

PERS Retirement Plan

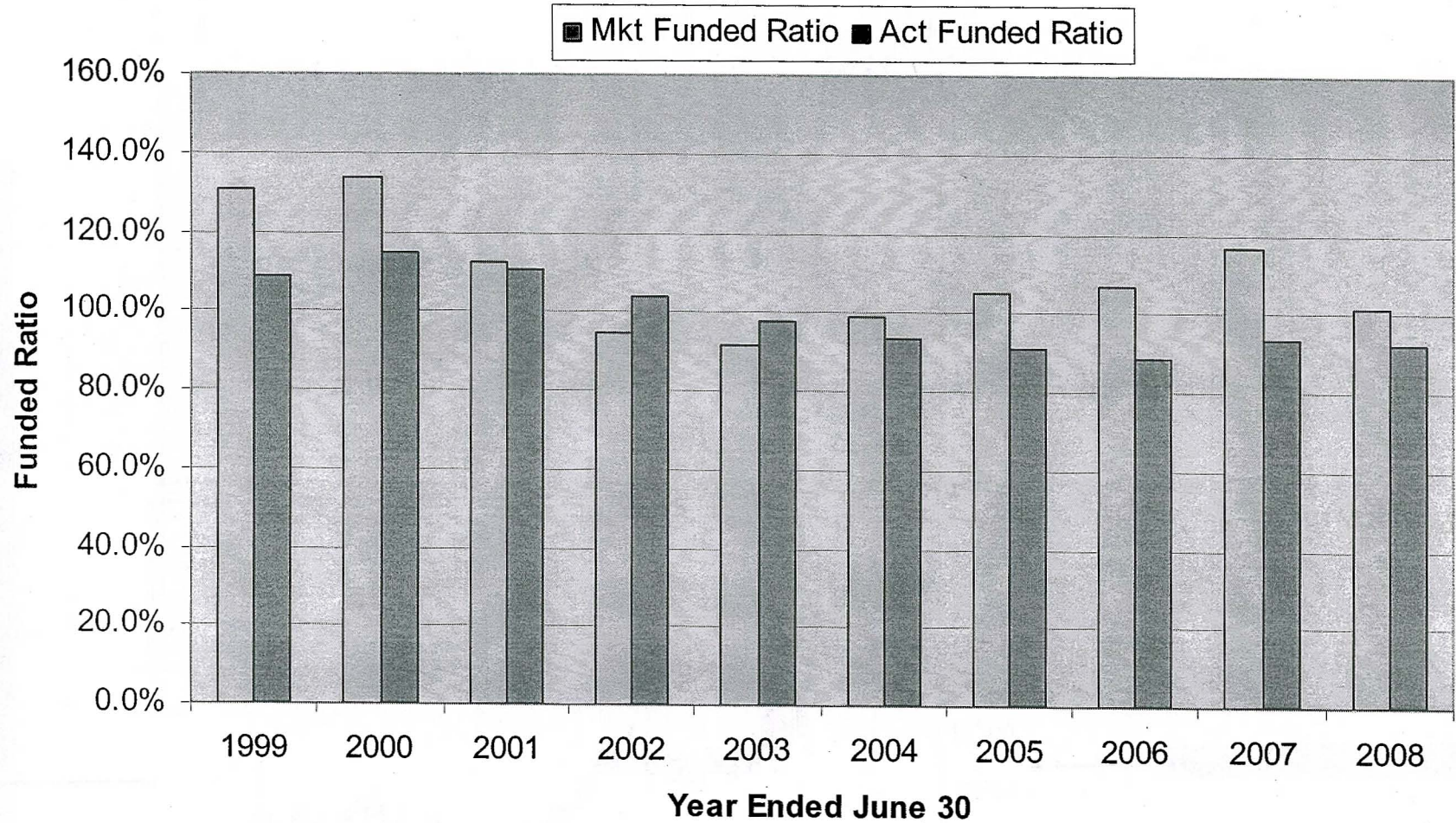
HB 1121 Amendment

Main - Funded Ratio

<u>Year</u>	<u>Actuarial Accrued Liabilities (millions)</u>	<u>Actuarial Value of Assets (millions)</u>	<u>Funded Ratio</u>
1999	\$831	\$901	109%
2000	879	1,010	115%
2001	994	1,096	110%
2002	1,087	1,130	104%
2003	1,170	1,145	98%
2004	1,251	1,172	94%
2005	1,333	1,210	91%
2006	1,450	1,286	89%
2007	1,576	1,470	93%
2008	1,700	1,571	92%

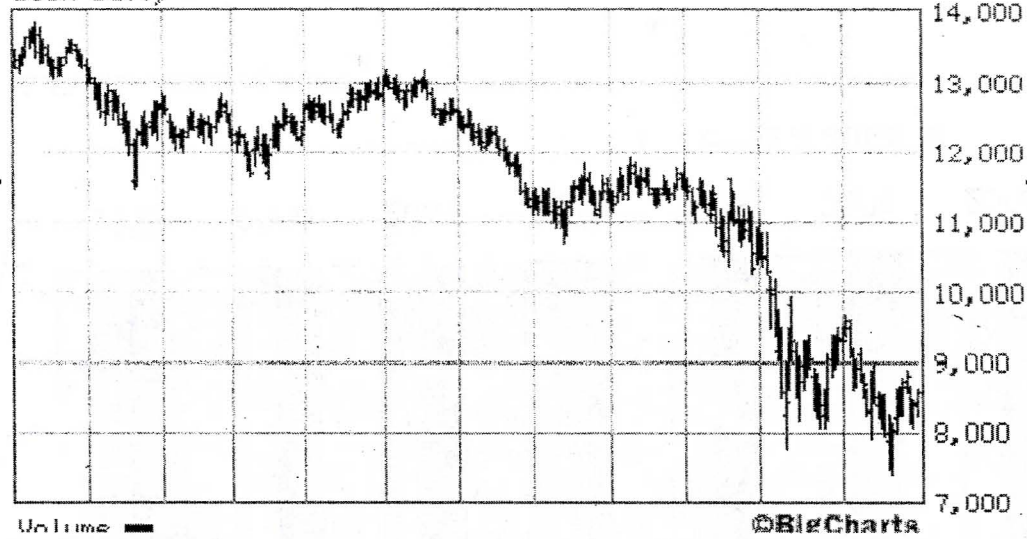
1. The 2008 actuarial employer contribution rate 6.23% compared with the statutory rate of 4.12% (-2.11)
2. In 2008 was Funded Ratio at market value is 101% in 2008

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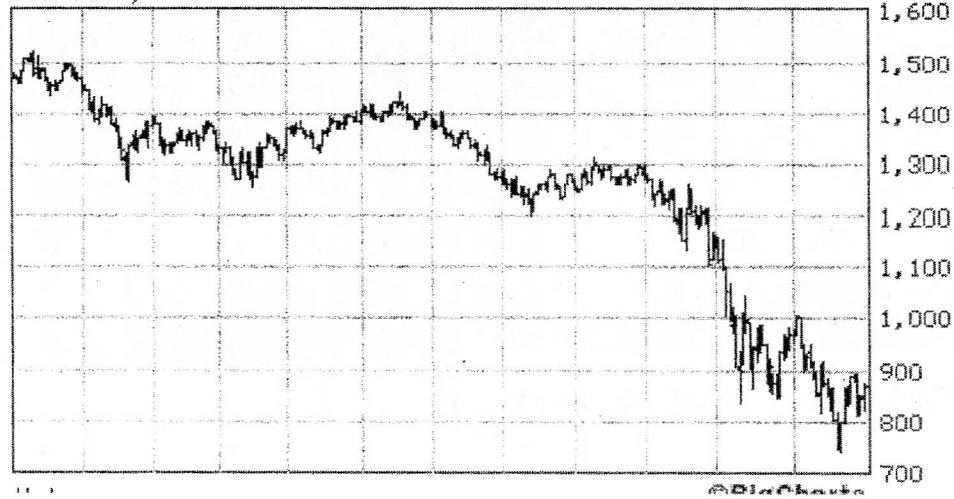


