

Table 1. Descriptive Statistics: Sample from the 1987 Survey of Veterans.^a

Frequency Distributions ^b					
Variable	Category				
Age	30-34	35-39	40-44	45-49	50-54
	368	787	937	275	21
	(15)	(33)	(39)	(12)	(1)
Years of Service	1-2	3-5	6-10	11-15	
	919	1183	258	28	
	(39)	(50)	(11)	(1)	
Branch of Service	Army	Navy	Air Force	Marines	Coast Guard
	1170	519	413	229	28
	(50)	(22)	(17)	(10)	(1)

Means ^c			
Variable	Mean	Variable	Mean
Demographics		Veterans Benefits	
Grade Completed at Entry	12.5	Receive Any Financial Aid	0.63
	(1.8)	Receive Any Federal Aid	0.063
Highest Grade Completed	14.0	Use the G.I. Bill	0.55
	(2.1)	Use the VEAP	0.020
Schooling Increased	0.61	Use Other VA Assistance	0.033
Non-White	0.12	Use Any VA Assistance	0.57
Married at Entry	0.11		
Married	0.75		
Military and VA		Labor Market	
Vietnam Era Service	0.95	Full-Time Worker	0.91
Early AVF Service	0.16	Health Affects Work	0.085
Drafted	0.25	1986 Earnings	28,468
Officer (Commissioned or Warrant)	0.09		(19,520)
Other Program Usage and Training Since Discharge			
Used Any Education or Training		Received Vocational/Technical Training	0.22
Since Discharge	0.78	Receieved OJT/Apprentice	0.18
Attended College/Graduate School	0.52	Participated in Correspondence Course	0.06
Attended/Completed High School	0.03	Other Training (e.g., Flight School)	0.07

^aSample from 1987 survey of veterans (SOV-III), including only men who served in the Vietnam era (8/5/64-5/7/75) or the early AVF (5/8/75-9/7/80) with at least 9 years of schooling at entry to service and a non-negative increment in schooling since entering the service. Sample restricted to men aged 30-54 in 1987, with 1-15 years of active duty service. Of the 3,337 SOV-III veterans with any Vietnam-era or later service, 2,388 met these sample criteria.

^bPercentage distributions in parentheses.

^cStandard deviations in parentheses.