



## Los Angeles City Employees' Retirement System (A Department of the Municipality of the City of Los Angeles, California)

## **Comprehensive Annual Financial Report** For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2019

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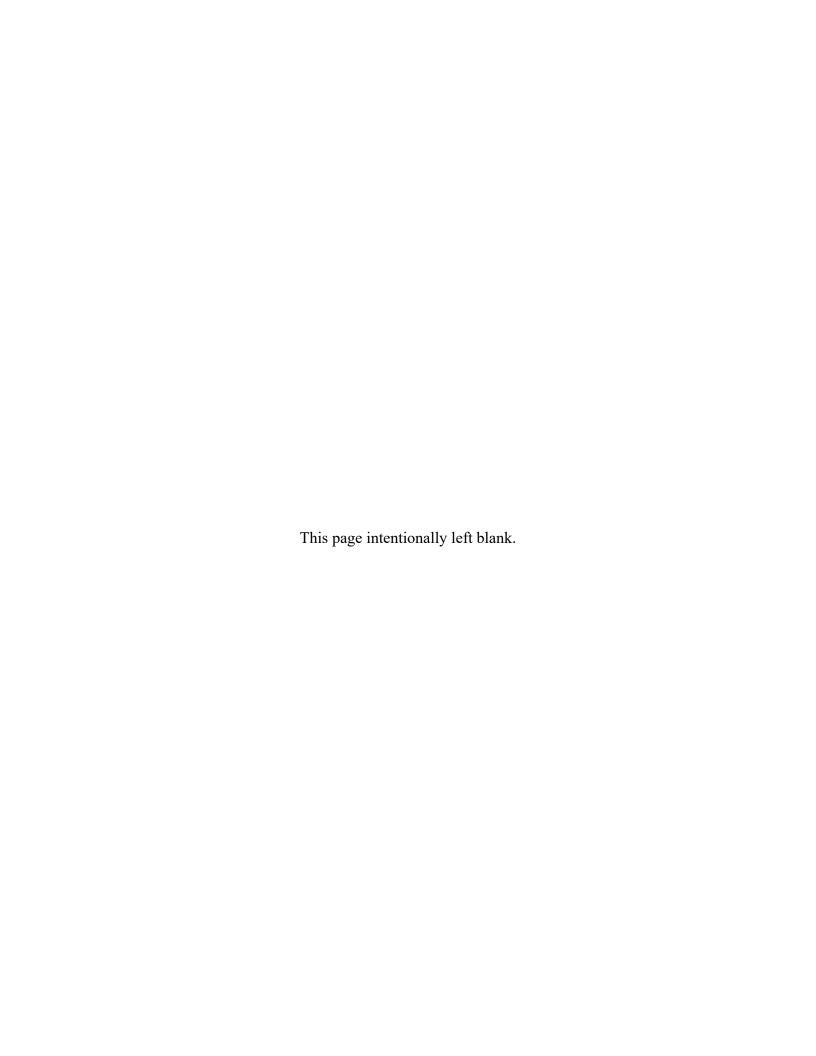
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## Introduction



#### **Letter of Transmittal**

December 4, 2019

#### Dear Members of the Board:

We are pleased to present the Los Angeles City Employees' Retirement System (LACERS, or the System) Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR) for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2019, the System's 82<sup>nd</sup> year of operation. This report is intended to provide a comprehensive review of our financial condition at conclusion of the fiscal year including the System's audited financial statements, investment performance results, and actuarial valuations for retirement and health benefit plans.

#### LACERS History, Participants, and Services

In 1937, the Los Angeles City Charter established LACERS as a retirement trust fund for the purpose of providing the civilian employees of the City of Los Angeles, a defined benefit retirement plan inclusive of service retirements, disability retirements, and survivor benefits. In 1999, LACERS began administering the retiree health insurance program. All regular, full-time, and certified part-time City employees are eligible for LACERS benefits except employees of the Department of Water and Power, and sworn personnel who are members of the Los Angeles Fire and Police Pensions. Today, approximately 26,600 Active Members and 20,000 Retired Members and beneficiaries count on LACERS to provide a lifetime of retirement benefits.

#### **Board Governance**

The LACERS Board of Administration, consisting of four Commissioners appointed by the Mayor and three Commissioners elected by the Members, sets general policy and adopts rules and regulations necessary to operate LACERS. Among other duties, the Board directs investment strategy and policy for the System's assets, determines the health insurance carriers and health subsidy levels for retired employees, and approves Members' retirement applications, including applications for disability retirements. In furthering its role as a governing body, during the fiscal year the Board enhanced its education program, adopted a mechanism to evaluate conflicts of interest, and completed a comprehensive review of the Board Governance Policies inclusive of the Investment Policy.

During the fiscal year, Board Member Cynthia M. Ruiz was reappointed by the Mayor for a five-year term beginning July 1, 2019; two new Board Members, Elizabeth Lee and Annie Chao, were elected to fill the Active Member positions for terms beginning July 1, 2018, and July 1, 2019, respectively. We thank Board Member Elizabeth Greenwood who departed on June 30, 2019 after 10 years of service on our Board of Administration.

#### **Major Initiatives**

#### Strategic Plan

LACERS' mission is to protect and grow our trust fund and to ensure the sustainable delivery of ethical, reliable, and efficient retirement services to our Members. To help achieve this, LACERS established a new Strategic Plan in 2019 focused on the following seven goals:

- 1. Provide Outstanding Customer Service
- 2. Deliver Accurate and Timely Member Benefits
- 3. Improve Value and Minimize Costs of Members' Health and Wellness Benefits
- 4. Optimize Long-Term Risk-Adjusted Investment Returns
- 5. Uphold Good Governance Practices which Affirm Transparency, Accountability, and Fiduciary Duty
- 6. Increase Organizational Effectiveness, Efficiency and Resiliency
- 7. Recruit, Retain, Mentor, Empower, and Promote a High-Performing Workforce

#### Strategic Business Plan Initiatives

LACERS' strategic plan goals are achieved through a series of initiatives, generally developed in conjunction with the annual budget process and, if prioritized as a Business Plan Initiative (BPI), are presented and discussed regularly in a performance management approach by the BPI Team, inclusive of the General Manager, Chief Investment Officer, Assistant General Managers, senior managers, and initiative leads.

#### Emphasis on the Member Experience

A focal point of the Strategic Plan is improving the Member experience. In 2019, LACERS underwent a reorganization allocating resources and new initiatives to a new Member Services Section focused on customer service, wellness, and Member engagement. In addition to increasing Member services and outreach, this new Section is also improving and expanding on channels of communication, including development of a new, more Member friendly website. LACERS also conducted for the first time an administrative benchmarking against peer retirement systems in order to assess self-improvement opportunities and establish performance commitments and measures.

#### Establishment of a 115 Trust Fund

In December 2018, LACERS formally established an Internal Revenue Code § 115 Trust Fund for retiree health funding, ensuring ongoing System tax compliance and providing a mechanism to better manage retiree health costs. Within this fund, LACERS instituted a self-insured dental Preferred Provider Organization (PPO) plan in 2019, resulting in cost savings to the dental benefit for the System and participating Members.

#### Procurement of a Headquarters Building

On October 23, 2019, LACERS Board of Administration purchased a headquarters building at 977 North Broadway in Los Angeles, California. LACERS new headquarters building will undergo necessary capital improvements in 2020 and LACERS will be transitioning staff and services to the new headquarters building through 2021. The new headquarters building will allow for long-term cost-effectiveness of LACERS' administration as building owner versus lessee; and will better position LACERS to provide an improved Member experience at a dedicated LACERS' controlled facility.

#### **Funding Status and Progress**

Actuarial assumptions are used in the actuarial valuation process for measuring the liabilities of the plan and the contribution requirements of the plan sponsor. While the City Charter requires that an actuarial experience study be completed every five years, the typical timeframe between experience studies for LACERS has been three years. LACERS' last experience study for the period of July 1, 2014 to June 30, 2017, was completed in 2018 with the Board adopting several assumption changes, including most significantly a demographic assumption change from static to generational mortality tables to better reflect the increasing lifespan of LACERS Members. The Board has requested the next experience study to be conducted in 2020, and will be based on the period of July 1, 2017 to June 30, 2019.

Annual actuarial valuations are performed by LACERS' consulting actuary to determine the actuarial accrued liability arisen from the benefits promised by the City, among other things. Such liability is expected to be met by LACERS' assets accumulated through City contributions, Member contributions, and investment returns. The funding status, commonly expressed by the term "funded ratio," is calculated by dividing the plan assets, based either on actuarial (smoothed) value or fair value, by the actuarial accrued liabilities. The funded ratio is a snapshot of the relative status of LACERS' assets and liabilities at the end of each reporting year. Determined annually in the actuarial valuation, it reflects changes that affect the assets and liabilities during the reporting year due to investment performance, change in demographics, assumptions, benefit terms, and other factors. Funded ratios are useful when they are looked at over several years to determine trends, and should be viewed in light of the economic situation at each time point. If the ratio is less than 100%, indicating an underfunding condition, then the underfunded portion is paid for by the City systematically over a period no longer than 20 years pursuant to LACERS' funding policy, which targets a funding status of 100% in the long run.

In the June 30, 2019 actuarial valuation, the combined funded ratio, based on the actuarial value of assets, for the Retirement Plan and the Postemployment Health Care Plan has increased by 1.5% from a year ago to 73.1%. Individually, the funded ratio, on the same actuarial basis, for the Retirement Plan increased from 70.1% to 71.3%; and for the Postemployment Health Care Plan, the ratio has increased from 80.7% to 84.4%. The increase in the funded ratio coincides with a decrease of the Unfunded Actuarial Accrued Liabilities by \$93.6 million primarily as a

result of the 2019/20 health insurance premium and subsidy levels being lower than expected, and partially offset by the updated trend projection for Medicare Part B premiums after 2019/20.

The fair value of LACERS' assets as of June 30, 2019, maintains consistency with the actuarial value of assets, which is determined by the seven-year asset smoothing policy, as gains and losses on investment returns through 2019 largely balance out, despite an investment return of 5.52% on the market value of assets basis for the 2019 fiscal year, which is below the 7.25% assumed rate of return.

#### **Investment Summary**

The System established its investment policies in accordance with Section 1106 of the Charter of the City of Los Angeles for the systematic administration of LACERS. The investment policies are designed to achieve the best risk-adjusted investment returns. The System's assets are managed on a total return basis in compliance with the investment policies to produce a total portfolio, long-term, real (above inflation), positive return above the asset allocation policy benchmark on a net-of-fee basis. Consequently, prudent risk-taking is warranted within the context of the overall portfolio diversification. The Board implements its risk management policy by monitoring the portfolio's compliance through the adoption of investment policies, guidelines, and procedures for determining the strategic management of investment risk, while allowing sufficient flexibility in capturing investment opportunities, as they may occur, and establishing reasonable risk parameters to ensure prudence and care in the management of the System's assets.

The portfolio consists of investments in U.S. and non-U.S. equities and fixed income, private equity, private real estate, public real assets, and short-term investments. The System's total portfolio was valued at \$17.7 billion as of June 30, 2019, an increase of \$0.8 billion (4.7%) compared to the prior fiscal year. The portfolio posted a gross of fees return of 6.2% (or a net of fees return of 6.0%) over a one-year period. The total fund underperformed its policy benchmark by -0.8% gross of fees return (or -1.0% net of fees return), and underperformed its actuarial assumed rate of investment return.

The System has made several total portfolio enhancements including greater exposure to low-cost passive investment strategies in its public markets asset classes. As of June 30, 2019, the System's passive exposure was 37% at the total fund level (86% for U.S. public equities, 33% for non-U.S. public equities, and 29% for core fixed income) and compares favorably against a peer group of public pension plans. Further, the Board approved to become a signatory of the Principles for Responsible Investment (PRI) in April 2019. As a signatory, the Board believes that evaluating investment opportunities through the lens of environmental, social, and governance factors will result in a total portfolio that is better equipped to face the dynamic challenges of global risks, while at the same time being able to support responsible alpha generation commensurate with the System's financial goals and objectives.

The annualized investment returns in detail are presented in the Investment Results on page 69 of the Investment Section. The detail of investment income and loss can be found on pages 20 - 21 of the Financial Section. Other investment related information is summarized in the Investment Section of this report.

#### Financial Reporting

The financial statements included within this report are the responsibility of LACERS' management and have been prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles in the United States of America (US GAAP) as promulgated or adopted by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB). A system of internal controls is designed, implemented, and maintained by management, as a means to protect System assets, and to assure the integrity of LACERS' financial statements. Management is confident that its system of internal control, with oversight from LACERS Audit Committee, in tandem with internal audit staff, as well as the annual engagement of an independent external auditing firm to render an opinion on LACERS' financial statements, provide the requisite level of due diligence expected from a governmental pension system. This position is supported by our external auditor, Brown Armstrong Accountancy Corporation, which has audited and expressed an unmodified opinion that LACERS' basic financial statements are free of material misstatement, presented fairly, and in conformity with US GAAP.

Readers of this CAFR are encouraged to review the Management's Discussion and Analysis (MD & A) Section starting on page 15, which provides narrative analysis and highlights of our financial condition and fiscal operations during the reporting period.

#### Awards and Acknowledgements

#### **GFOA** Certificate of Achievement

The Government Finance Officers Association of the United States and Canada (GFOA) awarded a Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting to LACERS for its CAFR for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2018. In order to be awarded a Certificate of Achievement, a government must publish an easily readable and efficiently organized CAFR. This report must satisfy both US GAAP and applicable legal requirements.

A Certificate of Achievement is valid for a period of one year. We believe that this report for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2019, will again meet the requirements of the Certificate of Achievement Program and we are submitting it to the GFOA for consideration of an annual award.

#### **PPCC Standards Award**

The Public Pension Coordinating Council presented its Public Pension Standards Award For Funding and Administration to LACERS in recognition of compliance with professional standards for plan funding and administration for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2019. To receive this honor, LACERS was assessed to have met the standards in six key areas: Comprehensive Benefit Program, Actuarial Valuation, Independent Audit, External Investments Performance Evaluation, Member Communications, and Funding Adequacy.

#### Acknowledgements

Lastly, I would like to acknowledge the professional and dedicated staff of the Fiscal Management Division of LACERS for the preparation of this report. I would also like to express appreciation for the leadership and commitment of the LACERS Commissioners, as well as all other LACERS' staff for their assistance and contributions. Lastly, I would also like to thank our external auditor, Brown Armstrong, and our consulting actuary, Segal Consulting, for their professional assistance in the preparation of this report.

Respectfully Submitted,

Lita Payne

**Executive Officer** 

Mikyong Jang Chief Accountant

## **Board of Administration**For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2019



Cynthia M. Ruiz
President
Appointed by the Mayor



Elizabeth L. Greenwood Vice President Elected by Active Members



Sandra Lee Member Appointed by the Mayor



Nilza R. Serrano Member Appointed by the Mayor



Sung Won Sohn
Member
Appointed by the Mayor



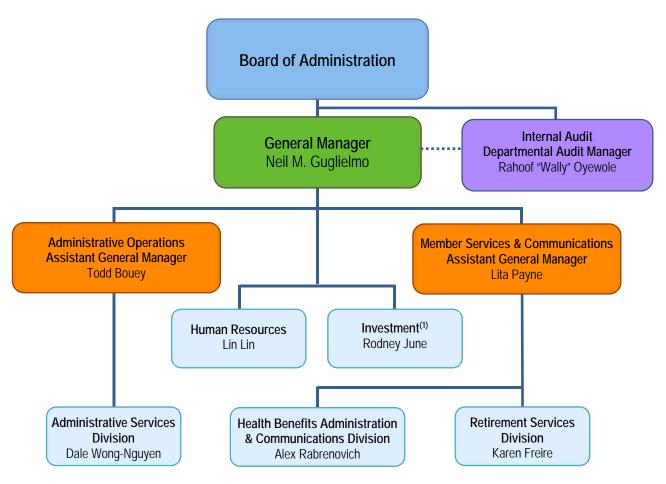
Michael R. Wilkinson
Member
Elected by Retired Members



Elizabeth Lee Member Elected by Active Members

## **Organization Chart**

As of June 30, 2019



(1) Schedules of Fees and Commissions can be found in the Investment Section on page 75, and a list of firms managing the investment portfolio can be found in the Investment Section on pages 77 - 79.

#### **Professional Consultants**

#### **Actuary**

Segal Consulting

#### **Independent Auditor**

**Brown Armstrong** 

#### **Investment**

**NEPC** 

Portfolio Advisors, LLC The Townsend Group

TorreyCove Capital Partners, LLC

#### Health & Welfare

Keenan & Associates

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Nossaman, LLP

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#### **Pension Administration System**

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Linea Solutions

#### **Strategic Planning Consultant**

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#### **Public Pension Coordinating Council**

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## Los Angeles City Employees' Retirement System (LACERS)

In recognition of meeting professional standards for plan funding and administration as set forth in the Public Pension Standards.

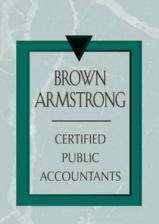
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Certified Public Accountants

#### INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

Board of Administration Los Angeles City Employees' Retirement System Los Angeles, California

#### **Report on the Financial Statements**

We have audited the accompanying Retirement Plan and Postemployment Health Care Plan Statement of Fiduciary Net Position of the Los Angeles City Employees' Retirement System (LACERS), a department of the Municipality of the City of Los Angeles, California, as of June 30, 2019, and the related Retirement Plan and Postemployment Health Care Plan Statement of Changes in Fiduciary Net Position for the year then ended, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise LACERS basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

#### Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America; this includes the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

#### Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to LACERS preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of LACERS internal control. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

#### **Opinion**

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the fiduciary net position of the Retirement Plan and Postemployment Health Care Plan of LACERS as of June 30, 2019, and the changes in fiduciary net position for the year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

#### **Other Matters**

#### Required Supplementary Information

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the management's discussion and analysis and required supplementary information, as listed in the table of contents, be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the GASB who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which consisted of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

#### Other Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming an opinion on the financial statements of LACERS that collectively comprise LACERS basic financial statements. The supplemental schedules, as listed in the table of contents, are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements.

The supplemental schedules are the responsibility of management and were derived from and relate directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used in the financial statements or to the financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the information is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the financial statements as a whole.

The introductory, investment, actuarial, and statistical sections have not been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in our audit of the basic financial statements and, accordingly, we do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on them.

#### Report on Summarized Comparative Information

We have previously audited LACERS June 30, 2018 financial statements, and our report dated November 27, 2018, expressed an unmodified opinion on those audited financial statements. In our opinion, the summarized comparative information presented herein as of and for the year ended June 30, 2018, is consistent in all material respects, with the audited financial statements from which it has been derived.

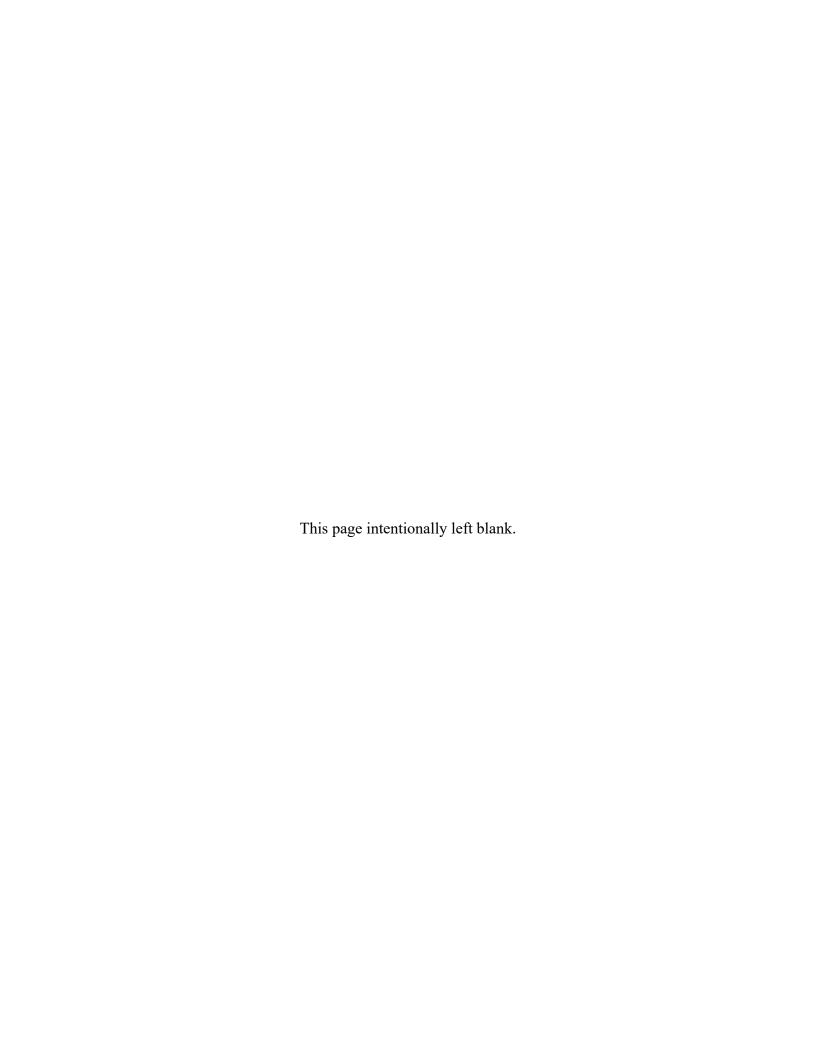
#### Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with Government Auditing Standards, we have also issued our report dated November 25, 2019, on our consideration of LACERS internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with Government Auditing Standards in considering LACERS internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

BROWN ARMSTRONG
ACCOUNTANCY CORPORATION

Grown Armstrong Secountaincy Corporation

Bakersfield, California November 25, 2019



As management of the Los Angeles City Employees' Retirement System (LACERS), we are pleased to provide this overview and analysis of the financial activities of LACERS for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2019. We encourage readers to consider the information presented here in conjunction with additional information included in our letter of transmittal in the Introductory Section of LACERS Comprehensive Annual Financial Report.

#### **Financial Highlights**

- The Los Angeles City Employees' Retirement System (LACERS or the System) fiduciary net position as of June 30, 2019 was \$17,707,910,000, an increase of \$718,294,000 or 4.2% over the prior fiscal year.
- The total additions to the fiduciary net position of LACERS, from employer contributions made by the City of Los Angeles (the City), Member contributions, self-funded dental insurance premium, Members' portion of premium reserve, and net investment income were \$1,802,166,000, a 21.9% decrease from the prior fiscal year. Self-funded dental insurance premium and Members' portion of premium reserve are two new funding sources for the newly established 115 Trust fund (refer to Note 3 Postemployment Health Care Plan Description on page 34).
- The employer contributions to the Retirement Plan represented 100% of the Actuarially Determined Contribution of the employer as defined by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statements No. 67, Financial Reporting for Pension Plans, and No. 68, Accounting and Financial Reporting for Pensions.
- The employer contributions to the Postemployment Health Care Plan represented 100% of the Actuarially Determined Contribution of the employer as defined by GASB Statements No. 74, Financial Reporting for Postemployment Benefit Plans Other than Pension Plans, and No. 75, Accounting and Financial Reporting for Postemployment Benefits Other than Pensions.
- Net investment income for this fiscal year was \$968,497,000, representing a 36.2% decrease compared with an investment income of \$1,518,879,000 for the previous fiscal year.
- The total deductions from the fiduciary net position were \$1,083,872,000, a 7.7% increase from the prior fiscal year, for the payment of retirement and postemployment health care benefits, refunds of Member contributions, and administrative expenses.

- The System's Net Pension Liability (NPL) for the retirement benefits was \$5,977,828,000 as of June 30, 2019. NPL, a measure required by GASB Statement No. 67 to disclose in the financial notes of a pension plan, is the difference between the Total Pension Liability (TPL) and the plan fiduciary net position. As the plan fiduciary net position is equal to the market value (also referred to as the "fair value") of the plan's assets, NPL is determined on a market value basis, and it fully reflects the plan's investment performance (6.2% rate of return, gross of fees) of this fiscal year. Compared with the previous fiscal year, the NPL increased by \$268,480,000.
- The System's Net Other Postemployment Benefits (OPEB) Plan Liability for the postemployment health care benefits was \$522,201,000 as of June 30, 2019. Net OPEB Liability (NOL) is a measure required by GASB Statement No. 74. NOL is determined on a market value basis, and is the difference between the Total OPEB Liability (TOL) and the plan fiduciary net position (market value of the plan's assets). NOL reflects the plan's investment performance (6.2% rate of return, gross of fees) for this fiscal year. As compared with the previous fiscal year, the NOL decreased by \$58,255,000.
- The plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of TPL for the Retirement Plan, another required disclosure of GASB Statement No. 67, was 71.3%, which is the same as the funded ratio on a market value basis reported in the actuarial valuation for the retirement benefits.
- The plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of TOL for the Postemployment Health Care Plan, another required disclosure of GASB Statement No. 74, was 84.3%, which is the same as the funded ratio on a market value basis reported in the actuarial valuation for the postemployment health care benefits.

#### **Overview of the Financial Statements**

The following discussion and analysis are intended to serve as an introduction to LACERS financial statements and the accompanying notes thereto. The required supplementary information and supplemental schedules provide additional financial data on LACERS operations.