Volume

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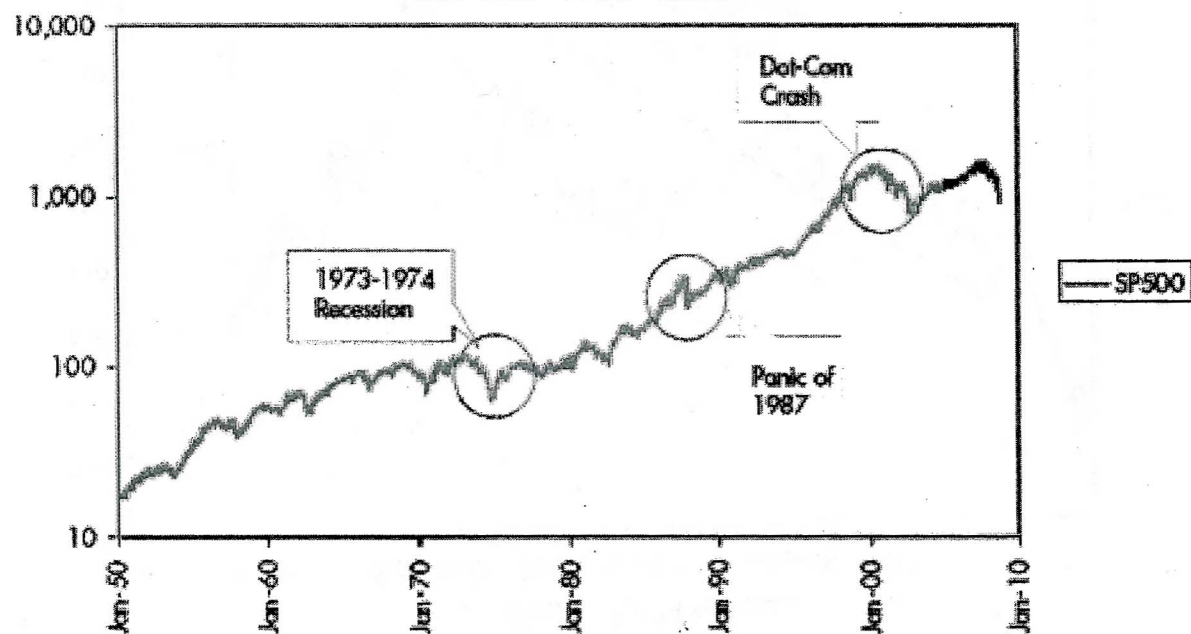


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The Long View: Major Market Declines and Recoveries

Chart 1 The Blips
S&P 500: 1950 - 2008

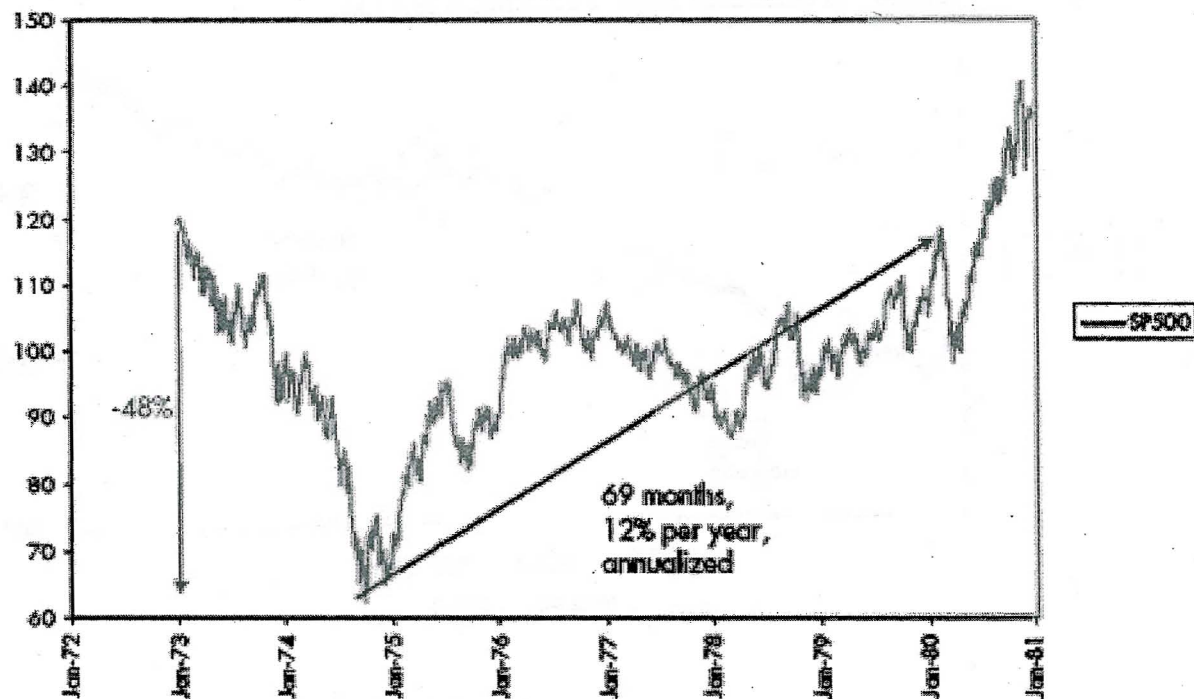


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Scenario 1: 1973-74 Recession and the Long Road Back

Chart 2 '73-'74 Recession
S&P 500: January 1973 – January 1981



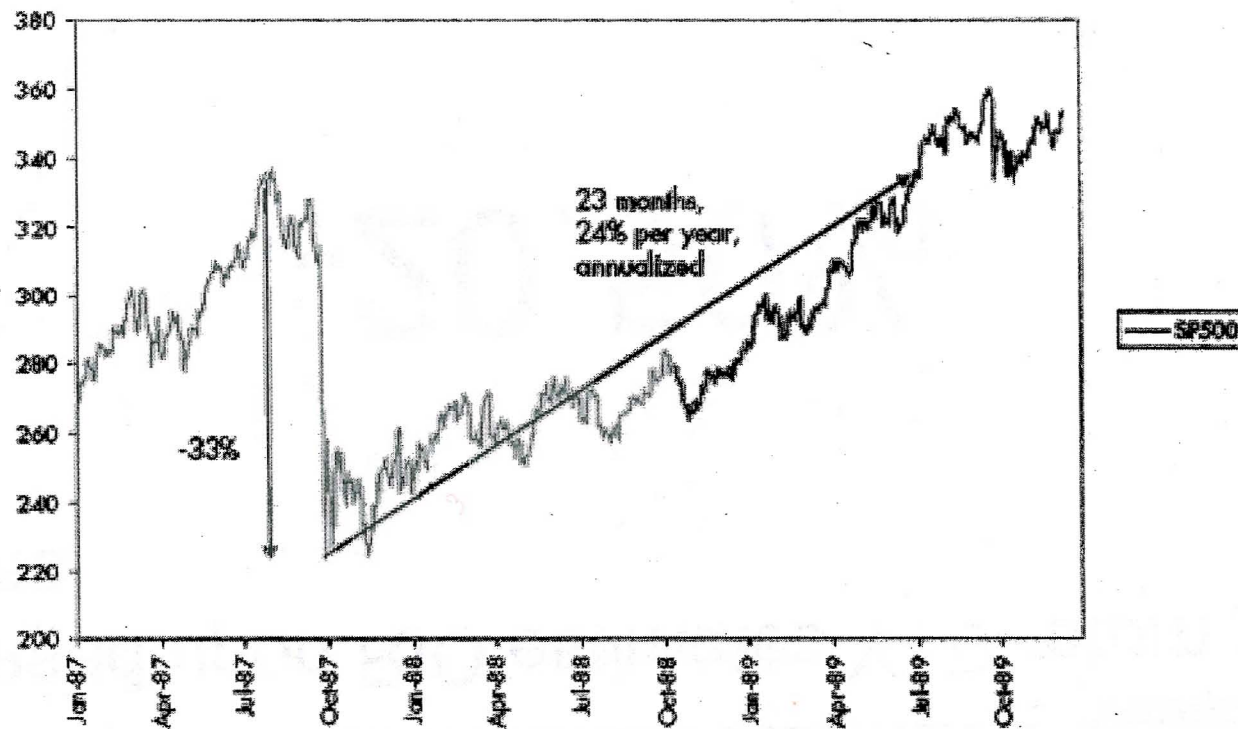
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Scenario 2: 1987 Crash

Chart 3 Panic of '87

S&P 500: January 1987 – January 1990



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Where is PERS at?

