Missouri Local Government Employees Retirement System Compiled 50th Annual Actuarial Valuation as of February 28, 2018





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September 5, 2018

The Board of Trustees Missouri Local Government Employees Retirement System Jefferson City, Missouri

Submitted in this report are the compiled results of the *50th annual actuarial valuations* for the Missouri Local Government Employees Retirement System, as amended through February 28, 2018. *The date of the valuations* was February 28, 2018.

Actuarial valuations of individual participating employers are made for the purposes of (i) revising employer contribution rates and (ii) examining the reserve strength of each separately experience-rated group. These individual valuations are made annually for each employer who was participating as of the valuation date. Such valuations were made for **1,116 groups (704 employers)**. Actuarial valuations are also made of retired life benefits being paid from the Benefit Reserve Fund to determine the financial condition of this pooled Fund.

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The signing individuals are independent of the plan sponsor.

Future actuarial measurements may differ significantly from the current measurements presented in this report due to such factors as: plan experience differing from that anticipated by the economic and demographic assumptions; changes in economic or demographic assumptions; increases or decreases expected as part of the natural operation of the methodology used for these measurements (such as the end of an amortization period or additional cost or contribution requirements based on the plan's funded status); and changes in plan provisions or applicable law. Due to the limited scope of the actuary's assignment, the actuary did not perform an analysis of the potential range of such future measurements.

The valuations were based upon data furnished by LAGERS staff concerning members, retirees and beneficiaries.

The financial assumptions used in making the valuations are shown in the Appendix of this report. Assumptions concerning future experience are needed for computing employer contribution rates. As time passes and actual experience develops, assumed and actual experiences are compared. From time to time one or more of the assumptions about the future are changed by the Board after consulting with the actuary. The assumptions used in performing the 2018 valuations were adopted by the Board in conjunction with a five-year experience investigation for the period ending February 28, 2015.

Your attention is directed particularly to the Comments on pages 3 through 7, and to the Short Condition Test on page B-6. Based upon the 2018 valuations, it is our opinion that *LAGERS continues to satisfy the actuarial principles of level cost financing*.

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Comments on Valuation Results

Individual Valuations of Participating Employers. There were 1,116 new employer contribution rates computed as of February 28, 2018. (Fifty-three groups had no active employees and a dollar contribution was calculated for them. These fifty-three groups are excluded from the totals on this page.) Of the 1,116 new rates, 494 were decreases from the previous rates, 487 were increases from the previous rates and 135 were unchanged. Further detail is shown in Section G. A ten-year comparative schedule follows:

Valuation Date	Decreases	Unchanged	Increases	Total
2-28-2009	71	54	820	945
2-28-2010	201	63	707	971
2-28-2011*	230	41	724	995
2-29-2012	507	61	439	1,007
2-28-2013	595	77	359	1,031
2-28-2014	772	52	231	1,055
2-28-2015	738	80	244	1,062
2-29-2016*	255	53	759	1,067
2-28-2017	397	105	576	1,078
2-28-2018	494	135	487	1,116

* Revised financial assumptions and/or funding method.

Decreases in employer contribution rates are seldom a problem. Increases can be a problem. As a result of the adoption of the new actuarial assumptions for the February 29, 2016 valuations, the employer contribution rate for many valuation groups was capped due to the 1% increase limitation (e.g., 334 valuation groups had capped employer contribution rates as of February 29, 2016). This is the primary reason that the number of increases in computed employer contribution rates remains high as of February 28, 2018.

Experience During Valuation Year. Investment return was above the assumed rate of return on a funding value of assets basis as of February 28, 2018. The actuarial value of assets are lower than the market value of assets by roughly 4% which puts slight downward pressure on future contribution rates. (Beginning in 2003, the actuarial value of assets is not allowed to deviate from the market value of assets by more than 20%.) In addition, there is still upward pressure on capped employer contribution rates (198 valuation groups).



Comments on Valuation Results - Continued

Section D of this report presents a summary of the analysis of the economic and non-economic risk areas. For the year ended February 28, 2018, the System experienced an actuarial gain of approximately \$29 million. This primarily consisted of better than assumed investment return offset by an increase in the Reserve for Future Experience in the Benefit Reserve Fund.

Retired Life Experience. The Benefit Reserve Fund (BRF) funded ratio increased from 107.2% to 109.3% as of February 28, 2018, due to a recognized gain on assumed investment return and by lower than expected cost-of-living increases. Please refer to page B-11 for detail.

Funded Ratio. The funded ratio for the System as of the valuation date is 95.6% based on the actuarial value of assets. If the market value of assets were used and the reserve for future experience in the BRF shown on page B-11 were unchanged, the funded ratio would be approximately 99.5%.



Comments on

Reserve Strength of Each Group Being Separately Experience-Rated

"Reserve strength" means the portion of accrued liabilities which are covered by accrued assets. The larger the portion covered, the greater the reserve strength.

At the time a local government joins LAGERS the reserve strength of that new employer is zero because there are no assets, while liabilities (for past service) have been generated.

Contributions to LAGERS are patterned so that reserve strength increases year by year.

However, this underlying pattern is being modified each year as actual financial experiences occur. Experiences more favorable than assumed cause reserve strength to increase more than planned, while less favorable experiences reduce reserve strength. Like snowflakes, no two groups have identical experiences.

In addition, reserve strength is lowered when a local government adopts a higher benefit formula (larger liabilities for past service are generated).

The hundreds of separately experience-rated groups within LAGERS have considerable differences in reserve strength. These differences are summarized on page B-8.

Financially, LAGERS consists of a large number of diverse groups, not a large number of clones of a single LAGERS average.



Summary of Risk Measures

		UAAL	Dollar Standard Deviation of		Actuarial Value of	
Valuation	Funded	Amortization	Investment Return /	UAAL /	Assets /	Total AAL /
Date	Ratio	Period #	Total Payroll *	Total Payroll	Total Payroll	Total Payroll
2-28-2009	80.0%	NA	21.6%	64.6%	259.0%	323.6%
2-28-2010	81.0	97	27.8	63.1	269.8	333.0
2-28-2011	81.6	43	32.7	66.1	292.1	358.2
2-29-2012	83.5	34	34.4	62.2	314.4	376.6
2-28-2013	86.5	26	37.0	52.4	336.3	388.7
2 20 2014	04 7	24		22.4	270.4	402.4
2-28-2014	91.7	21	41.1	33.4	370.1	403.4
2-28-2015	94.4	21	43.6	24.0	408.5	432.5
2-29-2016	94.7	24	39.3	23.3	419.2	442.5
2-28-2017	94.8	19	43.2	23.9	434.8	458.7
2-28-2018	95.6	16	47.0	20.7	451.3	472.0

Aggregate amortization period for all employers combined.

* Assumes System goal of a 10% standard deviation. Based upon the market value of assets.

Funded ratio: The funded ratio is expected to trend toward 100% based on the current funding policy.

UAAL Amortization Period: The aggregate amortization period is for all employers combined. Each employer has specific amortization periods for their respective amortization bases.

Standard Deviation of Investment Return / Total Payroll: This measure illustrates the impact of a one standard deviation change in investment return as a percent of payroll. Investment return experience other than expected ultimately affects the employer contribution rates. The higher the ratio of this risk metric, the greater the expected volatility in employer contribution rates. Absent changes in investment policy, this metric is expected to increase as the assets grow to 100% of the AAL.

UAAL / Total Payroll: The ratio of the unfunded actuarial accrued liability to payroll is expected to trend towards 0%.

Actuarial Value of Assets / Total Payroll: As the funded ratio increases, this ratio is expected to converge to the ratio of Total AAL / Payroll.

Total AAL / Total Payroll: Total AAL / Total Payroll is expected to grow as the system matures and in general remain constant thereafter.



Other Observations

General Implications of Contribution Allocation Procedure or Funding Policy on Future Expected Plan Contributions and Funded Status

Given the plan's contribution allocation procedure, if all actuarial assumptions are met (including the assumption of the plan earning 7.25% on the actuarial value of assets), it is expected that:

- (1) Each employer's normal cost as a percentage of pay is expected to remain level in the absence of significant changes due to hiring patterns of each employer. However, given the small number of active members in many of the participating valuation groups, the employer normal cost may change significantly from one valuation to the next.
- (2) Positive unfunded actuarial accrued liabilities for each employer are expected to be fully amortized after completion of their respective amortization periods.
- (3) In general, the funded status for each employer is expected to trend gradually towards a 100% funded ratio.

When selecting a contribution allocation procedure, the following three items should be considered, including the balance amongst the three items:

- (1) Benefit security,
- (2) Intergenerational equity, and
- (3) Contribution stability and predictability.

Generally, given the nature of public employee retirement systems (e.g., level contribution financing objective and perceived ongoing nature of the plan or plan sponsor), intergenerational equity and contribution stability and predictability have received more consideration than benefit security when contribution allocation procedures are selected. However, given the importance of benefit security to any retirement system, we suggest that contributions to the System in excess of those presented in the annual valuation reports be considered.

Limitations of Funded Status Measurements

Unless otherwise indicated, a funded status measurement presented in this report is based upon the actuarial accrued liability and the actuarial value of assets. Unless otherwise indicated, with regard to any funded status measurements presented in this report:

- (1) The measurement is inappropriate for assessing the sufficiency of plan assets to cover the estimated cost of settling the plan's benefit obligations.
- (2) The measurement is dependent upon the actuarial cost method which, in combination with the plan's amortization policy, affects the timing and amounts of future contributions. The amounts of future contributions will most certainly differ from those assumed in this report due to future actual experience differing from assumed experience based upon the actuarial assumptions. A funded status measurement in this report of 100% is not synonymous with no required future contributions. If the funded status were 100%, the plan would still require future normal cost contributions (i.e., contributions to cover the cost of the active membership accruing an additional year of service credit).
- (3) The measurement would produce a different result if the market value of assets were used instead of the actuarial value of assets, unless the market value of assets is used in the measurement.



SECTION A

FINANCIAL PRINCIPLES

Financial Principles and Operational Techniques of LAGERS

Promises Made, and To Be Paid For. As each year is completed, the System in effect hands an "IOU" to each member then acquiring a year of service credit -- the "IOU" says: "The Missouri Local Government Employees Retirement System owes you one year's worth of retirement benefits, payments in cash commencing when you qualify for retirement."

The related *key financial questions* are:

Which generation of taxpayers contributes the money to cover the IOU?

The present taxpayers, who receive the benefit of the member's present year of service? *Or the future taxpayers*, who happen to be in Missouri at the time the IOU becomes a cash demand?

LAGERS intends that this year's taxpayers contribute the money to cover the IOUs being handed out this year. By following this principle, *the employer contribution rate will remain approximately level from generation to generation* -- our children and our grandchildren will contribute the same percents of pay we contribute now.

(There are Systems which have a design for deferring contributions to future taxpayers lured by a lower contribution rate now and putting aside the fact that the contribution rate must relentlessly grow much greater over decades of time -- consume now, and let your children face your *financial pollution* after you have retired.)

An inevitable by-product of the level-cost design is the accumulation of reserve assets, for decades, and the income produced when the assets are invested. *Invested assets are a by-product and not the objective. Investment income* becomes in effect *the third contributor* for benefits to employees and is interlocked with the contribution amounts required from employees and employers.

Translated to actuarial terminology, this level-cost objective means that the contribution rates must total at least the following:

Normal Cost (the cost of members' service being rendered this year)

... plus ...

Interest on Unfunded Actuarial Accrued Liabilities (unfunded actuarial accrued liabilities are the difference between: liabilities for members' service already rendered and the accrued assets of the governmental unit in the plan).



Computing Contributions to Support System Benefits. From a given schedule of benefits and from the employee data and asset data furnished, the actuary determines the contribution rates to support the benefits by means of **an actuarial valuation and a funding method**.

An actuarial valuation has a number of ingredients such as: the rate of investment return which plan assets will earn; the rates of withdrawal of active members who leave covered employment before qualifying for any monthly benefit; the rates of mortality; the rates of disability; the rates of pay increases; and the assumed age or ages at actual retirement.

In making an actuarial valuation, the System must assume what the above experience will be for the next year and for decades in the future. Only the subsequent actual experience of the System can indicate the degree of accuracy of the assumptions.

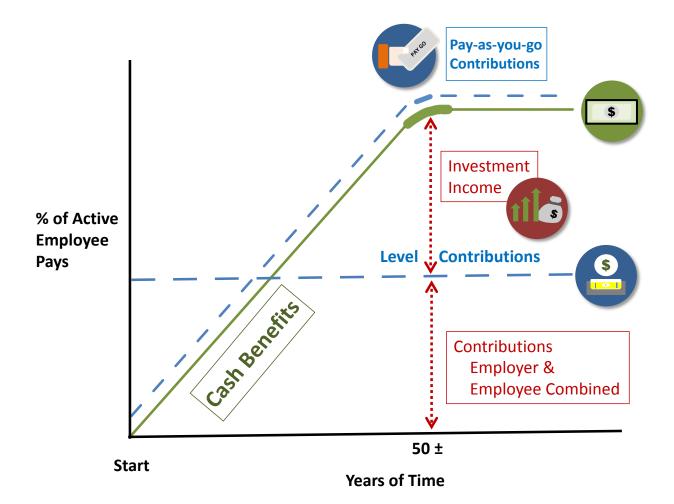
Reconciling Differences Between Assumed Experience and Actual Experience. Once actual experience has occurred and been observed, it will not coincide exactly with assumed experience, regardless of the wisdom of the assumptions and regardless of the skill of the actuary and the calculations made. The future can be predicted with considerable but not complete precision, except that inflation seems to defy reliable prediction.

LAGERS copes with these continually changing differences by having *annual actuarial valuations*, separately for each participating employer group. Each annual actuarial valuation is a complete recalculation of assumed future experience, taking into account all past differences between assumed and actual experience. The result is continually changing employer contribution rates.

Generally, the size of an annual change in an employer rate is less than one percent of payroll (up or down), particularly for the larger groups, where activities of one or two employees have little effect on the group's status. In periods of volatile investment markets, groups with large Employer Accumulation Fund (EAF) balances may experience larger changes in computed rates.

