

**Veteran Population,
VA and VISN Expenditure Data,
MVAD Regional Data**

Briefing Packet

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Fast Facts:
Montana Population

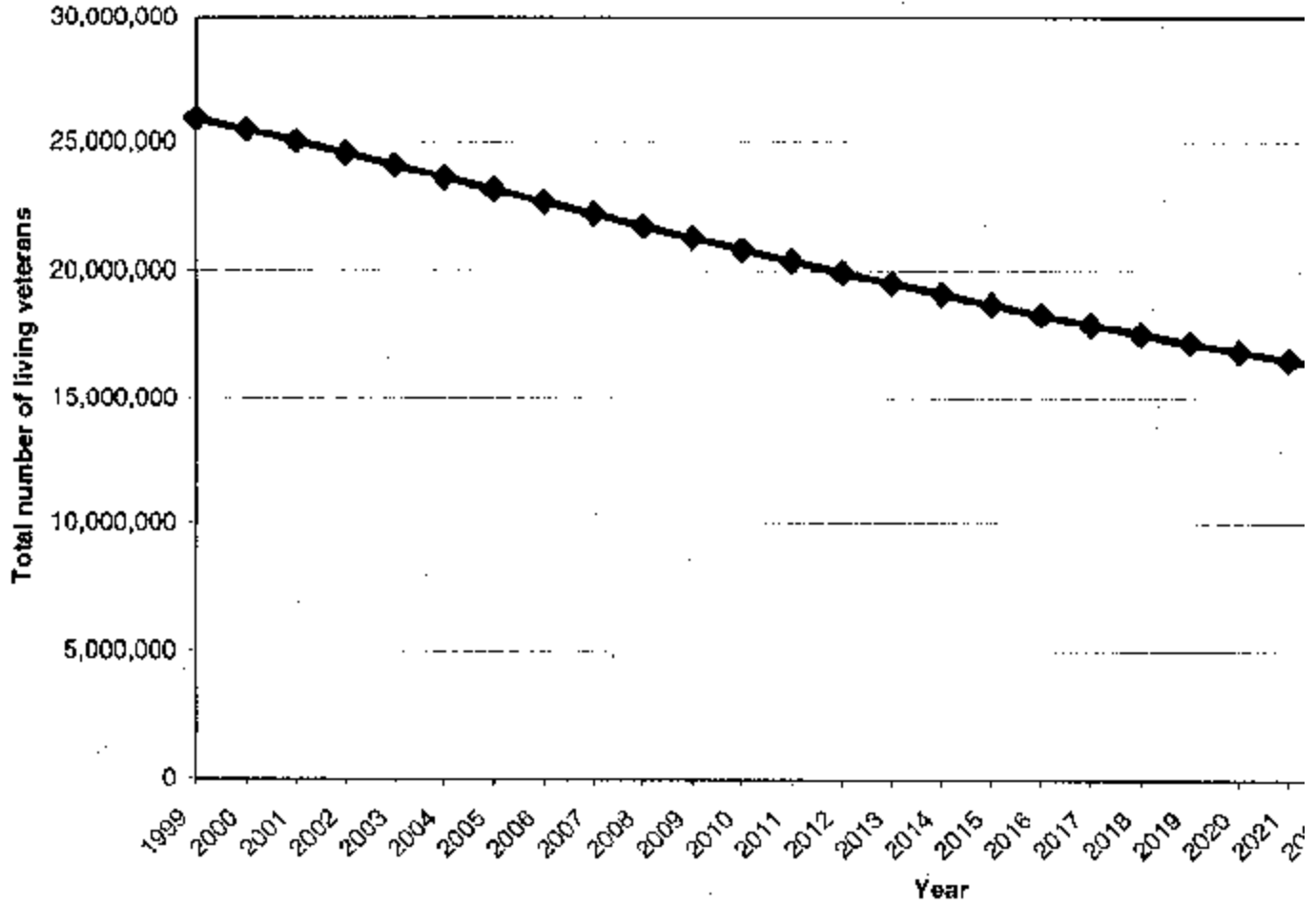
- Montana Ranks 10th in Number of Veterans Per Capita
- 11.8% of Montana's total population are veterans, about 106,000
- Highest total number of veterans are in Yellowstone, Cascade, M
Lewis & Clark, and Gallatin Counties, respectively.
- Highest concentrations of veterans are in Lincoln, Sanders, Vall
and Wheatland Counties.
- Total Veteran population is declining, but Montana ranks 42nd in
*(pre 9/11/01)
- Most are Vietnam-era, almost 37,000
- More total Vietnam, Peacetime, and Gulf War veterans than WW
- Most veterans are between 50 years and 65 years of age

Montana's Total Veteran Population By County: 2000
Sorted highest to lowest

County	Vet Pop	Total Pop	Vets as % of Total	County	Vet Pop	Total Pop
Yellowstone	14,838	129,352	11.5%	Madison	833	6,850
Cascade	10,757	80,357	13.4%	Teton	769	6,440
Missoula	10,096	95,802	10.5%	Chouteau	743	5,970
Flathead	9,139	74,471	12.3%	Pondera	712	6,440
Lewis and Clark	7,071	55,716	12.7%	Blaine	691	7,000
Gallatin	6,735	67,831	9.9%	Musselshell	645	4,490
Ravalli	4,964	36,070	13.8%	Broadwater	587	4,360
Silver Bow	4,495	34,606	13.0%	Mineral	579	3,860
Lake	3,127	26,507	11.8%	Phillips	539	4,600
Lincoln	2,637	18,837	14.0%	Toole	532	5,260
Hill	1,880	16,673	11.3%	Sheridan	450	4,100
Park	1,671	15,694	10.6%	Sweet Grass	417	3,600
Custer	1,485	11,696	12.7%	Granite	352	2,830
Sanders	1,463	10,227	14.3%	Wheatland	344	2,250
Fergus	1,383	11,893	11.6%	Fallon	303	2,830
Jefferson	1,246	10,049	12.4%	Judith Basin	298	2,320
Beaverhead	1,237	9,202	13.4%	Liberty	257	2,150
Deer Lodge	1,212	9,417	12.9%	Meagher	238	1,930
Roosevelt	1,157	10,620	10.9%	Daniels	215	2,010
Carbon	1,127	9,552	11.8%	Powder River	214	1,850
Big Horn	1,121	12,671	8.8%	McCone	203	1,970
Valley	1,082	7,675	14.1%	Carter	147	1,360
Glacier	1,079	13,247	8.1%	Prairie	132	1,190
Powell	1,074	7,180	15.0%	Treasure	109	860
Rosebud	1,009	9,383	10.8%	Golden Valley	106	1,040
Stillwater	1,000	8,195	12.2%	Garfield	93	1,270
Dawson	976	9,059	10.8%	Wibaux	83	1,060
Richland	874	9,667	9.0%	Petroleum	44	490
TOTALS				106,570	902,190	

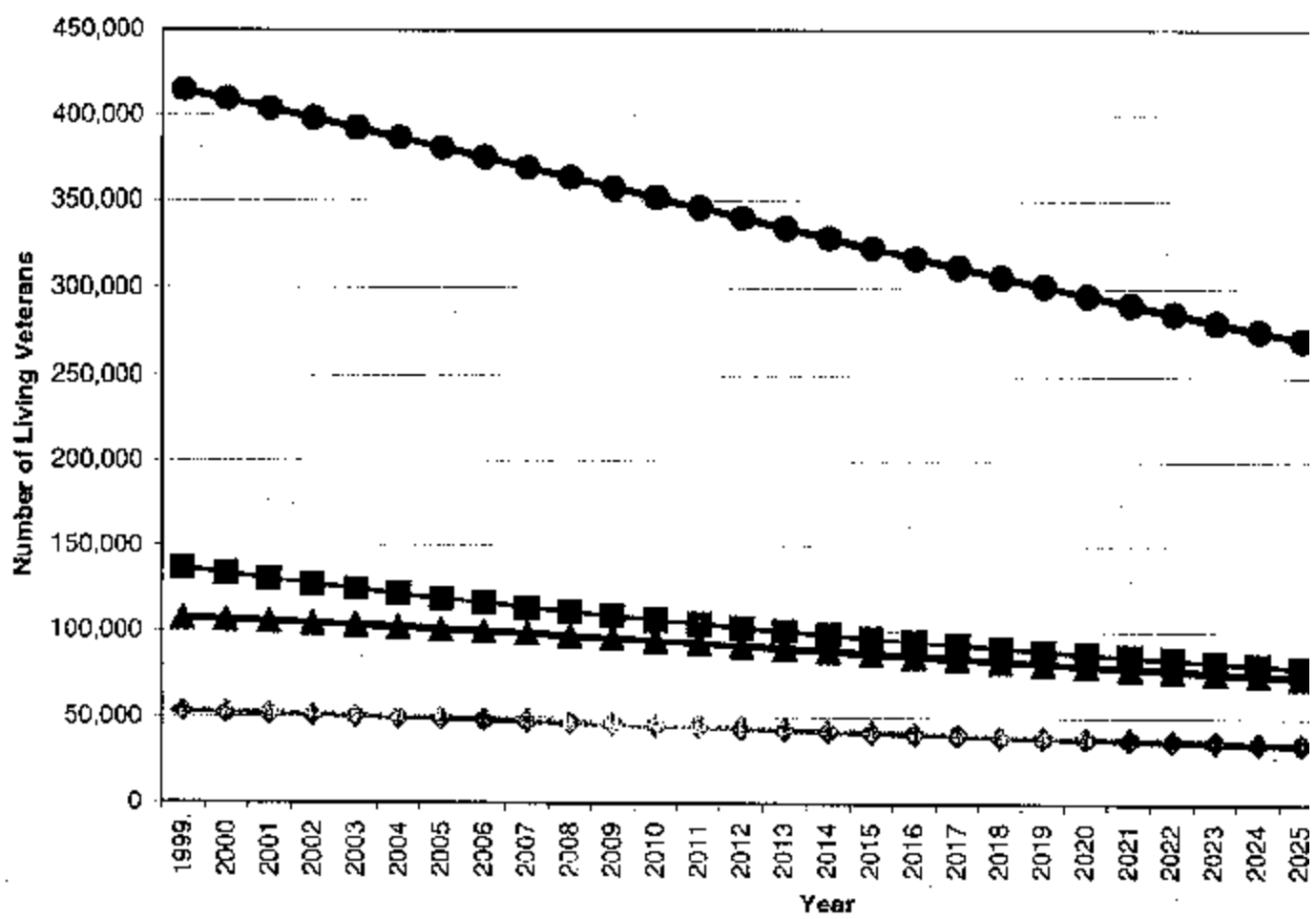
National Population Projection: 1999 to 2029
***(Pre 9/11/01)**

