

## Bulletin 23-50

## **VA Loan Limits for 2024**

VA has not yet issued guidance for the 2024 loan limits, however it is anticipated that the 2024 conventional loan limits set by the Federal Housing Finance Agency (FHFA) for Fannie Mae/Freddie Mac will apply to VA loans when **determining the maximum guaranty amount**, if applicable.

## Loan limits and entitlement requirements do not apply to IRRRLs

	2024 Conforming Loa	an Limits	2024 High-Cost Area Loan Limits					
Units	Contiguous States	Alaska, Hawaii	Units	Contiguous States	Alaska, Hawaii			
One	\$766,550	\$1,149,825	One	\$1,149,825	N/A			
Two	\$981,500	\$1,472,250	Two	\$1,472,250	N/A			
Three	\$1,186,350	\$1,779,525	Three	\$1,779,525	N/A			
Four	\$1,474,400	\$2,211,600	Four	\$2,211,600	N/A			

<sup>\*</sup>Actual loan limits for certain high-cost areas may be <u>lower</u> than the maximum loan amount listed above

To view loan limits by county click here: FHFA 2024 Loan Limits

# Important Reminders Regarding VA Guaranty and Homebridge VA Maximum Loan Amount

Brokers are encouraged to read the below information as it contains specific reminders regarding Homebridge requirements and VA maximum loan amounts

#### Loan Amount: First Time Use, Veteran has Full Entitlement or Full Entitlement will be Restored

While VA eliminated the use of county limits when determining the guaranty for Veterans with first time use, full entitlement, or full entitlement will be restored, with the Blue Water Navy Act, Homebridge applies the following to VA transactions with 100% financing for all LTVs:

- The maximum total loan amount for a VA loan is \$1,500,000. Loan amounts > \$1,000,000 to \$1,500,000 will require Homebridge management review and approval
- Loan amounts up to \$2,000,000 will be considered on a case-by-case basis with Homebridge management review and approval. A down payment, determined by Homebridge management, will be required on loan amounts > \$1,500,000 to \$2,000,000
- 1-unit transactions are subject to the following credit score and loan amount restrictions:

Credit Score	Maximum Total Loan Amount						
580	\$1,149,825						
680-699	\$1,250,000						
700+	\$1,500,000						

• 2-4 unit transactions <u>are limited to the applicable county limit where the property is located</u> even if the veteran has full entitlement/full entitlement restored/first time use:

Minimum Credit Score	Number of Units	Maximum Total Loan Amount*					
580	2-units	\$1,472,250					
580	3-units	\$1,779,525					
580	4-units	\$2,211,600					

<sup>\*</sup>Actual loan limits may be <u>lower</u> than the maximum loan amount listed above To view loan limits by county click here: <u>FHFA 2024 Loan Limits</u>

## <u>Loan Amount: Veteran has Partial Entitlement, Entitlement Cannot be Restored, or the</u> <u>Loan Amount is ≤ \$144,000</u>

- County limits apply and are used to calculate the maximum guaranty amount
- Loan amounts that exceed the county limit will require a down payment from the Veteran
- Homebridge limits the maximum loan amount to \$1,000,000 excluding Hawaii; Hawaii maximum is \$1,500,000

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	(These limits were determined under the provisions of the Housing and Economic Recovery Act of 2008)  Always use the amount in the 1-unit column when determining guaranty											
FIPS State Code	FIPS County Code	County Name	State	CBSA Number		One-Unit Limit		Two-Unit Limit	1	Three-Unit Limit	ı	our-Unit Limit
01	001	AUTAUGA COUNTY	AL	33860	\$	766,550	\$	981,500	\$	1,186,350	\$	1,474,400
01	003	BALDWIN COUNTY	AL	19300	\$	766,550	\$	981,500	\$	1,186,350	\$	1,474,400
01	005	BARBOUR COUNTY	AL	21640	\$	766,550	\$	981,500	\$	1,186,350	\$	1,474,400
01	007	BIBB COUNTY	AL	13820	\$	766,550	\$	981,500	\$	1,186,350	\$	1,474,400

## 2024 Loan Limit Eligibility

- Veteran has Full Entitlement/First Time Use/Full Entitlement will be Restored:
  - 2024 loan limits may be applied immediately to both pipeline loans and new submissions
- Veteran with Partial Entitlement/Entitlement Cannot be Restored/Loan Amount ≤\$144,000:
  - 2024 loan limits may be applied to both new submissions and loans currently in the pipeline however the loan must have a Note dated on or after January 1, 2024

**NOTE:** In the event the loan has a Note dated prior to January 1, 2024 and the loan amount exceeds the 2023 limit, the loan will be re-priced as a high balance transaction

A manual lock will be required for transactions locked prior to January 1, 2024 using 2024 limits. The Lock Request Form is posted on the Forms page of the Homebridge website under General Forms.

The Homebridge VA guidelines will be updated and will be posted on the Homebridge website at <a href="https://www.HomebridgeWholesale.com">www.HomebridgeWholesale.com</a>; refer to the VA guideline version posted as "Transactions Using 2024 Loan Limits"

If you have any questions, please contact your Account Executive