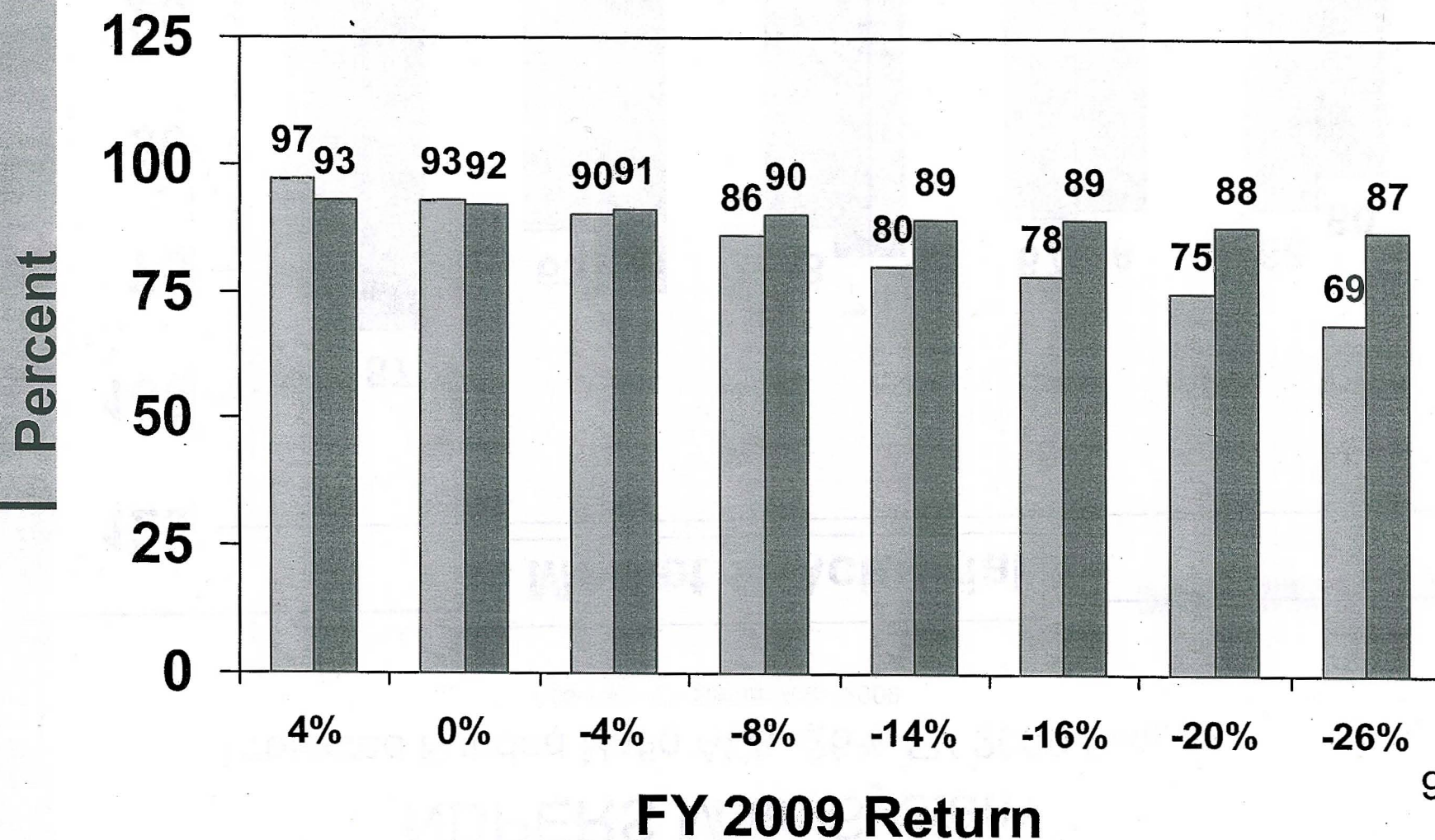
- Based upon RIO estimates YTD return thru Dec

-20.50%

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Projected Funded Ratio

■ Market ■ Actuarial

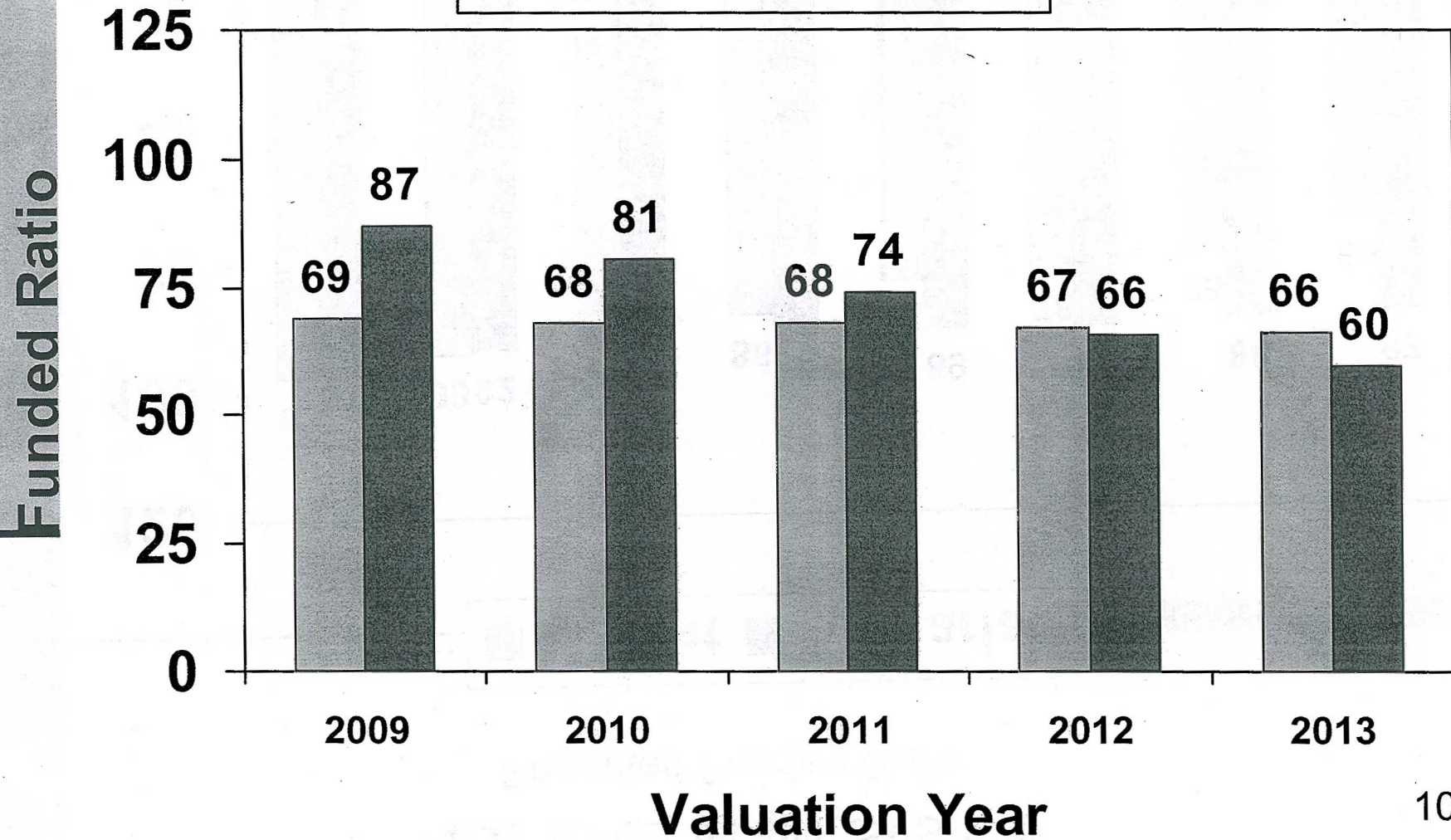


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Projected Funded Ratio At A -26% FY 2009 Return

Assumes 8% Return After 2009

■ Market ■ Actuarial



Primary Questions?

- What is going to happen in the next 6 months?
- What is the next several years return going to be?

Near term - Actuarial required contributions – Near Term

North Dakota Main System Projected Margins (Market Return After FY 2009 Always 8.0%)

If Market Return for

FY 2009 is	June 30, 2009	June 30, 2010	June 30, 2011	June 30, 2012	June 30, 2013
-26%	-3.19%	-4.51%	-5.93%	-7.67%	-8.96%
-20%	-2.97%	-4.06%	-5.25%	-6.77%	-7.84%
-16%	-2.83%	-3.76%	-4.80%	-6.16%	-7.09%
-14%	-2.75%	-3.61%	-4.57%	-5.86%	-6.72%
-8%	-2.54%	-3.15%	-3.89%	-4.96%	-5.59%
-4%	-2.39%	-2.85%	-3.44%	-4.35%	-4.84%
0%	-2.25%	-2.55%	-2.98%	-3.75%	-4.09%
4%	-2.10%	-2.25%	-2.53%	-3.15%	-3.35%

Note: Projection reflects only investment return effects.
Assumes constant normal cost rate of 8.71% for Main.
The 2008 valuation margin is -2.14%.

