

TOP VETERAN ORIGINATORS

These top producers earned their stripes in a record year for lending

elcome to the third annual rankings of Top Veteran Originators. This month, Scotsman Guide is once again celebrating U.S. armed forces veterans working in the mortgage industry by producing a dedicated ranking. And for the first time, the list of the top 100 veterans also will include the branch they served in. Our 2022 veteran originators served across the Air Force, Army, Coast Guard, Marine Corps and Navy — every branch except the Space Force.

On the following pages, you'll also find the Top VA Volume rankings for originators who specialize in U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs lending. These mortgages are designed specifically for military servicemembers, veterans and their spouses, and they offer many benefits, including a zero downpayment and competitively low interest rates. For more on VA loan benefits and military homeownership trends, see pages 42 and 44

VA lending had exceptional volume in fiscal year 2021, according to the agency's data. Across the country, 1.4 million VA loans were closed — a new record — for an aggregate volume of \$447.2 billion. This was a nearly 20% increase in volume from fiscal year 2020, which saw 1.2 million loans closed for an aggregate volume of \$375.3 billion. And the average VA purchase loan size increased by 13%, reflecting the rising prices of homes across the nation.

The Top VA Volume rankings see plenty of overlap each year with the Top Veteran Originators list, and this year is no exception. Martin Medve of Trident Home Loans LLC earned the top spot in both categories for the second year in a row. Medve, a Navy veteran, originated \$300.3 million in VA loans, doing 76% of his business in this category for a total volume of \$393.8 million. To read an interview with Medve, see Page 38.

Following Medve on the 2022 Top Veteran Originators list is Joseph Smith, a Massachusetts-based originator for Guaranteed Rate. Smith, an Air Force veteran, originated \$327.7 million in volume in 2021. Closing out the top five on this list are Alexander Kim of HomeFirst Mortgage Bankers (\$289.3 million), Jason Smith of NOVA Home Loans (\$228.2 million) and Joshua Jelsing of PGS Home Loans (\$200.7 million). This is the first year that each of the top five people in this ranking did more than \$200 million in business.

On the Top VA Volume list, the No. 2 spot went to Scott Evans, a California-based originator for Cross-Country Mortgage LLC. He closed \$293.9 million in VA loans. Evans was followed by Kory Kavanewsky of CMG Financial (\$260 million), Saleem Ali of InstaMortgage (\$196.5 million) and Larry Gonzales of Aligned Mortgage (\$181.1 million). Notably, Gonzalez (a Navy veteran) also ranked highly on the Top Veteran Originators list at No. 6.

- Hannah Darden, industry rankings editor

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A subset list of the 2022 Top Originators rankings

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Top Veteran Originators

No. 1 Top Veteran Originator 2022, No. 1 Top VA Volume 2022

Marty Medve doesn't want to talk about himself.

After ranking as the No. 1 Top Veteran Originator and No. 1 Top VA Volume producer for the second year in a row, you'd think he'd want his time in the spotlight. Over the course of a conversation with Scotsman Guide, however, Medve chose to shine the spotlight on his community - the "corps" of pilots he's hired, the veteran borrowers he serves, and the philanthropic organizations his company, Trident Home Loans, donates to.

"I was surprised to get No. 1 this year," Medve said, "Half my loans went to my loan officer corps,"

A U.S. Naval Academy graduate who went on to become a carrier pilot, Medve has dedicated his post-military career to his fellow veterans. He hired 25 former pilots as loan officers last year and has built relationships with veteran Realtors. Five years ago, Trident Home Loans began sponsoring military events and charities. Since then, the company has expanded its military sponsorships by tenfold.

"We're deeply involved in giving back to the people who support us," Medve said. "That's our ethic."

He said there are a few keys to his success as an originator who specializes in VA loans. Medve emphasizes that he doesn't allow for any "tricky referral schemes" and values transparency with his clients. Good communication, education on VA loan products, consistently low interest rates and quick closings are all part of his client-service agenda.

Most importantly, Medve said he spends hours talking to listing agents on behalf of his borrowers,

"We're more important to the buyer because we will actually talk to the listing agents and convince them to take the offer," Medve said, "They want the best for their seller and they want trust, If a buyer is backed by the No.1 loan officer, they'll want to go with that offer."



