

City of Fresno Fire & Police Retirement System

Actuarial Experience Study

Analysis of Actuarial Experience During the Period July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2021





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Board of Retirement City of Fresno Fire & Police Retirement System 2828 Fresno Street, Suite 201 Fresno, CA 93721-1327

Re: Review of Actuarial Assumptions for the June 30, 2022 Actuarial Valuation

Dear Members of the Board:

We are pleased to submit this report of our review of the actuarial experience for the City of Fresno Fire & Police Retirement System. This study utilizes the census data for the period July 1, 2018 to June 30, 2021 and provides the proposed actuarial assumptions to be used in the June 30, 2022 valuation.

The review of the economic assumptions for use in the June 30, 2022 valuation is provided in a separate report.

We are members of the American Academy of Actuaries and we meet the Qualification Standards of the American Academy of Actuaries to render the actuarial opinion herein.

We look forward to reviewing this report with you and answering any questions you may have.

Sincerely,

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I. Introduction, Summary, and Recommendations

To project the cost and liabilities of the pension plan, assumptions are made about all future events that could affect the amount and timing of the benefits to be paid and the assets to be accumulated. Each year actual experience is compared against the projected experience, and to the extent there are differences, the future contribution requirement is adjusted.

If assumptions are modified, contribution requirements are adjusted to take into account a change in the projected experience in all future years. There is a great difference in both philosophy and cost impact between recognizing the actuarial deviations as they occur annually and changing the actuarial assumptions. Taking into account one year's gains or losses without making a change in the assumptions means that year's experience is treated as temporary and that, over the long run, experience will return to what was originally assumed. For example, it is impossible to determine how and to what extent the economy and future mortality rates will be affected by the COVID-19 pandemic.¹ Changing assumptions reflects a basic change in thinking about the future, and has a much greater effect on the current contribution requirements than recognizing gains or losses as they occur.

The use of realistic actuarial assumptions is important in maintaining adequate funding, while paying the promised benefit amounts to participants already retired and to those near retirement. The actuarial assumptions used do not determine the "actual cost" of the plan. The actual cost is determined solely by the benefits and administrative expenses paid out, offset by investment income received. However, it is desirable to estimate as closely as possible what the actual cost will be so as to permit an orderly method for setting aside contributions today to provide benefits in the future, and to maintain equity among generations of participants and taxpayers.

This study was undertaken in order to review the demographic actuarial assumptions and to compare the actual experience with that expected under the current assumptions during the three-year experience period from July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2021. The study was performed in accordance with Actuarial Standard of Practice (ASOP) No. 27 "Selection of Economic Assumptions for Measuring Pension Obligations" and ASOP No. 35 "Selection of Demographic and Other Non-Economic Assumptions for Measuring Pension Obligations." These Standards of Practice provide guidance for the selection of the various actuarial assumptions utilized in a pension plan actuarial valuation. Based on the study's results and expected future experience, we are recommending various changes in the current actuarial assumptions.

We are recommending changes in the assumptions for merit and promotion salary increases, retirement from active employment, DROP election, pre-retirement mortality, healthy life post-retirement mortality, disabled life post-retirement mortality, termination (refund and deferred vested retirement), duty disability, election of optional forms of benefit at retirement, and percent married assumption.

¹ An analysis of the ongoing impact of the COVID-19 pandemic is beyond the scope of the current experience study.



Our recommendations for the major actuarial assumption categories are as follows:

| Pg # | Actuarial Assumption Categories | Recommendation | |
|------|---|---|--|
| 8 | Individual Salary Increases: Increases in the salary of a member between the date of the valuation to the date of separation from active service. This assumption has three components: Inflationary salary increases Real "across the board" salary increases Merit and promotion increases | We recommend adjusting the merit and promotion rates of salary increase as developed in Section (III)(B) to reflect past experience. Future merit and promotion salary increases are slightly higher in about half of the service categories under the proposed assumption. The review of the inflationary and real "across-the-board" increase components of the salary increase assumption is provided as part of our review of economic actuarial assumptions for the June 30, 2022 actuarial valuation. The total recommended salary increase assumptions is substantially the same after considering the recommended reduction in the inflation assumption. | |
| 11 | Leave Conversions and Cash-outs: Additional pay elements that are expected to be received on both an ongoing basis and during the member's final average earnings period. | Maintain the current assumptions for the cash-outs as described in Section (III)(C). | |
| 13 | Retirement Rates: The probability of retirement at each age at which participants are eligible to retire. Other Retirement Related Assumptions including: Retirement age for deferred vested members Future reciprocal members and reciprocal salary increases Percent married and spousal age differences for members not yet retired Election of optional forms of benefit at retirement | For Tier 1 Members: Since all non-retired members have already elected to participate in the DROP as of June 30, 2021, we are not recommending any changes to those assumptions used in the June 30, 2021 valuation. For Tier 2 Members: For active members, maintain the current retirement rates as described in Section (III)(D). For deferred vested members, increase the assumed retirement age from 52 to 53. Maintain the percentage of future deferred members expected to work at a reciprocal system at 45%. Maintain the salary increase assumption of 4.00% for those deferred vested reciprocal members who elect to leave their contributions on deposit (based on expected salary increase assumptions for active members, maintain the percent married at retirement assumption at 85% for male members and reduce the assumption at 85% for male members. Change the spouse age difference assumption for male retirees from two years older than their spouses to three years older than their spouses to three years older than their spouses and maintain the spouse age difference that female retirees are two years younger than their spouses. Adjust the percentages of married male and female members and unmarried members assumed to elect the Unmodified Option, Option 2 (A/B), and Option 3 (A/B) at | |



| Pg # | Actuarial Assumption Categories | Recommendation |
|------|---|---|
| 19 | Mortality Rates: The probability of dying at each | For pre-retirement mortality: |
| | age. Mortality rates are used to project life expectancies. | Current and recommended base table: Pub-2010 Safety Employee Amount-Weighted Mortality Table. |
| | | For Healthy retirees: |
| | | Current and recommended base table: Pub-2010 Safety Healthy Retiree Amount-Weighted Mortality Table. |
| | | For Beneficiaries: |
| | | Current base table: Pub-2010 General Healthy Retiree Amount-Weighted Mortality Table with rates increased by 5%. |
| | | Recommended base table for current beneficiaries of surviving members: Pub-2010 General Healthy Retiree Amount-Weighted Mortality Table with rates increased by 5% (unchanged). |
| | | Recommended base table for beneficiaries upon actual death of members (i.e., for all beneficiaries in pay status as of the valuation date): Pub-2010 Contingent Survivor Amount-Weighted Mortality Table with rates increased by 5%. |
| | | When calculating the liability for the continuance to a beneficiary of a surviving member we recommend that the General Healthy Retiree mortality tables (as stated above) be used for beneficiary mortality both before and after the expected death of the member. |
| | | For Disabled Retirees: |
| | | Current and recommended base table: Pub-2010 Safety Disabled Retiree Amount-Weighted Mortality Table. |
| | | All current tables are projected generationally with the two-dimensional mortality improvement scale MP-2018. |
| | | All recommended tables are projected generationally with the two-dimensional mortality improvement scale MP-2021. |
| | | For member contribution rates and optional forms: change the mortality rates to those developed in Section (III)(E). |
| 27 | Termination Rates: The probability of leaving | For Tier 1 Members: |
| | employment at each age and receiving either a refund of member contributions or a deferred vested retirement benefit. | Since all non-retired members have already elected to participate in the DROP as of June 30, 2021, we are not recommending any changes to those assumptions used in the June 30, 2021 valuation. |
| | | For Tier 2 Members: |
| | | Adjust the current termination rates to those developed in Section (III)(G). |
| 31 | Disability Incidence Rates: The probability of | For Tier 1 Members: |
| | becoming disabled at each age due to duty or ordinary disability. | Since all non-retired members have already elected to participate in the DROP as of June 30, 2021, we are not recommending any changes to those assumptions used in the June 30, 2021 valuation. |
| | | For Tier 2 Members: |
| | | Adjust the current duty disability rates to those developed in Section (III)(H) and maintain the ordinary disability rates. The recommended assumptions will anticipate slightly less duty retirements for younger members and slightly more duty disability retirements for older members. |



| Pg # | Actuarial Assumption Categories | Recommendation |
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| 35 | DROP Assumptions: The probability of electing to enter DROP at each age at which participants are eligible and the duration of DROP participation. | For Tier 1 Members: Since all non-retired members have already elected to participate in the DROP as of June 30, 2021, we are not recommending any changes to those assumptions used in the June 30, 2021 valuation. For Tier 2 Members: Adjust the current DROP election rates to those developed in Section (III)(I). Maintain the current assumption that members remain in DROP of 7 years. |



We have estimated the impact of all the recommended demographic and economic assumptions and the alternative investment return assumption as if they were applied to the June 30, 2021 actuarial valuation. The tables below show the changes in the employer normal cost rates due to the proposed assumption changes separately for the recommended demographic assumption changes (as recommended in Section III of this report) and the recommended and alternative economic assumption changes (as recommended in the separate report).

Cost Impact

(Without Considering Any Impact on Surplus Distribution) Based on June 30, 2021 Actuarial Valuation

| | Recommended (6.75% Return and Other Recommended Assumptions) | Alternative (6.50% Return and Other Recommended Assumptions) |
|---|---|---|
| Impact on Employer (T | ier 1) Normal Cost ¹ | |
| Change due to demographic assumptions | 0.04% | 0.04% |
| Change due to economic assumptions | <u>0.73%</u> | <u>2.76%</u> |
| Total increase in average employer normal cost rate | 0.77% | 2.80% |
| Total estimated increase in annual dollar normal cost amount (\$000s) | \$21 | \$76 |
| Impact on Employer (T | ier 2) Normal Cost ² | |
| Change due to demographic assumptions | -0.63% | -0.63% |
| Change due to economic assumptions | <u>0.82%</u> | <u>2.83%</u> |
| Total increase in average employer normal cost rate | 0.19% | 2.20% |
| Total estimated increase in annual dollar normal cost amount (\$000s) | \$218 | \$2,579 |
| Impact on UAAL and F | Funded Percentage | |
| | | |
| Increase/(Decrease) in UAAL | \$(2.2) million ^{3,4} | \$42.6 million⁵ |

Section II provides some background on the basic principles and methodology used for the experience study and for the review of the economic and demographic actuarial assumptions. A detailed discussion of each assumption and reasons for the proposed changes are found in the separate report for the economic assumptions and Section III for the demographic assumptions. The cost impact of the proposed changes is detailed in Section IV.