#### **Financial Statements**

There are two financial statements presented by LACERS. The Statement of Fiduciary Net Position on page 24 gives a snapshot of the account balances at year-end and shows the amount of the fiduciary net position (the difference between the assets plus deferred outflows of resources, and liabilities plus deferred inflows of resources) available to pay future benefits. Over time, increases or decreases in fiduciary net position may serve as a useful indicator of whether the fiduciary net position of LACERS is improving or deteriorating. The Statement of Changes in Fiduciary Net Position on page 25 provides a view of current year additions to, and deductions from, the fiduciary net position.

#### **Notes to the Basic Financial Statements**

The notes to the basic financial statements (Notes) provide additional information that is essential for a full understanding of the data provided in the financial statements. The notes to the basic financial statements can be found on pages 26 - 48 of this report.

#### **Required Supplementary Information**

In addition to the Management's Discussion and Analysis, other required supplementary information consists of the Schedule of Net Pension Liability, Schedule of Changes in Net Pension Liability and Related Ratios, Schedule of Contribution History, and Schedule of Investment Returns for the Retirement Plan, and the Schedule of Net OPEB Liability, Schedule of Changes in Net OPEB Liability and Related Ratios, Schedule of Contribution History, and Schedule of Investment Returns for the Postemployment Health Care Plan. These schedules and notes primarily present multiyear information as required by the applicable financial reporting standards of GASB Statements No. 67 and No. 74. This required supplementary information can be found on pages 50 - 59 of this report.

#### **Supplemental Schedules**

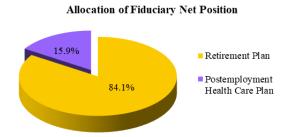
The supplemental schedules, including a Schedule of Administrative Expenses and a Schedule of Investment Fees and Expenses, are presented to provide additional financial information on LACERS operations for the current year. These can be found on pages 62 and 63 of this report.

#### **Financial Analysis**

#### **Allocation of Fiduciary Net Position**

Fiduciary net position may serve as a useful indicator of a plan's financial position. The total fiduciary net position is allocated between the Retirement Plan and Postemployment Health Care Plan, as required by the existing reporting standards. The following information provides a brief description of the asset allocation between the Retirement Plan and the Postemployment Health Care Plan as of June 30, 2019 (dollars in thousands):

	Fiduciary Net Position	Percent	
Retirement Plan	\$ 14,895,812	84.1%	
Postemployment			
Health Care Plan	2,812,098	15.9	
Fiduciary Net Position	\$ 17,707,910	100.0%	



#### **Fiduciary Net Position**

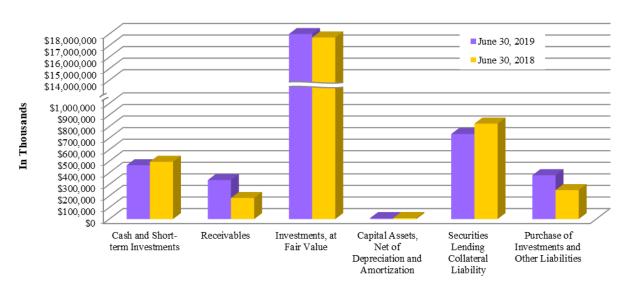
The following table and graph detail the components of the fiduciary net position of LACERS as of June 30, 2019 and 2018 (dollars in thousands):

	June 30, 2019	June 30, 2018	Change		
Cash and Short-Term Investments Receivables	\$ 440,455 312,505	\$ 470,390 157,483	\$ (29,935) (6.4) % 155,022 98.4		
Investments, at Fair Value Capital Assets, Net of Depreciation and Amortization	17,990,214 8,789	17,357,845 9,185	632,369 3.6 (396) (4.3)		
Total Assets	18,751,963	17,994,903	757,060 4.2		
Securities Lending Collateral Liability	705,535	795,076	(89,541) (11.3)		
Purchase of Investments and Other Liabilities	338,518	210,211	<u>128,307</u> 61.0		
Total Liabilities	1,044,053	1,005,287	38,766 3.9		
Fiduciary Net Position Restricted for Pension Benefits and Postemployment Health Care Benefits	\$ 17,707,910	\$ 16,989,616	<u>\$ 718,294</u> 4.2 %		

#### **Financial Analysis (Continued)**

#### **Fiduciary Net Position (Continued)**

#### Components of Fiduciary Net Position



The majority of LACERS fiduciary net position is contained in its investment portfolio, which consists of cash and short-term investments, receivables, fixed income, equities, and other asset classes. Fiduciary net position increased by \$718,294,000, or 4.2%, during this fiscal year.

#### **Net Increase in Fiduciary Net Position**

The increase in fiduciary net position during the reporting period was the net effect of factors that either added to or deducted from the fiduciary net position. The following table summarizes the changes in fiduciary net position during the report year, as compared with the prior year (dollars in thousands):

	<u>J</u>	une 30, 2019	J	une 30, 2018	 Change	<u>;                                    </u>
Additions	\$	1,802,166	\$	2,306,348	\$ (504,182)	(21.9) %
Deductions		1,083,872		1,006,302	77,570	7.7
Net Increase in Fiduciary Net Position		718,294		1,300,046	(581,752)	(44.7)
Fiduciary Net Position, Beginning of Year Fiduciary Net Position,		16,989,616		15,689,570	 1,300,046	8.3
End of Year	\$	17,707,910	\$	16,989,616	\$ 718,294	4.2 %

#### **Financial Analysis (Continued)**

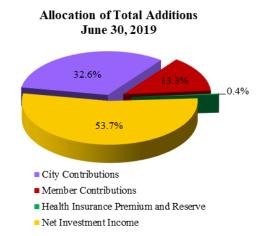
#### Net Increase in Fiduciary Net Position – Additions to Fiduciary Net Position

Additions to Fiduciary Net Position

The following table and graph represent the components that make up the additions to fiduciary net position for LACERS for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2019 and 2018 (dollars in thousands):

City Contributions		ine 30, 2019	June 30, 2018		Change
		586,754	\$	551,247	6.4 %
Member Contributions		240,357		236,222	1.8
Health Insurance Premium and Reserve		6,558		-	N/A
Net Investment Income		968,497		1,518,879	(36.2)
Additions to Fiduciary Net Position	\$	1,802,166	\$	2,306,348	(21.9) %

# \$2,000,000 \$1,500,000 \$1,000,000 \$5500,000 City Member Health Net Insurance Premium and Reserve Reserve



The additions to LACERS fiduciary net position that constitute the funding sources of LACERS benefits are City Contributions, Member Contributions, Health Insurance Premium and Reserve, and Net Investment Income.

City contributions to the Retirement Plan, the Postemployment Health Care Plan, and the Family Death Benefit Plan were \$586,754,000 during the fiscal year. The total increase of \$35,507,000 or 6.4% over the prior fiscal year was due to a higher payroll base (approximately 2.5% increase in payroll) and higher contribution rate recommended by the actuary for the reporting year. The total City contributions include a \$36,017,000 true-up credit adjustment, a reduction from the City's advanced contribution payment, to reconcile the difference of the City's contributions based on projected payroll against actual payroll. This true-up amount, which included accrued interest at 7.25%, was recognized as liability as of the end of the reporting period. After reflecting the true-up adjustment, the aggregate employer contribution rate for this fiscal year was 27.83% (22.71% for the Retirement Plan and 5.12% for the Postemployment Health Care Plan), which is 1.04% higher than the prior fiscal year at 26.79%. \$478,717,000 of actual contribution to the Retirement Plan was equal to 100% of the Actuarially Determined Contribution (ADC) of the employer, as defined by GASB Statement No. 67. \$107,927,000 of actual contribution to the Postemployment Health Care Plan was equal to 100% of the ADC, as defined by GASB Statement No. 74.

In fiscal year 2018-19, Member contributions were \$240,357,000, which was \$4,135,000 or 1.8% greater than the prior year. The increase in Member contributions was primarily attributable to the increase in the number of Members and their salaries but lessened by decreased voluntary Larger Annuity contributions received by LACERS during the fiscal year.

#### **Financial Analysis (Continued)**

#### Net Increase in Fiduciary Net Position – Additions to Fiduciary Net Position (Continued)

LACERS established a Postemployment Health Care 115 Trust fund (the "115 Trust fund") in late December 2018, and replaced the existing Delta Dental PPO Plan with a self-funded Dental Plan under the 115 Trust fund effective January 1, 2019. Accordingly, LACERS recognized revenue of \$5,034,000 representing monthly dental insurance premium and \$1,056,000 one-time payment received from existing 401(h) Health Care fund to prepay a reserve for self-funded Dental Plan. Additionally, \$468,000 of Members' portion from the health insurance premium reserve amount was also recognized as revenue (refer to Note 1 – Description of LACERS and Significant Accounting Policies, subheading Reserves on pages 27-28).

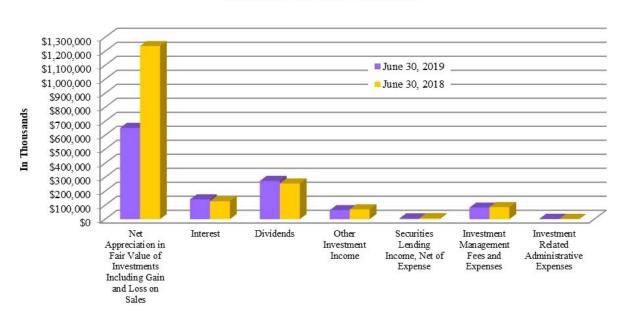
The net investment income was \$968,497,000, which included \$637,092,000 of net appreciation in the fair value of investments. This is discussed in more detail in the next section.

#### **Investment Income**

The following table and graph present the detail of investment income, net of investment management fees and expenses for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2019 and 2018 (dollars in thousands):

	June 30, 2019		Ju	ne 30, 2018	Change
Net Appreciation in Fair Value of Investments,					
Including Gain and Loss on Sales	\$	637,092	\$	1,206,714	(47.2) %
Interest		121,215		107,942	12.3
Dividends		238,458		220,106	8.3
Other Investment Income		49,475		55,094	(10.2)
Securities Lending Income, Net of Expense		6,179		6,959	(11.2)
Sub-Total		1,052,419		1,596,815	(34.1)
Less: Investment Management Fees and Expenses		(81,582)		(76,213)	7.0
Investment Related Administrative Expenses		(2,340)		(1,723)	35.8
Net Investment Income	\$	968,497	\$	1,518,879	(36.2) %

#### **Investment Income and Expenses**



#### **Financial Analysis (Continued)**

#### **Investment Income (Continued)**

The net investment income for the current fiscal year was \$968,497,000, as compared with the income of \$1,518,879,000 for the previous fiscal year (36.2% decrease). This decrease was due primarily to a lower net appreciation in the fair value of investments of \$637,092,000, compared with the previous fiscal year's amount of \$1,206,714,000 (47.2% decrease). In general, public equity market returns were positive for the current year, but lower relative to the previous fiscal year. The Russell 3000 Index, which tracks U.S. broad market equities, returned 9.0% compared with 14.8% for the previous year. The MSCI All Country World ex-U.S. Index, which tracks non-U.S. equities in developed and emerging markets, returned 1.3% compared with 7.3% for the previous year. Fixed income markets, as represented by the Bloomberg Barclays U.S. Aggregate Bond Index, experienced a strong rally during the current fiscal year, returning 7.9% compared with -0.4% for the previous year. The net appreciation as reported reflects a deduction for carried interest in the amount of \$35,136,000, which represents a profit share that the general partners of these funds received as a compensation after the performance of the funds achieved agreed-upon return level.

Interest income derived from fixed income securities and dividend income derived from equities increased by \$13,273,000 or 12.3%, and \$18,352,000 or 8.3%, respectively. The increase in income from these sources resulted primarily from an increase in LACERS fixed income and equity holdings relative to the previous fiscal year.

Other investment income, primarily derived from private equity and private real estate partnership investments, decreased by \$5,619,000 or 10.2%, as the rate of partnership distributions slowed during the current fiscal year.

LACERS earns additional investment income by lending its securities to borrowers through its custodian bank. To earn income for LACERS, the custodian bank invests cash collateral pledged by borrowers on behalf of LACERS in short term fixed income securities. LACERS also generates income from fees paid by borrowers that pledge non-cash collateral. In the current fiscal year, LACERS securities lending income (net of expense) decreased by \$780,000 or 11.2%, from a year ago due to lower borrower demand for securities held in LACERS portfolio.

Total investment management fees, expenses, and investment related administrative expenses increased by \$5,986,000 or 7.7% from the prior year. This increase corresponded with the increase in the fair value of LACERS investments over the fiscal year.

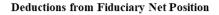
#### **Net Increase in Fiduciary Net Position – Deductions from Fiduciary Net Position**

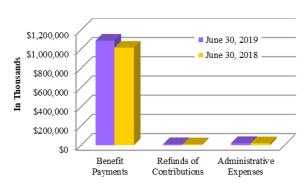
The following table and graphs provide information related to the deductions from fiduciary net position for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2019 and 2018 (dollars in thousands):

	Jı	ine 30, 2019	June 30, 2018		Change
Benefit Payments	\$	1,049,283	\$	975,112	7.6%
Refunds of Contributions		11,684		10,412	12.2
Administrative Expenses		22,905		20,778	10.2
Deductions from Fiduciary					
Net Position	\$	1,083,872	\$	1,006,302	7.7%

#### **Financial Analysis (Continued)**

Net Increase in Fiduciary Net Position – Deductions from Fiduciary Net Position (Continued)

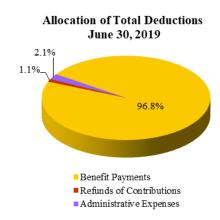




LACERS deductions from fiduciary net position in this reporting period can be summarized as Benefit Payments, Refunds of Member Contributions, and Administrative Expenses. These deductions represent the types of benefit delivery operations undertaken by LACERS and the costs associated with them. Total deductions increased by \$77,570,000 or 7.7% from the prior fiscal year.

Compared to the prior fiscal year, benefit payments increased by \$74,171,000 or 7.6%. The benefit payments for the Retirement Plan increased by \$62,123,000 or 7.3% mainly due to the annual cost of living adjustments (COLA) (approximately 2.8% increase on average with a maximum of 3.0%); increased number of retirees and beneficiaries; and the average retirement allowance of newly retired Members being higher than those of the deceased Members who were removed from the retirement payroll. Payments for Postemployment Health Care Plan benefits also increased by \$12,048,000 or 9.4%. This increase was mainly due to the increased number of retirees and their dependents eligible for medical subsidy; increased reimbursement of Medicare Part B premium; and inclusion of \$1,056,000 one-time prepaid reserve for LACERS self-funded Dental Plan and \$4,018,000 dental benefit claims paid from the self-funded Plan for January through June 2019 which were additions to the health expense incurred by LACERS to cover subsidy portion of the self-funded Dental Plan premium payment made to the 115 Trust fund.

The refunds of Member contributions increased by \$1,272,000 or 12.2% from the prior fiscal year's \$10,412,000. It was mainly due to the increase in contribution refunds upon Members leaving the City service.



LACERS administrative expenses also increased by \$2,127,000 or 10.2% from the prior fiscal year. There was an increase in personnel cost, which was mainly due to the mandatory COLA increases as well as increase in employee health and retirement benefit In addition, LACERS recorded full-year amortization for the cost of Pension Administration System (PAS) that went live in March 2018, resulting in an increased depreciation and amortization expense compared to prior fiscal year. Post PAS implementation consulting fees were also incurred and recorded under administrative expense of the current fiscal year. In this reporting period, administrative expenses included certain expenses associated with the 115 Trust fund: \$365,000 of third party administrative fees charged for the self-funded Dental Plan claims and some legal counsel cost for legal advice and guidance needed for the establishment of 115 Trust fund (refer to Note 3 -Postemployment Health Care Plan Description on page 34).

#### **Requests for Information**

This financial report is designed to provide a general overview of LACERS finances. Questions concerning any of the information provided in this report or requests for additional financial information should be addressed to:

LACERS Fiscal Management Division PO Box 512218 Los Angeles, CA 90051-0218



#### Statement of Fiduciary Net Position Retirement Plan and Postemployment Health Care Plan As of June 30, 2019, with Comparative Totals (In Thousands)

	Retirement Plan		Postemployment Health Care Plan		2019 Total			2018 Total
Assets								
Cash and Short-Term Investments	\$	370,509	\$	69,946	\$	440,455	\$	470,390
Receivables								
Accrued Investment Income		52,854		9,978		62,832		57,237
Proceeds from Sales of Investments		197,133		37,216		234,349		86,261
Other		12,891		2,433		15,324		13,985
Total Receivables		262,878		49,627	_	312,505		157,483
Investments, at Fair Value								
U.S. Government Obligations		1,192,407		225,108		1,417,515		1,173,467
Municipal Bonds		-		-		-		2,527
Domestic Corporate Bonds		742,127		140,102		882,229		831,555
International Bonds		504,459		95,234		599,693		546,920
Other Fixed Income		759,252		143,335		902,587		1,033,950
Bank Loans		7,460		1,408		8,868		5,397
Opportunistic Debts		171,352		32,349		203,701		109,931
Domestic Stocks		3,930,485		742,015		4,672,500		4,704,733
International Stocks		4,407,841		832,132		5,239,973		5,078,641
Mortgages		442,796		83,593		526,389		424,614
Government Agencies		26,032		4,915		30,947		41,062
Derivative Instruments		(670)		(127)		(797)		1,000
Real Estate		666,661		125,855		792,516		801,634
Private Equity		1,689,590		318,968		2,008,558		1,807,338
Securities Lending Collateral		593,493		112,042	_	705,535	_	795,076
Total Investments, at Fair Value		15,133,285		2,856,929	_	17,990,214		17,357,845
Capital Assets								
Furniture, Computer Hardware and Software								
(Net of Depreciation and Amortization)		7,393		1,396		8,789		9,185
<b>Total Assets</b>		15,774,065		2,977,898	_	18,751,963		17,994,903
Liabilities								
Accounts Payable and Accrued Expenses		45,776		8,642		54,418		40,967
Accrued Investment Expenses		8,130		1,534		9,664		10,455
Purchases of Investments		230,854		43,582		274,436		158,789
Securities Lending Collateral		593,493		112,042		705,535		795,076
Total Liabilities		878,253		165,800		1,044,053		1,005,287
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Fiduciary Net Position Restricted for Pension Benefits and Postemployment								
Health Care Benefits	\$	14,895,812	\$	2,812,098	\$	17,707,910	\$	16,989,616
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The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

#### Statement of Changes in Fiduciary Net Position Retirement Plan and Postemployment Health Care Plan For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2019, with Comparative Totals (In Thousands)

	Retirement Plan		J	Postemployment Health Care Plan		2019 Total		2018 Total	
Additions			_						
Contributions									
City Contributions	\$	478,827	9	107,927	\$	586,754	\$	551,247	
Member Contributions		240,357	_			240,357		236,222	
Total Contributions		719,184	_	107,927		827,111		787,469	
Self-Funded Insurance Premium		-		6,090		6,090		-	
Health Insurance Premium Reserve		-		468		468		-	
Investment Income									
Net Appreciation in Fair Value of									
Investments, Including Gain and Loss on Sales		519,661		117,431		637,092		1,206,714	
Interest		102,364		18,851		121,215		107,942	
Dividends		201,415		37,043		238,458		220,106	
Other Investment Income		41,789		7,686		49,475		55,094	
Securities Lending Income		6,139		1,129		7,268		8,185	
Less: Securities Lending Expense		(888)	)	(201)		(1,089)		(1,226)	
Sub-Total	-	870,480	_	181,939		1,052,419		1,596,815	
Less: Investment Management Fees and Expenses		(66,544)	)	(15,038)		(81,582)		(76,213)	
Investment Related Administrative Expenses		(1,909)		(431)		(2,340)		(1,723)	
Net Investment Income		802,027	_	166,470		968,497		1,518,879	
<b>Total Additions</b>		1,521,211	_	280,955		1,802,166		2,306,348	
Deductions									
Benefit Payments		909,154		140,129		1,049,283		975,112	
Refunds of Contributions		11,684		-		11,684		10,412	
Administrative Expenses		17,806	_	5,099		22,905		20,778	
<b>Total Deductions</b>		938,644		145,228		1,083,872		1,006,302	
Net Increase in Fiduciary Net Position		582,567		135,727		718,294		1,300,046	
Fiduciary Net Position Restricted for Pension Benefits and Postemployment Health Care Benefits									
Beginning of Year		14,313,245	_	2,676,371	_	16,989,616		15,689,570	
End of Year	<u>\$</u>	14,895,812	<u> </u>	2,812,098	\$	17,707,910	<b>\$</b> 1	16,989,616	

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

#### 1. Description of LACERS and Significant Accounting Policies

#### **General Description**

The Los Angeles City Employees' Retirement System (LACERS or the System) is under the exclusive management and control of its Board of Administration (the Board), whose authority is granted by statute in Article XVI, Section 17 of the California State Constitution, and Article XI of the Los Angeles City Charter. The Board has seven members. Four members, one of whom shall be a retired Member of the System, shall be appointed by the Mayor subject to the approval of the City Council. Two members shall be active employee Members of the System elected by active employee Members. One shall be a retired Member of the System elected by retired Members of the System. Elected Board members serve five-year terms in office, with no term limits. The System is a Department of the Municipality of the City of Los Angeles (the City). The System's financial statements are included in the City of Los Angeles Annual Financial Report as a pension trust fund.

The System operates a single-employer defined benefit plan (the Retirement Plan) and a single-employer Postemployment Health Care Plan. Benefits and benefit changes are established by ordinance and approved by the City Council and the Mayor. A description of each plan is located in Note 2 and Note 3 on pages 29 - 39 of this report. All Notes to the Basic Financial Statements apply to both plans unless indicated otherwise.

Members who entered the System prior to February 21, 2016 are Tier 1 Members of LACERS. On or after February 21, 2016, new Members become Members of LACERS Tier 3 (refer to Note 2 – Retirement Plan Description on pages 29 - 30, and Note 3 – Postemployment Health Care Plan Description on pages 34 - 35 for each tier's eligibility requirements and benefits provided).

#### **Basis of Accounting and Presentation**

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (US GAAP) as outlined by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB). The financial statements are maintained on the accrual basis of accounting. Contributions from the employer and Members were recognized when due pursuant to formal commitments and contractual requirements. Benefits, refunds, and other expenses are recognized when due and payable. The accompanying financial statements

include information from the prior year summarized for comparative purpose only. Such information does not include sufficient detail to constitute a presentation in accordance with US GAAP.

#### **Investments**

#### **Investment Policies**

Funds of the System are invested pursuant to the System's investment policy, established by the Board, in compliance with Article XI Section 1106(d) of the City Charter. The System has a long-term investment horizon, and utilizes an asset allocation that encompasses a strategic, long run perspective of capital markets. The System's investment portfolio is composed of domestic and international equities, domestic and international bonds, bank loans, derivative instruments, real assets, private equity, and short-term investments. During the reporting period, there were no significant investment policy changes.

As of June 30, 2019, the Board's adopted asset allocation policy was as follows:

	Target
Asset Class	Allocation
Domestic and International Equities	46.00%
Domestic and International Bonds	13.75
Private Equity	14.00
Real Assets	13.00
Short-Term Investments	1.00
Credit Opportunities	12.25
Total	100.00%

#### **Fair Value of Investments**

Securities traded on national or international exchanges are valued at the last reported sales price at the current exchange rates. Short-term investments, bonds, bank loans, stocks, and private equities are reported at fair value. The fair values of real estate investment funds are provided by the individual real estate fund managers based on periodic appraisals, in the form of either annual inhouse appraisals or longer-term appraisals by outside professionals, in accordance with industry practice. The fair value determined as such is also reviewed and evaluated by the Board's real estate consultant. The private equity funds ("partnership investment"), which are managed by third party investment managers, are valued on a quarterly and/or annual basis at their net asset value as reported by the investment managers under US GAAP. US GAAP requires that assets be reported at fair value in accordance with Accounting Standards Codification Topic 820 - Fair Value Measurement and The fair values of derivative Disclosures. instruments are determined using available market

# 1. Description of LACERS and Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

### **Investments (Continued)**

### Fair Value of Investments (Continued)

information. Debt rewrites are valued based on yields currently available on comparable securities of issuers with similar credit ratings. LACERS investment strategy, as it relates to the debt portfolio, is mainly to achieve market appreciation and not to hold bonds to their maturities.

The provisions of the GASB Statement No. 72, *Fair Value Measurement and Application*, require investments to be measured at fair value as well as to classify the inputs used to determine fair value based on a three-level fair value hierarchy. This information is presented in Note 6 on pages 44 - 46.

Investment transactions are accounted for on the date the securities are purchased or sold (trade date). Unsettled investment trades as of fiscal year-end are reported in the financial statements on an accrual basis. The corresponding proceeds due from sales are reported on the Statement of Fiduciary Net Position under Receivables and labeled as Proceeds from Sales of Investments, and amounts payable for purchases are reported under Liabilities and labeled as Purchases of Investments. Dividend income is recorded on the ex-dividend date. Interest income is reported at the stated interest rate as earned, and any premiums or discounts on debt securities are not amortized. The calculation of realized gains and losses is independent of the calculation of the net change in the fair value of LACERS pension plan investment. Realized gains and losses on investments that had been held in more than one reporting period and sold in the current period were included as a change in the fair value reported in the prior period(s) and the current period.

