

Maine Public Employees Retirement System

State Employee and Teacher Retirement Program

**Actuarial Valuation Report
as of June 30, 2017**

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October 31, 2017

Board of Trustees
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Dear Members of the Board:

We are pleased to submit the June 30, 2017 actuarial valuation report for the State Employee and Teacher Retirement Program (Program) of the Maine Public Employees Retirement System (MainePERS or System). This report is for the use of the MainePERS Board and its auditors in preparing financial reports in accordance with applicable law and accounting requirements. This report contains information on assets, liabilities, and contributions of the Program, as well as the required accounting statement disclosures under the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 67.

In preparing our report, we relied on information, both oral and written, supplied by the System's staff. This information includes, but is not limited to, the program provisions, member data, and financial information. We performed an informal examination of the obvious characteristics of the data for reasonableness and consistency in accordance with Actuarial Standard of Practice No. 23.

The results of this report rely on future program experience conforming to the underlying assumptions and methods outlined in this report. Future experience may differ significantly from the current experience due to such factors as the following: program experience differing from that anticipated by the assumptions; changes in assumptions; and changes in program provisions or applicable law.

To the best of our knowledge, this report and its contents have been prepared in accordance with generally recognized and accepted actuarial principles and practices that are consistent with the Code of Professional Conduct and applicable Actuarial Standards of Practice set out by the Actuarial Standards Board, including the use of assumptions and methods for funding purposes that comply with the Actuarial Standards of Practice. Furthermore, as credentialed actuaries, we meet the Qualification Standards of the American Academy of Actuaries to render the opinion contained in this report. This report does not address any contractual or legal issues. We are not attorneys, and our firm does not provide any legal services or advice.

This valuation was prepared for the Maine Public Employees Retirement System for the purposes described herein and for the use by the Program's auditor in completing an audit related to the matters herein. Other users of this report are not intended users as defined in the Actuarial Standards of Practice, and Cheiron assumes no duty or liability to any other user.

Sincerely,
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FOREWORD

Cheiron has completed the actuarial valuation report of the Maine Public Employees Retirement System (MainePERS or System) State Employee and Teacher Program (Program) as of June 30, 2017. The purpose of this report is to:

- 1) Measure and disclose, as of the valuation date, the financial condition of the Program;
- 2) Indicate trends, both historical and prospective, in the financial condition of the Program;
- 3) Report on the employer contribution rates developed in this valuation. (Note: the results of this June 30, 2017 valuation will be rolled forward to June 30, 2018 to develop the employer contribution rates for FY 2020 and FY 2021); and
- 4) Provide specific information and documentation required for MainePERS's financial disclosures.

An actuarial valuation establishes and analyzes assets and liabilities on a consistent basis, and traces the progress of both from one year to the next. It includes measurement of investment performance as well as an analysis of actuarial liability gains and losses.

Section I presents a summary containing our key findings, disclosing important trends experienced by the Program in recent years, and providing analysis relating to the future status of the Program.

Section II contains details on various asset measures, together with pertinent performance measurements.

Section III shows similar information on liability measures for various purposes, including analysis of key changes in the measures.

Section IV develops the employer contribution rates to be compared to those actually established during the budgeting process.

Section V includes financial disclosure information.

Finally, at the end of this report we present appendices that contain a summary of the:

- Program membership information at the valuation date (Appendix A);
- Major benefit provisions of the Program and the various Plans included in the Program (Appendix B);
- Actuarial methods and assumptions used in the current valuation (Appendix C); and
- Terminology used in the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) disclosures provided as a glossary (Appendix D).

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General Comments

The annual employer contributions to this Program are determined on a biennial basis in even years. The contributions for fiscal year (FY) 2016 and FY 2017 were developed through this process in 2014. The assets used in developing these rates were the preliminary June 30, 2014 assets. These were then combined with liability measures as of June 30, 2014 that were developed as an adjustment (i.e., roll-forward) on the liabilities of the June 30, 2013 Actuarial Valuation. This adjustment included updating to reflect anticipated growth in benefits, reductions due to payouts, and any changes in assumptions or benefits between the June 30, 2013 valuation date and the June 30, 2014 measurement date. Similarly, the contributions for FY 2018 and FY 2019 were developed in 2016 and were based on preliminary assets as of June 30, 2016 and liabilities based on the June 30, 2015 actuarial valuation liabilities adjusted to our best estimate of the June 30, 2016 liabilities.

The results of this June 30, 2017 valuation will be used as the basis for the 2018 budgeting process that will develop the applicable FY 2020 and FY 2021 employer contributions to this Program. These rates will be developed based on preliminary asset information as of June 30, 2018 combined with our best estimate of the June 30, 2018 liabilities based on adjustments to the liabilities of this valuation.

The actuarial valuations that are produced in the even years are not used within the budgeting process and as such are primarily used for accounting disclosures.

Experience from July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2017 (FY 2017)

The State of Maine composite total employer rate produced by the June 30, 2016 valuation reflecting all Plans in the State Employee and Teacher Retirement Program was 19.29% of payroll. The equivalent rate produced in this June 30, 2017 valuation is 20.03% of payroll. The change in contribution rate was attributable to several elements, including a small loss on investment returns and a small liability experience loss that consisted primarily of a higher cost-of-living adjustment (COLA) than expected as well as fewer terminations and deaths than expected.

As of June 30, 2017, the Program had an unfunded actuarial liability (UAL) of \$2.581 billion. This represents an increase of \$0.024 billion from the \$2.557 billion UAL measured as of June 30, 2016. The specific factors contributing to this change are presented in Table I-1 that follows. There are separate columns showing the impact of liabilities and investments as well as their combined effect on the UAL.

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Table I-1 (Amounts in Billions)			
	Liabilities	Assets*	UAL
Value as of June 30, 2016	\$ 13.070	\$ 10.513	\$ 2.557
Expected Change	0.320	0.409	(0.089)
Impact of Assumption Changes	0.000	0.000	0.000
Recognized Investment Loss	0.000	(0.018)	0.018
Recognized Liability Loss	<u>0.095</u>	<u>0.000</u>	<u>0.095</u>
Value as of June 30, 2017	\$ 13.485	\$ 10.904	\$ 2.581

*Demonstration uses the actuarial value of assets. Results would be different if the market value was used.

The remainder of this Board Summary section summarizes the Program's trends, provides projections of the Program's future status, and summarizes the principal results of the valuation, comparing key results between this year's valuation and last year's for member counts, assets and liabilities, and contributions rates.

Trends

It is important to take a step back from the latest results and view them in the context of the Program's history. On the next few pages, we present a series of graphs that display key historical trends in the Program's condition. Following the historical review, we present projections of the probable condition of the Program in the future under various market return scenarios.

Assets and Liabilities

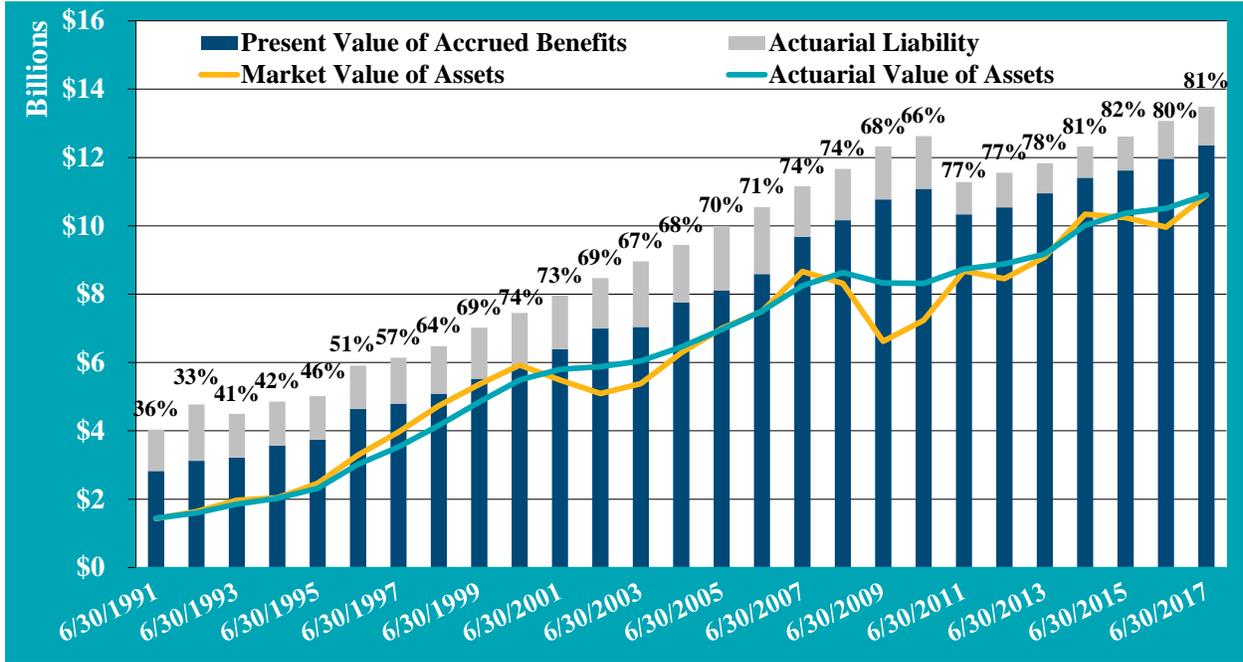
The following graph illustrates the progress of assets against liabilities for the Program since June 30, 1991. The blue bars represent the present value of accrued benefits (PVAB) as of June 30 of the indicated years.

The actuarial liability (AL), the liability measure used for funding purposes, is represented by the top of the grey bars. The actuarial value of assets (AVA) divided by this measure of liability is the AVA funded ratio that is used in evaluating the Program's financial status. These values as of each valuation date are shown as the percentages in the graph labels.

Plan changes were legislated during 2010 and first reflected in the 2011 valuation, resulting in the reduction in liability seen for that year. As of June 30, 2017, the Program is funded 81% based on the AVA funded ratio, which represents a slight increase from the prior valuation.

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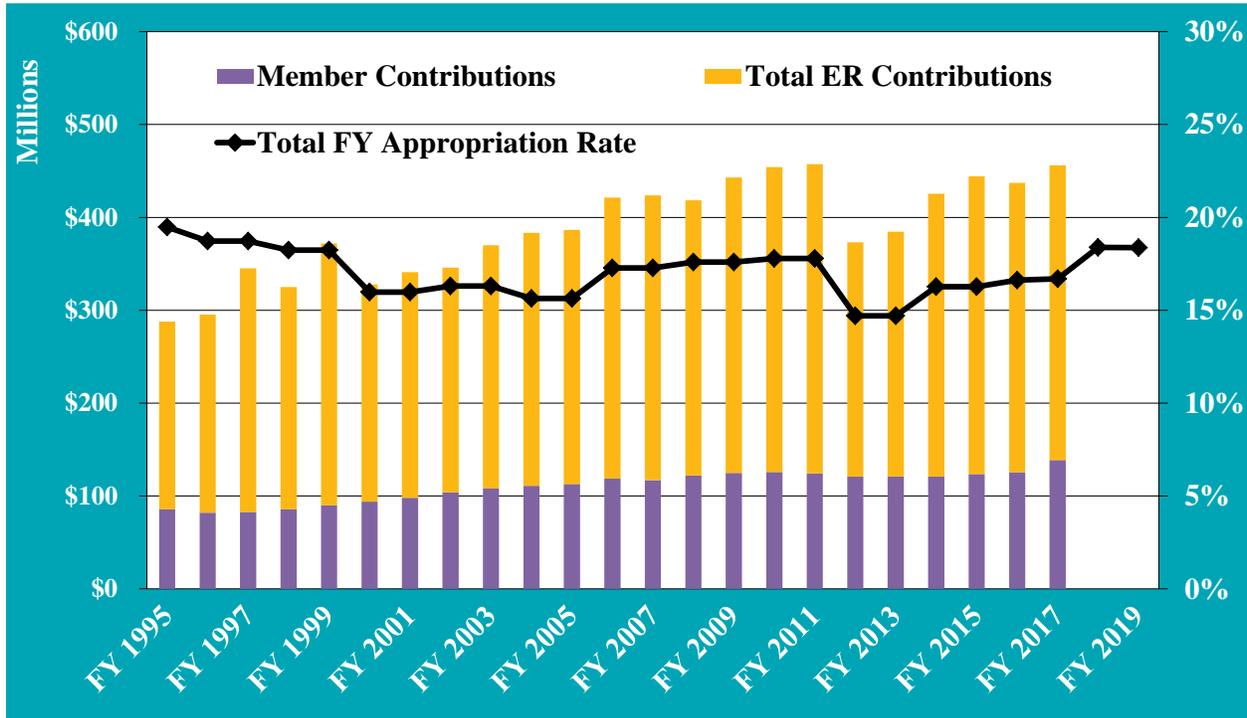
Contributions

The next graph shows the history of contributions to the Program, both as dollar amounts and as percentages of payroll. The bars in this graph show the contributions made by both the employers and the members in dollar terms for each fiscal year (FY) ending in the year indicated by the horizontal axis since 1995. These bars are read using the left-hand axis. The black line shows the total appropriated employer contribution rate for the FY indicated as a percentage of payrolls and should reference the right-hand axis. The FY 2018 through 2019 contribution rates have already been determined based on the budgeting process, so two additional years of the contribution rate are shown versus the dollars received.

The member contribution rates are set by statute, based on the Plan in which the member participates. The total employer contribution rate is set by the actuarial process, on a biennial basis. The contribution rate for FY 2017 was based on a roll-forward of the June 30, 2013 valuation to June 30, 2014.

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Participant Trends

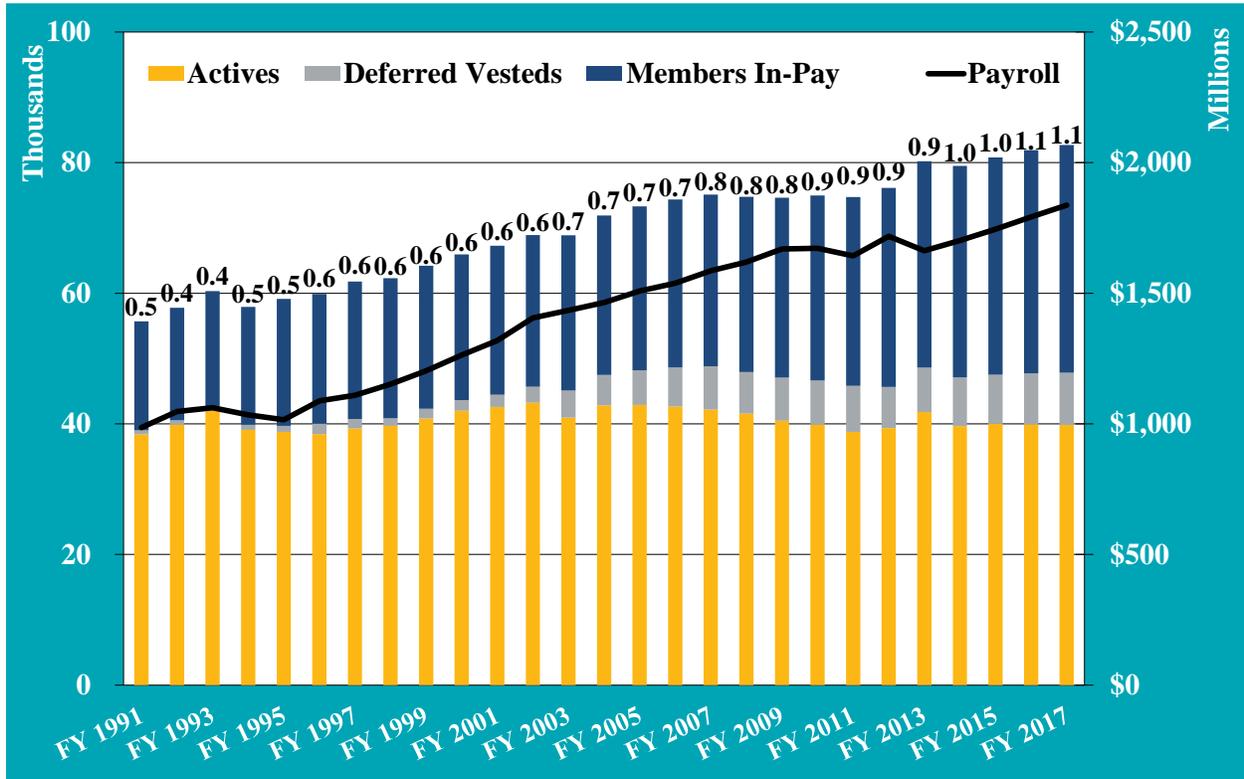
The stacked bars in the graph that follows show the number of active members, terminated vested members, and members in pay status covered by the Program as of June 30 of each year indicated and is read using the left-hand axis of the graph. As with many funds in this country, there has been a steady growth in the number of retired members as the Program has matured.

