



2015 Pension Rates:

Maximum Available Pension Resource

Veteran w/o spouse	\$1072
Widow/Widower	\$719
Veteran with spouse	\$1404
Widow/Widower HB	\$879
Veteran HB w/o spouse	\$1310
Widow/Widower A&A	\$1150
Veteran HB with spouse	\$1642
Veteran A&A w/o spouse	\$1788
Veteran A&A with spouse	\$2120

Limits on Net Worth

(These are not statutory amounts)

- \$80,000 (approx.) for a married couple
- \$50,000 (approx.) for a single Veteran or Surviving Spouse

Excluded Assets

- House
- Car
- Personal Possessions
- Single Premium Immediate Annuity
- Assets in an Irrevocable Trust



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Veteran Benefits

*Helping you navigate through
the non-service connected pension
benefit to help pay for long-term care.*



Veteran's Benefits

There are many benefits available to Veterans. The most common benefits received are Compensation and Pension. Compensation is a benefit for Veteran's who have a service-connected disability. The pension benefit is for any Veteran or a surviving spouse of a veteran who has medical expenses that offset their income below the income rate specified by the VA.

Eligibility Requirements:

- Served at least 90 days active duty. (There are some exceptions)
- One day was during wartime: WWII, Korea, Vietnam
- Must have an Honorable/Medical discharge/General discharge
- Surviving spouse requirements—must be the unremarried surviving spouse of a Veteran who met the above requirements.

Periods of Service (wartime)

- WWII: 07 DEC 1941 – 31 DEC 1946
- Korea: 27 JUN 1950 – 31 JAN 1955
- Vietnam: 05 AUG 1964 – 07 MAY 1975 (28 FEB 1961 if they physically served in Vietnam)
- Persian Gulf: 02 AUG 1990 - (TBD/open ended)

Financial Requirements:

- Must have medical expenses that offset income
- Based on total household income and assets

Age and Medical Criteria:

- Unable to work due to disability and/or are age 65 or older
- Deductible medical expenses include: Medicare premiums, in home care, adult day care, and nursing home/assisted living expenses.

Pensions Available : Basic, Housebound, and Aid and Attendance

- Aid and Attendance – means the individual requires assistance with their activities of daily living including the inability to dress/undress, requires assistance transferring, inability to bathe oneself, requires medication reminders.
- Housebound – Substantially confined ...to his/her house/immediate premises for reasons that are likely to continue throughout his/her lifetime.

How Does One Qualify?

- Gross Household Income
- Out of Pocket Medical Expenses
- Income Counted by the VA
- Low household assets

Once you determine the income that is counted by the VA, you subtract that number from the Maximum Available Pension Resource to find the pension amount.