

Indiana CHE CPSI Lunch and Learn

Veteran's Data Sources

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1. USA FACTS

This data source is a common one researcher's will utilize in support of looking at community profiles where population demographics are useful when developing strategic plans, community asset mapping, labor analysis, economic trends, higher education target populations and others.

The data is over a year old, last updated October 2023rd, was hoping there wouldn't be a delay for the 2024 data upload refresh but unfortunately there is.

Some facts of interest:

- In 2022, 325,180.0 veterans lived in Indiana.
- In 2022, 22.30% of Indiana veterans older than 25 had a bachelor's degree compared with 30.10% of the nonveteran population.
- Indiana has the 18th-highest veteran population.

This site supports some interesting veteran demographics as well, such as the Vietnam War era is Indiana's highest populated period of service with 114,1K and the least populated period of service being World War II veterans at 2.4K

2. Military State Policy Source or Military ONESOURCE

This is an official Defense Department website which also supports veteran demographic data for the states. This site

For example:

Indiana state residents include:

- 3,336 active-duty service members
- 1,441 active-duty spouses
- 3,131 active-duty children
- 21,950 National Guard and reserve members
- 9,622 National Guard and reserve spouses
- 16,601 National Guard and reserve children Data source: DMDC, Dec. 31, 2023.

At the bottom of this site page, you may click on Data, Research and Statistics and further access recent veteran data for your State and communities. The Defense Department regularly surveys service members and their families to better understand how they experience military life.

3. Education Connection

This site supports veterans in locating military friendly colleges in Indiana based on the total amount Post 9/11 GI Bill benefits awarded in 2022-2023 academic year. All the data is cited from the National Center for Education Statistics. Many of the colleges take part in the Yellow Ribbon Program. The colleges and the VA pay the tuition fees not paid by GI Bill.