

Montana Public Employees' Retirement Board June 30, 2025 Actuarial Valuation Results



Why does my Plan need an Actuary?



Develop

 Develop a strategy to systematically fund the promised benefits of the system

Measure

Measure assets and liabilities (future benefit payments)

Determine

Determine actuarial contribution rates

Analyze

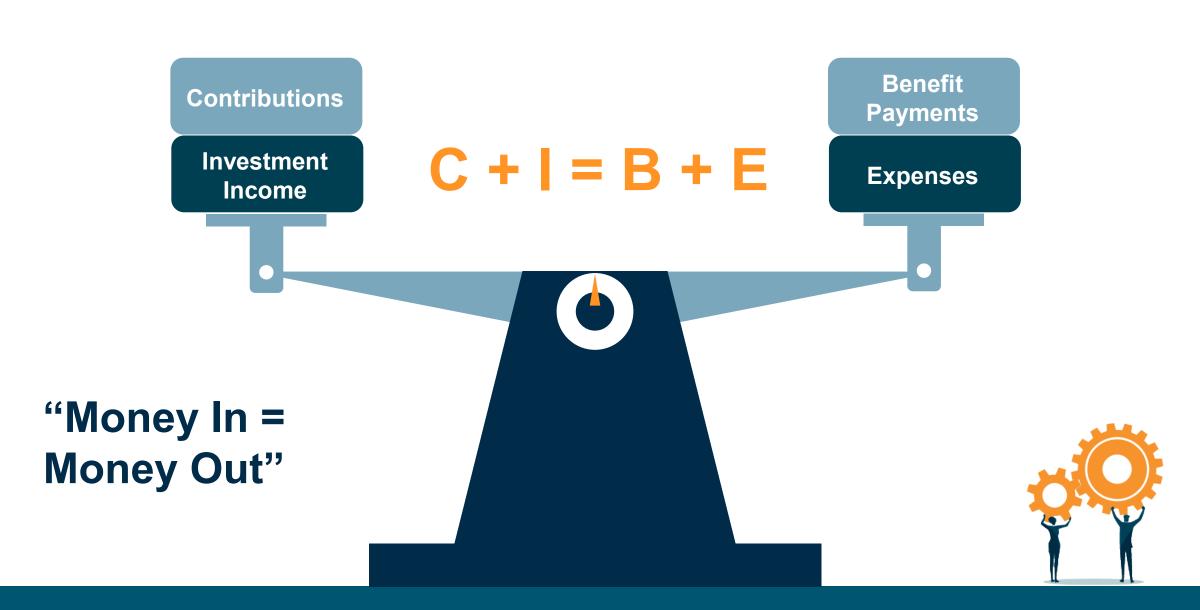
Analyze experience (actual vs. expected)

Report

• Report on trends, risks, accounting, etc.

Basic Retirement Funding Formula





Benefit Financing







Plan Provisions

Experience

"C" depends on

Short Term
Actuarial Assumptions
Actuarial Cost Method

Long Term I, B, E

June 30, 2025 Funding Results



Changes Since Prior Valuation



PERS

- The employer supplemental contribution will increase by an additional 0.10% each year following June 30, 2027, until the total employer supplemental contribution is equal to 4.27% of compensation.
- The supplemental employer contribution terminates on January 1 following the board's receipt of the system's actuarial valuation if the actuarial valuation determines that terminating the additional employer contribution would not cause the amortization period of the unfunded actuarial accrued liability to exceed 25 years.
- The State established a pension reserve fund with the potential for transfers to PERS if the inception to date return falls below 7.3%
 - No assumption for transfers, so no impact on the valuation results

Changes Since Prior Valuation



GWPORS, HPORS, SRS

- Funding policy changed from layered amortization of UAAL bases to fixed rate contributions.
- The employer contribution rate will increase by 0.10% per year for 10 years beginning in fiscal year 2026. The additional employer contribution terminates on July 1 following the actuarial valuation if the actuarial valuation determines that terminating the additional employer contribution would not cause the amortization period to exceed 25 years.