Marty Medve, Trident Home Loans LLC



| N | NAME | COMPANY | STATE | TOTAL DOLLAR VOLUME | TOTAL LOANS CLOSED | YHS IN BIZ | MILITARY BRANCH |
|----|--------------------|---|-------|------------------------|--------------------------|------------------|--------------------|
| 1 | Martin Medve | Trident Home Loans LLC | FL | \$393,807,061 | 903 | 19 | Navy |
| 2 | Joseph Smith | Guaranteed Rate | MA | \$327,746,455 | 615 | 29 | Air Force |
| 3 | Alexander Kim | HomeFirst Mortgage Bankers | CA | \$289,323,939 | 739 | 15 | Coast Guard |
| 4 | Jason Smith | NOVA Home Loans | AZ | \$228,215,638 | 734 | 17 | Navy |
| 5 | Joshua Jelsing | PGS Home Loans | CA | \$200,667,639 | 380 | 22 | Marine Corps |
| 6 | Larry Gonzales | Aligned Mortgage, A Division of American Pacific Mortgage | н | \$194,531,365 | 266 | | Navy |
| 7 | Jonathan Kulak | Trident Home Loans LLC | FL | \$187,526,169 | 458 | 5 | Air Force |
| 8 | Ray Shannahan | TowneBank Mortgage | NC | \$174,802,070 | 440 | 17 | Army |
| 9 | Mike Bendebba | Fairway Independent Mortgage Corp. | MD | \$151,846,176 | 401 | - | Navy |
| 10 | Jimmy Alexander | SWBC Mortgage Corp. | TX | \$150,084,761 | 610 | 28 | Army |
| 11 | Robert Melone | Radius Financial Group Inc. | MA | \$142,261,666 | 365 | 18 | Army |
| 12 | Billy Campbell | Primary Residential Mortgage Inc. | со | \$141,960,278 | 522 | 13 | Air Force |
| 13 | Amy Goss | Guild Mortgage Co. / | NC | \$137,947,042 | 607 | | Marine Corps |
| 14 | Devin Fahrner | Residential Mortgage Services Finance of America Mortgage | ID | \$126,780,966 | 377 | 23 | Marine Corps |
| 15 | Kevin Retcher | First Meridian Mortgage Corp | VA | \$115,319,650 | 263 | 28 | Marine Corps |
| 16 | Louis Fajardo | U.S. Bank | CA | \$110,541,053 | 121 | 19 | Air Force |
| 17 | William Biles | Huntington Bank | ОН | \$109,450,778 | 166 | 24 | Marine Corps |
| 18 | Rick Ward | Benchmark Mortgage | со | \$106,961,143 | 299 | 10 | Army |
| 19 | Timothy Taylor | Trident Home Loans LLC | FL | \$105,636,498 | 246 | 17 | Navy |
| 20 | Chris Catania | Guaranteed Rate | CA | \$105,406,482 | 207 | 15 | Army |
| 21 | Michelle Jacinto | Direct Mortgage Loans | iN | \$104,477,150 | 483 | 19 | Army |
| 22 | Todd Swanson | C2 Financial Corp. | CA | \$101,657,804 | 243 | 15 | Marine Corps |
| 23 | Jason Sharon | Home Loans Inc. | SC | \$101,068,284 | 301 | 6 | Navy |
| 24 | Jamie Fischer | CrossCountry Mortgage LLC | СО | \$99,871,240 | 260 | 8 | Army |
| | Donnie Walton | Angel Oak Home Loans | TX | \$99,305,838 | 315 | 15 | |
| 25 | | | | | | | Army |
| 26 | Carlo Colantonio | CMG Financial | TX | \$98,983,244 | 396 | 23 | Army |
| 27 | Dawndi Lavalle | U.S. Bank | NY | \$93,753,099 | 389 | 22 | Air Force |
| 28 | Cody Hardridge | Cornerstone Home Lending | OK | \$93,731,182 | 417 | 21 | Marine Corps |
| 29 | Dwight Taylor | George Mason Mortgage LLC | VA | \$93,598,662 | 274 | 22 | Navy |
| 30 | Michael Quinn | American Pacific Mortgage | CA | \$93,239,797 | 225 | 13 | Navy |
| 31 | Drew Dodds | V.I.P. Mortgage Inc. Aligned Mortgage, | AZ | \$92,493,709 | 306 | 11 | Marine Corps |
| 32 | John Sego | A Division of American Pacific Mortgage | HI | \$89,662,276 | 128 | 065 | Army |
| 33 | John Schuler | Guaranteed Rate | CA | \$88,606,218 | 167 | 18 | Marine Corps |
| 34 | Brian Brooks | Atlantic Bay Mortgage Group | VA | \$88,259,025 | 254 | - | Air Force |
| 35 | Russell Nash | George Mason Mortgage LLC | VA | \$86,435,912 | 301 | 23 | Navy |
| 36 | Justin Ardoyno | PrimeLending | TX | \$85,142,200 | 364 | 10 | Army |
| 37 | Jason C Scott | Guaranteed Rate | HI | \$84,924,388 | 183 | 8 | Army |
| 38 | Allen Coombs | Bay Equity | CO | \$83,794,880 | 295 | 19 | Navy |
| 39 | Robert Carrillo | Answer Home Loans Inc. | CA | \$83,150,546 | 194 | 17 | Marine Corps |
| 40 | Fred Amold | American Family Funding, A Division of American Pacific Mortgage | CA | \$81,484,775 | 156 | 31 | Air Force |
| 41 | James Burke | U.S. Bank | IL | \$79,322,840 | 137 | 18 | Army |
| 42 | Brian Maier | Mortgage Box | NV | \$79,191,927 | 266 | 20 | Coast Guard |
| 43 | Nigel Farnsworth | American Pacific Mortgage | UT | \$78,893,937 | 246 | 22 | Marine Corps |
| 44 | Nathan Hartseil | Main Street Home Loans | MA | \$77,558,963 | 197 | - | Marine Corps |
| 45 | Phillip Blasi | ConsumerDirect Mortgage, A Division of FirstBank | FL | \$77,444,263 | 228 | 23 | Navy |
| 46 | Warren Thompson | Brighton Bank | TN | \$76,089,724 | 274 | 5 | Marine Corps |
| 47 | Lee Barroll | SWBC Mortgage Corp. | TN | \$75,768,315 | 258 | 25 | Army |
| 48 | Craig Achtzehn | Draper and Kramer Mortgage Corp. | IL | \$75,373,663 | 187 | 21 | Army |
| 49 | Jimmy Vercellino | Goldwater Bank | AZ | \$75,188,457 | 179 | 17 | Marine Corps |
| 50 | Adam Richard Boles | Bay Equity | AZ | \$74,044,583 | 248 | 28 | Army |
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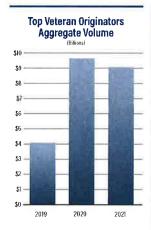
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Top Veteran Originators



