



Evidence based findings about the veteran population in England's North West

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1. Estimates of working age veterans (2011)

	Working age veterans	Residents aged 16 to 64	Veterans as % of all residents aged 16 to 64	Male working age veterans	Male veterans as % of all working age veterans	Female working age veterans	Female veterans as % of all working age veterans
ENGLAND AND WALES	745,765	36,273,707	2.06%	684,070	91.73%	61,695	8.27%
ENGLAND	697,427	34,329,091	2.03%	639,745	91.73%	57,680	8.27%
NORTH WEST	98,031	4,556,474	2.15%	90,975	92.80%	7,055	7.20%
Blackburn with Darwen	1,638	94,061	1.74%	1,515	92.38%	120	7.32%
Blackpool	2,577	89,460	2.88%	2,400	93.20%	175	6.80%
Cheshire East	4,669	233,002	2.00%	4,295	91.97%	375	8.03%
Cheshire West and Chester	5,496	210,373	2.61%	5,080	92.45%	415	7.55%
Halton	2,489	82,338	3.02%	2,330	93.57%	160	6.43%
Warrington	3,176	131,263	2.42%	2,955	93.07%	220	6.93%
Cumbria	8,511	313,470	2.72%	7,860	92.36%	655	7.70%
• Allerdale	1,534	60,122	2.55%	1,415	92.18%	120	7.82%
• Barrow-in-Furness	1,348	43,841	3.07%	1,270	94.07%	75	5.56%
• Carlisle	2,153	69,145	3.11%	2,005	93.04%	150	6.96%
• Copeland	1,322	45,259	2.92%	1,220	92.42%	100	7.58%
• Eden	761	32,447	2.35%	685	90.13%	75	9.87%
• South Lakeland	1,393	62,656	2.22%	1,255	89.96%	135	9.68%
Greater Manchester	30,460	1,758,756	1.73%	28,415	93.29%	2,045	6.71%
• Bolton	3,259	177,170	1.84%	3,045	93.40%	215	6.60%
• Bury	2,323	118,395	1.96%	2,185	93.98%	140	6.02%
• Manchester	3,788	358,165	1.06%	3,450	91.03%	335	8.84%
• Oldham	2,656	141,485	1.88%	2,495	93.97%	165	6.21%
• Rochdale	2,613	136,100	1.92%	2,455	93.88%	160	6.12%
• Salford	2,847	155,574	1.83%	2,655	93.32%	195	6.85%
• Stockport	2,959	178,795	1.65%	2,770	93.58%	190	6.42%
• Tameside	3,151	142,415	2.21%	2,990	94.92%	160	5.08%
• Trafford	2,211	144,481	1.53%	2,015	91.18%	200	9.05%
• Wigan	4,653	206,176	2.26%	4,365	93.77%	285	6.12%
Lancashire	17,798	745,763	2.39%	16,470	92.53%	1,325	7.44%
• Burnley	1,359	55,781	2.44%	1,275	93.75%	85	6.25%

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• Chorley	1,677	69,570	2.41%	1,540	91.94%	135	8.06%
• Fylde	1,561	45,414	3.44%	1,445	92.63%	115	7.37%
• Hyndburn	1,166	51,283	2.27%	1,080	92.70%	85	7.30%
• Lancaster	2,196	90,040	2.44%	2,000	91.12%	195	8.88%
• Pendle	1,117	56,778	1.97%	1,050	94.17%	70	6.28%
• Preston	1,797	94,176	1.91%	1,640	91.36%	160	8.91%
• Ribble Valley	691	35,021	1.97%	645	93.48%	45	6.52%
• Rossendale	1,015	44,270	2.29%	945	93.10%	70	6.90%
• South Ribble	1,819	69,751	2.61%	1,690	92.86%	130	7.14%
• West Lancashire	1,674	69,837	2.40%	1,560	93.13%	115	6.87%
• Wyre	1,726	63,842	2.70%	1,605	93.04%	120	6.96%
Merseyside	21,217	897,988	2.36%	19,650	92.62%	1,565	7.38%
• Knowsley	2,541	94,211	2.70%	2,375	93.50%	165	6.50%
• Liverpool	6,160	322,849	1.91%	5,690	92.37%	470	7.63%
• Sefton	4,235	169,424	2.50%	3,920	92.56%	315	7.44%
• St. Helens	2,780	111,972	2.48%	2,600	93.53%	180	6.47%
• Wirral	5,501	199,532	2.76%	5,060	92.00%	440	8.00%

Adapted from Census 2011: Working age UK armed forces veterans residing in England and Wales.