To avoid causing employer budget problems, LAGERS provides a maximum annual increase of one percent of payroll for any one participating employer. Beginning with the February 28, 1999 valuations, the maximum allowed annual decrease in an employer contribution rate is also one percent of payroll, unless it is clear that a larger decrease will likely be long term in nature. (For example, if a change in active group size appears to not be temporary.)





CASH BENEFITS LINE. This relentlessly increasing line is the fundamental reality of retirement plan financing. It happens each time a new benefit is added for future retirements (and happens regardless of the design for contributing for benefits).

LEVEL CONTRIBUTION LINE. Determining the level contribution line requires detailed assumptions concerning a variety of experiences in future decades, including:

- Economic Risk Areas
 - Rates of investment return
 - Rates of pay increase
 - Changes in active member group size

Non-Economic Risk Areas

Ages at actual retirement Rates of mortality Rates of withdrawal of active members (turnover) Rates of disability



The Actuarial Valuation Process

The *actuarial valuation* is the mathematical process by which the contribution rate is determined, and the flow of activity constituting the valuation may be summarized as follows:

A. *Covered people data*, furnished by plan administrator, including:

Retired lives now receiving benefits Former employees with vested benefits not yet payable Active employees

- B. + Asset data (cash & investments), furnished by plan administrator
- C. + **Assumptions concerning future financial experiences in various risk areas**, which assumptions are established by the Board of Trustees after consulting with the actuary
- D. + **The funding method** for determining employer contributions (the long-term, planned pattern for employer contributions)
- E. + Mathematically combining the assumptions, the funding method, and the data
- F. = Determination of:

Plan financial position

and/or New Employer Contribution Rate.



SECTION B

VALUATION RESULTS

Change in Employer Contributions* By Valuation Groups February 28, 2018

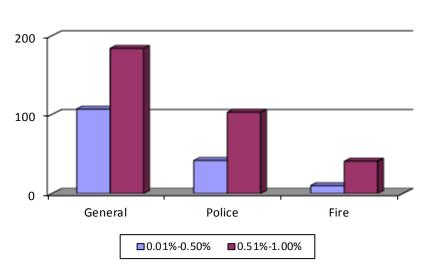
			Number of Valuation Groups with Indicated					
			Cł	ange in E	mployer Cont	ribution F	Rate	
	Number of		Decreases			Increa	ases	
	Active	Over	0.51%	0.01%	Unchanged	0.01%	0.51%	
Group	Members	1.00%	to 1.00%	to 0.50%	0.00%	to 0.50%	to 1.00%	Totals
General:	1 - 9	24	35	57	45	40	101	302
	10 - 49	20	47	58	30	44	70	269
	50 & up	4	25	<u>42</u>	<u>14</u>	23	<u>13</u>	<u>121</u>
	Totals	48	107	157	89	107	184	692
Police:	1 - 9	14	18	24	22	14	55	147
	10 - 49	12	17	33	8	26	41	137
	50 & up	<u>1</u>	3	8	<u>3</u>	2	<u>7</u>	24
	Totals	27	38	65	33	42	103	308
Fire:	1 - 9	2	7	8	7	5	13	42
	10 - 49	6	10	17	5	5	22	65
	50 & up		<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>		<u>6</u>	<u>9</u>
	Totals	8	18	26	13	10	41	116
Totals		83	163	248	135	159	328	1,116

* Includes changes in employer contribution rates due to actual experience, changes in actuarial assumptions and changes in actuarial methods. It does not include changes in employer contribution rates due to benefit program changes.

In broad terms, the smaller the group, the greater the chance of a relatively large change in employer rate from one year to the next.

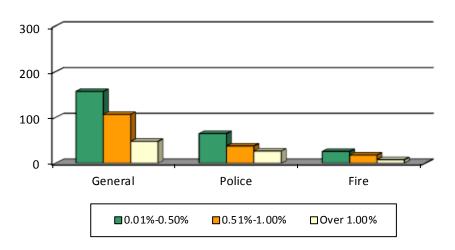


Change in Employer Contribution Rate* By Valuation Group



Increases





 Includes changes in employer contribution rates due to actual experience, changes in actuarial assumptions and changes in actuarial methods. It does not include changes in employer contribution rates due to benefit program changes. (LAGERS provides a maximum annual increase of one percent of payroll in the absence of benefit changes for any one participating employer.)



Schedule of Funding Progress

Each time a new employer joins the System, or an employer adopts a higher level of benefits, unfunded actuarial accrued liabilities are created. The law governing the System requires that these additional obligations be financed systematically over a period of future years.

In an inflationary economy the value of dollars is decreasing. This environment results in employee pays increasing in dollar amounts, retirement benefits increasing in dollar amounts, and then, unfunded actuarial accrued liabilities, all at a time when the actual substance of these items may be decreasing. Looking at just the dollar amounts of unfunded actuarial accrued liabilities can be misleading. Unfunded actuarial accrued liabilities dollars and the ratio of unfunded actuarial accrued liabilities to active member divided by active employee payroll provides an index which helps understanding. The smaller the ratio of unfunded liabilities to active member payroll, the stronger the System.

Valuation Date	(a) Actuarial Value of Assets	(b) Entry Age Actuarial Accrued Liability	(b-a) Unfunded Accrued Liability (UAL)	(a/b) Funded Ratio	(c) Annual Payroll	[(b-a)/c] UAL as a % of Payroll
2-28-2009	\$ 3,330,662,923	\$ 4,161,775,258	\$ 831,112,335	80.0%	\$ 1,285,952,041	64.6%
2-28-2010	3,592,225,739	4,432,331,886	840,106,147	81.0	1,331,226,335	63.1
2-28-2011 #	3,945,085,880	4,837,423,311	892,337,431	81.6	1,350,646,560	66.1
2-29-2012	4,274,440,345	5,120,274,198	845,833,853	83.5	1,359,655,784	62.2
2-28-2013	4,692,218,862	5,423,684,243	731,465,381	86.5	1,395,261,077	52.4
2-28-2014	5,388,198,677	5,873,910,959	485,712,282	91.7	1,456,008,487	33.4
2-28-2015	5,972,471,342	6,324,109,191	351,637,849	94.4	1,462,218,216	24.0
2-29-2016 #	6,320,171,438	6,671,352,337	351,180,899	94.7	1,507,588,470	23.3
2-28-2017	6,764,626,389	7,135,950,253	371,323,864	94.8	1,555,729,666	23.9
2-28-2018	7,297,699,793	7,631,702,645	334,002,852	95.6	1,616,895,524	20.7

Revised actuarial assumptions.

Each employer participating in the System is financially responsible for its own obligation. Accordingly, the aggregate numbers presented on this and the following pages are indicative only of the overall condition of the System and are not indicative of any one employer.

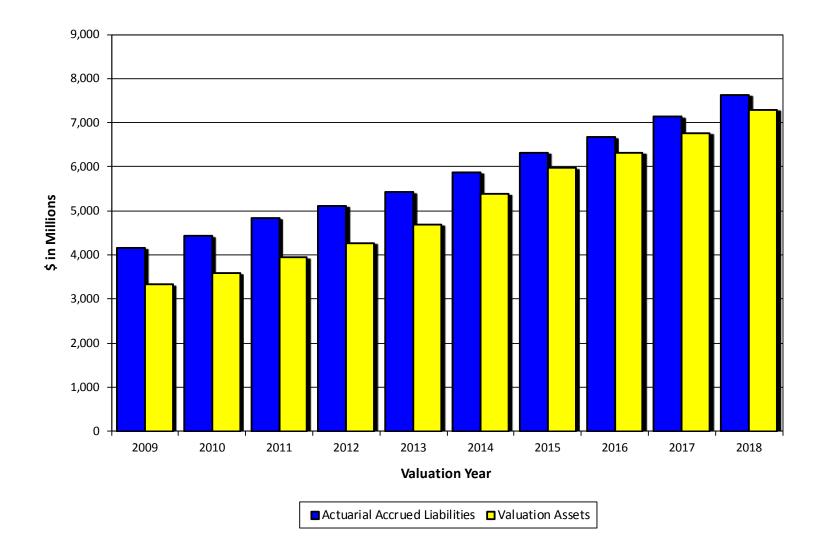
Factors that generally have a downward effect on the funded ratio include:

- Employers adopting new benefit programs. For example, before reflecting the benefit changes adopted by political subdivisions during the year, the 2-28-2017 and 2-28-2018 Funded Ratios would have been 95.4% (instead of 94.8%) and 95.8% (instead of 95.6%), respectively.
- New employers joining LAGERS (who at time of joining do not have assets on hand to cover actuarial accrued liabilities associated with past service). For example, before including new political subdivisions joining LAGERS during the year, the 2-28-2018 Funded Ratio would have been 95.7% (instead of 95.6%).
- The planned reduction in funding levels (through reduced employer contributions) for employers that are over 100% funded.

Factors that generally have an upward effect on the funded ratio include scheduled employer contributions and favorable investment experience.

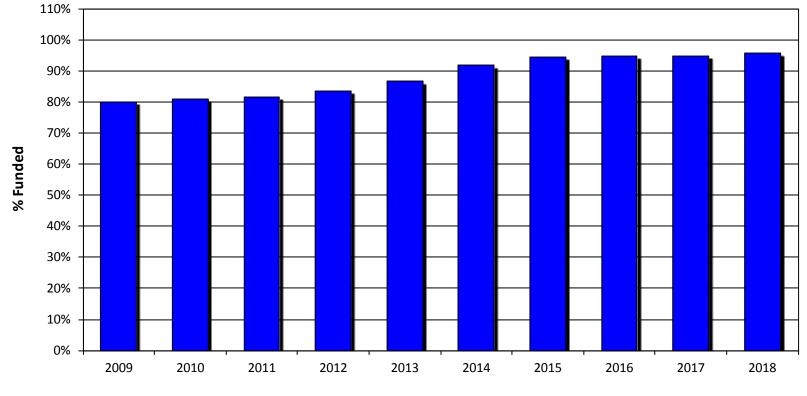


Portion of Actuarial Accrued Liabilities Covered by Valuation Assets





Valuation Assets as a Percent of Actuarial Accrued Liabilities



Valuation Year



Short Condition Test

The LAGERS funding objective is to meet long-term benefit promises through contributions that remain approximately level from year to year as a percent of member payroll. If the contributions to the System are level in concept and soundly executed, the System will **pay all promised benefits when due -- the ultimate test of financial soundness**. Testing for level contribution rates is the long-term test.

A short condition test is one means of checking a System's progress under its funding program. In a short condition test, the plan's present assets (cash and investments) are compared with the actuarial accrued liabilities for: (1) active member contributions on deposit; (2) future benefits to present retired lives; and (3) service already rendered by active members. In a System that has been following the discipline of level percent of payroll financing, the liabilities for active member contributions on deposit and for future benefits to present retired lives will be fully covered by present assets (except in rare circumstances). In addition, the liabilities for service already rendered by active members will be partially covered by the remainder of present assets. The larger the funded portion of liability 3, the stronger the condition of the System.

The schedule below illustrates the most recent 10-year history of the System's actuarial accrued liabilities and is indicative of the LAGERS policy of following the discipline of level percent-of-payroll financing.

	Ent	try Age Accrued Li					
	(1)	(2)	(3)		P	Portion o	of
	Active	Retirants	Active Members		Accr	ued Liab	oility
Valuation	Member	and	(Employer Financed	Actuarial Value	Cove	red by A	ssets
Date	Contributions	Beneficiaries*	Portion)	of Assets	(1)	(2)	(3)
2-28-2009	\$ 86,881,969	\$ 1,473,463,652	\$ 2,601,429,637	\$ 3,330,662,923	100%	100%	68%
2-28-2010	92,054,693	1,562,886,567	2,777,390,626	3,592,225,739	100	100	70
2-28-2011 #	98,127,911	1,737,107,211	3,002,188,189	3,945,085,880	100	100	70
2-29-2012	102,637,353	1,954,579,782	3,063,057,063	4,274,440,345	100	100	72
2-28-2013	107,120,593	2,132,575,405	3,183,988,245	4,692,218,862	100	100	77
2-28-2014	129,399,490	2,401,194,322	3,343,317,147	5,388,198,677	100	100	85
2-28-2015	133,985,740	2,797,401,342	3,392,722,109	5,972,471,342	100	100	90
2-29-2016 #	137,652,896	2,896,669,106	3,637,030,335	6,320,171,438	100	100	90
2-28-2017	144,754,979	3,195,680,396	3,795,514,878	6,764,626,389	100	100	90
2-28-2018	150,947,222	3,548,016,100	3,932,739,323	7,297,699,793	100	100	92

Comparative Schedule

Revised actuarial assumptions.

* Includes reserve for future experience.



Employers Accumulation Fund

The Employers Accumulation Fund assets totaled \$3,581,932,208 as of February 28, 2018 based on the actuarial value of assets. The individual participating Employers Accumulation Fund accrued liabilities (entry age normal cost method) were computed to be \$3,915,935,060 as of that date.

Each time a new employer joins the System, or an employer adopts a higher level of benefit, unfunded accrued liabilities are created. The law governing the System requires that these additional EAF liabilities be financed systematically over a period of future years.

Each employer is financially responsible for its own EAF liabilities. Accordingly, the aggregate numbers presented for the Employers Accumulation Fund are indicative only of overall condition and not indicative of the status of any individual employer.

Aggregate Accrued Liabilities and Actuarial Value of Assets Comparative Statement

	Actuarial	Aggregate	Ratio of
Valuation	Value	Accrued	Assets to
Date	of Assets	Liabilities	Liabilities*
2-28-2009	\$1,941,813,012	\$2,583,636,842	75.2%
2-28-2010	2,082,626,984	2,751,711,380	75.7
2-28-2011#	2,225,518,352	2,970,498,686	74.9
2-29-2012	2,373,234,521	3,040,800,711	78.0
2-28-2013	2,539,356,780	3,163,926,221	80.3
2-28-2014	2,841,763,098	3,327,475,380	85.4
2-28-2015	3,027,965,806	3,379,603,655	89.6
2-29-2016#	3,278,700,980	3,629,881,879	90.3
2-28-2017	3,408,020,661	3,779,344,525	90.2
2-28-2018	3,581,932,208	3,915,935,060	91.5

Revised actuarial assumptions.