Source: U.S. Dept. of Veterans' Affairs VetPop2000
Chart by Sheri Heffellinger, Montana Legislative Services Division
(Projections.xls - Chart 1)



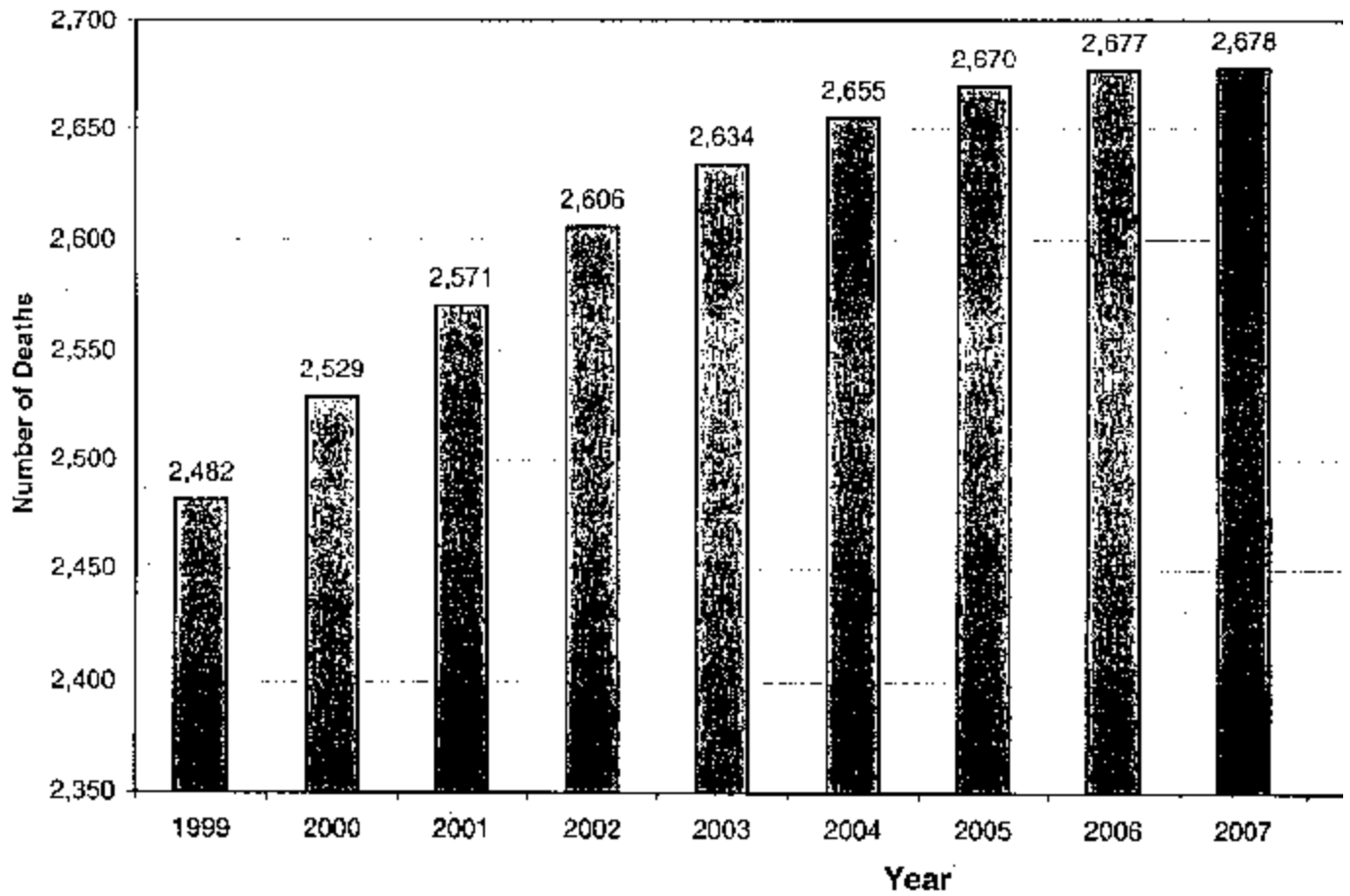
VISN 19 Population Projection: 1999-2029
***(Pre 9/11/01)**

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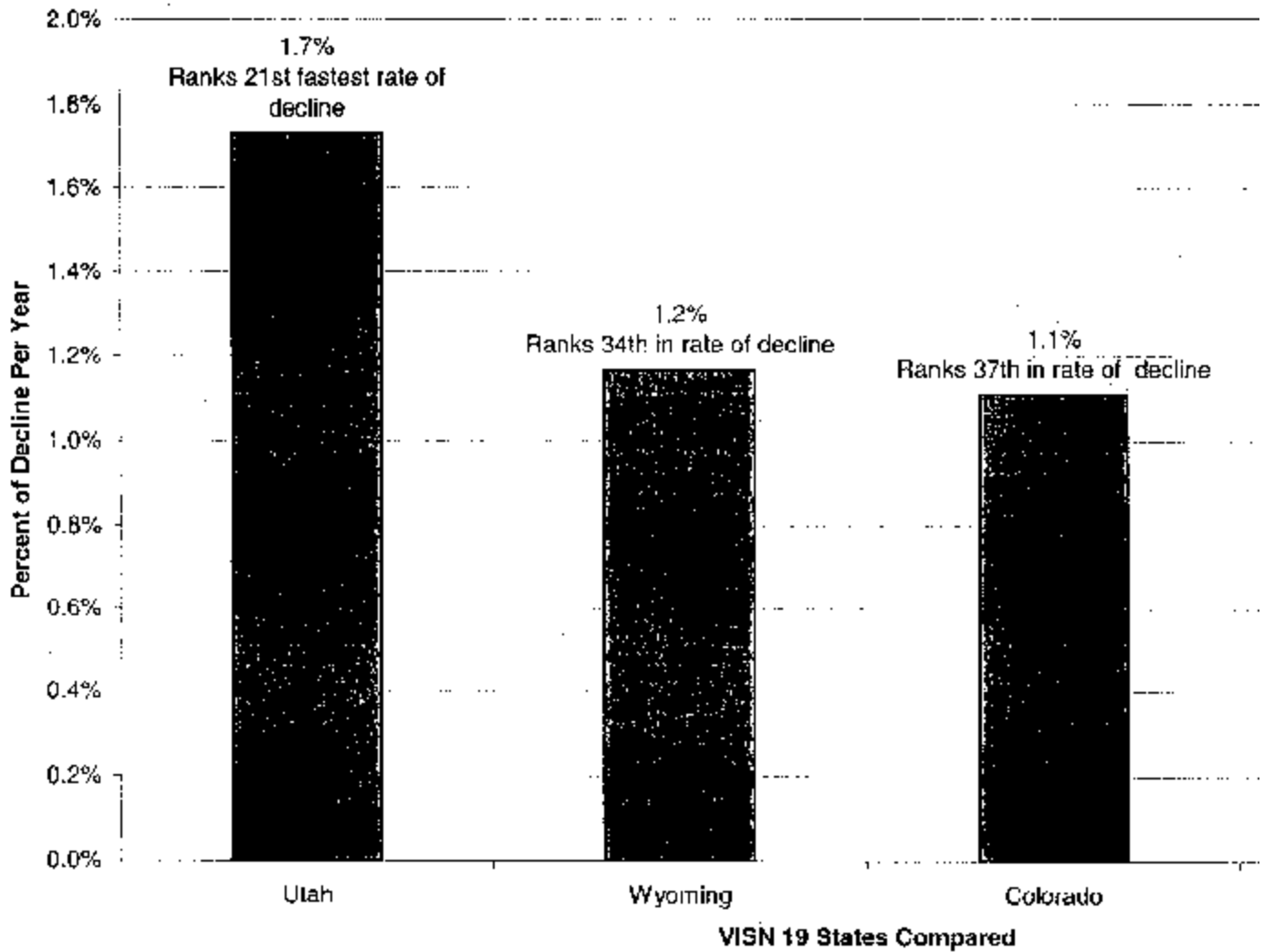