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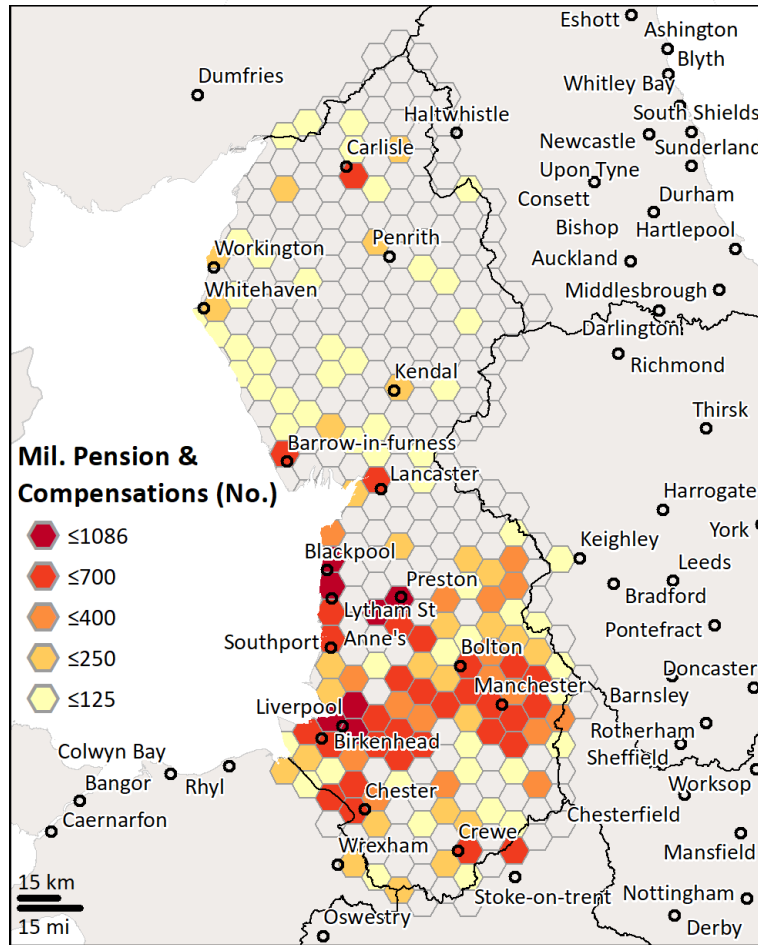
2. Military pension and compensation recipients (2017)

	All	Of which veterans	All AFPS	All WPS	WPS: Veterans (Disablement Pensioners)	WPS: War Widow(er)s	WPS: Other War Pensioners	All AFCS	AFCS: Serving Personnel	AFCS: Veterans
UK	405,019	374,023	307,085	113,292	96,835	15,937	520	32,599	15,222	17,377
ENGLAND	333,131	306,974	253,530	90,083	76,503	13,163	417	27,889	13,150	14,739
North West	33,208	30,761	22,028	12,896	11,319	1,518	59	2,326	917	1,409
Cheshire East	1,510	1,411	1,124	493	410	79	4	60	19	41
Cheshire West and Chester	2,260	2,090	1,621	687	597	~	~	204	81	123
Halton	733	684	433	354	323	~	~	48	19	29
Warrington	994	943	729	334	301	~	~	54	19	35
Allerdale	576	534	415	211	184	27	0	36	15	21
Barrow-in-Furness	538	502	417	164	141	23	0	20	14	6
Carlisle	873	823	703	231	209	22	0	56	28	28
Copeland	419	400	318	137	124	~	~	20	6	14
Eden	327	312	266	91	81	10	0	10	5	5
South Lakeland	658	619	506	200	167	~	~	21	7	14
Bolton	887	809	589	328	283	42	3	70	35	35
Bury	603	545	398	229	191	~	~	44	20	24
Manchester	923	817	590	348	278	66	4	90	37	53
Oldham	735	676	483	294	255	~	~	45	20	25
Rochdale	735	685	492	279	249	~	~	63	23	40
Salford	711	650	453	294	254	40	0	59	21	38
Stockport	870	790	603	293	235	58	0	56	25	31
Tameside	792	714	522	287	235	~	~	71	27	44
Trafford	591	545	399	217	185	32	0	32	14	18
Wigan	1,302	1,205	839	544	491	~	~	112	46	66
Blackburn with Darwen	472	429	331	174	145	~	~	29	14	15
Blackpool	1,153	1,086	817	457	410	44	~	62	21	41
Burnley	430	386	271	177	147	30	0	35	15	20
Chorley	591	559	439	175	161	14	0	44	18	26
Fylde	1,157	1,067	878	304	259	~	~	120	47	73
Hyndburn	386	361	258	151	139	12	0	37	13	24