Changes Since Prior Valuation



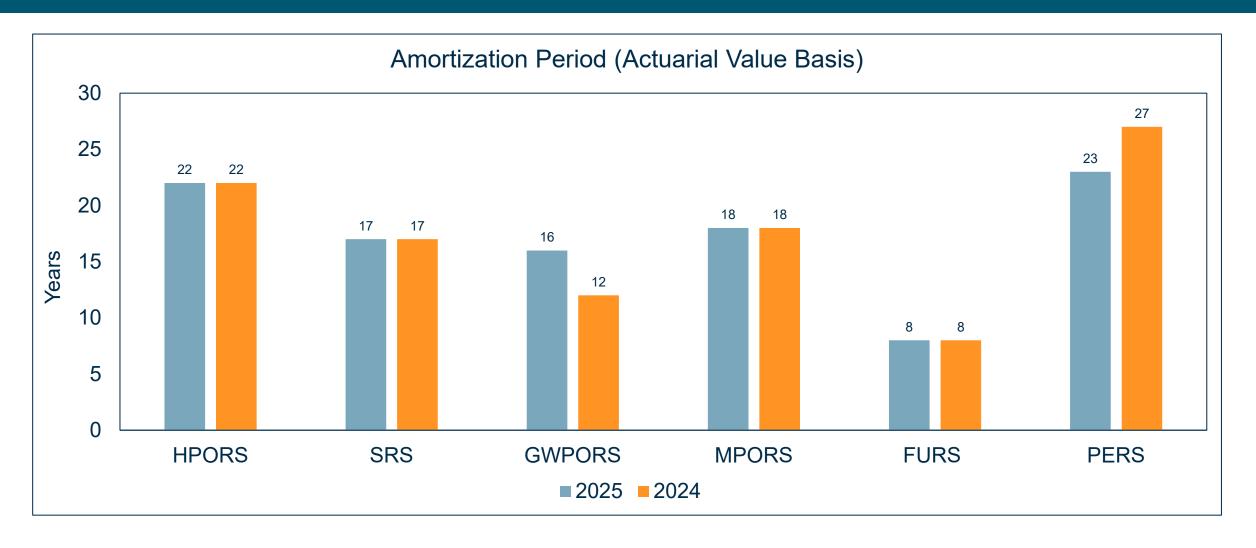
JRS

- Funding policy changed from layered amortization of UAAL bases to fixed rate contributions.
- The employer contribution rate has been reduced to 0.00%. If the funded ratio drops below 120%, the employer contribution rate must be increased to 25.81%.

VFCA

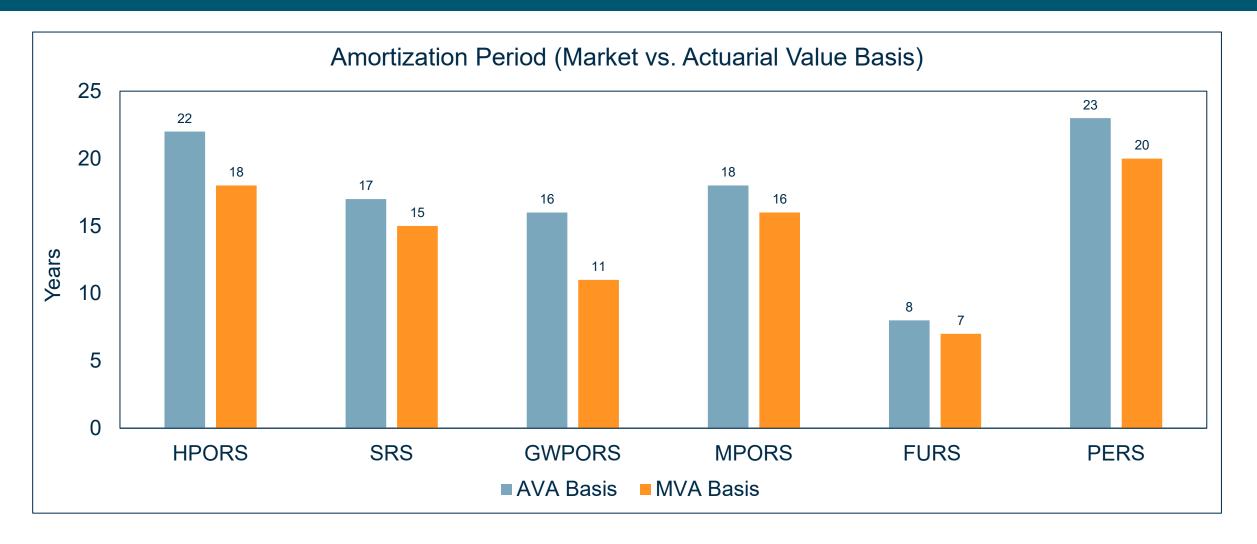
 MCA-19-17-404 was amended, increasing the full pension benefit payable to eligible members to \$200/month (up from \$175/month) and increasing the partial pension benefit by a fraction of the full benefit based on the members years of service up to 20 years.





