

THE DEPARTMENT OF  
VETERANS' AFFAIRS

Annual Statistics

2004 - 2005

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**MISSION**

The mission of the Department of Veterans' Affairs is to provide assistance to Nebraska's veterans and their dependents in acquiring county, state, and federal benefits to which they are entitled by virtue of their service to this country.

- Administer state benefit programs for qualified Nebraska veterans and their eligible dependents.
- Prepare and present cases on state and federal benefits for qualified Nebraska veterans and their eligible dependents before the United States Department of Veterans Affairs.
- Serve as an advocate for the veteran's position on all issues, legislative or otherwise, that impact their benefits.

**STATUTORY AUTHORITY**

The Nebraska Department of Veterans Affairs duties and organization are outlined in:

Article 3, Chapter 80, Section 305-308  
 Article 4, Chapter 80, Section 401-412  
 Article 9, Chapter 80, Section 901-903  
 Article 13, Chapter 12, Section 1301

The agency also has a complete set of Rules and Regulations on file with the Secretary of State.

**GENERAL FUND APPROPRIATION FOR 2004 – 2005**

LB1089	\$718,329	Program 036	Departmental Administration
	\$ 5,600	Program 037	Veterans' Cemeteries

## NEBRASKA VETERANS' AID FUND

Nebraska Investment Council's Principal Investment of Nebraska Veterans' Aid Fund as of June 30, 2005:

### Value of Investments

Fixed	15,104,744.68	48.60%
Equity	11,767,664.04	37.87%
International	<u>4,203,673.85</u>	<u>13.53 %</u>
Total	31,076,082.57	100.00 %

<b>TABLE I</b>
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Accumulated earnings available for distribution to needy applicants on July 1, 2004:

Short-Term Investment Pool	\$392,976.60
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<b>TABLE II</b>
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Accumulated earnings available for distribution to needy applicants on July 1, 2005:

Short-Term Investment Pool	\$1,067,634.98
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<b>TABLE III</b>
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This table shows the monthly income during Fiscal Year 2004-2005.

	Amount Available for Aid July 1, 2004	\$ 392,976.60
2004	July Receipts	\$ 1,090.53
	August “	948.96
	September “	779.10
	October “	335,721.55
	November “	198,418.36
	December “	1,754.28
2005	January Receipts	\$ 1,834.47
	February “	374,671.55
	March “	1,974.72
	April “	2,430.42
	May “	587,496.27
	June “	3,342.33
	TOTAL	\$ 1,510,462.54
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	TOTAL AVAILABLE	\$ 1,903,439.14
	Less Amount Expended for Aid During 2004-2005 (Table V)	- 835,804.16
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	AMOUNT AVAILABLE FOR AID JULY 1, 2005	\$ 1,067,634.98

<b>TABLE IV</b>
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This table shows the monthly withdrawals for aid to veterans during 2004-2005.

2004	July Withdrawals	\$ 65,535.66
	August “	54,077.67
	September “	60,234.48
	October “	57,280.91
	November “	65,880.26
	December “	78,162.68
2005	January Withdrawals	\$ 76,917.65
	February “	58,897.89
	March “	103,915.11
	April “	57,045.51
	May “	87,971.83
	June “	79,644.73
	Total	\$ 845,564.38
	Less Credits	\$ 9,760.22
	TOTAL WITHDRAWALS FOR AID TO VETERANS	\$ 835,804.16

TABLE V

Report of action taken on applications for Nebraska Veterans' Aid 2004-2005

APPLICATIONS	WW I VETERANS	WWII VETERANS	KOREAN VETERANS	VIETNAM VETERANS	LEBANON VETERANS	GRENADA VETERANS	PANAMA VETERANS	GULF VETERANS	PEACE TIME	TOTAL
BEGIN BAL FY 2004	0	5	4	16	3	2	1	1	6	38
RECEIVED DURING YEAR	0	121	87	588	111	11	71	95	220	1304
REOPENED	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
APPROVED	0	90	60	397	70	10	49	61	153	890
DISAPPROVED	0	21	28	168	36	1	15	26	53	348
PENDING END YEAR	0	9	1	24	3	1	1	6	6	51
CANCELED	0	7	1	19	1	1	6	5	11	51
OF THOSE APPROVED										
MAINTENANCE	0	21	15	317	65	9	46	59	110	642
MEDICAL	0	22	16	23	1	0	1	0	16	79
FUNERAL	0	47	29	57	4	1	2	2	27	169

New Applications Received: 528

Apps Originated From Post: 0

TABLE VI

Average Allowance Per Claim:

