The Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) is having severe problems providing injured veterans with benefits in a timely fashion. In October 2004, VA reported that over 300,000 veterans were currently waiting for disability assessments to determine if they would receive benefits for injuries they received in combat. Many of these veterans must wait months in order to obtain benefits. A new Special Investigations Division report investigates the long waits faced by disabled veterans. **Documents and Links**

- VA Assistance Waiting Times for Disabled Veterans in Southern California
- VA Assistance Waiting Times by Facility