**Number of Veteran Deaths In Montana
1999 Projected Through 2010**

Source: VetPop2000, U.S. Dept. of Veterans' Affairs
Chart by Sheri Helfellinger, Montana Legislative Services Division
(MT_Deaths.xls)

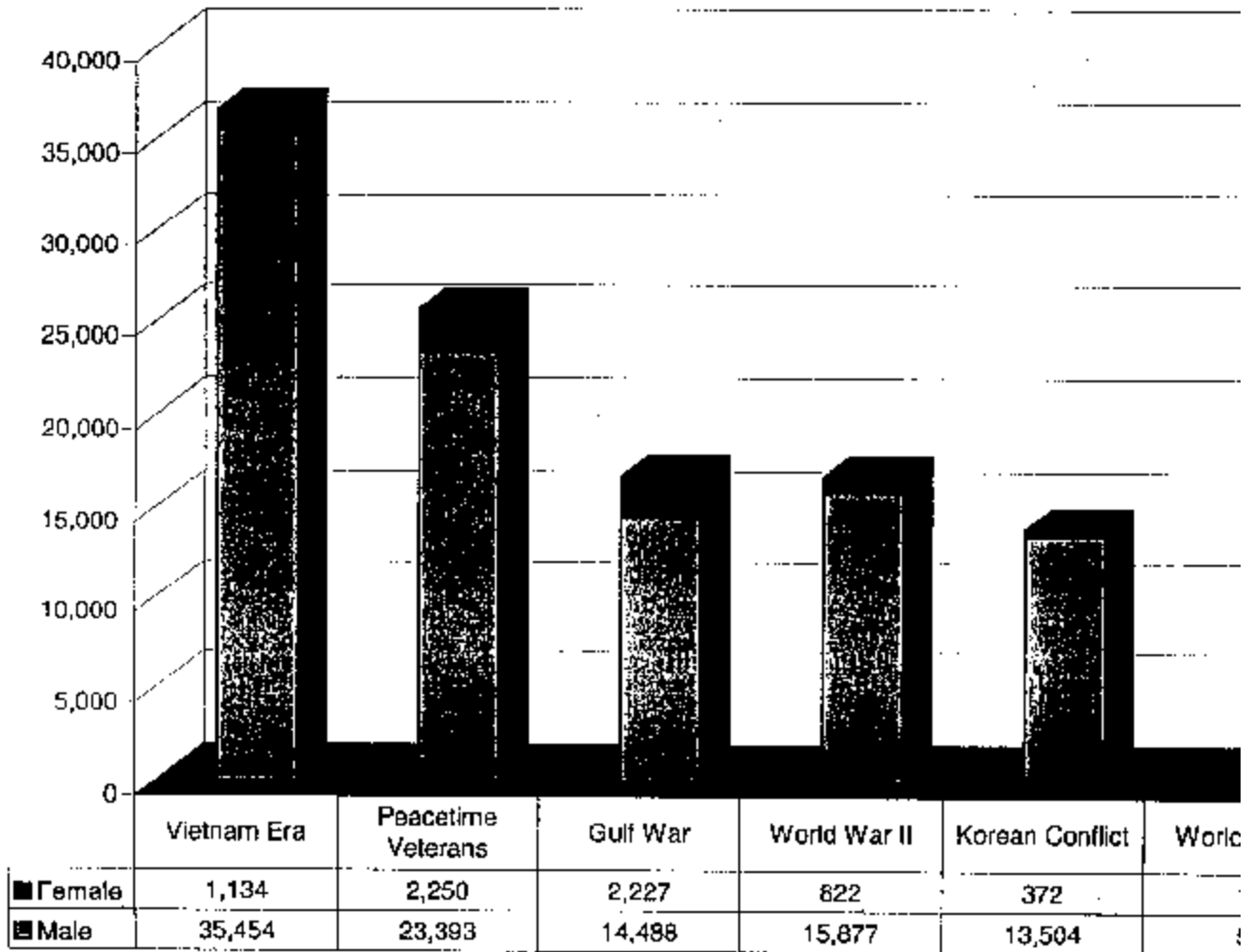


Projected Decline in Veteran Population Per Year, 1990 to 2020
Source: VetPop 2000, U.S. Dept. of Veterans Affairs



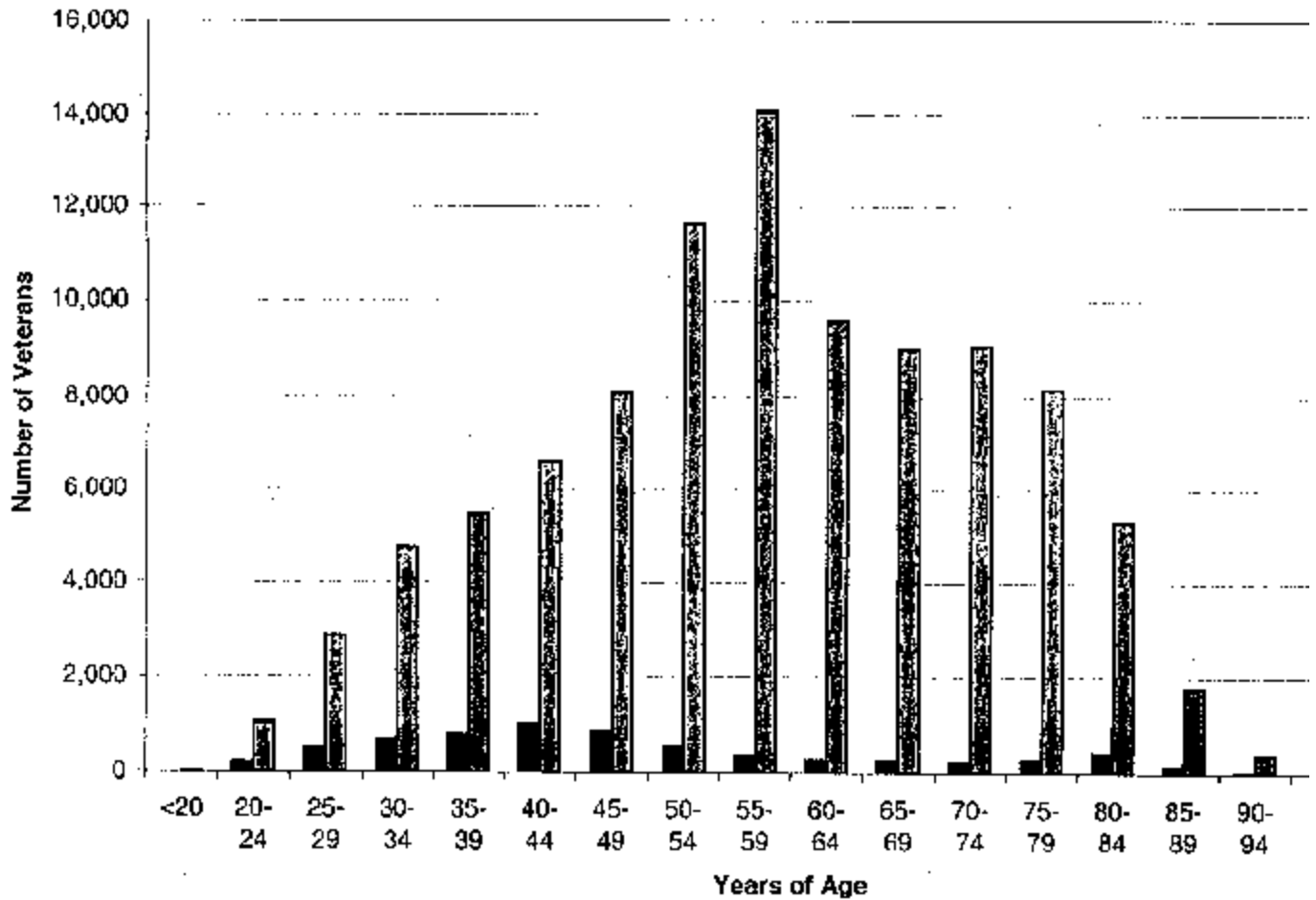
Montana Veterans by Service and Gender: Projected for 2002