* The larger the ratio of assets to liabilities, the greater the reserve strength of the Employers Accumulation Fund.



Employers Accumulation Fund Portion of Liabilities Covered by Assets By Valuation Groups February 28, 2018

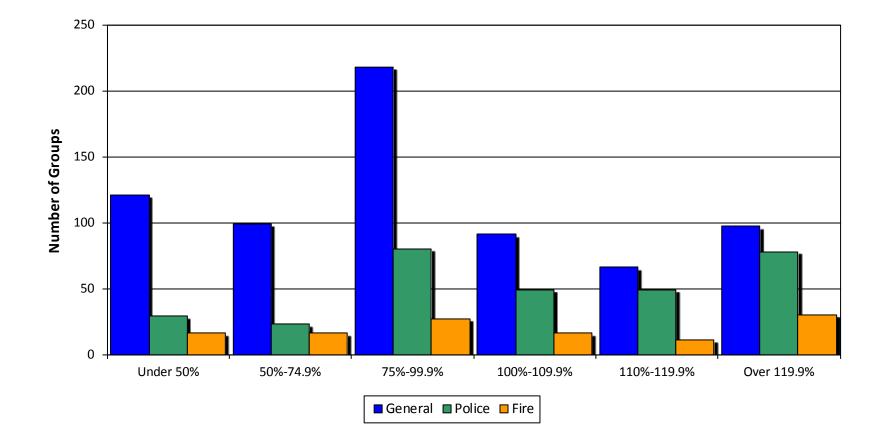
			Number of Valuation Groups with Assets						
	Number of		as a Percent of Actuarial Accrued Liabilities						
	Active	Under	50.0%	75.0%	100.0%	110.0%	Over		
Group	Members	50.0% #	- 74.9%	- 99.9%	- 109.9%	- 119.9%	119.9%	Totals*	
General:	1 - 9	85	60	66	24	14	53	302	
	10 - 49	34	32	99	40	36	28	269	
	50 & up	<u>2</u>	<u>7</u>	53	<u>27</u>	<u>16</u>	<u>16</u>	<u>121</u>	
	Totals	121	99	218	91	66	97	692	
Police:	1 - 9	19	10	33	16	16	53	147	
	10 - 49	9	13	35	26	30	24	137	
	50 & up	<u>1</u>		<u>12</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>24</u>	
	Totals	29	23	80	49	49	78	308	
Fire:	1 - 9	6	4	10	6	2	14	42	
	10 - 49	7	11	15	8	8	16	65	
	50 & up	<u>3</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>1</u>		<u>9</u>	
	Totals	16	16	27	16	11	30	116	
Totals*		166	138	325	156	126	205	1,116	

* Not included in this tabulation are 53 groups which presently have no active members.

Valuation groups included in these totals are generally from employers recently joining the System.



Employers Accumulation Fund Portion of Liabilities Covered by Assets





Members Deposit Fund

The Members Deposit Fund assets for active members totaled \$150,947,222 as of February 28, 2018. The Members Deposit Fund actuarial accrued liabilities are set equal to assets.

	Actuarial	Aggregate	Ratio of
Valuation	Value	Accrued	Assets to
Date	of Assets	Liabilities	Liabilities
2-28-2009	\$ 86,881,969	\$ 86,881,969	100.0%
2-28-2010	92,054,693	92,054,693	100.0
2-28-2011	98,127,911	98,127,911	100.0
2-29-2012	102,637,353	102,637,353	100.0
2-28-2013	107,120,593	107,120,593	100.0
2-28-2014	129,399,490	129,399,490	100.0
2-28-2015	133,985,740	133,985,740	100.0
2-29-2016	137,652,896	137,652,896	100.0
2-28-2017	144,754,979	144,754,979	100.0
2-28-2018	150,947,222	150,947,222	100.0

Aggregate Actuarial Accrued Liabilities and Actuarial Value of Assets Comparative Statement



Benefit Reserve Fund

The Benefit Reserve Fund assets as of February 28, 2018 totaled \$3,548,016,100 based on the actuarial value of assets. The present value of future benefits was computed to be \$3,247,350,369 as of that date.

When a member retires, there is transferred to the Benefit Reserve Fund a single sum reserve which is expected to cover all future pension benefits; this reserve is calculated based on assumptions about mortality and assumed annual investment return.

Beginning in 1986, each year LAGERS actual investment return rate is credited to the Benefit Reserve Fund. Investment return on BRF assets over an assumed rate of approximately 4.63% (1.0725 / 1.025 – 1) provides the money from which the Board can grant benefit increases after retirement. Beginning in 1999, the investment return credit is limited if the funded ratio exceeds 140%. Beginning in 2002, the threshold was changed to 125%. Beginning in 2014, the investment return credit to the Employers Accumulation Fund is limited if the funded ratio of the benefit reserve fund is below 75%.

The most recent such benefit increase occurred October 1, 2017 and consisted of an overall increase of 4% or less.

				Present				Ratio of
Annual		Benefit	Investment	Value of	Reserve for		Actuarial	Actuarial Value
Valuation	Pensions	Increase %	Return %	Future	Future	Accrued	Value of	of Assets to
Date	Being Paid	Last Oct. 1	Last June 30	Benefits	Experience	Liabilities	Assets	PVFB
2-28-2009	\$131,340,234	4.0%	7.5%	\$1,473,463,652	\$ 0	\$1,473,463,652	\$1,284,175,147	87.2%
2-28-2010	139,391,994	4.0	(9.1)	1,562,886,567	0	1,562,886,567	1,391,864,816	89.1
2-28-2011 #	150,824,098	4.0	5.4	1,737,107,211	0	1,737,107,211	1,589,750,114	91.5
2-29-2012	169,170,529	4.0	9.8	1,954,579,782	0	1,954,579,782	1,776,312,119	90.9
2-28-2013	184,411,123	4.0	8.7	2,132,575,405	0	2,132,575,405	2,025,679,465	95.0
2-28-2014	199,601,520	4.0	10.1	2,304,570,607	96,623,715	2,401,194,322	2,401,194,322	104.2
2-28-2015	218,892,566	4.0	14.1	2,523,309,015	274,092,327	2,797,401,342	2,797,401,342	110.9
2-29-2016 #	233,448,283	4.0	21.4	2,767,773,907	128,895,199	2,896,669,106	2,896,669,106	104.7
2-28-2017	251,511,120	4.0	(0.4)	2,981,680,216	214,000,180	3,195,680,396	3,195,680,396	107.2
2-28-2018	273,607,002	4.0	12.0	3,247,350,369	300,665,731	3,548,016,100	3,548,016,100	109.3

Actuarial Accrued Liabilities and Accrued Assets Comparative Statement

Revised actuarial assumptions.



Casualty Reserve Fund

Beginning with the 1989 valuation, at the time a disability benefit becomes payable there is transferred from the Casualty Reserve Fund to the Benefit Reserve Fund the difference between (i) the full employer reserve covering the disability benefit and (ii) the accrued service liability of the Employer Accumulation Fund for the member who became disabled. Beginning September 2011, this procedure also occurs for duty related death-in-service cases.

Employer contributions to cover the transfers described above are determined on a pooled-group basis (not separately for each financing group). The contribution rates, varying by size of benefit formula, were last changed in 2016.

	Employer Contribution Rate to the CRF					
Benefit Formula	General	Police	Fire			
L-1, LT-4	0.2%	0.4%	0.6%			
L-3, LT-5	0.3%	0.5%	0.7%			
L-7, LT-8	0.3%	0.6%	0.8%			
L-9, LT-10, L-12, LT-14	0.4%	0.7%	0.9%			
L-6	0.5%	0.8%	1.0%			
L-11	0.6%	1.0%	1.2%			

If there is a positive balance in the Casualty Reserve Fund at any time, it indicates that cumulative past contributions have fully funded the cumulative past obligations --- similarly, a negative balance would indicate that cumulative past contributions have fallen short of the target. For actuarial valuation purposes, actuarial accrued liabilities equal the actuarial value of assets.

Actuarial Value of Assets at Valuation Dates Comparative Statement

Valuation	Employer L-1 Contributions*:	Actuarial Value of	Accrued	Assets Expressed as Percents of Member Payroll	
Date	Year Ended	Assets	Liabilities	Total	Change
2-28-2009	0.3%	\$ 17,792,795	\$ 17,792,795	1.4%	0.0%
2-28-2010	0.3	25,679,246	25,679,246	1.9	0.5
2-28-2011	0.2	31,689,503	31,689,503	2.3	0.4
2-29-2012 @	0.2	22,256,352	22,256,352	1.6	-0.7
2-28-2013	0.2	20,062,024	20,062,024	1.4	-0.2
2-28-2014	0.2	15,841,767	15,841,767	1.1	-0.3
2-28-2015	0.2	13,118,454	13,118,454	0.9	-0.2
2-29-2016	0.2	7,148,456	7,148,456	0.5	-0.4
2-28-2017 #	0.2	16,170,353	16,170,353	1.0	0.5
2-28-2018	0.2	16,804,263	16,804,263	1.0	0.0

@ Reflects a special \$12 million transfer from the Casualty Reserve Fund to the Income-Expense Fund.

Reflects a special \$10 million transfer from the Income-Expense Fund to the Casualty Reserve Fund.

* General group.



SECTION C

ASSET DATA USED IN THE VALUATION

Reported Accrued Assets Available for Benefits February 28, 2018

	Reported	Actuarial Value
Statutory Funds	Assets	of Assets
Employers Accumulation Fund	\$3,395,057,747	\$3,581,932,208
Members Deposit Fund	150,947,222	150,947,222
Benefit Reserve Fund	3,370,396,219	3,548,016,100
Casualty Reserve Fund	15,963,012	16,804,263
Total	\$6,932,364,200	\$7,297,699,793

The Actuarial Value of Assets is based on market value, but with a 5-year smoothing of the difference between projected investment return, based on the actuarial assumption, and actual market to market returns. The actuarial value of assets is not permitted to deviate from market value by more than 20%. The derivation of the actuarial value of assets (also called the funding value of assets) is shown on pages C-3 and C-4. The funding value adjustment factor is applied to the reported value of assets of each employer (cost value for valuation years 2015 and prior; market value thereafter). The funding value adjustment factor serves two purposes:

- it incorporates the balance in the Income-Expense Fund for actuarial valuation purposes, since it is not allocated until June 30, and
- it converts the reported value of assets to the actuarial value of assets.

The Employers Accumulation Fund represents employer contributions accumulated for benefits to or on behalf of present active and deferred members.

The Members Deposit Fund represents employee contributions accumulated for (1) monthly benefits upon future retirements and (2) refunds upon termination if monthly benefits are not payable.

The Benefit Reserve Fund represents employer and employee reserves held for the monthly benefits being paid to present retired lives.

The Casualty Reserve Fund represents employer contributions accumulated for the added liability incurred when a member becomes a disability retirement.

The Income-Expense Fund represents investment income received less administrative expenses paid. At the end of the System's fiscal year, interest is paid to the other four Funds from this Fund. The February 28, 2018 balance in the Income-Expense Fund was used for valuation purposes.



Investment Activities

A retirement system acquires and invests assets as the result of following the financial objective of level contribution rates. The Board of Trustees of LAGERS has the responsibility for seeing that the assets are invested effectively and within the limits imposed by law. The Board retains professional money managers to assist in the investment process, and reviews their activities throughout each year.

Presented below is a table showing investment credits to the various Funds of the System for the last 5 years.

	Investment Credits as % of Fund Balance				
	Casualty	Members	Benefit	Employer	
	Reserve	Deposit	Reserve	Accumulation	Inflation
Year Ended	Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund	Loss %
June 30	Α	В	С	D	(CPI)
2014	7.25 %	0.5 %	14.1 %	14.8 %	2.1 %
2015	7.25	0.5	21.4	35.0	0.1
2016	7.25	0.5	(0.4)	(0.4)	1.0
2017	7.25	0.5	12.0	12.5	1.6
2018	7.25	0.5	12.4	12.9	2.9
5-Year Compound Average		11.7 %	14.4 %	1.5 %	

Rates of Investment Return Allocated to LAGERS Fund Accounts

- **A.** Casualty Reserve assets are for the non-accrued service portion of disability benefits to future disabled lives. The investment percent is the rate set for actuarial purposes.
- **B.** Member Deposit assets are the contributions of present members. The investment percent, set by the Board, affects amounts payable to members who request a refund. The percent does not affect the monthly benefit of a retiring member.
- C. Benefit Reserve assets are for benefits to present retired lives. The investment credit comes from the remainder of net investment return after crediting the Casualty Reserve assets. This revised allocation of investment credits is intended to provide the resources for additional benefit increases after retirement, and is based upon a 1986 change in the LAGERS law. Beginning in 1999, the investment credit to the Benefit Reserve Fund (BRF) is limited, if the funded ratio of the BRF exceeds 140%. Beginning in 2002, the threshold was changed to 125%. In addition, for the 2002 interest credits the BRF interest credit was further reduced to permit a 0.0% interest credit to the EAF. Beginning in 2014, the investment credit to the Employer Accumulation Fund is limited if the funded ratio of the BRF is below 75%.
- D. Employer Accumulation assets are for benefits to future retired lives including the accrued service portion of disability benefits. The investment credit is derived from the remainder of net investment return after crediting the Casualty Reserve assets, followed by a further adjustment for the investment credit to the Member Deposit assets (and beginning in 1999 for any reallocation of investment credits from the Benefit Reserve Fund). The Employer Accumulation Fund is responsible for covering liability increases resulting from inflation losses. For years 2014 and before, the percentages shown include net realized capital gains on sale of investments (cost value). For 2015, the percentages include a recognition of converting fund balance accounting from cost value to market value.