Longer Term - Considerations for Recovery

(returning to 100% funded status)

- We could rely solely on contribution increases
- We could rely solely on investment returns
- We could look to both

Income = Investments + Contributions

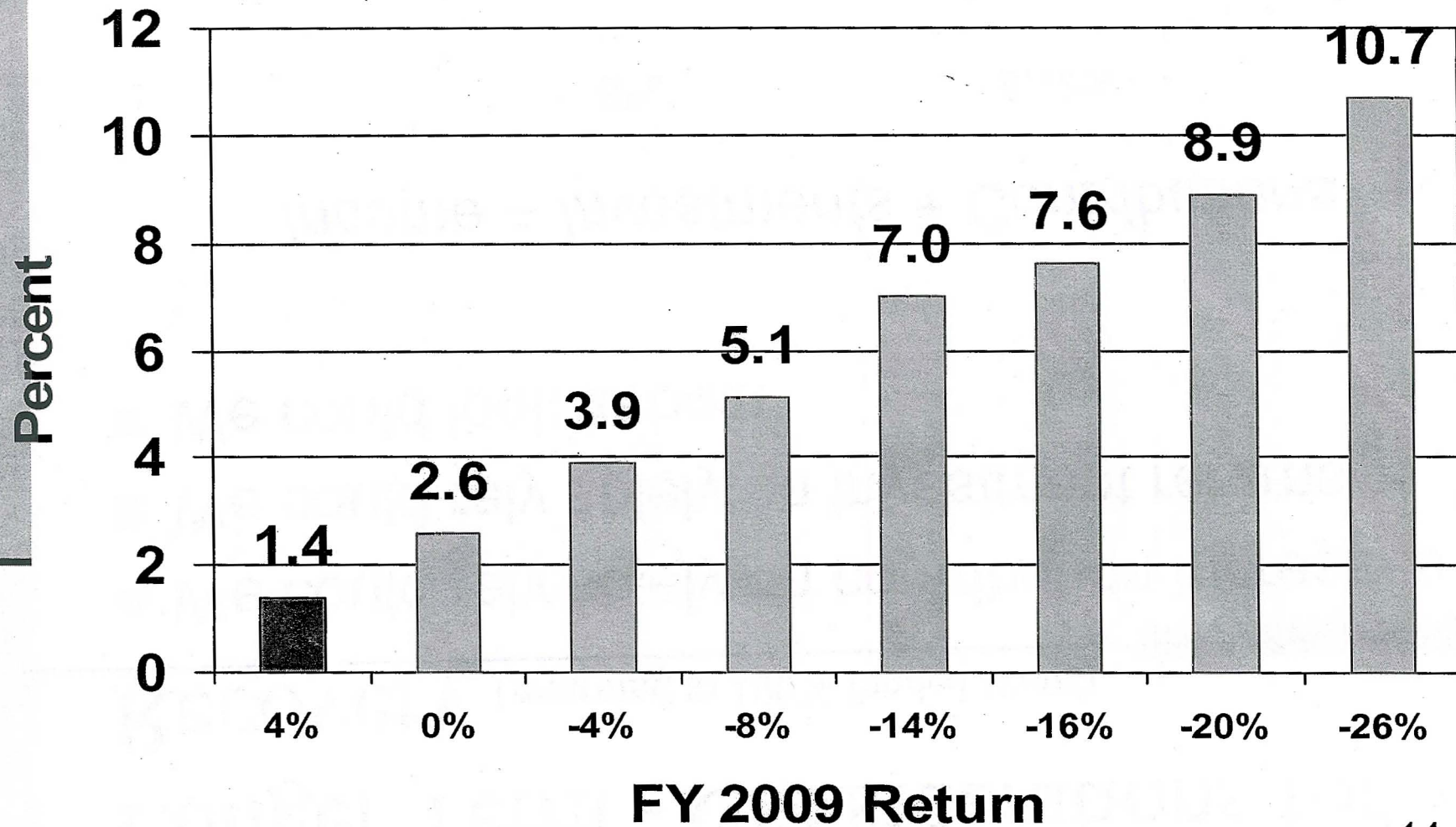
8%

8.12%

What if we rely solely on contribution increases

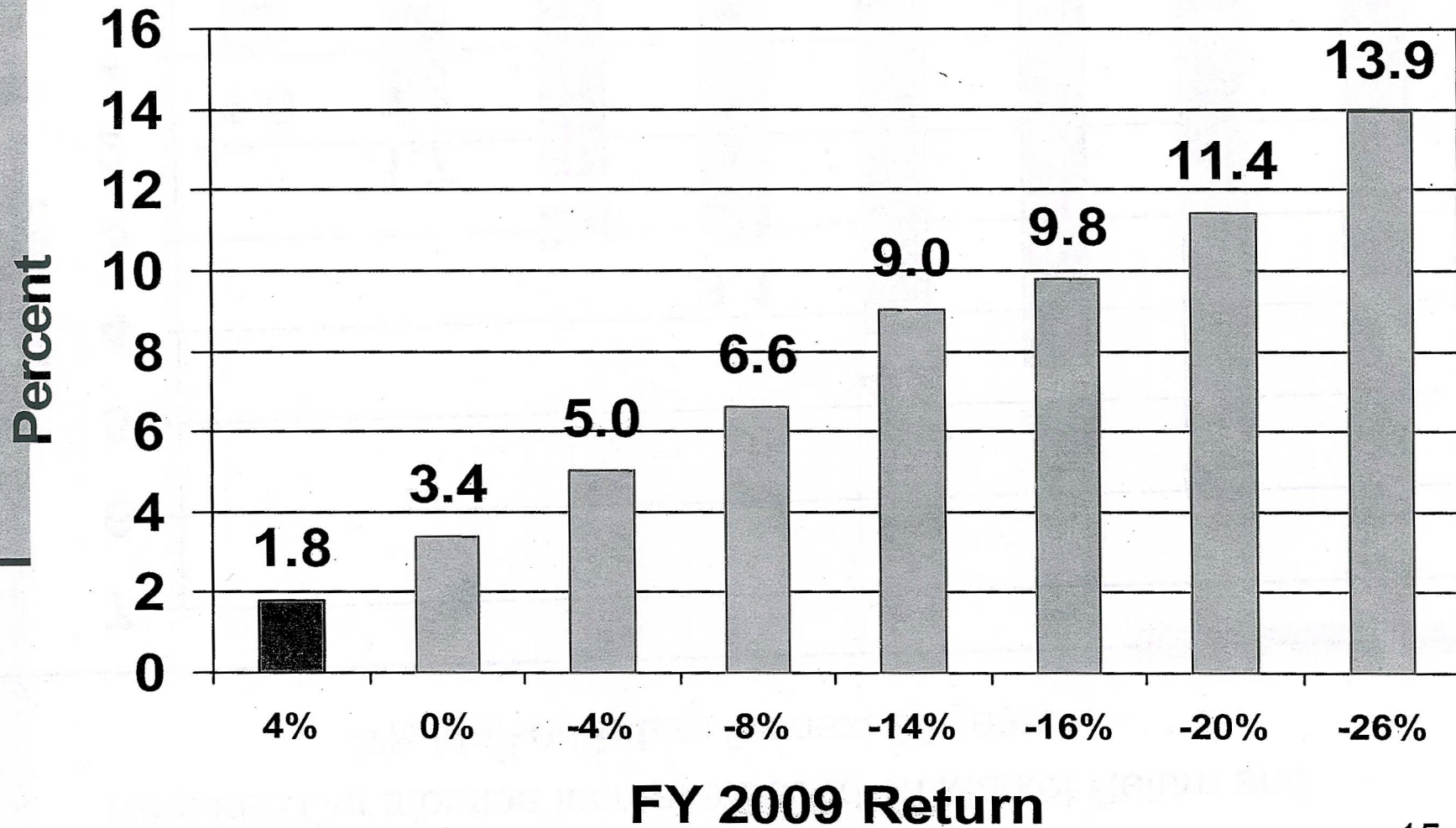
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Required Contribution Increase Based on Market Return and
8% Market Return for next 10 years