Source: VetPop2000, U.S. Dept. of Veterans Affairs
 Chart by Sheri Halfallinger, Montana Legislative Services Division
 (MT_ServiceGender.xls -- Chart3)



**Montana Veterans by Age Groups:
Projected for 2002**

Source: VetPop2000, U.S. Dept. of Veterans Affairs
Chart by Shari Heffelfinger, Montana Legislative Services Division
(MT_AgeGroups.xls - Chart 1)



Fast Facts:
Veterans Population Treated by VA Hospital

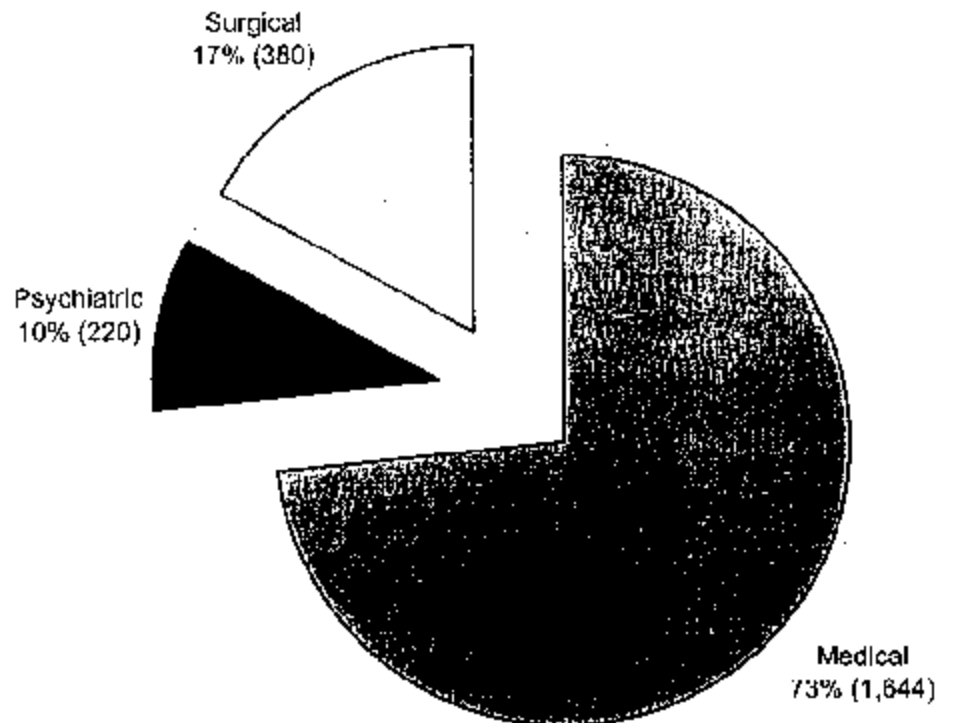
- About 3/4ths of VA's services are Medical, 90% Medical and Su
- 10% of the services provided are psychiatric, 5 beds, 60% occu
showing why
- By section, hospital care is nearly half of the patient load.

Fast Facts:
VA Expenditures in Montana Compared to Population

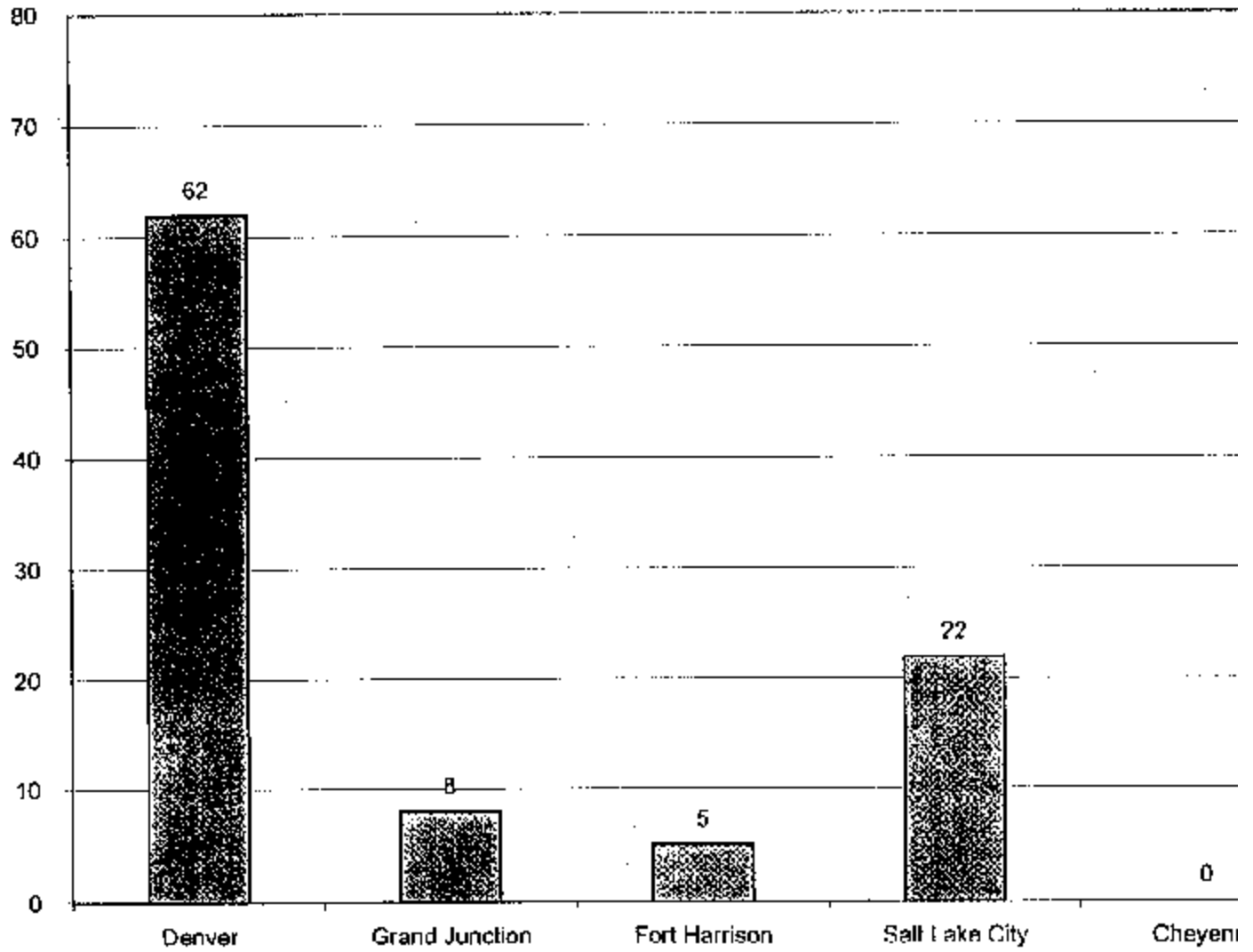
- Montana ranks 27th per capita in VA expenditures
- In VISN, Colorado has vast majority of the veterans, Wyoming tl
- In VISN, Montana's % of VA expenditures compared to % of vet
VISN shows Montana is slightly behind, Colorado slightly ahead
- Most expenditures in Montana are pension and compensation e
- Most are priority group 5 (there are 7 priority groups, see VA Ve

