Claims assumptions by month (October 2022 to December 2026)

Table 1. Claims assumptions for MRCA, DRCA and VEA, October 2022 to December 2	er 2026																																													
Claim Activity Group Claim Activity	31/10/	2022 30/11/2	22 31/12/20	22 31/01/2023	3 28/02/2023	3 31/03/2023	30/04/2023	31/05/2023	30/06/2023	31/07/2023 31	/08/2023 30/0	09/2023 31/10	0/2023 30/11/2	2023 31/12/20	23 31/01/2024	29/02/2024	31/03/2024	30/04/2024	31/05/2024	30/06/2024 3	31/07/2024 31	1/08/2024 30/	/09/2024 31/10	0/2024 30/11/2	2024 31/12/202	24 31/01/202	25 28/02/2025	31/03/2025	30/04/2025 31	L/05/2025 30/0	06/2025 31/0	7/2025 31/08/	/2025 30/09/202	5 31/10/2025	30/11/2025	31/12/2025 3	L/01/2026 28/	02/2026 31/03	2026 30/04/20	26 31/05/20	26 30/06/2026	31/07/2026	31/08/2026 30/	/09/2026 31	/10/2026 30/1	1/2026 31/12/2026
Initial Liability Initial Liability (Injury/Disease) - DRCA^		981	981	981 9	81 98	81 98	1 981	981	981	981	981	981	981	981	981 98	31 981	981	981	981	981	981	981	981	981	981	981 9	981 98:	31 981	981	981	981	981	981	981 981	981	981	981	981	981	981	981 982	981	981	981	981	981 98
Initial Liability Initial Liability (Injury/Disease) - MRCA^		2,502 2	,502 2,	,502 2,5	02 2,50	02 2,50	2 2,502	2,502	2,502	2,502	2,502	2,502	2,502	2,502 2	502 2,50	2,502	2,502	2,502	2,502	2,502	2,502	2,502	2,502	2,502	2,502 2,5	502 2,5	502 2,502	02 2,502	2,502	2,502	2,502	2,502	2,502 2,5	502 2,502	2,502	2,502	2,502	2,502	2,502 2,5	2,502 2,5	502 2,502	2,502	2,502	2,502	2,502	2,502 2,502
Initial Liability Initial Liability (Death) - DRCA		8	8	8	8	8	8 8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8 8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8 8	8 8	8	8	8	8	8	8 8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8 8	8 8	8	8	8	8 8
Initial Liability Initial Liability (Death) - MRCA		4	4	4	4	4	4 4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4 4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4 4	4	4	4	4	4	4 4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4 4	4 4	4	4	4	4 4
Permanent Impairment DRCA Permanent Impairment*		1,241 1	,241 1,	,257 1,2	97 1,34	41 1,47	6 1,615	1,668	1,922	2,294	2,408	2,615	3,089	1,896 1	896 1,89	96 1,896	1,896	1,896	1,896	1,896	1,896	1,502	1,502	1,502	1,502 1,	502 1,5	502 1,502	02 1,502	1,502	1,502	1,502	1,502	1,517 1,5	1,517	1,517	1,517	1,517	1,517	1,517 1,5	1,517 1,5	517 1,517	.7 1,517	1,533	1,533	1,533	1,488 1,462
Permanent Impairment MRCA Permanent Impairment*		1,174	,180 1,	,257 1,3	40 1,44	48 1,61	4 1,725	1,946	2,337	2,450	2,687	3,141	3,217	2,981 2	981 2,16	56 1,214	1,214	1,214	1,214	1,214	1,214	1,214	1,214	1,214	1,214 1,2	214 1,2	214 1,214	1,214	1,214	1,214	1,214	1,214	1,214 1,2	214 1,214	1,214	1,214	1,214	1,214	1,214 1,2	1,214 1,2	214 1,214	.4 1,214	1,214	1,214	1,214	1,214 1,214
VEA Compensation Disability Compensation Payment (Application for Increase	ase)	154	154	153 1	53 1	53 15	3 152	152	152	152	151	151	151	150	150 15	50 150	149	149	149	149	148	148	148	148	147	147 1	147 147	47	146	146	146	146	146	145	145	145	144	144	144	144	143 143	3 143	143	143	142	142 142
VEA Compensation Disability Compensation Payment (New claims)^		631	631	631 6	31 63	31 63	1 631	631	631	631	631	631	631	631	631 63	31 631	631	631	631	631	631	631	631	631	631	631 6	631 63:	31 631	631	631	631	631	631	631	631	631	631	631	631	631	631 631	1 631	631	631	631	631 633
VEA Compensation War Widows & Orphan Pension		51	50	50	49 4	49 4	9 48	48	47	47	46	46	46	45	45 4	14 44	44	43	43	43	42	42	41	41	41	40	40 40	10 39	39	39	38	38	38	37 37	37	36	36	36	35	35	35 34	4 34	34	34	33	33 33
VEA Income Support - New Claims		912	912	912 9	12 9:	12 91	2 912	912	912	912	912	912	912	912	912 91	12 912	912	912	912	912	912	912	912	912	912	912 9	912 917	12 912	912	912	912	912	912	912 912	912	912	912	912	912	912	912 912	.2 912	912	912	912	912 912
Source: Demand Driven Funding Model, updated using June 2022 data																																														
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^From mid-2022, DVA has adopted automatic bundling to combine multiple injuries into one claim, and hence Initial Liability claim lodgements have reduced significantly compared to previously where it was one injury per claim.