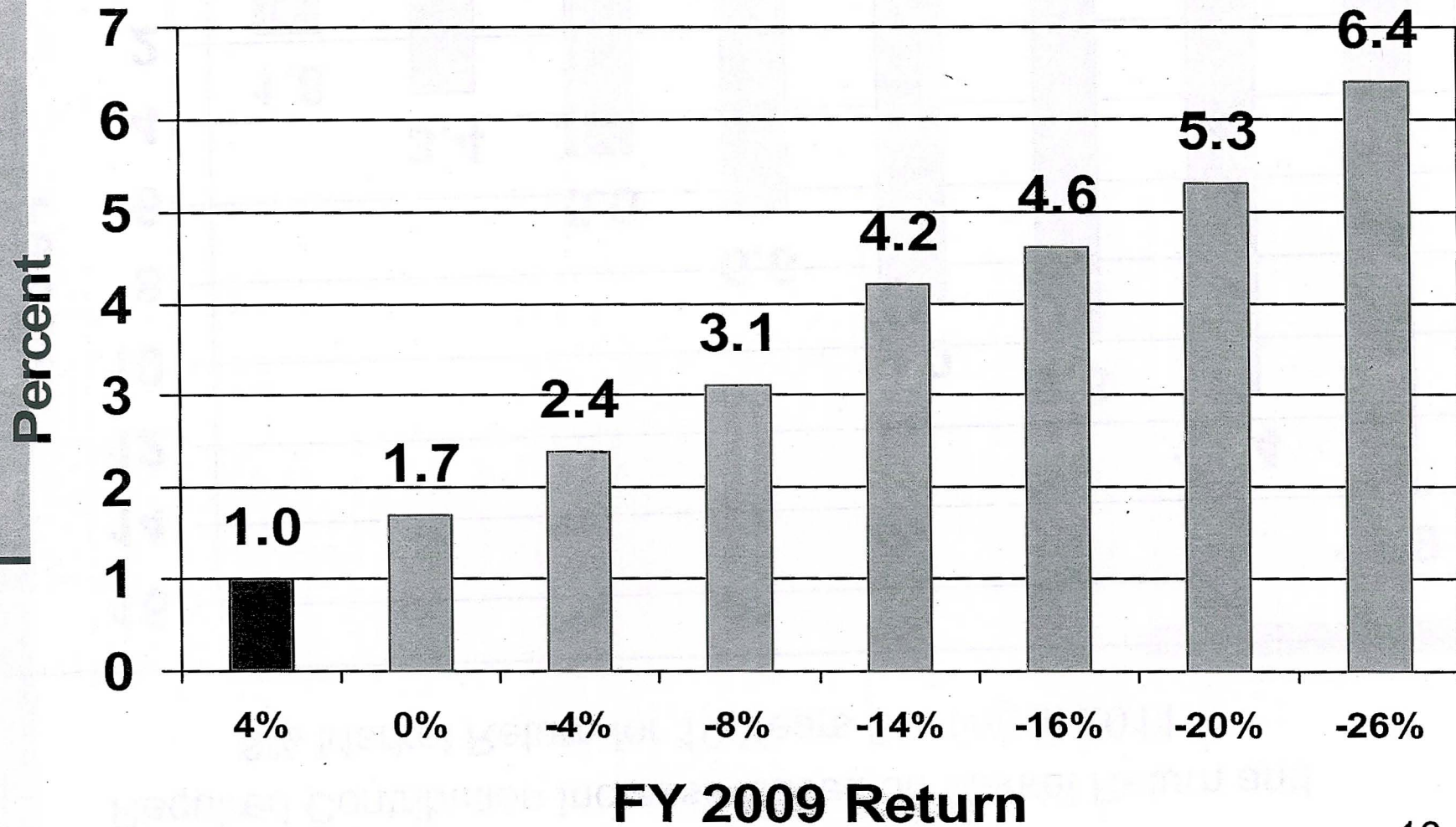
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Required Contribution Increase Based on Market Return and
8% Market Return for 10 Years Starting in 2011



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Required Contribution Increase Based on Market Return and
8% Market Return for next 20 years

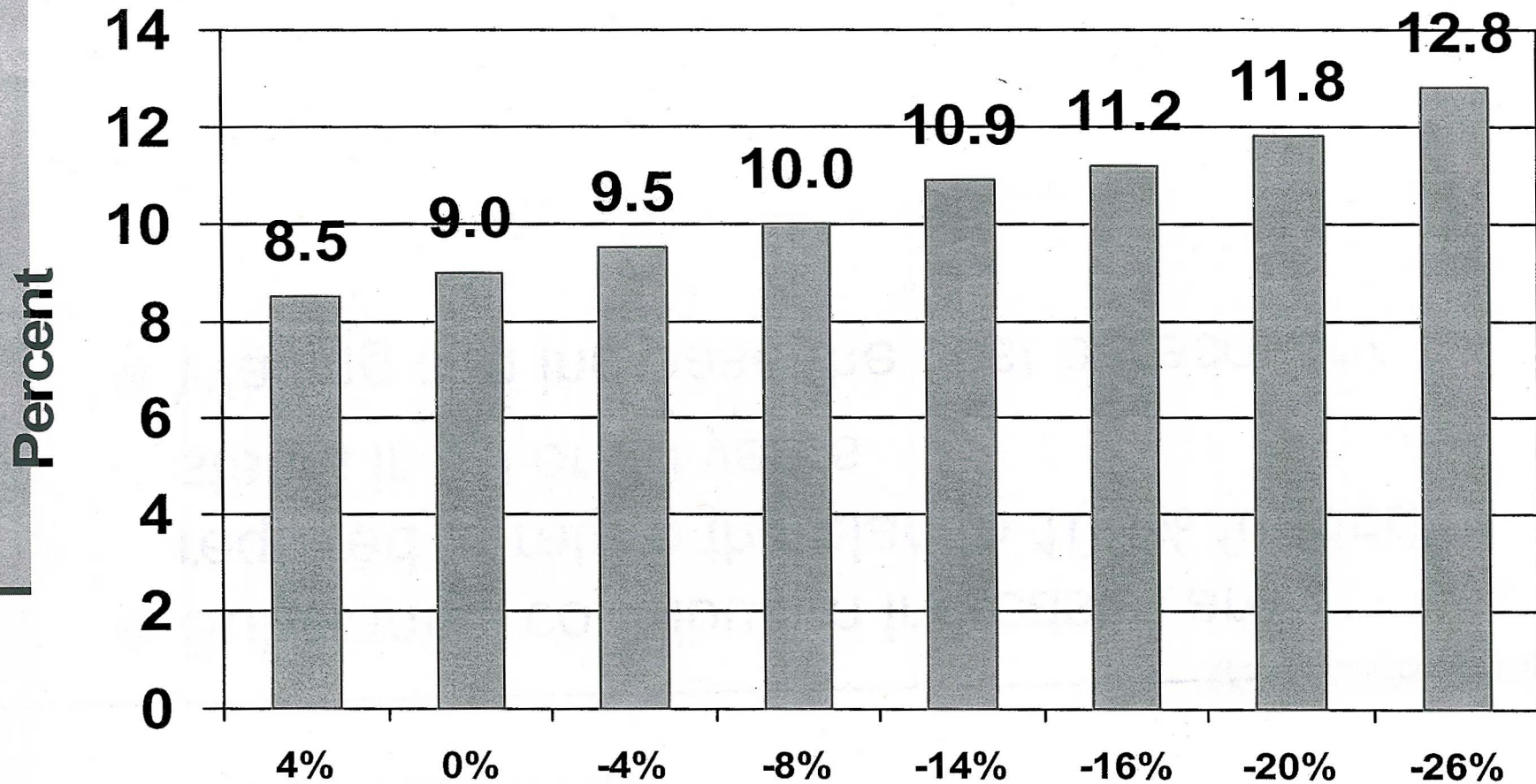


Observations

- Substantial contribution increases are required to return the plan to 100% funded status in 10 or 20 years
- Waiting can increase the cost of recovery

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Market Return Needed to Achieve 100%
Funded Ratio with No Increase in 10 years