** More data and analysis could be done*

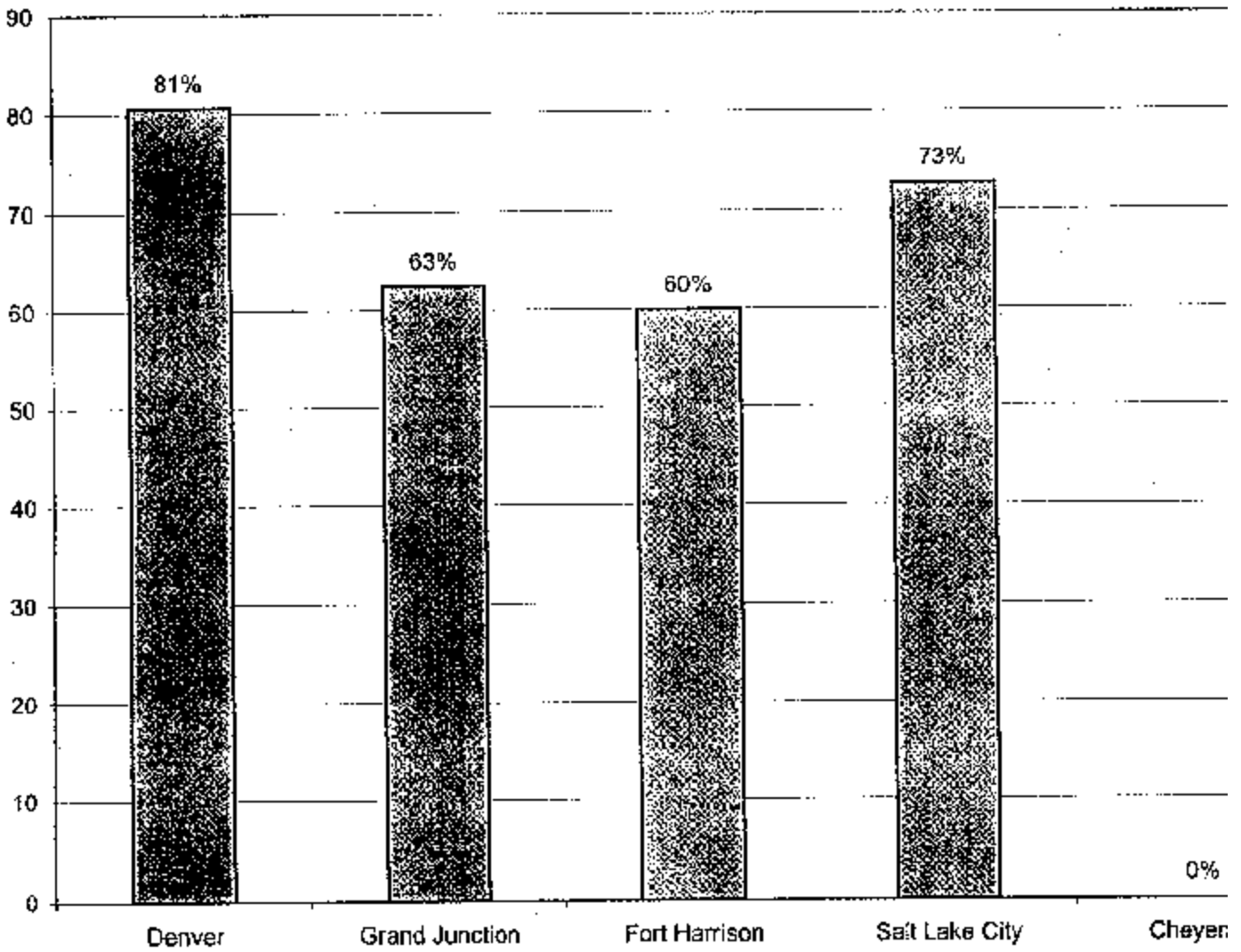
VA Fort Harrison, Patients Treated by Section Type, FY 19
Cumulative Oct. 1, 1998 through Sept. 30, 1999



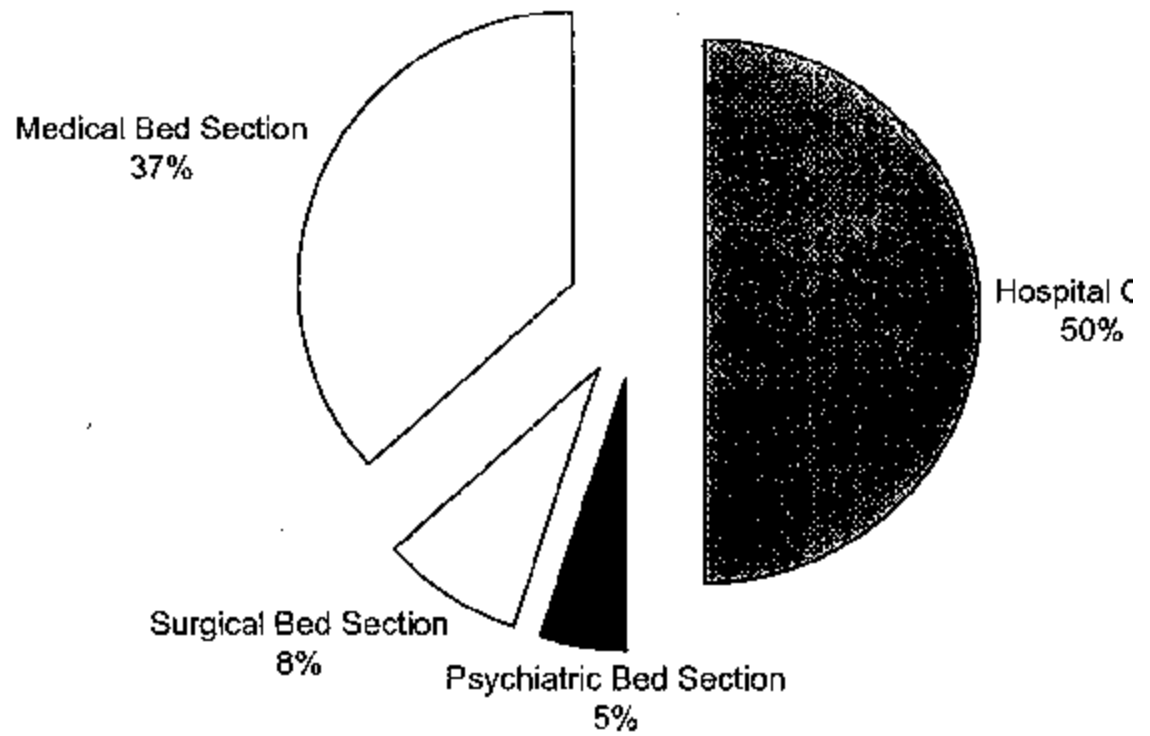
VISN 19, Psychiatric Operating Beds, FY 1999