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Veteran loan volume dips slightly but remains historically high

The 100 people on this year's Top Veteran Originators list did more than \$9 billion in combined business in 2021, Although this represents a dip in volume from 2020 (\$9,6 billion), it's still well above the \$4 billion in aggregate volume in 2019. Two years ago, in Scotsman Guide's first Top Veteran Originators rankings, only one person surpassed \$100 million in total volume. This year, 23 veteran originators surpassed this mark while five closed more than \$200 million in loans.

Many veterans in the mortgage industry specialize in U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) loans. The Top VA Volume category also saw a decrease in aggregate volume, dropping from \$11.6 billion during the 2020 production year to \$8,7 billion in 2021.

In fiscal year 2020, VA loans rode the refinancing wave and more than doubled their total number of originations from the previous 12-month period, according to VA statistics. Scotsman Guide's Top Originators, meanwhile, nearly tripled their VA volume between 2019 and 2020, skyrocketing from \$26.3 billion to \$74.5 billion. In 2021, the 11,000-plus originators who qualified for the Top Overall Volume or Most Loans Closed lists did \$58.2 billion in VA loans, which was still a significantly higher aggregate volume than two years ago.

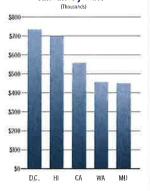
In the 2020 Top VA Volume rankings, only three originators passed \$100 million in VA loan volume. Last year, 26 originators shattered this ceiling and three closed more than \$250 million