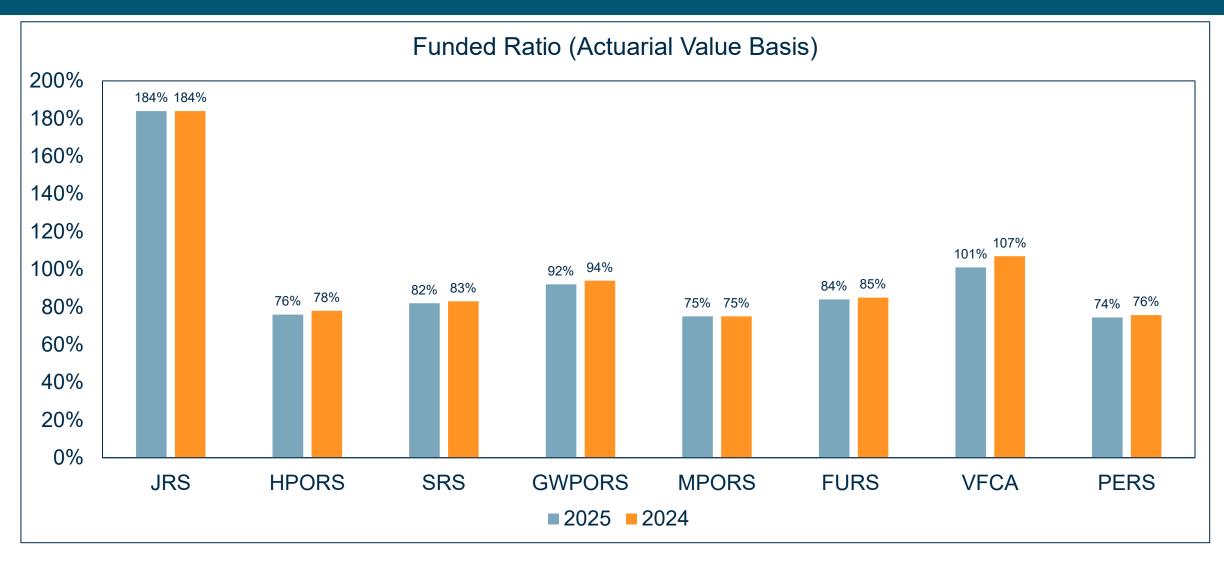
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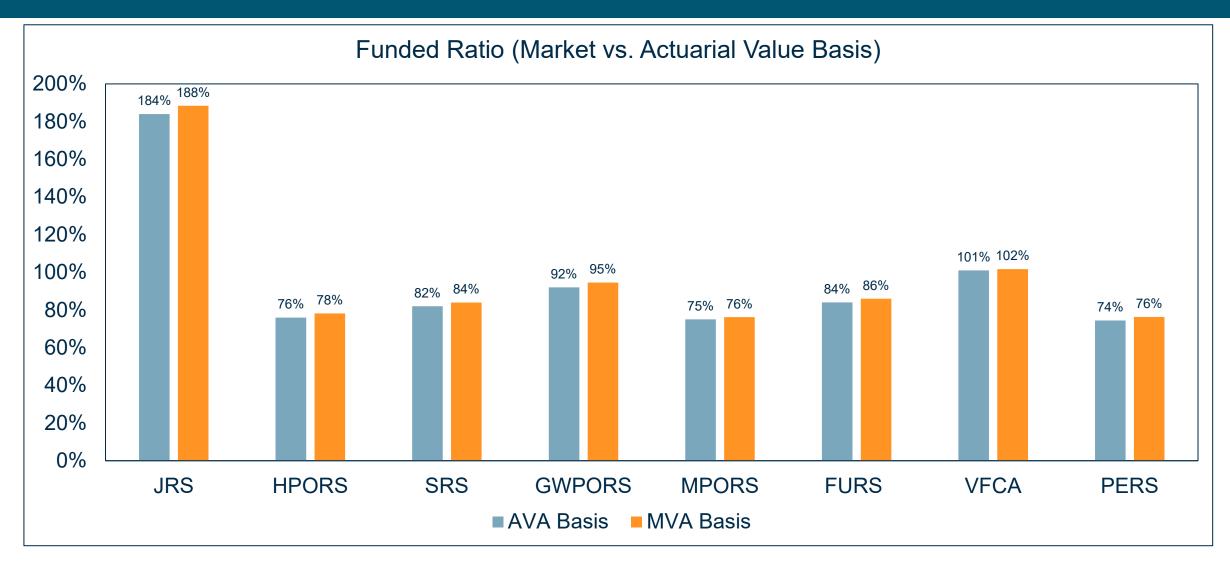
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Funded ratio for PERS DCRP LTD is 809%.