Psychiatric Bed Occupancy Rate, FY 1999

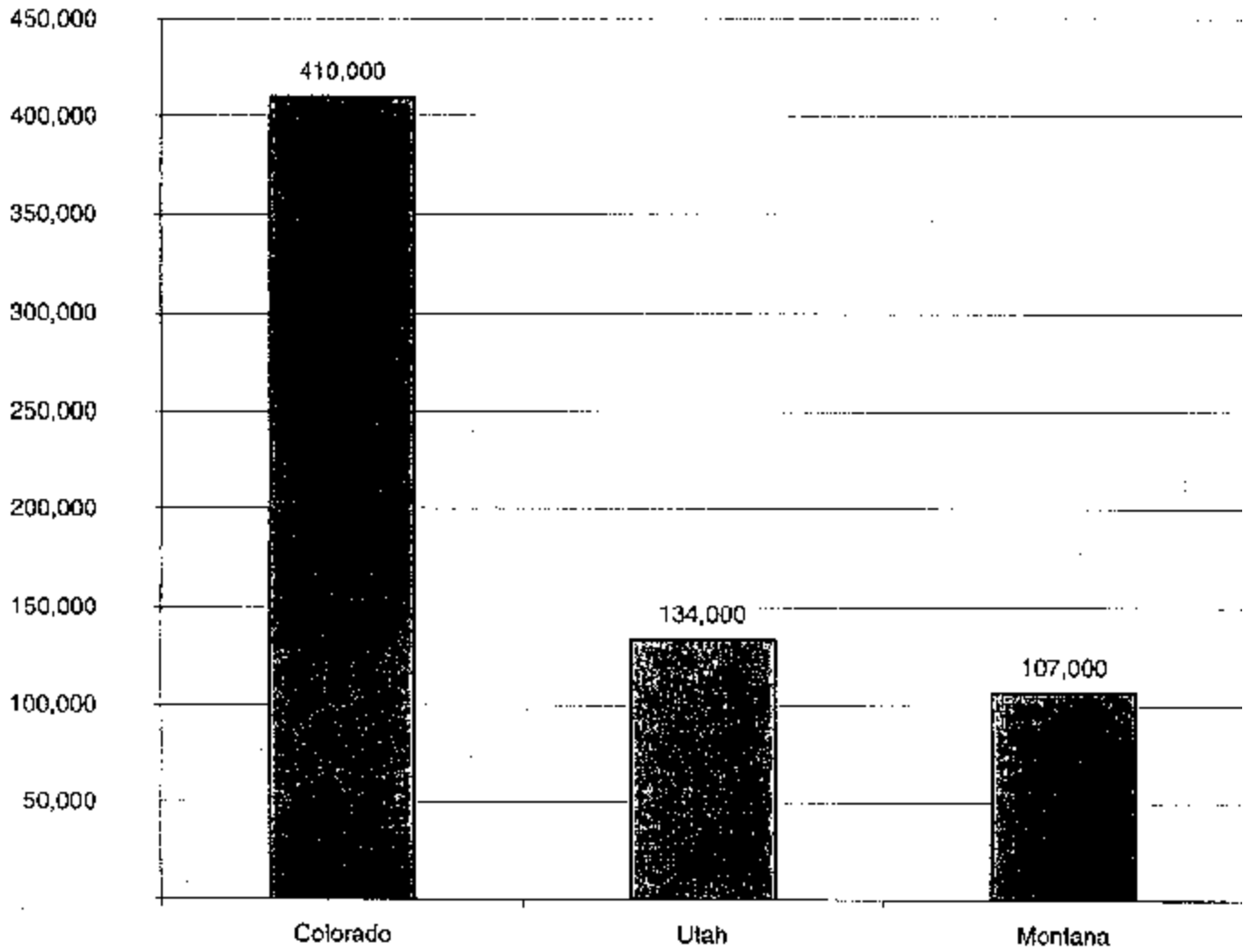


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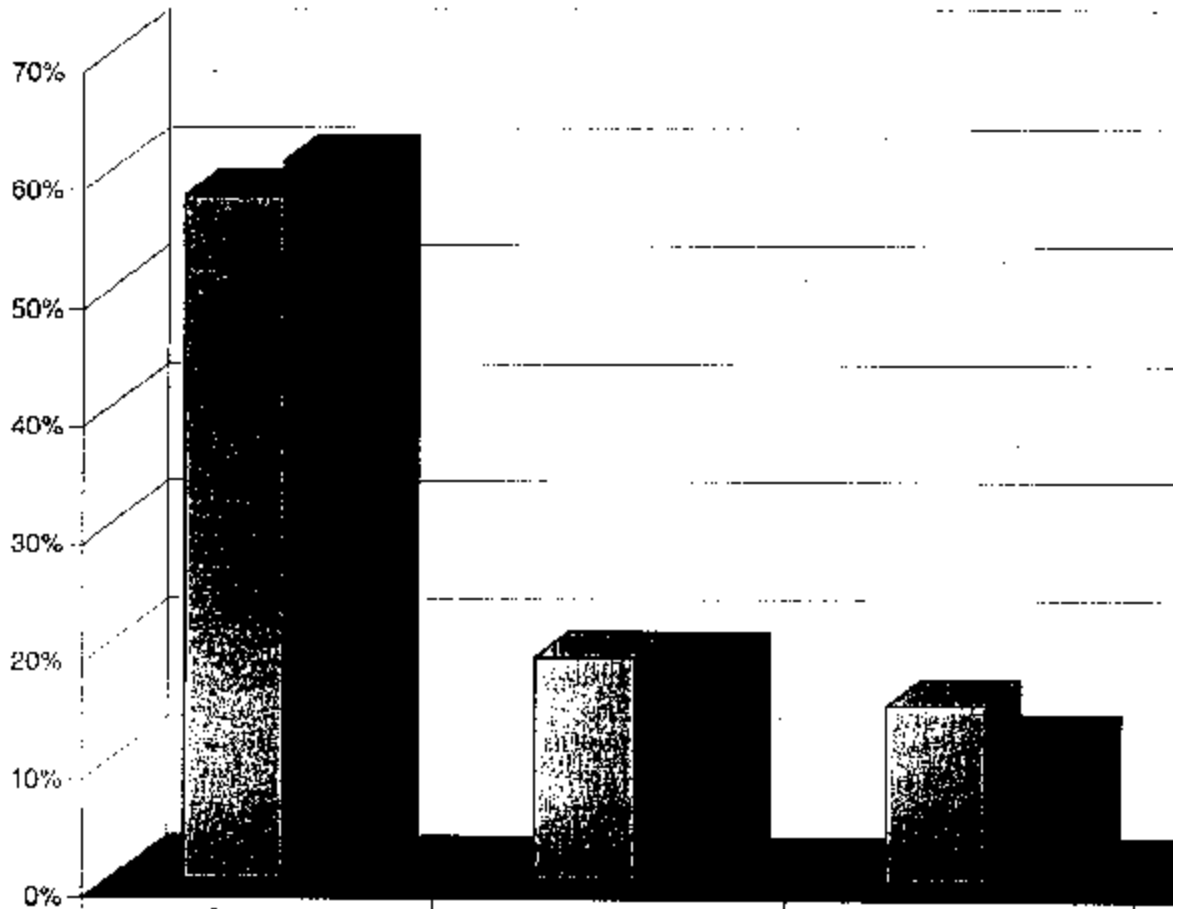


Total Veteran Population in each VISN 19 State as of September 21

Source: VetPop 2000, U.S. Dept. of Veterans Affairs

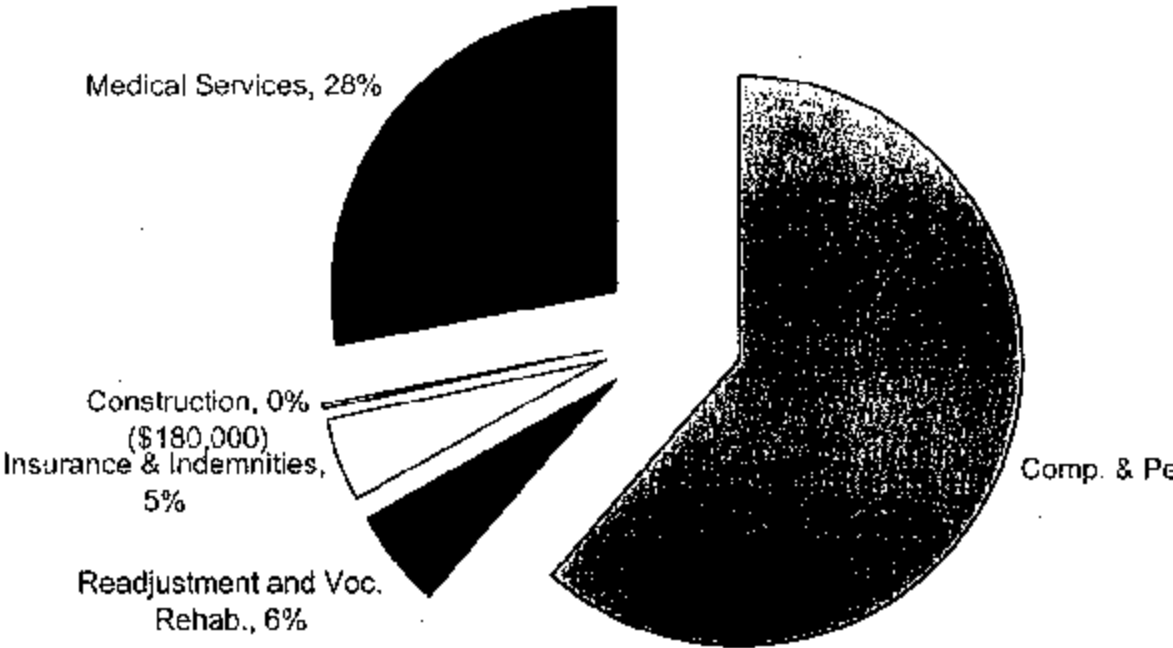


Percent of Veterans Compared to Percent of VA Expenditures: FY 2000
 Source: *VetPop 2000, U.S. Dept. of Veterans Affairs*



	Colorado	Utah	Montana
■ Veteran Population	58%	19%	15%
■ Total Expenditures	61%	19%	12%

VA Expenditures in Montana, FY 1999



VA Enrollment Priority Frequency

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**VA Enrollment Priority Frequency
STATION Summary**

To "Drill Down" further and create a report of enrollees in each group, click on one of the underlined table elements.



Preferred Facility	CODE	PRIORITY	As of Date	Total Enrollees
FORT HARRISON	438	1	08/25/2001	2543
FORT HARRISON	438	2	08/25/2001	1813
FORT HARRISON	438	3	08/25/2001	3348
FORT HARRISON	438	4	08/25/2001	556
FORT HARRISON	438	5	08/25/2001	6508
FORT HARRISON	438	6	08/25/2001	522
FORT HARRISON	438	71	08/25/2001	488
FORT HARRISON	438	72	08/25/2001	8892