| * | NAME | COMPANY | STATE | TOTAL DOLLAR VOLUME | TOTAL LOANS GLOSED | YHS. IN BIZ | MILITARY BRANCH |
|----|-----------------|------------------------------------|-------|------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------|---------------------|
| 51 | Joshua Gordon | CrossCountry Mortgage LLC | CA | \$73,731,290 | 142 | 9 | Air Force |
| 52 | Timothy Samuels | CrossCountry Mortgage LLC | WA | \$72,688,818 | 196 | 17 | Marine Corps |
| 53 | Jeff Anderson | Guild Mortgage Co. | TX | \$72,670,759 | 273 | 27 | Army |
| 54 | Michael Aguado | Trident Home Loans LLC | FL | \$72,026,286 | 203 | 5 | Navy |
| 55 | Jerry Quick | McLean Mortgage Corp. | VA | \$71,021,844 | 254 | 21 | Navy |
| 56 | Jimmy Kinley | Cherry Creek Mortgage | co | \$70,960,624 | 166 | 19 | Marine Corps |
| 57 | Tobie Love | CrossCountry Mortgage LLC | CA | \$70,358,101 | 171 | 21 | Navy |
| 58 | Andrew Hannah | R&R Loans | CA | \$69,532,680 | 175 | 6 | Air Force |
| 59 | Derek Hargrove | Sun American Mortgage | AZ | \$68,414,375 | 199 | 11 | Army |
| 60 | Robert Hynn | William Raveis Mortgage LLC | CT | \$66,490,679 | 114 | 31 | Army |
| 61 | Samuel P. Royer | Churchill Mortgage | FL | \$66,397,121 | 256 | 25 | Marine Corps |
| 62 | Stephen Bachman | CrossCountry Mortgage LLC | NJ | \$65,654,393 | 177 | 13 | Navy |
| 63 | Phillip Olson | CrossCountry Mortgage LLC | MN | \$65,186,704 | 252 | 18 | Army |
| 64 | Chuck Roach | Supreme Lending | тх | \$65,113,926 | 218 | 14 | Army |
| 65 | Jared Paul | LendUS | AZ | \$64,114,302 | 175 | 6 | Marine Corps |
| 66 | Brian Bloete | Family First Funding LLC | NJ | \$63,116,466 | 195 | - | Marine Corps |
| 67 | Claude Blackman | Finance Any1 | CA | \$61,949,051 | 114 | 14 | Navy |
| 68 | Todd Call | McLean Mortgage Corp. | VA | \$60,962,782 | 200 | 18 | Navy |
| 69 | John Sutherland | Guaranteed Rate | CA | \$60,350,150 | 66 | 19 | Marine Corps |
| 70 | Jack Langley | Gershman Mortgage | МО | \$59,605,056 | 293 | | Navy |
| 71 | David Boliard | Finance of America Mortgage | CA | \$58,766,236 | 157 | 32 | Army |
| 72 | Kenneth Reed | Finance of America Mortgage | CA | \$58,590,196 | 128 | - | Air Force |
| 73 | Luis Renteria | CrossCountry Mortgage LLC | TX | \$58,255,222 | 96 | 15 | Marine Corps |
| 74 | Tyler Hodgson | NXT Mortgage Co. | TX | \$57,810,166 | 196 | 6 | Marine Corps |
| 75 | Jay White | Bay Equity | GA | \$57,767,727 | 211 | 19 | Army |
| 76 | Victor Malone | Peak Seven Mortgage | со | \$57,661,553 | 150 | 8 | Navy |
| 77 | Brett Dickey | InterLinc Mortgage Services LLC | AL | \$57,491,499 | 209 | - | Air Force |
| 78 | Carlos Flores | CrossCountry Mortgage LLC | CA | \$56,461,943 | 139 | 29 | Marine Corps |
| 79 | Daniel Anacker | U.S. Bank | WA | \$56,326,714 | 118 | 21 | Army |
| 80 | Don Waters | Fairway Independent Mortgage Corp. | NC | \$56,232,606 | 202 | - | Army |
| 81 | Rob Grant | Draper and Kramer Mortgage Corp. | DE | \$55,879,255 | 154 | 37 | Marine Corps |
| 82 | Pete Nordstrom | Guild Mortgage Co. | WA | \$55,671,751 | 160 | 21 | Navy |
| 83 | John Keifer | Guaranteed Rate | н | \$55,657,074 | 96 | 6 | Navy |
| 84 | Mark T Roberts | Guaranteed Rate | NC | \$55,189,567 | 173 | 26 | Army |
| 85 | Michael Colyer | Guaranteed Rate | CA | \$54,475,319 | 54 | 25 | Army |
| 86 | Keith Howell | Homestar Financial Corp. | GA | \$54,278,621 | 186 | 25 | Army National Guard |
| 87 | Jeff Wucinich | Fairway Independent Mortgage Corp. | NV | \$54,179,404 | 167 | - | Air Force |
| 88 | Tony Adkins | Barrett Financial Group | AZ | \$52,194,854 | 128 | 25 | Navy |
| 89 | Fernando Ospina | Alterra Home Loans | NJ | \$51,754,595 | 122 | 5 | Army |
| 90 | Mark Harris | Guild Mortgage Co. | TX | \$51,456,091 | 230 | 21 | Army |
| 91 | Jim Perkins | Gateway First Bank | со | \$51,249,902 | 141 | | Army |
| 92 | Jeffrey Parks | RPM Mortgage | CA | \$51,130,376 | 81 | 35 | Army |
| 93 | Michael Floren | Mann Mortgage | co | \$50,943,291 | 104 | 1 | Marine Corps |
| 94 | Kim Demma | Guild Mortgage Co. | ID | \$50,846,599 | 174 | 22 | Air Force |
| 95 | David Burchett | Caliber Home Loans | VA | \$50,706,717 | 143 | 5 | Navy |
| 96 | David Bell | Gershman Mortgage | IA | \$49,945,485 | 212 | | Marine Corps |
| 97 | Brian Floyd | Fairway Independent Mortgage Corp. | NC | \$49,794,560 | 193 | | Army |
| 98 | Scott Unger | Homebridge Financial Services Inc. | WA | \$49,629,988 | 161 | | Navy |
| 99 | Erik Johansson | Guaranteed Rate | IL | \$49,457,418 | 133 | 20 | Air Force |
| 00 | Mark Zihmer | Guaranteed Rate Affinity | FL | \$49,350,116 | 201 | 23 | Army |