The labels above each bar show the ratio of inactive members (members in pay status plus terminated vested members) per active member and have been generally increasing since 1991. We anticipate that this ratio will continue to increase as the “baby boomer” generation enters retirement. While an increasing ratio would be a concern in a plan with no prefunding, in the Program’s case, it just indicates that there may be increased difficulty in recovering from an investment loss since assets are lost on all covered liabilities, but contributions only come in on the basis of payroll. In addition, as this ratio grows, the cash flows of a plan tend to become more negative. The more negative a plan’s cash flows, the more sensitive, in terms of contribution volatility, the plan is to volatile investment markets. The valuation process takes this trend into account and the projections in the next section of this Board Summary show that the assets are expected to be sufficient to meet this growing cash flow disparity.

The black line in the graph indicates the total covered payroll of actives in the Program and is read using the right-hand axis of the graph. It has been generally increasing since 1991.

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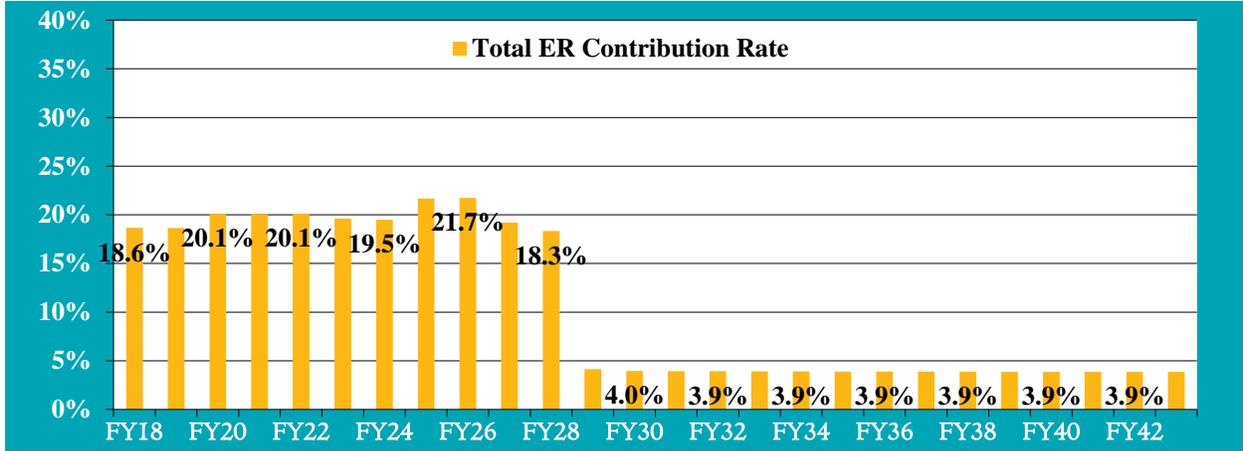
Projections

Our analysis of the projected financial trends for the Program is an important part of this valuation. In this section, we present sensitivity analysis of future valuation results in terms of benefit security, the previously referenced AVA funded ratio (AVA over AL), and the expected employer contribution rates. We first present a baseline projection of these metrics based on all actuarial assumptions being exactly met during the projection period, including the assumed 6.875% investment return being achieved each year. We then present the same projections based on continuing to achieve all assumptions exactly, **except** for having investment earnings one percent above and then one percent below the assumed 6.875% return. The primary purpose of presenting these projections is to demonstrate how sensitive future valuation results are to deviations from our investment return expectations.

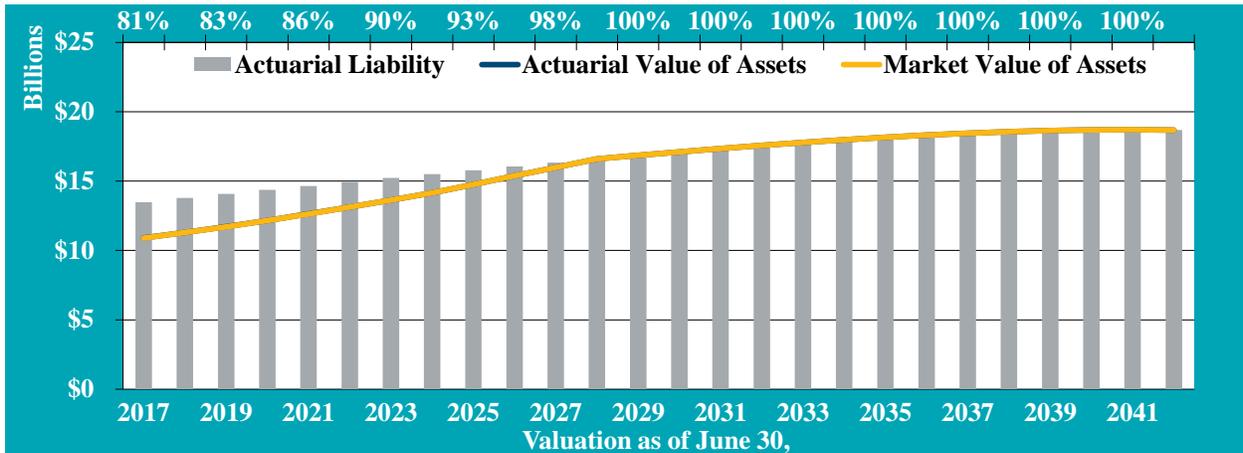
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Baseline Projections



The graph above shows the expected progress of the Program’s employer contribution rates over the next 25 years assuming that the Program’s assets earn 6.875% on their *market value*. It shows that the overall composite employer contribution rate for the Program is projected to increase for the next nine years as the recent loss bases are fully amortized. The initial UAL balance under the current funding method will be paid off in FY 2028. At that point the employer contribution rate under this scenario drops substantially to 4.0%, with small further declines thereafter. Note that this projection is based on the assumption that all actuarial assumptions are exactly met each and every year, including the 6.875% investment assumption. The reality is that there will be gains and losses each and every year, resulting in new amortization layers (negative or positive) occurring every year. Also, due to the short amortization periods set by the State’s Constitution (currently 10 years for new layers), there will always be significant volatility in the rate as is shown above for the period 2018 through 2028.



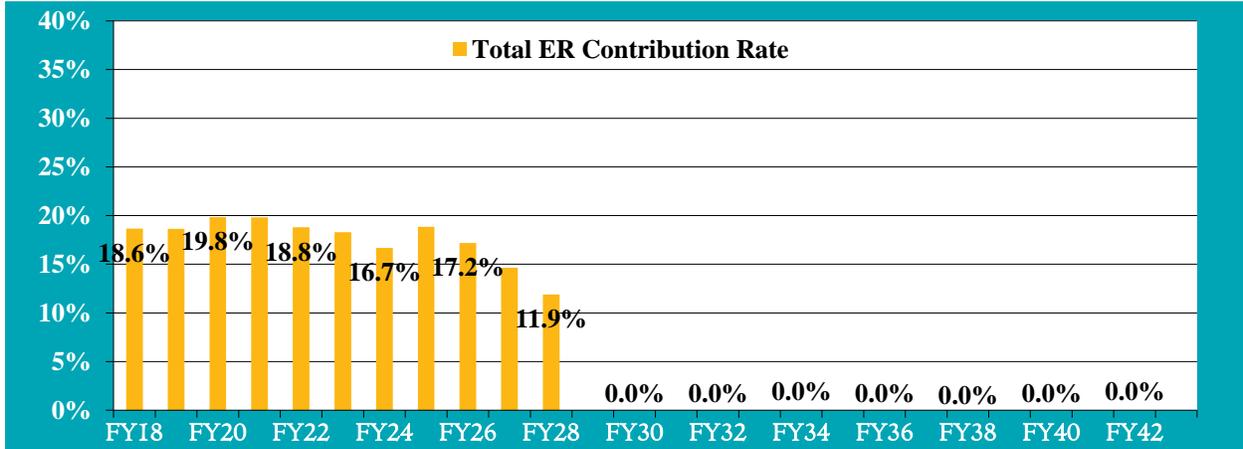
The graph above shows the projected funded ratio (AVA divided by AL) over the next 25 years in this baseline scenario. It shows that the Program’s funded ratio is projected to improve from

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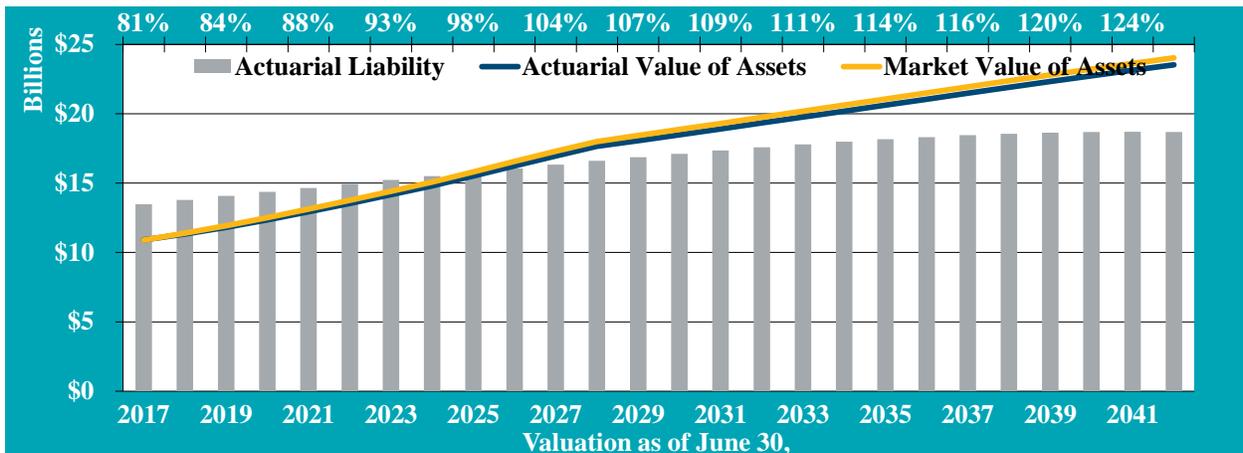
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the starting level of 81% as of FY 2017 to 100% funding in FY 2028, which is the year that the Maine Constitution mandates that the Program’s UAL is to be paid off.

Projections with Asset Returns of 7.875%



The future funding of this Program will be significantly driven by the investment earnings as relatively minor changes in the market returns can have significant effects on the Program’s funding status. The graph above shows that with a 7.875% annual return in each year while exactly meeting all other assumptions, the composite total employer contribution rate would increase at a much slower rate and then decline precipitously at the end of the initial UAL payoff period. After the payoff period, both the normal cost rate and the UAL rates would go to zero. This is due to the excess earnings each year resulting in a surplus of assets such that the amortization of the surpluses would be more than enough to offset the entirety of the employer normal cost for the remainder of the projection period.



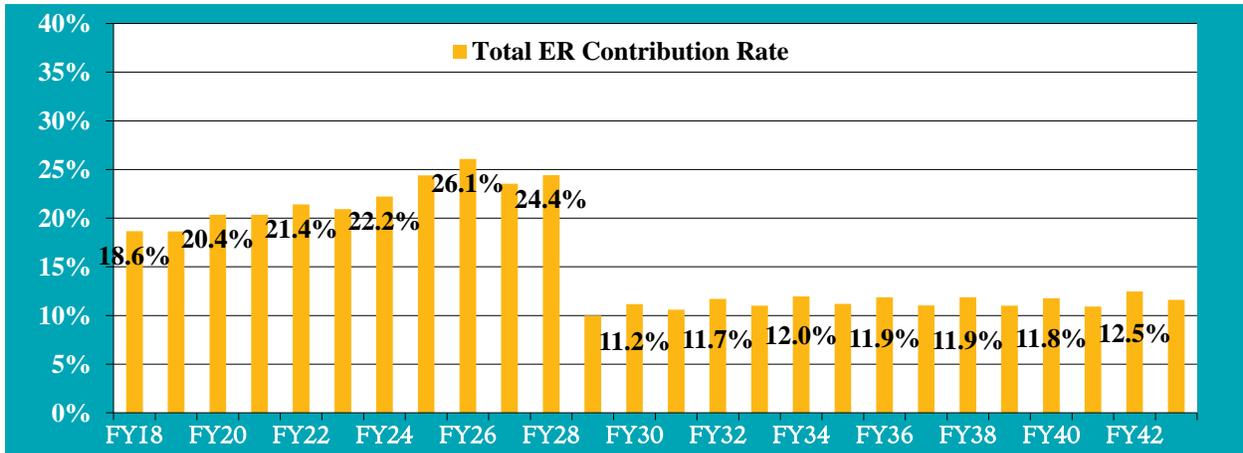
Assuming the same 7.875% return on investments scenario, the above graph shows that the Program’s AVA funded ratio would increase to reach 100% by 2026, and then continue to

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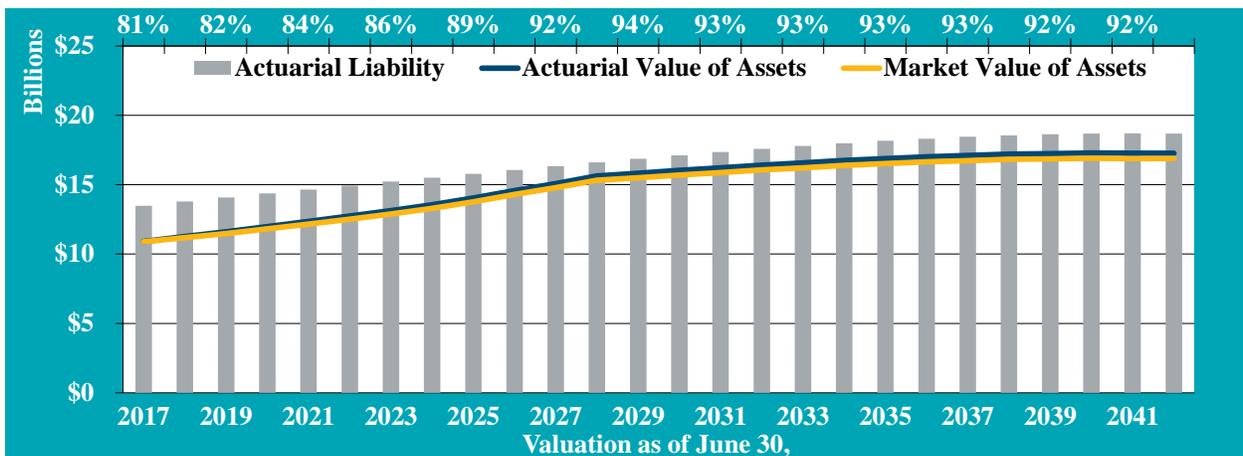
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improve. The reason the Program reaches 100% funding in the year 2026, but the UAL payments in the graph above continued until 2028 is due to the timing of when the valuation is performed and when the State's biennial budget and thus the contribution rates are set.

Projections with Asset Returns of 5.875%



Just as returns in excess of the rate of return assumption will lead to declining employer contributions and an improved funded ratio, the opposite will occur if actual investment earnings are below the assumed rate. The graph above shows the contribution projection under a 5.875% annual return scenario, continuing to meet all other assumptions exactly. The period of decline in the composite employer contribution rate will be shorter than in the baseline scenario, and in this scenario the contribution rate would rise to around 26% of payroll at its highest in order to meet the Constitutional funding requirements. Beyond 2028, there will then be continued unfunded actuarial contributions in this scenario in order to amortize the annual investment losses of 1% each year compared to the assumed rate of return.



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The above graph shows that the Program's AVA funded ratio in this 5.875% rate of return scenario would increase more slowly than in the baseline scenario and would only reach 92% over the next 25 years with actual returns at 5.875%, one percentage point lower than the assumed rate. In addition, under this scenario, the Program would still have an unfunded actuarial liability (UAL) in 2028, the end of the current amortization period. The Constitutional Amendment would be satisfied, in that the UAL existing on July 1, 1997 would be paid off by 2028, but new losses that create additional UAL would continue to be funded over up to ten years each based on the Constitutional Amendment.

Principal Results Summary

The balance of this Board Summary section of the actuarial valuation report presents a summary of the principal results of the valuation, comparing key results between this year's valuation and last year's for member counts, assets and liabilities, and contribution rates. These summary results are shown for the total State Employee and Teacher Programs, and then for each of these subgroups as well as the division of the State Employee Program in the Regular and Special Plans.