¹ There is no change in the Tier 1 member contributions paid to the System because all members are now in DROP and any change in contributions will only be paid to the members' DROP accounts.



² There is no change in the Tier 2 member contributions because they pay a fixed rate.

³ Although there is a decrease in liabilities for non-actives, there is an increase in liabilities for actives (both for those in DROP and not in DROP).

⁴ If the Retirement System were not overfunded, this change in the UAAL would decrease the employer's UAAL rate by 0.11% of payroll. This is based on using an amortization period of 25 years for assumption changes in accordance with the System's amortization policy.

⁵ If the Retirement System were not overfunded, this change in the UAAL would increase the employer's UAAL rate by 2.52% of payroll. This is based on using an amortization period of 25 years for assumption changes in accordance with the System's amortization policy.

II. Background and Methodology

In this report, we analyzed the demographic ("non-economic") assumptions. Our analysis of the "economic" assumptions for the June 30, 2022 valuation is provided in a separate report. Demographic assumptions include the probabilities of certain events occurring in the population of members, referred to as "decrements," e.g., termination from service, disability retirement, service retirement, DROP election, and death before and after retirement. In addition to decrements, other demographic assumptions reviewed in this study include the percentage of members with an eligible spouse, domestic partner or beneficiary, spousal age difference, merit and promotion salary increases, election of optional forms of benefit at retirement, and assumptions to anticipate leave conversions and cash-outs.

Demographic Assumptions

In order to determine the probability of an event occurring, we examine the "decrements" and "exposures" of that event. For example, taking termination from service, we compare the number of employees who actually terminate in a certain age and/or service category (i.e., the number of "decrements") with those who could have terminated (i.e., the number of "exposures"). For example, if there were 500 active employees in the 20-24 age group at the beginning of the year and 50 of them left during the year, we would say the probability of termination in that age group is 50 ÷ 500 or 10%.

The reliability of the resulting probability is highly dependent on both the number of decrements and the number of exposures. For example, if there are only a few people in a high age category at the beginning of the year (number of exposures), we would not lend as much credibility to the probability of termination developed for that age category, especially if it is out of line with the pattern shown for the other age groups. Similarly, if we are considering the death decrement, there may be a large number of exposures in, say, the age 20-24 category, but very few decrements (actual deaths); therefore, we would not be able to rely heavily on the probability developed for that category.

One reason we use several years of experience for such a study is to have more exposures and decrements, and therefore more statistical reliability. Another reason for using several years of data is to smooth out fluctuations that may occur from one year to the next. However, we also calculate the rates on a year-to-year basis to check for any trend that may be developing in the later years.



III. Actuarial Assumptions

A. Economic Assumptions

The economic assumptions are reviewed in a separate reported titled "Review of Economic Actuarial Assumptions for the June 30, 2022 Actuarial Valuation."

B. Merit and Promotion Salary Increases

The System's retirement benefits are determined in large part by a member's compensation just prior to retirement or election to participate in the DROP. For that reason, it is important to anticipate salary increases that employees will receive over their careers. These salary increases are made up of three components:

- 1. Inflationary increases;
- 2. Real "across the board" Pay Increases; and

3. Merit and Promotion Increases.

The inflationary increases are assumed to follow the recommended general annual inflation assumption of 2.50% discussed in our separate economic assumptions report. We also discussed in that report our recommended assumption of an annual 0.50% "across the board" pay increase. Therefore, the total annual inflation and real "across the board" pay increases of 3.00% is used as the assumed annual rate of payroll growth at which payments to the UAAL or Prefunded Actuarial Accrued Liability are assumed to increase.

The annual merit and promotion increases are determined by measuring the actual increases received by members over the experience period, net of the inflationary and real "across the board" pay increases. Increases are measured for all current active non-DROP and DROP members. This is accomplished by:

- a. Measuring each continuing member's actual salary increase over each year of the experience period on a salary-weighted basis, with higher weights assigned to experience from members with larger salaries;
- b. Excluding any members with increases of more than 50% or decreases of more than 10% during any particular year;
- c. Categorizing these increases according to member demographics;
- d. Removing the wage inflation component from these increases (assumed to be equal to the increase in the members' average salary during the year);
- e. Averaging these annual increases over the experience period; and
- f. Modifying current assumptions to reflect some portion of these measured increases reflective of their "credibility."

To be consistent with the other economic assumptions, these merit and promotion assumptions should be used in combination with the recommended 3.00% assumed inflation and real "across the board" pay increases.



Due to the high variability of the actual salary increases, we have analyzed this assumption using data for the past nine years. We believe that when the experience from the current and prior studies is combined, it provides a more reasonable representation of potential future merit and promotion salary increases over the long term.

The following table shows the actual average merit and promotion increases by years of service over the three-year period from July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2021 along with the actual average increases based on combining the current three-year period with the six-year period from the prior two experience studies (recalculated for all active non-DROP and DROP members on a salary-weighted basis). The current and proposed assumptions are also shown. The actual increases for the most recent nine-year period were reduced by the actual average inflation plus "across the board" increase (i.e., wage inflation, estimated as the increase in average salaries) for each year during the nine-year experience period.

| | Rate (%) | | | | |
|---------------------|------------------------|---|---|---|------------------------|
| Years of Service | Current Assumptions | 2018-2021 Actual Average Increase (Last 3 Years) | 2015-2021 Actual Average Increase (Last 6 Years) | 2012-2021 Actual Average Increase (Last 9 Years) | Proposed Assumption |
| Less than 1 | 9.50 | 10.00 | 10.53 | 10.56 | 10.00 |
| 1 – 2 | 9.50 | 10.43 | 11.06 | 11.09 | 10.00 |
| 2-3 | 5.00 | 4.96 | 5.00 | 5.00 | 5.00 |
| 3-4 | 4.00 | 4.40 | 4.21 | 4.14 | 4.00 |
| 4 – 5 | 4.00 | 3.83 | 3.89 | 4.02 | 4.00 |
| 5 – 6 | 3.50 | 3.25 | 3.97 | 4.51 | 4.00 |
| 6 – 7 | 1.25 | 2.63 | 4.63 | 2.36 | 1.75 |
| 7 – 8 | 1.00 | 1.93 | 3.40 | 1.20 | 1.25 |
| 8 – 9 | 1.00 | 0.25 | 2.92 | 1.49 | 1.25 |
| 9 – 10 | 1.00 | -0.33 | 2.71 | 1.78 | 1.25 |
| 10 & Over | 0.75 | 0.34 | 1.39 | 1.11 | 1.00 |

Chart 1 provides a graphical comparison of the actual merit and promotion increases, compared to the proposed and current assumptions. The chart also shows the actual merit and promotion increases based on averages over the current three-year period as well as over a nine-year period, including the previous two three-year experience periods. This is discussed below.

The System has had a mix of salary gains and losses during the past nine valuations, meaning that salaries have increased both less and more than assumed, respectively, in various years. Consistent with prior practice, we examined the merit and promotion increases from the most recent three-year experience period together with the experience from the prior two experience studies for a combined total of nine-year experience. We believe that the combined experience provides a more reasonable representation of potential future merit and promotion salary increases over the long term.



In proposing changes, we considered whether experience has been consistently one-sided, i.e. trending toward losses or gains, for particular service bands. For example, for members with less than 1 year of service, our assumption of 9.50% has been consistently bellow experience, whether we look at the 3-year, 6-year, or 9-year average. Generally, if experience has been consistently and significantly different than our assumption, we recommend a change. Conversely, if we see experience both above and below our assumption, we are likely to preserve the current assumption.

Another consideration is that as we have continued to lower the inflation assumption in the last three experience studies, we believe adopting a more conservative set of merit and promotion salary increase assumptions would be warranted.

Based on this experience, we are recommending slight increases in the merit and promotion salary increases at the lower service years and at the higher service years. The overall salary increase assumption will substantially be the same after taking into account the lower inflation component of the salary increase assumption.



Chart 1: Merit and Promotion Salary Increase Rates

C. Leave Conversions and Cash-outs

Besides the salaries that are routinely reported by the Retirement System for the annual actuarial valuation, there are several additional pay elements that are included as compensation earnable for pension purposes. These additional pay elements fall into two categories:

- 1. Ongoing Pay Elements Those that are expected to be received relatively uniformly over a member's employment years; and
- 2. Cash-out Elements Those that are expected to be received only during the member's final average earnings pay period.

Ongoing Pay Elements

For Police members, Ongoing Holiday Leave Cash-out is recognized in the actuarial calculations by virtue of all accruals being included in the salary that is reported for active Police members for the annual valuation. However, for Fire members, an assumption is currently applied to approximate the Ongoing Holiday Leave Cash-out as that salary is only included in the salary that is reported for active Fire members for the annual valuation at the time of the cash-out. Since not all accruals are cashed-out on an annual basis, we continue to recommend that an assumption be applied to anticipate the maximum cash-out that is allowed. As the maximum Ongoing Holiday Leave that can be cashed-out on an annual basis is 312 hours for Tier 2 management, we recommend maintaining the current assumption of 3.6%². As the maximum for Tier 2 non-management is 156 hours, we recommend maintaining the current assumption of 1.8%. Note that all non-retired Tier 1 members have already elected to participate in the DROP as of June 30, 2021, so we are not recommending an assumption for these members.

Cash-out Elements

In order to anticipate these cash-outs, in this study we have collected data for members who retired or enrolled in the DROP during the last three years. The cash-outs for these members, expressed as a percentage of final average pay, are summarized in the following table:

² 3.6% is equal to 312/(56*52*3) where 56 is the number of hours worked per week based on a full-time schedule, 52 is the number of weeks in a year and 3 is the number of years included in the final averaging period.



| Cash-out Type | Current Rate | Observed Rate | Proposed Rate |
|---|--------------------------------------|---------------|--------------------------------------|
| A. Average Leave Time Cash-out ³ | | | |
| <u>Tier 1</u> ⁴ | | | |
| 1) Management employees | 1.00% | N/A | N/A |
| 2) Non-Management employees ⁵ | 0.25% | N/A | N/A |
| <u>Tier 2</u> | | | |
| 1) Management employees | 0.00% | N/A | 0.00% |
| 2) Non-Management employees | 0.00% | N/A | 0.00% |
| | | | |
| B. Sick Leave | 6.00% | 5.5% | 6.00% |
| | | | |
| C. Additional Holiday Leave | | | |
| 1) Tier 2 Police management | Actual bank or 1.50% ⁶ | 4.7% | Actual bank or 1.50% ⁶ |
| 2) Tier 2 Police non-management | Actual bank or 1.50% ⁶ | 5.2% | Actual bank or 1.50% ⁶ |

We recommend maintaining the Leave time Cash-out assumption, the Sick Leave assumption, and the Additional Holiday Leave assumption for Tier 2 members. Note that all non-retired Tier 1 members have already elected to participate in the DROP as of June 30, 2021, so we are not recommending an assumption for these members.

