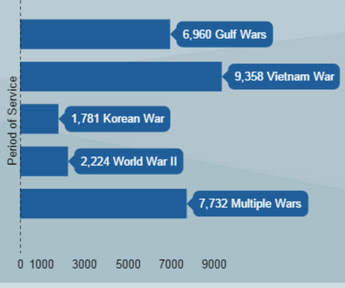
Honoring DC Veterans 2015

Veterans Day originated as "Armistice Day" on Nov. 11, 1919, the first anniversary marking the end of World War I. Congress passed a resolution in 1926 for an annual observance, and Nov. 11 became a national holiday beginning in 1938. President Dwight Eisenhower signed legislation in 1954 to change the name to Veterans Day as a way to honor those who served in all American wars. The day honors military veterans with parades and speeches across the nation. A national ceremony takes place at the Tomb of the Unknowns at Arlington National Cemetery in Arlington, Va. As of 2014 the District of Columbia had 28,055 veterans.

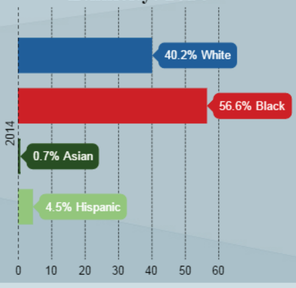
Data Source: U.S. Census Bureau, American Community Survey (ACS), 2014 1-year Estimates

DC's Veterans Period of Service

Total living veterans in the District of Columbia 2014: **28,055**



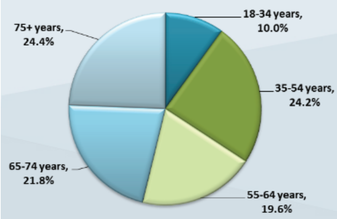
DC's Veterans by Race and Ethnicity: 2014



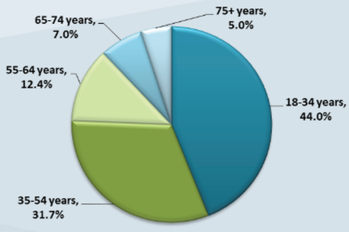
12.8% of DC's veterans were females.

18.6% of DC's veterans had a service connected disability.

DC's Veterans by Age Group



DC's Non-veterans by Age Group



The individual median income for DC's veterans was **$49,419**

Veteran: male **$47,945**

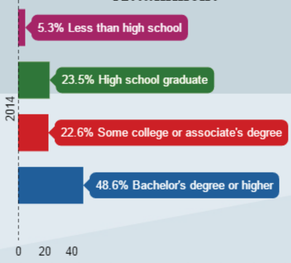
Veteran: female **$68,906**

The individual median income for DC's non-veterans was **$40,130**

Non-veteran: male **$44,406**

Non-veteran: female **$34,341**

DC's Veterans by Educational Attainment



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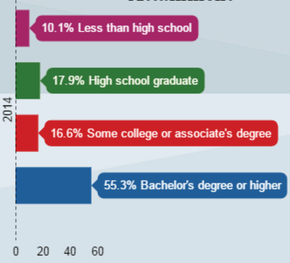

*Educational attainment was based on the District's population 25 years and older. Veterans 25+ were 27,700 and Non-veterans 25+ were 433,607.

The Marine Corps War Memorial

The Korean War Veterans Memorial

The Vietnam Women's Memorial

The World War II Memorial

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