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**Table I-2
Summary of Principal Results
Total State and Teacher Program**

Valuation as of:	June 30, 2016	June 30, 2017	% Change
<u>Member Counts</u>			
Active Members	39,942	39,836	(0.3)%
Retired Members	25,734	26,424	2.7%
Beneficiaries of Retired Members	6,143	6,174	0.5%
Survivors of Deceased Members	644	636	(1.2)%
Disabled Members	1,660	1,636	(1.4)%
Terminated Vested Members	7,783	8,010	2.9%
Inactives Due Refunds	<u>37,656</u>	<u>38,463</u>	2.1%
Total Membership	119,562	121,179	1.4%
Annual Payroll of Active Members	\$ 1,792,004,417	\$ 1,837,608,866	2.5%
Annual Payments to Benefit Recipients	\$ 728,131,830	\$ 761,472,435	4.6%
<u>Assets and Liabilities</u>			
Actuarial Liability (AL)	\$ 13,069,954,948	\$ 13,484,886,512	3.2%
Actuarial Value of Assets (AVA)	<u>10,512,524,178</u>	<u>10,904,082,221</u>	3.7%
Unfunded Actuarial Liability (UAL)	\$ 2,557,430,770	\$ 2,580,804,291	0.9%
AVA Funding Ratio (AVA/AL)	80.4%	80.9%	
MVA Funding Ratio (MVA/AL)	76.2%	80.8%	
Accrued Benefit Liability (PVAB)	\$ 11,965,421,559	\$ 12,361,180,500	3.3%
Market Value of Assets (MVA)	<u>9,960,335,390</u>	<u>10,893,291,864</u>	9.4%
Unfunded PVAB	\$ 2,005,086,169	\$ 1,467,888,636	(26.8)%
Accrued Benefit Funded Ratio	83.2%	88.1%	
<u>Contributions as a Percentage of Payroll</u>			
Program Employer Normal Cost Rate	4.19%	4.04%	
Program UAL Rate	<u>15.10%</u>	<u>15.99%</u>	
Total Program Employer Rate	19.29%	20.03%	
From 2014 Ratemaking (FY16/FY17)	16.62%	16.70%	
From 2016 Ratemaking (FY18/FY19)	18.38%	18.37%	

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**Table I-3
Summary of Principal Results
Teacher Program**

Valuation as of:	June 30, 2016	June 30, 2017	% Change
<u>Member Counts</u>			
Active Members	27,052	27,153	0.4%
Retired Members	15,609	16,128	3.3%
Beneficiaries of Retired Members	2,861	2,873	0.4%
Survivors of Deceased Members	284	281	(1.1)%
Disabled Members	695	695	0.0%
Terminated Vested Members	4,931	5,096	3.3%
Inactives Due Refunds	<u>30,931</u>	<u>31,288</u>	1.2%
Total Membership	82,363	83,514	1.4%
Annual Payroll of Active Members	\$ 1,172,879,963	\$ 1,203,601,341	2.6%
Annual Payments to Benefit Recipients	\$ 450,491,142	\$ 474,743,782	5.4%
<u>Assets and Liabilities</u>			
Actuarial Liability (AL)	\$ 8,432,364,488	\$ 8,721,778,572	3.4%
Actuarial Value of Assets (AVA)	<u>7,035,241,991</u>	<u>7,276,442,901</u>	3.4%
Unfunded Actuarial Liability (UAL)	\$ 1,397,122,497	\$ 1,445,335,671	3.5%
AVA Funding Ratio (AVA/AL)	83.4%	83.4%	
MVA Funding Ratio (MVA/AL)	79.0%	83.3%	
Accrued Benefit Liability (PVAB)	\$ 7,651,346,848	\$ 7,916,260,933	3.5%
Market Value of Assets (MVA)	<u>6,665,703,555</u>	<u>7,269,242,349</u>	9.1%
Unfunded PVAB	\$ 985,643,293	\$ 647,018,584	(34.4)%
Accrued Benefit Funded Ratio	87.1%	91.8%	
<u>Contributions as a Percentage of Payroll</u>			
Program Employer Normal Cost Rate	4.04%	3.89%	
Program UAL Rate	<u>11.76%</u>	<u>12.76%</u>	
Total Program Employer Rate	15.80%	16.65%	
From 2014 Ratemaking (FY16/FY17)	13.38%	13.38%	
From 2016 Ratemaking (FY18/FY19)	15.05%	15.05%	

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**Table I-4
Summary of Principal Results
State Program (Regular and Special Plans)**

Valuation as of:	June 30, 2016	June 30, 2017	% Change
<u>Member Counts</u>			
Active Members	12,890	12,683	(1.6)%
Retired Members	10,125	10,296	1.7%
Beneficiaries of Retired Members	3,282	3,301	0.6%
Survivors of Deceased Members	360	355	(1.4)%
Disabled Members	965	941	(2.5)%
Terminated Vested Members	2,852	2,914	2.2%
Inactives Due Refunds	<u>6,725</u>	<u>7,175</u>	6.7%
Total Membership	37,199	37,665	1.3%
Annual Payroll of Active Members	\$ 619,124,454	\$ 634,007,525	2.4%
Annual Payments to Benefit Recipients	\$ 277,640,688	\$ 286,728,653	3.3%
<u>Assets and Liabilities</u>			
Actuarial Liability (AL)	\$ 4,637,590,460	\$ 4,763,107,940	2.7%
Actuarial Value of Assets (AVA)	<u>3,477,282,187</u>	<u>3,627,639,320</u>	4.3%
Unfunded Actuarial Liability (UAL)	\$ 1,160,308,273	\$ 1,135,468,620	(2.1)%
AVA Funding Ratio (AVA/AL)	75.0%	76.2%	
MVA Funding Ratio (MVA/AL)	71.0%	76.1%	
Accrued Benefit Liability (PVAB)	\$ 4,314,074,711	\$ 4,444,919,567	3.0%
Market Value of Assets (MVA)	<u>3,294,631,835</u>	<u>3,624,049,515</u>	10.0%
Unfunded PVAB	\$ 1,019,442,876	\$ 820,870,052	(19.5)%
Accrued Benefit Funded Ratio	76.4%	81.5%	
<u>Contributions as a Percentage of Payroll</u>			
Program Employer Normal Cost Rate	4.47%	4.31%	
Program UAL Rate	<u>21.43%</u>	<u>22.12%</u>	
Total Program Employer Rate	25.90%	26.43%	
From 2014 Ratemaking (FY16/FY17)	23.07%	23.41%	
From 2016 Ratemaking (FY18/FY19)	24.30%	24.25%	

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**Table I-5
Summary of Principal Results
State Program – Regular Plans Only**

Valuation as of:	June 30, 2016	June 30, 2017	% Change
<u>Member Counts</u>			
Active Members	11,093	10,914	(1.6)%
Retired Members	9,139	9,280	1.5%
Beneficiaries of Retired Members	2,891	2,903	0.4%
Survivors of Deceased Members	350	341	(2.6)%
Disabled Members	886	864	(2.5)%
Terminated Vested Members	2,593	2,635	1.6%
Inactives Due Refunds	<u>5,912</u>	<u>6,291</u>	6.4%
Total Membership	32,864	33,228	1.1%
Annual Payroll of Active Members	\$ 518,494,414	\$ 527,444,182	1.7%
Annual Payments to Benefit Recipients	\$ 240,695,486	\$ 248,196,086	3.1%
<u>Assets and Liabilities</u>			
Actuarial Liability (AL)	\$ 3,932,578,697	\$ 4,017,685,306	2.2%
Actuarial Value of Assets (AVA)	<u>2,985,309,921</u>	<u>3,062,081,411</u>	2.6%
Unfunded Actuarial Liability (UAL)	\$ 947,268,776	\$ 955,603,895	0.9%
AVA Funding Ratio (AVA/AL)	75.9%	76.2%	
MVA Funding Ratio (MVA/AL)	71.9%	76.1%	
Accrued Benefit Liability (PVAB)	\$ 3,664,226,003	\$ 3,758,139,270	2.6%
Market Value of Assets (MVA)	<u>2,828,501,276</u>	<u>3,059,051,267</u>	8.2%
Unfunded PVAB	\$ 835,724,727	\$ 699,088,003	(16.3)%
Accrued Benefit Funded Ratio	77.2%	81.4%	
<u>Contributions as a Percentage of Payroll</u>			
Employer Normal Cost Rate	4.34%	4.18%	
UAL Rate	<u>20.92%</u>	<u>21.57%</u>	
Total Employer Rate	25.26%	25.75%	
From 2014 Ratemaking (FY16/FY17)	22.37%	22.69%	
From 2016 Ratemaking (FY18/FY19)	24.05%	24.01%	

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**Table I-6
Summary of Principal Results
State Program – Special Plans Only**

Valuation as of:	June 30, 2016	June 30, 2017	% Change
<u>Member Counts</u>			
Active Members	1,797	1,769	(1.6)%
Retired Members	986	1,016	3.0%
Beneficiaries of Retired Members	391	398	1.8%
Survivors of Deceased Members	10	14	40.0%
Disabled Members	79	77	(2.5)%
Terminated Vested Members	259	279	7.7%
Inactives Due Refunds	813	884	8.7%
Total Membership	4,335	4,437	2.4%
Annual Payroll of Active Members	\$ 100,630,040	\$ 106,563,343	5.9%
Annual Payments to Benefit Recipients	\$ 36,945,202	\$ 38,532,567	4.3%
<u>Assets and Liabilities</u>			
Actuarial Liability (AL)	\$ 705,011,763	\$ 745,422,634	5.7%
Actuarial Value of Assets (AVA)	491,972,266	565,557,909	15.0%
Unfunded Actuarial Liability (UAL)	\$ 213,039,497	\$ 179,864,725	(15.6)%
AVA Funding Ratio (AVA/AL)	69.8%	75.9%	
MVA Funding Ratio (MVA/AL)	66.1%	75.8%	
Accrued Benefit Liability (PVAB)	\$ 649,848,708	\$ 686,780,297	5.7%
Market Value of Assets (MVA)	466,130,559	564,998,248	21.2%
Unfunded PVAB	\$ 183,718,149	\$ 121,782,049	(33.7)%
Accrued Benefit Funded Ratio	71.7%	82.3%	
<u>Contributions as a Percentage of Payroll</u>			
Employer Normal Cost Rate	5.11%	4.96%	
UAL Rate	24.02%	24.82%	
Total Employer Rate	29.13%	29.78%	
From 2014 Ratemaking (FY16/FY17)	27.04%	27.47%	
From 2016 Ratemaking (FY18/FY19)	25.48%	25.43%	

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Pension plan assets play a key role in the financial operation of plans and in the decisions Trustees make with respect to future deployment of those assets. The level of assets, the allocation of assets among asset classes, and the methodology used to measure assets will likely impact benefit levels, employer contribution rates, and the ultimate security of members' benefits.

The assets for all Defined Benefit (DB) Programs administered by MainePERS are invested together. These Programs are the State Employee and Teacher Retirement Program, the Judicial Retirement Program, the Legislative Retirement Program, and the Participating Local District Retirement Program, including both the Consolidated Plan and the several Nonconsolidated PLDs. The assets of all of these Programs are entirely commingled for investment purposes, so the actuarial value of assets (AVA) for each of these Programs is developed by first developing it for the entire asset pool and then subsequently allocating that total AVA to each of the specific Programs.

In this section, we present detailed information on the Program's assets including:

- Disclosure of total MainePERS DB assets at June 30, 2016 and June 30, 2017;
- Statement of the changes in total MainePERS DB market values during the year;
- Development of the total MainePERS DB actuarial value of assets;
- Allocation of total actuarial value to MainePERS DB sub-plans;
- Assessment of the total MainePERS DB investment performance; and
- Projection of expected cash flows for the Program for the next ten years.

Disclosure

The market value of assets (MVA) represents a "snap-shot" or "cash-out" value, which provides the principal basis for measuring financial performance from one year to the next. However, market values can fluctuate widely with corresponding swings in the marketplace, resulting in volatility in the resulting contributions if the unadjusted market value is used in the valuation process that develops the contributions. Therefore, a smoothed, actuarial value is developed for use in this process and for evaluating the Program's ongoing ability to meet its obligations.

Current actuarial methods employed in this Program use an allocated portion of the actuarial value of assets developed for the total MainePERS DB assets. The actuarial methodology used for the total assets sets the actuarial value of assets equal to the expected value of the actuarial value of assets plus one-third of the difference between the actual market value of assets and the expected actuarial value of assets, all as of the valuation date. The expected value of the actuarial value of assets takes the prior year's actuarial value of assets and adjusts it for contributions, benefit payments, and expected interest earnings at the investment return assumption that was in effect for the previous year, 6.875% for this valuation.

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Table II-1 that follows develops the change in the market value of assets for the total MainePERS DB assets during FY 2017.

Table II-1	
Changes in Market Value of Total MainePERS Defined Benefit (DB) Assets	
Market Value of Total MainePERS DB Assets – June 30, 2016	\$ 12,424,092,601
<u>Additions</u>	
Contributions:	
Employer Contributions	\$ 380,113,580
Member Contributions	186,408,757
Transfers	<u>(191,938)</u>
Total Contributions	\$ 566,330,399
Investment Income:	
Net Appreciation (Depreciation) in Fair Value of Investments	\$ 1,662,452,587
Interest on Bank Balances	<u>331,268</u>
Total Investment Income	\$ 1,662,783,855
Investment Activity Expenses:	
Management Fees	\$ (88,429,331)
Investment Related Expense	(5,169,895)
Banking Fees	<u>(34,106)</u>
Total Investment Activity Expenses	\$ (93,633,332)
Net Income from Investing Activities	\$ 1,569,150,523
Total Additions	\$ 2,135,480,922
<u>Deductions</u>	
Retirement Benefits	\$ (854,021,841)
Disability Benefits	(32,843,057)
Survivor Benefits	(22,657,957)
Refunds	(23,696,251)
Administrative Expenses	<u>(11,495,796)</u>
Total Deductions	\$ (944,714,902)
<u>Total</u>	
Net Increase (Decrease)	\$ 1,190,766,020
Market Value of Total MainePERS DB Assets – June 30, 2017	\$ 13,614,858,621

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Table II-2 below develops the actuarial value of assets for the total MainePERS DB assets as of June 30, 2017 using the adopted actuarial valuation methodology.

Table II-2 Development of Actuarial Value of Total MainePERS Defined Benefit (DB) Assets as of June 30, 2017		
1.	Actuarial Value of Total MainePERS DB Assets at June 30, 2016	\$ 13,112,869,070
2.	Amount in (1) with Interest to June 30, 2017	14,014,378,819
3.	Employer and Member Contributions for FY 2017	566,330,399
4.	Interest on Contributions in (3), Assuming Received Uniformly throughout FY 2017	19,144,038
5.	Total Disbursements without Administrative Expenses for FY 2017	(933,219,106)
6.	Interest on Disbursements in (5), Assuming Payments made Uniformly throughout FY 2017	<u>(31,546,218)</u>
7.	Expected Value of Total MainePERS DB Assets at June 30, 2017 = (2) + (3) + (4) + (5) + (6)	\$ 13,635,087,932
8.	Actual Market Value of Total MainePERS DB Assets at June 30, 2017	13,614,858,621
9.	Excess of (8) Over (7)	<u>(20,229,311)</u>
10.	Actuarial Value of Total MainePERS DB Assets at June 30, 2017 = (7) + [33 $\frac{1}{3}$ % of (9)]	\$ 13,628,344,828

Actuarial Value of Total MainePERS DB Assets

As discussed in the disclosure portion of this section, the actuarial value of assets for the Program represents a “smoothed” value developed by the actuary to reduce, or eliminate, volatility in contribution rates that could develop from short-term fluctuations in the market value of assets. Current actuarial methods employed in this Program use an allocated portion of the total actuarial value of assets based on the actuarial valuation process applied to the total MainePERS DB assets. This methodology for the total MainePERS DB assets sets the actuarial value of assets equal to the expected value of the actuarial value of assets plus one-third of the difference between the actual market value of assets and the expected actuarial value of assets. The expected value of the actuarial value of assets takes the prior year’s actuarial value of assets and adjusts it for contributions, benefit payments, and expected interest earnings at the investment return assumption that was in effect for the previous year, 6.875% for this valuation. The previous table, Table II-2, illustrates the calculation of the actuarial value of assets for the total MainePERS DB assets as of June 30, 2017.