Funded ratio for PERS DCRP LTD is 809%.

Valuation Highlights



Actuarial Experience Across All Plans

Experience



Overall experience loss of \$304.3 million

Assets



Actuarial value of assets investment loss of \$175.2 million due to prior unrecognized investment experience

Demographics



Demographic and mortality experience loss of \$15.0 million (0.1% of AAL)

Salary



Experience loss of \$114.1 million due to salary increases that were greater than anticipated

Asset Returns



- Market asset returns (net of investment and administrative expenses) averaged 9.23% vs. 7.30% expected (1.93% more than expected)
- Actuarial asset returns (net of investment and administrative expenses) averaged 5.66% vs. 7.30% expected (1.64% less than expected)
 - Actuarial value of assets smooth investment gains and losses on a market value basis over a four-year period
 - The actuarial value of assets will recognize deferred investment gains/losses over the following three years
 - In general, if all assumptions are met going forward, we can expect:
 - 2026: Investment Gain
 - 2027: Investment Gain
 - 2028: Investment Gain

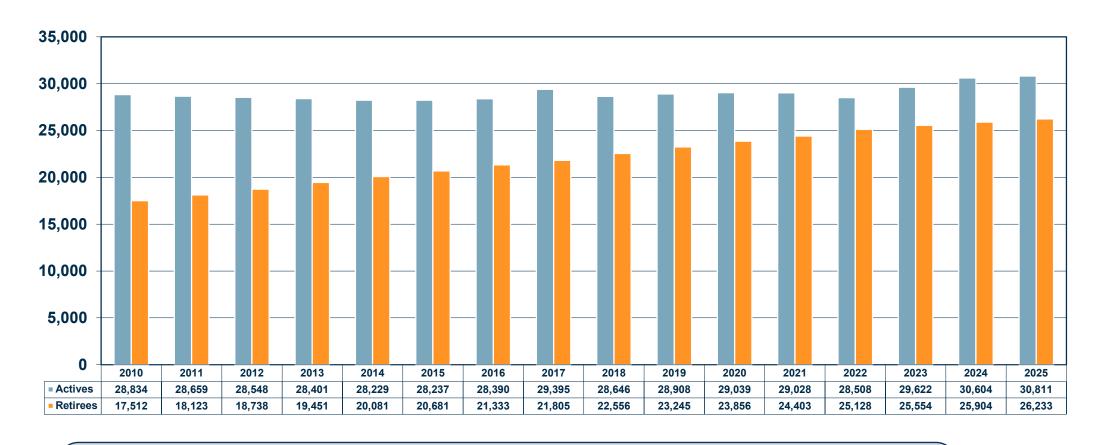


PERS Valuation Results



Active and Retired Membership

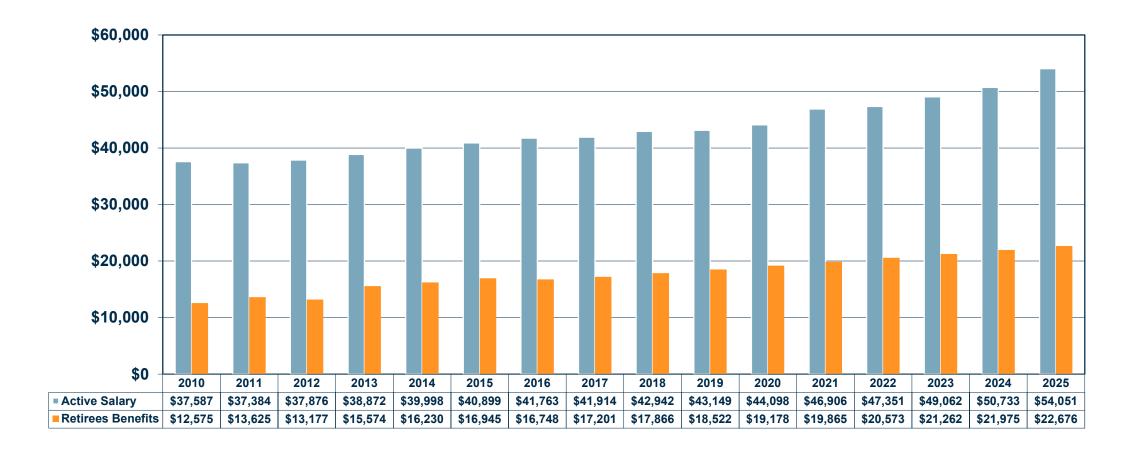




- 0.4% annual increase for active members since 2010; 0.7% increase for 2025.
- 2.7% annual increase for retired members since 2010; 1.3% increase for 2025.
- 0.6 retirees per active 15 years ago; 0.9 retirees per active now.

Average Salary and Benefits

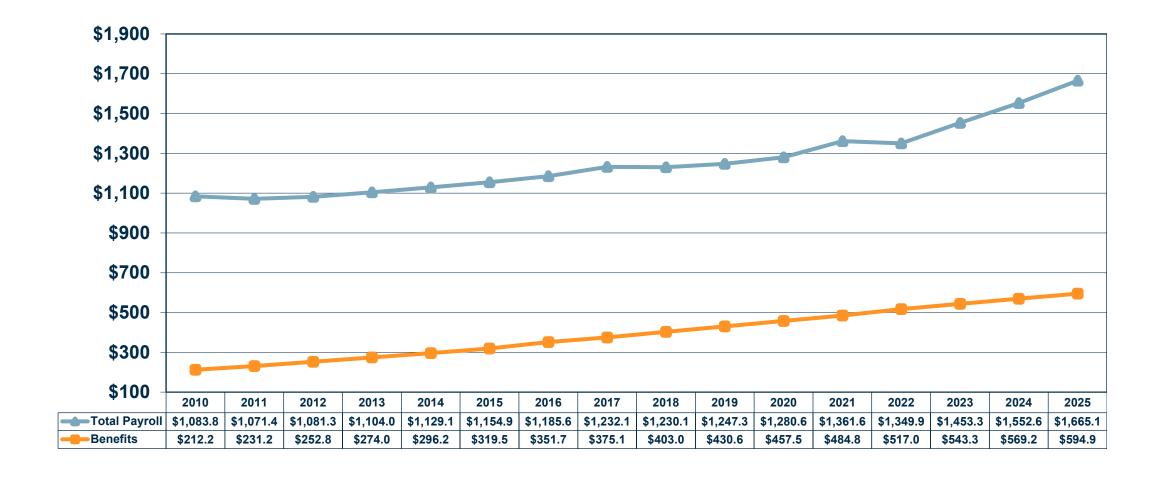




- 2.5% annual increase for average salary since 2010; 6.5% increase for 2025.
- 4.0% annual increase for average benefits since 2010; 3.2% increase for 2025.

