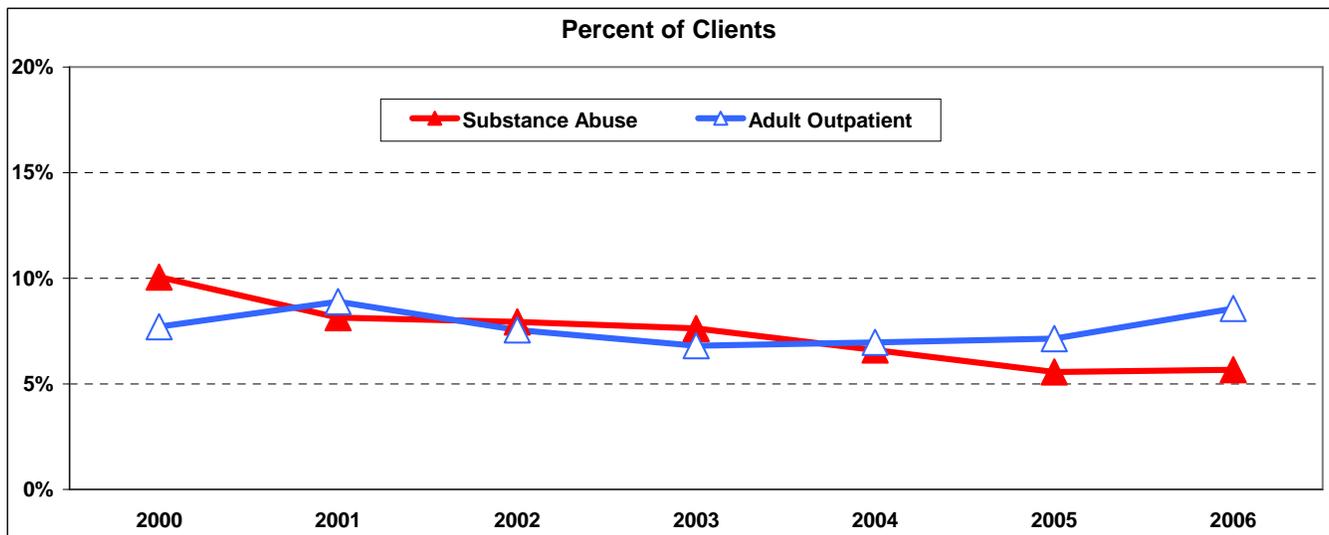
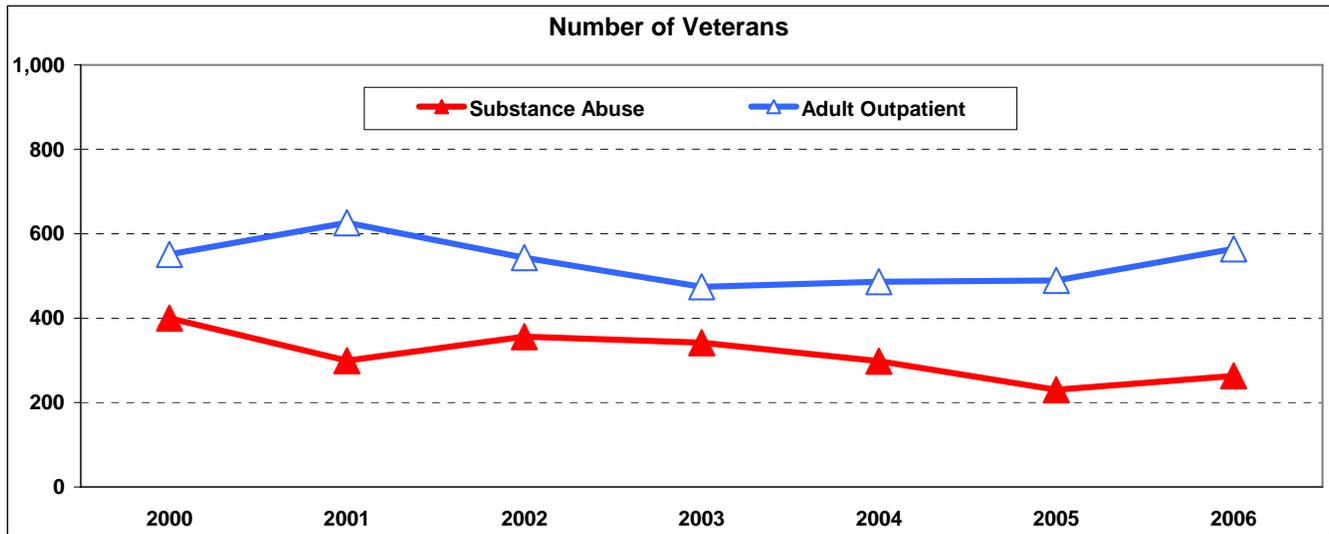
As you will see, the numbers of veterans served by Substance Abuse Programs in designated agencies ranged from 400 in FY2000 to 230 in FY2005. The proportion of SA service recipients who were veterans varied between 6% and 10% of all individuals served by SA Programs.

Adult Outpatient Programs served substantially more veterans throughout the period under examination with the number served ranging from 626 in FY2001 to 474 in FY2003. The proportion of AOP service recipients who were veterans ranged from 7% to 9% during the study period.

We look forward to your questions and comments about these findings, and your suggestions for further analyses that focus on the participation of veterans in Vermont's mental health and substance abuse service delivery system. Please contact us any time at 802.863.7249 or pip@vdh.state.vt.us.

¹ <http://healthvermont.gov/mh/docs/pips/2005/pip111105.pdf>

Veteran Status of Clients Assigned to Substance Abuse or Adult Outpatient Programs FY2000 - 2006



	Fiscal Year						
	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006
Total SA Clients	3,979	3,677	4,490	4,488	4,510	4,135	4,642
Veterans	# 400	299	356	342	298	230	263
	% 10%	8%	8%	8%	7%	6%	6%
Total AOP Clients	7,155	7,043	7,191	6,962	6,981	6,844	6,587
Veterans	# 551	626	543	474	486	489	564
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