For the future contracts, an initial margin is required to open a position and maintain the collateral requirement until the position is closed. LACERS reports the collateral for the future contracts in the short-term investments.

### **Concentrations**

The investment portfolio as of June 30, 2019, contained no concentration of investments in any one entity that represented 5% or more of the total investment portfolio.

#### **Rate of Return on Investments**

For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2019, the aggregate annual money-weighted rate of return for the Retirement Plan and the Postemployment Health Care Plan on LACERS investments, net of

investment expenses, was 5.62%. The money-weighted rate of return expresses investment performance, net of investment expenses, adjusted for the changing amounts actually invested. Separate schedules for the money-weighted rate of return for Retirement Plan and Postemployment Health Care Plan are presented in the Required Supplementary Information (RSI) on pages 54 and 59, respectively.

#### Receivables

As of June 30, 2019, LACERS held no long-term contracts for contributions receivable from the City.

### **Capital Assets**

Prior to July 1, 2001, purchases of capital assets, consisting primarily of office furniture and computer equipment, were recorded and expensed in the year acquired. Effective July 1, 2001, these purchases were capitalized upon acquisition if the cost of purchase was \$5,000 or more, and depreciated over five years using the straight-line method.

In order to comply with the requirements of GASB Statement No. 51, Accounting and Financial Reporting for Intangible Assets, certain costs for developing LACERS new Pension Administration System (PAS), a customized software solution critical to LACERS core operations, had been capitalized. The capitalized cost for the PAS project up to its completion in February 2018 was \$9,098,000. In addition, certain post-implementation costs of \$315,000 were capitalized during this fiscal year. The total capitalized cost for the PAS of \$9,413,000 is being amortized over 15 years using the straight-line method.

### **Administrative Expenses**

All administrative expenses are funded from LACERS fiduciary net position, which represents accumulated investment earnings and contributions from the City and the Members net of payments.

#### Reserves

As provided in the Los Angeles City Charter, LACERS is maintained on a reserve basis, determined in accordance with recognized actuarial methods. The Los Angeles City Charter establishes reserves for the following:

#### Reserves for the Retirement Plan

Member Contributions (Mandatory) – To provide for individual accounts of Members consisting of Active Member mandatory contributions to the Retirement Plan and interest credited to Members accounts, less refunds of Members contributions and transfers to the Annuity reserve.

# 1. Description of LACERS and Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

### **Reserves (Continued)**

Reserves for the Retirement Plan (Continued)

Member Contributions (Voluntary) – To provide for individual accounts of Members participating in the larger annuity program of Active Member voluntary contributions and interest/investment return credited to Members' accounts, less refunds of Member contributions (voluntary) and transfers to the Larger Annuity reserve.

Basic Pensions – To provide for the City's guaranteed portion of retirement benefits consisting of City contributions; investment earnings (losses) including net appreciation (depreciation) in fair value of investments; less payments to retired Members and beneficiaries, and allocated investment and administrative expenses.

Annuity – To provide for the Members' share of retirement benefits consisting of Members' mandatory contribution balances transferred at retirement; investment earnings (losses) excluding net appreciation (depreciation) in fair value of investments; less payments to retired Members and beneficiaries, and allocated investment and administrative expenses.

Larger Annuity – To provide for the Larger Annuity benefit consisting of Members' voluntary contribution balances transferred at retirement including Internal Revenue Service (IRS) Section 457 deferred compensation and other rollovers; investment earnings (losses) including net appreciation (depreciation) in fair value of investments; less payments to participating retired Members and beneficiaries, and allocated investment and administrative expenses.

Family Death Benefit Plan (FDBP) – To pay benefits under the Family Death Benefit Plan administered by LACERS consisting of Active Member voluntary contributions; matching City contributions; and investment earnings (losses) including net appreciation (depreciation) in fair value of investments; less payments to beneficiaries and allocated investment and administrative expenses.

Reserves for the Postemployment Health Care Plan

401(h) Account- To provide health care benefits for retirees consisting of City contributions; investment earnings (losses) including net appreciation (depreciation) in fair value of investments; less payments to insurance providers, including payment to the 115 Trust fund for the self-funded dental insurance premium and Members' portion of insurance premium reserve.

115 Trust Account – This new Health Care fund is currently limited to pay the benefit claims from LACERS self-funded Dental Plan, but ultimately will fund all health care benefits for retirees upon depletion of the existing 401(h) account reserves. The 115 Trust account currently consists of dental plan premium and prepayment; certain retired Members' health insurance premium deductions; and short-term investment earnings; less payments to the dental plan claims and for administration fees to the third party contractor who administered the dental plan claims for the System; and certain allocated administrative expenses. During this reporting year, funds from this reserve account were separately invested, thus they were not in LACERS investment pool, and therefore, investment earnings (losses) including net appreciation (depreciation) in fair value of investments were not distributed (refer to Note 3 -Postemployment Health Care Plan Description on page 34).

Reserve balances as of June 30, 2019, were as follows (in thousands):

Reserves for the Retirement Plan Member Contributions:

- Mandatory	\$ 2,504,742	
- Voluntary	7,101	
<b>Basic Pensions</b>	11,732,697	
Annuity	578,154	
Larger Annuity	56,435	
FDBP	16,683	\$ 14,895,812

Reserve for the Postemployment Health Care Plan

401 (h) Account 2,809,909 115 Trust Account 2,189 2,812,098

Total Reserves \$ 17,707,910

# 1. Description of LACERS and Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

#### **Estimates**

The preparation of the financial statements in conformity with US GAAP requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting years. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

### 2. Retirement Plan Description

### Plan Administration and Membership

LACERS administers a defined benefit pension plan that provides for service and disability retirement benefits, as well as death benefits.

The Retirement Plan covers all full-time personnel and department-certified part-time employees of the City, except for sworn employees of the Fire and Police departments, Department of Water and Power employees, elected officials who elected to participate in an alternative Defined Contribution Plan, certain Port Police officers of the Harbor, and certain Airport Peace Officers of the Airports who elected to opt out of LACERS. Upon transferring all active Tier 2 Members to Tier 1 as of February 21. 2016, Membership to Tier 1 is now closed to new entrants unless a Member meets one of the exceptions allowed in the Ordinance (No. 184134). Eligible employees hired after on or February 21, 2016, become Members of Tier 3.

As of June 30, 2019, the components of LACERS membership in both tiers (Tier 1 and Tier 3) were as follows:

#### Active:

Vested	17,812
Non-vested	8,820
	26,632
Inactive:	
Non-vested	6,149
Terminated Entitled to Benefits,	
Not Yet Receiving Benefits	2,439
Retired	20,034
Total	55,254

Plan Members have a vested right to their own contributions and accumulated interest posted to their accounts. Generally, after five years of employment, Members are eligible for future retirement benefits, which increase with length of service. If a Member who has five or more years of continuous City service terminates employment, the Member has the option of receiving retirement benefits when eligible or having his or her contributions and accumulated interest refunded. Benefits are based upon age, length of service, and compensation.

### **Eligibility Requirement and Benefits Provided**

### Tier 1

Plan Members are eligible to retire with unreduced benefits if they have 10 or more years of continuous City service at age 60, or at least 30 years of City service at age 55, or with any years of City service at age 70 or older. Plan Members also are eligible to retire with age-based reduced benefits after reaching age 55 with 10 or more years of continuous City service, or at any age with 30 or more years of City service. Full (unreduced) retirement benefits are determined as 2.16% of the Member's average monthly pensionable salary during the Member's last 12 months of service, or during any other 12 consecutive months of service designated by the Member, multiplied by the Member's years of service credit. Plan Members with five years of continuous service are eligible for disability retirement, and the benefits are determined as 1/70 of the Member's final average monthly salary for each year of service or 1/3 of the Member's final average monthly salary, if greater. Upon an active Member's death, a refund of the Member's contributions and, depending on the Member's years of service, a limited pension benefit equal to 50% of monthly salary may be paid up to 12 months. Or, if such Member was eligible to retire, survivor benefits may be paid to an eligible spouse or qualified domestic partner. Upon a retired Member's death, a \$2,500 funeral allowance is paid, and a modified or unmodified allowance is continued to an eligible spouse or qualified domestic partner.

#### Tier 1 - Enhanced Benefits

In November 2016, voters approved a ballot measure resulting in approximately 550 sworn Airport peace officers provided an election to opt-out of the LACERS Plan and transfer to the Los Angeles Fire and Police Pension (LAFPP) Plan as its Tier 6 Members.

### 2. Retirement Plan Description (Continued)

# **Eligibility Requirement and Benefits Provided** (Continued)

### **Tier 1 – Enhanced Benefits (Continued)**

On March 28, 2017, the City Council adopted an ordinance (No. 184853) to amend the Los Angeles Administrative Code (LAAC) authorizing certain sworn Airport Peace Officers (APO) at LACERS to elect to transfer into Tier 6 of LAFPP Plan or to remain in LACERS Plan with enhanced benefits. All new APO hired after that date would be enrolled in LAFPP Tier 6. Under the ordinance, APO Members who elect to remain in LACERS would be Tier 1 Members, and be eligible for enhanced benefits including more favorable disability benefits, death benefits, and a higher retirement factor of 2.30% (versus 2.16% for all other Tier 1 Members), contingent upon a mandatory additional contribution payment of \$5,700 required by LAAC Section 4.1002(e)(2) to LACERS before January 8, 2019, or prior to the Member's retirement date, whichever is earlier. Among 503 APO Members who elected to remain Members of LACERS on January 7, 2018, 469 APO Members, inclusive of 43 APO Members who retired with the enhanced benefits, paid their mandatory additional contribution.

#### Tier 3

Plan Members are eligible to retire with unreduced benefits if they have at least 10 or more years of City service at age 60 or at least 30 years of City service at age 55, provided that five years of service must be continuous. Full unreduced retirement benefits at age 60 with 10 years of City service are determined with a 1.5% retirement factor. Plan Members also are eligible to retire with an age-based reduced benefit before reaching age 60 with 30 or more years of City service with a retirement factor of 2.0%. If the Member is age 55 or older with 30 years of service at the time of retirement, his or her retirement allowance will not be subject to reduction on account of age. However, if the Member is younger than age 55 with 30 years of service at the time of retirement, his or her retirement allowance will be reduced by the applicable early retirement reduction factor. In addition, the System also provides Tier 3 Members enhanced retirement benefits with a 2.0% retirement factor if the Member retires at age 63 with at least 10 years of service, or a retirement factor of 2.1% if the Member retires at age 63 with 30 years of service. Tier 3 retirement benefits are determined by multiplying the Member's retirement factor (1.5% - 2.1%), with the Member's Final Average Compensation (FAC) based on the Member's pensionable salary for the last 36 months or any other 36 consecutive months designated by the Member, and by the Member's years of service credit (SC) as follows:

Age at Retirement	Required Years of Service	Retirement Benefit <sup>(1)</sup>
Under 55	30 Years	2.0% x FAC x Yrs. of SC <sup>(2)</sup>
55 and Over	30 Years	2.0% x FAC x Yrs. of SC
60 and Over	10 Years	1.5% x FAC x Yrs. of SC
63 and Over	10 Years	2.0% x FAC x Yrs. of SC
63 and Over	30 Years	2.1% x FAC x Yrs. of SC

- Retirement allowance may not exceed 80% of final compensation except when benefit is based solely on the annuity component funded by the Member's contributions.
- (2) A reduction factor will be applied based on age at retirement.

Plan Members with five years of continuous service are eligible for disability retirement, and the benefits are determined as 1/70 of the Member's final average monthly salary for each year of service or 1/3 of the Member's final average monthly salary, if greater. Upon an active Member's death, a refund of the Member's contributions and, depending on the Member's years of service, a limited pension benefit equal to 50% of monthly salary may be paid up to 12 months. Or, if such Member was eligible to retire, survivor benefits may be paid to an eligible spouse or qualified domestic partner. Upon a retired Member's death, a \$2,500 funeral allowance is paid, and a modified or unmodified allowance is continued to an eligible spouse or qualified domestic partner.

There were no Tier 3 Members who retired during this reporting period.

## **Cost of Living Adjustment**

Retirement allowances are indexed annually for inflation. The Board has authority to determine, no later than May 1<sup>st</sup> of each year, the average annual percentage change in the Consumer Price Index (CPI) for the purpose of providing a Cost of Living Adjustment (COLA) to the benefits of eligible Members and beneficiaries in July. The adjustment is based on the prior year's change of Los Angeles area CPI subject to a maximum of 3.0% for Tier 1 Members or 2.0% for Tier 3 Members. For Tier 1 Members, the COLA percentage greater than 3.0% is banked for future use.

### 2. Retirement Plan Description (Continued)

### **Employer Contributions**

The Los Angeles City Charter Sections 1158 and 1160 provide for periodic actuarially-determined employer contribution rates that, expressed as percentages of annual covered payroll, are sufficient to accumulate the required assets to pay benefits when due. For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2019, the actuarially-determined aggregate employer contribution rate to the Retirement Plan by the City was 23.06% of projected payroll, based on the June 30, 2017 actuarial valuation.

Upon closing the fiscal year 2018-19, LACERS recalculated the employer contribution rate using actual payroll incurred during the fiscal year, which was smaller than projected covered payroll used by the City to make the advance payment on July 15, 2018. As a result, employer contributions received for the Retirement Plan were \$31,179,000 more than required, and this amount was credited to the employer toward employer contributions for fiscal year 2019-20. Based on actual payroll, the effective rate of employer contribution for Retirement Plan was 22.71% for fiscal year 2018-19.

### **Member Contributions**

#### Tier 1

The current contribution rate for Tier 1 Members is 11% of their pensionable salary including: 1) a 1% increase in the Member contribution rate pursuant to 2009 Early Retirement Incentive Program (ERIP) ordinance for all employees for a period of 15 years (or until the ERIP Cost obligation is fully recovered, whichever comes first); and 2) 4% additional contributions in exchange for a vested right to future increases in the maximum retiree medical subsidy pursuant to a 2011 City Council ordinance.

#### Tier 3

The contribution rate for Tier 3 Members is 11% of their pensionable salary including 4% additional contributions in exchange for a vested right to future increases in the maximum retiree medical subsidy. Unlike Tier 1, Tier 3 Members do not pay ERIP contribution, therefore, Tier 3 Members' contribution rate will not drop down when Tier 1 Members cease to pay the 1% ERIP contribution.

### 2. Retirement Plan Description (Continued)

### **Net Pension Liability**

In calculating the Plan's net pension liability, the total pension liability and the Plan fiduciary net position exclude amounts associated with Family Death and Larger Annuity Benefits. As of June 30, 2019, the components of the net pension liability were as follows (in thousands):

Total Pension Liability\$ 20,793,421Plan Fiduciary Net Position (1)14,815,593Plan's Net Pension Liability\$ 5,977,828

Plan Fiduciary Net Position as a percentage of the Total Pension Liability

71.3%

### **Significant Assumptions**

Projections of benefits for financial reporting purposes are based on the types of benefits provided to active, inactive, and retired Members at the time of each valuation, including expected future COLAs. The attribution method and significant assumptions used in the valuation year of June 30, 2019, are summarized below:

Valuation Date June 30, 2019

Actuarial Cost Method Entry Age Method – assuming a closed group (individual basis).

Amortization Method Level Percent of Payroll

**Actuarial Assumptions:** 

Date of Experience Study June 30, 2017 (July 1, 2014 through June 30, 2017)

Long-Term Expected Rate of Return7.25%Inflation3.00%Real Across-the-Board Salary Increase0.50%

Projected Salary Increases Ranges from 3.90% to 10.00% based on years of service, including

inflation assumption at 3.00% and the real across-the-board salary

increase assumption of 0.50%.

Annual COLAs 3.00% maximum for Tier 1 and 2.00% maximum for Tier 3.

Mortality Table for Retirees and

Beneficiaries

Headcount-Weighted RP-2014 Healthy Annuitant Mortality Table (separate tables for males and females) with no setback for males and

females, projected generationally with the two-dimensional mortality

improvement scale MP-2017.

Mortality Table for Disabled Retirees Headcount-Weighted RP-2014 Disabled Retiree Mortality Table

(separate tables for males and females) with no setback for males and females, projected generationally with the two-dimensional mortality

improvement scale MP-2017.

Percent Married / Domestic Partner 76% of male participants and 50% of female participants are assumed

to be married or have a qualified domestic partner.

Spouse Age Difference Male retirees are assumed to be three years older than their female

spouses. Female retirees are assumed to be two years younger than

their male spouses.

<sup>(1)</sup> Plan fiduciary net position was \$14,895,812,000 as of June 30, 2019 without excluding amounts associated with Family Death and Larger Annuity Benefits.

### 2. Retirement Plan Description (Continued)

### **Net Pension Liability (Continued)**

#### **Discount Rate**

The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability was 7.25% as of June 30, 2019 and June 30, 2018

The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed Plan Member contributions will be made at the current contribution rates and that employer contributions will be made at rates equal to the actuarially-determined contribution rates. For this purpose, only employee and employer contributions that are intended to fund benefits for current Plan Members and their beneficiaries are included. Projected employer contributions that are intended to fund the service costs for future Plan Members and their beneficiaries, as well as projected contributions from future Plan Members, are not included.

Based on those assumptions, the retirement plan's fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make all projected future benefit payments for current Plan Members. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was applied to all periods of projected benefit payments to determine the Total Pension Liability as of both June 30, 2019 and June 30, 2018.

The long-term expected rate of return on retirement plan investments was determined using a buildingblock method in which expected future real rates of return (expected returns, net of inflation) are developed for each major asset class. These returns are combined to produce the long-term expected rate of return by weighting the expected future real rates of return by the target asset allocation percentage and by adding expected inflation and subtracting expected investment expenses and a risk margin. The target allocation and projected arithmetic real rates of return for each major asset class, after deducting inflation, but before deducting investment expenses, are summarized in the following table. These values were used in the derivation of the long-term expected investment rate of return assumption that was used in the actuarial valuation as of June 30, 2019. This information is subject to change every three years based on the actuarial experience study. The last experience study was for July 1, 2014 through June 30, 2017. The next experience study will be conducted in 2020.

		Arithmetic Long-Term
	T	Expected
A 4 C1	Target	Real Rate
Asset Class	Allocation	of Return
U.S. Large Cap Equity	14.00%	5.3%
U.S. Small Cap Equity	5.00	6.1
Developed Int'l Large		
Cap Equity	17.00	6.7
Developed Int'l Small		
Cap Equity	3.00	7.1
<b>Emerging Market Equity</b>	7.00	8.9
Core Bonds	13.75	1.0
High Yield Bonds	2.00	3.1
Bank Loans	2.00	3.0
Emerging Market Debt	4.50	3.4
Private Debt	3.75	5.5
Private Real Estate	7.00	4.7
Real Estate Investment		
Trust (REIT)	0.50	5.9
Treasury Inflation		
Protected Securities		
(TIPS)	3.50	1.0
Commodities	1.00	3.4
Public Real Assets	1.00	4.8
Private Equity	14.00	9.0
Cash	1.00	0.0
Total	100.00%	

# Sensitivity of the Net Pension Liability to Changes in the Discount Rate

The following presents the net pension liability of LACERS as of June 30, 2019, calculated using the discount rate of 7.25%, as well as what LACERS net pension liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is one percentage point lower (6.25%) or one percentage point higher (8.25%) than the current rate (dollar in thousands):

	Current	
1%	Discount	1%
Decrease	Rate	Increase
(6.25%)	(7.25%)	(8.25%)
\$8,797,246	\$5,977,828	\$3,652,816

# 3. Postemployment Health Care Plan Description

### **Plan Administration and Membership**

LACERS administers, and provides single-employer postemployment healthcare benefits to eligible retirees and their eligible spouses/domestic partners who participate in the Retirement Plan regardless of their membership tiers. These benefits consist of subsidies which may also apply to the coverage of other eligible dependent(s).

On November 9, 2018, the City Council approved Ordinance No. 185829 to amend Article 1 of Chapter 11, Division 4 of the Los Angeles Administrative Code to establish the LACERS Health Care Fund (115 Trust Account) for the sole purpose of funding the retiree healthcare benefits for eligible LACERS retirees and beneficiaries as well as to help stabilize premium rates over time.

The City and the Board of LACERS entered into a written trust agreement for the LACERS Health Care Fund which shall provide an alternative funding mechanism, in addition to or in lieu of the existing 401(h) account described in LAAC Section 4.1102 for funding benefits under the health and welfare programs. The LACERS Health Care Fund is intended to qualify for federal tax exemption under Section 115 of the Internal Revenue Code. Because health benefits paid out of the LACERS Health Care Fund are not required to be subordinate to the Plan retirement benefits, the LACERS Health Care Fund would not become taxable if the Plan health benefits surpass the 25% threshold. Second, the LACERS Health Care Fund gives LACERS more flexibility to invest premium surpluses to provide for smoothing should healthcare premiums increase considerably in the future. Currently, the Health Care Coverage Account (401(h) account) cannot receive full refunds of excess premiums from insurance providers. However, the LACERS Health Care Fund can receive full premium surplus refunds from insurance providers; therefore, the System can invest these funds at a higher rate of return than the insurance providers' reserve account interest rate.

Effective January 1, 2019, LACERS fully-insured Delta Dental PPO Plan was replaced with LACERS self-funded Delta Dental PPO Plan. Although Delta continues to administer the plan for a fee, LACERS sets and collects premiums from enrolled Members and pays billed claims to Delta. With this arrangement, LACERS bears financial risk if claims cost exceed collected premiums. This change does not affect the maximum dental subsidy amount to the eligible retired Members.

As of June 30, 2019, the components of Membership, excluding non-participating retirees and surviving spouses of LACERS postemployment healthcare benefits were as follows:

Retired Members/Surviving Spouses <sup>(1)</sup>	15,791
Vested terminated Members entitled	
to, but not yet receiving benefits <sup>(2)</sup>	1,474
Active Members	26,632
Total	43,897

- (1) Total participants including married dependents and dependent children currently receiving benefits are 21,115.
- Includes terminated Members due a refund of employee contributions.

### **Eligibility Requirement and Benefits Provided**

To be eligible for LACERS postemployment healthcare benefits, Member must: 1) be at least age 55; 2) have at least 10 whole years of service with LACERS; and 3) be enrolled in a System-sponsored medical or dental plan or are a participant in the Medical Premium Reimbursement Program (MPRP). Retirees and surviving spouses/domestic partners can choose from the health plans that are available, which include medical, dental, and vision benefits, or participate in the MPRP if he/she resides in an area not covered by the available medical plans. Retirees and surviving spouses/domestic partners receive medical subsidies based on service years and service credit. The dental subsidies are provided to the retirees only, based on service years and service credit.

The maximum subsidies are set annually by the Effective February 21, 2016, healthcare benefit eligibility requirements have changed for the Members who have periods of part-time service. Such Members are now eligible to participate in the LACERS retiree medical programs with a 10 whole years of service, even if some or all of that service was part-time, provided that the Member meets the eligibility requirements. Both Tier 1 and Tier 3 Members will be eligible for 40% of maximum medical plan premium subsidy for 1 - 10 whole years of service credit, and eligible Members earn 4% per year of service credit for their annual medical subsidy accrual after 10 years of service. spouses/domestic partners of Plan Members are entitled to the System's postemployment healthcare benefits after the retired Member's death. During the 2011 fiscal year, the City adopted an ordinance ("Subsidy Cap Ordinance") to limit the maximum medical subsidy at \$1,190 for those Members who retire on or after July 1, 2011; however, Members who at any time prior to retirement made additional

# 3. Postemployment Health Care Plan Description (Continued)

# Eligibility Requirement and Benefits Provided (Continued)

contributions are exempted from the subsidy cap and obtain a vested right to future increases in the maximum medical subsidy at an amount not less than the dollar increase in the Kaiser two-party non-Medicare Part A and Part B premium. As of June 30, 2019, all active Tier 1 and Tier 3 Members were making the additional contributions, and therefore will not be subject to the medical subsidy cap (refer to Member Contributions of Note 2 – Retirement Plan Description on page 31).

### **Employer Contributions**

The Los Angeles City Charter Sections 1158 and 1160 require periodic employer contributions at actuarially determined rates that, expressed as percentages of annual covered payroll, are sufficient to accumulate the required assets to pay benefits when due. The required contribution rate for the Postemployment Health Care Plan for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2019, was 5.10% of projected payroll, based on the June 30, 2017 actuarial valuation.

Upon closing the fiscal year 2018-19, LACERS recalculated employer contribution rate using actual payroll incurred during the fiscal year which was smaller than projected covered payroll used by the City to make the advance payment on July 15, 2018. As a result, employer contributions for Postemployment Health Care Plan were \$4,838,000 more than required, and this amount was returned to the employer as a credit toward employer contribution for fiscal year 2019-20. Based on the actual payroll, the effective rate of employer contribution for Postemployment Health Care Plan was 5.12%.

