

DIFFERENCE IN VETERANS NUMBERS BETWEEN DISTRICT AND DATA MART

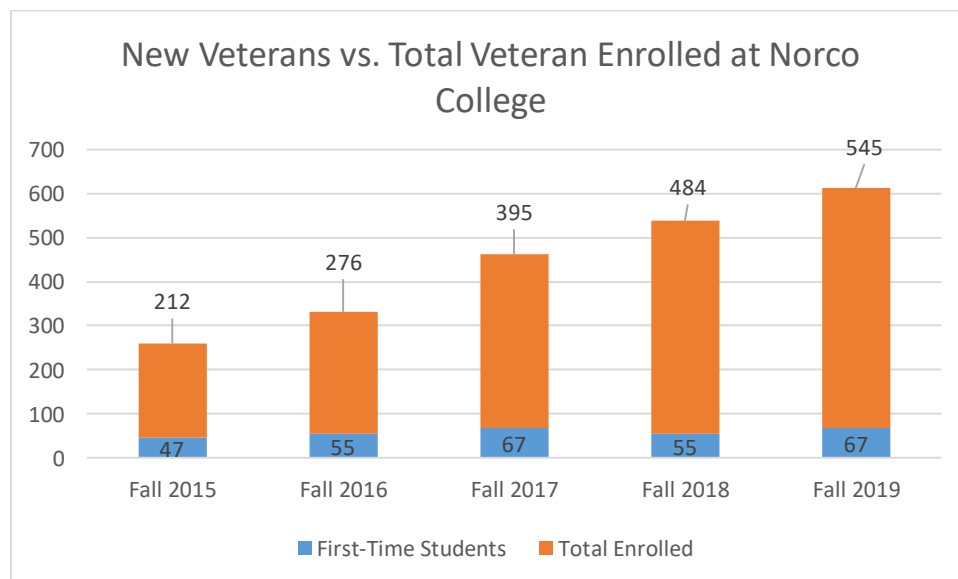
In viewing the district dashboard titled GP_DT, also known as the Guided Pathways dashboard, it was noted by Norco College that there was a difference between the Veteran's numbers on this dashboard and the Veteran's numbers for Norco College on the CCCC Data Mart. The table below compares the veteran's numbers on the district dashboard to those on the Data Mart.

Veterans Count in Fall for Norco College

	District GP_DT	CCCCO Data Mart
Fall 2015	47	212
Fall 2016	55	276
Fall 2017	67	395
Fall 2018	55	484
Fall 2019	67	545

The reason for this difference is because each of these dashboards are identifying different groups of veterans. The GP_DT dashboard looks at First-Time College Students as a cohort including demographics and outcomes. So when the above table identifies 67 veteran students on the GP_DT dashboard, that means there were 67 veterans identified in the entire group of first-time college students during Fall 2019. The CCCC Data Mart identifies all veterans enrolled at Norco during the identified Fall term. So, during Fall 2019 there was a total of 545 veterans enrolled in courses at Norco.

The above numbers are both correct given this description. In fact, it might be easier to think of the GP_DT dashboard as a subset of the total identified in the CCCC Data Mart. The chart below depicts this relationship.



These two numbers will probably be used for different reasons. The larger number identifies the total number of veterans at the college and would probably serve as an indicator of the college veteran population. The smaller number (in blue area) indicates the number of new veterans coming into the college each fall and would probably serve as an indicator of the newly onboarded veterans. By combining the two numbers in the chart above, one can infer that Norco College has done increasingly

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well in retaining veterans over the last five years despite the relatively level number of incoming veterans.