Top VA Volume

Average VA Purchase Loan Amount by State*



Source U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs

VA loans continue to be attractive to military households

U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) loans offer many advantages to active military servicemembers and veterans, For qualifying buyers, these loans may offer affordable homeownership to those who otherwise would have been priced out, But a 2021 survey from Veterans United Home Loans found that only 3% of veterans polled knew it was possible to get a loan with a zero downpayment — the main benefit of a VA loan.

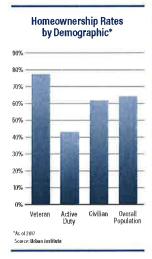
Although conventional mortgages require a downpayment of anywhere from 3% to 20%, VA borrowers can finance up to 100% of their home's purchase price Additionally, VA borrowers don't have to purchase private mortgage insurance, which can be a large expense for other borrowers, VA mortgages offer competitive interest rates, less stringent credit requirements and lower closing costs. Alongside purchase loans, veterans and servicemembers also can refinance with a VA loan,

In fiscal year 2021, more than 1.4 million VA loans were closed nationwide. The average VA purchase loan size during this time was \$344,274, although 20 states and territories exceeded this average. The most expensive area was Washington, D.C., where the average VA purchase Ioan amount was \$734,596. Also in the top five were Hawaii, California, Washington and Maryland, all with average purchase loan amounts above \$450,000. The smallest VA purchase Ioan size (\$191,179) was found in Puerto Rico. Arkansas, Michigan, Ohio and Iowa weren't far behind as each had an average size of less than \$250,000.