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Allocation of Actuarial Value of Assets to the Program

The assets for all of the defined benefit (DB) Programs administered by MainePERS are commingled for investment purposes, with the adopted actuarial smoothing methodology applied to the market value of the total MainePERS DB assets. This produces an asset ratio (total MainePERS actuarial value of assets divided by total MainePERS market value of assets) that is then applied to the market value of assets attributable to each of the Programs to determine their actuarial value of assets as of the valuation date. The asset ratio derived in this June 30, 2017 valuation as shown in Table II-2 above is 1.000991 ($\$13,628,344,828 \div \$13,614,858,621$). The allocation of actuarial value of the total MainePERS DB assets to each of the MainePERS DB Programs based on this asset ratio is shown in the following chart.

Table II-3 Allocation of Actuarial Value of Total MainePERS DB Assets as of June 30, 2017		
	Market Value	Actuarial Value
Teacher	\$ 7,269,242,349	\$ 7,276,442,901
State (Regular & Special)	3,624,049,515	3,627,639,320
Judicial	66,710,150	66,776,230
Legislative	11,896,225	11,908,009
Participating Local Districts (Consolidated & Non-Consolidated)	<u>2,642,960,382</u>	<u>2,645,578,368</u>
Total	\$ 13,614,858,621	\$ 13,628,344,828

Investment Performance

The market value of assets for the total MainePERS DB assets returned a positive 12.72% during FY 2017. This is greater than the assumed return of 6.875%. The equivalent returns in FY 2016 and FY 2015 were positive 0.32% and positive 1.80%, respectively.

On an actuarial value of assets basis, the return for FY 2017 for the State and Teacher Program portion of the total MainePERS DB assets was a positive 6.82%. This return is lower than the return on a market value basis and is also slightly lower than the 6.875% assumption. Therefore, this return gave rise to an investment loss on the Program's assets this year.

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Cash Flow Projections

Table II-4 Projection of State and Teacher Program Benefit Payments and Contributions				
FY Ending June 30,	Expected Benefit Payments	Expected Employer Contributions	Expected Member Contributions	Total Expected Contributions
2018	\$ 827,794,000	\$347,394,000	\$143,615,000	\$491,009,000
2019	856,742,000	356,598,000	147,564,000	504,162,000
2020	885,140,000	395,189,000	151,622,000	546,811,000
2021	912,946,000	405,785,000	155,792,000	561,577,000
2022	940,151,000	417,554,000	160,076,000	577,630,000
2023	968,464,000	418,455,000	164,478,000	582,933,000
2024	996,160,000	427,414,000	169,001,000	596,415,000
2025	1,024,814,000	487,830,000	173,649,000	661,479,000
2026	1,052,343,000	503,011,000	178,424,000	681,435,000
2027	1,079,156,000	456,288,000	183,331,000	639,619,000

In Table II-4 above, we provide a projection of expected cash flows in and out of the Program for the next ten years for informational purposes. The Board may share these projections with its investment advisor for consideration of the gap shown between the cash coming into the Program through employer and member contributions and the cash being paid out of the Program to provide benefit payments.

The expected benefit payments in Table II-4 were developed using the data currently included in this valuation and on the assumption that the actuarial assumptions disclosed in Appendix C will be exactly met. Actual benefit payments will vary if members retire sooner or later than assumed, if salary increases and actual future post-retirement COLAs differ from those assumed, or if other assumptions differ from the actual experience seen. These benefit projections exclude any assumption about new program participants, whose experience will eventually lead to increased benefit payments. However, we do not feel this exclusion will materially impact the projections for the time period shown.

Expected employer contributions in this table use the budget UAL contributions for FY 18 through FY 19. Future contributions beyond that point are developed based on the assumption that all actuarial assumptions will be exactly met in the projection period, including that the market value of assets will earn 6.875% per year, that payroll grows at 2.75% per year, and that these rates are based on following the biennial budgeting process. These future employer contributions are shown graphically in the baseline projection on page six.

The expected member contributions are similarly based on a 2.75% per year assumed increase in covered payroll multiplied by the current average aggregate member contribution rate of 7.71% for FY 2018.

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In this section, we present detailed information on liabilities including:

- Disclosure of the Program's liabilities as of June 30, 2016 and June 30, 2017;
- Statement of changes in these liabilities during the year; and
- An allocation of liabilities to the Teacher, State Regular, and State Special Plans.

Disclosure

Several types of liabilities are calculated and presented in this report. Each type is distinguished by the purpose for which the figures are ultimately used.

- **Present Value of Future Benefits (PVB):** Used for analyzing the overall financial obligations of the Program, this represents the amount of money needed today to fully fund all future benefits of the Program, assuming active participants continue to earn salary increases and accrue benefits under their current program provisions and assuming all actuarial assumptions are exactly met, including the 6.875% per year investment return.
- **Actuarial Liability (AL):** Used for funding calculations and GASB disclosures, this liability is calculated taking PVB above and subtracting the value of accruals that are assigned to future years on a person-by-person basis. This offset is equal to the present value of future member contributions and future employer normal cost contributions under an acceptable actuarial funding method. For this Program and the other MainePERS defined benefit Programs, this method is referred to as the entry age normal (EAN) funding method, which is the only acceptable actuarial funding method for GASB disclosures.
- **Present Value of Accrued Benefits (PVAB):** Used for communicating the liabilities for benefits accrued as of the valuation date.

Table III-1 on the following page discloses each of these liabilities for the current and prior years' valuations. With respect to the actuarial liability and the present value of accrued benefits, a subtraction of the appropriate value of the Program's assets yields, for each respective type, a net surplus or an unfunded liability.

We note that none of the liabilities presented in this report is an appropriate measure of a settlement liability.

The PVB is compared to the current market value of assets, the expected future value of member contributions, and the expected future value of total employer contributions. The future employer contribution is calculated as the employer contribution rate developed in each valuation times the expected future payroll of the active population as of the valuation date. The difference between the PVB and these anticipated resources indicates either an expected shortfall or an expected surplus representing either additional funding or excess funding required on the payroll of new hires to pay for benefits of existing members. This surplus or shortfall indicates the size of the Program's stored gains or losses that remain outside of the valuation process. These gains or losses may enter the rate-making process depending on the future investment performance.

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**Table III-1
Disclosure of Liabilities**

	June 30, 2016	June 30, 2017
Present Value of Benefits (PVB)		
Active Member Benefits	\$ 6,190,130,229	\$ 6,298,111,798
Retired, Disabled, Survivor, and Beneficiary Benefits	7,781,852,088	8,076,838,290
Terminated (Vested & Nonvested) Benefits	<u>617,269,494</u>	<u>650,711,709</u>
Total PVB	\$ 14,589,251,811	\$ 15,025,661,797
Market Value of Assets (MVA)	\$ 9,960,335,390	\$ 10,893,291,864
Future Member Contributions	1,038,562,276	1,069,234,483
Future Employer Contributions Assuming No Further Gains or Losses or New Hires	3,122,585,617	3,141,709,556
Projected (Surplus)/Shortfall	<u>467,768,528</u>	<u>(78,574,106)</u>
Total Resources	\$ 14,589,251,811	\$ 15,025,661,797
Actuarial Liability (AL)		
Present Value of Benefits (PVB)	\$ 14,589,251,811	\$ 15,025,661,797
Present Value of Future Normal Costs (PVFNC)		
Employer Portion	480,734,587	471,540,802
Member Portion	<u>1,038,562,276</u>	<u>1,069,234,483</u>
Actuarial Liability (AL = PVB – PVFNC)	\$ 13,069,954,948	\$ 13,484,886,512
Actuarial Value of Assets (AVA)	<u>10,512,524,178</u>	<u>10,904,082,221</u>
Net (Surplus)/Unfunded (AL – AVA)	\$ 2,557,430,770	\$ 2,580,804,291
Present Value of Accrued Benefits		
Present Value of Future Benefits (PVB)	\$ 14,589,251,811	\$ 15,025,661,797
Present Value of Future Benefit Accruals (PVFBA)	<u>2,623,830,252</u>	<u>2,664,481,297</u>
Accrued Liability (PVAB = PVB – PVFBA)	\$ 11,965,421,559	\$ 12,361,180,500
Market Value of Assets (MVA)	9,960,335,390	10,893,291,864
Net (Surplus)/Unfunded (PVAB – MVA)	\$ 2,005,086,169	\$ 1,467,888,636

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Changes in Liabilities

Each of the liabilities disclosed in the prior table is expected to change at each subsequent valuation. The components of these changes, depending upon which liability is analyzed, can include:

- New program participants since the last valuation
- Benefits accrued since the last valuation
- Program amendments changing benefits since the last valuation
- Passage of time, which adds interest to the prior liability
- Benefits paid to retirees since the last valuation
- Participants retiring, terminating, or dying at rates different than expected since the last valuation
- A change in actuarial assumptions since the last valuation
- A change in the actuarial funding method since the last valuation

Unfunded liability measurements will change because of all of the above, as well as due to changes in the Program's asset measurements resulting from:

- Employer contributions being different than expected
- Investment earnings being different than expected
- A change in the method used to measure program assets in developing the unfunded liability measure since the last valuation

In each valuation, we report on those elements of change in the Program's liability measures that are of particular significance, potentially affecting the long-term financial outlook of the Program. In Table III-2 below, we present key changes in the Program's liability measures since the last valuation.

	Table III-2		
	Present Value of Future Benefits	Actuarial Liability	Present Value of Accrued Benefits
Liability Measurement – June 30, 2016	\$ 14,589,251,811	\$ 13,069,954,948	\$ 11,965,421,559
Liability Measurement – June 30, 2017	<u>15,025,661,797</u>	<u>13,484,886,512</u>	<u>12,361,180,500</u>
Liability Measurement Increase/ (Decrease) Due to:	\$ 436,409,986	\$ 414,931,564	\$ 395,758,941
Program Amendment	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0
Assumption Change	0	0	0
Actuarial (Gain)/Loss	N/C	95,207,531	N/C
Benefits Accumulated and Other Sources	\$ 436,409,986	\$ 319,724,033	\$ 395,758,941

N/C = Not calculated

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Table III-3 below presents the actuarial liability information for the total Program divided into the Teacher Program, the State Regular Plans, and the State Special Plans.

Table III-3				
Allocation of Actuarial Liability as of June 30, 2017				
	Total Program	Teacher Program	State Regular Plans	State Special Plans
1. Actuarial Liabilities for:				
a. Active Members	\$ 4,757,336,513	\$3,201,175,297	\$ 1,269,621,748	\$ 286,539,468
b. Retired, Disabled, Survivor, and Beneficiary Members	8,076,838,290	5,073,201,788	2,560,318,336	443,318,166
c. Terminated (Vested & Nonvested) Members	650,711,709	447,401,487	187,745,222	15,565,000
2. Total Actuarial Liability [1(a) + 1(b) + 1(c)]	\$ 13,484,886,512	\$8,721,778,572	\$ 4,017,685,306	\$ 745,422,634
3. Actuarial Value of Assets	<u>10,904,082,221</u>	<u>7,276,442,901</u>	<u>3,062,081,411</u>	<u>565,557,909</u>
4. Unfunded Actuarial Liability (2 – 3)	\$ 2,580,804,291	\$1,445,335,671	\$ 955,603,895	\$ 179,864,725

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In this section, we present detailed information on employer contribution rates as developed in this June 30, 2017 valuation for the Program, including:

- Development of the composite total employer contribution rate, including the composite employer normal cost rate and the composite unfunded actuarial liability (UAL) rate;
- Summary of the employer normal cost rate, the UAL rate, and the total employer rate by Plan;
- Derivation and division of the composite UAL rate into the two component Programs, Teacher and State; and
- Allocation of the UAL rate for the total State Program into each State Regular and Special Plan.

Note that these contribution rates are only informational and the actual contribution rates are set by the budgeting process described in the Board Summary at the beginning of this report.

Description of Rate Components

For the Plans in this Program, the funding methodology employed to determine the employer contribution rates is the entry age normal funding method. Under this method, there are two components to the total employer contribution rate: the normal cost rate (NC rate) and the unfunded actuarial liability rate (UAL rate). Both of these rates are developed separately for each Plan within the Program, consisting of the Teacher Plan, the State Regular Plan, and several State Special Plans.

For each Plan in the Program, an individual entry age normal cost rate is determined for each active member. The normal cost is determined by the following steps. First, an individual normal cost rate is determined by taking the value of each active member's projected future benefit as of entry age into a Program. Second, this value is then divided by the value, also at entry age, of the member's expected future salary. Finally, the rate is reduced by the member contribution rate to produce the employer normal contribution rate. These rates are then multiplied by each member's salary as of the valuation date and added together to get the total normal cost dollars as of the valuation date for that Program and then divided by the total payroll at the valuation for the Program to get the normal cost rate for that Program. This process results in specific normal cost rates for each of the Plans in the Program.

The unfunded actuarial liability under the entry age normal funding method equals the present value, at the time of valuation, of the future benefit payments less the present value of future employer normal cost contributions, future member contributions, and current assets. The UAL rate determined is the percentage that applied to member payroll is expected to amortize the UAL according to the Program's amortization policy. Specifically, the remaining original UAL has 11 years of its amortization period left and all other gains, losses, and changes are amortized over ten-year periods beginning on the date as of which they were first measured.

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Contribution Calculations

Table IV-1 below presents and compares the composite total employer contribution rate, as well as its two components, for all Plans in the Program in aggregate as developed in this valuation and the prior one.

Table IV-1 Composite Total Employer Rate		
Valuation Date	June 30, 2016	June 30, 2017
Composite Employer NC Rate	4.19%	4.04%
Composite UAL Rate	<u>15.10%</u>	<u>15.99%</u>
Composite Total Employer Rate	19.29%	20.03%

Table IV-2 shows the employer NC rate, the UAL rate, and the total employer rate for each Plan in the Program as well as the Program in total and divided between the Teacher and State Programs.

Table IV-2 Total Employer Contribution Rates by Plan					
Valuation Date	Total	Employee	Employer	UAL	Total
June 30, 2017	NC Rate	Contribution	NC Rate	Contribution	Employer
		Rate		Rate	Contribution
					Rate
Total Program	11.75%	7.71%	4.04%	15.99%	20.03%
Teacher Program	11.54%	7.65%	3.89%	12.76%	16.65%
State Program	12.13%	7.82%	4.31%	22.12%	26.43%
State Regular	11.83%	7.65%	4.18%	21.57%	25.75%
State Police*	19.77%	8.65%	11.12%	36.07%	47.19%
Inland F&W*	21.24%	8.65%	12.59%	38.73%	51.32%
Prison Employees*	13.14%	8.65%	4.49%	23.95%	28.44%
Forest Rangers*	12.53%	8.65%	3.88%	22.85%	26.73%
25 & Out Plan	12.59%	8.65%	3.94%	22.95%	26.89%
1998 Special Plan	14.13%	8.65%	5.48%	25.77%	31.25%

*Closed plan

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Table IV-3 below provides the development of the UAL rate for the Program as a whole and divided between the Teacher and State Programs.

**Table IV-3
Derivation of Unfunded Actuarial Liability Rates**

Valuation Date June 30, 2017	Teacher Program	State Program (Regular and Special Plans)	Total Program
1. Actuarial Liability (AL)	\$ 8,721,778,572	\$ 4,763,107,940	\$ 13,484,886,512
2. Actuarial Value of Assets (AVA)	<u>7,276,442,901</u>	<u>3,627,639,320</u>	<u>10,904,082,221</u>
3. Unfunded Actuarial Liability (UAL)	\$ 1,445,335,671	\$ 1,135,468,620	\$ 2,580,804,291
4. Remaining Balances of Prior Amortization Bases			
a. Original UAL Amount	\$ 1,460,350,737	\$ 840,909,273	\$ 2,301,260,010
b. 2012 (Gain)/Loss Base	20,218,873	20,218,873	40,437,746
c. 2013 (Gain)/Loss Base	(97,109,899)	109,164,809	12,054,910
d. 2014 (Gain)/Loss Base	(173,537,385)	(70,449,194)	(243,986,579)
e. 2015 (Gain)/Loss Base	(11,237,105)	1,510,311	(9,726,794)
f. 2016 (Gain)/Loss Base	151,817,320	201,662,071	353,479,391
g. 2017 (Gain)/Loss Base	<u>94,833,130</u>	<u>32,452,477</u>	<u>127,285,607</u>
h. Sum of the Bases	\$ 1,445,335,671	\$ 1,135,468,620	\$ 2,580,804,291
5. UAL Amortizations			
a. Original UAL Amount 11 Years	\$ 165,811,662	\$ 95,478,819	\$ 261,290,481
b. 2012 (Gain)/Loss Base 5 Years	4,515,865	4,515,865	9,031,730
c. 2013 (Gain)/Loss Base 6 Years	(18,420,664)	20,707,346	2,286,682
d. 2014 (Gain)/Loss Base 7 Years	(28,752,203)	(11,672,237)	(40,424,440)
e. 2015 (Gain)/Loss Base 8 Years	(1,659,846)	223,090	(1,436,756)
f. 2016 (Gain)/Loss Base 9 Years	20,307,366	26,974,693	47,282,059
g. 2017 (Gain)/Loss Base 10 Years	<u>11,629,220</u>	<u>3,979,590</u>	<u>15,608,810</u>
h. Sum of Amortization Payments	\$ 153,431,400	\$ 140,207,166	\$ 293,638,566
6. Covered Payroll	\$ 1,203,601,341	\$ 634,007,525	\$ 1,837,608,866
7. UAL Amortization Rate			
a. Original UAL Amount 11 Years	13.78%	15.06%	14.24%
b. 2012 (Gain)/Loss Base 5 Years	0.38%	0.71%	0.49%
c. 2013 (Gain)/Loss Base 6 Years	(1.53)%	3.27%	0.12%
d. 2014 (Gain)/Loss Base 7 Years	(2.39)%	(1.84)%	(2.20)%
e. 2015 (Gain)/Loss Base 8 Years	(0.14)%	0.04%	(0.08)%
f. 2016 (Gain)/Loss Base 9 Years	1.69%	4.25%	2.57%
g. 2017 (Gain)/Loss Base 10 Years	<u>0.97%</u>	<u>0.63%</u>	<u>0.85%</u>
h. Sum of UAL Amortization Rates	12.76%	22.12%	15.99%

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Table IV-4 below shows the development of the UAL rate for each specific Plan within the State Program.