Based on prior discussions with the System, it is our understanding that any additional hours resulting from the Absence with Substitution (AWS) program for Tier 2 Police members (which allows a member to work additional hours for another member in the years immediately preceding retirement, thereby increasing their final salary) will be treated the same as holiday leave, i.e. accrue to the holiday leave balance (and therefore is included directly in our assumption for additional holiday leave) or be cashed out and included in pensionable compensation reported to us in the annual valuation (and therefore is included indirectly in our analysis of annual salary increases). Accordingly, we are not recommending an explicit assumption for the AWS program at this time. We will continue to monitor this experience and may recommend an explicit assumption in a future study.



³ Based on prior discussions with the System, it is our understanding that the Leave Time Cash-out is not available for Tier 2 members.

⁴ All non-retired members have already elected to participate in the DROP as of June 30, 2021

⁵ In the past, we recommended a 0.25% assumption based on the data as of the last experience that showed that 15% of all employees retired as management employees and those management employees had an average salary that was about 1.5 times greater than non-management employees (i.e., 1.00%*15%*1.5=0.225% which we have rounded to 0.25%).

⁶ For employees that have over 96 hours as reported in the data for the annual actuarial valuation, we will use the actual hours in the employee's holiday balance. For employees that have less than 96 hours, we will assume that they will accrue 96 hours by the time they enter DROP or retire. Therefore we recommend a 1.50% assumption which is approximately equal to 96/(40*52*3) where 40 is the number of hours worked per week based on a full-time schedule, 52 is the number of weeks in a year and 3 is the number of years included in the final averaging period.

D. Retirement Rates

For Tier 1 Members

Since all non-retired members have already elected to participate in the DROP as of June 30, 2021, we are not recommending any changes to those assumptions used in the June 30, 2021 valuation.

For Tier 2 Members

The age at which a member retires from service (i.e., does not retire on a disability pension) will affect both the amount of the benefits that will be paid to that member as well as the period over which funding must take place.

Currently, the assumed retirement rates are a function of only member's age. Our experience review analyzed recent years' retirement experience both as a function of age and years of service in relation to the probability of retirement. Our review concludes that the retirement rates correlate with age but less so with years of service. Therefore, we recommend that retirement rates continue to be structured as a function age only.

The table on the following page shows the observed service retirement rates based on the actual experience over the past three years. The observed service retirement rates were determined by comparing those members who actually retired from service to those eligible to retire from service, with "N/A" denoting no eligible active members. This same methodology is followed throughout this report and was described in Section II. Also shown are the current rates assumed and the rates we propose.

Please note that the actual retirement experience was only a reflection of those members who never elected to participate in the DROP. Based on the data collected, only fifteen Tier 2 members have retired during the past three years who never elected the DROP. We are recommending no changes to the Tier 2 rates.

As most Tier 2 members are expected to elect DROP, the application of the service retirement rates are not expected to have a material impact in projecting the cost for the plan.



| | Tier 2 – Rate of Retirement (%) | | | | |
|-------------|---------------------------------|-------------|---------------|--|--|
| Age | Current Rate | Actual Rate | Proposed Rate | | |
| 50 | 4.00 | 5.65 | 4.00 | | |
| 51 | 2.00 | 0.00 | 2.00 | | |
| 52 | 2.00 | 6.25 | 2.00 | | |
| 53 | 3.00 | 0.00 | 3.00 | | |
| 54 | 3.00 | 1.56 | 3.00 | | |
| 55 | 10.00 | 4.88 | 10.00 | | |
| 56 | 10.00 | 11.11 | 10.00 | | |
| 57 | 5.00 | 16.67 | 5.00 | | |
| 58 | 5.00 | 25.00 | 5.00 | | |
| 59 | 5.00 | 0.00 | 5.00 | | |
| 60 | 30.00 | 0.00 | 30.00 | | |
| 61 | 30.00 | 0.00 | 30.00 | | |
| 62 | 30.00 | 0.00 | 30.00 | | |
| 63 | 50.00 | N/A | 50.00 | | |
| 64 | 50.00 | 100.00 | 50.00 | | |
| 65 and over | 100.00 | N/A | 100.00 | | |

As shown above, we are recommending no changes to the retirement rates at this time.

Chart 2 on the following page compares actual experience with the current and proposed rates of retirement for Tier 2.



Chart 2: Retirement Rates – Tier 2



Deferred Vested Members

In the prior experience study, deferred vested Tier 2 members were assumed to retire at age 52. Over the last three years, eleven Tier 2 members retired from deferred vested status with an average age of 53.9. In the last study, there were four Tier 2 members who retired from deferred vested status with an average age of 51.7.

We recommend increasing the assumed retirement to age 53 for deferred vested Tier 2 members.

Reciprocity

Over the last three years, 44.2% of all deferred vested members went on to be covered by a reciprocal retirement system.

We recommend maintaining the assumption that 45% of all future deferred vested members will continue to work for a reciprocal employer.

The annual salary increase assumption is based on the ultimate merit and promotion salary increase assumptions together with the 2.50% inflation and 0.50% real "across the board" salary increase assumptions that are recommended in a separate report. This assumption is utilized to anticipate salary increases from termination from the System to the expected date of retirement.



We recommend maintaining the annual reciprocal salary increase assumption for current and future deferred vested members of 4.00% (i.e., 2.50% inflation plus 0.50% "across the board" plus 1.00% merit and promotion for members with ten or more years of service).

Survivor Continuance and Optional Forms of Benefit

In prior valuations, it was assumed that 85% of all active and inactive male members and 80% of all active and inactive (non-retired) female members would be married or have an eligible domestic partner or beneficiary when they retired. We reviewed experience for members who retired or entered DROP during the three-year period and determined the actual percentage of these new retirees that had an eligible spouse or eligible domestic partner or beneficiary at the time of retirement. The results of that analysis are shown below.

| | New Retirees – Actual Percent with Eligible Spouse or Domestic Partner or Beneficiary and Selected Option with Continuance | | | |
|------------------------|--|------|--|--|
| Year Ending June 30 | Male Female | | | |
| 2019 | 90% | 33% | | |
| 2020 | 89% | 50% | | |
| 2021 | 91% | 100% | | |
| Total | 90% | 60% | | |

According to experience of members who retired during the last three years, about 90% of all male members and 60% of all female members who selected the unmodified option were married or had a domestic partner at retirement. We recommend maintaining the eligible survivor assumption for male members at 85% and reducing the assumption for female members to 75%.

Pursuant to Sections 3-341 and 3-417 of the Municipal Code, a member may elect to receive an optional form of benefit at retirement that is the actuarial equivalent of his or her unmodified retirement allowance in the form of a lesser retirement allowance payable throughout life, with one of the six options stipulated in the Code. It has been the System's longstanding practice to use only the current investment return and mortality assumptions, and without considering the value of the future COLA benefits as stipulated in the Code, in determining the actuarially equivalent optional forms of benefit.

The code section requirement of excluding the COLA assumption in calculating benefit amounts under optional forms of payment results in higher benefit amounts payable under Options 2A, 2B, 3A and 3B⁷ as compared to the benefit amount that would result if the COLA assumption were included. This is because the value of the future COLAs expected to be paid over both the lives of the member and the beneficiary are proportionately greater than the value of the future COLAs expected to be paid over just the member's life. Since members (and their survivors)



⁷ Option 2A and Option 3A provide 100% and 66 2/3% continuance, respectively, of the member's modified allowance, payable to the designated beneficiary upon the member's death. Option 2B and Option 3B provide 100% and 83 1/3% continuance, respectively, of the member's modified allowance, payable to the spouse/domestic partner upon the member's death.

actually do receive COLAs, this Code requirement results in a slight subsidy to members whenever they elect those options.

As we pointed out in setting the contribution rates starting in the June 30, 2018 valuation, the Code requirement of excluding the COLA assumption in the optional forms of benefit calculations means that there would be a small actuarial loss when a member retires and elects one of the options mentioned and starts collecting COLA benefits. Since it would be preferable to avoid known actuarial losses by anticipating such elections, in the June 30, 2018 valuation we introduced an assumption to anticipate election of the different optional forms of benefit at retirement.

The following tables show the observed percentages of election of optional forms of benefit for male and female members with survivors over the last three years. Also shown are the current percentages assumed and the percentages we propose.

| | Male Members with Survivor Election of Optional Forms of Benefit At Retirement | | | |
|----------------|---|-------|-----|--|
| Optional Form: | CurrentActual SystemProposedAssumptionExperienceAssumption | | | |
| Unmodified | 35% | 23.9% | 30% | |
| Option 2 (A/B) | 50% | 57.9% | 55% | |
| Option 3 (A/B) | 15% | 18.2% | 15% | |

| | Female Members with Survivor Election of Optional Forms of Benefit At Retirement | | | |
|----------------|---|-------|-----|--|
| Optional Form: | CurrentActual SystemProposedAssumptionExperienceAssumption | | | |
| Unmodified | 45% | 50.0% | 45% | |
| Option 2 (A/B) | 40% | 16.7% | 25% | |
| Option 3 (A/B) | 15% | 33.3% | 30% | |

We recommend changing the percentages of married male members assumed to elect the Unmodified Option and Option 2 (A/B) while maintaining the percentage assumed to elect Option 3 (A/B) at retirement or DROP entry. For married female members, we recommend changing the percentages assumed to elect Option 2 (A/B) and Option 3 (A/B) while maintaining the percentage assumed to elect the Unmodified Option at retirement or DROP entry.

For non-married members, it is assumed that they will elect the unmodified option. We recommended no change to this assumption based on 100% of unmarried members electing the unmodified option over the last three years.