| â | NAME | COMPANY | STATE | VA LOAN VOLUME | TOTAL DOLLAR VOLUME | VA LOANS CLOSED | TOTAL LOANS CLOSED | YRS IN BIZ |
|----|-------------------|--|-------|-------------------|---------------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------|------------------|
| 1 | Martin Medve | Trident Home Loans LLC | FL | \$300,316,303 | \$393,807,061 | 617 | 903 | 19 |
| 2 | Scott Evans | CrossCountry Mortgage LLC | CA | \$293,867,476 | \$664,097,910 | 524 | 1325 | 15 |
| 3 | Kory Kavanewsky | CMG Financial | CA | \$260,013,421 | \$575,589,294 | 330 | 957 | 17 |
| 4 | Saleem Ali | InstaMortgage | TX | \$196,524,108 | \$203,264,516 | 534 | 553 | 6 |
| 5 | Larry Gonzales | Aligned Mortgage, A Division of American Pacific Mortgage | н | \$181,184,417 | \$194,531,365 | 242 | 266 | (40) |
| 6 | Collin Psioda | Chaos Home Loans LLC | NV | \$178,566,257 | \$230,361,589 | 635 | 791 | 7 |
| 7 | Reginald Maddox | McLean Mortgage Corp. | VA | \$158,722,279 | \$422,309,678 | 283 | 917 | 21 |
| 8 | Jonathan Kulak | Trident Home Loans LLC | FL | \$155,670,087 | \$187,526,169 | 368 | 458 | 5 |
| 9 | Arman Ghamami | C2 Financial Corp | CA | \$149,816,141 | \$184,875,428 | 324 | 393 | (*) |
| 10 | Eric Jorgensen | Simplify Home Loans | UT | \$148,511,131 | \$160,862,107 | 487 | 527 | 19 |
| 11 | Aric Ulmer | Movement Mortgage | со | \$140,857,120 | \$156,524,873 | 374 | 422 | - |
| 12 | Dustin Williams | RSI Financial Services | CA | \$127,751,912 | \$315,408,093 | 252 | 656 | 18 |
| 13 | Jennifer Beeston | Guaranteed Rate | CA | \$125,938,669 | \$237,839,156 | 348 | 658 | 14 |
| 14 | Nick Foley | Aligned Mortgage, A Division of American Pacific Mortgage | н | \$118,843,864 | \$137,119,883 | 191 | 229 | (2) |
| 15 | Kyle Johnson | CrossCountry Mortgage LLC | WA | \$115,677,921 | \$152,930,431 | 258 | 357 | 8 |
| 16 | Ameer Katifi | E-Mortgage Capital | CA | \$115,273,059 | \$285,538,082 | 322 | 766 | 5 |
| 17 | Travis Garlick | Simplify Home Loans | UT | \$114,879,790 | \$125,546,553 | 396 | 431 | 1 |
| 18 | Nancy Bayat | E-Mortgage Capital | CA | \$110,875,142 | \$440,118,855 | 316 | 1193 | 20 |
| 19 | Michael Villano | CrossCountry Mortgage LLC | FL | \$110,576,957 | \$123,160,835 | 242 | 279 | 9 |
| 20 | Krystal Stearns | Northpointe Bank | co | \$108,400,389 | \$164,236,629 | 316 | 490 | 15 |
| 21 | Rick Elmendorf | Movement Mortgage | VA | \$104,749,959 | \$218,934,818 | 212 | 483 | |
| 22 | Tanja Allen | Fairway Independent Mortgage Corp. | TX | \$102,096,044 | \$149,425,777 | 378 | 689 | =40 |
| 23 | Bryan Yaninek | Guaranteed Rate | co | \$101,620,707 | \$149,870,575 | 244 | 387 | 26 |
| | | | CA | \$100,987,442 | | 167 | 521 | 25 |
| 24 | Elsy Hedman | AMH Capital Guild Mortgage Co. / | NC | | \$315,879,131 | | 607 | |
| 25 | Amy Goss | Residential Mortgage Services | | \$100,252,719 | \$137,947,042 | 412 | | 10 |
| 26 | Francis Snyder | Planet Home Lending LLC | NJ | \$100,116,951 | \$194,690,609 | 338 | 728 | 13 |
| 27 | Chandler Wilson | Simplify Home Loans | UT | \$99,071,857 | \$112,260,188 | 312 | 360 | 1 |
| 28 | Amy Harvell | New American Funding | FL | \$96,271,402 | \$155,474,986 | 302 | 512 | 3 |
| 29 | Rodrigo Ballon | CrossCountry Mortgage LLC | UT | \$95,374,735 | \$301,860,210 | 153 | 520 | 17 |
| 30 | Mike Sanchez | Guaranteed Rate | VA | \$94,064,468 | \$140,468,396 | 184 | 302 | 21 |
| 31 | Joshua Jensen | Simplify Home Loans | UT | \$90,834,889 | \$112,977,375 | 279 | 365 | 21 |
| 32 | Jamie Fischer | CrossCountry Mortgage LLC | co | \$90,065,442 | \$99,871,240 | 225 | 260 | 8 |
| 33 | Chris Franquemont | Guaranteed Rate | CO | \$89,365,508 | \$151,634,229 | 235 | 416 | 5 |
| 34 | Preston Sims | Homebridge Financial Services Inc. | HI | \$88,179,057 | \$164,965,528 | 125 | 248 | 17.1 |
| 35 | Hunter Zinkil | LendUS LLC | CA | \$86,837,318 | \$152,210,246 | 189 | 347 | 9 |
| 36 | Mark Villano | CrossCountry Mortgage LLC | WA | \$85,872,459 | \$95,800,273 | 196 | 227 | 6 |
| 37 | Tony Peplinski | Guild Mortgage Co. | WA | \$85,535,653 | \$118,183,404 | 232 | 335 | 24 |
| 38 | Matthew Bennett | Caliber Home Loans | MO | \$83,394,423 | \$97,513,951 | 232 | 281 | 4 |
| 39 | Jimmy Alexander | SWBC Mortgage Corp | TX | \$79,904,497 | \$150,084,761 | 278 | 610 | 28 |
| 40 | Benjamin Parker | Simplify Home Loans | UT | \$79,586,995 | \$95,714,812 | 277 | 332 | 1 |
| 41 | Rob Clark | Guaranteed Rate Affinity | VA | \$78,915,231 | \$268,948,350 | 116 | 478 | 31 |
| 42 | Nathan Blair | Simplify Home Loans | UT | \$78,321,448 | \$88,084,452 | 214 | 248 | 5 |
| 43 | John Sego | Aligned Mortgage, A Division of American Pacific Mortgage | HI | \$77,347,711 | \$89,662,276 | 101 | 128 | 3 |
| 44 | Phana Par | Caliber Home Loans | CA | \$76,391,551 | \$152,966,352 | 126 | 280 | 10 |
| 45 | Jaren Ahlmann | Low VA Rates LLC | UT | \$76,225,993 | \$76,814,577 | 321 | 324 | 6 |
| 46 | Shane Deeley | Planet Home Lending LLC | FL | \$74,661,730 | \$150,179,401 | 248 | 542 | 9 |
| 47 | Jason Nader | First Home Mortgage Corp | MD | \$73,248,990 | \$190,320,283 | 128 | 401 | 19 |
| 48 | Joseph Натту | Simplify Home Loans | UT | \$73,240,343 | \$88,818,648 | 214 | 269 | 2 |
| 49 | Nathan Walker | Simplify Home Loans | UT | \$72,789,130 | \$82,691,520 | 231 | 269 | 9 |
| 50 | Isaac Tingey | Uniform Services Veterans Mortgage | UT | \$72,196,061 | \$72,196,061 | 185 | 185 | 11 |

