

Vermont Mental Health Performance Indicator Project

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RE: Veterans Served Before, During, and After Deployment of
VT National Guard Troops to Afghanistan

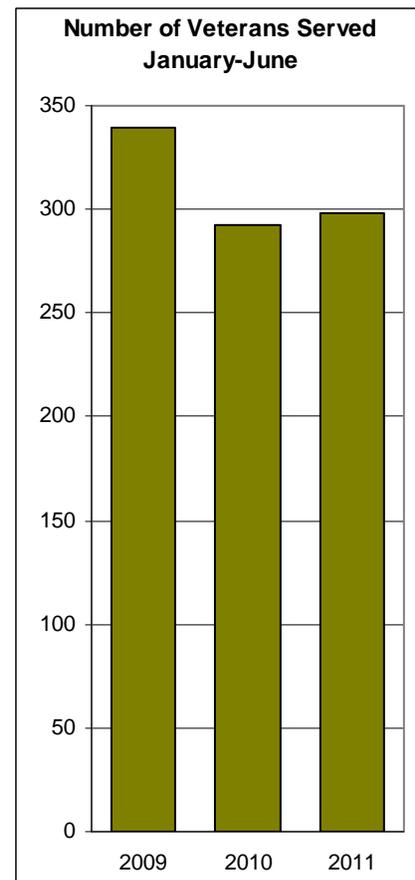
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This week's PIP provides information regarding the number of armed forces veterans who were served by Community Mental Health Adult Outpatient (AOP) and Substance Abuse (SA) programs from January through June 2009 (the year before 1,500 Vermont National Guard troops were deployed to Afghanistan), 2010, (the year during which these troops were in Afghanistan), and 2011, (the year after these troops returned from Afghanistan). This report complements the long-term overview of veterans' utilization of Vermont's Community Mental Health Center Adult Outpatient (AOP) and Substance Abuse (SA) programs that we distributed last week.¹

This report, like the previous report, is based on analysis of data regarding veteran status that are submitted to the Department of Mental Health as part of the State's Monthly Service Report (MSR) data reporting system.

As you will see, utilization of mental health and substance abuse service was somewhat higher during the pre-deployment period (339 veterans served) than during the deployment period (292 veterans served) or the post-deployment period (298 veterans served).

We look forward to your questions, comments, and interpretation of these findings, and your suggestions for further analyses, by e-mail (pip@state.vt.us) or by phone (802.828.1703).



Previous reports in this series are available at: <http://mentalhealth.vermont.gov/report/pip/topic#veterans>

¹ http://mentalhealth.vermont.gov/sites/dmh/files/pip/DMH-PIP_Nov_11_2011.pdf

Veteran Utilization of Adult Outpatient and Substance Abuse Services January-June 2009, 2010, and 2011

2009 - Before Deployment

Total Served #	8,250
Veterans #	339
%	4.1%

2010 - During Deployment

Total Served #	8,185
Veterans #	292
%	3.6%

2011 - After Deployment

Total Served #	8,132
Veterans #	298
%	3.7%

Analysis based on Monthly Service Report (MSR) data submitted to the Vermont Department of Mental Health for January-June during 2009, 2010, and 2011. Includes adults age 18 and over served by Adult Mental Health Outpatient (AOP) and Substance Abuse (SA) programs.

This analysis includes updated veteran status information for one designated agency.