### 3. Postemployment Health Care Plan Description (Continued)

### **Net OPEB Liability**

As of June 30, 2019, the components of the net OPEB liability were as follows (in thousands):

Total OPEB Liability\$ 3,334,299Plan Fiduciary Net Position2,812,098Plan's Net OPEB Liability\$ 522,201

Plan Fiduciary Net Position as a percentage

of the Total OPEB Liability 84.3%

### **Significant Assumptions**

The total OPEB liability as of June 30, 2019 was determined by actuarial valuation as of June 30, 2019. The attribution method and significant assumptions used to measure the total OPEB liability, including assumptions about inflation, and healthcare cost trend rates in the valuation year of June 30, 2019, are summarized below:

Valuation Date June 30, 2019

Actuarial Cost Method Entry Age Cost Method – level percent of salary.

Amortization Method: Level Percent of Payroll – assuming a 3.50% increase in total covered

payroll.

**Actuarial Assumptions:** 

Date of Experience Study June 30, 2017 (July 1, 2014 through June 30, 2017)

Long-Term Expected Rate of Return 7.25% Inflation 3.00%

Salary Increase Range from 3.90% to 10.00% based on years of service, including

inflation assumption at 3.00%.

Mortality Table for Retirees and

Beneficiaries

Headcount-Weighted RP-2014 Healthy Annuitant Mortality Table (separate tables for males and females) with no setback for males and females, projected generationally with the two-dimensional mortality

improvement scale MP-2017.

Mortality Table for Disabled Retirees Headcount-Weighted RP-2014 Disabled Retiree Mortality Table

(separate tables for males and females) with no setback for males and females, projected generationally with the two-dimensional mortality

improvement scale MP-2017.

Marital Status 60% of male and 35% of female retirees who receive a subsidy are

assumed to be married or have a qualified domestic partner and elect

dependent coverage.

Spouse Age Difference Male retirees are assumed to be four years older than their female

spouses. Female retirees are assumed to be two years younger than

their male spouses.

Surviving Spouse Coverage With regard to Members who are currently alive, 100% of eligible

spouses or domestic partners are assumed to elect continued health

coverage after the Member's death.

Participation 100% of retirees becoming eligible for Medicare are assumed to be

covered by both Parts A and B.

### 3. Postemployment Health Care Plan Description (Continued)

### **Net OPEB Liability (Continued)**

### **Significant Assumptions (Continued)**

Healthcare Cost Trend Rates

Medical Premium Trend Rates to be applied in the following fiscal years, to all health plans. Trend Rate is to be applied to the premium for shown fiscal year to calculate next fiscal year's projected premium.

Medical Premium Trend Rates to be applied to fiscal year 2019-2020 and later years are:

First Fiscal Year (July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020)			
Carrier	Under	Age 65 &	
Carrier	Age 65	Over	
Kaiser HMO	3.37%	3.12%	
Anthem Blue Cross HMO	7.89%	N/A	
Anthem Blue Cross PPO	3.40%	3.88%	
UHC Medicare HMO	N/A	3.96%	

Fiscal Year 2020 - 2021 and later				
Fiscal Year	Trend (Approx.)			
2020 - 2021	6.62%			
2021 - 2022	6.37%			
2022 - 2023	6.12%			
2023 - 2024	5.87%			
2024 - 2025	5.62%			
2025 - 2026	5.37%			
2026 - 2027	5.12%			
2027 - 2028	4.87%			
2028 - 2029	4.62%			
2029 - 2030 and later	4.50%			

Dental Premium Trend to be applied is 4.00% for all years.

Medicare Part B Premium Trend is 4.50% for all years.

# 3. Postemployment Health Care Plan Description (Continued)

### **Net OPEB Liability (Continued)**

### **Discount Rate**

The discount rate used to measure the total OPEB liability was 7.25% as of June 30, 2019 and June 30, 2018.

The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed that employer contributions will be made at rates equal to the actuarially-determined contribution rates. For this purpose, employer contributions that are intended to fund benefits only for current Plan Members and their beneficiaries are included. Projected employer contributions that are intended to fund the service costs for future Plan Members and their beneficiaries, as well as projected contributions from future Plan Members, are not included.

Based on those assumptions, the OPEB plan's fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make all projected future benefit payments for current Plan Members. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on OPEB plan investments was applied to all periods of projected benefit payments to determine the Total OPEB Liability as of June 30, 2019 and June 30, 2018.

The long-term expected rate of return on OPEB plan investments was determined using a building-block method in which expected future real rates of return (expected returns, net of inflation) are developed for each major asset class. These returns are combined to produce the long-term expected rate of return by weighting the expected future real rates of return by the target asset allocation percentage and by adding expected inflation and subtracting expected investment expenses and a risk margin. The target allocation and projected arithmetic real rates of return for each major asset class, after deducting inflation, but before deducting investment expenses, are summarized in the following table. These values were used in the derivation of the long-term expected investment rate of return assumption for the actuarial valuation as of June 30, 2019. This information is subject to change every three years based on the actuarial experience study. The last experience study was for July 1, 2014 through June 30, 2017. The next experience study will be conducted in 2020.

		Arithmetic
		Long-Term
		Expected
	Target	Real Rate
Asset Class	Allocation	of Return
U.S. Large Cap Equity	14.00%	5.3%
U.S. Small Cap Equity	5.00	6.1
Developed Int'l Large		
Cap Equity	17.00	6.7
Developed Int'l Small		
Cap Equity	3.00	7.1
Emerging Market Equity	7.00	8.9
Core Bonds	13.75	1.0
High Yield Bonds	2.00	3.1
Bank Loans	2.00	3.0
Emerging Market Debt	4.50	3.4
Private Debt	3.75	5.5
Private Real Estate	7.00	4.7
Real Estate Investment		
Trust (REIT)	0.50	5.9
Treasury Inflation		
Protected Securities		
(TIPS)	3.50	1.0
Commodities	1.00	3.4
Public Real Assets	1.00	4.8
Private Equity	14.00	9.0
Cash	1.00	0.0
Total	100.00%	

Arithmetic

# Sensitivity of the Net OPEB Liability to Changes in the Discount Rate

The following presents the net OPEB liability of LACERS as of June 30, 2019, calculated using the discount rate of 7.25%, as well as what LACERS net OPEB liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is one percentage point lower (6.25%) or one percentage point higher (8.25%) than the current rate (dollar in thousands):

	Current	
1%	Discount	1%
Decrease	Rate	Increase
(6.25%)	(7.25%)	(8.25%)
\$1,000,088	\$ 522,201	\$ 131,811

# 3. Postemployment Health Care Plan Description (Continued)

### **Net OPEB Liability (Continued)**

# Sensitivity of the Net OPEB Liability to Changes in the Healthcare Cost Trend Rates

The following presents the net OPEB liability of LACERS as of June 30, 2019, calculated using the healthcare cost trend rates as well as what LACERS net OPEB liability would be if it were calculated using trend rates that are one percentage point lower or one percentage point higher than the current rates (dollar in thousands):

	Current	
	Healthcare	
1%	Cost Trend	1%
Decrease	Rates <sup>(1)</sup>	Increase
\$ 80,855	\$ 522,201	\$1,101,307

(1) Current healthcare cost trend rates: 6.62% graded down to 4.50% over 9 years for Non-Medicare medical plan costs, and 6.12% graded down to 4.50% over 7 years for Medicare medical plan costs. 4.00% for all years for Dental and 4.50% for all years for Medicare Part B subsidy cost.

# 4. Contributions Required and Contributions Made

LACERS switched to the Entry Age cost method beginning from the June 30, 2012 actuarial valuation to determine the required annual contribution amount for the Retirement Plan and the Postemployment Health Care Plan. The required annual contribution amount is composed of two components: normal cost, which is the cost of the portion of the benefit that is allocated to a given year, and the payment to amortize the Unfunded Actuarial Accrued Liability (UAAL) which is the difference between LACERS actuarial liabilities and actuarial assets. components of the UAAL are amortized as a level percent of pay. Based on LACERS funding policy, increases or decreases in the UAAL due to assumption changes are amortized over 20 years, except that healthcare cost trend and premium assumption changes are amortized over 15 years. Plan changes and experience gains and losses are amortized over 15 years, subject to adjustments to comply with GASB requirements on maximum amortization period of 30 years for all layers combined. The amortization periods are "closed" as each layer of the UAAL is systematically amortized over a "fixed" period.

The total contributions to LACERS for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2019, in the amount of \$827,111,000 (\$719,184,000 for the Retirement Plan and \$107,927,000 for the Postemployment Health Care Plan), consisted of the following (in thousands):

	R	etirement Plan	Po	ostemployment Health Care Plan
City Contributions:				
Required Contributions	\$	478,717	\$	107,927
FDBP		110	_	
Total City Contributions		478,827		107,927
Member Contributions		240,357	_	
Total Contributions	\$	719,184	\$	107,927

The City contributions made for the Retirement Plan under the Required Contributions category in the amount of \$478,717,000 were equal to 100% of the actuarially determined contribution of the employer. The City contributions made for the Postemployment Health Care Plan, in the amount of \$107,927,000, represents 100% of the actuarially determined contribution of the employer as defined by GASB Statement No. 74. Member contributions in the amount of \$240,357,000 were made toward the Retirement Plan, the voluntary Larger Annuity Plan and Family Death Benefit Plan.

### 5. Historical Trend Information

Historical trend information, designed to provide information about LACERS progress made in accumulating sufficient assets to pay benefits when due, is presented on pages 50 - 54 for the Retirement Plan and pages 55 - 59 for the Postemployment Health Care Plan.

# 6. Cash and Short-Term Investments and Investments

The Board has the responsibility for the investment of LACERS funds, and should discharge its duties with the care, skill, prudence, and diligence under the circumstances then prevailing that a prudent person acting in a like capacity and familiar with these matters would use in the conduct of an enterprise of a like character and with like aims, as prescribed by Article XI Section 1106(c) of the City Charter.

LACERS considers investments with a maturity of 12 months or less to be short-term investments. The carrying value of cash and short-term investments at June 30, 2019, for the Retirement Plan and Postemployment Health Care Plan included approximately \$2,375,000 held in LACERS general operating accounts with the City Treasurer and shortterm investments funds (STIF) of \$438,080,000 for a total of \$440,455,000. The amounts held by the City Treasurer are pooled with the monies of other City agencies and invested by the City Treasurer's office. These assets are not individually identifiable. At June 30, 2019, short-term investments included collective STIF of \$82,922,000, international STIF of \$146,133,000, and future contracts initial margin and collaterals of \$209,025,000.

The fair value of derivative instruments, including equity index, commodity, currency, and interest rate future contracts, currency forward contracts and options, and rights and warrants, are recorded in the Statement of Fiduciary Net Position with a net negative value of \$797,000. The changes in fair value of the derivative instruments during the fiscal year are recorded in the Statement of Changes in Fiduciary Net Position as Investment Income. LACERS enters into derivative contracts for investment purposes and to manage risks associated with its investment portfolio. For financial reporting purposes, all of LACERS derivatives for the current and previous fiscal years are classified as investment derivatives.

The notional amount and the fair value of derivative instruments as of June 30, 2019, are as follows (in thousands):

Derivative Type	Notional Amount	Fair Value	Change in Fair Value
Future Contracts -		*/* ***	
Commodities	\$ 165,913	\$(1,001)	\$ (2,058)
Equity Index	16,856	58	(53)
Foreign Exchange	(4,667)	(2)	297
Interest Rate	(24,978)	38	211
Currency Forward			
Contracts	269,031	(87)	(22)
Currency Options	N/A	-	(198)
Right / Warrants	N/A	197	26
Total Value		\$ (797)	\$ (1,797)

#### Credit Risk - Investments

Credit risk is the risk that an issuer or other counterparty to an investment will not fulfill its obligations. LACERS seeks to maintain a diversified portfolio of fixed income instruments in order to obtain the highest total return for the fund at an acceptable level of risk within this asset class. The credit quality ratings of investments in fixed income securities by Standard and Poor's (S&P), a nationally-recognized statistical rating organization, as of June 30, 2019, are as follows (dollars in thousands):

S & P Ratings	Fair Value	Percentage			
AAA	\$ 59,686	1.94%			
AA	1,365,523	44.40			
A	195,599	6.36			
BBB	523,906	17.04			
BB	268,067	8.72			
В	447,403	14.55			
CCC	30,097	0.98			
CC	-	0.00			
C	112	0.00			
D	2,622	0.09			
Not Rated	182,140	5.92			
	3,075,155	100.00%			
U.S. Government Guaranteed Securities <sup>(1)</sup>	1,496,813				
Total Fixed Income Securities <sup>(2)</sup>	\$ 4,571,968				

- Consists of U.S. Government Bonds and GNMA Mortgage-Backed Securities which had the AA+ rating.
- (2) Derivatives instrument of \$38,000 are included.

# 6. Cash and Short-Term Investments and Investments (Continued)

#### **Credit Risk – Derivatives**

Derivatives are subject to credit risk that the counterparty to a contract will default. LACERS is exposed to credit risk on reported assets of the investment derivatives that are traded over the counter. The credit risk of exchange traded derivatives for future contracts is considered minimal because the exchange clearing house is the counterparty and guarantees the performance.

LACERS permits investment managers, under the terms of individual guidelines, to use derivative instruments as set forth in each manager's investment guidelines to control portfolio risk. It is the responsibility of these investment managers to actively monitor counterparties on their financial safety and ensure compliance with the investment restrictions. LACERS has no general investment policy with respect to netting arrangements or collateral requirements. However, these individual investment managers have set up the arrangements with the counterparties to net off the positive and negative contracts with the same counterparty in case of the counterparty's default.

As of June 30, 2019, without respect to netting arrangements, LACERS maximum loss on derivative instruments subject to credit risk, namely currency forward contracts, is \$2,010,000. All counterparties of these investment derivatives had the credit rating of "A" or "AA" assigned by S&P.

### **Custodial Credit Risk**

Custodial credit risk for deposits is the risk that, in the event of a financial institution's failure of depository financial institution, LACERS would not be able to recover its deposits or would not be able to recover collateral securities that are in the possession of an outside party. Deposits are exposed to custodial credit risk if they are not insured or not collateralized. As of June 30, 2019, LACERS has exposure to such risk in the amount of \$24,510,000 or 0.4% of the fair value of total international investments. The amount represents non-invested cash denominated in foreign currencies, managed by 13 different investment managers, and held outside of LACERS custodial bank. LACERS policy requires each individual publicly traded equities investment manager to hold no more than 10% of their portfolios in the form of cash. LACERS is in compliance with the policy.

Custodial credit risk for investments is the risk that, in the event of the failure of the counterparty to a transaction, LACERS would not be able to recover the value of the investment or collateral securities that are in the possession of an outside party. Investment securities are exposed to custodial credit risk if the securities are not insured, are not registered in LACERS name, and are held by the counterparty, or the counterparty's trust department or agent but not in LACERS name. As of June 30, 2019, LACERS investments were not exposed to custodial credit risk because all securities were registered in the name of the System.

### **Concentration of Credit Risk**

The investment portfolio as of June 30, 2019, contained no concentration of investments in any one entity that represented 5% or more of the total investment portfolio.

# 6. Cash and Short-Term Investments and Investments (Continued)

#### **Interest Rate Risk**

Interest rate risk is the risk that changes in market interest rates will adversely affect the fair value of an investment. One of the ways LACERS manages its exposure to interest rate risk is by requiring the fixed income investment managers to maintain their portfolio effective duration within a specified range of the BC U.S. High Yield 2% Capped Index, the BC Intermediate Government Credit Index, the BC Aggregate Bond Index, or the J.P. Morgan EMBI Global Diversified Index, depending on the Board's mandates. The effective duration is a measure, in years, of interest-rate sensitivity in debt investments. The longer the effective duration, the greater the sensitivity to interest rate changes. Information about the sensitivity of the fair values of LACERS investments to market interest rate fluctuations as of June 30, 2019 is provided by the following table that shows the weighted average effective duration of LACERS fixed income securities by investment type (dollars in thousands):

			Weighted Average
Investment Type	F	air Value	Duration (in Years)
Asset-Backed Securities	\$	61,691	0.89
Bank Loans		8,869	0.06
Commercial Mortgage- Backed Securities		72,771	4.36
Corporate Bonds		1,096,737	5.51
Government Agencies		61,833	6.72
Government Bonds		977,249	7.65
Government Mortgage- Backed Securities		453,618	3.80
Index Linked Government Bonds		722,329	7.04
Municipal/Provincial Bonds		5,570	3.09
Non-Government Backed Collateralized Mortgage Obligations (C.M.O.s)		4,975	2.18
Opportunistic Debts		203,701	0.20
Other Fixed Income (Funds)		902,587	5.73
Derivative Instruments		38	13.96
Total Fixed Income Securities	\$	4,571,968	

### **Highly-Sensitive Investments**

Highly-sensitive investments are certain debt investments whose terms may cause their fair value to be highly-sensitive to market interest rate changes. Terms include embedded options, coupon multipliers, benchmark indexes, and reset dates. LACERS assetbacked investments have embedded prepayment options that will typically cause prepayments by the obligees of the underlying investments when interest rates fall. Prepayments eliminate the stream of future interest payments and, therefore, diminish the fair value of the asset-backed investment. The following table shows the fair value of LACERS asset-backed investments by investment type (in thousands):

Investment Type	F	air Value
Asset-Backed Securities	\$	61,691
Commercial Mortgage-Backed Securities		72,771
Government Agencies		61,833
Government Mortgage-Backed Securities		453,618
Non-Government Backed C.M.O.s		4,975
Total Asset-Backed Investments	\$	654,888

### Foreign Currency Risk

Foreign currency risk is the risk that changes in exchange rates will adversely affect the fair value of an investment or deposit. LACERS Asset Allocation policy sets a target of 27% of the total portfolio for non-U.S. investments in equities. In addition, fixed income, real estate, and private equity managers may hold non-U.S. investments depending on their individual mandates. Forward currency contracts are permitted primarily to reduce the foreign currency risk.

## 6. Cash and Short-Term Investments and Investments (Continued)

## Foreign Currency Risk (Continued)

LACERS non-U.S. currency investment holdings as of June 30, 2019, which represent 28.1% of the fair value of total investments, are as follows (in thousands):

Foreign Currency Type	Cash and Adjustments to Cash	Equity	Fixed Derivativ		Other Investments	Total Fair Value in USD
Argentine peso	\$ 1,350	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,350
Australian dollar	1,154	175,457	-	(21)	_	176,590
Brazilian real	(2,666)	96,683	215	(180)	_	94,052
British pound sterling	822	583,513	-	22	_	584,357
Canadian dollar	(735)	219,928	-	(16)	_	219,177
Chilean peso	(5,118)	6,623	-	(73)	-	1,432
Chinese yuan renminbi	(1,828)	27,592	-	44	_	25,808
Colombian peso	(1,874)	4,281	-	(126)	_	2,281
Czech koruna	1,927	2,737	-	(47)	-	4,617
Danish krone	53	67,747	-	-	_	67,800
Egyptian pound	1,925	4,421	-	(16)	_	6,330
Euro	(5,924)	1,236,144	21,014	83	87,943	1,339,260
Hong Kong dollar	1,401	465,427	-	(2)	_	466,826
Hungarian forint	190	5,226	-	(31)	_	5,385
Indian rupee	11,124	130,769	-	(5)	_	141,888
Indonesian rupiah	(1,087)	28,971	-	(63)	_	27,821
Israeli new shekel	(1,776)	18,784	-	(18)	_	16,990
Japanese yen	4,308	759,309	-	(33)	_	763,584
Malaysian ringgit	1,151	14,575	-	-	_	15,726
Mexican peso	4,475	38,323	581	-	_	43,379
New Romanian Leu	-	-	-	-	_	-
New Taiwan dollar	(4,979)	147,990	-	(72)	_	142,939
New Zealand dollar	109	5,562	-	(7)	_	5,664
Norwegian krone	97	51,156	-	-	-	51,253
Peruvian nuevo sol	2,123	-	-	(32)	_	2,019
Philippine peso	(2,744)	17,706	-	(35)	_	14,927
Polish zloty	934	12,165	-	(57)	-	13,042
Qatari riyal	-	2,413	-	-	_	2,413
Russian ruble	5,971	16,471	-	-	_	22,442
Singapore dollar	3,065	76,107	-	(57)	_	79,115
South African rand	150	76,755	-	(140)	_	76,765
South Korean won	1,637	172,525	-	(22)	_	174,140
Swedish krona	74	108,389	-	· -	_	108,463
Swiss franc	(1,705)	309,567	-	(11)	_	307,851
Thai baht	(23)	41,375	-	(246)	-	41,106
Turkish lira	(2,132)	10,771	-	(489)	-	8,150
United Arab Emirates dirham	825	3,006	-	· -	-	3,831
Total Investments Held	-	·				-
in Foreign Currency	\$ 12,274	\$ 4,938,468	\$ 21,810	\$ (1,650)	\$ 87,943	\$ 5,058,845

### 6. Cash and Short-Term Investments and Investments (Continued)

#### **Fair Value Measurements**

LACERS follows GASB Statement No. 72 (GASB 72), Fair Value Measurements and Application. GASB 72 addresses accounting and financial reporting issues related to fair value measurements and disclosures. Fair value is the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants in either a government's principal or the most advantageous market at the measurement date.

The System's investments are measured and reported within the fair value hierarchy established by US GAAP. The fair value hierarchy, which has three levels, is based on the valuation inputs used to measure an asset's fair value and gives the highest priority to unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities (Level 1 measurements) and the lowest priority to unobservable inputs (Level 3 measurements). The three levels of the fair value hierarchy are as follows:

Level 1 inputs are quoted prices (unadjusted) for identical assets or liabilities in active markets.

Level 2 inputs are inputs other than quoted prices included within Level 1 that are observable for an asset or liability, either directly or indirectly. Inputs to the valuation include: 1) quoted prices for similar assets or liabilities in active markets; 2) quoted prices for identical or similar assets or liabilities in markets that are not active; 3) inputs other than quoted prices that are observable for the asset or liability; and 4) market-corroborated inputs.

Level 3 inputs are unobservable inputs for an asset or liability where there are little market activities. The inputs into the determination of fair value are based upon the best information in the circumstances and may require management judgment or estimation.

### **Schedule of Investments by Fair Value Hierarchy**

Equity securities classified in Level 1 of the fair value hierarchy are valued using prices quoted in active markets for those securities. Debt and equity securities classified in Level 2 or 3 of the fair value hierarchy are valued using a matrix pricing technique based on the availability of the market price, the pricing source and type, and the country of incorporation of the securities. The hierarchy levels are determined based on the level of corroborative information obtained from other market sources to assert that the prices provided represent observable data.

Private equity funds classified in Level 3 of the fair value hierarchy are valued based on the availability of market price of the underlying assets, and using either a discounted cash flow or Comparable Company Analysis with internal assumptions. Real estate funds classified in Level 2 or 3 of the fair value hierarchy are valued based on periodic appraisals in accordance with industry practice.

The exchange traded Future Contracts classified in Level 1 of the fair value hierarchy are valued using a daily settlement when available or as a daily mark to market. The Foreign Exchange Contracts classified in Level 2 of the fair value hierarchy are valued using independent pricing services including London Close mid-evaluation, WM/Reuters Company, Bloomberg, and Thomson Reuters.

Certain investments which do not have a readily determinable fair value have been valued at the Net Asset Value (NAV) per share (or its equivalent) provided that the NAV is calculated and used as a practical expedient to estimate fair value in accordance with US GAAP requirements. These investments are not categorized within the fair value hierarchy but disclosed in the Investments Measured at the NAV on page 46.

## 6. Cash and Short-Term Investments and Investments (Continued)

### **Fair Value Measurements (Continued)**

### **Schedule of Investments by Fair Value Hierarchy (Continued)**

The System has the following recurring fair value measurements as of June 30, 2019 (in thousands):

			Fair Value Measurements Using					
			Quo	ted Prices in	S	ignificant	S	ignificant
			Act	tive Markets		Other		Other
			fo	r Identical	C	bservable	Un	observable
				Assets		Inputs		Inputs
		Total		(Level 1)	(	(Level 2)	(	Level 3)
Investments by Fair Value Level:								-
Debt securities:								
Government Bonds	\$	1,699,578	\$	-	\$	1,699,578	\$	-
Government Agencies		61,833		-		61,833		-
Municipal/Provincial Bonds		5,570		-		5,570		-
Corporate Bonds		1,163,404		-		1,163,189		215
Bank Loans		8,868		-		8,868		-
Government Mortgage Bonds		453,618		-		453,618		-
Commercial Mortgage Bonds		72,771		-		72,771		-
Opportunistic Debts		14,167						14,167
Total Debt Securities		3,479,809				3,465,427		14,382
Equity Securities:								
Common Stock:								
Basic Industries		1,313,489		1,313,368		_		121
Capital Goods Industries		507,655		507,637		9		9
Consumer & Services		2,544,498		2,543,516		-		982
Energy		818,263		818,183		_		80
Financial Services		1,689,279		1,689,207		_		72
Health Care		1,052,003		1,051,818		_		185
Information Technology		1,407,988		1,407,943		_		45
Real Estate		501,487		501,418		_		69
Miscellaneous		10,594		8,947		_		1,647
Total Common Stock		9,845,256		9,842,037		9		3,210
								3,210
Preferred Stock		54,402		54,402		-		-
Stapled Securities		12,814		12,814				-
Total Equity Securities		9,912,472		9,909,253		9		3,210
		250.024						250.024
Private Equity Funds		258,834		-		-		258,834
Real Estate Funds		120,996	_	-	Φ.	118,344	_	2,652
Total Investments by Fair Value Level	]	3,772,111	\$	9,909,253	\$	3,583,780	\$	279,078
Investments Measured at the NAV:								
Common Fund Assets		902,587						
Private Equity Funds		1,749,724						
Real Estate Funds		671,520						
Opportunistic Debts		189,534						
Total Investments Measured at the NAV	-	3,513,365						
Total Investments Measured at Fair Value <sup>(1)</sup>	\$ 1	7,285,476						
Total investments weastred at I all value	Ψ	17,203,470						
<b>Investment Derivative Instruments:</b>								
Future Contracts (liabilities)	\$	(907)	\$	(907)	\$	-	\$	_
Foreign Exchange Contracts (liabilities)	Ψ	(87)	Ψ	(507)	Ψ	(87)	Ψ	_
Rights/Warrants		197		195		(07)		2
Total Investment Derivative Instruments	\$	(797)	\$	(712)	\$	(87)	\$	2
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<sup>(1)</sup> Excluded \$(797,000) of investment derivative instruments (shown separately) and 705,535,000 of securities lending collateral.