Top VA Volume



Military service decreases homeownership gaps

Veterans are the most likely demographic to own homes in the U.S., according to an Urban Institute analysis of 2017 census data. Seventy-eight percent of veteran households own their homes, compared to 62% for civilian households. Active-duty military households, which move frequently and are often provided on-base housing, were the least likely to own with a 43% homeownership rate, But when controlling for age, active-duty military households headed by someone 55 or older were the most likely to own homes among these three demographics, with a homeownership rate of 87%.

The Urban Institute study, which was released in 2020, also found that military service decreased racial homeownership and wealth gaps, Nonwhite households with active-duty or veteran status had higher incomes and smaller homeownership gaps than the general population. In the overall U.S. population, 72% of white households own homes compared to only 42% of Black households, equating to a gap of 30 percentage points. Among veterans, however, this gap drops to 19 percentage points, and among active-duty households, the gap is only 11 points, Similarly, the gap between active-duty white and Hispanic households was 12 points.

Military service also decreased housing wealth gaps, according to the study. While the housing wealth gap between whites and Blacks among nonmilitary households was \$71,500, the gap narrowed to \$48,500 among active-duty and veteran households.



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| #. | NAME | COMPANY | STATE | VA LOAN VOLUME | TOTAL DOLLAR VOLUME | VA LOANS CLOSED | TOTAL LOANS CLOSED | YRS IN BIZ |
| 51 | Clay Murray | Military Home Loans, A Division of American Pacific Mortgage | CA | \$71,931,501 | \$83,809,756 | 106 | 129 | 7 |
| 52 | Richard Wallace | Priority Financial LLC | VA | \$71,594,647 | \$94,940,451 | 156 | 231 | 31 |
| 53 | Michael Dunn | Guild Mortgage Co | CA | \$71,009,382 | \$207,434,610 | 230 | 752 | 13 |
| 54 | Joshua Klenda | Community First National Bank | KS | \$68,848,740 | \$76,566,004 | 199 | 224 | 19 |
| 55 | Jason C Scott | Guaranteed Rate | Н | \$68,825,187 | \$84,924,388 | 135 | 183 | 8 |
| 56 | Jason Sharon | Home Loans Inc. | sc | \$68,726,433 | \$101,068,284 | 205 | 301 | 6 |
| 57 | Timothy Taylor | Trident Home Loans LLC | FL | \$68,725,755 | \$105,636,498 | 123 | 246 | 17 |
| 58 | Valerie Boughton | Mortgage Solutions Financial | со | \$66,513,014 | \$85,643,840 | 211 | 285 | 4.5 |
| 59 | Rick Ward | Benchmark Mortgage | со | \$64,962,972 | \$106,961,143 | 157 | 299 | 10 |
| 60 | Shanon Schinkel | NFM Lending | со | \$64,860,393 | \$132,368,150 | 160 | 327 | 7 |
| 61 | Colby Jones | Low VA Rates LLC | UT | \$64,731,763 | \$64,871,763 | 287 | 288 | 5 |
| 62 | Stacy Haynes | Trident Home Loans LLC | FL | \$64,138,692 | \$100,229,029 | 186 | 312 | 14 |
| 63 | Chad Baker | CrossCountry Mortgage LLC | CA | \$62,494,446 | \$303,875,719 | 78 | 462 | 15 |
| 64 | Rory Tongg | Guaranteed Rate | н | \$61,032,660 | \$100,794,661 | 95 | 180 | 8 |
| 65 | Dan Chapman | Homebridge Financial Services Inc. | CA | \$60,541,016 | \$86,863,341 | 97 | 166 | |
| 66 | Jake Hardman | Simplify Home Loans | UT | \$60,415,052 | \$65,460,135 | 192 | 211 | 12 |
| 67 | Jason Gosser | Guild Mortgage Co | WA | \$60,412,045 | \$477,370,786 | 156 | 1317 | 28 |