1961 - 1962	\$100.07
1966 - 1967	\$133.85
1971 - 1972	\$169.95
1976 - 1977	\$168.62
1977 - 1978	\$199.44
1978 - 1979	\$229.02
1979 - 1980	\$250.46
1980 - 1981	\$258.71
1981 - 1982	\$285.71
1982 - 1983	\$306.16
1983 - 1984	\$330.86
1984 - 1985	\$361.01
1985 - 1986	\$381.50
1986 - 1987	\$392.16
1987 - 1988	\$402.98
1988 - 1989	\$449.31
1989 - 1990	\$498.88
1990 - 1991	\$518.14
1991 - 1992	\$512.04
1992 - 1993	\$544.97
1993 - 1994	\$593.65
1994 - 1995	\$624.87
1995 - 1996	\$680.07
1996 - 1997	\$683.74
1997 - 1998	\$823.48
1998 - 1999	\$825.54
1999 - 2000	\$904.62
2000 - 2001	\$951.85
2001 - 2002	\$926.00
2002 - 2003	\$963.14
2003 - 2004	\$956.34
2004 - 2005	\$950.07

TABLE VII IS NOT AVAILABLE IN FY 2004 - 2005

Table VIII

NVA Fund Disbursement by County 2004-2005

#	county	county total	#	county	county total
14	ADAMS	\$ 19,345.00	33	JEFFERSON	\$ 5,931.47
26	ANTELOPE	\$ 8,743.88	57	JOHNSON	\$ -
91	ARTHUR	\$ -	52	KEARNEY	\$ 267.59
85	BANNER	\$ -	68	KEITH	\$ 2,229.00
86	BLAINE	\$ -	82	KEYA PAHA	\$ -
23	BOONE	\$ -	71	KIMBALL	\$ -
65	BOX BUTTE	\$ -	12	KNOX	\$ 6,042.47
63	BOYD	\$ -	2	LANCASTER	\$ 123,870.14
75	BROWN	\$ 1,728.28	15	LINCOLN	\$ 20,350.69
9	BUFFALO	\$ 15,609.35	87	LOGAN	\$ -
31	BURT	\$ 3,132.00	88	LOUP	\$ -
25	BUTLER	\$ 2,950.00	7	MADISON	\$ 27,114.35
20	CASS	\$ 14,199.57	90	MCPHERSON	\$ -
13	CEDAR	\$ 1,680.00	46	MERRICK	\$ 2,149.19
72	CHASE	\$ 3,658.70	64	MORRILL	\$ -
66	CHERRY	\$ 2,805.75	58	NANCE	\$ 7,353.69
39	CHEYENNE	\$ -	44	NEMAHA	\$ -
30	CLAY	\$ 2,520.00	42	NUCKOLLS	\$ 480.00
43	COLFAX	\$ 1,956.10	11	OTOE	\$ 4,738.77
24	CUMING	\$ 5,013.00	54	PAWNEE	\$ 4,500.00
4	CUSTER	\$ 1,399.81	74	PERKINS	\$ -
70	DAKOTA	\$ 5,604.23	37	PHELPS	\$ 7,890.52
69	DAWES	\$ 703.08	40	PIERCE	\$ 2,805.00
18	DAWSON	\$ 965.64	10	PLATTE	\$ 10,536.06
78	DEUEL	\$ -	41	POLK	\$ 2,446.51
35	DIXON	\$ -	48	RED WILLOW	\$ 469.00
5	DODGE	\$ 17,165.58	19	RICHARDSON	\$ 378.46
1	DOUGLAS	\$ 271,011.45	81	ROCK	\$ -
76	DUNDY	\$ 1,000.00	22	SALINE	\$ 3,761.88
34	FILLMORE	\$ 1,282.47	59	SARPY	\$ 52,678.32
50	FRANKLIN	\$ 15.42	6	SAUNDERS	\$ 1,460.10
60	FRONTIER	\$ -	21	SCOTTS BLUFF	\$ 33,634.61
38	FURNAS	\$ 605.00	16	SEWARD	\$ 2,857.95
3	GAGE	\$ 13,008.52	61	SHERIDAN	\$ 10,219.65
77	GARDEN	\$ 2,541.39	56	SHERMAN	\$ -
83	GARFIELD	\$ -	80	SIOUX	\$ -
73	GOSPER	\$ 2,445.00	53	STANTON	\$ 4,395.64
92	GRANT	\$ -	32	THAYER	\$ 2,082.32
62	GREELEY	\$ -	89	THOMAS	\$ -
8	HALL	\$ 60,535.73	55	THURSTON	\$ 8,230.98
28	HAMILTON	\$ 3,032.58	47	VALLEY	\$ -
51	HARLAN	\$ -	29	WASHINGTON	\$ 2,842.15
79	HAYES	\$ -	27	WAYNE	\$ 483.00
67	HITCHCOCK	\$ -	45	WEBSTER	\$ 60.00
36	HOLT	\$ 9,457.00	84	WHEELER	\$ -
93	HOOKER	\$ -	17	YORK	\$ 4,397.12
49	HOWARD	\$ 5,033.00			\$ -
					\$ 835,804.16

**TABLE IX**

Earnings and Expenditures to Needy Veterans from 1921 to June 30, 2005.