Table IV-4 Allocation of Unfunded Actuarial Liability Rates within State Program (Regular & Special Plans)								
Valuation Date June 30, 2017	Total State Program	State Regular Plan	State Police (Closed)	Inland F&W (Closed)	Prison Employees (Closed)	Forest Rangers (Closed)	25 & Out Plan	1998 Special Plan
1. Employer NC Rate	4.31%	4.18%	11.12%	12.59%	4.49%	3.88%	3.94%	5.48%
2. Member Contribution Rate	<u>7.82%</u>	<u>7.65%</u>	<u>8.65%</u>	<u>8.65%</u>	<u>8.65%</u>	<u>8.65%</u>	<u>8.65%</u>	<u>8.65%</u>
3. Total NC Rate	12.13%	11.83%	19.77%	21.24%	13.14%	12.53%	12.59%	14.13%
4. UAL Amortization Rates*								
a. Original UAL Amount	15.06%	14.69%	24.55%	26.37%	16.31%	15.56%	15.63%	17.54%
b. 2012 Loss Base	0.71%	0.69%	1.16%	1.24%	0.77%	0.73%	0.74%	0.83%
c. 2013 Loss Base	3.27%	3.19%	5.33%	5.73%	3.54%	3.38%	3.39%	3.81%
d. 2014 Gain Base	(1.84)%	(1.79)%	(3.00)%	(3.22)%	(1.99)%	(1.90)%	(1.91)%	(2.14)%
e. 2015 Loss Base	0.04%	0.04%	0.07%	0.07%	0.04%	0.04%	0.04%	0.05%
f. 2016 Loss Base	4.25%	4.14%	6.93%	7.44%	4.60%	4.39%	4.41%	4.95%
g. 2016 Loss Base	<u>0.63%</u>	<u>0.61%</u>	<u>1.03%</u>	<u>1.10%</u>	<u>0.68%</u>	<u>0.65%</u>	<u>0.65%</u>	<u>0.73%</u>
h. Sum of Amortization Rates	22.12%	21.57%	36.07%	38.73%	23.95%	22.85%	22.95%	25.77%

* The 22.12% UAL amortization rate for the State Program in total is allocated to each of the Plans within the Program based on the ratio of that Plan's total NC rate to the 12.13% total NC rate for the State Program in total.

The rates developed in this section are for valuation purposes only. Actual budgeted rates are set based on the process described in the Board Summary section.

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This section contains financial disclosure information regarding the Program developed under a number of accounting standards and guidance.

First, for informational purposes, we show the Program's funded status under the Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) ASC Topic 960, which discloses how the market value of assets would compare to accrued liabilities if contributions were to stop and accrued benefit claims had to be satisfied as of the valuation date. However, due to potential legal requirements and the possibility that alternative interest rates would have to be used to determine the liabilities, these values may not be a good indication of the amount of money it would take to buy the benefits for all members if all provisions of the Program were to terminate. We have prepared the following exhibit in this section based on FASB ASC Topic 960:

- Table V-1: Accrued Benefits information

The Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statements Nos. 67 and 68 establish standards for disclosure of pension information by public employee retirement systems (PERS) and governmental employers in financial statements, notes to financial statements, and supplementary information. We have prepared the following exhibits reflecting provisions of GASB Statement Nos. 67 and 68:

- Table V-2: Schedule of Changes in Net Pension Liability and Related Ratios
- Table V-3: Sensitivity of Net Pension Liability to Changes in Discount Rate
- Table V-4: Schedule of Employer Contributions
- Table V-5: Average Expected Remaining Service Lives

A summary of the terminology used in GASB Statement Nos. 67 and 68 is provided in Appendix D of this report. Note that while much of the information provided in this report under GASB No. 67 is also utilized in GASB No. 68, Table V-5 included in this section is only applicable to GASB No. 68.

Finally, we have also developed disclosure information in this section based on additional guidance relating to Comprehensive Annual Financial Reports (CAFRs) of public employees retirement systems (PERS) provided by the Government Finance Officers Association (GFOA) in their publication, *Governmental Accounting, Auditing, and Financial Reporting* (GAAFR). We have prepared the following exhibits reflecting guidance in the GAAFR:

- Table V-6: Analysis of Financial Experience
- Table V-7: Solvency Test

The present value of accrued benefits, the total pension liability (GASB 67/68), and the actuarial liability (GAAFR) disclosures in this section are all determined assuming that the Program is ongoing and participants continue to terminate employment, retire, etc., in accordance with the actuarial assumptions. Liabilities as of June 30, 2017 are discounted at the assumed valuation interest rate of 6.875% per annum in all of these disclosures.

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Table V-1 below includes the relevant amounts as of June 30, 2016 and June 30, 2017 as well as a reconciliation between the two dates under FASB ASC Topic 960. There were no assumption changes or Program changes during the year.

Table V-1 Accrued Benefits Information		
FASB ASC Topic 960 Basis	June 30, 2016	June 30, 2017
1. Present Value of Benefits Accrued to Date (PVAB)		
a. Members Currently Receiving Payments	\$ 7,781,852,088	\$ 8,076,838,290
b. Terminated Vested Members	617,269,494	650,711,709
c. Active Members	<u>3,566,299,977</u>	<u>3,633,630,501</u>
d. Total PVAB	\$11,965,421,559	\$12,361,180,500
2. Market Value of Assets (MVA)	<u>9,960,335,390</u>	<u>10,893,291,864</u>
3. Unfunded Present Value of Accrued Benefits, But Not Less Than Zero	\$ 2,005,086,169	\$ 1,467,888,636
4. Ratio of MVA to PVAB (2)/(1)(d)	83.2%	88.1%
Change in Present Value of Benefits Accrued to Date during FY 2017		
Increase/(Decrease) during Year Attributable to:		
Passage of Time	\$ 796,250,564	
Benefits Paid	(780,157,263)	
Assumption Changes	0	
Program Changes	0	
Benefits Accrued, Other Gains/Losses	<u>379,665,640</u>	
Net Increase (Decrease)	\$ 395,758,941	

Table V-2 that follows shows the changes in the total pension liability (TPL), the Program's fiduciary net position (FNP) (i.e., fair value of the Program's net assets), and the net pension liability (NPL) during the measurement year ending June 30, 2017 as well as related ratios calculated under the provisions of GASB Statement No. 67 for the Program.

As of the June 30, 2017 valuation, the fiduciary net position for this Program was projected to be available to make all projected future benefit payments for current program members. As such, the long-term expected rate of return on the Program's investments was applied to all periods of projected benefit payments in determining the total pension liability under GASB Nos. 67 and 68. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed that member contributions will be made at the current contribution rates and the employer contributions will be made according to the actuarial calculations developed in the biennial budgeting process.

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Table V-2
Schedule of Changes in Net Pension Liability and Related Ratios
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	Teacher Program	State Program	Total State and Teacher Program
<u>Total Pension Liability (TPL)</u>			
Service Cost (SC)	\$ 137,060,007	\$ 75,987,068	\$ 213,047,075
Interest (Includes Interest on SC)	572,707,106	314,127,115	886,834,221
Changes of Benefit Terms	0	0	0
Differences Between Actual and Expected Experience	66,009,388	29,198,143	95,207,531
Changes of Assumptions	0	0	0
Benefit Payments, Including Refunds of Member Contributions	<u>(486,362,417)</u>	<u>(293,794,846)</u>	<u>(780,157,263)</u>
Net Change in TPL	289,414,084	125,517,480	414,931,564
Beginning of Year (BOY) TPL	<u>8,432,364,488</u>	<u>4,637,590,460</u>	<u>13,069,954,948</u>
End of Year (EOY) TPL	<u>\$8,721,778,572</u>	<u>\$4,763,107,940</u>	<u>\$13,484,886,512</u>
<u>Plan Fiduciary Net Position (FNP)</u>			
Employer Contributions	\$ 163,817,135	\$ 163,134,350	\$ 326,951,485
Member Contributions	93,165,983	46,298,301	139,464,284
Net Investment Income	839,071,557	416,972,176	1,256,043,733
Transfers	14,189	(143,926)	(129,738)
Benefit Payments, Including Refunds of Member Contributions	(486,362,417)	(293,794,846)	(780,157,263)
Administrative Expense	<u>(6,167,652)</u>	<u>(3,048,375)</u>	<u>(9,216,027)</u>
Net Change in FNP	603,538,794	329,417,680	932,956,474
BOY FNP	<u>6,665,703,555</u>	<u>3,294,631,835</u>	<u>9,960,335,390</u>
EOY FNP	<u>\$7,269,242,349</u>	<u>\$3,624,049,515</u>	<u>\$10,893,291,864</u>
EOY Net Pension Liability (NPL)	<u>\$1,452,536,223</u>	<u>\$1,139,058,425</u>	<u>\$ 2,591,594,648</u>
FNP as a Percentage of TPL	83.3%	76.1%	80.8%
Covered Payroll (Payroll)*	1,223,759,647	636,471,016	1,860,230,663
NPL as a Percentage of Payroll	118.7%	179.0%	139.3%

*For FY 2017.

Notes to Schedule of Changes in Net Pension Liability and Related Ratios

None.

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A ten-year schedule of changes in NPL and related ratios is to be included within the CAFR for PERS. However, based on GASB guidance, this ten-year history can be built one year at a time following implementation. We have shown only the current year of this *Schedule of Changes in Net Pension Liability and Related Ratios* above and believe that you can accumulate these individual years in the MainePERS CAFR to build this schedule to show the full ten-year schedule over time. Notes to this schedule should be included for any factors significantly impacting the trends reported within the period shown in this schedule at that time. As of June 30, 2017, we believe no such note is necessary and as such have included none in the *Notes to Schedule of Changes in Net Pension Liability and Related Ratios* above. However, it is our expectation that System staff will make the final determination regarding any notes needed for this schedule and are available to provide any information they may need for this purpose.

Table V-3 below illustrates the sensitivity of the net pension liability (NPL) to the discount rate. Changes in the discount rate affect the measurement of the total pension liability (TPL) for the Program. Lower discount rates produce a higher TPL, and higher discount rates produce a lower TPL. Because the discount rate does not affect the measurement of assets, the percentage change in the Net Pension Liability (NPL) can be very significant for relatively small changes in the discount rate.

**Table V-3
Sensitivity of Net Pension Liability to Changes in Discount Rate
FY 2017**

	1% Decrease 5.875%	Discount Rate 6.875%	1% Increase 7.875%
Teacher Program			
Total Pension Liability (TPL)	\$ 9,818,013,496	\$ 8,721,778,572	\$ 7,816,681,003
Plan Fiduciary Net Position (FNP)	<u>7,269,242,349</u>	<u>7,269,242,349</u>	<u>7,269,242,349</u>
Net Pension Liability (NPL)	<u>\$ 2,548,771,147</u>	<u>\$ 1,452,536,223</u>	<u>\$ 547,438,654</u>
FNP as a Percentage of TPL	74.0%	83.3%	93.0%
State Program			
Total Pension Liability (TPL)	\$ 5,323,277,726	\$ 4,763,107,940	\$ 4,304,160,162
Plan Fiduciary Net Position (FNP)	<u>3,624,049,515</u>	<u>3,624,049,515</u>	<u>3,624,049,515</u>
Net Pension Liability (NPL)	<u>\$ 1,699,228,211</u>	<u>\$ 1,139,058,425</u>	<u>\$ 680,110,647</u>
FNP as a Percentage of TPL	68.1%	76.1%	84.2%
Total State and Teacher Program			
Total Pension Liability (TPL)	\$15,141,291,222	\$13,484,886,512	\$12,120,841,165
Plan Fiduciary Net Position (FNP)	<u>10,893,291,864</u>	<u>10,893,291,864</u>	<u>10,893,291,864</u>
Net Pension Liability (NPL)	<u>\$ 4,247,999,358</u>	<u>\$ 2,591,594,648</u>	<u>\$ 1,227,549,301</u>
FNP as a Percentage of TPL	71.9%	80.8%	89.9%

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A one percent decrease in the discount rate increases the TPL by approximately 12% and increases the NPL by approximately 64%. A one percent increase in the discount rate decreases the TPL by approximately 10% and decreases the NPL by approximately 53%.

Table V-4 that follows provides information relating to the employer contributions for the Program. Under GASB Statement No. 67, if an actuarially determined contribution (ADC) or a contractually or statutorily required contribution (CRC) is developed for a single employer or cost-sharing plan, the following schedule is required. For purposes of this schedule, an ADC is a contribution amount determined in accordance with Actuarial Standards of Practice and a CRC is based on statutory or contractual requirements. Both should exclude any amounts to finance specific liabilities of individual employers of the plan. If an ADC is available, the schedule of employer contributions should be developed on that basis. If there is no ADC, but there is a CRC, the schedule should be developed on that basis. Only if neither an ADC nor a CRC is developed can this schedule be omitted from the PERS's CAFR.

The Program's rates set in the ratemaking process meet the definition of an ADC, so for this Program this schedule should be developed on that basis. Based on GASB guidance, a full ten years of information should be shown in this schedule if it is available, but this ten-year history can be built one year at a time following implementation. We have shown only the current year of this *Schedule of Employer Contributions* below and believe that you can accumulate these in the MainePERS CAFR to build this schedule to show the full ten-year schedule over time.

Only the current year of the *Notes to Schedule of Employer Contributions* below needs to be included in the notes to this schedule. However, any factors that significantly affect trends in the *Schedule of Employer Contributions* at any point in the ten-year period should also be included in the notes to this schedule. We do not believe that any such note will be needed in the future based on this measurement year ending June 30, 2017, but it is our expectation that System staff will make the final determination regarding any notes needed for this schedule and are available to provide any additional information that they may need for this purpose.

**Table V-4
Schedule of Employer Contributions
FY 2017**

	Teacher Program	State Program	Total State and Teacher Program
Actuarially Determined Contribution (ADC)	\$ 163,739,041	\$ 148,997,865	\$ 312,736,906
Contributions in Relation to the ADC	<u>163,739,041</u>	<u>148,997,865</u>	<u>312,736,906</u>
Contribution Deficiency/(Excess)	<u>\$ 0</u>	<u>\$ 0</u>	<u>\$ 0</u>
Covered Payroll (Payroll)	\$1,223,759,647	\$ 636,471,016	\$ 1,860,230,663
Contributions as a Percentage of Payroll	13.38%	23.41%	16.81%

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Valuation Date: June 30, 2013

Timing: June 30, 2017 ADC rates are calculated based on 2014 liabilities developed as a roll-forward of the 2013 valuation liability, adjusted for expected experience and any assumption or methodology changes during FY 2014 using actual assets as of June 30, 2014.

Key Methods and Assumptions Used to Determine Contribution Rates

Actuarial Cost Method: Entry age normal

Asset Valuation Method: Three-year smoothed market

Amortization Method: Level percentage of payroll, closed 18-year amortization of UAL prior to 2012 and individual, closed, level percent of payroll, 10-year amortization of UAL arising each year beginning in 2012

Discount Rate: 7.125%

Amortization
Growth Rate: 3.50%

Price Inflation: 3.50%

Salary Increases: 3.50% plus merit component based on employee's years of service

Mortality: Sex distinct RP-2000 Combined Mortality projected to 2015 using Scale AA for State Employee Program; the Teacher Program use the same table with a two-year set back.