| 68 | Christopher Spigel | Planet Home Lending LLC | NJ | \$60,404,544 | \$111,829,735 | 206 | 439 | 22 |
| 69 | Edward Brady | Planet Home Lending LLC | MD | \$60,378,455 | \$124,698,173 | 220 | 512 | 13 |
| 70 | Çabena Holmes | Planet Home Lending LLC | NJ | \$60,285,948 | \$110,039,108 | 191 | 398 | 20 |
| 71 | Bryce Schetselaar | MortgageOne Inc. | CA | \$60,183,688 | \$118,997,128 | 113 | 245 | 12 |
| 72 | Alicia Medford | Allegiance Home Lending | VA | \$59,611,970 | \$82,346,834 | 154 | 243 | 3 |
| | | | AZ | | | 186 | 1770 | 24 |
| 73 | Paul Volpe | NOVA Home Loans | | \$59,541,730 | \$472,442,568 | 201 | 592 | 10 |
| 74 | Chris Leon | NOVA Home Loans | AZ | \$58,972,417 | \$136,226,933 | | | |
| 75 | Becca Green | Guild Mortgage Co | NV | \$58,737,718 | \$323,328,232 | 165 | 1161 | 24 |
| 76 | Rick Bettencourt | Caliber Home Loans Washington First Mortgage / | MA | \$57,700,266 | \$82,501,910 | 137 | 208 | 13 |
| 77 | Randy Szabo | Home Trust Financial | WA | \$57,280,325 | \$66,994,605 | 170 | 199 | 18 |
| 78 | Irwin Goldberg | Fairway Independent Mortgage Corp. | CA | \$57,279,920 | \$120,129,883 | 85 | 206 | 2 |
| 79 | Jaclyn Litton | Litton Mortgage | LA | \$57,224,757 | \$128,366,419 | 204 | 534 | 17 |
| 80 | Brian Pedrick | Planet Home Lending LLC | NJ | \$55,015,186 | \$121,842,474 | 184 | 458 | 25 |
| 81 | Brandon Wilde | RSI Financial Services | CA | \$54,805,879 | \$208,815,432 | 111 | 463 | 20 |
| 82 | Zach Farkas | Veterans Mortgage Source | HI | \$54,777,183 | \$69,136,795 | 82 | 107 | 3 |
| 83 | Christopher McLaurin | GoPrime Mortgage Inc. | NC | \$54,770,901 | \$98,139,997 | 165 | 315 | 12 |
| 84 | Adam Slack | Guaranteed Rate | NC | \$54,506,024 | \$268,474,411 | 158 | 859 | 10 |
| 85 | Shirley Mueller | Guaranteed Rate | TX | \$54,124,619 | \$73,863,571 | 154 | 210 | 18 |
| 86 | Porter Perkins | Low VA Rates LLC | UT | \$54,023,820 | \$55,379,909 | 243 | 249 | 2 |
| 87 | Zac Griffith | Low VA Rates LLC | υT | \$53,945,264 | \$55,536,889 | 188 | 193 | 5 |
| 88 | Jimmy Wallace | Armed Forces Bank | KS | \$53,048,477 | \$72,446,708 | 133 | 200 | 21 |
| 89 | Sam Atapour | Embrace Home Loans | FL | \$52,652,917 | \$100,486,912 | 102 | 212 | 22 |
| 90 | Mike Bendebba | Fairway Independent Mortgage Corp. | MD | \$52,439,747 | \$151,846,176 | 115 | 401 | - |
| 91 | James Oaks | OVM Financial Inc. | VA | \$52,346,690 | \$85,474,231 | 171 | 331 | 300 |
| 92 | Tony Adkins | Barrett Financial Group | AZ | \$52,194,854 | \$52,194,854 | 128 | 128 | 25 |
| 93 | Jeremy Engle | Vero Mortgage | CA | \$51,794,201 | \$257,811,999 | 145 | 888 | 17 |
| 94 | Nathan Bernier | Aligned Mortgage, A Division of American Pacific Mortgage | н | \$51,552,681 | \$58,348,194 | 81 | 97 | 36 |
| 95 | Clayton Norman | Simplify Home Loans | IN | \$51,072,928 | \$63,474,386 | 178 | 224 | 1 |
| 96 | Justin Petrusson | SouthPoint Bank | AL | \$50,756,990 | \$73,365,282 | 19 | 286 | 18 |
| 97 | Claude Blackman | Finance Any1 | CA | \$49,733,882 | \$61,949,051 | 86 | 114 | 14 |
| 98 | Charles Temple | OVM Financial Inc. | VA | \$49,612,376 | \$108,330,332 | 158 | 380 | 19 |
| 99 | Harrison Schiffbauer | Simplify Home Loans | UT | \$49,599,306 | \$58,556,710 | 166 | 204 | 2 |
| 100 | Louis Esa | Good Mortgage | TX | \$49,558,081 | \$171,740,038 | 193 | 348 | 15 |