Development of Funding Value of Retirement System Assets

Yea	ar Ending February 28:	2014	2015	2016	2017
A.	Actuarial Value Beginning of Year	\$4,692,364,566	\$5,387,990,131	\$5,972,290,794	\$6,320,364,000
В.	Market Value End of Year	5,984,665,251	6,373,132,885	5,927,009,651	6,724,171,234
C.	Market Value Beginning of Year	5,156,055,295	5,984,665,251	6,373,132,885	5,927,009,651
D.	Non-Investment/Administrative Net Cash Flow	(8,065,305)	(37,941,951)	(60,777,985)	(76,813,805)
E.	Investment Income				
	E1. Market Total: B-C-D	836,675,261	426,409,585	(385,345,249)	873,975,388
	E2. Assumed Rate of Return	7.25%	7.25%	7.25%	7.25%
	E3. Amount for Immediate Recognition	339,904,064	389,253,889	430,787,881	455,441,890
	E4. Amount for Phased-In Recognition: E1-E3	496,771,197	37,155,696	(816,133,130)	418,533,498
F.	Phased-In Recognition of Investment Income				
	F1. Current Year: 0.20 x E4	99,354,239	7,431,139	(163,226,626)	83,706,700
	F2. First Prior Year	38,550,259	99,354,239	7,431,139	(163,226,626)
	F3. Second Prior Year	(4,045,703)	38,550,259	99,354,239	7,431,139
	F4. Third Prior Year	91,698,790	(4,045,703)	38,550,259	99,354,239
	F5. Fourth Prior Year	138,229,221	91,698,791	(4,045,701)	38,550,257
	F6. Total Recognized Phase-Ins	363,786,806	232,988,725	(21,936,690)	65,815,709
G.	Actuarial Value End of Year				
	G1. Preliminary Actuarial Value End of Year: A+D+E3+F6	\$5,387,990,131	\$5,972,290,794	\$6,320,364,000	\$6,764,807,794
	G2. Upper Corridor Limit: 120% x B	7,181,598,301	7,647,759,462	7,112,411,581	8,069,005,481
	G3. Lower Corridor Limit: 80% x B	4,787,732,201	5,098,506,308	4,741,607,721	5,379,336,987
	G4. Actuarial Value End of Year	\$5,387,990,131	\$5,972,290,794	\$6,320,364,000	\$6,764,807,794
н.	Difference Between Market & Actuarial Value	596,675,120	400,842,091	(393,354,349)	(40,636,560)
١.	Ratio of Actuarial Value to Market Value	90.0%	93.7%	106.6%	100.6%
J.	Actuarial Value Adjustment Factor (ratio of actuarial				
	value to EAF+MDF+CRF+BRF reported value)	1.2169	1.1914	0.9967	1.0821
К.	Recognized Rate of Return	15.01%	11.59%	6.88%	8.30%
L.	Market Rate of Return	16.24%	7.15%	(6.08)%	14.84%

The asset valuation method recognizes assumed investment income (line E3) fully each year. Differences between actual and expected investment income (line E4) are phased-in over a closed 5-year period. If in the future, total investment income (line E1) were always equal to assumed investment income (line E3), Funding Value and Market Value would be identical 4 years after the valuation date (line H).

Note: Asset values on this page differ slightly from asset values reported elsewhere in this report, due to a number of miscellaneous closing entries that are not included in the above amounts and rounding.



Development of Funding Value of Retirement System Assets

Yea	ar Ending February 28:	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Α.	Actuarial Value Beginning of Year	\$6,764,807,794				
В.	Market Value End of Year	7,591,902,046				
C.	Market Value Beginning of Year	6,724,171,234				
D.	Non-Investment/Administrative Net Cash Flow	(72,965,196)				
E.	Investment Income					
	E1. Market Total: B-C-D	940,696,008				
	E2. Assumed Rate of Return	7.25%				
	E3. Amount for Immediate Recognition	487,803,577				
	E4. Amount for Phased-In Recognition: E1-E3	452,892,431				
F.	Phased-In Recognition of Investment Income					
	F1. Current Year: 0.20 x E4	90,578,486				
	F2. First Prior Year	83,706,700	\$ 90,578,486			
	F3. Second Prior Year	(163,226,626)	83,706,700	\$ 90,578,486		
	F4. Third Prior Year	7,431,139	(163,226,626)	83,706,700	\$ 90,578,486	
	F5. Fourth Prior Year	99,354,241	7,431,140	(163,226,626)	83,706,698	\$ 90,578,487
	F6. Total Recognized Phase-Ins	117,843,940	18,489,700	11,058,560	174,285,184	90,578,487
G.	Actuarial Value End of Year					
	G1. Preliminary Actuarial Value End of Year: A+D+E3+F6	\$7,297,490,115				
	G2. Upper Corridor Limit: 120% x B	9,110,282,455				
	G3. Lower Corridor Limit: 80% x B	6,073,521,637				
	G4. Actuarial Value End of Year	\$7,297,490,115				
н.	Difference Between Market & Actuarial Value	294,411,931	275,922,231	264,863,671	90,578,487	
١.	Ratio of Actuarial Value to Market Value	96.1%				
J.	Actuarial Value Adjustment Factor (ratio of actuarial					
	value to EAF+MDF+CRF+BRF reported value)	1.0527				
К.	Recognized Rate of Return	9.00%				
L.	Market Rate of Return	14.07%				

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Summary of Current Asset Information Reported for Valuation

Reported Assets	(Including Income	/Expense Fund)
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Market Value - February 28, 2018				
Cash & equivalents	\$ 12,473,133			
Receivables & accruals	(2,340,981)			
Stocks 3,512,188,0				
Bonds & government securities	1,847,998,173			
Real assets/alpha	1,785,744,997			
Strategic assets	435,838,724			
Total Current Assets	\$ 7,591,902,046			

Revenues and Expenses

Market Value	Year Ended	Year Ended	
	February 28, 2017	February 28, 2018	
Balance - Beginning of year	\$ 5,927,009,651	\$ 6,724,171,234	
Revenues:			
Employees' contributions	22,093,418	18,896,057	
Employer contributions	181,538,225	214,888,089	
Investment income	943,391,598	1,037,103,315	
Total	1,147,023,241	1,270,887,461	
Expenditures:			
Benefit payments	273,120,147	299,985,471	
Refund of member contributions	2,117,569	2,222,769	
Investment expenses	69,416,210	96,407,307	
Administrative expenses	5,207,732	4,541,102	
Total	349,861,658	403,156,649	
Balance - End of Year	<u>\$ 6,724,171,234</u>	<u>\$ 7,591,902,046</u>	



SECTION D

GAIN/LOSS ANALYSIS

Gain/(Loss) Analysis

Purpose of Gain/Loss Analysis. Regular actuarial valuations provide information about the composite change in unfunded actuarial accrued liabilities -- whether or not the liabilities are increasing or decreasing, and by how much.

However, valuations do not show the portion of the change attributable to each risk area within the Retirement System: the rate of investment income on plan assets; the rates of withdrawal of active members who leave covered employment; the rates of mortality; the rates of disability; the rates of salary increases; the assumed ages at actual retirement. In an actuarial valuation, assumptions are made as to what these rates will be for the next year and for decades in the future.

The objective of a gain and loss analysis is to determine the portion of the change in unfunded actuarial accrued liabilities attributable to each risk area.

The fact that actual experience differs from assumed experience is to be expected. The future cannot be predicted with precision. Changes in the valuation assumption for a risk area should be made when the differences between assumed and actual experience have been observed to be sizable and persistent. One year's gain and loss analysis may or may not be indicative of *long-term trends, which are the basis of financial assumptions*.



Development of Total Gain/(Loss) March 1, 2017 to February 28, 2018

Unfunded Accrued Liabilities (UAL), March 1	\$ 371,323,864
Employer Normal Cost	159,959,211
Employer Contributions	214,888,089
Interest	24,929,808
Expected UAL Before Any Changes	341,324,794
Change from Benefit Changes Plus New Employers	21,425,072
Change from Revised Actuarial Assumptions	0
Expected UAL After All Changes	362,749,866
Actual UAL, February 28	334,002,882
Gain/(Loss) for Year from Experience	\$ 28,746,984

This page measures the actual gain or loss for the year after adjusting for the effect of benefit and assumption changes plus any new employers joining LAGERS during the year.



Analysis of Financial Experience for the Year Ended February 28, 2018

Gains and Losses in Pension Accrued Liabilities Resulting from Differences Between Assumed Experience and Actual Experience

Type of Activity	Gain or (Loss) For Year Ended 2/28/2018
Age & Service Retirements. If members retire at older ages or with lower final average pay than assumed, there is a gain. If younger ages or higher average pays, a loss.	\$ (7,548,943)
Death-in-Service Benefits. If more liabilities are released by deaths-in-service than assumed, there is a gain. If smaller releases, a loss.	550,454
Withdrawal From Employment. If more liabilities are released by withdrawals than assumed, there is a gain. If smaller releases, a loss.	4,094,455
Disability Benefits. If more liabilities are released by disabilities than assumed, there is a gain. If smaller releases, a loss.	(543,403)
Pay Increases. If there are smaller pay increases than assumed, there is a gain. If greater increases, a loss.	3,182,047
Investment Income. If there is greater investment return on assets than assumed, there is a gain. If less return, a loss.	117,843,940
New active members. Includes the hiring of existing LAGERS members by other employers ("linked" members).	(18,509,739)
Benefit Reserve Fund. The effect of the change in reserve for future experience and other retiree experience on system-wide UAAL.	(55,924,407)
Other. Miscellaneous gains and losses resulting from data adjustments, timing of financial transactions, valuation methods, etc.	(14,397,420)
Gain (or Loss) During Year From Experience	\$ 28,746,984



Investment Gain (Loss) for the Year Ended February 28, 2018

Assets, Beginning of Year	\$6,764,807,794
Net Cash Flow	(72,965,196)
Assumed Investment Return	487,803,577
Expected Assets End of Year	7,179,646,175
Actual Assets End of Year	7,297,490,115
Gain/(Loss) for Year	\$ 117,843,940



Active Member Population Reconciliation March 1, 2017 to February 28, 2018

	Actual	Expected
Active Members Beginning of Year	33,633	
Plus New Hires	4,734	
Minus Retirements*	999	1,294.3
Minus Deaths	19	43.0
Minus Disabilities	54	61.8
Minus Other Terminations	3,242	2,083.2
Active Members End of Year	34,053	

* Actual retirements include 96 retirees at or above the age where retirements are assumed to occur 100% of the time. Expected retirements include 414 retirees at or above the age where retirements are assumed to occur 100% of the time.



SECTION E

BENEFIT PROVISIONS CONSIDERED IN THE VALUATION

Missouri Loc<u>Al Government Employees Retirement System</u> Brief Summary of LAGERS Benefits and Conditions Evaluated and/or Considered Through February 28, 2018 (Section References are to RSMo)

Voluntary Retirement. Sections 70.645 & 70.600. A member may retire with an age & service allowance after both (i) completing 5 years of credited service, and (ii) attaining the minimum service retirement age.

The minimum service retirement age is age 60 for a general employee and age 55 for a police or fire employee. Optionally, employers may also elect to provide for unreduced benefits for employees whose combination of years of age and years of service equals 80 or more.

Final Average Salary. Section 70.600. The average of a member's monthly compensation during the period of 60 consecutive months (or optionally, 36 consecutive months) of credited service producing the highest monthly average, which period is contained within the 120 consecutive months of credited service immediately preceding retirement.

Age & Service Allowance. Section 70.655. The allowance, payable monthly for life, equals a specified percent of a member's final average salary multiplied by the number of years of credited service. Each employer elects the percent applicable to its members, from the following programs:

L	-1 Benefit Program:	1.00% for life
L	-3 Benefit Program:	1.25% for life
L	-7 Benefit Program:	1.50% for life
L	T-4 Benefit Program:	1.00% for life, plus 1.00% to age 62
L	T-5 Benefit Program:	1.25% for life, plus 0.75% to age 62
L	T-8 Benefit Program:	1.50% for life, plus 0.50% to age 62
L	T-4(65) Benefit Program:	1.00% for life, plus 1.00% to age 65
L	T-5(65) Benefit Program:	1.25% for life, plus 0.75% to age 65
L	T-8(65) Benefit Program:	1.50% for life, plus 0.50% to age 65
L	-9 Benefit Program:	1.60% for life
L	T-10(65) Benefit Program:	1.60% for life, 0.40% to age 65
L	-12 Benefit Program:	1.75% for life
L	T-14(65) Benefit Program:	1.75% for life, 0.25% to age 65
L	-6 Benefit Program:	2.00% for life
L	-11 Benefit Program:	2.50% for life

The only LT benefit programs available for adoption after August 1, 1994 are the LT(65) programs.

Benefit programs L-9 and LT-10(65) are unavailable for adoption after August 1, 2005.

Benefit program L-11 is only available to groups not covered by Social Security.

Subsequent to joining the System the governing body can elect to change benefit programs for the employees, but not more often than once every 2 years.



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Early Allowance. Section 70.670. A member may retire with an early allowance after both (i) completing 5 years of credited service, and (ii) attaining age 55 if a general employee or age 50 if a police or fire employee.

The early allowance amount, payable monthly for life, is computed in the same manner as an age & service allowance, based upon the service and earnings record to time of early retirement, but reduced to reflect the fact that the age when payments begin is younger than the minimum service retirement age. The amount of the reduction is 1/2% of 1% (.005) for each month the age at retirement is younger than the minimum service retirement age.

Deferred Allowance. Section 70.675. If a member leaves LAGERS-covered employment (i) before attaining the early retirement age, and (ii) after completing 5 years of credited service, the member becomes eligible for a deferred allowance; provided the former member lives to the minimum service retirement age and does not withdraw the accumulated contributions.

The deferred allowance amount, payable monthly for life from the minimum service retirement age, is computed in the same manner as an age & service allowance, based upon the service and earnings record to time of leaving LAGERS coverage.

Deferred allowances are also payable any time after reaching the early retirement age, with the reduction for early retirement noted above.

Non-Duty Disability Allowance. Section 70.680. A member with 5 or more years of credited service who becomes totally and permanently disabled from other than duty-connected causes becomes eligible to receive a non-duty disability allowance computed in the same manner as an age & service allowance, based upon the service & earnings record to time of disability.

Duty Disability Allowance. Section 70.680. A member regardless of credited service who becomes totally and permanently disabled from duty-connected causes becomes eligible to receive a duty disability allowance computed in the same manner as an age & service allowance, based upon the earnings record to time of disability but based upon the years of credited service the member would have completed had the member continued in LAGERS-covered employment to age 60.

