

Michigan Judges' Retirement System

Retiree Health Actuarial Valuation Results as of September 30, 2017

Retiree Health Benefits

Participants Eligible for Employer Subsidized Benefits

- Plan 1 and Plan 2 members, both defined benefit
 (Tier 1) and defined contribution (Tier 2)
- Covered participants pay 2% of compensation while actively employed
- Covered participants receive employer subsidized health benefits after retirement
- Other retired judges may enroll in the health plan,
 but pay the full cost of their coverage



Retiree Health Benefits The Funding Issue

- Unlike pensions, health benefits have not been pre-funded for a long period of time
 - Most plan sponsors nationwide have not pre-funded health benefits either
 - Currently very little investment income to help pay benefits
- Costs rise as more members retire, and health inflation outpaces general inflation
- Pre-funding contribution rates have been calculated since 1999



Full Funding Employer Contribution

- Reported that full funding for JRS starts in fiscal year (FY) 2018
- September 30, 2017 valuation establishes the required employer contribution for FY 2018
- Reflects investment return assumption that was lowered from 8.00% to 7.50%



Governmental Accounting Standards Board

- Beginning with the 2007 CAFR, GASB Statements No. 43 and No. 45 specified how retiree health benefit liabilities and expenses are reported in financial statements
 - One annual valuation report for accounting and funding purposes
- GASB Statement No. 74 became effective for the plan year ending September 30, 2017
 - Results are based upon:
 - the September 30, 2016 actuarial valuation results "rolled-forward" to the September 30, 2017 measurement date
 - the investment return assumption prior to the change (i.e., 8.00%)
 - A separate report was issued December 18, 2017 containing the September 30, 2017 annual valuation for accounting purposes



Retiree Health Valuation Results FY 2017 Income Statement Information

- FY 2017 expenditures for employer paid retiree health care benefits (i.e., excludes retiree paid premiums):
 - **-** \$333,748
- FY 2017 contributions for retiree health care benefits:
 - \$188,819 Employer contributions (includes other governmental contributions)
 - \$116,511 Employee contributions (i.e., 2% of payroll active member contributions for members eligible for state paid subsidies)

Above reported amounts from the JRS 2017 Comprehensive Annual Financial Report.



Actuarially Computed Employer Contribution FY 2018

 Actuarially computed employer contribution for FYE September 30, 2018:

	FY 2018		
Employer Normal Cost	\$	73,502	
Amortization of UAAL ¹		485,798	
Actuarially Computed Employer Contribution	\$	559,300	

¹ Unfunded Actuarial Accrued Liabilities (UAAL) were amortized over 19 years from October 1, 2017.

 Once fully funded, the annual employer contribution requirement decreases to the normal cost



Actuarial Gain/(Loss) – FY 2017

	Gain/(Loss)
1. Premiums. Gains and losses resulting from	
actual premiums in valuation year versus	
that assumed from prior valuation.	\$ 582,025
2. Investment Income. If there is greater	
investment income than assumed, there is a	
gain. If less income, a loss.	(56,951)
3. Demographic and Other. Gains and losses	
resulting from demographic experience,	
data adjustments, timing of financial	
transactions, etc.	(433,562)
4. Composite Gain/(Loss) During Year.	\$ 91,512