### 6. Cash and Short-Term Investments and Investments (Continued)

#### **Fair Value Measurements (Continued)**

Investments Measured at the NAV: (in thousands)		Fair Value		Unfunded ommitments	Redemption Frequency	Redemption Notice Period		
Common Fund Assets (1)	\$	902,587	\$	-	Daily	2 days		
Private Equity Funds (2)		1,749,724		761,307	N/A	N/A		
Real Estate Funds (3)		671,520		63,049	Daily, Quarterly	1-90 days		
Opportunistic Debts <sup>(4)</sup> Total Investments Measured	_	189,534		<u>-</u>	Monthly	30 days		
at the NAV	\$	3,513,365	\$	824,356				

- (1) Common fund assets This investment type includes one fund that primarily invests in U.S. bonds. The fair value of the investment has been determined using a practical expedient based on the investments' NAV per share (or its equivalent). This investment can be redeemed daily, with a two-day advance redemption notice period.
- (2) Private equity funds This investment type includes 183 closed-end commingled private equity funds that invest primarily in securities of privately held U.S. and non-U.S. companies. The fair values of these investments have been determined using a practical expedient based on the investments' NAV per share (or its equivalent). These investments are not redeemable. It is expected that these investments will be held for the entire lives of the funds and will not be sold in the secondary market. Distributions from each fund will be received as the underlying assets are liquidated by the fund managers. It is expected that the underlying assets of these funds will be liquidated over the next one to 13 years, depending on the vintage year of each fund.
- (3) Real estate funds This investment type includes 26 commingled real estate funds that invest primarily in U.S. commercial real estate. The fair values of these investments have been determined using a practical expedient based on the investments' NAV per share (or its equivalent). Ten investments, representing approximately 84.3% of the value of this investment type, are in open-end funds, which may be redeemed according to terms specific to each fund. Redemptions generally are subject to the funds' available cash and redemption queues. There is no intention to redeem any of these ten investments in the near future. Sixteen investments, representing approximately 15.7% of the value of this investment type, are in closed-end funds and are not redeemable. It is expected that these investments will be held for the entire lives of the funds and will not be sold in the secondary market. Distributions from each fund will be received as underlying assets are liquidated by the fund managers. It is expected that the underlying assets of these funds will be liquidated over the next one to 12 years, depending on the vintage year of each fund.
- (4) Opportunistic debts This investment type includes two commingled funds: one that invests primarily in senior loans of non-investment grade companies (senior loan fund) and another one invests primarily in the securities and obligations of companies experiencing operational or financial distress (distressed investment fund). The fair values of these investments have been determined using a practical expedient based on the investments' NAV per share (or its equivalent). The senior loan fund, representing approximately 99% of the value of this investment type, can be redeemed monthly. The distressed investment fund, representing approximately 1% of the value of this investment type, is being dissolved and is no longer making new underlying investments. Distributions from this fund will be received as underlying investments are liquidated by the fund manager. It is expected that this fund will be liquidated fully over the next two years.

### 7. Securities Lending Agreement

Under authority granted by the City Charter, LACERS has entered into various short-term arrangements with its custodian to lend securities to various brokers. There are no restrictions on the amount of securities that may be lent, and the custodian determines which lenders' accounts to lend securities from by using an impartial sequential system that matches loan requests with various lenders' accounts. All lenders are deemed to have relatively equal opportunity to profit from the lending of securities. Therefore, should a collateral deficiency occur beyond the custodian's responsibilities, the deficiency is allocated pro rata among all lenders.

Minimum collateralization is 102% of the fair value of the borrowed U.S. securities and 105% for international securities. Collateral consists of cash, government and corporate securities, and commercial bank obligations. Cash collateral is invested in a separate account comprised of money market or high quality short-term investments. It is the responsibility of the custodian to monitor the collateralization on a daily basis. If the collateral is below the minimum collateralization level, additional collateral will be requested from the borrower to meet the requirement. Collateral requested each morning is required to be received on the same day. If the borrower fails to deliver additional collateral. the custodian would notify the borrower that they are in default under the securities lending agreement. If the borrower does not provide the necessary collateral after receiving notification, the legal agreement allows the custodian to close the contract with the borrower and buy-in the securities on behalf of LACERS.

The borrower has all incidents of ownership with respect to borrowed securities and collateral, including the right to vote and transfer or loan borrowed securities to others. LACERS is entitled to receive all distributions, which are made by the issuer of the borrowed securities, directly from the borrower. Under the agreement, the custodian will indemnify LACERS as a result of the custodian's failure to: 1) make a reasoned determination of the creditworthiness of a potential borrower before lending and, during the term of the loan or loans, the borrower files a petition of bankruptcy or similar action: 2) demand adequate collateral; or 3) otherwise maintain the securities lending program in compliance with the Federal Financial Institutions Examination Council Supervisory Policy Securities Lending.

These agreements provide for the return of the securities and revenue determined by the type of collateral received. The cash collateral values of securities on loan to brokers are shown at their fair values on the Statement of Fiduciary Net Position.

As of June 30, 2019, LACERS had no losses on securities lending transactions resulting from default of a borrower or lending agent. Due to the nature of the securities lending program and the custodian bank's collateralization of loans at amounts greater than the fair value of the loaned securities, it is deemed that there were no material credit risks to LACERS as defined in GASB Statement No. 28 and GASB Statement No. 40 by its participation in the securities lending program. However, similar to any other investment portfolio, there is risk associated with investing cash collateral in securities. The value of the invested collateral may fall below the value of the cash collateral pledged by the borrowers, and may impair LACERS ability to return cash collateral to the borrowers upon the redemption of loans. In this event, LACERS would be required to make up the deficiency in collateral and would incur a loss.

All securities loans can be terminated on demand by either LACERS or the borrower. Because of this nature, their duration did not generally match the duration of the investment made with the cash collateral. LACERS cannot pledge or sell non-cash collateral unless the borrower defaults.

The following table represents the fair value of securities on loan and cash/non-cash collateral received as of June 30, 2019 (in thousands):

			(	Cash/Non-
	Fa	ir Value of		Cash
	Se	ecurities on		Collateral
Securities on Loan		Loan		Received
U.S. Government and				_
Agency Securities	\$	405,669	\$	413,572
Domestic Corporate				
Fixed Income				
Securities		151,779		154,583
International Fixed				
Income Securities		274,664		289,919
Domestic Stocks		370,266		375,642
International Stocks		650,727		694,322
Total	\$	1,853,105	\$	1,928,038

## 7. Securities Lending Agreement (Continued)

As of June 30, 2019, the fair value of the securities on loan was \$1,853,105,000. The fair value of associated collateral was \$1,928,038,000 (\$705,535,000 of cash collateral and \$1,222,503,000 of non-cash collateral). Non-cash collateral, which LACERS does not have the ability to sell unless the borrower defaults, is not reported in the Statement of Fiduciary Net Position. LACERS income and expenses related to securities lending were \$7,268,000 and \$1,089,000, respectively, for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2019.

#### 8. Future and Forward Contracts

LACERS uses derivative financial instruments, primarily to manage portfolio risk. Future and forward contracts are marked to market and are recorded in the Statement of Fiduciary Net Position at fair value. Future contracts have little credit risk, as organized exchanges are the guarantors. Forward agreements are subject to the creditworthiness of the counterparties, which are principally large financial institutions (refer to Note 6 – Credit Risk - Derivatives on page 41).

As of June 30, 2019, LACERS had outstanding commodities, equity index, and interest rate future contracts with an aggregate notional amount of \$157,792,000, and foreign exchange future contract with a negative notional amount of \$4,667,000 due to its short position. In addition, at June 30, 2019, had forward purchase LACERS outstanding commitments with a notional amount of \$269,031,000 and offsetting forward sales commitments with notional amounts of \$269,031,000, which expire in September 2019. LACERS maintains margin collateral on the positions with brokers, consisting of cash and U.S. Treasury Bills. The total collateral margin was \$209,025,000 as of June 30, 2019.

### 9. Operating Lease

The System leases building facilities under a noncancelable operating lease that expires in March 2023, at which time a three-year renewal option is available.

The future minimum lease commitments are as follows as of June 30, 2019:

Fiscal Year 2020	\$ 806,000
Fiscal Year 2021	1,003,000
Fiscal Year 2022	1,043,000
Fiscal Year 2023	813,000

### 10. Commitments and Contingencies

As of June 30, 2019, LACERS was committed to future purchases of real estate and private equity investments at an aggregate cost of approximately \$1,168,724,000, including agreements for acquisition not yet initiated.

The federal Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act (PPACA, also referred to as the Affordable Care Act) of 2010 contains a provision that would impose a 40% excise tax on the annual value of high-cost health plans that exceed certain dollar thresholds beginning in 2022 (deferred from year 2020). If there is no change in the law or LACERS plan provisions between now and 2022, and if the current medical cost trend stays substantially the same during the same period, some of LACERS postemployment health care benefits will be subject to the excise tax in 2022 and thereafter. GASB Statement No. 75, Accounting and Financial Reporting Postemployment Benefits Other Than Pensions, requires the inclusion of the excise tax in the liability. The impact of potential excise tax imposed by the Affordable Care Act (ACA) and related statutes on certain health plans in calculating the contribution rates for the employer was reflected in the valuation for fiscal year June 30, 2019.

### 11. Subsequent Events

### **Date of Management's Review**

The potential for subsequent events was evaluated through November 25, 2019, which was the date of management's review.

#### **Purchase of a Real Estate Property**

On October 9, 2019, LACERS Board approved the purchase of a commercial office building and underground parking structure located at 977 N. Broadway in Los Angeles, California to serve as LACERS future headquarters building with the purchase price not to exceed \$34,000,000. The purchase was settled at \$33,750,000 on October 23, 2019.



# **Required Supplementary Information Retirement Plan**

The schedules included in the Required Supplementary Information for the Retirement Plan are intended to show information for 10 years. However, the following schedules do not have a full 10-year trend, and therefore, Los Angeles City Employees' Retirement System (LACERS or the System) presented information only for those years for which information is available:

- 1) Schedule of Net Pension Liability
- 2) Schedule of Changes in Net Pension Liability and Related Ratios
- 3) Schedule of Investment Returns

Additional years will be displayed in the future as they become available.

# Schedule of Net Pension Liability (1) As of June 30 (Dollars in Thousands)

	2019	2018	<b>2017 2016 2015 2014</b>		2014	2013	
Total Pension Liability Plan Fiduciary Net Position Plan's Net Pension Liability	\$20,793,421 14,815,593 \$ 5,977,828	\$19,944,578 14,235,230 \$ 5,709,348	\$18,458,188 13,180,516 \$5,277,672	\$17,424,996 11,809,329 \$ 5,615,667	\$16,909,996 11,920,570 \$ 4,989,426	\$16,248,853 11,791,079 \$ 4,457,774	\$14,881,663 10,154,486 \$ 4,727,177
Plan Fiduciary Net Position as a percentage of the Total Pension Liability	71.3%	71.4%	71.4%	67.8%	70.5%	72.6%	68.2%

<sup>(1)</sup> In calculating the Plan's net pension liability, the total pension liability and the Plan fiduciary net position exclude amounts associated with non-pension related benefits (Family Death and Larger Annuity Benefits).

### **Note to Schedule:**

Refer to the notes to the Schedule of Changes in Net Pension Liability and Related Ratios.

# Schedule of Changes in Net Pension Liability and Related Ratios (1) For the Fiscal Years Ended June 30

(Dollars in Thousands)

		2019	2018	2017	2016
<b>Total Pension Liability</b>			 		
Service cost (2)	\$	370,409	\$ 352,283	\$ 340,759	\$ 322,574
Interest		1,439,661	1,332,878	1,302,278	1,263,556
Changes of benefit terms		-	25,173	-	-
Differences of expected and actual experience		(46,035)	144,224	(146,474)	(300,813)
Changes of assumptions		-	483,717	340,718	-
Benefit payments, including refunds of Member					
contributions	-	(915,192)	 (851,885)	 (804,089)	 (770,317)
Net change in total pension liability		848,843	1,486,390	1,033,192	515,000
Total pension liability-beginning		19,944,578	 18,458,188	 17,424,996	 16,909,996
Total pension liability-ending (a)	\$	20,793,421	\$ 19,944,578	\$ 18,458,188	\$ 17,424,996
Plan fiduciary net position					
Contributions-employer	\$	478,717	\$ 450,195	\$ 453,356	\$ 440,546
Contributions-Member		237,087	230,757	221,829	206,377
Net investment income		799,351	1,243,817	1,517,545	29,358
Benefit payments, including refunds of Member					
contributions		(915,192)	(851,885)	(804,089)	(770,318)
Administrative expenses		(19,600)	(17,699)	(17,454)	(17,204)
Others (3)			 (471)	 	 
Net change in Plan fiduciary net position		580,363	1,054,714	1,371,187	(111,241)
Plan fiduciary net position-beginning		14,235,230	 13,180,516	 11,809,329	11,920,570
Plan fiduciary net position-ending (b)	\$	14,815,593	\$ 14,235,230	\$ 13,180,516	\$ 11,809,329
Plan's net pension liability-ending (a)-(b)	\$	5,977,828	\$ 5,709,348	\$ 5,277,672	\$ 5,615,667
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total pension liability (b)/(a)		71.3%	71.4%	71.4%	67.8%
Covered payroll	\$	2,108,171	\$ 2,057,565	\$ 1,973,049	\$ 1,876,946
Plan's net pension liability as a percentage of covered payroll		283.6%	277.5%	267.5%	299.2%

<sup>(1)</sup> In calculating the Plan's net pension liability, the total pension liability and the Plan fiduciary net position exclude amounts associated with non-pension related benefits (Family Death and Larger Annuity Benefits).

<sup>(2)</sup> The service cost is based on the previous year's valuation.

<sup>(3)</sup> On July 1, 2015, the System segregated Members' voluntary larger annuity contributions into the (non-pension related) Reserve for Larger Annuity Contributions pursuant to a suggestion made by the System's actuarial consultant. The Reserve balance for Larger Annuity Contributions as of June 30, 2015 was \$5,200,000. On July 1, 2017, the System reallocated \$471,000 of interest from the Reserve for Mandatory Member Contributions into the Reserve for Voluntary Member Contributions.

# Schedule of Changes in Net Pension Liability and Related Ratios (1) (Continued) For the Fiscal Years Ended June 30 (Dollars in Thousands)

	2015	2014	2013
Total Pension Liability	 	 	_
Service cost (2)	\$ 322,380	\$ 317,185	\$ 312,372
Interest	1,215,151	1,149,966	1,112,561
Changes of benefit terms	-	-	-
Differences of expected and actual experience	(135,821)	(164,247)	(235,829)
Changes of assumptions	-	785,439	-
Benefit payments, including refunds of Member contributions	 (740,567)	 (721,153)	 (701,400)
Net change in total pension liability	661,143	1,367,190	487,704
Total pension liability-beginning	 16,248,853	 14,881,663	 14,393,959
Total pension liability-ending (a)	\$ 16,909,996	\$ 16,248,853	\$ 14,881,663
Plan fiduciary net position			
Contributions-employer	\$ 381,141	\$ 357,649	\$ 346,181
Contributions-Member	202,463	203,975	197,722
Net investment income	306,980	1,810,782	1,268,939
Benefit payments, including refunds of Member contributions	(740,567)	(721,153)	(701,400)
Administrative expenses	(15,860)	(12,372)	(13,281)
Others (3)	 (4,666)	 (2,288)	 (2,514)
Net change in Plan fiduciary net position	129,491	1,636,593	1,095,647
Plan fiduciary net position-beginning	 11,791,079	 10,154,486	 9,058,839
Plan fiduciary net position-ending (b)	\$ 11,920,570	\$ 11,791,079	\$ 10,154,486
Plan's net pension liability-ending (a)-(b)	\$ 4,989,426	\$ 4,457,774	\$ 4,727,177
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage			
of the total pension liability (b)/(a)	70.5%	72.6%	68.2%
Covered payroll	\$ 1,835,637	\$ 1,802,931	\$ 1,736,113
Plan's net pension liability as a percentage of covered payroll	271.8%	247.3%	272.3%

- (1) In calculating the Plan's net pension liability, the total pension liability and the Plan fiduciary net position exclude amounts associated with non-pension related benefits (Family Death and Larger Annuity Benefits).
- (2) The service cost is based on the previous year's valuation.
- (3) On July 1, 2015, the System segregated Members' voluntary larger annuity contributions into the (non-pension related) Reserve for Larger Annuity Contributions pursuant to a suggestion made by the System's actuarial consultant. The Reserve balance for Larger Annuity Contributions as of June 30, 2015 was \$5,200,000. On July 1, 2017, the System reallocated \$471,000 of interest from the Reserve for Mandatory Member Contributions into the Reserve for Voluntary Member Contributions.

### **Schedule of Changes in Net Pension Liability and Related Ratios (Continued)**

#### **Notes to Schedule:**

**Changes of Benefit Terms:** The June 30, 2018 calculation reflected the newly adopted enhanced benefits for Airport Peace Officers (APO) who elected to stay at LACERS Plan (refer to Note 2 – Retirement Plan Description, Tier 1 – Enhanced Benefits on page 29). Enhanced benefits became effective as of January 7, 2018.

Change of Assumptions: The June 30, 2014 calculations reflected various assumption changes based on the triennial experience study for the period from July 1, 2011 through June 30, 2014. The increase of total pension liability for fiscal years ended on June 30, 2014 is primarily due to the lowered assumed investment rate of return from 7.75% to 7.50%, and longer assumed life expectancies for Members and beneficiaries while the June 30, 2017 increase is primarily due to the lowered assumed investment rate of return from 7.50% to 7.25%.

The June 30, 2018 calculations reflected changes in the actuarial assumptions adopted by the Board on August 14, 2018 based on the triennial experience study for the period from July 1, 2014 through June 30, 2017, including revising the mortality tables from static to generational to reflect future mortality improvement, contributing to increased total pension liability.

# **Schedule of Contribution History**

(Dollars in Thousands)

Fiscal Year	Actuarially Determined Contributions (ADC)	Contributions in Relation to ADC	Contribution Deficiency	Covered Payroll	Contributions as a Percentage of Covered Payroll
2010	\$ 258,643	\$ 258,643	\$ -	\$ 1,827,864	14.2%
2011	303,561	303,561	-	1,678,059	18.1
2012	308,540	308,540	-	1,715,197	18.0
2013	346,181	346,181	-	1,736,113	19.9
2014	357,649	357,649	-	1,802,931	19.8
2015	381,141	381,141	-	1,835,637	20.8
2016	440,546	440,546	-	1,876,946	23.5
2017	453,356	453,356	-	1,973,049	23.0
2018	450,195	450,195	-	2,057,565	21.9
2019	478,717	478,717	-	2,108,171	22.7

### **Notes to Schedule:**

Valuation Date Actuarially determined contribution rates are calculated as of June 30, two years prior to

the end of the fiscal year in which the contributions are reported.

### **Methods and Assumptions Used to Determine Contribution Rates:**

Actuarial Cost Method Entry Age Actuarial Cost Method (individual basis).

Amortization Method Level Percent of Payroll.

Amortization Period Multiple layers – closed amortization period.

Actuarial gains/losses are amortized over 15 years. Assumption or method changes are amortized over 20 years. Plan changes, including the 2009 Early Retirement Incentive Program (ERIP), are amortized over 15 years. Future ERIPs will be amortized over five years. Any actuarial surplus is amortized over 30 years. The existing layers on June 30, 2012, except those arising from the 2009 ERIP and the two Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statements No. 25/27 layers, were combined and amortized over 30 years.

### **Schedule of Contribution History (Continued)**

### **Notes to Schedule (Continued)**

### Methods and Assumptions Used to Determine Contribution Rates (Continued)

Asset Valuation Method

Fair value of assets less unrecognized returns in each of the last seven years. Unrecognized return is equal to the difference between the actual market return and the expected return on the market value, and is recognized over a seven-year period. The actuarial value of assets cannot be less than 60% or greater than 140% of the market value of assets. An Ad Hoc change was made in 2018 to combine the unrecognized returns and losses of prior years as of June 30, 2017 into one layer and recognize it evenly over six years from fiscal year 2017-18 through fiscal year 2022-23.

**Actuarial Assumptions:** 

Investment Rate of Return 7.25% Inflation 3.00%

Real Across-the-Board

Salary Increase 0.50%

Projected Salary Increases<sup>(1)</sup> Ranges from 3.90% to 10.00% based on years of service.

Cost of Living Adjustment<sup>(2)</sup> Tier 1: 3.00%

Tier 3: 2.00%

Mortality

Healthy: Headcount-Weighted RP-2014 Healthy Annuitant Mortality Table (separate tables for males and females) with no setback for males and females, projected generationally with the two-dimensional mortality improvement scale MP-2017.

Disabled: Headcount-Weighted RP-2014 Disabled Retiree Mortality Table (separate tables for males and females) with no setback for males and females, projected generationally with the two-dimensional mortality improvement scale MP-2017.

- (1) Includes inflation at 3.00% as of June 30, 2019, plus across-the-board salary increase of 0.50% plus merit and promotional increases.
- (2) Actual increases are contingent upon Consumer Price Index (CPI) increases with a 3.00% maximum for Tier 1 and a 2.00% maximum for Tier 3.

### Schedule of Investment Returns For the Fiscal Years Ended June 30

	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014
Annual money-weighted rate of return, net of investment expenses	5.5%	9.3%	12.6%	0.2%	2.6%	18.2%

#### Note to Schedule:

The rates of investment returns for the fiscal years 2015 and 2016 were much lower compared to other fiscal years. It reflected the impact of divergent and volatile global markets on LACERS investment portfolio over these reporting periods.

# Required Supplementary Information Postemployment Health Care Plan

The schedules included in the Required Supplementary Information for the Postemployment Health Care Plan are intended to show information for 10 years. However, the following schedules do not have a full 10-year trend, and therefore, Los Angeles City Employees' Retirement System (LACERS or the System) presented information only for those years for which information is available:

- 1) Schedule of Net OPEB Liability
- 2) Schedule of Changes in Net OPEB Liability and Related Ratios
- 3) Schedule of Investment Returns

Additional years will be displayed in the future as they become available.

# Schedule of Net OPEB Liability As of June 30 (Dollars in Thousands)

	 2019	 2018	 2017	 2016
Total OPEB Liability	\$ 3,334,299	\$ 3,256,827	\$ 3,005,806	\$ 2,793,689
Plan Fiduciary Net Position Plan's Net OPEB Liability	\$ 2,812,098 522,201	\$ 2,676,371 580,456	\$ 2,438,862 566,944	\$ 2,134,877 658,812
Plan Fiduciary Net Position as a percentage of the Total OPEB Liability	84.3%	82.2%	81.1%	76.4%

### **Note to Schedule:**

Refer to the notes to the Schedule of Changes in Net OPEB Liability and Related Ratios.