Lancaster	858	806	634	278	239	~	~	47	13	34
Pendle	368	340	253	131	113	~	~	25	10	15
Preston	857	803	610	229	194	31	4	125	29	96
Ribble Valley	254	233	183	82	65	17	0	14	4	10
Rossendale	302	284	200	108	97	11	0	23	7	16
South Ribble	686	640	525	219	187	~	~	40	16	24
West Lancashire	566	519	340	280	245	35	0	27	12	15
Wyre	982	914	657	419	370	~	~	50	21	29
Knowsley	749	683	338	427	394	30	3	57	33	24
Liverpool	2,045	1,883	865	1,250	1,144	97	9	149	60	89
Sefton	1,575	1,456	841	804	719	~	~	90	35	55
St. Helens	832	772	506	369	333	~	~	57	28	29
Wirral	1,908	1,786	1,182	847	765	~	~	124	40	84

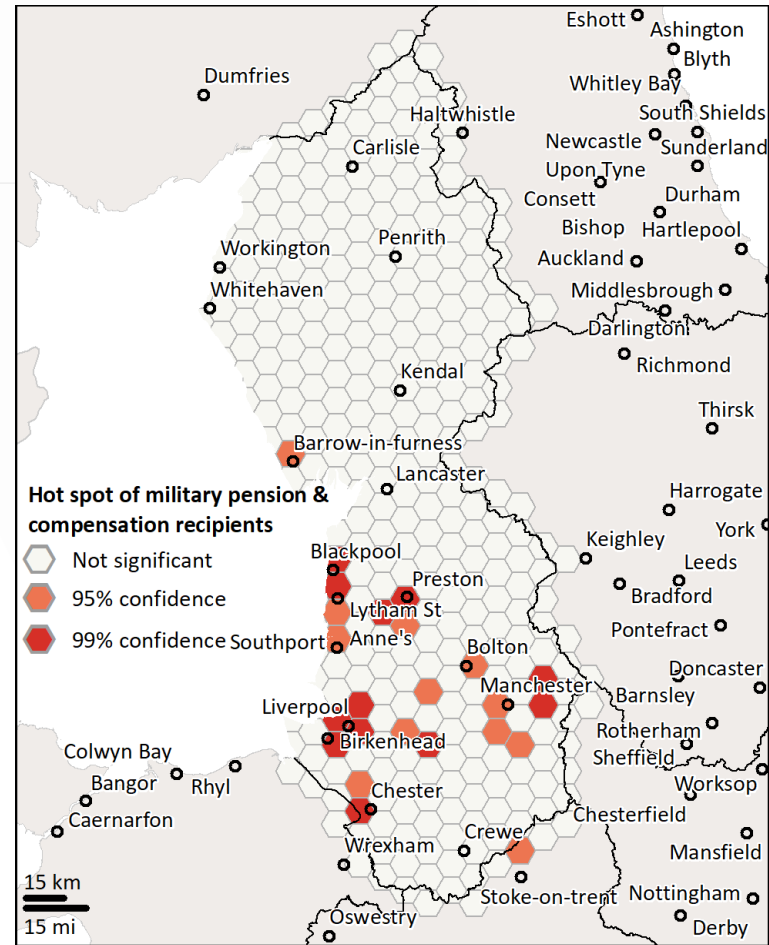
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Military pensions & compensations in the North West (2017).



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Hot spots of military pension & compensation recipients (2017).