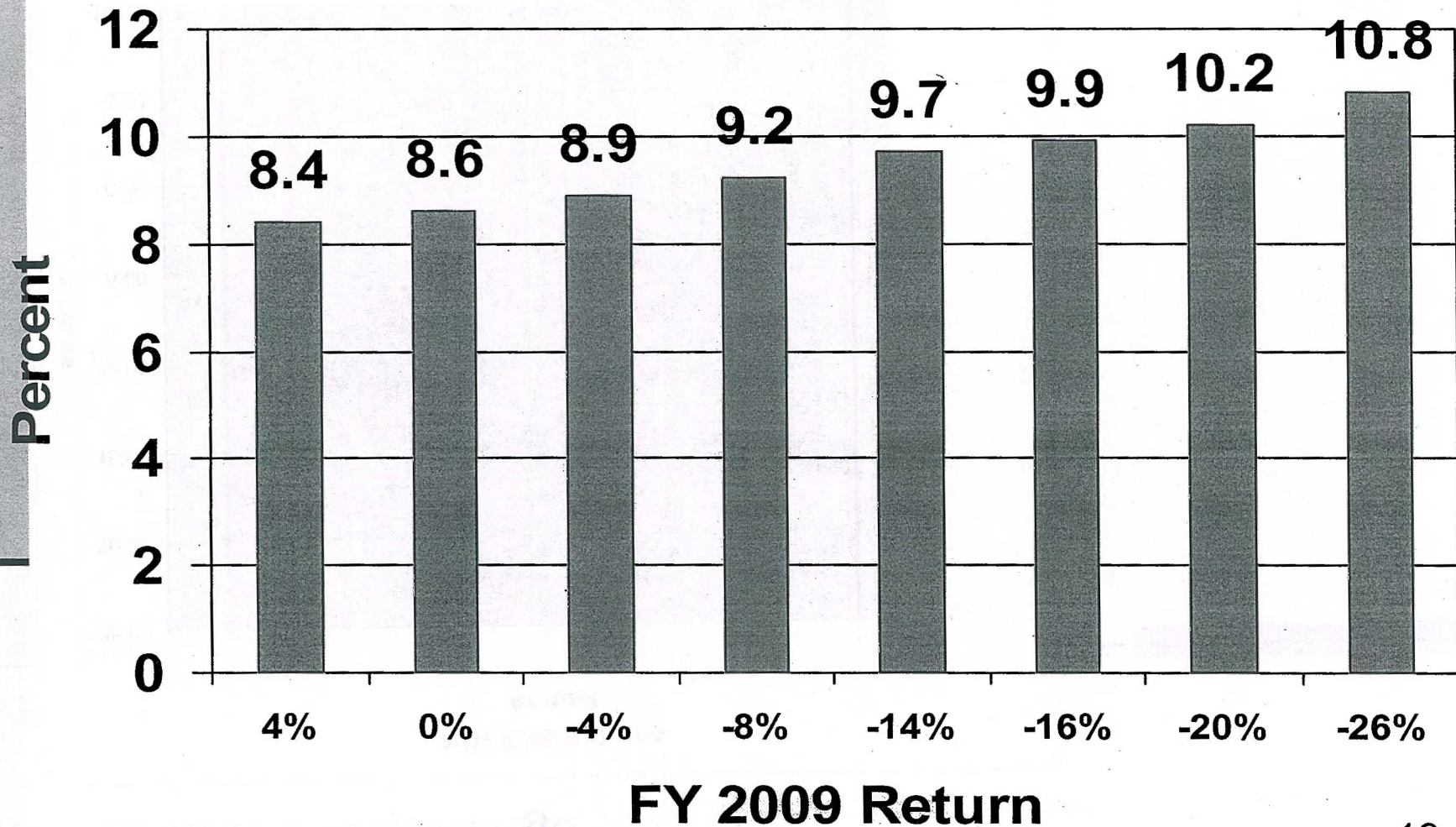


FY 2009 Return

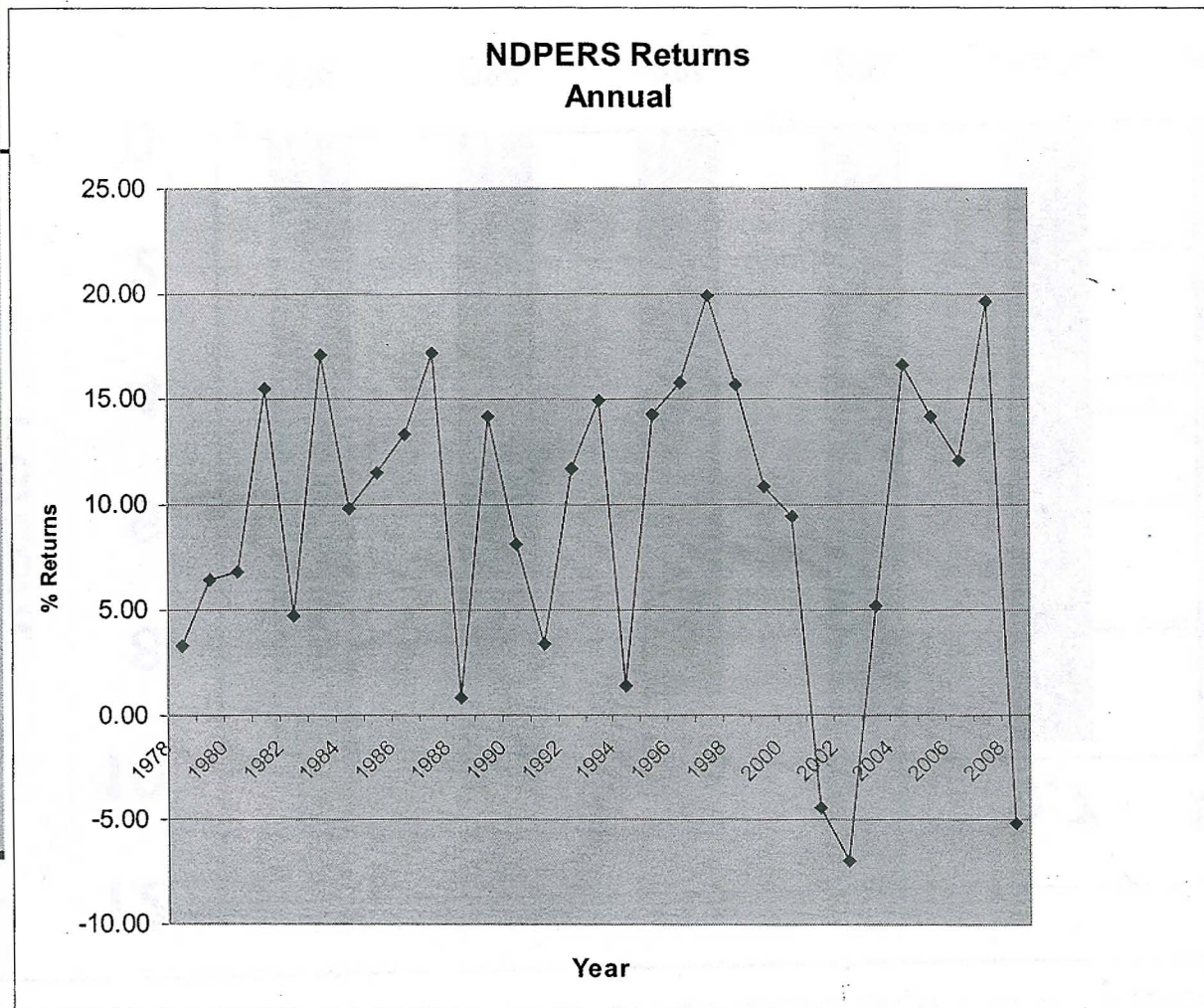
What if we rely solely on investment returns

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Market Return Needed to Achieve 100% Funded Ratio
with No Increase in 20 years