A complete description of the methods and assumptions used to determine contribution rates for the year ending June 30, 2017 can be found in the June 30, 2014 actuarial valuation report.

Other Information

None.

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Table V-5 that follows was provided in this report at the request of MainePERS staff, showing the development of the average remaining service life for the Plan. GASB 68 requires some items be recognized by employers into pension expense over a period “equal to the average of the expected remaining service lives of all employees that are provided with pensions through the pension plan (active employees and inactive employees) determined as of the beginning of the measurement period.” For the current measurement year ending on June 30, 2017, these values are thus developed as of June 30, 2016. The development of this value is shown below, including reflection of the decision by MainePERS to round the resulting value to the nearest whole year. Note that the decision was made to apply GASB 68 separately to the Teacher Program and the State Program based upon paragraph 19 of that statement, so this value has been provided for both of these Programs.

Table V-5 Average Expected Remaining Service Lives For Measurement Year Ending June 30, 2017			
<u>Teacher Program</u>			
Status	Total Expected Future Service	Count	Average Remaining Service Lives
Actives	276,397	27,052	10
In-Pay Members	0	19,449	0
Terminated Vested Members	0	4,931	0
Inactives Due Refunds	<u>0</u>	<u>30,931</u>	<u>0</u>
Total Membership	276,397	82,363	3
<u>State Program</u>			
Status	Total Expected Future Service	Count	Average Remaining Service Life
Actives	114,482	12,890	9
In-Pay Members	0	14,732	0
Terminated Vested Members	0	2,852	0
Inactives Due Refunds	<u>0</u>	<u>6,725</u>	<u>0</u>
Total Membership	114,482	37,199	3

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Table V-6 below is a gain/loss analysis of the changes in the actuarial liability over the past six years, reflecting variances between actual experience and assumed experience for different kinds of risk as specified in the GFOA GAAFR.

Table V-6						
Analysis of Financial Experience						
Gain and Loss in Actuarial Liability During Fiscal Years Ended June 30						
Resulting from Differences Between Assumed Experience and Actual Experience						
Type of Activity	Gain (or Loss) For Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2012	Gain (or Loss) For Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2013	Gain (or Loss) For Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2014	Gain (or Loss) For Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2015	Gain (or Loss) For Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2016	Gain (or Loss) For Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2017
Investment Income	\$(220,050,211)	\$ (52,030,633)	\$ 639,521,136	\$ (67,533,511)	\$ (284,220,804)	\$ (18,117,992)
Combined Liability Experience	<u>57,603,161</u>	<u>21,191,240</u>	<u>17,694,276</u>	<u>44,287,643</u>	<u>(81,506,701)</u>	<u>(95,207,531)</u>
Gain (or Loss) during Year from Financial Experience	\$(162,447,050)	\$ (30,839,393)	\$ 657,215,412	\$ (23,245,868)	\$ (365,727,505)	\$(113,325,523)
Non-Recurring Items	<u>15,629,192</u>	<u>50,659,935</u>	<u>(167,650,573)</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>(30,436,605)</u>	<u>0</u>
Composite Gain (or Loss) During Year	\$(146,817,858)	\$ 19,820,542	\$ 489,564,839	\$ (23,245,868)	\$ (396,164,110)	\$ (113,325,523)

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Table V-7 below compares the Program’s assets as of each valuation date shown to the Program’s actuarial liability divided into three separate groups: liabilities for contributions on deposit for current active members, liabilities for future benefits for inactive members, and employer-financed liabilities for current active members. This solvency test is used to assess funding progress based on what percentage of the liabilities for each of these groups the Program’s assets are sufficient to cover. Per GFOA guidance, this schedule is to include this assessment for the ten most recent years and notes to this schedule should be provided to explain any factors that affect the comparability of the data. We do not believe that any such note is necessary for the measurement year ending June 30, 2017, but it is our expectation that System staff will make the final determination regarding any notes needed for this schedule.

Table V-7 Solvency Test Aggregate Actuarial Liabilities For							
Valuation Date	(1)	(2)	(3)	Reported Assets*	Portion of Actuarial Liabilities Covered by Reported Assets		
	Active Member Contributions	Retirees, Vested Terms, Beneficiaries	Active Members (Employer Financed Portion)		(1)	(2)	(3)
June 30, 2017	\$2,402,112,525	\$8,727,549,999	\$2,355,223,988	\$10,904,082,221	100%	97%	0%
2016	2,359,818,665	8,399,121,582	2,311,014,701	10,512,524,178	100%	97%	0%
2015	2,339,138,044	7,831,348,903	2,445,800,107	10,375,552,497	100%	100%	8%
2014	2,315,075,905	7,572,038,284	2,433,044,594	10,017,512,006	100%	100%	5%
2013	2,290,505,939	7,181,259,077	2,358,884,866	9,177,749,627	100%	96%	0%
2012	2,271,164,594	6,656,860,191	2,625,281,496	8,880,730,120	100%	99%	0%
2011	2,229,984,967	6,453,384,730	2,598,295,489	8,736,885,121	100%	100%	2%
2010	2,117,903,830	6,856,828,427	3,642,411,748	8,313,459,810	100%	90%	0%
2009	2,002,784,767	6,622,143,609	3,696,290,956	8,325,951,236	100%	95%	0%
2008	1,898,148,565	6,209,005,616	3,560,878,330	8,631,557,629	100%	100%	15%

* Reported assets are measured at actuarial value. Results would be different if market value of assets were used. Despite the name of this exhibit, the liabilities presented in this schedule are not an appropriate measurement of the settlement liability of the Program.

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Active Member Data as of June 30, 2017	
<u>Teacher Plan</u>	
Count	27,153
Average Current Age	46.2
Average Benefit Service	12.3
Average Vesting Service	12.5
Average Valuation Pay	\$ 44,327
<u>State Employee Regular Plan</u>	
Count	10,914
Average Current Age	48.5
Average Benefit Service	12.3
Average Vesting Service	12.8
Average Valuation Pay	\$ 48,327
<u>Forest Rangers Special Plan (Closed Plan)</u>	
Count	3
Average Current Age	57.5
Average Benefit Service	36.5
Average Vesting Service	36.5
Average Valuation Pay	\$ 70,260
<u>Inland Fisheries & Wildlife Officers Special Plan (Closed Plan)</u>	
Count	2
Average Current Age	62.8
Average Benefit Service	37.9
Average Vesting Service	37.9
Average Valuation Pay	\$ 68,350
<u>Prison Employees Special Plan (Closed Plan)</u>	
Count	1
Average Current Age	53.9
Average Benefit Service	33.5
Average Vesting Service	33.7
Average Valuation Pay	\$ 65,083

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<u>State Police Special Plan (Closed Plan)</u>	
Count	2
Average Current Age	58.8
Average Benefit Service	36.4
Average Vesting Service	36.4
Average Valuation Pay	\$111,223
<u>State Employee Special 25 & Out Plan</u>	
Count	474
Average Current Age	40.6
Average Benefit Service	13.9
Average Vesting Service	14.3
Average Valuation Pay	\$ 78,260
<u>State Employee 1998 Special Plan</u>	
Count	1,287
Average Current Age	43.5
Average Benefit Service	11.7
Average Vesting Service	12.1
Average Valuation Pay	\$ 53,483
<u>State Employee Totals (Excludes Teachers)</u>	
Count	12,683
Average Current Age	47.7
Average Benefit Service	12.3
Average Vesting Service	12.8
Average Valuation Pay	\$ 49,989

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Teachers				
	Count	Average Age	Total Annual Benefit	Average Annual Benefit
Retired	16,128	72.3	\$ 420,177,404	\$ 26,053
Retired – Concurrent Beneficiaries	1,412	72.6	8,299,961	5,878
Disabilities/1122	0		0	0
Disabilities/3 and 3A Beneficiaries	695	67.1	19,794,495	28,481
Pre-Retirement Death Benefits	1,461	71.1	24,805,421	16,978
Terminated Vested	281	62.0	1,666,500	5,931
Inactive Due Refund	5,096	52.8	42,091,810	8,260
	31,288	NA	NA	NA

Non-Active Member Data as of June 30, 2017				
State Regular				
	Count	Average Age	Total Annual Benefit	Average Annual Benefit
Retired	9,280	72.5	\$ 194,615,728	\$ 20,972
Retired – Concurrent Beneficiaries	1,012	72.2	5,140,747	5,080
Disabilities/1122	3	89.1	58,065	19,355
Disabilities/3 and 3A Beneficiaries	861	65.6	20,216,159	23,480
Pre-Retirement Death Benefits	1,891	65.9	26,145,885	13,826
Terminated Vested	341	66.9	2,019,502	5,922
Inactive Due Refund	2,635	52.9	19,801,028	7,515
	6,291	NA	NA	NA

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Special Plans				
	Count	Average Age	Total Annual Benefit	Average Annual Benefit
Retired	1,016	67.7	\$ 31,324,967	\$ 30,832
Retired – Concurrent Beneficiaries	156	65.9	956,193	6,129
Disabilities/1122	1	86.6	19,440	19,440
Disabilities/3 and 3A Beneficiaries	76	59.5	2,143,724	28,207
Pre-Retirement Death Benefits	14	43.2	75,710	5,408
Terminated Vested	279	46.8	2,140,924	7,674
Inactive Due Refund	884	NA	NA	NA

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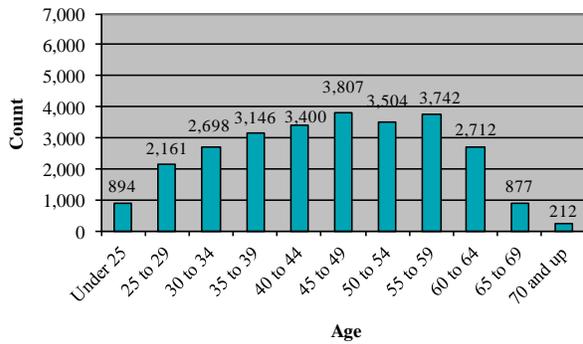
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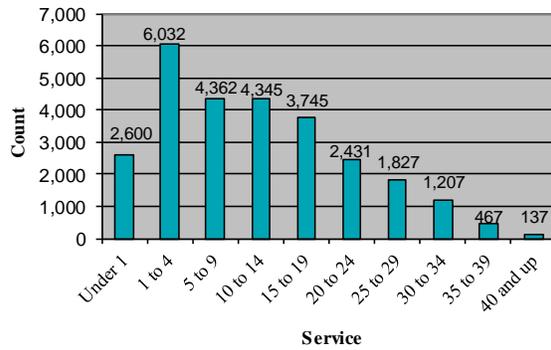
Teachers

	Years of Service										Totals
	Under 1	1 to 4	5 to 9	10 to 14	15 to 19	20 to 24	25 to 29	30 to 34	35 to 39	40 and up	
Under 25	504	390	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	894
25 to 29	377	1,379	405	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2,161
30 to 34	343	890	1,016	449	0	0	0	0	0	0	2,698
35 to 39	290	762	659	1,096	339	0	0	0	0	0	3,146
40 to 44	292	749	581	624	916	238	0	0	0	0	3,400
45 to 49	255	674	593	672	628	765	220	0	0	0	3,807
50 to 54	173	480	441	579	575	407	633	213	3	0	3,504
55 to 59	161	345	342	485	684	475	455	640	154	1	3,742
60 to 64	101	210	233	331	450	404	394	264	262	63	2,712
65 to 69	61	94	77	92	139	126	103	80	45	60	877
70 and up	43	59	15	17	14	16	22	10	3	13	212
Total	2,600	6,032	4,362	4,345	3,745	2,431	1,827	1,207	467	137	27,153

Age Distribution



Service Distribution



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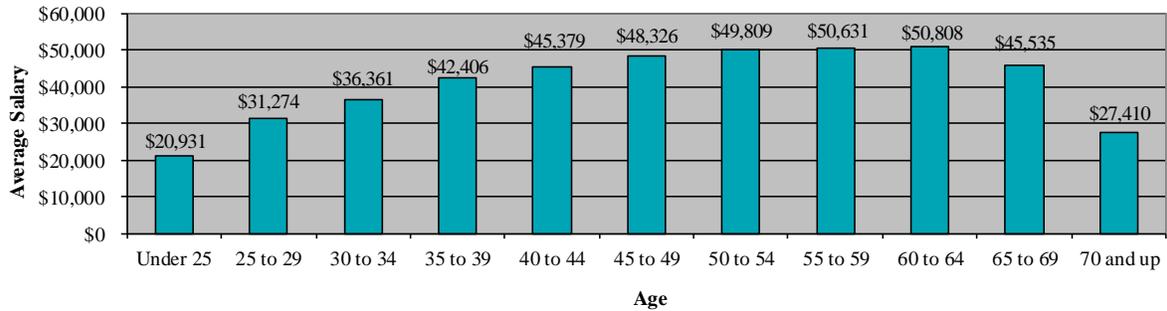
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Teachers

	Average Salary										Average
	Years of Service										
	Under 1	1 to 4	5 to 9	10 to 14	15 to 19	20 to 24	25 to 29	30 to 34	35 to 39	40 and up	
Under 25	14,362	29,420	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	20,931
25 to 29	17,370	32,521	39,972	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	31,274
30 to 34	19,448	31,718	41,244	47,438	0	0	0	0	0	0	36,361
35 to 39	15,752	32,829	43,002	51,359	56,633	0	0	0	0	0	42,406
40 to 44	17,351	31,831	40,804	51,542	59,268	63,951	0	0	0	0	45,379
45 to 49	17,107	29,528	40,358	51,387	57,679	65,494	67,831	0	0	0	48,326
50 to 54	18,111	28,384	38,802	44,634	54,262	64,685	67,469	67,952	36,787	0	49,809
55 to 59	15,154	27,465	35,043	41,915	50,271	57,208	63,776	68,174	71,170	64,220	50,631
60 to 64	15,920	23,740	34,975	41,065	48,026	56,159	62,493	65,865	71,633	69,478	50,808
65 to 69	11,425	19,560	29,811	40,548	44,845	53,875	59,153	60,559	69,764	71,241	45,535
70 and up	8,248	10,958	16,860	30,430	42,397	45,847	45,004	63,067	68,701	68,126	27,410
Average	16,418	30,484	39,859	47,939	54,402	61,306	64,781	67,083	71,058	70,083	44,327

Average Salary Distribution



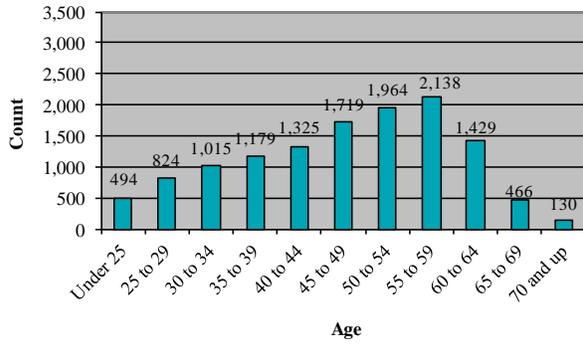
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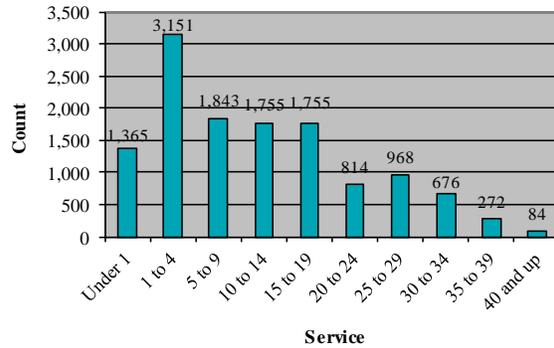
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	State											Totals
	Years of Service											
	Under 1	1 to 4	5 to 9	10 to 14	15 to 19	20 to 24	25 to 29	30 to 34	35 to 39	40 and up		
Under 25	310	182	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	494	
25 to 29	193	553	78	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	824	
30 to 34	153	474	277	105	6	0	0	0	0	0	1,015	
35 to 39	138	383	253	295	110	0	0	0	0	0	1,179	
40 to 44	125	332	220	263	318	67	0	0	0	0	1,325	
45 to 49	128	358	251	253	329	241	143	16	0	0	1,719	
50 to 54	132	325	248	258	328	168	303	190	12	0	1,964	
55 to 59	99	294	261	280	322	163	300	281	127	11	2,138	
60 to 64	62	169	180	201	262	134	156	142	88	35	1,429	
65 to 69	19	58	54	83	62	32	51	39	37	31	466	
70 and up	6	23	19	17	18	9	15	8	8	7	130	
Total	1,365	3,151	1,843	1,755	1,755	814	968	676	272	84	12,683	