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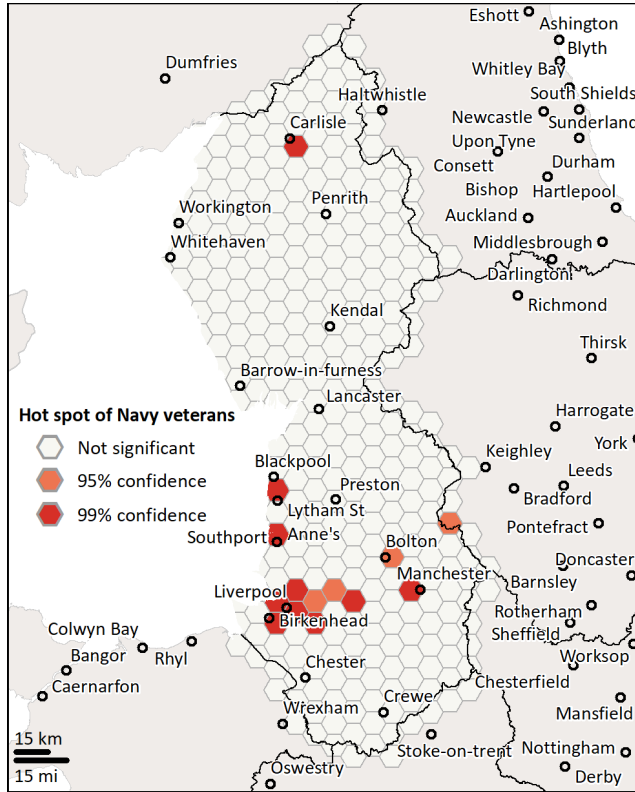
The figure above shows the distribution and count of military pensions & compensations in the North West.

The figure above shows the main areas where military pension & compensation recipients were located. The location of the hot spots is the result of a spatial pattern that could not have happened by random chance.

Data source: UK Location of Armed Forces Pension and Compensation Recipients 2017.

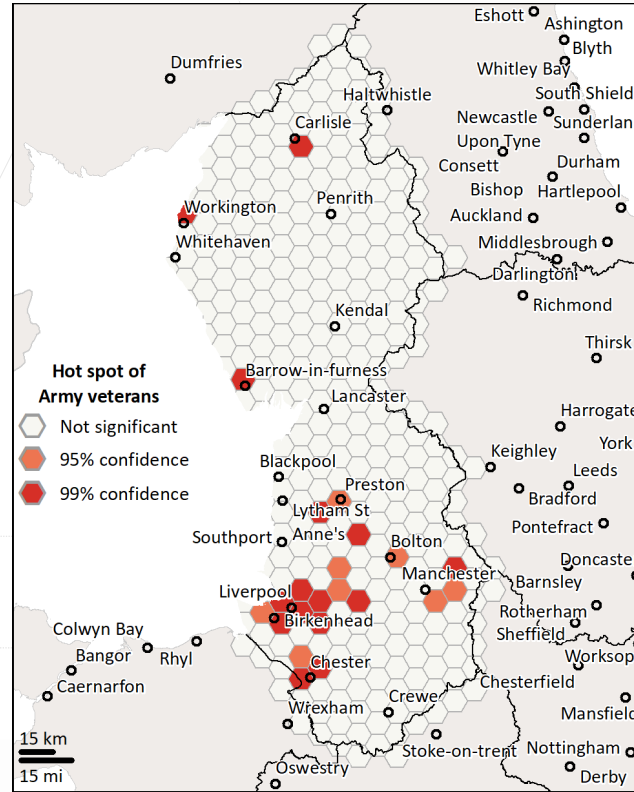
3. Financial hardship (2015/17)

Hot spots of recipients of funding: Navy veterans.



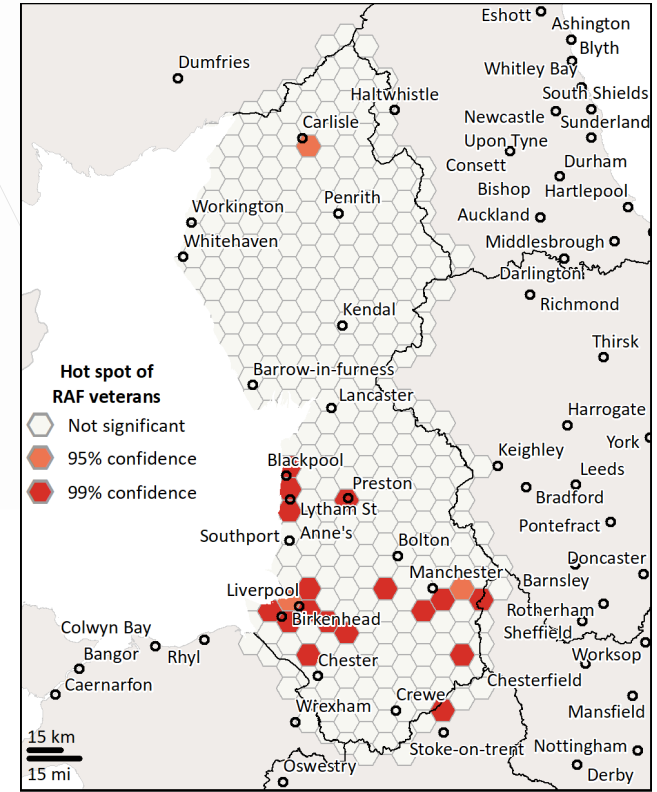
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Hot spots of recipients of funding: Army veterans.



