

PUBLIC EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT SYSTEM



Public Employees Retirement System fund status - Provided below is a summary of the actuarial value of the main Public Employees Retirement System fund:

Actuarial Value of Investments (Amounts Shown in Billions)			
	Actuarial Accrued Liability	Fund Balance	Actuarial Percentage Funded
June 30, 2007	\$1.58	\$1.47	93%
June 30, 2008	\$1.70	\$1.57	92%
June 30, 2009	\$1.86	\$1.58	85%
June 30, 2010	\$2.16	\$1.58	73%
June 30, 2011	\$2.28	\$1.60	70%

Provided below is a status summary of the market value of all PERS retirement funds:

Market Value of Investments (Amounts Shown in Billions)		
	Fund Balance	Annual Percentage Change in Market Value
June 30, 2007	\$1.94	19.0%
June 30, 2008	\$1.81	(5.6%)
June 30, 2009	\$1.35	(24.4%)
June 30, 2010	\$1.51	13.67%
June 30, 2011	\$1.80	21.43%
February 29, 2012, preliminary fund balance	\$1.79	0.80%

A decline in the market value of fund investments caused actuarial funded levels to decrease from 92.6 percent as of June 2008 to 70 percent as of June 2011. In 2008 investments declined 5.6 percent from prior year market values and in 2009 investments declined by 24.4 percent.

The Public Employees Retirement System through actuarial analysis determined that relying only on potential market value increases would not return the funded level of the main PERS fund to the target level of at least 90 percent. The Legislative Assembly in 2011 provided for increases in employer and employee contributions of 4 percent during the 2011-13 biennium. The Public Employees Retirement System plans to introduce a bill to the Legislative Assembly in 2013 to improve funding levels by increasing contribution rates of employees and employers again in the 2013-15 biennium.