Age Distribution



Service Distribution



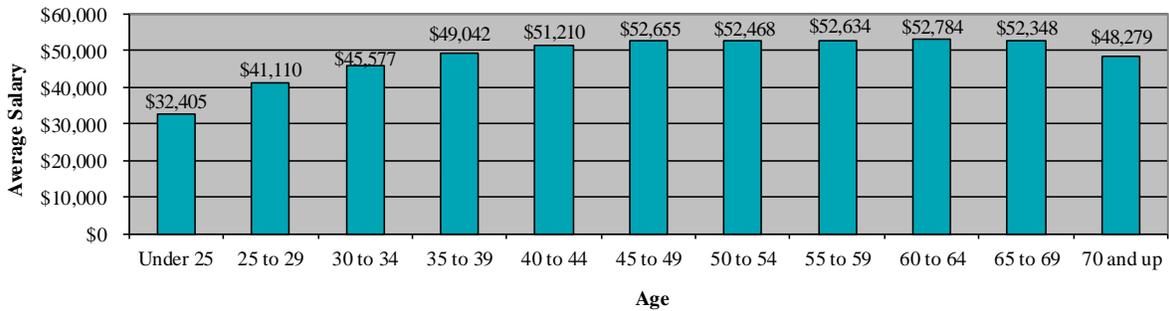
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	State										Average
	Average Salary										
	Years of Service										
	Under 1	1 to 4	5 to 9	10 to 14	15 to 19	20 to 24	25 to 29	30 to 34	35 to 39	40 and up	
Under 25	27,878	40,064	37,142	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	32,405
25 to 29	33,832	42,927	46,238	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	41,110
30 to 34	36,045	44,702	49,797	51,737	55,153	0	0	0	0	0	45,577
35 to 39	37,018	45,641	50,652	55,100	56,014	0	0	0	0	0	49,042
40 to 44	38,018	42,995	48,288	54,212	61,116	67,315	0	0	0	0	51,210
45 to 49	36,141	44,208	47,812	55,252	57,588	65,218	59,114	60,235	0	0	52,655
50 to 54	37,542	42,509	48,142	52,990	56,125	62,301	59,303	58,538	58,294	0	52,468
55 to 59	35,055	43,522	48,339	52,393	54,098	58,614	58,220	59,736	55,952	58,887	52,634
60 to 64	35,232	45,089	45,350	51,738	53,105	58,115	57,945	60,345	64,847	58,468	52,784
65 to 69	24,145	38,492	55,416	52,279	51,780	55,713	59,357	61,750	57,856	58,119	52,348
70 and up	25,203	34,111	39,540	44,493	54,212	66,166	62,737	49,682	64,104	58,596	48,279
Average	33,988	43,494	48,495	53,424	56,297	61,934	58,776	59,536	59,432	58,405	49,989

Average Salary Distribution



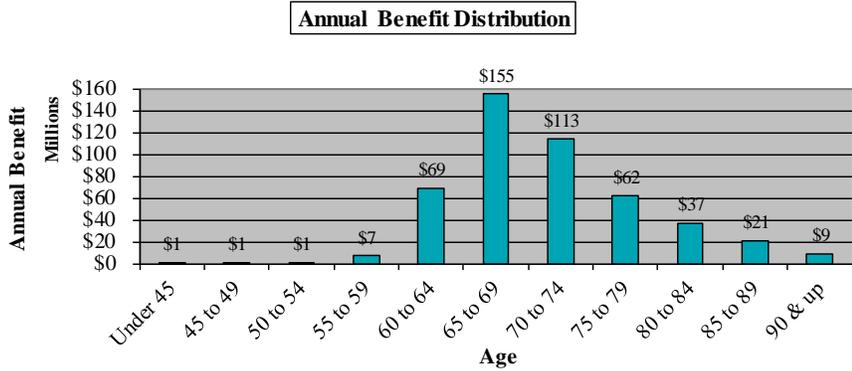
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**Distribution of Retirees, Disabled
Members, Beneficiaries, and Survivors
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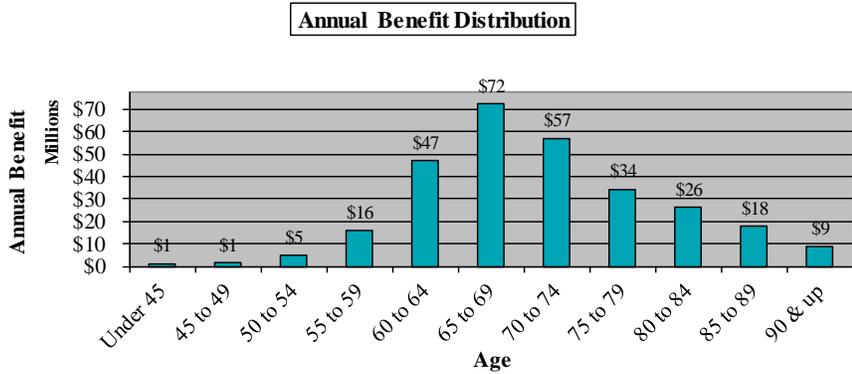
Teachers

Age	Count	Annual Benefit
Under 45	136	\$ 888,860
45 to 49	60	706,532
50 to 54	86	1,233,292
55 to 59	290	6,701,552
60 to 64	2,483	68,550,483
65 to 69	6,028	154,717,447
70 to 74	4,763	113,447,155
75 to 79	2,724	61,919,235
80 to 84	1,750	36,771,216
85 to 89	1,087	20,687,001
90 & up	<u>570</u>	<u>9,121,009</u>
Total	19,977	\$ 474,743,782



State

Age	Count	Annual Benefit
Under 45	155	\$ 1,168,257
45 to 49	117	1,416,848
50 to 54	271	4,713,765
55 to 59	762	15,780,603
60 to 64	2,232	47,132,367
65 to 69	3,516	72,283,599
70 to 74	2,851	56,962,796
75 to 79	1,832	34,392,870
80 to 84	1,479	26,267,006
85 to 89	1,069	17,754,909
90 & up	609	<u>8,855,632</u>
Total	14,893	\$ 286,728,653



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1. Membership

Membership is a condition of employment for state employees and teachers, and optional for elected and appointed officials.

Membership ceases on the earlier of withdrawal of contributions, retirement, or death.

2. Member Contributions

Except as otherwise described below, members are required to contribute 7.65% of earnable compensation. Member contributions earn 5% annual interest.

Contribution Requirements for Special State Employee Groups

State police and inland fisheries and wildlife officers employed before September 1, 1984: required to contribute 8.65% of earnable compensation for 20 years of service and 7.65% thereafter.

Forest rangers and state prison employees employed before September 1, 1984: required to contribute 8.65% of earnable compensation until eligible for retirement and 7.65% thereafter.

1998 Special Plan employees, which includes state prison employees, airplane pilots, forest rangers, defense, veterans and emergency management firefighters employed at Bangor International Airport, corrections employees, Baxter State Park Authority rangers, fire marshals, investigators and inspectors, oil and hazardous materials emergency response workers, and capitol security officers: required to contribute 8.65% of earnable compensation for 25 years and 7.65% thereafter.

State police employed on or after September 16, 1984 and special agent investigators hired before June 21, 1982: required to contribute 8.65% of earnable compensation for 25 years and 7.65% thereafter.

Inland fisheries and wildlife officers and marine resources officers employed on or after September 1, 1984: required to contribute 8.65% of earnable compensation for 25 years and 7.65% thereafter.

3. Average Final Compensation

For purposes of determining benefits payable, average final compensation is the average annual rate of earnable compensation for the three years of creditable service (not necessarily consecutive) that produce the highest such average.

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For compensation paid on or after July 1, 1993, increases in earnable compensation of greater than 5% per year or greater than 10% over the highest three years are not included in calculating average final compensation unless the employer pays the cost of including such compensation. Earnable compensation does not include sick and vacation pay for those members who had less than ten years of service at July 1, 1993. For members for whom sick and vacation pay is includable in earnable compensation, these payments are included in applying the caps described above.

4. Creditable Service

Creditable service includes service while a member, certain service prior to the establishment of the Program, purchased military service credit, other purchased service credit, and service while receiving disability benefits under the Program.

5. Service Retirement Benefits

A. Regular Plan (State Employees and Teachers)

- i. Provisions for Members with at Least Ten Years of Creditable Service on July 1, 1993

Normal Retirement Age: 60

Eligibility for Members in Active Service and Inactive Members: 25 years of creditable service.

Eligibility Alternative for Members in Active Service: At least one year of creditable service immediately before retirement and at least normal retirement age.

Eligibility for Members not in Active Service at Retirement and not in Active Service on or after October 1, 1999: At least ten years of creditable service and at least normal retirement age.

Eligibility for Members not in Active Service at Retirement, but in Active Service on or after October 1, 1999: At least five years of creditable service and at least normal retirement age.

Benefit: 1/50 of average final compensation multiplied by years of creditable service and up to 25 years of prior service, reduced by the following approximate percentages for each year retirement age is less than age 60.

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Age	Reduction	Age	Reduction
45	29.3%	53	16.6%
46	28.0	54	14.6
47	26.6	55	12.5
48	25.2	56	10.3
49	23.6	57	7.9
50	22.0	58	5.4
51	20.3	59	2.8
52	18.5	60	0.0

Form of Payment: Life annuity.

- ii. Provisions for Members with Less Than Ten Years of Creditable Service on July 1, 1993

Normal Retirement Age: 62

Eligibility for Members in Active Service and Inactive Members: 25 years of creditable service.

Eligibility Alternative for Members in Active Service: At least one year of creditable service immediately before retirement age and at least normal retirement age.

Eligibility for Members not in Active Service at Retirement and not in Active Service on or after October 1, 1999: At least ten years of creditable service and at least normal retirement age.

Eligibility for Members not in Active Service at Retirement, but in Active Service on or after October 1, 1999: At least five years of creditable service and at least normal retirement age.

Benefit: 1/50 of average final compensation multiplied by years of membership service and up to 25 years of prior service, reduced by 6% for each year retirement age is less than age 62.

Form of Payment: Life annuity.

- iii. Provisions for Members with Less Than Five Years of Creditable Service on July 1, 2011

Normal Retirement Age: 65

Eligibility for Members in Active Service and Inactive Members: 25 years of creditable service.

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Eligibility Alternative for Members in Active Service: At least one year of creditable service immediately before retirement age and at least normal retirement age.

Eligibility for Members not in Active Service at Retirement and not in Active Service on or after October 1, 1999: At least ten years of creditable service and at least normal retirement age.

Eligibility for Members not in Active Service at Retirement, but in Active Service on or after October 1, 1999: At least five years of creditable service and at least normal retirement age.

Benefit: 1/50 of average final compensation multiplied by years of membership service and up to 25 years of prior service, reduced by 6% for each year retirement age is less than age 65.

Form of Payment: Life annuity.

B. Special Plans (State Employees)

- i. State Police Employed Before September 16, 1984 and Inland Fisheries and Wildlife Officers Employed Before September 1, 1984

Eligibility: 20 years of creditable service in named positions.

Benefit: One-half of average final compensation plus 2% for each year of service in excess of 20. If greater, the pro-rated portion of the benefit for service before July 1, 1976 is based on annual pay instead of average final pay.

Form of Payment: 50% joint and survivor annuity or life annuity.

- ii. Forest Rangers Employed Before September 1, 1984

Eligibility: Age 50 with 25 years of creditable service as a forest ranger.

Benefit: One-half of average final compensation plus 2% for each year of service earned after qualification for retirement. If greater, the pro-rated portion of the benefit for service before July 1, 1976 is based on annual pay instead of average final pay.

Form of Payment: Life annuity.

- iii. Liquor Inspectors Employed Before September 1, 1984

Eligibility: Age 55 and 25 years of creditable service as a liquor inspector.

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Benefit: One-half of average final compensation plus 2% for each year of service earned after qualification for retirement. If greater, the pro-rated portion of the benefit for service before July 1, 1976 is based on annual pay instead of average final pay.

Form of Payment: Life annuity.

iv. State Prison Employees Employed Before September 1, 1984

Eligibility: Age 50 and 20 years of creditable service as a prison employee.

Benefit: One-half of average final compensation plus 2% for each year of service earned after qualification for retirement.

Form of Payment: Life annuity.

v. 1998 Special Plan

1998 Entrants: State prison employees, airline pilots, forest rangers and liquor inspectors, employed after August 31, 1984; defense, veterans, and emergency management firefighters employed on and after July 1, 1998.

2000 Entrants: Baxter State Park Authority rangers, correctional employees and state fire marshals employed on or after January 1, 2000.

2002 Entrants: Capitol security officers and oil and hazardous materials emergency response workers.

Eligibility: Ten years of creditable service under the 1998 Special Plan in one or a combination of the covered capacities and the attainment of age 55 – OR – 25 years of creditable service in one or a combination of the covered capacities.

Benefit: For service prior to coverage in the 1998 Special Plan, 1/50 of average final compensation multiplied by years of service reduced for retirement before age 60, 62, or 65 (as determined by the applicable Regular Plan provisions described in 5.A.), except oil and hazardous materials emergency response workers and certain prison employee benefits are reduced for retirement before age 55.

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For service under the 1998 Special Plan, 1/50 of average final compensation multiplied by years of service reduced for retirement before age 55.

Form of Payment: Life annuity.

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vi. 25 & Out Plan

1998 Entrants: State police employed on or after September 16, 1984 and special agent investigators hired before June 21, 1982.

2002 Entrants: Inland fisheries and wildlife officers and marine resources officers employed on and after August 31, 1984.

Eligibility: 25 years of creditable service in named positions.

Benefit: 1/50 of average final compensation multiplied by years of service.

Form of Payment: Life annuity.

Members in Special Plans who fail to qualify for Special Plan benefits can receive Regular Plan benefits when and as eligible and qualified.

vii. Minimum Service Retirement Benefit

\$100 per month

6. Disability Retirement Benefits Other Than No Age Benefits (See Item 7)

Eligibility: Disabled as defined in the MainePERS statutes prior to applicable normal retirement age, employed prior to October 16, 1992 and did not elect No Age Disability Benefits, and either disabled in the line-of-duty or disabled with at least five years of creditable service.

Benefit: 66 $\frac{2}{3}$ % of average final compensation, reduced by employment earnings over the specified statutory limit, and to the extent that the benefit, in combination with Workers' Compensation and Social Security, exceeds 80% of average final compensation.

Form of Payment: Payment begins on termination of service and ceases on cessation of disability or after two years, unless the member is unable to engage in any substantially gainful activity, in which case payments cease on the earlier of ten years following normal retirement age or on the date that the service retirement benefit equals or exceeds the disability benefit.

Conversion to Service Retirement: During the period of disability, service is credited and average final compensation is increased at same rate as any cost-of-living adjustments for which the member is eligible (not subject to a cap) (see item 12). On the date when service benefits reach a level of 66 $\frac{2}{3}$ % of average final compensation or ten years after the normal retirement date, if earlier, the disability converts to a service retirement benefit based on service and average final compensation at that time.

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7. No Age Disability Retirement Benefits

Eligibility: Disabled as defined in the MainePERS statutes, employed on or after October 16, 1992 or employed prior to October 16, 1992 and elected the provisions of No Age Disability, and either disabled in the line-of-duty or disabled with at least five years of creditable service.

Benefit: 59% of average final compensation, reduced by employment earnings over the specified statutory limit, and to the extent that the benefit, in combination with Workers' Compensation and Social Security, exceeds 80% of average final compensation.

Form of Payment: Payment begins on termination of service and ceases on cessation of disability or after two years, unless the member is unable to engage in any substantially gainful activity, in which case payments cease on the date the service retirement benefit equals or exceeds the disability benefit.

Conversion to Service Retirement: During the period of disability, service is credited and average final compensation is increased at the same rate as any cost-of-living adjustments for which the member is eligible (not subject to a cap) (see item 12). On the date when service benefits reach a level of 59% of average final compensation, the disability benefit converts to a service retirement benefit based on service and average final compensation at that time.

8. Pre-Retirement Ordinary Death Benefits

Eligibility: Death while active, inactive eligible to retire, or disabled.

Benefit: Designated beneficiary, spouse, children, or parents entitled to benefit calculated as if deceased member had retired under Option 2 (see item 13); however, beneficiary may elect survivor benefits payable to a surviving spouse, dependent children, parent, or other designated beneficiaries in monthly amounts varying by status of beneficiary and number of eligible survivors. Otherwise accumulated contributions with interest are payable to designated beneficiary, spouse, children, older parents, or estate.