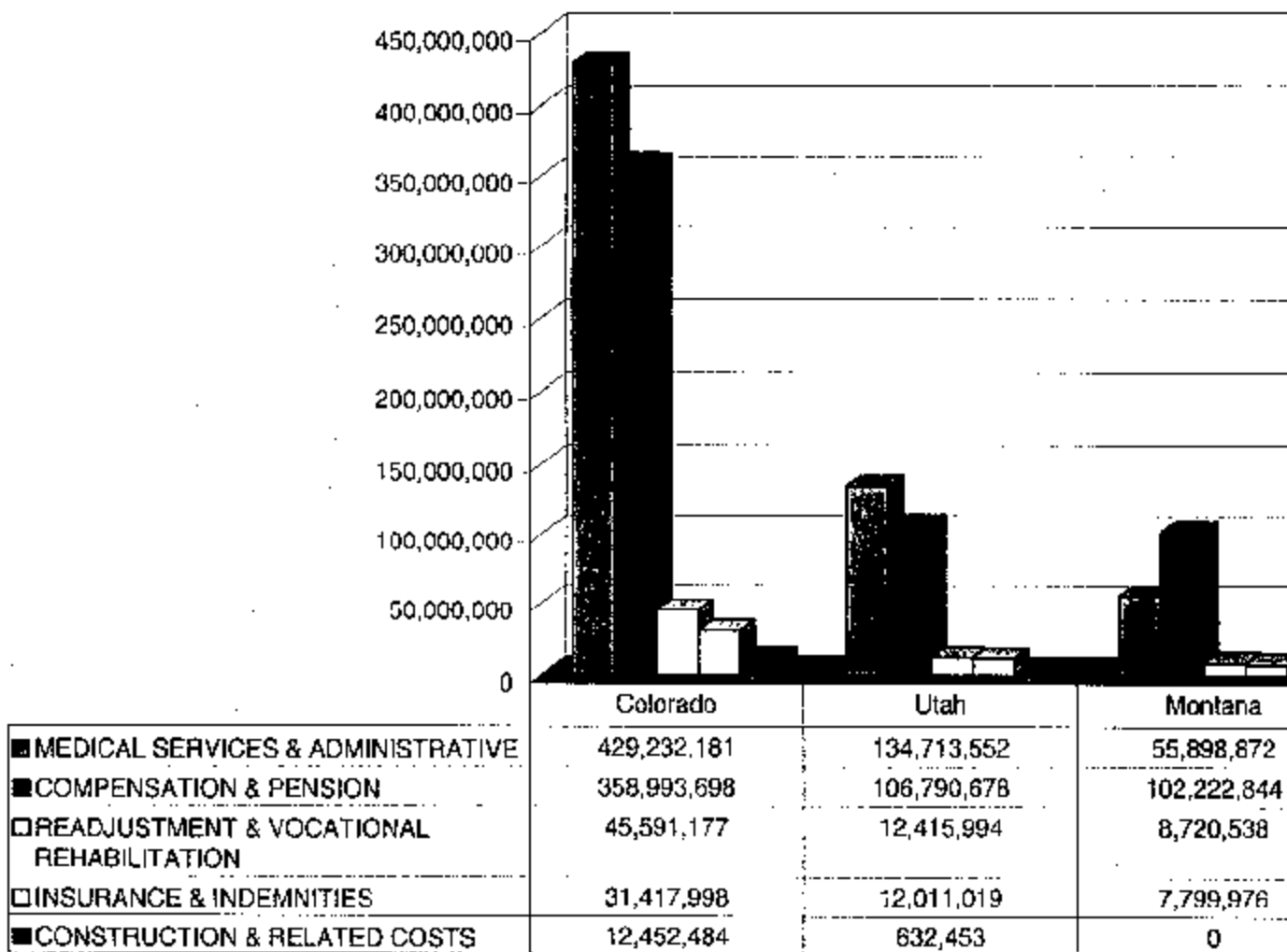
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Fast Facts:
VA Expenditure Comparisons, VISN 19 States, and
Montana MVAD Regions

- In each of the three other VISN 19 states, medical service expenditure pension expenditures, in Montana, Pension expenditures are significant medical *(don't know what factors make this so, lots of variables)*
- Total veteran population in each region varies widely, Billings has most (1 county with VA Hospital)
- Number of counties and travel distance varies
- Compensation and Pension is highest expenditure in each MVAD region
- Bozeman region is highest expenditure area for Readjustment and Voc Insurance and Indemnities, Great Falls close second, Missoula third
- Miles City area has largest area to cover, 15 counties
- Operating expenses are highest in Helena, the state HQ
- In field offices, operating expenses vary, but range from \$1,200 in Billings Falls
- Operating expenses include travel
- See more in MVAD packet