### Schedule of Changes in Net OPEB Liability and Related Ratios For the Fiscal Years Ended June 30 (Dollars in Thousands)

	2019	 2018	2017	2016
Total OPEB Liability				
Service cost <sup>(1)</sup>	\$ 74,478	\$ 74,611	\$ 68,385	\$ 62,360
Interest	236,678	218,686	210,170	199,078
Changes of benefit terms	-	948	-	17,215
Differences between expected and actual experience(2)	(134,053)	(7,321)	19,666	(22,013)
Changes of assumptions	33,940	92,178	33,512	-
Benefit payments <sup>(3)</sup>	 (133,571)	 (128,081)	 (119,616)	 (109,940)
Net change in total OPEB liability	77,472	251,021	212,117	146,700
Total OPEB liability-beginning	 3,256,827	3,005,806	 2,793,689	 2,646,989
Total OPEB liability-ending (a)	\$ 3,334,299	\$ 3,256,827	\$ 3,005,806	\$ 2,793,689
Plan fiduciary net position				
Contributions-employer	\$ 107,927	\$ 100,909	\$ 97,457	105,983
Net investment income (loss)	166,470	269,380	330,708	(344)
Benefit payments <sup>(3)</sup>	(133,571)	(128,081)	(119,616)	(109,940)
Administrative expense	 (5,099)	 (4,699)	 (4,564)	 (4,528)
Net change in Plan fiduciary net position	135,727	237,509	303,985	(8,829)
Plan fiduciary net position-beginning	2,676,371	2,438,862	2,134,877	2,143,706
Plan fiduciary net position-ending (b)	\$ 2,812,098	\$ 2,676,371	\$ 2,438,862	\$ 2,134,877
Plan's net OPEB liability-ending (a)-(b)	\$ 522,201	\$ 580,456	\$ 566,944	\$ 658,812
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total OPEB liability (b)/(a)	84.3%	82.2%	81.1%	76.4%
Covered payroll	\$ 2,108,171	\$ 2,057,565	\$ 1,973,049	\$ 1,876,946
Plan's net OPEB liability as a percentage of covered payroll	24.8%	28.2%	28.7%	35.1%

- (1) The service cost is based on the previous year's valuation.
- (2) After the GASB Statement No. 74 valuation report was issued for the fiscal year June 30, 2017, the System's consulting actuary reclassified \$12,450,000 of OPEB liability from the *Changes of Assumption* (revised from \$45,962,000 to \$33,512,000) to the *Differences Between Expected and Actual Experience* (revised from \$7,216,000 to \$19,666,000). However, this reclassification did not affect the recommended employer contribution rates or results of the OPEB valuation in total.
- (3) Benefit payments associated with the self-funded insurance premium of \$6,090,000 and Member's health insurance premium reserve of \$468,000 that were reported as both additions and deductions in fiduciary net position for the fiscal year 2019 were excluded from the above schedule.

# Required Supplementary Information Postemployment Health Care Plan

### Schedule of Changes in Net OPEB Liability and Related Ratios (Continued)

### **Notes to Schedule:**

Changes of Benefit Terms: The OPEB liability from the changes of benefit terms for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2016 is primarily due to providing retiree healthcare benefits to part-time employees who retired with 10 years of service but less than 10 years of service credit (refer to Note 3 – Postemployment Health Care Plan Description, Eligibility Requirement and Benefits Provided on pages 34 - 35) while the June 30, 2018 increase is primarily as a result of the newly adopted enhanced benefits for Airport Peace Officers (APO) who elected to stay at LACERS Plan (refer to Note 2 – Retirement Plan Description, Tier 1 – Enhanced Benefits on page 29) as some APO Members may retire earlier than expected. Enhanced benefits became effective as of January 7, 2018.

**Changes of Assumptions:** The OPEB liability from the changes of assumptions for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2017 is primarily due to the lowered assumed investment rate of return, from 7.50% to 7.25%, and the June 30, 2018 increase is primarily due to the new actuarial assumptions adopted in the triennial experience study (July 1, 2014 through June 30, 2017), including revising the mortality tables from static to generational, while the June 30, 2019 increase is due to the increased Medicare Part B Premium Trend Rate from 4.0% to 4.5%.

### **Schedule of Contribution History**

(Dollars in Thousands)

Fiscal Year	Actuarially Determined Contributions (ADC)	Contributions in Relation to ADC	Contribution Deficiency	Covered Payroll	Contributions as a Percentage of Covered Payroll
2010	\$ 96,511	\$ 96,511	\$ -	\$ 1,827,864	5.3%
2011	107,396	107,396	-	1,678,059	6.4
2012	115,209	115,209	-	1,715,197	6.7
2013	72,916	72,916	-	1,736,113	4.2
2014	97,841	97,841	-	1,802,931	5.4
2015	100,467	100,467	-	1,835,637	5.5
2016	105,983	105,983	-	1,876,946	5.7
2017	97,457	97,457	-	1,973,049	4.9
2018	100,909	100,909	-	2,057,565	4.9
2019	107,927	107,927	-	2,108,171	5.1

### **Notes to Schedule:**

Valuation Date Actuarially determined contribution rates are calculated as of June 30, two

years prior to the end of the fiscal year in which the contributions are reported.

### **Methods and Assumptions Used to Determine Contribution Rates:**

Actuarial Cost Method Entry Age Actuarial Cost Method (level percent of payroll).

Amortization Method Level Percent of Payroll.

Amortization Period Multiple layers – closed amortization period.

Actuarial gains/losses are amortized over 15 years. Non-health related assumptions or method changes are amortized over 20 years. Health related assumptions or method changes are amortized over 15 years. Plan changes, including the 2009 Early Retirement Incentive Program (ERIP), are amortized over 15 years. Future ERIPs will be amortized over five years. Any actuarial surplus is amortized over 30 years. The existing layers on June 30, 2012, except those arising from the 2009 ERIP and the two Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statements No. 25/27 layers, were combined and amortized over 30 years.

Asset Valuation Method

Fair value of assets less unrecognized returns in each of the last seven years. Unrecognized return is equal to the difference between the actual market return and the expected return on the market value, and is recognized over a seven-year period. The actuarial value of assets cannot be less than 60% or greater than 140% of the market value of assets. An Ad Hoc change was made in 2018 to combine the unrecognized returns and losses of prior years as of June 30, 2017 into one layer and recognize it evenly over six years from fiscal year 2017-18 through fiscal year 2022-23.

**Actuarial Assumptions:** 

Investment Rate of Return 7.25%
Inflation 3.00%

Real Across-the-Board Salary Increase 0.50%

# Required Supplementary Information Postemployment Health Care Plan

### **Schedule of Contribution History (Continued)**

### **Notes to Schedule (Continued)**

### Methods and Assumptions Used to Determine Contribution Rates (Continued)

Projected Salary

Increases<sup>(1)</sup> Ranges from 3.90% to 10.00% based on years of service.

Mortality Healthy: Headcount-Weighted RP-2014 Healthy Annuitant Mortality Table (separate

tables for males and females) with no setback for males and females, projected generationally with the two-dimensional mortality improvement scale MP-2017.

Disabled: Headcount-Weighted RP-2014 Disabled Retiree Mortality Table (separate tables for males and females) with no setback for males and females, projected generationally with the two-dimensional mortality improvement scale MP-2017.

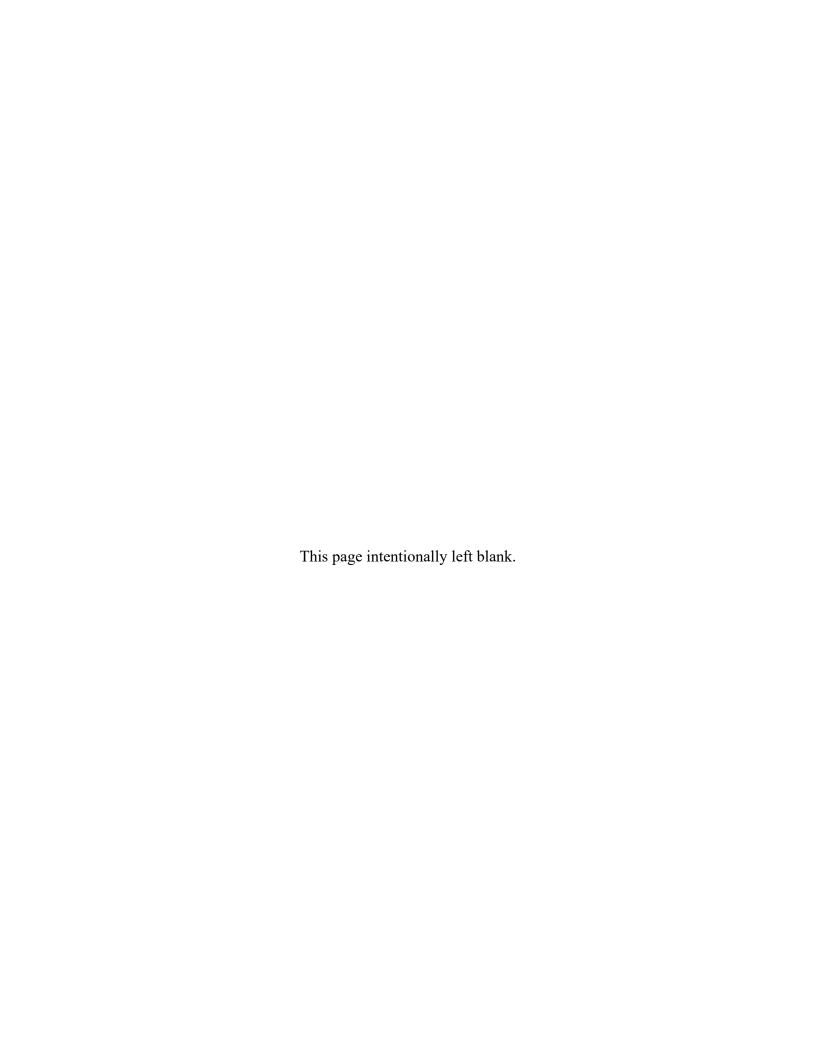
(1) Includes inflation at 3.00% as of June 30, 2019, plus across-the-board salary increase of 0.50% plus merit and promotional increases.

### Schedule of Investment Returns For the Fiscal Years Ended June 30

	2019	2018	2017
Annual money-weighted rate of return,			
net of investment expenses	6.1%	10.8%	15.2%

### **Note to Schedule:**

The required disclosure about factors that significantly affect trends in the money-weighted rate of return is not provided as only three years' rates are available. As additional years' money-weighted rate of return become available, the System will disclose factors that significantly affect trends in the rate of return.





# Schedule of Administrative Expenses For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2019 (In Thousands)

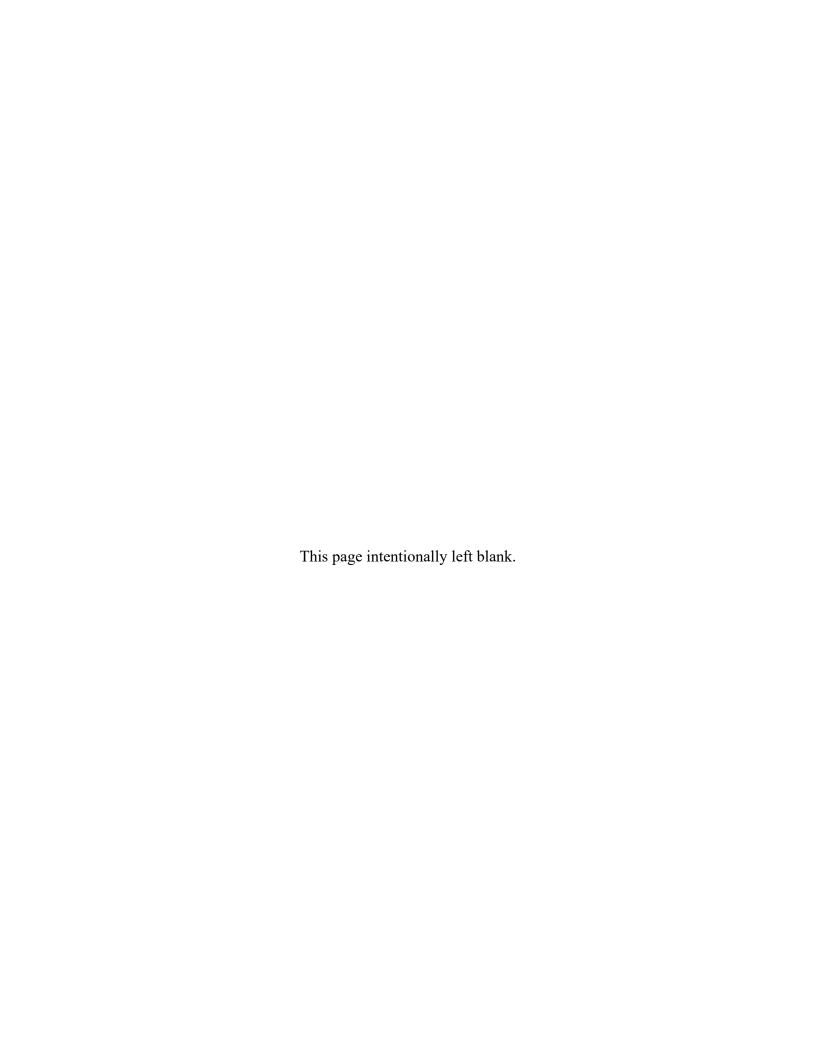
	Retirement Plan	Postemployment Health Care Plan	Total
Personnel Services: Salaries Employee Benefits and Development	\$ 9,506 4,008	\$ 2,148 906	\$ 11,654 4,914
Total Personnel Services	13,514	3,054	16,568
Professional Services:			
Actuarial	261	59	320
Audit	76	17	93
Legal Counsel	562	133	695
Disability Evaluation	179	41	220
Retirees' Health Admin Consulting	-	704	704
Benefit Payroll Processing	192	43	235
Self-Funded Dental Plan Admin Fees	-	365	365
Other Consulting	101	23	124
Total Professional Services	1,371	1,385	2,756
Information Technology: Computer Hardware and Software Computer Maintenance and Support Total Information Technology	526 635 1,161	119 143 262	645 778 1.423
Leases: Office Space	750	170	920
Office Equipment	34	8	42
Total Leases	784	178	962
Other Expenses:			
Fiduciary Insurance	28	6	34
Educational and Due Diligence Travel	46	10	56
Office Expenses	313	71	384
Depreciation and Amortization	589	133	722
Total Other Expenses	976	220	1,196
Total Administrative Expenses	\$ 17,806	\$ 5,099	\$ 22,905

## Schedule of Investment Fees and Expenses For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2019 (In Thousands)

	Assets Under Management	Fees and Expenses
Retirement Plan	 _	 _
Investment Management Fees: Fixed Income Managers Equity Managers	\$ 3,845,917 8,337,624	\$ 5,062 20,041
Subtotal	 12,183,541	 25,103
Other Investment Fees and Expenses: Private Equity Consulting Fees Real Estate Consulting Fees Other Consulting Fees Investment Related Administrative Expenses Subtotal	 N/A N/A N/A N/A N/A	 599 175 367 1,909 3,050
Postemployment Health Care Plan		
Investment Management Fees: Fixed Income Managers Equity Managers	 726,050 1,574,014	 1,144 4,529
Subtotal	 2,300,064	 5,673
Other Investment Fees and Expenses: Private Equity Consulting Fees Real Estate Consulting Fees Other Consulting Fees Investment Related Administrative Expenses	 N/A N/A N/A N/A	 135 40 83 431
Subtotal	 N/A	 689
Total Investment Fees and Expenses excluding Private Equity and Real Estate	\$ 14,483,605	\$ 34,515
Private Equity Managers' Fees and Expenses: Retirement Plan Postemployment Health Care Plan	\$ 1,689,590 318,968	\$ 32,289 7,297
Total Private Equity Managers' Fees and Expenses	\$ 2,008,558	\$ 39,586
Real Estate Managers' Fees and Expenses: Retirement Plan Postemployment Health Care Plan	\$ 666,661 125,855	\$ 8,011 1,810
Total Real Estate Managers' Fees and Expenses	\$ 792,516	\$ 9,821
Total Assets Under Management and Fees and Expenses	\$ 17,284,679 <sup>(1)</sup>	\$ 83,922(2)

<sup>(1)</sup> Excluding Security Lending Collateral assets of \$705,535,000. Total Investments including Security Lending Collateral was \$17,990,214,000.

<sup>(2)</sup> Including Investment Management Fees and Expenses of \$81,582,000 and Investment Related Administrative Expenses of \$2,340,000.



# Investment



## **Report on Investment Activity**

December 2, 2019



Dear Members of the Board:

Presented below is a summary report of the System's investment activities for the fiscal year 2018-2019.

#### Market Overview

Fiscal year 2018-2019 was a volatile period for the LACERS' investment portfolio, characterized by trade wars, ongoing Brexit uncertainty, and monetary easing by the Federal Reserve. In spite of these challenges, the LACERS' investment portfolio returned 6.2% (gross of fees) for the one-year period ending June 30, 2019.

The first quarter of the fiscal year continued the bullish trend across U.S. equities markets supported by strong macroeconomic data and low unemployment. Non-U.S. equities,

particularly in emerging markets, struggled relative to U.S. equities as currencies continued to weaken and trade tensions remained high between the U.S. and China.

Global equities sold off during the second quarter of the fiscal year as the market worried about a rate increase by the Federal Reserve. U.S. equities led the sell-off and developed market indices moved towards bear market territory; Non-U.S. equities also underperformed. Global liquidity tightened as the European Central Bank ended the expansion of its Quantitative Easing program. Market volatility picked up as the ongoing trade wars and a looming global slowdown weighed on investors' sentiment.

With a new calendar year, the third quarter of the fiscal year brought a reversal in the market with a potential trade deal between the U.S. and China on the horizon. The Federal Reserve took a dovish stance and signaled no additional rate hikes. The optimistic outlook for the quarter led to a rise in equities across the globe.

The momentum from the third quarter carried over to the fourth quarter of the fiscal year. This was largely in part due to the Federal Reserve taking an even more dovish stance. The market expected several rate cuts due to ongoing concerns about low domestic inflation, a weak global growth outlook, and the trade war between the U.S. and China. European countries also benefited from expectations that an expansionary monetary policy from the European Central Bank was likely as well.

While the 2019 fiscal year was a period of market volatility, the LACERS' investment portfolio is constructed based on a long-term investment horizon and is well-diversified in order to weather periods of market volatility.

#### **Investment Performance**

LACERS primary investment objective is to maximize the return of the portfolio at a prudent level of risk to meet the obligations of the System. The Fund is managed on a total return basis over a long-term investment horizon. While the System recognizes the importance of capital preservation, it also recognizes that varying degrees of investment risk are generally rewarded with commensurate returns. Consequently, prudent risk-taking is warranted within the context of overall portfolio diversification, which is achieved through the System's strategic asset allocation policy.

LACERS investments are reported at fair value. The total portfolio was \$17.7 billion on June 30, 2019, an increase of \$0.8 billion over the prior fiscal year. The Fund realized a 6.2% (gross of fees) return for the fiscal year. Individual asset class gross returns were: U.S. equity, 8.3%; non-U.S. equity, 0.4%; core fixed income, 8.1%; credit opportunities, 9.1%; private equity, 13.5%; and real assets, 5.8%.

The total portfolio underperformed its policy benchmark by 82 basis points (gross of fees) for the fiscal year, mainly attributed to the relative underperformance of U.S and non-U.S. equities, which underperformed their benchmarks by 73 and 90 basis points, respectively.

The Investment Results table presented on page 69 provides a summary of time-weighted rates of return based on fair value of assets by asset classes and for the total fund.

# Policies, Procedures and Guidelines

In February 2019, the Board approved a revised Investment Policy (Policy) in order to implement the new target asset allocation policy approved in April 2018, and increase the commitment sizes to private equity funds to meet private equity program objectives, authorize staff to conduct tactical rebalances of the Fund. Other revisions included changes to LACERS emerging investment manager aspirational goals and qualification criteria, and a new requirement of LACERS contractors to adopt sexual harassment and illegal discrimination policies and to disclose litigation committed to such misconducts prior to contract finalization.

## Investment Manager Contract Awards and Renewals

As presented in the table on page 71, contracts with nine investment managers of publicly traded securities were awarded or renewed during the fiscal year: two active U.S. equity managers, three active non-U.S. equities manager, three core fixed income manager, and a credit opportunities manager.

#### **Private Investments**

LACERS approved 22 private equity and three private real estate partnerships totaling \$784.8 million of committed capital as presented in the table on page 71.

Respectfully submitted,

Rodney L. Tyne

Chief Investment Officer

# Outline of Investment Policies Fiscal Year 2018-2019

The Los Angeles City Employees' Retirement System's (LACERS, or the System) general investment goals are consistent with the City Charter citations and State Constitution and are stated below:

- The overall goal of the System's investment assets is to provide plan participants with post-retirement benefits as set forth in the System documents. This will be accomplished through a carefully planned and executed investment program.
- The System's investment program shall comply, at all times, with existing and future applicable City, state and federal regulations. Investment performance data is calculated in conformance with Global Investment Performance Standards (GIPS).
- All transactions undertaken will be for the sole benefit of the System's participants and beneficiaries and for the exclusive purpose of providing benefits to them and defraying reasonable administrative expenses associated with the System.
- The System has a long-term investment horizon, and utilizes an asset allocation that encompasses a strategic, long run perspective of capital markets. It is recognized that a strategic long-run asset allocation plan implemented in a consistent and disciplined manner will be the major determinant of the System's investment performance.
- Investment actions are expected to comply with "prudent person" standards as described: "...with the care, skill, prudence, and diligence under the circumstances then prevailing that a prudent man acting in a like capacity and familiar with such matters would use in the conduct of an enterprise of a like character and with like aims."

#### **Investment Results**

# Schedule of Annualized Asset Class Investment Returns (Compared to Policy Benchmarks)

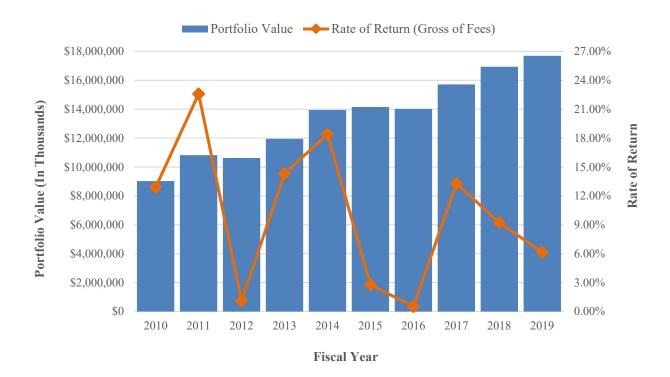
Asset Class / Benchmark	Annualized Rates of Return <sup>(1)</sup> (Gross of Fees)					
Asset Class / Determank	1 Yr. (%)					
U.S. Equity	8.25	14.07	10.17			
Russell 3000	8.98	14.02	10.19			
Non-U.S. Equity	0.39	10.00	3.30			
MSCI ACWI ex U.S.	1.29	9.39	2.16			
Private Equity	13.46	13.96	10.92			
Russell 3000 plus 300 bps	12.23	17.42	13.48			
Core Fixed Income <sup>(2)</sup>	8.09	2.75	3.15			
Bloomberg Barclays U.S. Aggregate	7.87	2.31	2.95			
Credit Opportunities(3)	9.12	7.23	4.56			
Credit Opportunities Blend <sup>(4)</sup>	9.22	6.82	4.94			
Real Assets	5.77	5.04	6.41			
CPI plus 5%	6.65	7.05	6.45			
LACERS Total Fund	6.15	9.52	6.30			
LACERS Policy Benchmark	6.97	9.79	6.29			

- (1) Time-weighted rate of return based on fair value of assets for all asset classes.
- (2) Fixed income mandate changed from core-plus to core on July 1, 2012. Returns reflect core mandate only.
- (3) Initial funding of this asset class occurred in the second quarter of 2013.
- (4) 65% Bloomberg Barclays U.S. Corp High Yield 2% Capped and 35% JP Morgan EMBI-Global Diversified.

## **Schedule of Investment Result History**

For the Fiscal Years Ended June 30 (Dollars in Thousands)

	Total Investment	Time-Weighted
Fiscal	Portfolio	Rate of Return
Year	(Fair Value)	(Gross of Fees)
2010	\$ 9,023,397	12.90%
2011	10,816,393	22.59
2012	10,623,740	1.11
2013	11,946,264	14.32
2014	13,941,866	18.41
2015	14,148,849	2.78
2016	14,014,772	0.53
2017	15,708,981	13.29
2018	16,935,458	9.23
2019	17,693,115	6.15



### **Investment Contract Activity**

Contracts with investment managers of publicly traded securities awarded/renewed/extended:

#### **Firms**

Aegon USA Investment Management

AJO, LP

AQR Capital Management, LLC

Robert W. Baird & Co. Incorporated

EAM Investors, LLC

Lazard Asset Management LLC

LM Capital Group, LLC

Loomis, Sayles & Company, L.P.

MFS Institutional Advisors, Inc.

New private equity and real estate partnerships:

#### Mandate

Active U.S. High Yield Fixed Income

Active U.S. Large Cap Value Equities

Active Non-U.S. Small Cap Equities

Active Domestic Fixed Income

Active U.S. Small Cap Growth Equities

Active Non-U.S. Equities Developed Markets Core

Active Domestic Fixed Income

Active Core Fixed Income

Active Non-U.S. Equities Developed Markets

#### **Investment Funds**

ABRY Advanced Securities Fund IV, L.P.

ABRY Partners IX, L.P.

Advent Global Technology Limited Partnership

Advent International GPE IX Limited Partnership

Astorg VII

DEFY Partners II, L.P.

FS Equity Partners VIII, L.P.

Genstar Capital Partners IX, L.P.

Gilde Buy-Out Fund VI C.V.

Harvest Partners VIII, L.P.

Hellman & Friedman Capital Partners IX, L.P.

New Enterprise Associates 17, L.P.

Platinum Equity Capital Partners V, L.P.

Polaris Growth Fund I, L.P.

Roark Capital Partners II Sidecar LP

Roark Capital Partners V (T) L.P.

Spark Capital Growth Fund III, L.P.

Spark Capital VI, L.P.

TA XIII-A, L.P.

TCV X, L.P.

The Baring Asia Private Equity Fund VII, L.P.