*Permanent Impairment claims require an accepted Initial Liability claim, and thus are conditional on the number of Initial Liability claims completed.

Note 1: Other than Permanent Impairment (PI) claim lodgement being conditional on Initial Liability (IL) claim acceptance, the demand assumptions underlying the Demand Driven Funding Model (DDFM) are developed using historical trends.

Note 2: The DDFM is not designed to predict claims, and the number provided are the demand assumptions used as inputs into the DDFM. As DVA does not have a sophisticated claims forecasting model, simple extrapolation of historical trends was used to set these assumptions.

Note 3: MRCA/DRCA IL and Disability Compensation Payment (new claims) are largely impacted by automatic bundling (starting mid-2022). As the historical trends for these are broadly stable after adjusting for automatic bundling, a flat-line was used to extrapolate future demand.

Number of Veterans Expected to Pass Away in Each Financial Year (FY2018 to FY2027)

Table 2. Number of veterans that have ever served in the ADF full-time or as reservists estimated to pass away in each financial year, FY2017-27

Estimated deaths for each financial year (All figures in this table are estimates, even for history

	Estimate	Estimated deaths for each financial year (All figures in this table are estimates, even for historical years)														
Category	FY2018	FY2019	FY2020	FY2021	FY2022	FY2023	FY2024	FY2025	FY2026	FY2027						
Total Estimated Veteran Deaths in each year	16,700	16,400	16,200	16,100	16,000	16,000	16,000	16,000	15,900	15,800						

Source: Veteran Population Model (VPM, 2018 version)

Caveats:

Note 1: DVA generally only has robust data on its client population, noting that not all veterans have interacted with the department.

Note 2: The Veteran Population Model (VPM) is an approximate model maintained by DVA, which is used to estimate the population of all living veterans that have ever served in the ADF either full-time or as reservists, and therefore includes basic projections of the number of new recruits and deaths in each year.

Note 3: The VPM obtains its approximate base population from a wide range of publications and other data sources, such as Defence and the Australian Bureau of Statistics (ABS).

Note 4: The model applies various basic assumptions to project the population of veterans over time, including high-level estimates of future recruitment and mortality rates.

Note 5: Please note that Table 2 does not contain any true historical counts of actual deaths in the overall veteran population, but uses estimates from the VPM for each year (even for historical years).

Note 6: Estimates of total deaths in each financial year have been rounded to the nearest 100.