<b>FISCAL YEAR</b>	<b>NET INCOME FROM INVESTMENTS &amp; OTHER</b>	<b>EXPENDED FOR AID TO VETERANS</b>
1921-1971	\$7,653,918.98	\$6,704,421.65
1971-1972	490,396.50	566,678.18
1972-1973	503,356.38	563,922.34
1973-1974	527,091.71	674,250.90
1974-1975	490,910.24	809,642.51
1975-1976	526,142.96	670,112.08
1976-1977	631,444.30	561,847.51
1977-1978	716,470.64	611,754.62
1978-1979	813,409.69	669,776.65
1979-1980	880,716.94	760,643.56
1980-1981	921,354.89	875,404.36
1981-1982	1,042,882.32	956,136.74
1982-1983	1,008,931.32	1,096,673.37
1983-1984	980,267.09	975,710.54
1984-1985	964,394.34	1,029,916.87
1985-1986	1,077,417.14	1,137,889.73
1986-1987	1,049,000.57	978,974.23
1987-1988	982,040.03	875,157.94
1988-1989	946,037.86	846,603.70
1989-1990	1,078,694.23	898,159.51
1990-1991	1,084,870.97	963,845.57
1991-1992	1,093,368.24	873,458.69
1992-1993	1,069,455.69	893,111.20
1993-1994	1,039,318.86	903,947.92
1994-1995	1,065,978.54	910,679.62
1995-1996	1,138,396.60	945,238.21
1996-1997	1,060,387.93	1,083,710.62
1997-1998	1,089,848.19	1,303,995.46
1998-1999	1,075,403.31	1,326,705.33
1999-2000	1,143,104.11	1,387,251.99
2000-2001	1,248,916.46	1,503,356.31
2001-2002	1,004,949.56	1,353,929.44
2002-2003	968,257.14	1,214,381.21
2003-2004	910,995.04	957,143.61
2004-2005	1,510,462.54	835,804.16
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>39,787,871.31</b>	<b>38,720,236.33</b>

<b>TABLE X</b>
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**JULY 1, 2004 TO JUNE 30, 2005**

**NEBRASKA VETERANS HOME**

Applications Received	327
Pending from June 30, 2006	18
Total Acted Upon	331
Approved	310
Disapproved	12
Canceled	9
Pending	14

**WAIVER OF TUITION**

Applications Received	335
Pending from June 30, 2004	5
Total Acted Upon	330
Approved	315
Disapproved	14
Canceled	1
Pending	11

**TUITION CREDIT FOR ACTIVE RESERVISTS**

Applications Received	37
Applications Acted Upon	37

**DISCHARGES**

Discharges on File June 30, 2004	704,176
Discharges Received and Filed During FY 2005	3,036
Discharges on File June 30, 2005	707,212
Requests for Discharges	2,524

**GRAVE REGISTRATION CARDS**

Grave Registrations on File June 30, 2004	76,535
Grave Registrations Received During FY 2005	1,903
Grave Registrations on File June 30, 2005	78,438
Grave Registration Requests	0

**MISC.**

Governor's Welcome Home Letters	1,272
Presentation of High School Diplomas to WWII & Korean Veterans (Operation Recognition)	17

<b>TABLE XI</b>
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**STATE SERVICE DIVISION**

Report on claims adjudicated by the Veterans' Administration during Fiscal Year  
2004 - 2005 on which the State Service Division held Power of Attorney.

CLAIMS APPROVED	10,013	
HEARINGS	91	
CLAIMS FILED	5,159	
RATINGS RECEIVED	6,360	
	<u>FAVORABLE</u>	<u>UNFAVORABLE</u>
<b>DISABILITY BENEFITS:</b>		
Compensation	4,329	1,434
Pension	1,373	175
<b>DEATH BENEFITS:</b>		
Death Indem. Comp.	106	111
Pension	289	116
Insurance	0	0
Burial	167	0
<b>OTHER BENEFITS:</b>		
Voc. Rehab. & Ed.	501	0
Waivers	60	59
<b>CONFIRMED &amp; CONTINUED:</b>		
Without Reduction	3,188	0
Reduced Amt. Conserved	0	519
TOTAL	10,013	2,414
 POWER OF ATTORNEY	 3,837	