Since the present value of the survivor's benefit is dependent on the survivor's age and sex, we must also have assumptions for the age and sex of the survivor. Based on the experience for members who retired during the current three-year period (results shown in the table below) and studies done for other retirement systems, **we recommend the following:**



- 1. Since more than 90% of the survivors are actually the opposite sex, even with the inclusion of domestic partners, and other eligible beneficiaries, we will continue to assume that for all active and inactive members, the survivor's sex is the opposite of the member.
- 2. The current and proposed assumption for the age of the survivor for all active and inactive members are shown below. These assumptions will continue to be monitored in future experience studies.

| | Survivor's Age as Compared to Member's Age | | | |
|------------|--|-------------------|------------------------|--|
| Member Sex | CurrentActual SystemAssumptionExperience | | Proposed Assumption | |
| Male | 2 years older | 2.7 years older | 3 years older | |
| Female | 2 years younger | 4.3 years younger | 2 years younger | |

We recommend increasing the spouse age difference assumptions for male members and maintaining the assumption for female members, and maintaining the assumption that the spouse is the opposite sex of the member.



E. Mortality Rates - Healthy

The "healthy" mortality rates project the life expectancy of a member who retires from service (i.e., who did not retire on a disability pension). Also, the "healthy" pre-retirement mortality rates project what proportion of members will die before retirement. The table currently being used for post-service retirement mortality rates is the Pub-2010 Safety Healthy Retiree Amount-Weighted Mortality Table (separate tables for males and females), projected generationally with the two-dimensional mortality improvement scale MP-2018. Beneficiaries are assumed to have the same mortality as healthy retirees and beneficiaries who are covered under the Employees System.

The Pub-2010 mortality tables are based exclusively on public sector pension plan experience in the United States. Within the Pub-2010 family of mortality tables, there are separate tables by job categories of General, Safety and Teachers. Included with the mortality tables is the analysis prepared by Retirement Plan Experience Committee (RPEC) that continues to observe that benefit amount for healthy retirees and salary for employees are the most significant predictors of mortality differences within the job categories. Therefore, Pub-2010 includes mortality rates developed for annuitants on a "benefit" weighted basis, with greater weight given to experience from annuitants receiving larger benefits to reflect that retirees with larger benefits generally live longer than those with lower benefits.

As the Pub-2010 study shows that benefit (or salary for employees) is a significant predictor of mortality difference, the Pub-2010 family of mortality tables also includes mortality rates based on population with above-median benefit amount (or salary for employees), below-median benefit amount (or salary for employees) and total population within each job category. The median benefit amounts used to determine the above-median and below-median mortality rates as shown in the Pub-2010 report for Safety members are as follows:

| | Median Amounts (\$) by Gender, Job Category, and Status | | | | |
|-----------------|---|----------|-----------|----------|--|
| | Males | | | Females | |
| Job Category | Employees | Retirees | Employees | Retirees | |
| Safety - Median | 72,200 | 36,900 | 61,800 | 29,200 | |

Note: Values shown as of 2010.

After adjusting the above amounts by a measure of U.S. price inflation from 2010 to 2021 for a total increase of about 38%, a substantial portion of the benefit amounts (or salaries) paid to the System's members were both above and below those adjusted median amounts. In other words, the benefit amounts (or salaries) paid to the System's members were not disproportionately above or below the median. Therefore, we recommend that the total population version of the mortality tables for each job category be used.

We continue to recommend that the mortality improvement scale be applied generationally where each future year has its own mortality table that reflects the forecasted improvements, using the published improvement scales. The "generational" approach is now the established practice within the actuarial profession.

A generational mortality table provides dynamic projections of mortality experience for each cohort of retirees. For example, the mortality rate for someone who is 65 next year will be



slightly less than for someone who is 65 this year. In general, using generational mortality anticipates increases in the cost of the Plan over time as participants' life expectancies are projected to increase.

We understand that RPEC intends to publish annual updates to their mortality improvement scales. Improvement scale MP-2021 is the latest improvement scale available. We recommend that the Board continue to use the Amount-Weighted Pub-2010 mortality table (adjusted for the System's experience), and project the mortality improvement generationally using the MP-2021 mortality improvement scale.

In order to reflect more actual System experience in our analysis, we have used experience for a twelve-year period by using data from the current (from July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2021 and the last three (from July 1, 2015 through June 30, 2018; from July 1, 2012 through June 30, 2015; and from July 1, 2009 through June 30, 2012) experience study periods in order to analyze this assumption.

Even with the use of twelve years of experience, based on standard statistical theory the data is only partially credible especially under the recommended amount-weighted basis when dispersion of retirees' benefit amounts is taken into account. In 2008 the SOA published an article recommending that mortality assumptions include an adjustment for credibility. Under this approach, the number of deaths needed for full credibility for a headcount-weighted mortality table is just over 1,000, where full credibility means a 90% confidence that the actual experience will be within 5% of the expected value. Therefore, in our recommended assumptions, we have only partially adjusted the Pub-2010 mortality tables to the System's experience. In future experience studies, more data will be available which may further increase the credibility of the System's experience.

Pre-Retirement Mortality

The table currently being used for pre-retirement mortality rates is the Pub-2010 Safety Employee Amount-Weighted Mortality Table (separate tables for males and females), projected generationally with the two-dimensional mortality improvement scale MP-2018. We have observed that there have only been a total of three pre-retirement deaths in the System in the most recent three years, and therefore there is not enough data to perform a credible analysis.

We recommend maintaining the current table, i.e. the Pub-2010 Safety Employee Amount-Weighted Mortality Table (separate tables for males and females), while updating the two-dimensional mortality improvement scale from MP-2018 to MP-2021.

Post-Retirement Mortality (Service Retirements)

Among all retired members, the actual deaths weighted by benefit amounts under the current assumptions for the last twelve years are shown in the table below. We also show the deaths weighted by benefit amount under the proposed assumptions. We continue to recommend the use of a generational mortality table, which incorporates a more explicit assumption for future mortality improvement. Accordingly, the goal is to start with a mortality table that closely matches the current experience (without a margin for future mortality improvement), and then reflect mortality improvement by projecting lower mortality rates in future years.



The proposed mortality table also reflects current experience to the extent that the experience is credible based on standard statistical theory. For the System, the volume of member data makes it only partially credible.

That is why, as shown in the table below, the proposed mortality table (which includes an adjustment to the base table to reflect current experience) has an actual to expected ratio of 94% rather than 100%. In future years, we would expect the actual to expected ratio to be around 100% as long as actual mortality improves at the same rates as anticipated by the generational mortality tables.

The number of actual deaths compared to the number expected under the current and proposed assumptions weighted by benefit amounts for the last twelve years are as follows:

| | Healthy Retirees (\$ in thousands) | | | |
|--------------------|---|---------------------------|---|--|
| Gender | Current Expected Weighted Deaths ⁸ | Actual Weighted Deaths | Proposed Expected Weighted Deaths | |
| Male | \$672.7 | \$632.9 | \$674.4 | |
| Female | 7.8 | 8.8 | 7.7 | |
| Total ⁹ | \$680.4 | \$641.7 | \$682.1 | |
| Actual / Expected | 94% | | 94% | |

We recommend maintaining the current table using the Pub-2010 Safety Healthy Retiree Amount-Weighted Mortality Table (separate tables for males and females), while updating the two-dimensional generational mortality improvement scale from MP-2018 to MP-2021. The recommended mortality table has an actual to expected ratio of 94%.

Chart 3 compares actual to expected deaths on a benefit-weighted basis under the current and proposed assumptions over the past twelve years.

Chart 4 shows the life expectancies (i.e., expected future lifetime) under the current and the proposed tables on a benefit-weighted basis. Life expectancies under the proposed generational mortality rates are based on age as of 2022. In practice, assumed life expectancies will increase as a result of the mortality improvement scale.

Beneficiaries Mortality

In our prior experience study, we recommended the mortality tables for the Fire and Police System's beneficiaries be set equal to the same Pub-2010 General Healthy Retiree Amount-Weighted Mortality Tables used for the Employees System's healthy retirees and beneficiaries. The Pub-2010 General Healthy Retiree Table has been developed based on mortality rates for beneficiaries <u>before</u> the death of the retirees. According to analysis provided by RPEC, the mortality rates for the beneficiaries could be somewhat understated <u>after</u> the death of the retirees if we continue to use the Pub-2010 General Healthy Retiree Table instead of the Pub-2010 Contingent Survivor Table. Accordingly, we are recommending that the Pub-2010 Contingent Survivor Table be used for beneficiaries after the death of the retirees. The Pub-

⁸ Expected amounts under the proposed generational mortality table are based on mortality rates from the base year projected with mortality improvements to the experience study period.

⁹ Results may not add due to rounding.



2010 Contingent Survivors Table is developed based only on contingent survivor data after the death of the retirees. However, there is much less data available to study deaths for beneficiaries.

That is why, as shown in the table below, the proposed mortality table (which includes an adjustment to the base table to reflect current experience) has an actual to expected ratio of 111% rather than 100%. In future years, we would expect the actual to expected ratio to be around 100% as long as actual mortality improves at the same rates as anticipated by the generational mortality tables.

The number of actual deaths compared to the number expected under the current and proposed assumptions weighted by benefit amounts for the last twelve years are as follows:

| | Beneficiaries (\$ in thousands) | | |
|-------------------|---|---------------------------|--|
| Gender | Current Expected Weighted Deaths ¹⁰ | Actual Weighted Deaths | Proposed Expected Weighted Deaths |
| Male | \$0.8 | \$0.0 | \$1.0 |
| Female | 275.5 | 336.2 | 300.8 |
| Total | \$276.3 | \$336.2 | \$301.9 |
| Actual / Expected | 122% | | 111% ¹¹ |

For all beneficiaries, we recommend changing the mortality assumption to follow the Pub-2010 Contingent Survivor Amount-Weighted Mortality Table (separate tables for males and females) with rates increased by 5%, projected generationally with the twodimensional mortality improvement scale MP-2021. The recommended mortality table has an actual to expected ratio of 110%.