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Hot spots of recipients of funding: RAF veterans.



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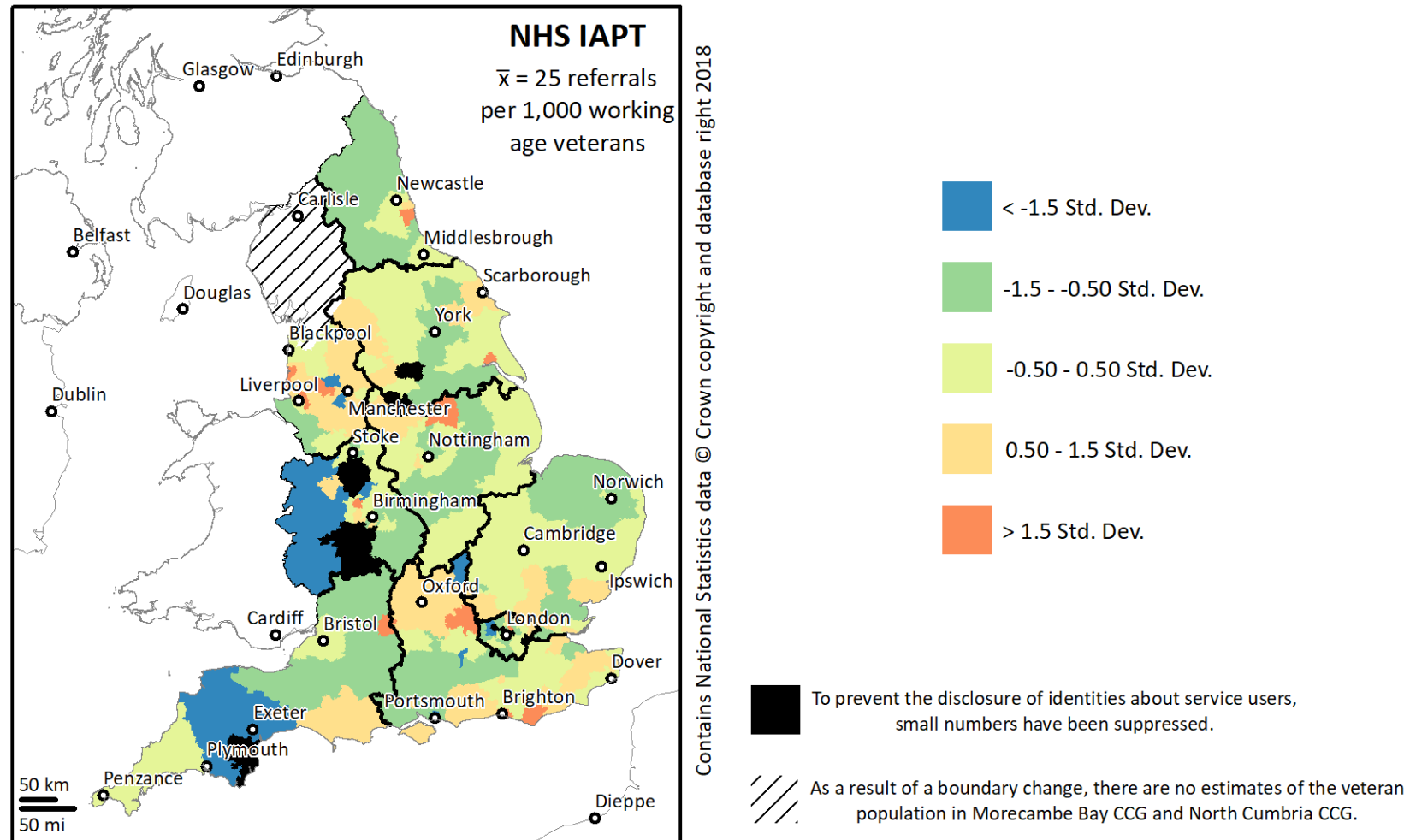
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Data source: Map of Need data sharing agreements with the RNBT, ABF and RAFBF.