Vista Equity Partners Fund VII, L.P.

Asana Partners Fund II, L.P.

Broadview Real Estate Partners Fund, L.P.

Kayne Anderson Core Real Estate, L.P.

#### Mandate

Private Equity - Distressed Debt

Private Equity – Buyout

Private Equity – Buyout

Private Equity – Buyout

Private Equity – Buyout

Private Equity - Venture Capital

Private Equity – Buyout

Private Equity - Venture Capital

Private Equity – Buyout

Private Equity – Growth Equity

Private Equity – Buyout

Private Equity – Buyout

Private Equity – Buyout

Private Equity - Growth Equity

Private Equity – Growth Equity

Private Equity – Growth Equity

Private Equity – Buyout

Private Equity – Buyout

Real Estate - Value Add

Real Estate – Opportunistic

Real Estate - Core Plus

Contracts with consultants and vendors awarded/renewed/extended:

#### **Firms**

CEM Benchmarking Inc.

TorreyCove Capital Partners, LLC

PitchBook

#### Mandate

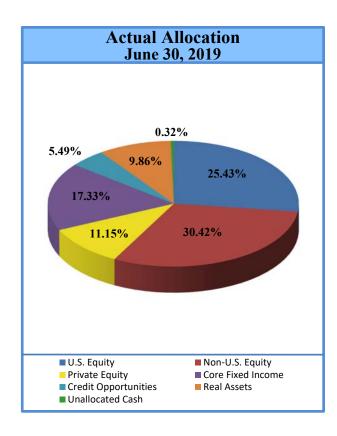
Investment Cost and Performance Benchmarking

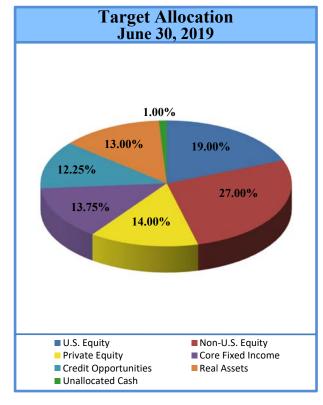
Private Equity Consulting Services

Private Markets Database

	Actual <sup>(2)</sup>		Target <sup>(3)</sup>
U.S. Equity	25.43%	U.S. Equity	19.00%
Non-U.S. Equity	30.42	Non-U.S. Equity	27.00
Private Equity <sup>(1)</sup>	11.15	Private Equity	14.00
Core Fixed Income	17.33	Core Fixed Income	13.75
Credit Opportunities	5.49	Credit Opportunities	12.25
Real Assets	9.86	Real Assets	13.00
Unallocated Cash	0.32	Unallocated Cash	1.00
Total	100.00%	Total	100.00%

- (1) The underweight to Private Equity is allocated to U.S. Equity. Private Equity cannot be rebalanced on demand since the general partners control the timing of funding and distributions.
- (2) Implementation of new Target Asset Allocation Policy is still in progress which is the reason for the difference in allocations.
- (3) New Target Allocation Policy was adopted on April 10, 2018.





## List of Largest Assets Held by Fair Value

Displayed below are the ten largest holdings in each asset class along with their fair and share/par values as of June 30, 2019. A complete listing of the System's top 100 holdings is available on www.LACERS.org.

Largest U.S. Equity Holdings

_	Shares	Asset Description		Fair Value (in US\$)
1.	1,094,375	Microsoft Corp.	\$	146,602,475
2.	627,715	Apple Inc. Class A		124,237,352
3.	59,128	Amazon Inc.		111,966,554
4.	348,260	Facebook Inc.		67,214,180
5.	392,085	Johnson & Johnson		54,609,598
6.	253,736	Berkshire Hathaway Class B		54,088,903
7.	431,251	J.P. Morgan Chase & Co.		48,213,861
8.	43,788	Alphabet Inc. Class C		47,330,887
9.	42,811	Alphabet Inc. Class A		46,355,750
10.	570,691	Exxon Mobil Corp.		43,732,051
		To	otal\$	744,351,611

## **Largest Non-U.S. Equity Holdings**

_	Shares	Asset Description	Fair Value (in US\$)
1.	6,619,103	AIA Group Ltd.	\$ 71,380,406
2.	610,801	Nestle SA	63,310,306
3.	536,160	Novartis AG	49,051,766
4.	167,537	Roche Holding AG	47,193,884
5.	1,037,800	Tencent Holdings Ltd.	46,838,819
6.	264,309	Alibaba Group Holding Ltd.	44,787,160
7.	317,719	Air Liquide	44,521,754
8.	986,571	Diageo PLC	42,489,806
9.	284,160	SAP SE	39,078,106
10.	1,930,552	DBS Group Holdings	 37,042,854
		Total	\$ 485,694,861

## List of Largest Assets Held by Fair Value

## Largest U.S. Fixed Income $Holdings^{(1)}$

·-	Par Value	Asset Description	Fair Value (in US\$)
		T	-0.44
1.	53,807,000	United States Treas Notes Inflation Index 0.25% Tb 01/15/2025	\$ 58,117,584
2.	50,510,000	United States Treas Bonds 2.75% due 02/15/2028	56,296,490
3.	48,700,000	United States Treas Notes Inflation Index 0.625% Tb 01/15/2026	53,633,921
4.	48,300,000	United States Treas Notes Inflation Note 0.375% DTD 07/15/2025	52,616,714
5.	46,200,000	United States Treas Notes Inflation Index 0.75% Tb 07/15/2028	49,002,352
6.	46,000,000	TSY Inflation Index N/B U.S. Govt National 0.375% 01/15/2027	48,996,186
7.	46,050,000	United States Treas Notes 0.125% Inflation Index 07/15/2026	48,758,973
8.	46,150,000	TSY Inflation Index 0.375% 07/15/2027	48,656,463
9.	46,100,000	United States Treas Inflation Index NTS 0.50005% 01/15/2028	48,536,823
10.	42,120,000	United States Treas Bonds 2.75% due 08/15/2042	45,176,065
		Total	\$ 509,791,571

## Largest Non-U.S. Fixed Income Holdings(1)

	Par Value (in local		Fair Value
-	currency)	Asset Description	 (in US\$)
1.	4,930,000	Anheuser-Busch 4.9% Due 02/01/2046	\$ 6,060,097
2.	6,750,000	Petroleos Mexicanos 6.375% Due 01/23/2045	5,923,637
3.	2,845,000	Fed of Russia 12.75% BD 06/24/2028	4,706,267
4.	4,410,000	Petrobras Global Finance 5.299% Due 01/27/2025	4,679,010
5.	4,570,000	Santander UK PLC 2.125% Due 11/03/2020	4,589,113
6.	3,960,000	Republic of Ecuador 8.75% Due 02/06/2023	4,336,240
7.	3,075,000	Brazil Federative Republic BD 8.25% Due 01/20/2034	4,101,312
8.	2,635,000	Republic of Philippines Global Bond 7.75% Due 01/14/2031	3,989,970
9.	2,750,000	Republic of Colombia Bond 7.375% Due 09/18/2037	3,858,115
10.	3,868,000	Federation of Turkey Bond 6.875% Due 03/17/2036	 3,703,401
		Total _	\$ 45,947,162

<sup>(1)</sup> The U.S. Fixed Income and Non-U.S. Fixed Income holdings represent the fair value of LACERS separate accounts and the fair value of LACERS ownership in mutual fund-like accounts.

## **Schedules of Fees and Commissions**

#### **Schedule of Fees**

(In Thousands)

	2	2019 Assets Under		2	2018 Assets Under	
	N	<b>Ianagement</b>	Fees	N	<b>Tanagement</b>	Fees
Investment Manager Fees:						
Fixed Income Managers	\$	$4,571,967^{(1)}$	\$ 6,206	\$	$4,169,596^{(2)}$	\$ 5,923
Equity Managers		$9,911,638^{(1)}$	24,570		$9,784,201^{(2)}$	25,734
Real Estate Managers		792,516	9,821		801,634	8,422
Private Equity Managers		2,008,558	39,586		1,807,338	34,644
Total	\$	17,284,679	\$ 80,183	\$	16,562,769	\$ 74,723
Investment Consulting Fees		N/A	\$ 1,399		N/A	\$ 1,490
Investment Related Administrative Expense		N/A	2,340		N/A	1,723
Total		N/A	\$ 3,739		N/A	\$ 3,213

<sup>(1)</sup> Includes \$38,000 of fixed income derivatives and \$(835,000) of equity derivatives. This is combined in the Statement of Fiduciary Net Position as \$(797,000).

#### **Schedule of Top Ten Brokerage Commissions**

	Broker	Shares	Commission	\$/Share
1.	Merrill Lynch International Limited	61,252,850	\$ 176,571	\$ 0.003
2.	Goldman, Sachs and Co.	164,195,939	164,537	0.001
3.	J.P. Morgan Securities PLC	32,848,200	148,860	0.005
4.	Credit Suisse Securities (USA) LLC	79,425,493	141,985	0.002
5.	Societe Generale London Branch	24,226,536	131,845	0.005
6.	Morgan Stanley & Co., LLC	63,728,451	104,668	0.002
7.	HSBC Securities (USA) Inc.	83,878,604	90,796	0.001
8.	CLSA Singapore PTE LTD	19,157,761	86,654	0.005
9.	Instinet, LLC	29,542,033	85,641	0.003
10.	C.L. King & Associates, Inc.	4,131,842	82,636	0.020
	Total	562,387,709	1,214,193	0.002
	Total - Other Brokers (1)	670,688,363	2,199,850	0.003
	Grand Total	1,233,076,072	\$ 3,414,043	\$ 0.003

<sup>(1)</sup> Over-the-counter (OTC) Brokers excluded because there is no stated commission.

LACERS has commission recapture arrangements with brokerage firms. For the current fiscal year, LACERS recaptured a total of \$17,149 commission credit from Cowen, which was rebated to LACERS in cash.

<sup>(2)</sup> Includes \$(173,000) of fixed income derivatives and \$1,173,000 of equity derivatives. This is combined in the Statement of Fiduciary Net Position as \$1,000,000.

Town of the state		E-1. Valor	% of Total	<b>Domestic</b>	Foreign
Type of investment		Fair Value	Fair Value	Fair Value	Fair Value
Fixed Income					
Government bonds	\$	1,699,577,718	9.45%	\$ 1,417,514,667	\$ 282,063,051
Government agencies	•	61,832,800	0.34	30,946,703	30,886,097
Municipal / provincial bonds		5,570,465	0.03	-	5,570,465
Corporate bonds		1,163,403,232	6.47	882,229,310	281,173,922
Bank loans		8,868,477	0.05	8,868,477	- , · · · · · - , · · -
Government mortgage bonds		453,617,614	2.52	453,617,614	-
Commercial mortgage bonds		72,770,988	0.40	72,770,988	-
Opportunistic debts		203,700,898	1.13	189,533,644	14,167,254
Other fixed income (Common Funds Assets)		902,587,267	5.02	902,587,267	-
Derivative Instruments		38,248	-	39,180	(932)
<b>Total Fixed Income</b>		4,571,967,707	25.41	3,958,107,850	613,859,857
Equities					
Common stock					
Basic industries		1,313,489,637	7.30	484,261,562	829,228,075
Capital goods industries		507,655,560	2.82	132,894,785	374,760,775
Consumer & services		2,544,498,625	14.14	1,141,338,019	1,403,160,606
Energy		818,262,557	4.55	368,866,914	449,395,643
Financial services		1,689,278,783	9.39	629,161,683	1,060,117,100
Health care		1,052,002,397	5.85	650,447,532	401,554,865
Information technology		1,407,988,316	7.83	941,080,816	466,907,500
Real Estate		501,487,564	2.79	323,500,704	177,986,860
Miscellaneous		10,593,071	0.06	923,060	9,670,011
<b>Total Common Stock</b>		9,845,256,510	54.73	4,672,475,075	5,172,781,435
Preferred stock		54,401,451	0.30	_	54,401,451
Stapled securities		12,814,445	0.07	_	12,814,445
Derivative Instruments		(835,229)	-	815,110	(1,650,339)
Total Equities	_	9,911,637,177	55.10	4,673,290,185	5,238,346,992
Real Estate		792,516,302	4.40	785,707,487	6,808,815
Private Equity					
Buyout		1,055,580,259	5.87	775,048,739	280,531,520
Distressed debt		105,466,760	0.59	79,791,352	25,675,408
Mezzanine		3,124,319	0.02	3,124,319	-
Special Situations		231,332,248	1.28	162,081,482	69,250,766
Venture capital		613,054,287	3.41	556,499,769	56,554,518
<b>Total Private Equity</b>		2,008,557,873	11.17	1,576,545,661	432,012,212
Security Lending Collateral		705,535,002	3.92	645,629,508	59,905,494
Total Fund <sup>(1)</sup>	\$	17,990,214,061	100.00%	<u>\$11,639,280,691</u>	\$6,350,933,370

<sup>(1)</sup> Total Fund includes securities lending, but excludes cash and cash equivalents and adjustments to cash.

## Advisory/Consulting/Custody Services

#### **Investment Advisors**

#### U.S. Equity

AJO

**EAM Investors** 

PanAgora Asset Management Principal Global Investors RhumbLine Advisers

#### Non-U.S. Equity

AQR Capital Management Axiom International Investors

Barrow, Hanley, Mewhinney & Strauss

Dimensional Fund Advisors Lazard Asset Management MFS Institutional Advisors Oberweis Asset Management Quantitative Management Associates

State Street Global Advisors

#### **Fixed Income**

LM Capital Group Loomis Sayles & Company Neuberger Berman Robert W. Baird & Co. State Street Global Advisors

#### **Credit Opportunities**

Aegon USA Investment Management Prudential Investment Management Bain Capital Credit

#### **Public Real Assets**

CenterSquare Investment Management CoreCommodity Management Dimensional Fund Advisors

#### Cash & Short-Term

The Northern Trust Company

#### **Real Estate**

Almanac Realty Apollo Global Real Estate Asana Partners Berkshire Group Bristol Group

Bryanston Realty Partners Buchanan Street Partners Canyon-Johnson Urban Funds

CIM Group CityView Clarion Partners Colony Investors

Cornerstone Real Estate Advisors DLJ Real Estate Capital Partners

DRA Advisors Gerrity Group

Hancock Timber Resource Group

Hunt Realty Investments Integrated Capital Invesco Real Estate

Jamestown JP Morgan

LaSalle Investment Management

Lone Star Funds Mesa West Capital Morgan Stanley

Pacific Coast Capital Partners Paladin Realty Partners Phoenix Realty Group Principal Real Estate Investors

Realty Associates

Standard Life Investments Stockbridge Real Estate Torchlight Investors Walton Street Real Estate

#### **Private Equity**

1315 Capital Management

ABRY Partners

**ACON** 

Advent International AION Capital Partners Alchemy Partners American Securities Angeleno Group Angeles Equity Partners Apollo Management Ares Management

Ares Management Ascribe Capital Astorg Partners Austin Ventures

### Advisory/Consulting/Custody Services

#### **Investment Advisors (Continued)**

#### **Private Equity (Continued)**

Avenue Capital Group

Bain Capital

Baring Private Equity Asia Limited

**BC** Partners

Black Diamond Capital Management

Blackstone Group Blue Sea Capital Brentwood Associates Cardinal Partners Carlyle Group CenterGate Capital

Charterhouse Capital Partners

CHS Capital

Coller International Partners Craton Equity Investors CVC Capital Partners Defy Partners

**EIG Global Energy Partners** 

Element Partners Encap Investments Energy Capital Partners

Essex Woodland Health Ventures

FIMI Opportunity Funds First Reserve Corporation Frontier Venture Capital Gilde Buy Out Partners Glendon Capital Management

**GTCR** 

Halifax Capital Harvest Partners

Hellman & Friedman Investors High Road Capital Partners

Hony Capital Incline Equity Insight Venture

**Institutional Venture Partners** 

JH Whitney & Co. Kelso & Company Khosla Ventures

KKR

**KPS Investors** 

Leonard Green & Partners Levine Leichtman Capital Partners Lindsay Goldberg & Bessemer Longitude Capital Partners Madison Dearborn Partners

Newbridge Asia Nordic Capital Onex Partners

Polaris Venture Partners Upfront Ventures NGEN Partners

New Water Capital Partners NGP Natural Resources

NMS Capital Roark Capital Menlo Ventures Mill Point Capital Nautic Partners

New Enteprise Associates New Mountain Partners Oak HC/FT Partners Oak Investment Partners Oaktree Capital Management Palladium Equity Partners

Permira

Pharos Capital Partners Platinum Equity

Providence Equity Partners Rustic Canyon/Fontis Partners

Saybrook Capital

Searchlight Capital Partners

Spire Capital SSG Capital Partners St. Cloud Capital Spark Capital StarVest Partners StepStone Group Sterling Partners Stripes Group Sunstone Partners

**Technology Crossover Ventures** 

TCW TPG Capital Thoma Bravo Trident Capital

TA Associates

VantagePoint Venture Partners Vestar Capital Partners Vicente Capital Partners Vista Equity Partners

Threshold Ventures (formerly DFJ Venture)

Wynnchurch Capital

Yucaipa American Alliance

## **Advisory/Consulting/Custody Services**

## **Investment Advisors (Continued)**

#### **Consultants**

NEPC, LLC TorreyCove Capital Partners, LLC The Townsend Group

#### Custodian

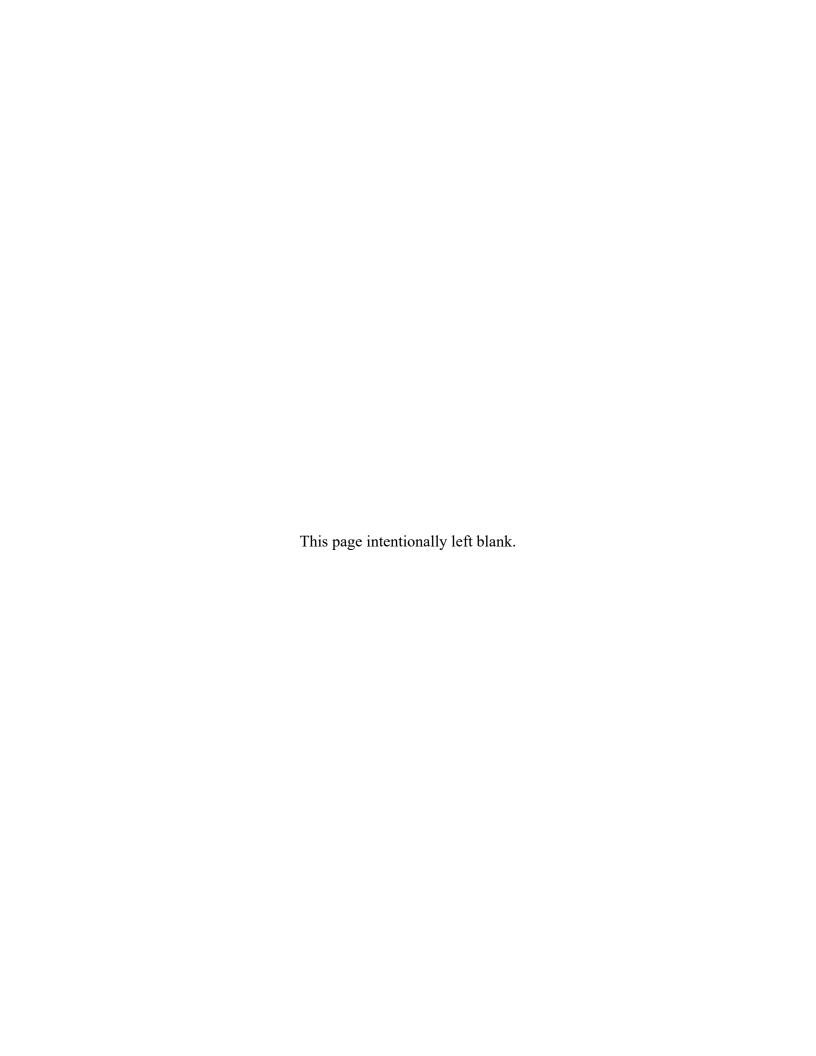
The Northern Trust

#### **Transition Managers**

Abel Noser LLC
Blackrock Institutional Trust Company, N.A.
Citigroup Global Markets Inc.
Loop Capital Markets
Macquarie Capital (USA) Inc.
Penserra Transition Management LLC

#### **Proxy Voting Services**

Institutional Shareholder Services Inc. (ISS)



# Actuarial

## **Actuarial Valuation Summary**

## **Summary of Significant Valuation Results**

	_	June 30, 2019	June 30, 2018	Change
l.	Total Membership a. Active Members b. Pensioners and Beneficiaries	26,632 20,034	26,042 19,379	2.3 % 3.4 %
II.	Valuation Salary a. Total Annual Projected Payroll b. Average Projected Monthly Salary	\$ 2,225,412,831 6,963	\$ 2,177,687,102 6,969	2.2 % (0.1)%
III.	Benefits to Current Retirees and Beneficiaries <sup>(1)</sup> a. Total Annual Benefits b. Average Monthly Benefit Amount	\$ 947,588,609 3,942	\$ 880,071,707 3,784	7.7 % 4.2 %
IV.	Total System Assets <sup>(2)</sup> a. Actuarial Value b. Market Value	\$ 17,711,461,636 17,707,909,933	\$ 16,687,907,767 16,989,616,344	6.1 % 4.2 %
V.	Unfunded Actuarial Accrued Liability (UAAL) a. Retirement Benefits b. Health Subsidy Benefits	\$ 5,974,856,716 521,636,655	\$ 5,962,143,593 627,984,336	0.2 % (16.9)%

<sup>(1)</sup> Includes July COLA.

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	FY 2020-21 <sup>(1)</sup>		_	FY 2019-20 <sup>(1)</sup>			Difference	
VI. Budget Items (as a Percent of Pay)	Tier 1	Tier 3	_	Tier 1	Tier 3		Tier 1	Tier 3
a. Retirement Benefits								
1. Normal Cost	6.70%	3.82%		6.72%	3.78%		(0.02)%	0.04 %
<ol><li>Amortization of UAAL</li></ol>	18.38%	18.38%		18.34%	18.34%		0.04 %	0.04 %
3. Total Retirement Contribution	25.08%	22.20%		25.06%	22.12%	-	0.02 %	0.08 %
b. Health Subsidy Benefits								
1. Normal Cost	3.31%	4.21%		3.36%	4.11%		(0.05)%	0.10 %
<ol><li>Amortization of UAAL</li></ol>	1.04%	1.04%		1.47%	1.47%		(0.43)%	(0.43)%
3. Total Health Subsidy Contribution	4.35%	5.25%		4.83%	5.58%	-	(0.48)%	(0.33)%
c. Total Contribution (a+b)	29.43%	27.45%		29.89%	27.70%	_	(0.46)%	(0.25)%

<sup>(1)</sup> Contributions are assumed to be received by LACERS on July 15.

		June 30, 2019	June 30, 2018	Difference
VII.	Funded Ratio			
	(Based on Valuation Value of Assets)			
	a. Retirement Benefits	71.3%	70.1%	1.2%
	b. Health Subsidy Benefits	84.4%	80.7%	3.7%
	c. Total	73.1%	71.6%	1.5%
	(Based on Market Value of Assets)			
	d. Retirement Benefits	71.3%	71.4%	(0.1)%
	e. Health Subsidy Benefits	84.3%	82.2%	2.1%
	f. Total	73.1%	72.9%	0.2%

## **Actuarial Valuation Summary**

## **Summary of Significant Valuation Results (Continued)**

	June 30, 2019	June 30, 2018	Change
VIII. Net Pension Liability <sup>(1)</sup>			
Total Pension Liability	\$ 20,793,421,143	\$ 19,944,579,058	4.3 %
Plan Fiduciary Net Position	(14,815,592,841)	(14,235,230,528)	4.1 %
Net Pension Liability	\$ 5,977,828,302	\$ 5,709,348,530	4.7 %
Plan Fiduciary Net Position as a Percentage of			
the Total Pension Liability	71.3%	71.4%	(0.1)%

<sup>(1)</sup> Refer to the Schedule of Changes in Net Pension Liability and Related Ratios on pages 90 - 91.

J	une 30, 2019		June 30, 2018	Chai	nge
\$	3,334,298,548	\$	3,256,827,847	4	2.4 %
	(2,812,097,867)		(2,676,371,615)	Ę	5.1 %
\$	522,200,681	\$	580,456,232	(10	0.0)%
	84.3%		82.2%		2.1 %
	\$	(2,812,097,867) \$ 522,200,681	\$ 3,334,298,548 \$ (2,812,097,867) \$ 522,200,681 \$	\$ 3,334,298,548 \$ 3,256,827,847 (2,812,097,867) (2,676,371,615) \$ 522,200,681 \$ 580,456,232	\$ 3,334,298,548 \$ 3,256,827,847 (2,812,097,867) (2,676,371,615) \$ 522,200,681 \$ 580,456,232 (10)

<sup>(1)</sup> Refer to the Schedule of Changes in Net OPEB Liability and Related Ratios on page 108.