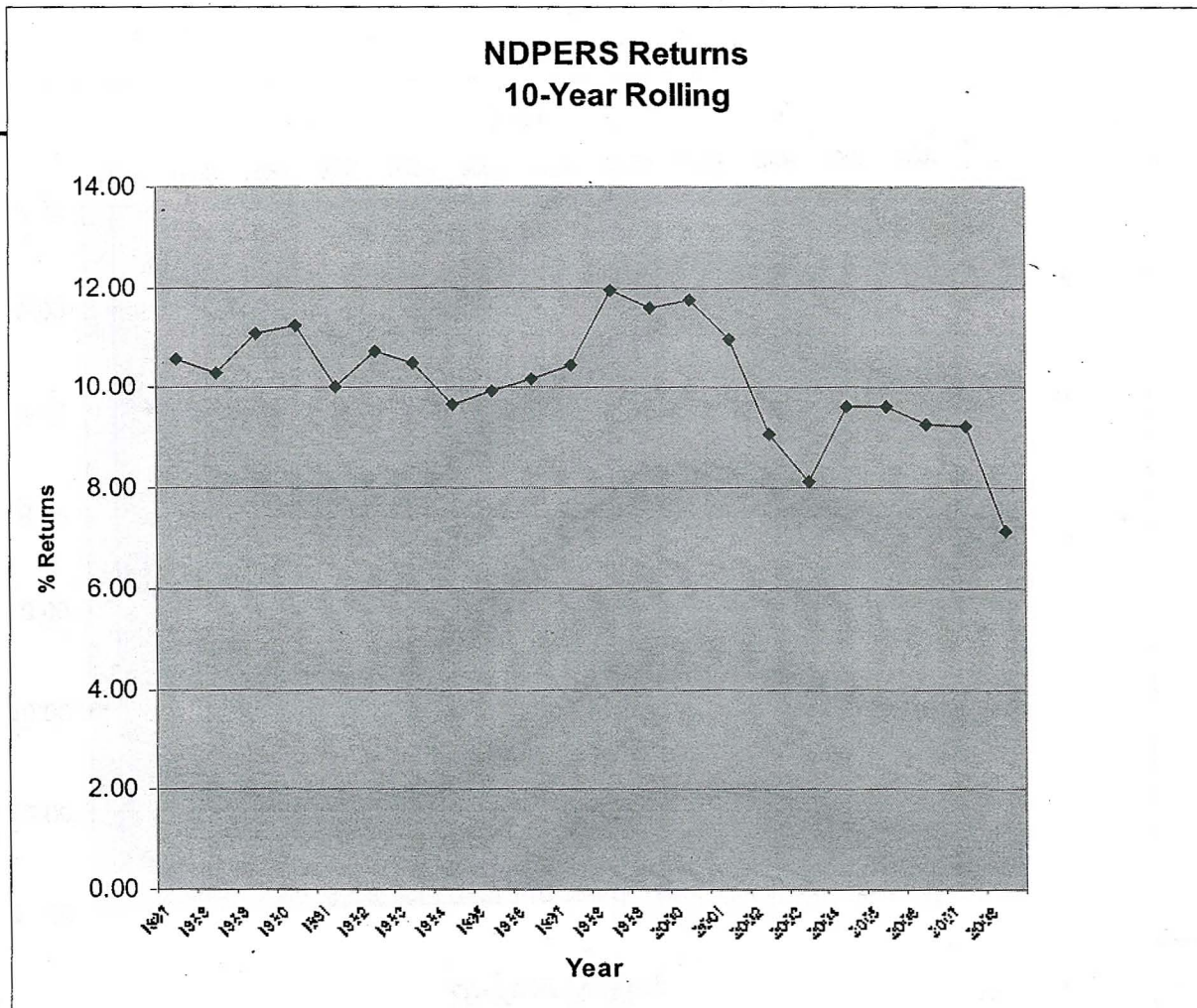


Investment Earnings



Average	9.59
Median	11.63
S.D.	7.25
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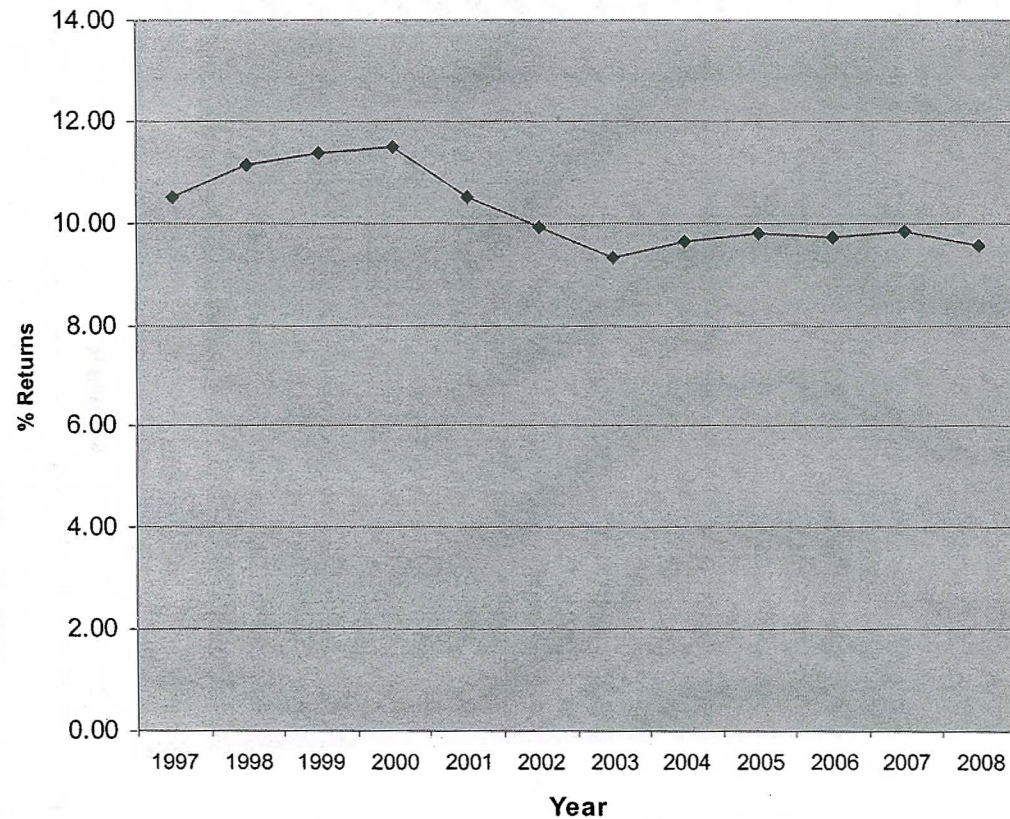
Investment Earnings



Average	10.13
Median	10.25
S.D.	1.16
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Investment Earnings

**NDPERS Returns
20-Year Rolling**



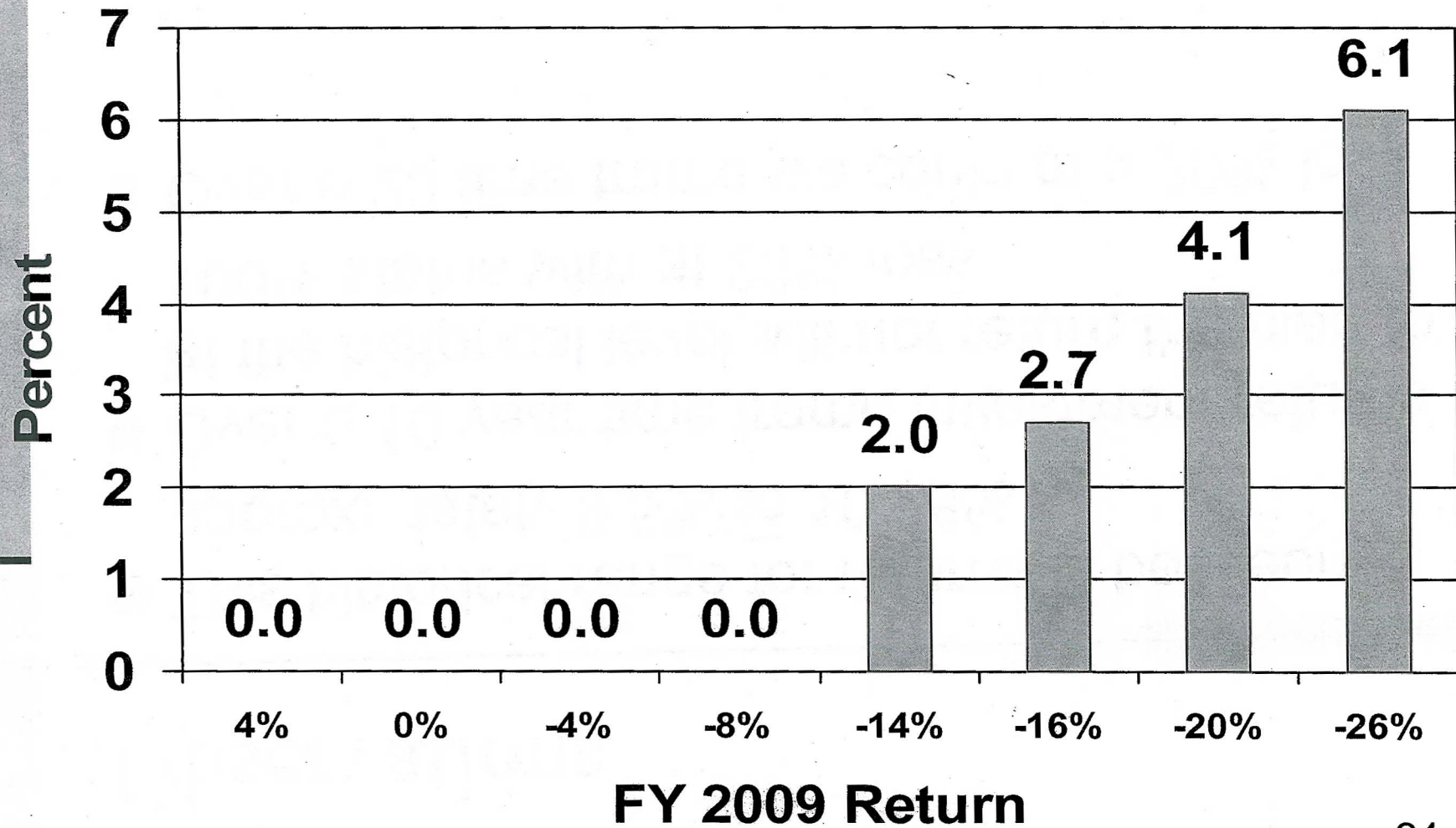
Average	10.22
Median	9.87
S.D.	0.75
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Observations