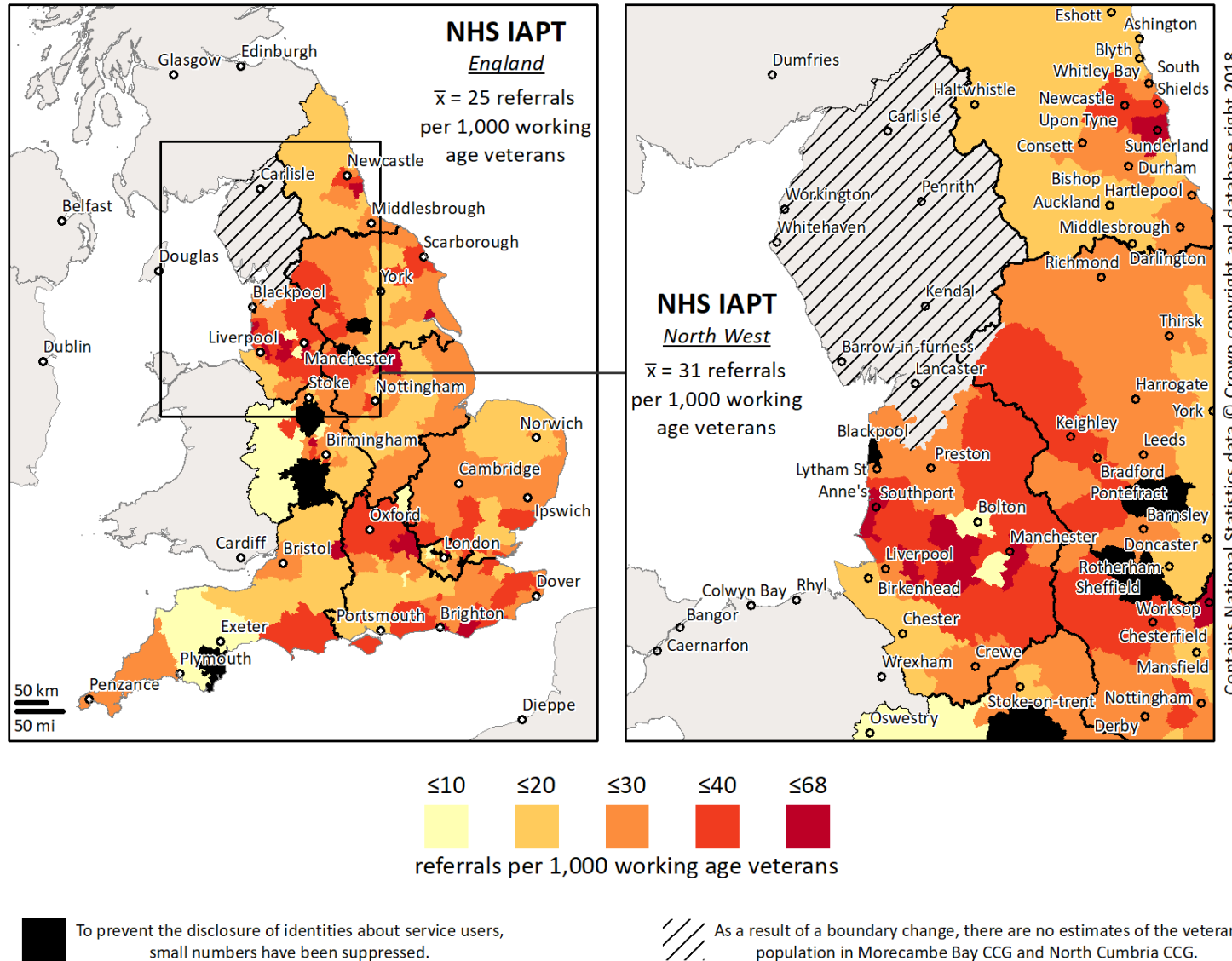
4. Mental health (2017/18)

Deviations from the mean veterans' rate of access to mental health treatment (2017/18).



The figure above shows the distribution of the veterans' rates of access to mental health treatment in the financial year 2017/18. The orange indicates areas where veterans accessing services is greater than 1.5 standard deviations above the mean prevalence rate of access, and the blue where it is less than 1.5 standard deviations below the mean. The central classification of -0.50 - 0.50 indicates the geographical areas where the number of veterans accessing the services is roughly the same as the average (mean) prevalence.

Veterans' rates of access to mental health treatment (NHS IAPT 2017/18).



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The figure above shows the veterans' rates of access to mental health treatment for the NHS IAPT service.

Data source: Psychological Therapies (IAPT) activity by ex-British armed force status and gender 2017-18; NHS Digital 2019.