9. Pre-Retirement Accidental Death Benefits

Eligibility: Death while active or disabled resulting from an injury received in the line-of-duty.

Benefit:

- If the member leaves no dependent children, two-thirds of the member's average final compensation to the surviving spouse until death.

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- If the member is survived by a spouse who has the care of dependent children of the member, the surviving spouse shall receive an annual sum equal to the member's average final compensation while having the care of dependent children. When there are no longer any dependent children, the surviving spouse shall receive two-thirds of member's average final compensation until death.
- If the member is survived by a spouse who does not have the care of the member's dependent children, the surviving spouse and dependent children shall share equally an annual sum equal to the member's average final compensation. When there are no longer any dependent children, the surviving spouse shall receive two-thirds of the member's average final compensation until death.
- If the member leaves no spouse, the dependent children shall share an annual amount equal to the member's average final compensation. Benefits will cease when the last dependent child no longer meets the definition of "dependent child."

10. Termination Benefit

Eligibility: Termination of service other than by retirement or death with at least five years of credible service.

Benefit: The member's choice of a refund of the accumulated contributions with interest or a retirement benefit using creditable service and average final compensation as of date of termination, deferred to normal retirement age.

11. Refund of Contributions

Eligibility: Termination of service other than by retirement or death with less than five years of creditable service.

Benefit: Refund of member's accumulated contributions with interest.

12. Cost-of-Living Adjustments

All service and disability retirement and survivor benefits are adjusted each year that there is a percentage change in the Consumer Price Index, based on the Index. If the percentage change is negative, then no adjustment is made in that year. In subsequent years, the adjustment that would have been made will be adjusted downward to the extent necessary to recoup the full actuarial value of not having made the previous year's negative adjustment. This process of adjustment may occur over a multi-year period if needed to recoup the full value of negative changes in the Index.

Cost-of-living adjustments (COLA) are effective September 1 of each year and are applied to that portion of the benefit that is not in excess of a COLA cap whose value grows annually

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with the same adjustment as the COLA (see values below) for all benefits that have been in payment for at least twelve months as of that date. The maximum annual increase is 3%. Average final compensation used in determining disability benefits for disabled members is similarly adjusted for purposes of determining the recipient's service retirement benefit if and when the recipient moves to service retirement.

COLA Cap History: (value as of September 1 of listed year when COLA effective):

2014 - \$20,000.00
2015 - \$20,420.00
2016 - \$20,940.71
2017 - \$21,474.70

Members who did not have ten years of service on July 1, 1993 will begin receiving cost-of-living adjustments at the later of 12 months after their normal retirement age and the first September 1 following a minimum of twelve months of being in receipt of their benefit.

13. Methods of Payment of Service Retirement Benefits

At retirement, a member who retires with a benefit must choose from the following methods of payment:

Full Benefit: Unadjusted benefit paid for the life of the member only.

Option 1: Cash refund equal to the remaining member contribution balance, if any, at the date of death (where the member contribution balance has been reduced each month by the portion of the monthly benefit deemed to be provided by member contributions).

Option 2: 100% joint and survivor annuity.

Option 3: 50% joint and survivor annuity.

Option 4: Joint and survivor annuity at any percentage other than those available under Option 2 and Option 3.

Option 5: Designated percentage of the benefit (not less than 51%) payable to the member, with the remaining percentage (the two to equal 100%) payable to a beneficiary (may only be a sole beneficiary) while both are alive. At the death of either, the higher of the two percentages is paid to the survivor for the survivor's life, and the lower-percentage benefit ceases to be paid.

Option 6: 100% joint and survivor annuity (Option 2) with pop-up*.

Option 7: 50% joint and survivor annuity (Option 3) with pop-up*.

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Option 8: Option 4 with pop-up*.

* The “pop-up” feature attached to a given Option means that in the case of a beneficiary predeceasing the member, the member’s benefit will be revised prospectively to the amount that the benefit would have been had the member selected Full Benefit payment upon retirement.

14. Plan Changes since Prior Valuation

None.

This Appendix B is intended to be a brief summary of provisions. In the event of a dispute, applicable statutes and administrative policy supersede this report description.

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A. Actuarial Assumptions

1. Annual Rate of Investment Return

State Employees	6.875%
Teachers	6.875%

Rate is net of both administrative and investment expense.

2. Cost-of-Living Adjustment (COLA) Assumed Rate

State Employees	2.20%
Teachers	2.20%

3. Annual Rate of Individual Salary Increase (% at Selected Years of Service)

Service	State Employees	Teachers
0	8.75%	14.50%
5	5.00%	5.75
10	3.75%	4.75
15	3.20%	4.00
20	2.95%	2.75
25 and over	2.75%	2.75

The above rates include a 2.75% across-the-board increase at each year of service.

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4. Sample Rates of Termination (% at Selected Years of Service)

State Employees and Teachers	
Service	Teachers
0	33.50%
5	10.50
10	5.95
15	4.25
20	4.00
25	4.00

Non-vested members are assumed to take a refund of contributions with interest. Once vested, the member is assumed to elect the greater of the deferred vested benefit or a refund of member contributions with interest based on present value at time of termination.

5. Sample Rates of Mortality for Healthy Annuitant Lives at Selected Ages (number of deaths per 10,000 members)

(Showing values in 2017)				
Age	State Employees		Teachers	
	Male	Female	Male	Female
50	41	32	39	26
55	58	43	55	36
60	79	63	75	52
65	112	96	107	79
70	173	155	165	128
75	282	253	269	209
80	475	428	452	353
85	829	760	789	627
90	1,460	1,358	1,390	1,120
95	2,306	2,234	2,195	1,843

Rates for State Employees are based on 104% and 120% of the RP-2014 Total Dataset Healthy Annuitant Mortality Table, respectively, for males and females, using the RP-2014 Total Dataset Employee Mortality Table for ages prior to start of the Healthy Annuitant Mortality Table, both projected from the 2006 base rates using the RPEC_2015 model, with an ultimate rate of 0.85% for ages 20-85, grading down to an ultimate rate of 0.00% for ages 111-120, and convergence to the ultimate rate in the year 2020. Proposed rates for Teachers are based on 99% of the RP-2014 Total Dataset Healthy Annuitant Mortality Table for both males and females, using the RP-2014 Total Dataset Employee Mortality Table for ages prior to the start of the Healthy Annuitant Mortality Table, respectively, both projected using the RPEC_2015 model, with an

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ultimate rate of 0.85% for ages 20-85, grading down to an ultimate rate of 0.00% for ages 111-120, and convergence to the ultimate rate in the year 2020.

6. Sample Rates of Mortality for Active Healthy Lives at Selected Ages (number of deaths per 10,000 members)*

(Showing values in 2017)				
Age	State Employees		Teachers	
	Male	Female	Male	Female
20	4	2	4	1
25	5	2	4	2
30	4	3	4	2
35	5	4	5	3
40	6	5	6	4
45	10	8	9	6
50	17	13	16	10
55	28	20	27	16
60	47	29	45	24
65	84	44	80	36

* For State Regular and Teachers 5% of deaths assumed to arise out of and in the course of employment; for State Special 20% of deaths are assumed to arise out of and in the course of employment.

Rates for State Employees are based on 104% and 120% of the RP-2014 Total Dataset Employee Mortality Table, respectively, for males and females, using the RP-2014 Total Dataset Healthy Annuitant Mortality Table rates after the end of the Total Employee Mortality Table, both projected from the 2006 base rates using the RPEC_2015 model, with an ultimate rate of 0.85% for ages 20-85, grading down to an ultimate rate of 0.00% for ages 111-120, and convergence to the ultimate rate in the year 2020. Proposed rates for Teachers are based on 99% of the RP-2014 Total Dataset Healthy Annuitant Mortality Table for both males and females, using the RP-2014 Total Dataset Healthy Annuitant Mortality Table rates after the end of the Total Employee Mortality Table, respectively, both projected using the RPEC_2015 model, with an ultimate rate of 0.85% for ages 20-85, grading down to an ultimate rate of 0.00% for ages 111-120, and convergence to the ultimate rate in the year 2020.

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7. Sample Rates of Mortality for Disabled Annuitant Lives at Selected Ages (number of deaths per 10,000 members)

(Showing values in 2017)				
Age	State Employees		Teachers	
	Male	Female	Male	Female
25	83	24	83	24
30	79	30	79	30
35	93	42	93	42
40	112	58	112	58
45	174	91	174	91
50	214	120	214	120
55	246	151	246	151
60	280	179	280	179
65	335	218	335	218
70	433	296	433	296

Rates are based on 108% and 105% of the RP-2014 Total Dataset Disabled Annuitant Mortality Table, respectively, for males and females, projected from the 2006 base rates using the RPEC_2015 model, with an ultimate rate of 0.85% for ages 20-85, grading down to an ultimate rate of 0.00% for ages 111-120, and convergence to the ultimate rate in the year 2020.

8. Sample Rates of Retirement at Selected Ages (number retiring per 1,000 members)

Teachers and State Regular Plans

Age	State Employees and Teachers		
	Tier 1	Tier 2	Tier 3
45	13	NA	NA
50	29	NA	NA
55	40	40	40
59	150	40	40
60	250	75	40
61	200	175	40
62	200	250	40
63	200	150	75
64	250	200	225
65	350	250	300
70	200	200	300
75	1,000	1,000	1,000

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In the case of State Regular and Teacher employees, Tier 1 refers to those who had accrued at least 10 years of service by July 1, 1993. Tier 2 refers to those who had not accrued at least 10 years of service by July 1, 1993 or were hired after that date but had five years of service by July 1, 2011. Tier 3 refers to those who did not have five years of service by July 1, 2011. Rates are only applied for early retirement when the member is at least age 57. Earlier rates are applicable for normal retirement.

State Special Plans

Members of State Special Plans other than the 25 & Out Plan and the 1998 Special Plan are all currently assumed to retire at a rate of 50% per year, beginning when they reach eligibility for unreduced benefits, with a 100% assumed rate at age 70.

Members of the State Special 25 & Out Plan are previously assumed to retire at a rate of 25% per year beginning at 25 years of service, increasing to 50% per year after reaching 30 years of service, and finally to 100% per year beginning at 35 years of service.

Members of the 1998 Special Plan are assumed to retire at rates that vary by age and whether service is less than 25 years or not. Sample revised rates are as follows:

1998 Special Plan Retirement		
Age	Service < 25	Service >= 25
55	20.0%	25.0%
57	10.0	25.0
60	20.0	30.0
62	15.0	30.0
65	23.4	30.0
67	36.8	50.0
70	100.0	100.0

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9. Sample Rates of Disability at Selected Ages (number becoming disabled per 10,000 members)*

Age	State Employees		Teachers
	Regular	Special	
25	5.0	5.4	2.1
30	6.1	6.5	2.3
35	9.3	9.9	2.3
40	14.8	15.8	3.1
45	22.8	24.4	7.0
50	34.0	36.4	10.9
55	39.9	42.6	14.9
60	43.4	46.4	18.8

* 10% assumed to receive Workers Compensation benefits offsetting disability benefit; also, current rates for State Special groups are higher by 7 per 10,000 at all ages.

10. Family Composition Assumptions

80% of active members are assumed to be married and have two children born when the member is 24 and 28; children are assumed dependent until age 18; female spouse is assumed to be three years younger than male spouse; member is assumed to have no dependent parents; unmarried members are assumed to have beneficiaries entitled to benefits worth 80% as much as those of married members' beneficiaries.

11. Vacation/Sick Leave Credits

For members who had ten years of service on July 1, 1993, credits for unused vacation and sick leave may be used to increase final average compensation and/or creditable service. In order to reflect this, projected retirement benefits are increased by 0.48% for state (regular) employees and 0.75% for teachers.

12. Technical and Miscellaneous Assumptions

Decrement Timing: Middle of the valuation year

Pay Increase Timing: Salary provided is treated as the rate of pay as of valuation date. Annual increases are applied as of the beginning of each subsequent valuation.

Member Contribution Interest Rate: 5%

COLA Timing: September 1

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13. Rationale for Assumptions

The assumptions were adopted by the Board of Trustees at their July 14, 2016 meeting. The demographic assumptions adopted are based on an experience study covering the period from June 30, 2012 through June 30, 2015 and the economic assumptions are based on this experience study along with advice of the MainePERS investment consultants.

14. Changes since Last Valuation

None.

B. Actuarial Methods

1. Funding Method

For the Plans in this Program, the funding methodology employed is the entry age normal funding method. Under this method, there are two components to the total contribution: the normal cost rate (NC rate), and the unfunded actuarial liability rate (UAL rate). Both of these rates are developed for each Plan within the Program, consisting of the Teacher Program, the State Regular Plan, and several State Special Plans.

For each Plan in the Program, an individual entry age normal cost rate is determined for each active member. The normal cost is determined by the following steps. First, an individual normal cost rate is determined by taking the value, as of entry age into a Plan, of each active member's projected future benefit. Second, this value is then divided by the value, also at entry age, of the member's expected future salary. Finally, the rate is reduced by the member contribution rate to produce the employer normal contribution rate. These rates are then multiplied by each member's salary as of the valuation date to get the total normal cost dollars as of the valuation date for that Plan and then divided by the total payroll at the valuation for the Plan to get the normal cost rate for that Plan. This process results in specific normal cost rates for each of the Plans in the Program.

The unfunded actuarial liability under the entry age normal funding method equals the present value, at the time of valuation, of the future benefit payments less the present value of future employer normal cost contributions, future member contributions, future UAL payments, and current assets. The UAL rate determined is the percentage that applied to member payroll is expected to amortize the UAL according to the Program's amortization policy. Specifically, the remaining original UAL has 11 years of its prescribed amortization period remaining and all other gains and losses are amortized over ten-year periods beginning on the date as of which they occur.

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2. Asset Valuation Method

For purposes of determining the employer contributions to the Program and the Program's funded ratio, we use an actuarial value of assets. The asset adjustment method dampens the volatility in asset values that could occur because of fluctuations in market conditions. Use of an asset smoothing method is consistent with the long-term nature of the actuarial valuation process.

In determining the actuarial value of assets, we calculate an expected actuarial value based on cash flow for the year and imputed returns at the actuarial assumption. This expected value is compared to the market value and one-third of the difference is added to the preliminary actuarial value to arrive at the final actuarial value.

3. Changes since Last Valuation

None.

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APPENDIX D - GLOSSARY OF GASB TERMS

1. Actuarially Determined Contribution

A target or recommended contribution for the reporting period, determined in conformity with Actuarial Standards of Practice based on the most recent measurement available when the contribution for the reporting period was adopted.

2. Actuarial Valuation Date

The date as of which an actuarial valuation is performed. This date may be up to 24 months prior to the measurement date and up to 30 months prior to the employer's reporting date.

3. Deferred Inflow of Resources

An acquisition of net assets by a government employer that is applicable to a future reporting period. In the context of GASB 68, these are experience gains on the Total Pension Liability, assumption changes reducing the Total Pension Liability, or investment gains that are recognized in future reporting periods.

4. Deferred Outflow of Resources

A consumption of net assets by a government employer that is applicable to a future reporting period. In the context of GASB 68, these are experience losses on the Total Pension Liability, assumption changes increasing the Total Pension Liability, or investment losses that are recognized in future reporting periods.

5. Entry Age Actuarial Cost Method

The actuarial cost method required for GASB 67 and 68 calculations. Under this method, the actuarial present value of the projected benefits of each individual, included in an actuarial valuation, is allocated on a level basis over the earnings of the individual between entry age and assumed exit ages. The portion of this actuarial present value allocated to a valuation year is called the Service Cost. The portion of this actuarial present value not provided for at a valuation date by the actuarial present value of future service costs is called the Total Pension Liability.

6. Measurement Date

The date as of which the Total Pension Liability and Plan Fiduciary Net Position are measured. The Total Pension Liability may be projected from the Actuarial Valuation Date to the Measurement Date. The Measurement Date must be the same as the Reporting Date for the plan.

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7. Net Pension Liability

The liability of employers and non-employer contributing entities for employees for benefits provided through a defined benefit pension plan. It is calculated as the Total Pension Liability less the Plan Fiduciary Net Position.

8. Plan Fiduciary Net Position

The fair or market value of assets.

9. Reporting Date

The last day of the Plan or employer's fiscal year.

10. Service Cost

The portion of the actuarial present value of projected benefit payments that is attributed to the current period of employee service in conformity with the requirements of GASB 67 and 68. The Service Cost is the normal cost calculated under the entry age actuarial cost method.

11. Total Pension Liability

The portion of the actuarial present value of projected benefit payments that is attributed to past periods of employee service in conformity with the requirements of GASB 67 and 68. The Total Pension Liability is the actuarial liability calculated under the entry age actuarial cost method.



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