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*“To care for him who shall have borne the battle,
and for his widow, and his orphan....”*

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Rating Schedule Modernization

As of 2009, VA started updating the VA Schedule for Rating Disabilities (VASRD) to incorporate rating criteria that are based on current medical science and earnings data. Public forums were conducted to capture current medical science information, and VA is in the process of issuing a request for proposals for data-driven earnings loss studies.

Workload

The following chart presents a separate Compensation program budget and provides a summary of the VBA compensation workload and FTE projections, discussed in greater detail in this section. The summary includes data for only those claims considered to be "rating claims" which represents approximately 38 percent of all Compensation claims. However, VBA continues to track and report on the combined compensation, pension, and survivors (DIC) rating-related workload.

Projected Compensation Workload and FTE Requirements	2011	2012	2013 Estimate	2014 Estimate
Compensation Direct Labor FTE	12,599	12,277	12,242	12,302
Percentage of Compensation Pending Inventory That is More Than 125 Days Old	60	67	40	40
Average Days to Complete Compensation Rating Related Claims	188	287	250	250
Receipts Compensation Claims	1,160,486*	933,282	1,103,907	1,180,651
Production Compensation Claims	880,570	895,818	1,000,777	1,171,588
Year-end Inventory Compensation Claims	763,204	800,651	903,781	912,844

*Reflects increased receipts (230,778) resulting from the addition of Agent Orange presumptive conditions.