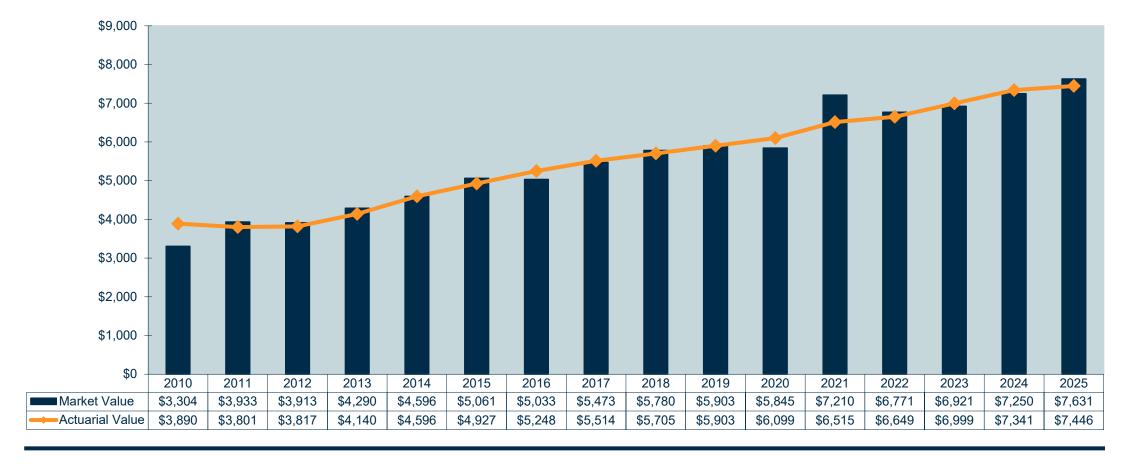
Payroll & Benefits (Millions)





Assets (\$ Millions)





	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
Market Return	12.9%	21.7%	2.3%	13.0%	17.1%	4.6%	2.0%	11.9%	8.9%	5.7%	2.7%	27.8%	(4.2)%	8.4%	8.9%	9.4%
Actuarial Return	(1.2%)	(0.1)%	3.3%	11.9%	13.2%	9.6%	9.3%	8.1%	6.7%	7.1%	7.1%	10.8%	8.2%	7.6%	9.0%	5.4%