VA Expenditures in VISN 19 States by Category: FY 2000

Source: U.S. Dept. of Veterans' Affairs

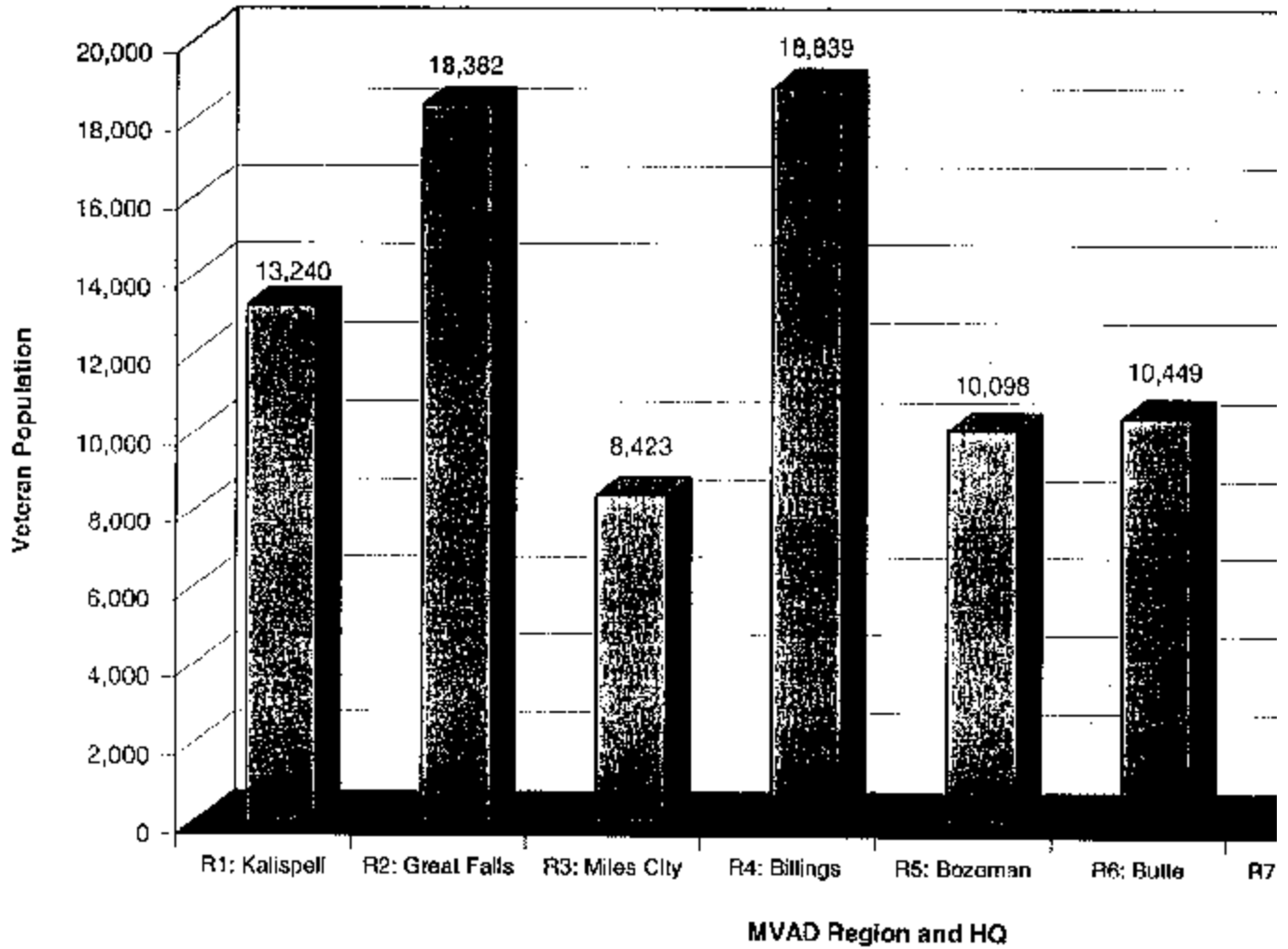


Total Veteran Population in Each MVAD Region

Source: U.S. Dept. Veteran's Affairs

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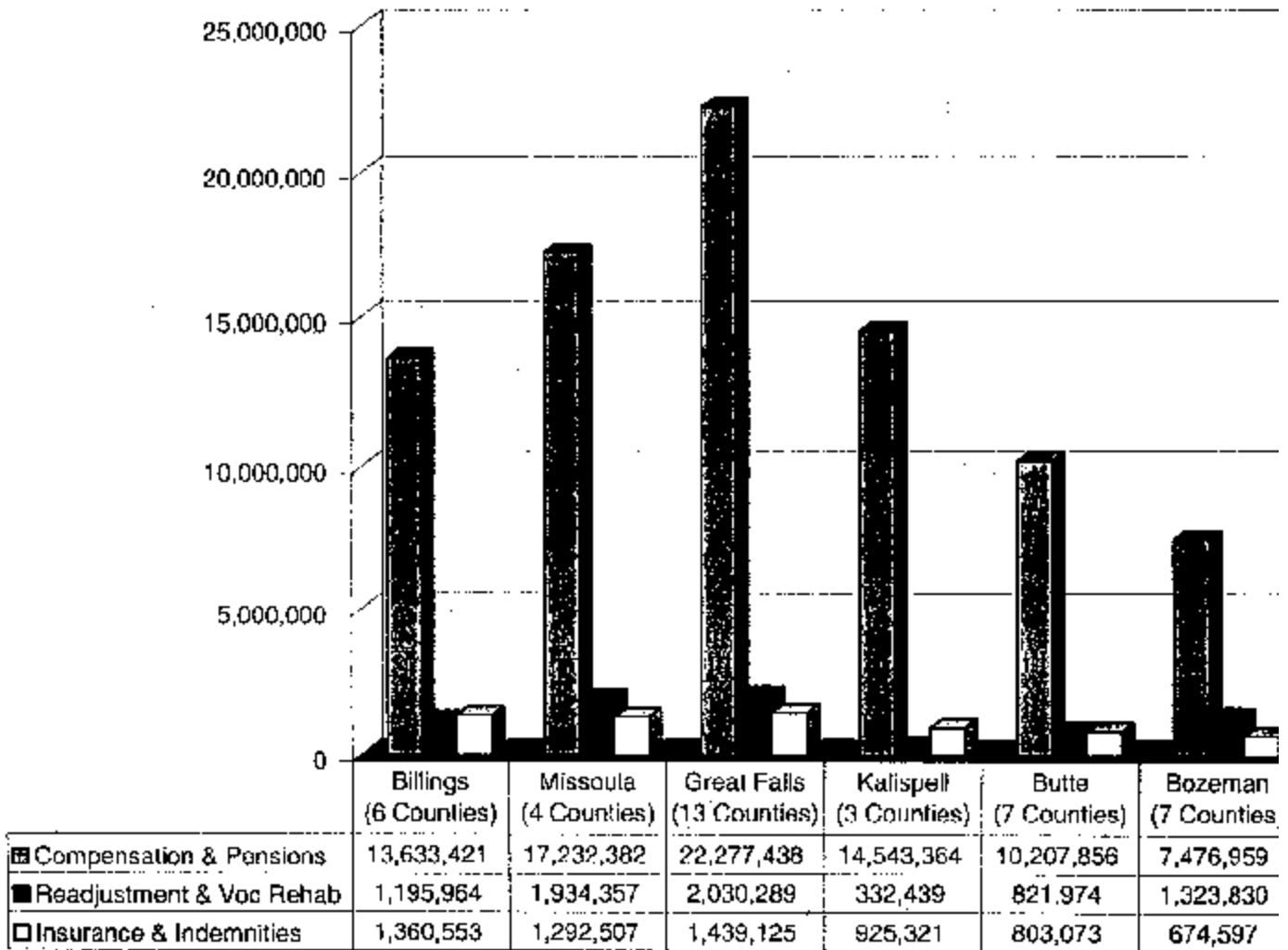
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VA Expenditures in the MVAD Areas: FY 2000

Source: U.S. Dept. of Veterans Affairs

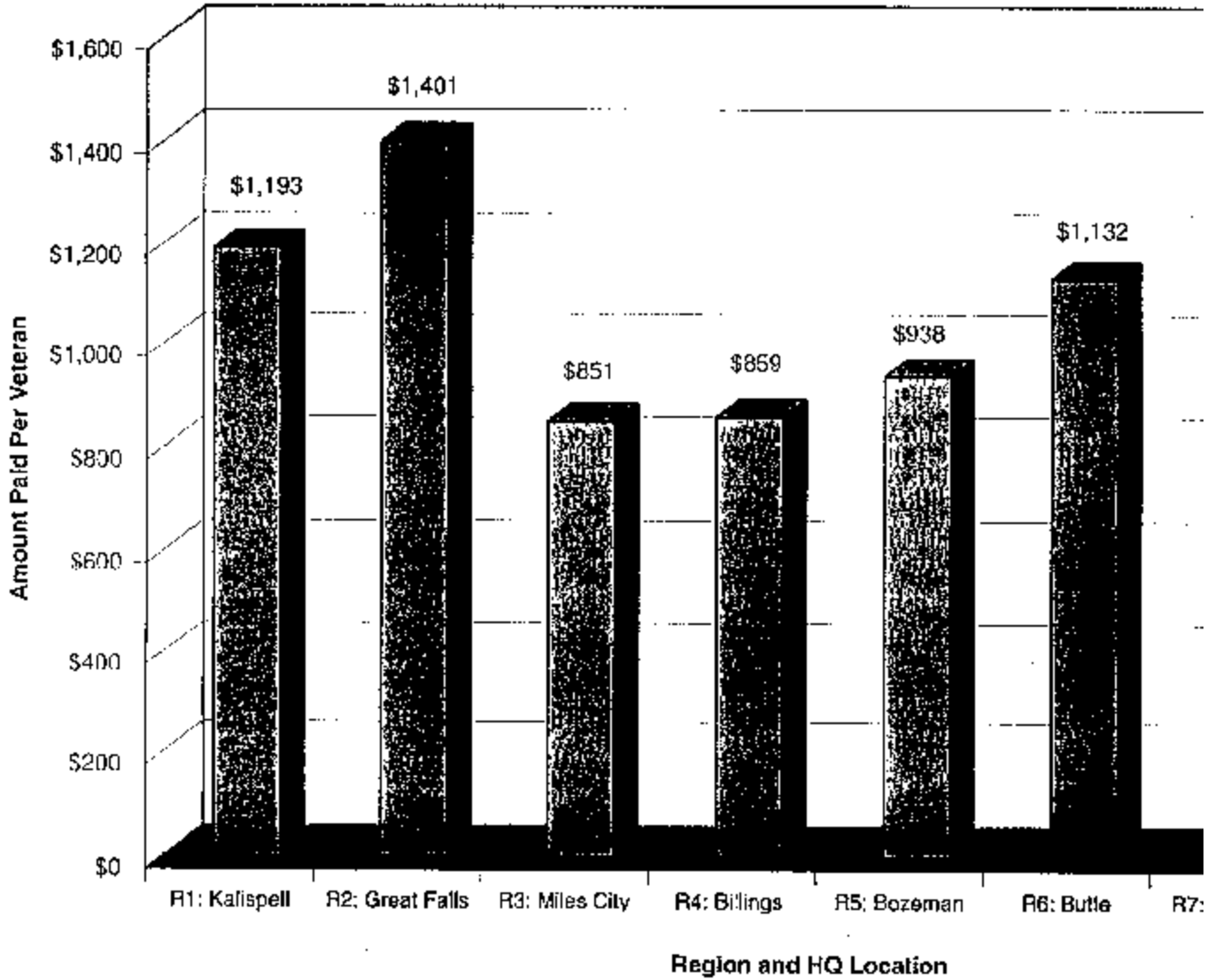
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VA Expenditures: Each MVAD Region - Per Capita

Source: U.S. Dept. of Veterans' Affairs

Chart prepared by Sheri Heffelfinger, Montana LSD (PerCapitaExpendByRegion)



OPERATING EXPENSES		10/01/01							
	FY1992	FY1993	FY1994	FY1995	FY1996	FY1997	FY1998	FY1999	
VA Board	3,705.00	3,080.00	2,470.00	3,869.28	3,038.80	2,188.88	2,774.31	3,578.33	
Helena	25,735.00	31,117.00	23,883.00	23,291.02	25,621.18	29,212.32	46,205.04	55,641.86	
Bulle	3,116.00	3,639.00	3,833.00	9,215.54	6,605.47	5,869.32	7,901.96	8,363.93	
Bozeman	3,450.00	3,428.00	3,743.00	7,793.15	6,051.47	5,899.44	5,167.77	6,407.43	
Billings	1,236.00	1,222.00	1,059.00	4,042.00	2,084.97	2,388.16	2,317.21	2,164.80	
Missoula	2,810.00	2,157.00	2,167.00	5,138.00	2,702.40	2,511.74	4,929.74	3,326.35	
Kalispell	4,180.00	3,779.00	4,142.00	7,838.00	7,450.86	4,648.98	5,002.26	7,292.85	
Miles City	3,788.00	4,159.00	4,186.00	8,117.00	4,299.84	3,904.08	4,349.03	4,896.13	
Great Falls	7,399.00	9,721.00	10,206.00	14,138.00	12,537.08	9,476.89	8,777.63	10,187.99	
Division Total	\$55,419.00	\$62,302.00	\$55,669.00	\$83,441.99	\$70,392.07	\$66,097.81	\$87,424.95	\$101,879.67	\$1
Personal Expenses	\$451,955.00	\$452,789.00	\$470,153.00	\$450,132.47	\$476,561.85	\$506,363.15	\$528,418.38	\$520,358.92	\$5
TOTAL DIVISION	\$507,374.00	\$515,091.00	\$525,842.00	\$533,574.46	\$546,953.92	\$572,460.96	\$615,843.33	\$622,238.59	\$7

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