Death-in-Service. Section 70.661. Upon the death of a member who had completed 5 years of credited service, the eligible surviving dependents receive the following benefits:

- (a) The surviving spouse receives an allowance equal to the Option A allowance (joint and 75% survivor benefit) computed based upon the deceased members' service & earnings record to time of death.
- (b) When no spouse benefit is payable, the dependent children under age 18 (age 23 if they are full-time students) each receive an equal share of 60% of an age & service allowance computed based upon the deceased member's service & earnings record to time of death.



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(c) If the death is determined to be duty related, the 5-year service requirement is waived and the benefit is based on years of credited service the member would have completed had the member continued in LAGERS-covered employment to age 60.

Benefit Changes After Retirement. Section 70.655. For retirements effective after September 28, 1975, there is an annual redetermination of monthly benefit amount, beginning the October first following 12 months of retirement. As of each October first, the amount of each eligible benefit is redetermined as follows:

- (a) Subject to the maximum in (b), the redetermined amount is the amount otherwise payable multiplied by: 100% plus up to 4%, as determined by the LAGERS Board of Trustees, for each full year of retirement.
- (b) The redetermined amount may not exceed the amount otherwise payable multiplied by the ratio of the Consumer Price Index for the immediately preceding month of June to the Consumer Price Index for the month of June immediately preceding retirement.

Member Contributions. Sections 70.690 & 70.700. Each member contributes 4% of compensation beginning after completion of sufficient employment of 6 months of credited service.

If a member leaves LAGERS-covered employment before an allowance is payable, the accumulated contributions are refunded to the member. If the member dies, his accumulated contributions are refunded to a designated beneficiary.

The law governing LAGERS also has a provision for the adoption of a non-contributory plan in which the full cost of LAGERS participation is paid by the employer. Adoption of the non-contributory provisions may be done at the time of membership or a later date; however, a change from contributory to non-contributory or vice-versa may not be made more frequently than every 2 years. Under the non-contributory provisions there is no individual account maintained for each employee and no refund of contributions if an employee terminates before being eligible for a benefit.

Employer Contributions. Section 70.730. Each employer contributes the remainder amounts necessary to finance the employees' participation in LAGERS. Contributions to LAGERS are determined based upon level percent-of-payroll principles, so that contribution rates do not have to increase over decades of time.



Benefit Programs in Effect as of February 28, 2018

Benefit programs now available to each employer are:

L-1, since 1967	LT-8(65), since 1994
L-3, since 1975	L-9, since 1995
LT-4, since 1977	LT-10(65) since 1995
LT-4(65), since 1994	L-11, since 2000
LT-5, since 1977	L-12, since 2005
LT-5(65), since 1994	LT-14(65), since 2005
L-6, since 1987	Non-Contributory, since 1983
L-7, since 1988	3-Year Final Average Salary (FAS), since 1984
LT-8, since 1988	Rule of 80, since 1988

The only LT benefit programs that can be adopted after August 1, 1994 are the LT(65) programs. Benefit programs L-9 and LT-10(65) are unavailable for adoption after August 1, 2005. Please see pages E-1 through E-3 for a summary of LAGERS provisions.

When the 2018 actuarial valuations were made, the Benefit Programs evaluated were as follows:

			Benefit Programs																							
						N	on-Co	ntribut	ory										Cont	ributor	y					
FAS	Groups	L-1	L-3	LT-4	LT-5	L-6	L-7	LT-8	L-9	LT-10	L-11	L-12	LT-14	L-1	L-3	LT-4	LT-5	L-6	L-7	LT-8	L-9	LT-10	L-11	L-12	LT-14	Totals
5 yr.	General	40	36	2	3	30	49	10	3	2		6	2	72	29	3		21	33	5	2			6	1	355
	Police	17	16	1	1	17	32	4	2			4		27	12			13	17	2			1	1		167
	Fire	2	5	<u>1</u>	_	8	9	3	_	-		3	_	8	5	-		<u>10</u>	6	_	_		<u>1</u>	_	-	<u>61</u>
	Totals	59	57	4	4	55	90	17	5	2		13	2	107	46	3		44	56	7	2		2	7	1	583
3 yr.	General	13	19		3	64	57	18	7	7	3	32	6	23	23	1		32	35	2	4	2		4		355
	Police	3	11		3	29	22	14	5	3	1	19	4	9	6	1		16	14	2	2		1	2		167
	Fire	3	3		2	<u>11</u>	6	<u>10</u>	_	1	4	8	2	1	2	_	<u>1</u>	4	3	_	_	_	2	1		64
	Totals	19	33		8	104	85	42	12	11	8	59	12	33	31	2	1	52	52	4	6	2	3	7		586

The above LT columns include both the LT(62) and LT(65) benefit programs. The table includes 53 groups with no active members.



SECTION F

PARTICIPANT DATA

Participating Employers Evaluated February 28, 2018

	Number of
Type of Group	Participating Employers
General Only	348
Police Only	1
Fire Only	18
General and Police	239
General and Fire	30
General and Police and Fire	68
Total	704

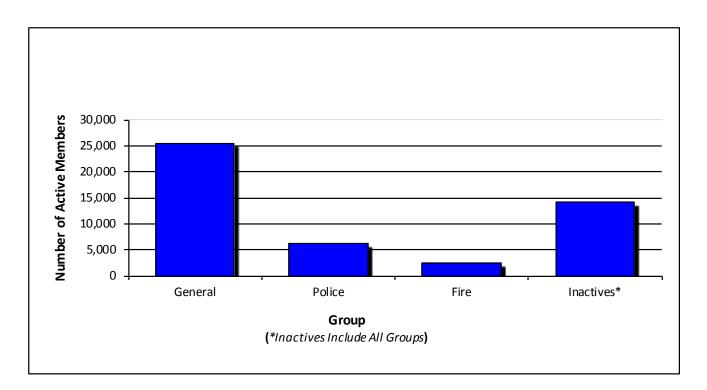
Active and Inactive Members in Valuations February 28, 2018

	Num	ber of	
Classification	Members	Valuation Groups*	Annual Payroll
Active Members			
General	25,451	692	\$1,161,367,629
Police	6,181	308	316,167,123
Fire	<u>2,421</u>	<u> 116</u>	139,360,772
Total Actives	34,053	1,116	\$1,616,895,524
Inactive Members #	14,073		
Total Members	48,126		

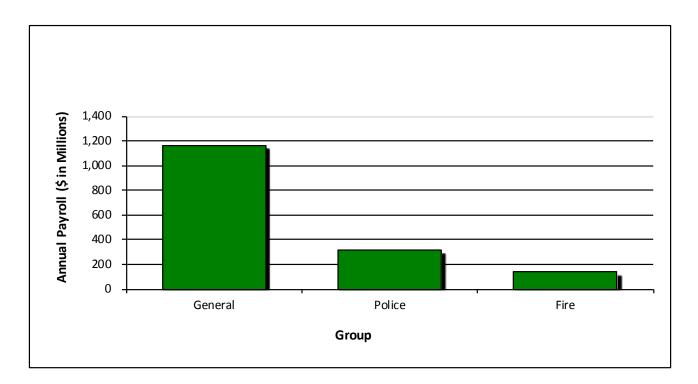
- * Each Police group and each Fire group is evaluated separately. Each General group is evaluated separately, but also may be broken into sub-groups for separate financial experience if the employer desires separate employer rates for internal accounting purposes.
- # Inactive members are individuals who terminated employment after 5 or more years of LAGERS service, with rights to a deferred benefit commencing at age 60 (age 55 for police and fire members). In addition, members who terminated with one employer and have worked or are now working for another LAGERS-covered employer are included in this number count ("linked members"). There are 9,689 linked records included in the above total.



Active Members by Group

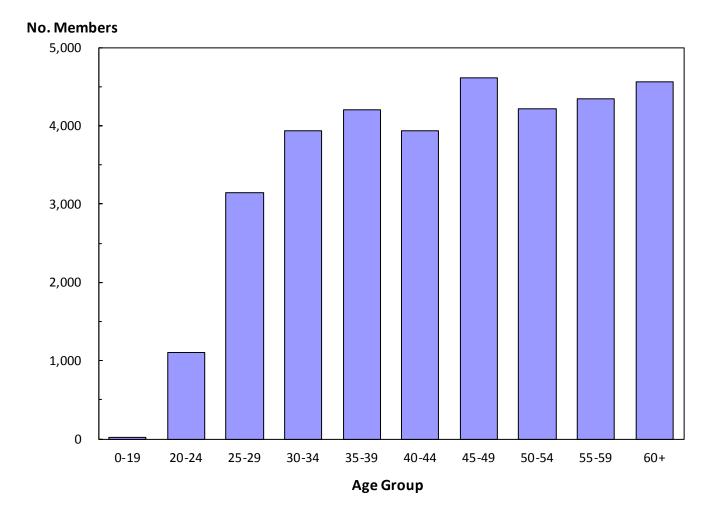


Annual Payroll by Group



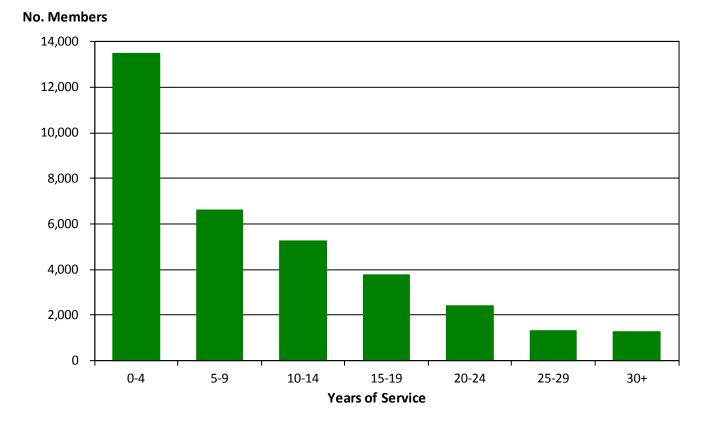


Distribution of Active Members By Age February 28, 2018





Distribution of Active Members By Service February 28, 2018





General Members - Men Active as of February 28, 2018 By Attained Age and Years of Service

		Years	of Serv	ice to V	aluatior	n Date			Totals
Attained									Valuation
Age	0-4	5-9	10-14	15-19	20-24	25-29	30 Plus	No.	Payroll
Under 20	8							8	\$ 217,070
20-24	486	6						492	15,398,515
25-29	880	175	2					1,057	39,401,490
30-34	789	396	183	5				1,373	60,674,967
35-39	645	374	365	152	6			1,542	74,269,723
40-44	539	314	332	253	100	0		1,538	79,655,795
45-49	510	343	314	304	236	81	1	1,789	96,975,761
50-54	440	321	306	302	231	184	79	1,863	101,879,396
55-59	471	319	358	288	237	193	264	2,130	112,444,241
60	86	56	56	59	52	26	67	402	20,762,912
61	74	64	63	55	24	15	60	355	17,908,272
62	64	45	43	40	31	26	35	284	14,348,871
63	47	45	38	31	18	13	38	230	11,847,073
64	32	47	42	29	28	14	39	231	11,845,177
65	37	37	28	19	19	11	24	175	9,086,832
66	33	31	20	16	9	8	15	132	6,730,140
67	19	26	21	4	8	1	9	88	4,359,884
68	14	11	11	12	2	5	10	65	3,322,053
69	17	15	13	6	5	2	5	63	3,077,385
70 & Over	49	42	36	34	13	8	11	193	7,987,321
Totals	5,240	2,667	2,231	1,609	1,019	587	657	14,010	\$692,192,878

While not used in the financial computations, the following *group averages* are computed and shown because of their general interest.

Age: 46.4 years Service: 10.6 years Annual Pay: \$49,407



General Members - Women Active as of February 28, 2018 By Attained Age and Years of Service

		Years	of Servi	ce to Va	luation	Date			Totals
Attained									Valuation
Age	0-4	5-9	10-14	15-19	20-24	25-29	30 Plus	No.	Payroll
Under 20	5							5	\$ 111,810
20-24	275	1						276	7,969,776
25-29	827	81	1					909	31,184,441
30-34	724	289	82	0				1,095	41,502,857
35-39	600	310	273	77	1			1,261	51,413,851
40-44	512	270	208	148	41	1		1,180	51,087,187
45-49	516	301	268	232	153	53	1	1,524	65,473,168
50-54	460	285	250	210	163	111	48	1,527	66,190,422
55-59	422	326	298	275	199	94	133	1,747	75,294,035
60	77	55	44	67	47	15	28	333	14,086,156
61	68	60	51	63	37	22	23	324	13,376,357
62	52	51	56	57	47	22	26	311	13,847,428
63	48	36	41	25	24	11	21	206	8,599,423
64	40	25	28	27	21	15	20	176	7,210,318
65	19	25	36	19	18	14	18	149	6,094,727
66	12	18	15	21	8	6	6	86	3,335,056
67	20	19	20	9	2	8	5	83	3,225,307
68	9	9	16	11	0	6	6	57	2,181,638
69	5	17	6	11	4	4	4	51	1,867,366
70 & Over	26	24	26	20	22	9	14	141	5,123,428
Totals	4,717	2,202	1,719	1,272	787	391	353	11,441	\$469,174,751

While not used in the financial computations, the following *group averages* are computed and shown because of their general interest.

Age: 46.8 years Service: 9.7 years Annual Pay: \$41,008



Police Members Active as of February 28, 2018 By Attained Age and Years of Service

		Years	s of Serv	vice to \	/aluatio	n Date			Totals
Attained									Valuation
Age	0-4	5-9	10-14	15-19	20-24	25-29	30 Plus	No.	Payroll
Under 20	0							0	\$-
20-24	222	0						222	8,302,401
25-29	778	102	0					880	36,228,160
30-34	652	344	76	0				1,072	48,349,588
35-39	357	300	271	44	0			972	48,638,189
40-44	256	156	208	228	39	0		887	47,601,768
45-49	175	150	154	214	193	29	0	915	52,988,754
50-54	84	73	90	92	99	109	23	570	34,553,203
55-59	56	53	49	28	35	48	62	331	19,889,623
60	11	8	7	6	9	5	10	56	3,469,667
61	6	9	6	2	4	5	14	46	2,820,035
62	7	10	9	5	5	8	14	58	3,704,715
63	9	3	7	5	1	3	9	37	2,081,931
64	8	7	2	1	5	4	9	36	1,938,879
65	7	8	6	1	4	4	2	32	1,905,473
66	4	2	2	2	1	0	5	16	1,020,364
67	2	2	1	2	0	1	5	13	751,261
68	0	2	0	0	0	0	1	3	150,597
69	3	0	0	1	0	0	1	5	266,582
70 & Over	3	5	8	4	4	3	3	30	1,505,933
Totals	2,640	1,234	896	635	399	219	158	6,181	\$316,167,123

While not used in the financial computations, the following group averages are computed and shown because of their general interest.