As stated above, the Contingent Survivor mortality tables are developed based on contingent survivor data only after the death of the retirees (i.e., it does not reflect any contingent survivor data before the death of the retirees). If we use the Contingent Survivor mortality table for the beneficiary before the death of the retiree, the mortality rates may be overstated as the Contingent Survivor mortality tends to be higher than retiree mortality. Therefore, for the purposes of the actuarial valuations (for funding and financial reporting), when calculating the liability for the continuance to a beneficiary of a surviving member, we recommend that the General Healthy Retiree mortality tables be used for beneficiary mortality both before and after the expected death of the retiree. Upon the actual death of the member (i.e., for all beneficiaries in pay status as of the valuation date), we recommend for the purposes of the actuarial valuations that we use the Contingent Survivor mortality tables as stated above. We note that the use of different mortality tables (before and after the death of the member) has been found by the RPEC to be reasonable.



¹⁰ Expected amounts under the proposed generational mortality table are based on mortality rates from the base year projected with mortality improvements to the experience study period.

¹¹ If we use the benchmark Pub-2010 Contingent Survivor table without any adjustment, the proposed actual to expected ratio would be 117%.

Mortality Table for Tier 1 Member Contributions and Optional Forms of Payment

There are administrative reasons why a generational mortality table is more difficult to implement for determining member contributions, optional forms of payment. For determining member contributions, one emerging practice is to approximate the use of a generational mortality table by the use of a static table with projection of the mortality improvement from the measurement year over a period that is close to the duration of the benefit payments for active members. Similarly, for optional forms of payment, a generational mortality table could be approximated by static projection over a period that is close to the duration of the benefit payments for active determining member contributions and optional forms of payment.

We recommend that the mortality tables used for determining Tier 1 contributions be updated to a blended table based on the Pub-2010 Safety Healthy Retiree Amount-Weighted Mortality Table (separate tables for males and females) projected 30 years (from 2010) with the two-dimensional mortality improvement scale MP-2021, weighted 90% male and 10% female for the member, and to a blended table based on the Pub-2010 General Healthy Retiree Amount-Weighted Mortality Table (separate tables for males and females) with rates increased by 5%, projected 30 years (from 2010) with the twodimensional mortality improvement scale MP-2021, weighted 10% male and 90% female for the beneficiary.

For optional forms of payment, there are some administrative issues that we may need to resolve with the System and its vendor maintaining the pension administration software before we would recommend a comparable generational scale to anticipate future mortality improvement. We will provide a recommendation to the System for use in reflecting mortality improvement for determining optional forms of payment after we have those discussions with the System and its vendor.

For optional forms of payment and reserves, we would apply a similar methodology for the members' mortality tables. Furthermore, as there are complications associated with using different mortality tables for the beneficiaries before and after the death of the retiree, we recommend that the General Health Retiree mortality tables be used for the beneficiaries in determining optional forms of payment and reserves for retirees.







Chart 4: Benefit-Weighted Life Expectancies Non-Disabled Members





F. Mortality Rates - Disabled

Since mortality rates for disabled members can vary from those of healthy members, a different mortality assumption is often used. The table currently being used is the Pub-2010 Safety Disabled Retiree Amount-Weighted Mortality Table (separate tables for males and females), projected generationally with the two-dimensional mortality improvement scale MP-2018.

Similar to mortality rates for service retirees, the proposed mortality table reflects current experience to the extent that the experience is credible based on standard statistical theory. As with healthy service retirees, the volume of member data for disabled retirees makes it only partially credible.

That is why, as shown in the table below, the proposed mortality table (which includes an adjustment to the base table to reflect current experience) has an actual to expected ratio of 107% rather than 100%. In future years, we would expect the actual to expected ratio to be around 100% as long as actual mortality improves at the same rates as anticipated by the generational mortality tables.

| | Disabled Retirees (\$ in thousands) | | | |
|---------------------|--|---------------------------|---|--|
| Gender | Current Expected Weighted Deaths ¹² | Actual Weighted Deaths | Proposed Expected Weighted Deaths | |
| Male | \$289.9 | \$320.3 | \$289.9 | |
| Female | 9.8 | 0.0 | 9.8 | |
| Total ¹³ | \$299.7 | \$320.3 | \$299.7 | |
| Actual / Expected | 107% | | 107% | |

The number of actual deaths compared to the number expected under the current and proposed assumptions weighted by benefit amounts for the last twelve years are as follows:

We recommend maintaining the current table using the Pub-2010 Safety Disabled Retiree Amount-Weighted Mortality Table (separate tables for males and females), while updating the two-dimensional generational mortality improvement scale from MP-2018 to MP-2021. The recommended mortality table has an actual to expected ratio of 107%.

Chart 5 compares actual to expected deaths on a benefit-weighted basis for disabled members under the current and proposed assumptions over the past twelve years.

Chart 6 shows the life expectancies (i.e., expected future lifetime) under the current and the proposed tables for disabled members on a benefit-weighted basis. Life expectancies under the proposed generational mortality rates are based on age as of 2022. In practice, life expectancies will be assumed to increase based on applying the mortality improvement scale.



¹² Expected amounts under the proposed generational mortality table are based on mortality rates from the base year projected with mortality improvements to the experience study period.

¹³ Results may not add due to rounding.





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G. Termination Rates

For Tier 1 Members

Since all non-retired members have already elected to participate in the DROP as of June 30, 2021, we are not recommending any changes to those assumptions used in the June 30, 2021 valuation.

For Tier 2 Members

Termination rates include all terminations for reasons other than death, disability, or retirement. Under the current assumptions, there is an overall assumed incidence of total termination combined with a separate assumption for the percent of members who would elect to withdraw their contributions (ordinary withdrawal) versus a deferred retirement benefit (vested termination). With this study, we continue to recommend that this same assumption structure be used.

Currently, the assumed termination rates are a function of both a member's age and service for members with fewer than five years of service, and a function of a member's age for members with five or more years of service. We continue to believe that termination rates correlate better with age and service for members with fewer than five years of service and correlate well with age for members with five or more years of service.

The current termination rates, termination experience (total) over the last three years, and proposed termination rates are shown in the following tables. Please note that we have excluded any members that were eligible for retirement.

| | Less than Five Years of Service (%) | | | |
|------------------|-------------------------------------|--------------|----------------|--|
| Years of Service | Current Rates | Actual Rates | Proposed Rates | |
| 0-1 | 10.00 | 10.27 | 10.00 | |
| 1-2 | 6.00 | 5.53 | 6.00 | |
| 2-3 | 3.00 | 4.56 | 4.00 | |
| 3-4 | 3.00 | 3.35 | 3.00 | |
| 4-5 | 3.00 | 1.27 | 2.00 | |

Rates of Termination for Tier 2

| | Five or More Years of Service (%) | | | |
|------------------|-----------------------------------|----------------|----------------|--|
| Years of Service | Current Rates | Actual Rates | Proposed Rates | |
| 20-24 | 3.00 | 0.00 | 2.00 | |
| 25-29 | 3.00 | 0.00 | 2.00 | |
| 30-34 | 3.00 | 0.00 | 2.00 | |
| 35-39 | 2.00 | 2.84 | 2.00 | |
| 40-44 | 1.20 | 1.50 | 1.50 | |
| 45-49 | 0.80 | 1.99 | 1.50 | |
| 50+ | Not calculated ¹⁴ | Not calculated | N/A | |

It is important to note that not every service category has enough exposures and/or decrements such that the results in that category are statistically credible.

We will also continue to assume that termination rates are zero at any age where members are eligible to retire. In other words, at those ages, members will either retire in accordance with the retirement rate assumptions or continue working, rather than terminate and defer their benefit. This mainly applies at the highest age categories since most members in those categories are eligible to retire and so have been excluded from our review of this experience.

We have adjusted the termination rates at certain years of service and ages. Overall, the termination rates have increased slightly.

Chart 9 compares actual to expected terminations (both withdrawals and vested terminations) over the past three years for both the current and proposed assumptions for Tier 2 members.

Chart 10 shows the current and proposed termination rates for Tier 2 members with less than five years of service.

Chart 11 shows the current and proposed termination rates for Tier 2 members with five or more years of service.

Based upon the recent experience, we have adjusted the termination rates accordingly.

In addition, we recommend the following assumptions for the percent of Tier 2 members who would elect a refund of contributions versus those who would leave their contributions on deposit and receive a deferred vested benefit.

| | Proportion of Total Termination Assumed to Receive Refunds for Tier 2 (%) | | |
|------------------|--|----------------|------------------|
| Years of Service | Current Rate | Actual Rate | Proposed Rate |
| 0-4 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| 5 or more | 40.0 | 19.4 | 30.0 |

¹⁴ "Not calculated" since these members are assumed to either retire or continue working.



Chart 9: Actual Number of Terminations Compared to Expected (Tier 2)













H. Disability Incidence Rates

For Tier 1 Members

Since all non-retired members have already elected to participate in the DROP as of June 30, 2021, we are not recommending any changes to those assumptions used in the June 30, 2021 valuation.

For Tier 2 Members

When a member becomes disabled, he or she may be entitled to a pension that may not depend on the member's years of service. We have determined the rates of disability incidence by comparing by age the actual disability incidence to the number of actives who could have become disabled. For the ordinary disability assumption, we have excluded actives who have not yet met the eligibility requirement of ten years of service, since these members would either receive a refund of contributions or a deferred service retirement benefit. For the duty disability assumption, we have continued to include all members in the study since there is no minimum years of service requirement.

The following summarizes the actual incidence of disabilities over the past three years compared to the current and proposed assumptions for disability incidence:

| | Duty Disability Incidence Rate (%) | | | |
|---------|------------------------------------|-------------|---------------|--|
| Age | Current Rate | Actual Rate | Proposed Rate | |
| 20 – 24 | 0.10 | 0.00 | 0.10 | |
| 25 – 29 | 0.20 | 0.00 | 0.10 | |
| 30 – 34 | 0.70 | 0.53 | 0.60 | |
| 35 – 39 | 1.00 | 0.59 | 0.80 | |
| 40 – 44 | 1.20 | 1.15 | 1.20 | |
| 45 – 49 | 1.20 | 0.65 | 1.20 | |
| 50 – 54 | 1.80 | 1.05 | 1.40 | |
| 55 – 59 | 5.30 | 5.71 | 5.50 | |
| 60 – 64 | 12.50 | 18.18 | 15.30 | |

Rates of Duty Disability Incidence - Tier 2

Based upon the recent experience, we have decreased the disability incidence rates slightly at earlier ages and increased them at the later ages. Overall, the disability rates are slightly lower.