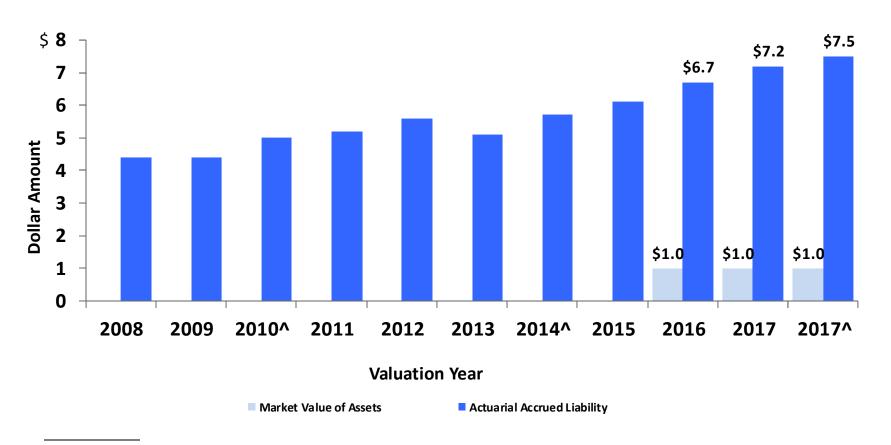


Circumstances That Would Increase Projected Costs

- Medicare funding reductions or cost shifting
- Unexpected new entrants into the retiree health plan (from health benefit cutbacks of other employers)
- Medical inflation worse than assumed; the actual future contributions will depend on future per capita health cost increases (health inflation)*
- Active member population decline (contribution rates as a percentage of payroll would increase)
- Lower than expected investment returns; bigger impact as plan assets grow
- This is not a complete list
 - * Per capita costs are projected to increase 9% the first year, graded down to 3.5% in the tenth and later years.



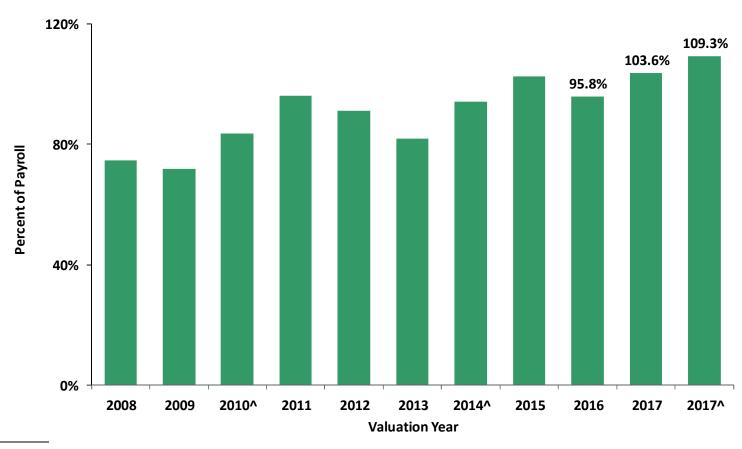
Health Assets & Accrued Liabilities Full Actuarial Funding (Amounts in Millions)



[^] Reflects assumption changes (not including trend assumption)



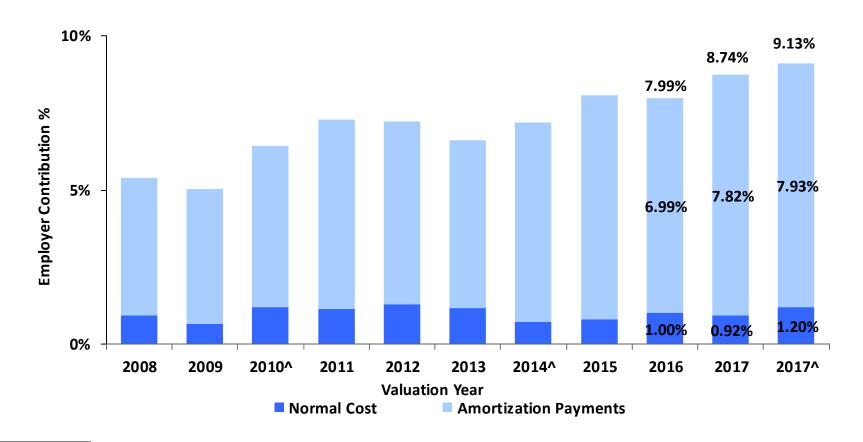
Unfunded Accrued Liabilities as %'s of Payroll – Full Actuarial Funding



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Required Employer Contributions as Percents of Pay* (Full Actuarial Funding)

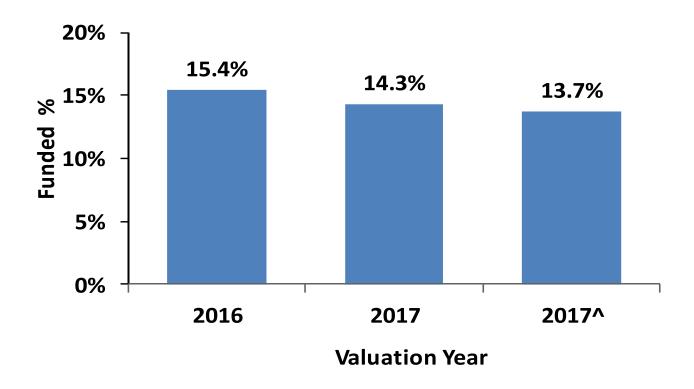


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Projected pay



Funding Percent



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