Age: 40.3 years Service: 9.2 years Annual Pay: \$51,151



Fire Members Active as of February 28, 2018 By Attained Age and Years of Service

		Years of Service to Valuation Date							Totals		
Attained									Valuation		
Age	0-4	5-9	10-14	15-19	20-24	25-29	30 Plus	No.	Payroll		
20-24	112	1						113	\$ 4,254,515		
25-29	247	46	0					293	12,550,733		
30-34	215	135	47	0				397	19,988,858		
35-39	156	144	112	15	0			427	23,190,833		
40-44	55	80	97	76	24	0		332	20,419,301		
45-49	49	47	86	99	81	16	0	378	25,076,072		
50-54	22	22	33	45	57	60	15	254	17,634,903		
55-59	17	12	17	14	15	26	37	138	10,102,451		
60	2	6	0	3	2	0	8	21	1,470,333		
61	2	0	6	1	1	2	10	21	1,385,691		
62	2	0	0	2	2	1	4	11	791,060		
63	1	0	1	0	3	- 1	4	10	756,760		
64	1	0	- 1	0	1	0	4		646,962		
65	0	0	1	1	0	0	7	9	713,553		
66	0	0	2	0	1	1	0	4	142,740		
67	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	2	83,200		
68	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	2	112,615		
69	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		
70 & Over	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	40,192		
Totals	881	494	403	256	187	107	93	2,421	\$139,360,772		

While not used in the financial computations, the following *group averages* are computed and shown because of their general interest.

Age: 40.2 years Service: 10.4 years Annual Pay: \$57,563



Participating Employers and Members in Valuations 10-Year Comparative Statement

	Numbe	r of					
Valuation	Participating	Valuation		Annual	Average	%	Inflation Increase %
Date	Employers	Groups	Number	Payroll	Pay	Increase	(C.P.I.)
2-28-2009	578	945	32,291	\$1,285,952,041	\$39,824	1.6%	0.2%
2-28-2010	597	971	32,975	1,331,226,335	40,371	1.4	2.1
2-28-2011	608	995	32,851	1,350,646,560	41,114	1.8	2.1
2-29-2012	618	1,007	32,690	1,359,655,784	41,592	1.2	2.9
2-28-2013	640	1,031	32,840	1,395,261,077	42,487	2.2	2.0
2-28-2014	654	1,055	33,205	1,456,008,487	43,849	3.2	1.1
2-28-2015	663	1,062	33,104	1,462,218,216	44,170	0.7	0.0
2-29-2016	667	1,067	33,335	1,507,588,470	45,225	2.4	1.0
2-28-2017	681	1,078	33,633	1,555,729,666	46,256	2.3	2.7
2-28-2018	704	1,116	34,053	1,616,895,524	47,482	2.7	2.2
			10-Y	ear Compound Ave	rage	1.8%	1.6%

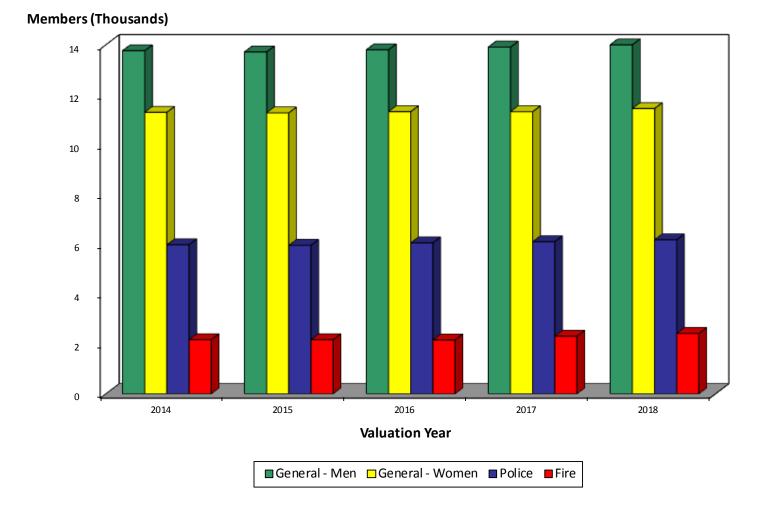


Active Members in Valuations - Group Averages (Averages Not Used in Valuations; Computed and Shown Because of General Information Value)

			Group Averages				Inflation	
	Valuation	No. of	(In Y	'ears)	Annual F	Payroll	Increase %	
Group	at 2-28	Members	Age	Service	Average	Change	(C.P.I)	
General - Men	2009	13,665	45.6	10.4	42,076	+1.9	+0.2	
	2010	13,989	45.8	10.5	42,393	+0.8	+2.1	
	2011	13,798	46.1	10.9	43,271	+2.1	+2.1	
	2012	13,695	46.2	11.0	43,553	+0.7	+2.9	
	2013	13,714	46.4	11.0	44,541	+2.3	+2.0	
	2014	13,761	46.5	11.0	46,048	+3.4	+1.1	
	2015	13,712	46.4	11.0	46,269	+0.5	+0.0	
	2016	13,800	46.5	11.0	47,395	+2.4	+1.0	
	2017	13,906	46.4	10.8	48,193	+1.7	+2.7	
	2018	14,010	46.4	10.6	49,407	+2.5	+2.2	
General - Women	2009	11,435	45.9	9.0	33,871	+1.9	+0.2	
	2010	11,574	46.2	9.3	34,536	+2.0	+2.1	
	2011	11,296	46.6	9.6	35,041	+1.5	+2.1	
	2012	11,224	46.8	9.8	35,603	+1.6	+2.9	
	2013	11,245	47.0	9.9	36,411	+2.3	+2.0	
	2014	11,291	47.1	9.9	37,442	+2.8	+1.1	
	2015	11,268	47.0	9.9	37,821	+1.0	+0.0	
	2016	11,316	46.9	9.9	38,819	+2.6	+1.0	
	2017	11,313	46.9	9.8	39,875	+2.7	+2.7	
	2018	11,441	46.8	9.7	41,008	+2.8	+2.2	
Police	2009	5,427	39.8	9.0	43,584	+1.4	+0.2	
	2010	5 <i>,</i> 566	40.0	9.2	44,256	+1.5	+2.1	
	2011	5,753	40.2	9.3	44,448	+0.4	+2.1	
	2012	5,740	40.4	9.5	45,043	+1.3	+2.9	
	2013	5,784	40.4	9.5	45,885	+1.9	+2.0	
	2014	5,982	40.4	9.3	47,279	+3.0	+1.1	
	2015	5,956	40.4	9.4	47,742	+1.0	+0.0	
	2016	6,057	40.3	9.4	48,600	+1.8	+1.0	
	2017	6,101	40.2	9.3	49,765	+2.4	+2.7	
	2018	6,181	40.3	9.2	51,151	+2.8	+2.2	
Fire	2009	1,764	40.2	11.2	49,397	-1.4	+0.2	
	2010	1,846	40.3	11.1	49,914	+1.0	+2.1	
	2011	2,004	40.3	11.1	50,932	+2.0	+2.1	
	2012	2,031	40.4	11.1	51,721	+1.5	+2.9	
	2013	2,097	40.5	11.2	52,259	+1.0	+2.0	
	2014	2,171	40.8	11.2	53,782	+2.9	+1.1	
	2015	2,168	40.7	11.2	54,088	+0.6	+0.0	
	2016	2,162	40.8	11.2	55,456	+2.5	+1.0	
	2017	2,313	40.6	10.8	56,569	+2.0	+2.7	
	2018	2,421	40.2	10.4	57,563	+1.8	+2.2	



Active Members by Group 2014-2018





Retirants and Beneficiaries Added to and Removed from Rolls 10-Year Comparative Statement

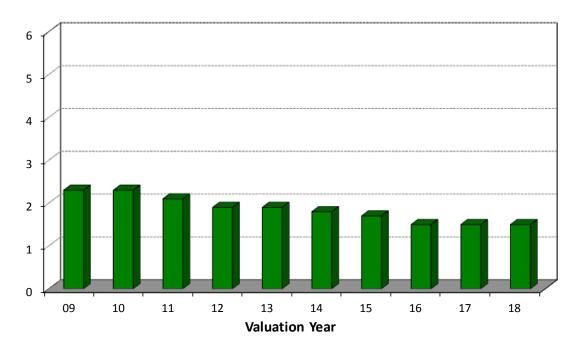
	Ad	Added to Rolls Removed from Rolls Rolls End of Year				Retired Lives in Relation to Active Members				
Year Ended	No.	Annual Allowances*	No.	Annual Allowances	No.	Annual Allowances	% Incr. in Annual Allowances	Average Annual Allowances	Active Members Per Benefit Recipient	Allowances as Percents of Active Payroll
2-28-2009	1,227	\$16,525,323	490	\$ 4,025,037	13,906	\$131,340,234	10.5%	\$ 9,445	2.3	10.2%
2-28-2010	1,197	12,647,092	481	4,595,332	14,622	139,391,994	6.1	9,533	2.3	10.5
2-28-2011	1,399	16,372,009	529	4,939,905	15,492	150,824,098	8.2	9,736	2.1	11.2
2-29-2012	1,519	22,768,228	528	4,421,797	16,483	169,170,529	12.2	10,263	2.0	12.4
2-28-2013	1,524	20,204,275	504	4,963,681	17,503	184,411,123	9.0	10,536	1.9	13.2
2-28-2014	1,586	20,455,414	587	5,265,017	18,502	199,601,520	8.2	10,788	1.8	13.7
2-28-2015	1,698	25,056,006	632	5,764,961	19,568	218,892,566	9.7	11,186	1.7	15.0
2-29-2016	1,715	21,160,239	634	6,604,522	20,649	233,448,283	6.6	11,306	1.6	15.5
2-28-2017	1,817	24,889,736	686	6,826,899	21,780	251,511,120	7.7	11,548	1.5	16.2
2-28-2018	1,898	30,005,238	760	7,909,356	22,918	273,607,002	8.8	11,939	1.5	16.9

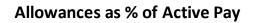
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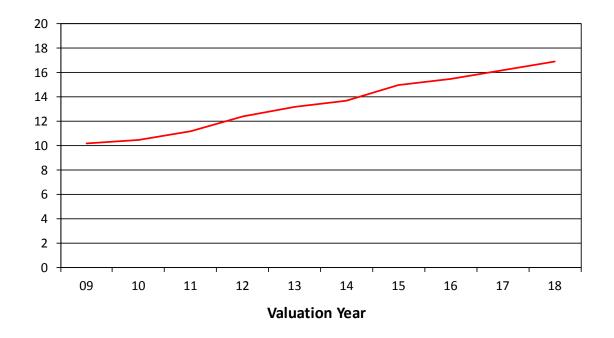


Retirants and Beneficiaries Comparative Data

Active Members Per Benefit Recipient









Retirants and Beneficiaries on Rolls February 28, 2018 By Disbursing Fund and Type of Benefit Being Paid

Type of Benefit	Number	Annual Allowances
Service Early & Deferred		
Life Option	10,124	\$ 118,740,960
Option A	3,884	51,579,417
Option B	2,675	46,135,659
Option C	2,314	20,537,636
Beneficiary Receiving	<u> </u>	10,824,333
Totals	20,487	247,818,005
Duty Disability		
Life Option	380	7,066,570
Option A	136	2,153,724
Option B	92	1,693,670
Option C	<u>61</u>	<u> </u>
Totals	669	11,771,404
Non-Duty Disability		
Life Option	367	3,383,082
Option A	170	1,755,130
Option B	86	1,078,256
Option C	88	707,930
Totals	711	6,924,398
Beneficiary Receiving	251	1,802,693
Total Disability	1,631	20,498,495
Death-In-Service		
Spouse Receiving	738	5,151,536
Children Receiving	62	138,966
Totals	800	5,290,502
Totals	22,918	\$273,607,002



SECTION G

COMPUTED EMPLOYER CONTRIBUTIONS: SUMMARY OF COMPUTED INDIVIDUAL RATES

Computed Employer Contributions: Non-Contributory Plans By Valuation Groups as of February 28, 2018

	Number of Valuation Groups							
	Under	2.00-	5.00-	Over				
Group	2.00%	4.99%	7.99%	8.00%	Totals			
Benefit Program L-1								
General	8	10	16	15	49			
Police	3	4	7	2	16			
Fire	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>3</u>	1	4			
Total	11	14	26	18	69			
Benefit Program L-3								
General	9	13	13	19	54			
Police	5	5	8	7	25			
Fire	<u>1</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>2</u>	4	<u>7</u>			
Total	15	18	23	30	86			
Benefit Program LT-4(62)								
General	0	0	0	0	0			
Police	0	0	0	0	0			
Fire	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>			
Total	0	0	0	0	0			
Benefit Program LT-4(65)								
General	0	0	1	1	2			
Police	0	0	1	0	1			
Fire	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>			
Total	0	0	2	2	4			
Benefit Program LT-5(62)								
General	1	0	0	0	1			
Police	0	0	0	0	0			
Fire	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>			
Total	1	0	0	0	1			
Benefit Program LT-5(65)								
General	0	2	2	1	5			
Police	1	0	1	2	4			
Fire	1	<u>1</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>2</u>			
Total	<u>1</u> 2	3	3	3	11			
Benefit Program L-6								
General	2	3	2	87	94			
Police	1	2	7	36	46			
Fire		<u>0</u>		<u>16</u>	<u>16</u>			
Total	<u>0</u> 3	5	<u>0</u> 9	139	156			
Benefit Program L-7								
General	6	14	28	54	102			
Police	7	11	19	15	52			
Fire	<u>1</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>14</u>			
Total	14	28	50	76	168			



Computed Employer Contributions: Non-Contributory Plans By Valuation Groups as of February 28, 2018 (Continued)

		Number	of Valuation	n Groups	
	Under	2.00-	5.00-	Over	
Group	2.00%	4.99%	7.99%	8.00%	Totals
Benefit Program LT-8(62)					
General	1	1	1	0	3
Police	0	0	1	0	1
Fire	<u>0</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>1</u>	2
Total	1	2	2	1	6
Benefit Program LT-8(65)					
General	1	4	12	7	24
Police	1	2	3	10	16
Fire	<u>3</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>6</u>	11
Total	5	7	16	23	51
Benefit Program L-9					
General	2	2	2	4	10
Police	1	1	2	2	6
Fire	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
Total	3	3	4	6	16
Benefit Program LT-10(65)					
General	1	1	1	6	9
Police	1	0	1	1	3
Fire	<u>1</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>1</u>
Total	<u>1</u> 3	1	<u>0</u> 2	7	13
Benefit Program L-11					
General	0	0	0	2	2
Police	0	0	0	1	1
Fire	<u>0</u> 0	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>4</u>
Total	0	0	0	7	7
Benefit Program L-12					
General	1	4	9	24	38
Police	2	2	10	7	21
Fire	<u>4</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>10</u>
Total	7	7	19	36	69
Benefit Program LT-14(65)					
General	0	0	2	6	8
Police	1	0	1	2	4
Fire	<u>0</u> 1	<u>0</u>	<u>1</u> 4	<u>1</u>	<u>2</u>
Total	1	0	4	9	14
Totals*	66	88	160	357	671

* There are thirty Non-Contributory groups presently without active members. They are not included in the totals.