Funding Results

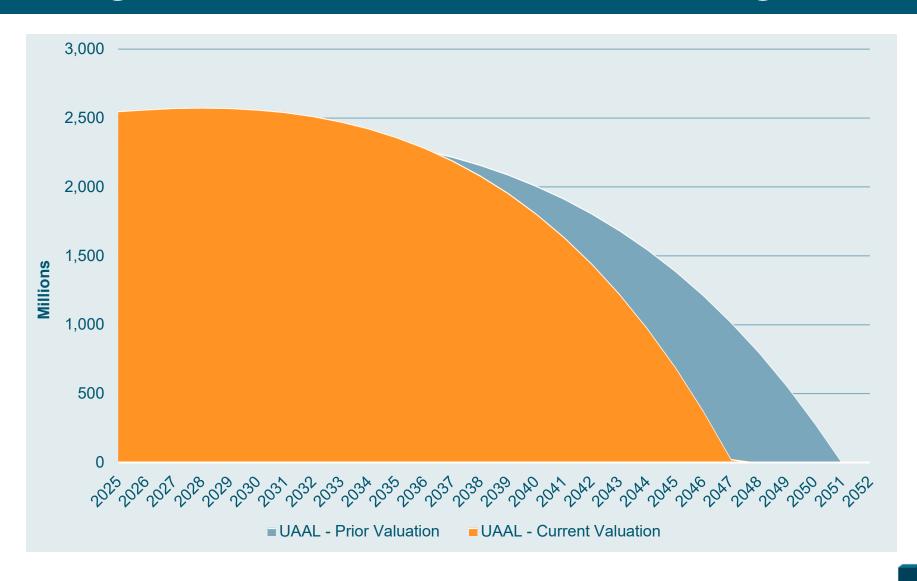


	July 1, 2025 Valuation	July 1, 2024 Valuation			
Total Normal Cost Rate	9.29%	9.83%			
Less Member Rate	7.90%	<u>7.90%</u>			
Employer Normal Cost Rate	1.39%	1.93%			
Rate to Amortize UAL	7.74%	7.20%			
Transfer to DB Education Fund	0.04%	0.04%			
Total Employer Statutory Rate	9.17%	9.17%			
Actuarial Accrued Liability	\$9,998.1 million	\$9,695.5 million			
Actuarial Value of Assets	\$7,446.5 million	\$7,341.3 million			
Unfunded Actuarial Accrued Liability	\$2,551.6 million	\$2,354.2 million			
Funded Ratio	74.48%	75.72%			
Amortization Period *	23 Years	27 Years			

^{*} Reflects projected State revenue. Payable in fiscal year immediately following the valuation date.

Progress Toward 100% Funding





Increased employer contributions beginning in FY2028, decreasing of interest credits on employee contributions and total payroll increasing by more than 7.00% reduced the full funding date to 2047.



Valuation Highlights



Plan Experience

Experience



Overall experience loss of \$212.7 million

\$133.9M loss due to investment experience

\$78.8M loss due to liability experience

Assets



\$184.2 million deferred asset gain

- 2026 Gain: \$82.1M

- 2027 Gain: \$65.0M

- 2028 Gain: \$37.1M

Demographics



Demographic and mortality experience loss of \$5.0 million (0.05% of AAL)

Salary



Experience loss of \$73.8 million due to salary increases that were greater than anticipated

Other Plans Valuation Results





	Funded		Amortiz I Ratio Perio			Rate	
System	2025	2024	2025	2024	Member	Employer	Total
JRS	184%	184%	0	0	7.00%	0.00%	7.00%
HPORS	76%	78%	22	22	13.05%	38.43%	51.48%
SRS	82%	83%	17	17	10.495%	13.215%	23.710%
GWPORS	92%	94%	16	12	10.56%	10.66%	21.22%
MPORS	75%	75%	18	18	9.00%	43.78%	52.78%
FURS	84%	85%	8	8	10.70%	46.97%	57.67%
VFCA*	101%	107%	0	0	5% of premium taxes		

^{*} The actual contributions for the fiscal year ending 2024 and 2025 were \$3,519,342 and \$3,910,471, respectively



Funding Results



	July 1, 2025 Valuation	July 1, 2024 Valuation		
Total Normal Cost Rate	0.06%	0.06%		
Rate to Amortize UAL	<u>0.24%</u>	0.24%		
Total Employer Statutory Rate	0.30%	0.30%		
Actuarial Accrued Liability	\$1,542,584	\$1,282,139		
Actuarial Value of Assets (Market Value)	\$12,480,299	\$10,443,239		
Unfunded Accrued Liability	(\$10,937,715)	(\$9,161,100)		
Funded Ratio	809.05%	814.52%		
Amortization Period	0 Years	0 Years		
30-Year Funding Period	(0.19)%	(0.17)%		

Upcoming Experience Study



- ➤ Experience study to be performed in Spring 2026
 - > Any changes would be reflected in the June 30, 2026 valuation
 - > Assumption changes may require updates to optional form factors

Caveats and Disclosures



➤ Additional information regarding the assumptions and methods can be found in the June 30, 2025 actuarial valuation reports.

➤ The actuaries who prepared these results, Todd B. Green, ASA, EA, MAAA, FCA, and Bryan K. Hoge, FSA, EA, MAAA, FCA, are members of the American Academy of Actuaries and are qualified to render the actuarial opinions presented herein. We are happy to provide additional information and answer any questions, if necessary.