In the last experience study, there were 3 Tier 2 DROP members who were granted a duty disability retirement after entering the DROP. Since members that are granted a disability retirement after entering the DROP would be expected to have shorter life expectancies similar to those of other disabled retirees, we recommended using a blended mortality table for current and future DROP members before their retirement from the City equal to 80% of the proposed mortality tables for service retirement and 20% of the proposed mortality table for disabled



retirement. Since there were no Tier 2 DROP members who were later granted a duty disability retirement in the past 3 years, we are recommending revising the blended mortality table to 90% of the proposed mortality tables for service retirement and 10% of the proposed mortality tables for service retirement and 10% of the proposed mortality table for disabled retirement.

| | Ordinary Disability Incidence Rate (%) | | | |
|---------|--|--------------|---------------|--|
| Age | Current Rate | Actual Rate | Proposed Rate | |
| 20 – 24 | 0.00 | Not Observed | 0.00 | |
| 25 – 29 | 0.01 | Not Observed | 0.01 | |
| 30 – 34 | 0.01 | 0.00 | 0.01 | |
| 35 – 39 | 0.05 | 0.30 | 0.05 | |
| 40 – 44 | 0.20 | 0.22 | 0.20 | |
| 45 – 49 | 0.25 | 0.00 | 0.25 | |
| 50 – 54 | 0.10 | 0.21 | 0.10 | |
| 55 – 59 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | |
| 60 – 64 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | |

Rates of Ordinary Disability Incidence – Tier 2

Based upon the recent experience, we are recommending no changes to these rates.

In preparing our prior experience studies, we included in the actual rates those members who changed status from vested terminated or service retirement to disability retirement regardless of whether their actual dates of disabilities would have fallen during the three-year period within those prior experience studies. That was done in order to capture the lag in processing the disability application.

However, we understand from our discussions with the System that the higher rates of observed disability incidence are due in part to the processing of a backlog of disability applications leading to the hiring of two additional counselors in fiscal year 2016.

We believe with the new staffing, we should consider excluding some of the disabilities reported from vested terminated or service retirement to disability retirement if the disability was granted before a certain date. Below is a table which summarizes the number of such disabilities that we considered excluding based on one-year, two-ear and a three-year lag:

| Number of Members to be Excluded | | | | |
|---|---|---|--|--|
| One-Year Lag (With Date of Retirement prior to July 1, 2017) | Two-Year Lag (With Date of Retirement prior to July 1, 2016) | Three-Year Lag (With Date of Retirement prior to July 1, 2015) | | |
| 1 | 1 | 0 | | |

We continue to believe despite the additional staffing it would be prudent to assume that there would still be a two-year lag in the disability application process until more data is available in



future experience studies. As a result, we have only reduced the actual incidence of disability reported to us by 1.

Chart 12 compares actual number of duty and ordinary disabilities over the past three years for Tier 2 to that expected under both the current and proposed assumptions.

Chart 13 shows the actual duty disability incidence rates over the past three years compared to the current and proposed assumptions for Tier 2 members.

Chart 14 shows the actual ordinary disability incidence rates over the past three years compared to the current and proposed assumptions for Tier 2 members.



Chart 12: Actual Number of Disabilities Compared to Expected (Tier 2)





Chart 13: Duty Disability Incidence Rates for Tier 2

Chart 14: Ordinary Disability Incidence Rates for Tier 2



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I. DROP Election Rates

For Tier 1 Members

Since all non-retired members have already elected to participate in the DROP as of June 30, 2021, we are not recommending any changes to those assumptions used in the June 30, 2021 valuation.

For Tier 2 Members

With the last experience study, we concluded that the DROP election rates correlate better with age and years of service rather years since first eligible for participation in the DROP. Therefore, we introduced a new structure in the last experience study that applies different sets of rates for those in different age and service bands. With this study, we continue to recommend that this same assumption structure be used.

The tables below show the current drop election rates, the actual rates observed over the last 3 years, and the proposed rates for the various service bands.

| | DROP Election Rates (%) For 0 to 14 Years of Service | | | |
|-----------|---|--------------|---------------|--|
| Age | Current Rate | Actual Rate | Proposed Rate | |
| 50 | 2.00 | 0.00 | 1.00 | |
| 51 | 2.00 | 0.00 | 1.00 | |
| 52 | 2.00 | 0.00 | 1.00 | |
| 53 | 2.00 | 0.00 | 1.00 | |
| 54 | 2.00 | 0.00 | 1.00 | |
| 55 | 2.00 | 0.00 | 1.00 | |
| 56 | 2.00 | 0.00 | 1.00 | |
| 57 | 2.00 | 0.00 | 1.00 | |
| 58 | 2.00 | 0.00 | 1.00 | |
| 59 | 2.00 | Not Observed | 1.00 | |
| 60 | 2.00 | Not Observed | 1.00 | |
| 61 | 2.00 | Not Observed | 1.00 | |
| 62 | 2.00 | Not Observed | 1.00 | |
| 63 & Over | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | |



| | DROP Election Rates (%) For 15 to 19 Years of Service | | | |
|-----------|--|--------------|---------------|--|
| Age | Current Rate | Actual Rate | Proposed Rate | |
| 50 | 2.00 | 0.00 | 1.00 | |
| 51 | 2.00 | 0.00 | 1.00 | |
| 52 | 2.00 | 0.00 | 1.00 | |
| 53 | 2.00 | 5.00 | 1.00 | |
| 54 | 20.00 | 0.00 | 15.00 | |
| 55 | 50.00 | 42.86 | 50.00 | |
| 56 | 30.00 | 0.00 | 25.00 | |
| 57 | 30.00 | 0.00 | 25.00 | |
| 58 | 30.00 | 100.00 | 25.00 | |
| 59 | 30.00 | 0.00 | 25.00 | |
| 60 | 30.00 | 0.00 | 25.00 | |
| 61 | 30.00 | 0.00 | 25.00 | |
| 62 | 30.00 | Not Observed | 25.00 | |
| 63 & Over | 0.00 | Not Observed | 0.00 | |

| | DROP Election Rates (%) For 20+ Years of Service | | |
|-----------|---|--------------|---------------|
| Age | Current Rate | Actual Rate | Proposed Rate |
| 50 | 6.00 | 1.43 | 6.00 |
| 51 | 6.00 | 1.54 | 6.00 |
| 52 | 6.00 | 14.04 | 6.00 |
| 53 | 6.00 | 12.00 | 6.00 |
| 54 | 35.00 | 32.43 | 35.00 |
| 55 | 70.00 | 73.91 | 70.00 |
| 56 | 35.00 | 0.00 | 25.00 |
| 57 | 30.00 | 0.00 | 25.00 |
| 58 | 30.00 | 0.00 | 25.00 |
| 59 | 30.00 | 100.00 | 25.00 |
| 60 | 30.00 | 0.00 | 25.00 |
| 61 | 30.00 | 0.00 | 25.00 |
| 62 | 30.00 | 0.00 | 25.00 |
| 63 & Over | 0.00 | Not Observed | 0.00 |

We have adjusted the DROP Retirement rates at certain ages for the various service bands. Overall, the DROP Retirement rates have decreased slightly.

Chart 15 compares actual to expected DROP elections over the past three years for both the current and proposed assumptions for Tier 2 members.

Chart 16 shows the average actual DROP election rates by age for the service band from 5 to 14 years of service over the past three years compared to the current and proposed assumptions for Tier 2 members.

Chart 17 shows the average actual DROP election rates by age for the service band from 15 to 19 years of service over the past three years compared to the current and proposed assumptions for Tier 2 members.

Chart 18 shows the average actual DROP election rates by age for the service band for 20 years of service and above over the past three years compared to the current and proposed assumptions for Tier 2 members.

It is currently assumed that members remain in DROP for 7 years. Based on the experience of members who retired from the DROP during the past three years, the average number of years of participation in the DROP was 6.6. **We recommend maintaining the current DROP participation period of 7 years**.



Chart 15: Actual Number of DROP Elections Compared to Expected – Tier 2







Chart 18: Average DROP Election Rates For 20 Years of Service and Above – Tier 2



IV. Cost Impact

We have estimated the impact of all the recommended demographic and economic assumptions and the alternative investment return assumption as if they were applied to the June 30, 2021 actuarial valuation. The tables below show the changes in the employer normal cost rates due to the proposed assumption changes separately for the recommended demographic assumption changes (as recommended in Section III of this report) and the recommended and alternative economic assumption changes (as recommended in the separate report).

Cost Impact

(Without Considering Any Impact on Surplus Distribution) Based on June 30, 2021 Actuarial Valuation

| | Recommended (6.75% Return and Other Recommended Assumptions) | Alternative (6.50% Return and Other Recommended Assumptions) | |
|---|---|---|--|
| Impact on Employer (T | ier 1) Normal Cost ¹ | | |
| Change due to demographic assumptions | 0.04% | 0.04% | |
| Change due to economic assumptions | <u>0.73%</u> | <u>2.76%</u> | |
| Total increase in average employer normal cost rate | 0.77% | 2.80% | |
| Total estimated increase in annual dollar normal cost amount (\$000s) | \$21 | \$76 | |
| Impact on Employer (Tier 2) Normal Cost ² | | | |
| Change due to demographic assumptions | -0.63% | -0.63% | |
| Change due to economic assumptions | <u>0.82%</u> | <u>2.83%</u> | |
| Total increase in average employer normal cost rate | 0.19% | 2.20% | |
| Total estimated increase in annual dollar normal cost amount (\$000s) | \$218 | \$2,579 | |
| Impact on UAAL and Funded Percentage | | | |
| Increase/(Decrease) in UAAL | \$(2.2) million ^{3,4} | \$42.6 million ⁵ | |
| Change in Funded Percentage | From 121.6% to 121.7% | From 121.6% to 118.0% | |

¹ There is no change in the Tier 1 member contributions paid to the System because all members are now in DROP and any change in contributions will only be paid to the members' DROP accounts.

- ² There is no change in the Tier 2 member contributions because they pay a fixed rate.
- ³ Although there is a decrease in liabilities for non-actives, there is an increase in liabilities for actives (both for those in DROP and not in DROP).
- ⁴ If the Retirement System were not overfunded, this change in the UAAL would decrease the employer's UAAL rate by 0.11% of payroll. This is based on using an amortization period of 25 years for assumption changes in accordance with the System's amortization policy.

⁵ If the Retirement System were not overfunded, this change in the UAAL would increase the employer's UAAL rate by 2.52% of payroll. This is based on using an amortization period of 25 years for assumption changes in accordance with the System's amortization policy.