Computed Employer Contributions: Contributory Plans By Valuation Groups as of February 28, 2018

	Number of Valuation Groups							
	Under	2.00-	5.00-	Over				
Group	2.00%	4.99%	7.99%	8.00%	Totals			
Benefit Program L-1								
General	12	25	24	31	92			
Police	5	13	9	4	31			
Fire	<u>0</u>	<u>2</u>	4	<u>3</u>	<u>9</u>			
Total	17	40	37	38	132			
Benefit Program L-3								
General	13	5	15	19	52			
Police	4	6	1	3	14			
Fire	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>7</u>			
Total	18	12	18	25	73			
Benefit Program LT-4(62)								
General	0	0	0	0	0			
Police	0	0	0	0	0			
Fire	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>			
Total	0	0	0	0	0			
Benefit Program LT-4(65)								
General	1	1	1	1	4			
Police	0	0	0	0	0			
Fire	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>			
Total	1	1	1	1	4			
Benefit Program LT-5(62)								
General	0	0	0	0	0			
Police	0	0	0	0	0			
Fire	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	0			
Total	0	0	0	0	<u>0</u> 0			
Benefit Program LT-5(65)								
General	0	0	0	0	0			
Police	0	0	0	0	0			
Fire	<u>0</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>1</u>			
Total	0	1	0	0	1			
Benefit Program L-6								
General	0	1	7	43	51			
Police	5	0	5	18	28			
Fire		1	<u>0</u>	<u>11</u>	<u>13</u>			
Total	<u>1</u> 6	<u>1</u> 2	12	72	92			
Benefit Program L-7								
General	5	11	23	27	66			
Police	4	9	7	10	30			
Fire	<u>1</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>8</u>			
Total	10	20	32	42	104			



Computed Employer Contributions: Contributory Plans By Valuation Groups as of February 28, 2018 (Concluded)

	Number of Valuation Groups							
	Under	2.00-	5.00-	Over				
Group	2.00%	4.99%	7.99%	8.00%	Totals			
Benefit Program LT-8(62)								
General	0	1	0	0	1			
Police	0	0	0	0	0			
Fire	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>			
Total	0	1	0	0	1			
Benefit Program LT-8(65)								
General	1	0	2	3	6			
Police	1	1	0	1	3			
Fire	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	0			
Total	2	1	2	4	<u>0</u> 9			
Benefit Program L-9								
General	1	2	0	3	6			
Police	1	0	0	0	1			
Fire	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>			
Total	2	2	0	3	7			
Benefit Program LT-10(65)								
General	0	0	0	2	2			
Police	0	0	0	0	0			
Fire	0	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	0			
Total	<u>0</u> 0	<u>0</u> 0	0	<u>0</u> 2	<u>0</u> 2			
Benefit Program L-11								
General	0	0	0	0	0			
Police	0	0	0	2	2			
Fire	0	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	3	<u>3</u> 5			
Total	0	0	0	<u>3</u> 5	5			
Benefit Program L-12								
General	1	0	4	5	10			
Police	0	1	0	2	3			
Fire	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>1</u>			
Total	1	1	5	7	14			
Benefit Program LT-14(65)								
General	0	0	1	0	1			
Police	0	0	0	0	0			
Fire	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>			
Total	0	0	1	0	1			
Totals*	57	81	108	199	445			

* There are twenty-three contributory groups presently without active members. They are not included in the totals.



SECTION H

APPENDIX

Summary Of Assumptions Used For LAGERS Actuarial Valuations Assumptions Adopted By LAGERS Board After Consulting With Actuary

The actuarial assumptions used in making the valuations are shown in this Appendix of the report. In accordance with Section 70.605, subsection 14 of the Revised Statutes of Missouri, the Board adopts the actuarial assumptions after receiving the advice of its actuary. The assumptions used in performing the valuations were adopted by the Board in conjunction with a five year investigation for the period ending February 28, 2015. A report of this investigation was issued March 18, 2016. The actuarial assumptions represent estimates of future experience.

ECONOMIC ASSUMPTIONS -----

The investment return rate used in making the valuations was 7.25% per year, compounded annually (net after administrative expenses). The real rate of return is the portion of total investment return which is more than the wage inflation rate. Considering wage inflation recognition of 3.25%, the 7.25% investment return rate translates to an assumed real rate of return of 4.00%. The price inflation component of the investment return rate and the wage inflation rate is assumed to be 2.50%. Adopted 2016.

Pay increase assumptions for individual active members are shown for sample ages on pages H-4 and H-5. Part of the assumption for each age is for merit and/or seniority increase, and the other 3.25% recognizes wage inflation. Adopted 2016.

The active member payroll is assumed to increase 3.25% annually, which is the portion of the individual pay increase assumptions attributable to wage inflation. Adopted 2016.

Post-retirement increases are assumed to be 2.50%, compounded annually.

The number of active members per employer is assumed to continue at the present number. Adopted 1967.

NON-ECONOMIC ASSUMPTIONS ------

The *healthy retiree mortality tables*, for post-retirement mortality, used in evaluating allowances to be paid were the RP-2014 Healthy Annuitant mortality table for males and females, adjusted for mortality improvement back to the observation period base year of 2006. The *disabled retiree mortality tables*, for post-retirement mortality, used in evaluating allowances to be paid were the RP-2014 disabled mortality table for males and females, adjusted for mortality improvement back to the observation period base year of 2006. The *pre-retirement mortality tables* used were the RP-2014 employees mortality table for males and females, adjusted for mortality improvement back to the observation period base year of 2006. The *pre-retirement mortality tables* used were the RP-2014 employees mortality table for males and females, adjusted for mortality improvement back to the observation period base year of 2006. The *pre-retirement mortality tables* used were the RP-2014 employees mortality table for males and females, adjusted for mortality improvement back to the observation period base year of 2006. It was assumed that 50% of pre-retirement deaths would be duty related. For both the post-retirement and pre-retirement tables, the base year for males was then established to be 2017. Mortality rates for a particular calendar year are determined by applying the MP-2015 mortality improvement scale to the above described tables. Related values are shown on page H-3. Adopted 2016.

The probabilities of age and service retirement are shown on page H-3. Adopted 2016.



The probabilities of withdrawal from service and death-in-service are shown for sample ages on pages H-4 and H-5. It is assumed that all contributory members terminating before age 40 or with less than 10 years of service, and a percentage (General: 30%, Police-Fire: 20%) of contributory members terminating after age 40 with 10 or more years of service, withdraw their contributions and forfeit any vested employer-financed benefit. Adopted 2016.

An individual entry age normal cost method of valuation was used in determining age & service allowance normal costs and the allocation of actuarial present values between service rendered before and after the valuation date. The entry age normal cost method has the following characteristics:

- (i) the annual normal costs for each individual active member, payable from the member's actual date of employment to the member's projected date of retirement are sufficient to accumulate the actuarial present value of the member's benefit at the time of retirement; and
- (ii) each annual normal cost is a constant percentage of the member's year by year projected covered pay.

Unfunded accrued liabilities are amortized by level (principal & interest) percent-of-payroll contributions. Actuarial gains or losses for each employer resulting from experience prior to February 28, 2014 are amortized over various closed periods ranging from 15 to 30 years. Actuarial gains or losses for each employer resulting from experience on or after February 28, 2014 are amortized over closed 15-year periods. Benefit changes adopted by employers are amortized over a closed 20-year period. Adoption of the Non-Contributory Refund provision is amortized over a closed 15-year period. Initial unfunded accrued liabilities for new employers joining LAGERS are amortized over closed 30-year periods. If a valuation group's UAAL (excluding the UAAL associated with benefit changes) is negative, the valuation group's separate amortization bases (excluding the amortization bases associated with benefit changes) will be combined into one amortization base. This amortization base will be amortized over the greater of (i) the valuation group's remaining initial amortization period and (ii) 15 years. Adopted 2017.

Contribution rates for disability retirement are determined using a modified terminal funding method. Contribution rates are periodically adjusted based on the trend of the balance of the Casualty Reserve Fund (CRF). The funding objective is to have assets in the CRF sufficient to cover the portion of the present value of future benefits for future disability retired lives not covered by past normal cost contributions for the disabled member. Adopted 1967.

Future service credit is always assumed to accrue at the rate of 1 year of credit every 12 calendar months. Lower service accrual rates (service breaks or less-than-full-time employment) or higher service accrual rates (addition of military credit or reinstatement of prior service) are reflected as they are reported. Any lower or higher accrual rates may result in small financial gains or losses when reported. Adopted 1967.

The form of benefit payment assumed in the valuation is the Life Option. However, for members with accumulated member contributions, the residual refund available upon an early death after retirement is approximated by assuming pension payments are made for at least 3 years. Adopted 1967.

Employer contribution dollars were assumed to be *paid in equal installments* throughout the employer fiscal year. Adopted 1967.

The Funding Value of Assets recognizes assumed investment return fully each year. Differences between actual and assumed investment return are phased-in over a closed 5-year period. The funding value of assets is not permitted to deviate from the market value of assets by more than 20%. Adopted 1995 and 2003, respectively.

The data about persons now covered and about present assets were furnished by the System's administrative staff. Although examined for general reasonableness, the data was not audited by the Actuary.

The actuarial valuation computations were made by or under the supervision of a Member of the American Academy of Actuaries (MAAA).



Future Life Expectancy (RP-2014 Healthy Annuitant Mortality Table with Base Year of 2017 for Males and 2006 for Females)

	Future Life					
Sample	Expectancy (Years)*					
Ages	Men	Women				
50	33.47	37.81				
55	28.76	32.87				
60	24.18	28.07				
65	19.82	23.43				
70	15.79	19.03				
75	12.14	14.94				
80	8.96	11.28				

* Applicable to calendar year 2018. Values for future years are determined by the above rates and the MP-2015 scale.

Percent of Eligible Active Members Retiring within the Next Year

	Without Rule of 80 Eligibility			ility		With Rule of 80 Eligibility				
	Ge	neral*	_		Ge	eneral	_			
Ages	Men	Women	Police*	Fire*	Men	Women	Police	Fire		
50			2.5%	2.5%	15.0%	15.0%	25.0%	25.0%		
51			2.5	2.5	15.0	15.0	25.0	20.0		
52			2.5	2.5	15.0	15.0	15.0	20.0		
53			2.5	2.5	15.0	15.0	15.0	20.0		
54			2.5	2.5	15.0	15.0	15.0	20.0		
55	3.0%	3.0%	10.0	13.0	15.0	15.0	15.0	20.0		
56	3.0	3.0	10.0	13.0	15.0	15.0	15.0	20.0		
57	3.0	3.0	10.0	13.0	15.0	15.0	15.0	25.0		
58	3.0	3.0	10.0	13.0	15.0	15.0	15.0	25.0		
59	3.0	3.0	10.0	13.0	15.0	15.0	15.0	25.0		
60	10.0	10.0	10.0	15.0	15.0	15.0	15.0	35.0		
61	10.0	10.0	10.0	15.0	15.0	15.0	25.0	35.0		
62	25.0	15.0	25.0	20.0	30.0	15.0	30.0	45.0		
63	20.0	15.0	20.0	20.0	30.0	15.0	30.0	45.0		
64	20.0	15.0	20.0	20.0	30.0	20.0	30.0	45.0		
65	25.0	25.0	100.0	100.0	30.0	25.0	100.0	100.0		
66	25.0	25.0			30.0	25.0				
67	20.0	25.0			30.0	25.0				
68	20.0	25.0			30.0	25.0				
69	20.0	20.0			30.0	25.0				
70	100.0	100.0			100.0	100.0				

* First 5 years of retirement pattern only apply to early retirement. Early retirement rates are also applicable if Rule of 80 is adopted.



General - Men Separations from Active Employment Before Age & Service Retirement & Individual Pay Increase Assumptions

		Percent of Active Members Separating			Pay Increase Assumptions for an Individual Employee			
Sample	Years of	wi	within the Next Year		Merit &	Base	Increase	
Ages	Service	Death*	Disability	Other	Seniority	(Economy)	Next Year	
ALL	0			19.00%				
	1			17.00				
	2			15.00				
	3			13.00				
	4			11.00				
25	5 & Over	0.05%	0.09%	7.30	3.30%	3.25%	6.55%	
30		0.05	0.12	6.50	2.50	3.25	5.75	
35		0.05	0.15	5.00	2.00	3.25	5.25	
40		0.07	0.21	3.70	1.50	3.25	4.75	
45		0.12	0.30	3.00	1.00	3.25	4.25	
50		0.19	0.44	2.40	0.60	3.25	3.85	
55		0.29	0.68	1.80	0.40	3.25	3.65	
60		0.49	1.02	1.00	0.30	3.25	3.55	
65		0.94		0.00	0.00	3.25	3.25	

* Applicable to calendar year 2018. Rates in future years are determined by the above rates and the MP-2015 scale.