- This historical range for returns is between approximately 9.5% to 10.25%
- Over a 10 year time frame investment returns at the historical level will not return the plan to 100% status with at 26% loss
- Over a 20 time frame we could at a 20% loss

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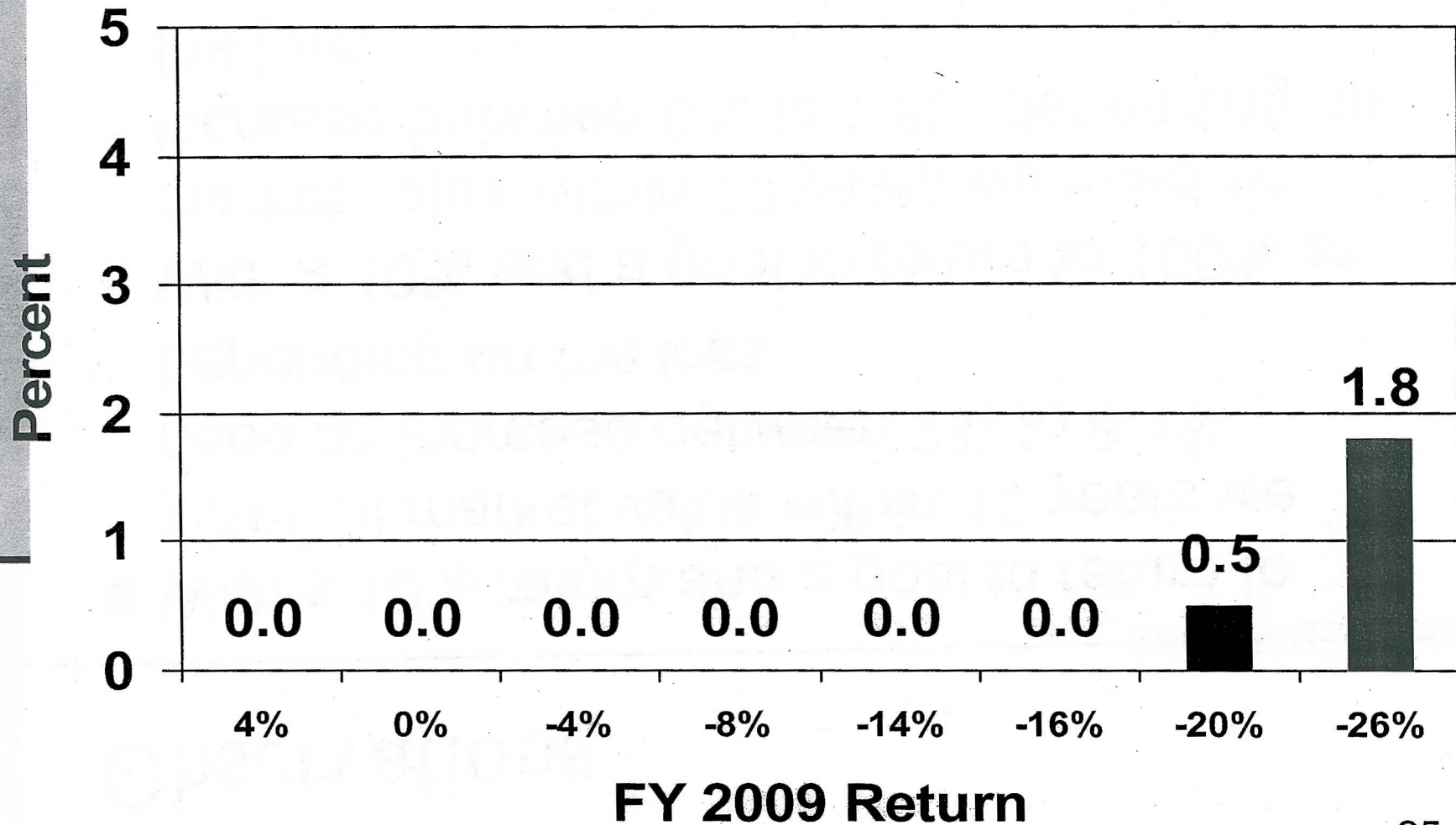
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10% Market Return for next 10 years



What if we rely on both returns and contributions

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Required Contribution Increase Based on Market Return and
10% Market Return for next 20 years



Observations

- With a 10% return and a goal to return to 100% at market value within 10 years we need an increase between 2% to 6.1% depending on the loss
- With a 10% and a goal to return to 100% at market value within 20 years we need an increase between 0% to 1.8% depending on the loss

Options

Most conservative (rely solely on contributions for recovery)

- Increase contributions by 10.7% on July 1, 2009 assuming a -26% loss and a 10 year recovery. The cost of this would be:
 - 160 million over 24 month (44.5 million is general funds)
 - 120 million over 18 months (33.4 million is general funds)

Conservative (assume either a 10 year recovery with 10% returns or focus only on the actuarial required contributions for 2009-2010)

- Increase contributions based upon a 10% return assumption and a 10 year recovery which would increase contribution by 0%-6% depending on loss. At a 20% loss it would be a 4.1% increase which would cost:
 - \$61 million over 24 months (17 million is general funds)
 - \$46 million over 18 months (12.8 million is general funds)
- Increase contributions based upon the projected actuarial requirements for 2009-2011 biennium assuming a -20% return which would be 3.41% and cost (with increase for judges of .82% and HP of 2.55%):
 - \$51 million over 24 months (14 million is general funds)
 - \$38 million over 18 months (10.6 million is general funds)

Moderately Conservative (take action immediately based upon a 20 year recovery with a contribution increase and assumed investment returns in the 10% range)

- Increase contributions from 0%-1.8% depending on loss. At a 20% it would be .5% and cost:
 - 7.5 million over 24 months (2.1 million is general funds)
 - 5.6 million over 18 months (1.6 million is general funds)

Least conservative (monitor or rely solely on investments for recovery)

- Do nothing at this time and monitor the situation
- Returns would need to average 12.8% over the next 10 years to recover from -26% this year or 10.8% over 20 years
- Returns would need to average 11.8 over the next 10 years to recover from -20% this year or 10.2% over 20 years

PERS Board

- Inform the legislature, propose an amendment to facilitate review on best course of action
- PERS suggestion - To take the conservative option:
 - Increase contribution to the actuarially required level for the next two years – Focus on near term costs only – main (3.41%), judges (.82%), HP (2.55%) and DC (3.41%)
 - This would be a *first step only*
 - Future returns would indicate future actions
 - Increase would be effective January 1, 2010 so political subdivisions could plan
 - Increase would expire in June of 2011, next legislature could review and determine if it should be continued, increased, decreased or discontinued.

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Appropriation – State (excluding Higher Ed)

- Original bill 2%

- Total - \$11,338,948
 - General – \$5,712,962
 - Other - \$5,625,985

- Amendment

- Total - \$21,250,275
 - General - \$10,432,587
 - Other - \$10,816,097