Appendix A: Current Actuarial Assumptions

Economic Assumptions

Merit and Promotion Salary Increases

Inflation: 2.75% per year; plus "across the board" real salary increases of 0.50% per year; plus the following merit and promotion increases.

| Years of Service | Annual Increase (%) |
|------------------|---------------------|
| Less than 1 | 9.50 |
| 1 – 2 | 9.50 |
| 2-3 | 5.00 |
| 3 – 4 | 4.00 |
| 4 – 5 | 4.00 |
| 5 – 6 | 3.50 |
| 6 – 7 | 1.25 |
| 7 – 8 | 1.00 |
| 8 – 9 | 1.00 |
| 9 – 10 | 1.00 |
| 10 And Above | 0.75 |

Ongoing Pay Elements

- To reflect the cash-out of holiday leave to increase salary on an ongoing basis for Fire employees, we have increased the salary for all active Tier 1 employees and Tier 2 management employees by 3.6% and we have increased the salary for all active Tier 2 nonmanagement employees by 1.8%.
- Since the salary data provided by the System already reflects the ongoing cash-out of holiday leave for Police employees, no assumption for Police employees is necessary.

Cash-out Elements

- There is an additional 1.00% increase for Tier 1 Fire and Police management employees and an additional 0.25% increase for Tier 1 Fire and Police non-management employees to reflect the average leave time cash-outs for management employees to increase final average salary at retirement.
- There is an additional 6.00% increase for all Fire and Police employees to reflect the conversion of sick leave to increase final average salary at retirement.
- To reflect the cash-out of additional holiday leave balance to increase final average salary at retirement for non-management Tier 2 Police employees, there is an additional increase equal to the actual hours reported in an employee's holiday balance if that balance is greater than 96 hours and for those with a balance less than 96 hours the additional increase is equal to 1.5%.



Demographic Assumptions

Mortality Rates – Healthy

• Pub-2010 Safety Healthy Retiree Amount-Weighted Mortality Table (separate tables for males and females), projected generationally with the two-dimensional mortality improvement scale MP-2018.

Mortality Rates – Disabled

 Pub-2010 Safety Disabled Retiree Amount-Weighted Mortality Table (separate tables for males and females), projected generationally with the two-dimensional mortality improvement scale MP-2018.

Mortality Rates – Beneficiaries

• Pub-2010 General Healthy Retiree Amount-Weighted Mortality Table (separate tables for males and females) with rates increased by 5%, projected generationally with the two-dimensional mortality improvement scale MP-2018.

Employee Contribution Rates

- **Healthy Members:** Pub-2010 Safety Healthy Retiree Amount-Weighted Mortality Table (separate tables for males and females), projected 30 years with the two-dimensional mortality improvement scale MP-2018, weighted 90% male and 10% female.
- **Beneficiaries:** Pub-2010 General Healthy Retiree Amount-Weighted Mortality Table (separate tables for males and females) with rates increased by 5%, projected 30 years with the two-dimensional mortality improvement scale MP-2018, weighted 10% male and 90% female.

Optional Forms of Benefit

- **Healthy Members:** Pub-2010 Safety Healthy Retiree Amount-Weighted Mortality Table (separate tables for males and females), projected 20 years with the two-dimensional mortality improvement scale MP-2018, weighted 90% male and 10% female.
- **Beneficiaries:** Pub-2010 General Healthy Retiree Amount-Weighted Mortality Table (separate tables for males and females) with rates increased by 5%, projected 20 years with the two-dimensional mortality improvement scale MP-2018, weighted 10% male and 90% female.
- **Disabled Members:** Pub-2010 Safety Disabled Retiree Amount-Weighted Mortality Table (separate tables for males and females), projected 20 years with the two-dimensional mortality improvement scale MP-2018, weighted 90% male and 10% female.



Mortality Rates – Pre-Retirement

• Pub-2010 Safety Employee Amount-Weighted Mortality Table (separate tables for males and females), projected generationally with the two-dimensional mortality improvement scale MP-2018.

| | Rate (%) | | |
|-----|----------|--------|--|
| Age | Male | Female | |
| 25 | 0.04 | 0.02 | |
| 30 | 0.04 | 0.03 | |
| 35 | 0.05 | 0.04 | |
| 40 | 0.06 | 0.05 | |
| 45 | 0.08 | 0.07 | |
| 50 | 0.12 | 0.09 | |
| 55 | 0.18 | 0.12 | |
| 60 | 0.26 | 0.17 | |
| 65 | 0.41 | 0.23 | |
| 70 | 0.77 | 0.45 | |

Note that generational projections beyond the base year (2010) are not reflected in the above mortality rates. All pre-retirement deaths are assumed to be duty.

Disability Incidence Rates

| | Rate (%) | | | |
|-----|----------|----------|------|----------|
| | Tier 1 | | Tie | er 2 |
| Age | Duty | Ordinary | Duty | Ordinary |
| 20 | 0.02 | 0.00 | 0.06 | 0.00 |
| 25 | 0.14 | 0.01 | 0.16 | 0.01 |
| 30 | 0.26 | 0.01 | 0.50 | 0.01 |
| 35 | 0.39 | 0.03 | 0.88 | 0.03 |
| 40 | 0.60 | 0.12 | 1.12 | 0.12 |
| 45 | 0.88 | 0.25 | 1.20 | 0.25 |
| 50 | 2.80 | 0.20 | 1.56 | 0.20 |
| 55 | 8.20 | 0.00 | 3.90 | 0.00 |
| 60 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 9.62 | 0.00 |
| 65 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |



Termination Rates

| Less than Five Years of Service (%) | | | | |
|-------------------------------------|--------|-------|--|--|
| Years of Service | Tier 2 | | | |
| Less than 1 | 4.47 | 10.00 | | |
| 1 | 4.47 | 6.00 | | |
| 2 | 4.47 | 3.00 | | |
| 3 | 4.47 | 3.00 | | |
| 4 | 4.47 | 3.00 | | |

• 100% of members are assumed to elect a withdrawal of contributions. No termination is assumed after a member is assumed to retire.

| Five or More Years of Service (%) | | | |
|-----------------------------------|--------------|-----------|--------|
| Age | Tier 1 | | Tier 2 |
| | 5 - 10 Years | 10+ Years | |
| 20 | 2.87 | 3.57 | 3.00 |
| 25 | 2.87 | 3.57 | 3.00 |
| 30 | 1.88 | 2.63 | 3.00 |
| 35 | 0.87 | 1.44 | 2.40 |
| 40 | 0.44 | 0.92 | 1.52 |
| 45 | 0.19 | 0.63 | 0.96 |
| 50 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |

• 100% of Tier 1 members with 5 - 10 years of service, 0% of Tier 1 members with 10+ years of service and 40% of Tier 2 members with 5+ years of service are assumed to elect a withdrawal of contributions. The remaining members are assumed to elect a deferred vested benefit. No termination is assumed after a member is assumed to retire.

Retirement Rates

| Age | Tier 1 | Tier 2 |
|-------------|--------|--------|
| 50 | 12.72 | 4.00 |
| 51 | 7.63 | 2.00 |
| 52 | 7.63 | 2.00 |
| 53 | 5.09 | 3.00 |
| 54 | 5.09 | 3.00 |
| 55 | 10.60 | 10.00 |
| 56 | 13.77 | 10.00 |
| 57 | 14.03 | 5.00 |
| 58 | 16.66 | 5.00 |
| 59 | 29.67 | 5.00 |
| 60 | 100.00 | 30.00 |
| 61 | 100.00 | 30.00 |
| 62 | 100.00 | 30.00 |
| 63 | 100.00 | 50.00 |
| 64 | 100.00 | 50.00 |
| 65 and over | 100.00 | 100.00 |



DROP Assumptions

| | Rate (%) | |
|---------------|----------|--|
| Year Eligible | Tier 1 | |
| First | 100 | |
| Second | 0 | |
| Third | 0 | |
| Thereafter | 0 | |

| | Tier 2 - Years of Service (%) | | |
|-------------|-------------------------------|---------|--------------|
| Age | 5 – 14 | 15 – 19 | 20 and Above |
| 50 | 2.0 | 2.0 | 6.0 |
| 51 | 2.0 | 2.0 | 6.0 |
| 52 | 2.0 | 2.0 | 6.0 |
| 53 | 2.0 | 2.0 | 6.0 |
| 54 | 2.0 | 20.0 | 35.0 |
| 55 | 2.0 | 50.0 | 70.0 |
| 56 | 2.0 | 30.0 | 35.0 |
| 57 | 2.0 | 30.0 | 30.0 |
| 58 | 2.0 | 30.0 | 30.0 |
| 59 | 2.0 | 30.0 | 30.0 |
| 60 | 2.0 | 30.0 | 30.0 |
| 61 | 2.0 | 30.0 | 30.0 |
| 62 | 2.0 | 30.0 | 30.0 |
| 63 and Over | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |

• Members are assumed to remain in DROP for 7 years.

| Retirement Age and Benefit for Deferred Vested | nd Benefit ed For current deferred vested members, retirement assumption as follows: | | | nt assumptions are |
|---|--|---|---|--|
| Members | Tier 1: | Age | 50 | |
| | Tier 2: | Age | 52 | |
| | It is assumed that 45 ^o continue to work for a to work for a reciproca per annum is assume | % of future d reciprocal e al employer, d. | eferred vested employer. For t a 4.0% compo | l members will those that continue ensation increase |
| Future Benefit Accruals | 1.0 year of service pe | r year. | | |
| Unknown Data for Members | Same as those exhibited by members with similar known characteristics. If not specified, members are assumed to be male. | | | |
| Inclusion of Deferred Vested Members | All deferred vested members are included in the valuation. | | | |
| Percent with Survivor | 85% of male members and 80% of female members | | | |
| Age of Spouse | Wives are 2 years younger than their husbands. | | | |
| Election of Optional Forms of Benefit at Retirement | ms Members with Merce Members with Merce M | | Members without | |
| | | Male | Female | Survivor |
| | Unmodified | 35% | 45% | 100% |
| | Option 2 (A/B) | 50% | 40% | |
| | Option 3 (A/B) | 15% | 15% | |
| | | | | |



Appendix B: Proposed Actuarial Assumptions

Economic Assumptions

Merit and Promotion Salary Increases

Inflation: 2.50% per year; plus "across the board" real salary increases of 0.50% per year; plus the following merit and promotion increases.

| Years of Service | Annual Increase (%) |
|------------------|---------------------|
| Less than 1 | 10.00 |
| 1 – 2 | 10.00 |
| 2 – 3 | 5.00 |
| 3 – 4 | 4.00 |
| 4 – 5 | 4.00 |
| 5 – 6 | 4.00 |
| 6 – 7 | 1.75 |
| 7 – 8 | 1.00 |
| 8 – 9 | 1.00 |
| 9 – 10 | 1.00 |
| 10 And Above | 1.00 |

Ongoing Pay Elements

- To reflect the cash-out of holiday leave to increase salary on an ongoing basis for Fire employees, we have increased the salary for all Tier 2 management employees by 3.6% and all active Tier 2 non-management employees by 1.8%.
- Since the salary data provided by the System already reflects the ongoing cash-out of holiday leave for Police employees, no assumption for Police employees is necessary.