General - Women Separations from Active Employment Before Age & Service Retirement & Individual Pay Increase Assumptions

			Percent of		Pay Ir	crease Assum	ptions
		Active	Members Sepa	rating	for an	Individual Em	ployee
Sample	Years of	wit	within the Next Ye		Merit &	Base	Increase
Ages	Service	Death*	Disability	Other	Seniority	(Economy)	Next Year
ALL	0			22.00%			
	1			20.00			
	2			17.00			
	3			14.00			
	4			13.00			
25	5 & Over	0.01%	0.02%	10.80	3.30%	3.25%	6.55%
30		0.02	0.03	8.90	2.50	3.25	5.75
35		0.03	0.06	7.40	2.00	3.25	5.25
40		0.04	0.10	5.70	1.50	3.25	4.75
45		0.06	0.16	4.20	1.00	3.25	4.25
50		0.10	0.24	3.30	0.60	3.25	3.85
55		0.17	0.34	2.50	0.40	3.25	3.65
60		0.25	0.48	1.20	0.30	3.25	3.55
65		0.36		0.00	0.00	3.25	3.25

* Applicable to calendar year 2018. Rates in future years are determined by the above rates and the MP-2015 scale.

The pay increase assumptions are age based only, and not service based.



Police

Separations from Active Employment Before Age & Service Retirement & Individual Pay Increase Assumptions

		A	Percent of		•	crease Assum	•
Sample	Years of		Members Sepa hin the Next Ye	•	for an Merit &	Individual Emp Base	Increase
Ages	Service	Death*	Disability	Other	Seniority	(Economy)	Next Year
ALL	0			18.00%			
	1			17.00			
	2			16.00			
	3			13.00			
	4			12.00			
25	5 & Over	0.05%	0.10%	9.80	3.30%	3.25%	6.55%
30		0.05	0.11	7.80	2.50	3.25	5.75
35		0.05	0.16	6.10	2.00	3.25	5.25
40		0.07	0.22	4.40	1.50	3.25	4.75
45		0.12	0.34	3.20	1.00	3.25	4.25
50		0.19	0.53	1.80	0.60	3.25	3.85
55		0.29	0.88	1.00	0.40	3.25	3.65

* Applicable to calendar year 2018. Rates in future years are determined by the above rates and the MP-2015 scale.

Fire

Separations from Active Employment Before Age & Service Retirement & Individual Pay Increase Assumptions

			Percent of		Pay In	crease Assum	ptions
		Active	Members Sepa	rating	for an	Individual Emp	oloyee
Sample	Years of	wit	hin the Next Ye	ear	Merit &	Base	Increase
Ages	Service	Death*	Disability	Other	Seniority	(Economy)	Next Year
ALL	0			10.00%			
	1			8.00			
	2			7.00			
	3			6.00			
	4			6.00			
25	5 & Over	0.05%	0.06%	5.00	3.90%	3.25%	7.15%
30		0.05	0.10	4.00	2.80	3.25	6.05
35		0.05	0.23	2.80	1.90	3.25	5.15
40		0.07	0.35	2.20	1.20	3.25	4.45
45		0.12	0.56	1.80	0.90	3.25	4.15
50		0.19	0.85	1.00	0.60	3.25	3.85
55		0.29	1.31	0.50	0.40	3.25	3.65

* Applicable to calendar year 2018. Rates in future years are determined by the above rates and the MP-2015 scale.

The pay increase assumptions are age based only, and not service based.

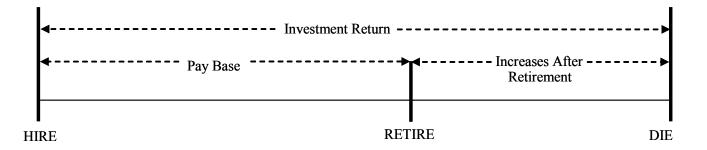


Miscellaneous and Technical Assumptions

Expenses	Assumed investment return is net of investment expenses. Assumed administrative expenses are added to the Normal Cost and were 0.4% of payroll in the February 28, 2018 valuation.
Marriage Assumption	90% of male and 90% of female participants are assumed to be married for purposes of death-in-service benefits. Male spouses are assumed to be three years older than female spouses for active member valuation purposes.
Pay Increase Timing	Beginning of year. This is equivalent to assuming that reported pays represent amounts paid to members during the year ended on the valuation date.
Decrement Timing	Decrements of all types are assumed to occur mid-year.
Eligibility Testing	Eligibility for benefits is determined based upon the age nearest birthday and service nearest whole year on the date the decrement is assumed to occur.
Benefit Service	Exact fractional service on the decrement date is used to determine the amount of benefit payable.
Decrement Relativity	Decrement rates are used directly from the experience study, without adjustment for multiple decrement table effects.
Incidence of Contributions	Contributions are assumed to be received continuously throughout the employer's applicable fiscal year based upon the computed percent of payroll shown in each employer's individual report, and the actual payroll payable at the time contributions are made.
Decrement Operation	The mortality and disability decrements do not operate during the first 5 years of service. The withdrawal decrement does not operate during retirement eligibility. The disability decrement does not operate during normal retirement eligibility.
Deferred Members' Retirement Age	It was assumed that deferred members would retire at the later of age 60 (55 for police or fire) or their attained age.
Post-Retirement Increases	Assumed to be 2.50%, compounded annually.



Relationship of Economic Assumptions in Computing Contributions to a Retirement System



Investment Return

An increase in this assumption reduces computed contributions. The assumption operates over all parts of an employee's lifetime.

Pay Base

An increase in this assumption increases computed contributions. However, a 1% increase in this assumption, coupled with a 1% increase in Investment Return reduces computed contributions. This is because the Pay Base assumption operates only over an employee's working lifetime, while the Investment Return assumption operates over the employee's entire lifetime.

Increases After Retirement

An increase in this element increases computed contributions.

If Investment Return, Pay Base, and Increases After Retirement are each increased by equal amounts, computed contributions remain the same (except in plans using Final Average Pay as a factor in computing benefits; the multi-year average used for Final Average Pay causes computed contributions to decrease slightly).

If Investment Return and Pay Base are increased by equal amounts, with no change in Increases After Retirement, computed contributions decrease – sometimes significantly. The decreases represent the projected devaluation of an employee's benefits following retirement.



Investment Return and Inflation: Past and Future

Inflation Distortions

Inflation's impact on investment return is not uniform from year to year. A common expectation for real investment return (which is the portion of total return remaining after price inflation) is in the area of 3% to 5% annually.

Historical Economic Data

Over the last 30 years, real return on average has exceeded the 3% to 5% range. However, for parts of this period, real return was actually negative. It is difficult to maintain a long-term portfolio allocation during periods of negative real return.

	Annua			•	ding Income ter Price Inf	<i>·</i> ·	ssed as	
No. Years		Cash		ong Term)				
Ended	Inflation	Equiv.	US	Corporate	Stocks	Real Re	eturn for Sai	mple Fund
December	(CPI)	(T-Bills)	Treasury	(Sol. Bro.)	(S & P 500)	Α	В	С
1/2013	1.5	(1.5)	(12.7)	(8.5)	30.4	2.7	10.8	17.1
1/2014	0.8	(0.8)	22.9	16.4	12.8	15.6	14.2	13.0
1/2015	0.7	(0.2)	(2.0)	(5.5)	0.7	(2.0)	(1.2)	(0.6)
1/2016	2.1	(1.0)	(0.9)	8.7	9.9	5.2	6.4	7.5
1/2017	2.1	(2.5)	6.5	9.6	19.7	10.5	12.8	14.7
5/1985	4.8	5.2	11.5	12.3	9.4	10.7	10.2	9.8
5/1990	4.1	2.6	6.4	6.1	8.6	6.7	7.2	7.6
5/1995	2.8	1.5	10.0	9.1	13.4	10.0	10.8	11.3
5/2000	2.5	2.6	4.9	3.2	15.4	7.7	10.0	11.7
5/2005	2.5	(0.4)	5.1	6.6	(2.0)	3.4	2.0	0.7
5/2010	2.2	0.0	3.3	3.6	0.1	3.1	2.6	2.0
5/2015	1.5	(1.4)	5.9	4.7	10.9	6.8	7.9	8.6
5/2017	1.4	(1.2)	2.2	3.7	14.4	6.3	8.5	10.2
30/2017	2.6	0.5	5.7	5.8	8.1	6.4	7.0	7.2

Sample Funds (only three of many reasonable samples)

	Α	В	С	
Cash Equiv.: T-Bills	10 %	10 %	10 %	
Bonds: US Treasury	30	20	10	
Bonds: Corporate	30	20	15	
Stock	30	50	65	

For many pension plans, benefit increases after retirement have fallen short of keeping up with inflation. The retired life group has been affected more than the active life group. The investment return that would be necessary for the indexing of benefits with inflation after retirement probably cannot be realized during periods of high inflation.

Forward-Looking Economic Data

The assumed rate of price inflation should not give undue weight to recent experience. Some historical economic data may not be appropriate for use in developing assumptions for future periods due to changes in the underlying economic environment. Professional forecasters, economists, and investors are reliable sources to guide in the selection and evaluation of expected future price inflation rates.



Investment Return and Inflation: Past and Future - Concluded

The Survey of Professional Forecasters, maintained by the Federal Reserve Bank of Philadelphia, is the longest running quarterly survey of macroeconomic forecasts in the U.S. Over 50 forecasters from industry, government, banking, and academics are included in this Survey. With respect to price inflation, their median projections are published quarterly for the annual-average Headline CPI over the next 10 years. Headline CPI is the total CPI, as opposed to Core CPI, which excludes food and energy prices. The following table presents the Survey's quarterly projections through the third quarter of 2017.

Quart	Quarterly Median Projections of the 10-Year Annual-Average Headline CPI-U Inflation (Philadelphia Federal Reserve)										
2015-2	2015-2 2015-3 2015-4 2016-1 2016-2 2016-3 2016-4 2017-1 2017-2 2017-3 2017-4 2018-1										
2.14%	2.15%	2.15%	2.12%	2.20%	2.15%	2.22%	2.30%	2.30%	2.25%	2.20%	2.25%
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Source: Federal Reserve Bank of Philadelphia – Survey of Professional Forecasters Quarterly (Inflation.xlsx)

The Congressional Budget Office (CBO) regularly publishes its Budget and Economic Outlook. This report includes a forecast of annual CPI-U (All Urban Consumers). The following table presents the CBO's forecast for calendar years 2017 – 2027, as published in its report dated January, 2017. On January 24, 2018, in a post by Keith Hall (<u>https://www.cbo.gov/publication/53503</u>), it was announced that publication of the 2018 version of the Budget and Economic Outlook has been delayed to "reflect the tax legislation and any major decisions about spending that the Congress makes in the next few weeks."

Consumer Price Index Forecast (CBO)

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											Compound
2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027	Average
2.30%	2.30%	2.40%	2.40%	2.40%	2.40%	2.40%	2.40%	2.40%	2.40%	2.40%	2.38%

Source: Congressional Budget Office - The Budget and Economic Outlook: 2017 - 2027, Table 2-1 (p. 40)

The Trustees of the Social Security system prepare and publish an annual report. Social Security's economists develop a forecast of future CPI-W (for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers). The following table presents their forecasts in the 2017 annual report.

Social Security Trustees' **Ultimate CPI-W Assumption for** 2019 and later

2019 and later						
Low-cost	3.20%					
Intermediate	2.60%					
High-cost	2.00%					
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Source: 2017 Social Security Trustees' Report (p. 9)

Another source of information about future price inflation is the market for U.S. Treasury bonds. Comparing spreads between nominal and inflation-indexed treasury securities (TIPS) provides an estimate of the bond market's expectation of inflation over the next decade or more. However, this analysis ignores the inflation risk premium that buyers of U.S. Treasury bonds often demand, and it ignores the differences in liquidity between U.S. Treasury bonds and TIPS.

Treasury constant maturities (2017 Annual Treas)								
Nominal	Inflation-Indexed	Implied Inflation						
2.33%	0.46%	1.87%						
2.65%	0.75%	1.90%						
2.89%	0.92%	1.97%						
	Nominal 2.33% 2.65%	Nominal Inflation-Indexed 2.33% 0.46% 2.65% 0.75%						

Treasury Constant Maturities (2017 Annual Yields)

Source: Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, H.15 Selected Interest Rates for March 23, 2018



LAGERS Retainer Actuarial Fees 10-Year Comparative Statement

				Average Fee	per Group
Valuation Date As of	Number of Valuation Groups	Annual Actuarial Fees (nearest \$1)	Consumer Price Index (1967 is 100)	Unadjusted Dollars	1967* Dollars
2-28-2009	945	\$219,088	635.637	\$232	\$36
2-28-2010	971	248,740	649.259	256	39
2-28-2011	995	262,962	662.943	264	40
2-29-2012	1,007	274,957	681.977	273	40
2-28-2013	1,031	289,900	695.467	281	40
2-28-2014	1,055	297,900	703.300	282	40
2-28-2015	1,062	296,000	703.122	279	40
2-29-2016	1,067	305,000	710.278	286	40
2-28-2017	1,078	314,000	729.727	291	40
2-28-2018	1,116	323,000	745.866	289	39

* A goal for LAGERS during the initial design activity in 1966 and 1967 was that the actuarial retainer fee be approximately \$100 annually per valuation group - - - an amount substantially less than the amount the municipality would pay if it arranged independently for an actuarial valuation of comparable quality.





September 5, 2018

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Dear Bob:

Please find enclosed 15 copies of the Compiled Report of the February 28, 2018 annual actuarial valuations for the participating employers of the Missouri Local Government Employees Retirement System.

Sincerely,

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MDD/JAK:rmn Enclosure

cc: Ms. Ashley Ackfeld, (Williams-Keepers, LLC)