Cash-out Elements.

- There is an additional 6.00% increase for all Fire and Police employees to reflect the conversion of sick leave to increase final average salary at retirement.
- To reflect the cash-out of additional holiday leave balance to increase final average salary at retirement for non-management Tier 2 Police employees, there is an additional increase equal to the actual hours reported in an employee's holiday balance if that balance is greater than 96 hours and for those with a balance less than 96 hours the additional increase is equal to 1.5%.



Demographic Assumptions

Mortality Rates – Healthy

• Pub-2010 Safety Healthy Retiree Amount-Weighted Mortality Table (separate tables for males and females), projected generationally with the two-dimensional mortality improvement scale MP-2021.

Mortality Rates – Disabled

• Pub-2010 Safety Disabled Retiree Amount-Weighted Mortality Table (separate tables for males and females), projected generationally with the two-dimensional mortality improvement scale MP-2021.

Mortality Rates – Beneficiaries not currently in Pay Status

• Pub-2010 General Healthy Retiree Amount-Weighted Mortality Table (separate tables for males and females) with rates increased by 5%, projected generationally with the two-dimensional mortality improvement scale MP-2021.

Mortality Rates – Beneficiaries in Pay Status

• Pub-2010 Contingent Survivor Amount-Weighted Mortality Table (separate tables for males and females) with rates increased by 5%, projected generationally with the two-dimensional mortality improvement scale MP-2021.

Employee Contribution Rates

- Healthy Members: Pub-2010 Safety Healthy Retiree Amount-Weighted Mortality Table (separate tables for males and females), projected 30 years with the two-dimensional mortality improvement scale MP-2021, weighted 90% male and 10% female.
- **Beneficiaries:** Pub-2010 General Healthy Retiree Amount-Weighted Mortality Table (separate tables for males and females) with rates increased by 5%, projected 30 years with the two-dimensional mortality improvement scale MP-2021, weighted 10% male and 90% female.

Optional Forms of Benefit

- **Healthy Members:** Pub-2010 Safety Healthy Retiree Amount-Weighted Mortality Table (separate tables for males and females), weighted 90% male and 10% female, with the mortality improvement methodology to be determined.¹
- Beneficiaries: Pub-2010 General Healthy Retiree Amount-Weighted Mortality Table (separate tables for males and females) with rates increased by 5%, weighted 10% male and 90% female, with the mortality improvement methodology to be determined.¹



¹ There are some administrative issues that we may need to resolve with the System and its vendor maintaining the pension administration software before we would recommend a comparable generational scale to anticipate future mortality improvement. We will provide a recommendation to the System for use in reflecting mortality improvement for determining optional forms of payment after we have those discussions with the System and its vendor.

Disabled Members: Pub-2010 Safety Disabled Retiree Amount-Weighted Mortality Table (separate tables for males and females), weighted 90% male and 10% female, with the mortality improvement methodology to be determined.¹

Mortality Rates – Pre-Retirement

• Pub-2010 Safety Employee Amount-Weighted Mortality Table (separate tables for males and females), projected generationally with the two-dimensional mortality improvement scale MP-2021.

| | Rate (%) | | | |
|-----|----------|--------|--|--|
| Age | Male | Female | | |
| 25 | 0.04 | 0.02 | | |
| 30 | 0.04 | 0.03 | | |
| 35 | 0.05 | 0.04 | | |
| 40 | 0.06 | 0.05 | | |
| 45 | 0.08 | 0.07 | | |
| 50 | 0.12 | 0.09 | | |
| 55 | 0.18 | 0.12 | | |
| 60 | 0.26 | 0.17 | | |
| 65 | 0.41 | 0.23 | | |
| 70 | 0.77 | 0.45 | | |

Note that generational projections beyond the base year (2010) are not reflected in the above mortality rates. All pre-retirement deaths are assumed to be duty.



Disability Incidence Rates

| | Rate (%) | | | | |
|-----|----------|----------|--------------|----------|--|
| | Tier 1 | | ier 1 Tier 2 | | |
| Age | Duty | Ordinary | Duty | Ordinary | |
| 20 | 0.02 | 0.00 | 0.06 | 0.00 | |
| 25 | 0.14 | 0.01 | 0.10 | 0.01 | |
| 30 | 0.26 | 0.01 | 0.40 | 0.01 | |
| 35 | 0.39 | 0.03 | 0.72 | 0.03 | |
| 40 | 0.60 | 0.12 | 1.04 | 0.14 | |
| 45 | 0.88 | 0.25 | 1.20 | 0.23 | |
| 50 | 2.80 | 0.20 | 1.32 | 0.16 | |
| 55 | 8.20 | 0.00 | 3.86 | 0.00 | |
| 60 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 11.38 | 0.00 | |
| 65 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | |



Termination Rates

| Less than Five Years of Service (%) | | | | |
|-------------------------------------|--------|--------|--|--|
| Years of Service | Tier 1 | Tier 2 | | |
| Less than 1 | 4.47 | 10.00 | | |
| 1 | 4.47 | 6.00 | | |
| 2 | 4.47 | 4.00 | | |
| 3 | 4.47 | 3.00 | | |
| 4 | 4.47 | 2.00 | | |

• 100% of members are assumed to elect a withdrawal of contributions. No termination is assumed after a member is assumed to retire.

| Five or More Years of Service (%) | | | | |
|-----------------------------------|--------------|-----------|--------|--|
| Age | Tier 1 | | Tier 2 | |
| | 5 - 10 Years | 10+ Years | | |
| 20 | 2.87 | 3.57 | 2.00 | |
| 25 | 2.87 | 3.57 | 2.00 | |
| 30 | 1.88 | 2.63 | 2.00 | |
| 35 | 0.87 | 1.44 | 2.00 | |
| 40 | 0.44 | 0.92 | 1.50 | |
| 45 | 0.19 | 0.63 | 1.50 | |
| 50+ | 0.00 | 0.00 | N/A | |

• 100% of Tier 1 members with 5 - 10 years of service, 0% of Tier 1 members with 10+ years of service and 30% of Tier 2 members with 5+ years of service are assumed to elect a withdrawal of contributions. The remaining members are assumed to elect a deferred vested benefit. No termination is assumed after a member is assumed to retire.



Retirement Rates

| Age | Tier 1 | Tier 2 |
|-------------|--------|--------|
| 50 | 12.72 | 4.00 |
| 51 | 7.63 | 2.00 |
| 52 | 7.63 | 2.00 |
| 53 | 5.09 | 3.00 |
| 54 | 5.09 | 3.00 |
| 55 | 10.60 | 10.00 |
| 56 | 13.77 | 10.00 |
| 57 | 14.03 | 5.00 |
| 58 | 16.66 | 5.00 |
| 59 | 29.67 | 5.00 |
| 60 | 100.00 | 30.00 |
| 61 | 100.00 | 30.00 |
| 62 | 100.00 | 30.00 |
| 63 | 100.00 | 50.00 |
| 64 | 100.00 | 50.00 |
| 65 and over | 100.00 | 100.00 |



DROP Assumptions

| | Rate (%) |
|---------------|----------|
| Year Eligible | Tier 1 |
| First | 100 |
| Second | 0 |
| Third | 0 |
| Thereafter | 0 |

| | Tier 2 - Years of Service (%) | | | |
|-------------|-------------------------------|---------|--------------|--|
| Age | 5 – 14 | 15 – 19 | 20 and Above | |
| 50 | 1.0 | 1.0 | 6.0 | |
| 51 | 1.0 | 1.0 | 6.0 | |
| 52 | 1.0 | 1.0 | 6.0 | |
| 53 | 1.0 | 1.0 | 6.0 | |
| 54 | 1.0 | 15.0 | 35.0 | |
| 55 | 1.0 | 50.0 | 70.0 | |
| 56 | 1.0 | 25.0 | 25.0 | |
| 57 | 1.0 | 25.0 | 25.0 | |
| 58 | 1.0 | 25.0 | 25.0 | |
| 59 | 1.0 | 25.0 | 25.0 | |
| 60 | 1.0 | 25.0 | 25.0 | |
| 61 | 1.0 | 25.0 | 25.0 | |
| 62 | 1.0 | 25.0 | 25.0 | |
| 63 and Over | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | |

• Members are assumed to remain in DROP for 7 years.



| Retirement Age and Benefit for Deferred Vested | For current deferred vested members, retirement assumptions are as follows: | | | | |
|---|--|--------------------------|--------|----------|--|
| Members | Tier 1: | N/A | | | |
| | Tier 2: | Age | 53 | | |
| | It is assumed that 45% of future deferred vested members will continue to work for a reciprocal employer. For those that continue to work for a reciprocal employer, a 4.00% compensation increase per annum is assumed. | | | | |
| Future Benefit Accruals | 1.0 year of service per year. | | | | |
| Unknown Data for Members | Same as those exhibited by members with similar known characteristics. If not specified, members are assumed to be male. | | | | |
| Inclusion of Deferred Vested Members | All deferred vested members are included in the valuation. | | | | |
| Percent with Survivor | 85% of male members and 75% of female members | | | | |
| Age of Spouse | Male members are three years older than their spouses. | | | | |
| | Female members are two years younger than their spouses. | | | | |
| Election of Optional Forms | ms | | | | |
| of Benefit at Retirement | | Members with Survivor | | Members | |
| | | Male | Female | Survivor | |
| | Unmodified | 30% | 45% | 100% | |
| | Option 2 (A/B) | 55% | 25% | | |
| | Option 3 (A/B) | 15% | 30% | | |
| | | | | | |