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#### **Actuarial Certification**

#### November 6, 2019

This is to certify that Segal Consulting (Segal) has conducted an actuarial valuation of the Los Angeles City Employees' Retirement System (LACERS or the System) retirement program as of June 30, 2019, in accordance with generally accepted actuarial principles and practices. In particular, it is our understanding that the assumptions and methods used for funding purposes meet the parameters set by the Actuarial Standards of Practice (ASOPs). Actuarial valuations are performed annually for this retirement program with the last valuation completed on June 30, 2018. The actuarial calculations presented in this report have been made on a basis consistent with our understanding of the historical funding methods used in determination of the liability for retirement benefits.

The actuarial valuation is based on the plan of benefits verified by LACERS and on participant and financial data provided by LACERS. Segal did not audit LACERS' financial statements, but we conducted an examination of all participant data for reasonableness and we concluded that it was reasonable and consistent with the prior year's data.

One of the general goals of an actuarial valuation is to establish contributions that fully fund the System's liabilities, and that, as a percentage of payroll, remain as level as possible for each generation of active members. Both the Normal Cost and the Actuarial Accrued Liability are determined under the Entry Age cost method.

The actuarial computations made are for funding plan benefits. Accordingly, additional determinations will be needed for other purposes, such as satisfying financial accounting requirements under Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statements No. 67 and No. 68 and judging benefit security at termination of the plan.

Segal prepared all of the supporting schedules in the Actuarial Section of the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR) and certain supporting schedules in the Financial Section, based on the results of the June 30, 2019 actuarial valuation. A listing of the supporting schedules Segal prepared for inclusion in the Financial Section as Required Supplementary Information prescribed by GASB, and in the Actuarial Section, is provided below:

#### Financial Section

- 1) Schedule of Net Pension Liability\*
- 2) Schedule of Changes in Net Pension Liability and Related Ratios\*
- 3) Schedule of Contribution History\*

#### Actuarial Section

- 4) Summary of Significant Valuation Results
- 5) Active Member Valuation Data
- 6) Retirees and Beneficiaries Added to and Removed from Retiree Payroll
- 7) Schedule of Funded Liabilities by Type
- 8) Schedule of Funding Progress
- 9) Actuarial Analysis of Financial Experience
- 10) Actuarial Balance Sheet
- 11) Schedule of Changes in Net Pension Liability and Related Ratios\*
- 12) Projection of Pension Plan's Fiduciary Net Position for Use in Calculation of Discount Rate of 7.25% and Preparation of GASB 67 Report as of June 30, 2019\*
  - \* Source: Segal's GASB Statement No. 67 valuation report as of June 30, 2019.

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#### **Actuarial Certification (Continued)**

LACERS' staff prepared other trend data schedules in the Statistical Section based on information supplied in Segal's valuation report.

To the best of our knowledge, this report is complete and accurate and in our opinion presents the plan's current funding information. The undersigned is a member of the American Academy of Actuaries and is qualified to render the actuarial opinion contained herein.

Andy Yeung, ASA, MAAA, FCA, EA

Vice President and Actuary

#### **Active Member Valuation Data**

### Member Population

Valuation Date	Active Members <sup>(1)</sup>	Covered Payroll <sup>(2)</sup>	Annual Average Pay <sup>(2)</sup>	Change in Annual Average Pay (%)
06/30/2010	26,245	\$1,817,662,284	\$69,257	5.5
06/30/2011	25,449	1,833,392,381	72,042	4.0
06/30/2012	24,917	1,819,269,630	73,013	1.3
06/30/2013	24,441	1,846,970,474	75,569	3.5
06/30/2014	24,009	1,898,064,175	79,056	4.6
06/30/2015	23,895	1,907,664,598	79,835	1.0
06/30/2016	24,446	1,968,702,630	80,533	0.9
06/30/2017	25,457	2,062,316,129	81,012	0.6
06/30/2018	26,042	2,177,687,102	83,622	3.2
06/30/2019	26,632	2,225,412,831	83,562	(0.1)

<sup>(1)</sup> Includes non-vested Members.

## Retirees and Beneficiaries Added to and Removed from Retiree Payroll<sup>(1)</sup>

Valuation Date	No. of New Retirees/ Beneficiaries	Annual Allowances Added <sup>(2)</sup>	No. of Retirees/ Beneficiaries Removed	Annual Allowances Removed	No. of Retirees/ Beneficiaries at 6/30	Annual Allowances at 6/30	Percent Increase in Annual Allowances	Average Annual Allowance
06/30/2010	2,893(3)	\$144,594,918(3	620	\$17,604,486	17,264	\$648,849,828	24.3%	\$37,584
06/30/2011	528	24,282,965	595	16,585,589	17,197	656,547,204	1.2	38,178
06/30/2012	620	38,314,256	594	17,986,700	17,223	676,874,760	3.1	39,301
06/30/2013	772	40,966,952	633	18,776,770	17,362	699,064,942	3.3	40,264
06/30/2014	831	38,666,905	661	21,175,777	17,532	716,556,070	2.5	40,871
06/30/2015	1,083	55,849,106	683	22,013,426	17,932	750,391,750	4.7	41,847
06/30/2016	1,082	51,056,286	657	23,092,610	18,357	778,355,426	3.7	42,401
06/30/2017	1,142	65,583,105	694	24,422,619	18,805	819,515,912	5.3	43,580
06/30/2018	1,312	86,917,553	738	26,361,758	19,379	880,071,707	7.4	45,414
06/30/2019	1,341	93,946,126	686	26,429,224	20,034	947,588,609	7.7	47,299

<sup>(2)</sup> Reflects annualized salaries for part-time Members.

 <sup>(1)</sup> Does not include Family Death Benefit Plan beneficiaries. Table is based on valuation data.
 (2) Includes the COLA granted in July.
 (3) Large increase primarily due to accelerated retirements stimulated by the City's Early Retirement Incentive Program (ERIP).

#### Schedule of Funded Liabilities by Type

For Years Ended June 30 (Dollars in Thousands)

Portion of Aggregate Accrued Liabilities Covered by Reported Assets Aggregate Actuarial Accrued Liabilities For Retirees, Valuation Retirees, Valuation Member Beneficiaries, & Active Value Member Beneficiaries, & Active Inactive/Vested Members Date Contributions Inactive/Vested Members of Assets Contributions 06/30/2010 \$1,379,098 \$3,707,982 \$9,554,027 100.0% 18.0% \$7,507,945 100.0% 9,691,011 10.9 06/30/2011 1,474,824 7,765,071 4,151,809 100.0 100.0 1,625,207 9,934,959 100.0 8.5 06/30/2012 7,893,684 4,875,068 100.0 1,757,195 5,057,904 100.0 7.9 06/30/2013 8,066,564 10,223,961 100.0 06/30/2014 1,900,068 8,700,896 5,647,889 10,944,751 100.0 100.0 6.1 06/30/2015 2,012,378 9,118,166 5,779,452 11,727,161 100.0 100.0 10.3 06/30/2016 2,137,269 9,439,001 5,848,726 12,439,250 100.0 100.0 14.8 06/30/2017 2,255,048 10,164,403 6,038,737 13,178,334 100.0 100.0 12.6 06/30/2018 2,354,026 11,079,053 6,511,500 13,982,435 100.0 100.0 8.4 06/30/2019 2,469,761 11,933,703 6,389,957 14,818,564 100.0 100.0 6.5

#### **Schedule of Funding Progress**

For Years Ended June 30 (Dollars in Thousands)

	Valuation	Actuarial Accrued	Unfunded			UAAL as a
	Value of	Liability	AAL	Funded	Covered	Percentage of
Valuation	Assets	(AAL)	(UAAL)	Ratio	Payroll	Covered Payroll
Date	(a)	(b)	(b)-(a)	(a)/(b)	(c)	[(b)-(a)]/(c)
06/30/2010	\$9,554,027	\$12,595,025	\$3,040,998	75.9 %	\$1,817,662	167.3 %
06/30/2011	9,691,011	13,391,704	3,700,693	72.4	1,833,392	201.9
06/30/2012	9,934,959	14,393,959	4,459,000	69.0	1,819,270	245.1
06/30/2013	10,223,961	14,881,663	4,657,702	68.7	1,846,970	252.2
06/30/2014	10,944,751	16,248,853	5,304,102	67.4	1,898,064	279.5
06/30/2015	11,727,161	16,909,996	5,182,835	69.4	1,907,665	271.7
06/30/2016	12,439,250	17,424,996	4,985,746	71.4	1,968,703	253.3
06/30/2017	13,178,334	18,458,188	5,279,854	71.4	2,062,316	256.0
06/30/2018	13,982,435	19,944,579	5,962,144	70.1	2,177,687	273.8
06/30/2019	14,818,564	20,793,421	5,974,857	71.3	2,225,413	268.5

#### **Actuarial Analysis of Financial Experience**

Development of Unfunded Actuarial Accrued Liability for Year Ended June 30, 2019

1.	Unfunded actuarial accrued liability at beginning of year	\$	5,962,143,593
2.	Total normal cost at beginning of year		370,409,073
3.	Expected employer and member contributions at beginning of year <sup>(1)</sup>		(761,958,070)
4.	Interest	_	403,868,108
5.	Expected unfunded actuarial accrued liability at end of year		5,974,462,704
6.	Changes due to:		
	a) Investment gain on smoothed value of assets \$ (13,111,129)		
	b) Loss due to actual contributions less than expected 59,540,384		
	c) Gain due to lower than expected salary increases for continuing actives (120,498,219)		
	d) Loss due to lower than expected mortality for payees 40,662,931		
	e) Other losses on demographic experience 33,800,045	_	
	Total loss	_	394,012
7.	Unfunded actuarial accrued liability at end of year	\$	5,974,856,716

<sup>(1)</sup> Net of the additional expected employer contributions due to the application of the 40-year minimum amortization required for the two GASB 25/27 layers, since the beginning of year UAAL was developed without the liability associated with those two layers. These additional contributions will serve to reduce the contribution loss (if any) from the scheduled one-year delay in implementing the higher contribution rates calculated in the prior valuation.

#### **Actuarial Balance Sheet**

June 30, 2019

#### **Actuarial Present Value of Future Benefits**

1. Present value of benefits for retired members and beneficiaries	\$ 11,620,004,477
2. Present value of benefits for inactive vested members	516,719,939
3. Present value of benefits for active members	11,598,917,004
4. Total actuarial present value of future benefits	\$ 23,735,641,420
Current and Future Assets	
5. Total valuation value of assets	\$ 14,818,564,427
6. Present value of future contributions by members	1,848,423,280
7. Present value of future employer contributions for:	
a) Entry age normal cost	1,093,796,997
b) Unfunded actuarial accrued liability	5,974,856,716
8. Present value of current and future assets	\$ 23,735,641,420

#### Schedule of Changes in Net Pension Liability and Related Ratios (1) For the Fiscal Years Ended June 30

(Dollars in Thousands)

		2019	2018		2017		 2016
Total Pension Liability							
Service cost (2)	\$	370,409	\$	352,283	\$	340,759	\$ 322,574
Interest		1,439,661		1,332,878		1,302,278	1,263,556
Changes of benefit terms		-		25,173		-	-
Differences of expected and actual experience		(46,035)		144,224		(146,474)	(300,813)
Changes of assumptions		-		483,717		340,718	-
Benefit payments, including refunds of Member							
contributions	-	(915,192)		(851,885)		(804,089)	 (770,317)
Net change in total pension liability		848,843		1,486,390		1,033,192	515,000
Total pension liability-beginning		19,944,578		18,458,188		17,424,996	 16,909,996
Total pension liability-ending (a)	\$	20,793,421	\$	19,944,578	\$	18,458,188	\$ 17,424,996
Plan fiduciary net position							
Contributions-employer	\$	478,717	\$	450,195	\$	453,356	\$ 440,546
Contributions-Member		237,087		230,757		221,829	206,377
Net investment income		799,351		1,243,817		1,517,545	29,358
Benefit payments, including refunds of Member							
contributions		(915,192)		(851,885)		(804,089)	(770,318)
Administrative expenses		(19,600)		(17,699)		(17,454)	(17,204)
Others (3)		<u>-</u>		(471)			 -
Net change in Plan fiduciary net position		580,363		1,054,714		1,371,187	(111,241)
Plan fiduciary net position-beginning		14,235,230		13,180,516		11,809,329	 11,920,570
Plan fiduciary net position-ending (b)	\$	14,815,593	\$	14,235,230	\$	13,180,516	\$ 11,809,329
Plan's net pension liability-ending (a)-(b)	\$	5,977,828	\$	5,709,348	\$	5,277,672	\$ 5,615,667
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total pension liability (b)/(a)		71.3%		71.4%		71.4%	67.8%
Covered payroll	\$	2,108,171	\$	2,057,565	\$	1,973,049	\$ 1,876,946
Plan's net pension liability as a percentage of covered payroll		283.6%		277.5%		267.5%	299.2%

<sup>(1)</sup> In calculating the Plan's net pension liability, the total pension liability and the Plan fiduciary net position exclude amounts associated with non-pension related benefits (Family Death and Larger Annuity Benefits).

<sup>(2)</sup> The service cost is based on the previous year's valuation.

On July 1, 2015, the System segregated Members' voluntary larger annuity contributions into the (non-pension related) Reserve for Larger Annuity Contributions pursuant to a suggestion made by the System's actuarial consultant. The Reserve balance for Larger Annuity Contributions as of June 30, 2015 was \$5,200,000. On July 1, 2017, the System reallocated \$471,000 of interest from the Reserve for Mandatory Member Contributions into the Reserve for Voluntary Member Contributions.

# Schedule of Changes in Net Pension Liability and Related Ratios (1) (Continued) For the Fiscal Years Ended June 30 (Dollars in Thousands)

		2015	 2014	 2013
Total Pension Liability				
Service cost (2)	\$	322,380	\$ 317,185	\$ 312,372
Interest		1,215,151	1,149,966	1,112,561
Changes of benefit terms		-	-	-
Differences of expected and actual experience		(135,821)	(164,247)	(235,829)
Changes of assumptions		-	785,439	-
Benefit payments, including refunds of Member contributions		(740,567)	 (721,153)	 (701,400)
Net change in total pension liability		661,143	1,367,190	487,704
Total pension liability-beginning	-	16,248,853	 14,881,663	 14,393,959
Total pension liability-ending (a)	\$	16,909,996	\$ 16,248,853	\$ 14,881,663
Plan fiduciary net position				
Contributions-employer	\$	381,141	\$ 357,649	\$ 346,181
Contributions-Member		202,463	203,975	197,722
Net investment income		306,980	1,810,782	1,268,939
Benefit payments, including refunds of Member contributions		(740,567)	(721,153)	(701,400)
Administrative expenses		(15,860)	(12,372)	(13,281)
Others (3)		(4,666)	(2,288)	(2,514)
Net change in Plan fiduciary net position		129,491	1,636,593	 1,095,647
Plan fiduciary net position-beginning		11,791,079	10,154,486	9,058,839
Plan fiduciary net position-ending (b)	\$	11,920,570	\$ 11,791,079	\$ 10,154,486
Plan's net pension liability-ending (a)-(b)	\$	4,989,426	\$ 4,457,774	\$ 4,727,177
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage				
of the total pension liability (b)/(a)		70.5%	72.6%	68.2%
Covered payroll	\$	1,835,637	\$ 1,802,931	\$ 1,736,113
Plan's net pension liability as a percentage of covered payroll		271.8%	247.3%	272.3%

<sup>(1)</sup> In calculating the Plan's net pension liability, the total pension liability and the Plan fiduciary net position exclude amounts associated with non-pension related benefits (Family Death and Larger Annuity Benefits).

<sup>(2)</sup> The service cost is based on the previous year's valuation.

On July 1, 2015, the System segregated Members' voluntary larger annuity contributions into the (non-pension related) Reserve for Larger Annuity Contributions pursuant to a suggestion made by the System's actuarial consultant. The Reserve balance for Larger Annuity Contributions as of June 30, 2015 was \$5,200,000. On July 1, 2017, the System reallocated \$471,000 of interest from the Reserve for Mandatory Member Contributions into the Reserve for Voluntary Member Contributions.

#### Schedule of Changes in Net Pension Liability and Related Ratios (Continued)

#### Notes to Schedule:

Changes of Benefit Terms: The June 30, 2018 calculation reflected the newly adopted enhanced benefits for Airport Peace Officers (APO) who elected to stay at LACERS Plan (refer to Note 2 – Retirement Plan Description, Tier 1 – Enhanced Benefits on page 29). Enhanced benefits became effective as of January 7, 2018.

Change of Assumptions: The June 30, 2014 calculations reflected various assumption changes based on the triennial experience study for the period from July 1, 2011 through June 30, 2014. The increase of total pension liability for fiscal years ended on June 30, 2014 is primarily due to the lowered assumed investment rate of return from 7.75% to 7.50%, and longer assumed life expectancies for Members and beneficiaries while the June 30, 2017 increase is primarily due to the lowered assumed investment rate of return from 7.50% to 7.25%.

The June 30, 2018 calculations reflected changes in the actuarial assumptions adopted by the Board on August 14, 2018 based on the triennial experience study for the period from July 1, 2014 through June 30, 2017, including revising the mortality tables from static to generational to reflect future mortality improvement, contributing to increased total pension liability.

#### Projection of Pension Plan's Fiduciary Net Position for Use in Calculation of Discount Rate of 7.25% and Preparation of GASB 67 Report as of June 30, 2019

(Dollars in Millions)

Year Beginning July 1,	Projected Beginning Plan Fiduciary Net Position (a)	Projected Total Contributions (b)	Projected Benefit Payments (c)	Projected Admin. Expenses (d)	Projected Investment Earnings (e)	Projected Ending Plan Fiduciary Net Position (a)+(b)-(c)-(d)+(e)
2018	\$14,235	\$716	\$915	\$20	\$799	\$14,816
2019	14,816	771	1,075	20	1,058	15,549
2020	15,549	773	1,099	21	1,110	16,312
2021	16,312	777	1,161	22	1,163	17,068
2022	17,068	783	1,224	24	1,216	17,819
2023	17,819	788	1,288	25	1,268	18,562
2024	18,562	749	1,350	26	1,317	19,253
2025	19,253	759	1,415	27	1,365	19,935
2026	19,935	766	1,481	27	1,412	20,605
2045	27,789	124 (1)	2,441	38	1,919	27,353
2046	27,353	118 (1)	2,452	38	1,887	26,869
2047	26,869	112 (1)	2,461	37	1,851	26,334
2048	26,334	105 (1)	2,468	36	1,812	25,747
2049	25,747	99 (1)	2,474	35	1,769	25,105
2082	2,656	17 (1)	524	4	172	2,318
2083	2,318	16 <sup>(1)</sup>	471	3	149	2,009
2084	2,009	14 (1)	420	3	129	1,729
2085	1,729	13 (1)	373	2	111	1,477
2086	1,477	12 (1)	329	2	94	1,252
2102	29	1 (1)	11	0	2	21
2103	21	1 (1)	8	0	1	15
2104	15	1 (1)	6	0	1	11
2105	11	1 (1)	4	0	1	8
2106	8	0 (1),(2)	3	0	0	6
2107	6	0 (1),(2)	2	0	0	4
2108	4	0 (1),(2)	2	0	0	3
2109	3	0 (1),(2)	1	0	0	2
2110	2	0 (1),(2)	1	0	0	2
2111	2	0 (1),(2)	1	0	0	1
2112	1	0 (1),(2)	1	0	0	1
2113	1	0 (1),(2)	0 <sup>(2)</sup>	0	0	0
2114	0	0 (1),(2)	0(2)	0	0	0
2115	0	0 (1),(2)	0(2)	0	0	0
2116	0	0 (1),(2)	0(2)	0	0	0
2117	0	0 (1),(2)	0(2)	0	0	0

<sup>(1)</sup> Mainly attributable to employer contributions to fund each year's annual administrative expenses.

Note that in preparing the above projections, we have not taken into consideration the one-year delay between the date of the contribution rate calculation and the implementation.

<sup>(2)</sup> Less than \$1 million when rounded.

#### Projection of Pension Plan's Fiduciary Net Position for Use in Calculation of Discount Rate of 7.25% and Preparation of GASB 67 Report as of June 30, 2019 (Continued)

#### Notes to Schedule:

- 1. Amounts may not total exactly due to rounding.
- 2. Amounts shown for the year beginning July 1, 2018 row are actual amounts, based on the unaudited financial statements provided by LACERS.
- 3. Years 2027-2044, 2050-2081, and 2087-2101 have been omitted from this table.
- 4. Column (a): None of the projected beginning Plan Fiduciary Net Position amounts shown have been adjusted for the time value of money.
- 5. Column (b): Projected total contributions include employee and employer normal cost contributions based on closed group projections (based on covered active Members as of June 30, 2019); plus employer contributions to the unfunded actuarial accrued liability; plus contributions to fund each year's annual administrative expenses reflecting a 15-year amortization schedule. Contributions are assumed to occur halfway through the year, on average.
- 6. Column (c): Projected benefit payments have been determined in accordance with paragraph 39 of GASB Statement No. 67, and are based on the closed group of active, inactive vested, retired Members, and beneficiaries as of June 30, 2019. The projected benefit payments reflect the cost of living increase assumptions used in the June 30, 2019 funding valuation report. Benefit payments are assumed to occur halfway through the year, on average. In accordance with paragraph 31.b.(1)(e) of GASB Statement No. 67, the long-term expected rate of return on Plan investments of 7.25% was applied to all periods of projected benefit payments to determine the discount rate.
- 7. Column (d): Projected administrative expenses are calculated as approximately 0.14% of the projected beginning Plan Fiduciary Net Position amount. The 0.14% portion was based on the actual fiscal year 2018-19 administrative expenses as a percentage of the beginning Plan Fiduciary Net Position amount as of July 1, 2018. Administrative expenses are assumed to occur halfway through the year, on average.
- 8. Column (e): Projected investment earnings are based on the assumed investment rate of return of 7.25% per annum.
- 9. As illustrated in this Schedule, the Plan's Fiduciary Net Position was projected to be available to make all projected future benefit payments for current Plan Members. In other words, there is no projected 'cross-over date' when projected benefits are not covered by projected assets. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on Plan investments of 7.25% per annum was applied to all periods of projected benefit payments to determine the Total Pension Liability as of June 30, 2019 shown in the GAS 67 report, pursuant to paragraph 44 of GASB Statement No. 67.

# **Summary of Actuarial Assumptions and Actuarial Cost Method**

#### **Rationale for Assumptions**

The information and analysis used in selecting each assumption that has a significant effect on this actuarial valuation is shown in the July 1, 2014 through June 30, 2017 Actuarial Experience Study dated June 29, 2018, the June 30, 2017 Review of Economic Actuarial Assumptions report dated June 30, 2017, and in the Supplemental Information report dated August 10, 2017. Unless otherwise noted, all actuarial assumptions and methods shown below apply to both Tier 1 and Tier 3 Members. The following assumptions used to value the Plan liabilities for funding purposes and for financial reporting purposes have been adopted by the Board.

#### **Net Investment Return**

 $7.25\%^{(1)}$ 

Based on the Review of Economic Actuarial Assumptions referenced above, expected administrative and investment expenses represent about 0.60% of the Market Value of Assets.

(1) Net of investment and administrative expenses for funding purposes, and net of investment expenses only for financial reporting purposes.

#### **Discount Rate**

7.25%

#### **Employee Contribution Crediting Rate**

Based on average of 5-year Treasury note rate. An assumption of 3.00% is used to approximate that crediting rate in this valuation.

#### **Consumer Price Index (CPI)**

Increase of 3.00% per year; benefit increases due to CPI subject to 3.00% maximum for Tier 1 and 2.00% maximum for Tier 3.

#### **Payroll Growth**

Inflation of 3.00% per year plus real "across the board" salary increases of 0.50% per year, used to amortize the UAAL as a level percentage of payroll.

#### Increase in Internal Revenue Code Section 401(a)(17) Compensation Limit

Increase of 3.00% per year from the valuation date.

#### **Salary Increases**

The annual rate of compensation increase includes: inflation at 3.00%, plus "across the board" salary increases of 0.50% per year, plus the following merit and promotion increases:

Years of Service	Percentage Increase
Less than 1	6.50%
1 – 2	6.20%
2 – 3	5.10%
3 – 4	3.10%
4 – 5	2.10%
5 – 6	1.10%
6 – 7	1.00%
7 – 8	0.90%
8 – 9	0.70%
9 – 10	0.60%
10 & Over	0.40%

#### **Post-Retirement Mortality Rates**

Healthy Members and all Beneficiaries

Headcount-Weighted RP-2014 Healthy Annuitant Mortality Tables (separate tables for males and females), with no setback for males and females, projected generationally with the two-dimensional mortality improvement scale MP-2017.

#### Disabled Members

Headcount-Weighted RP-2014 Disabled Retiree Mortality Tables (separate tables for males and females), with no setback for males and females, projected generationally with the two-dimensional mortality improvement scale MP-2017.

The RP-2014 mortality tables and adjustments as shown above reasonably reflect the mortality experience as of the measurement date. The generational projection is a provision for future mortality improvement.

#### **Pre-Retirement Mortality Rates**

Headcount-Weighted RP-2014 Employee Mortality Tables (separate tables for males and females), with no setback for males and females, multiplied by 90%, projected generationally with the two-dimensional mortality improvement scale MP-2017.

#### Summary of Actuarial Assumptions and **Actuarial Cost Method (Continued)**

#### **Pre-Retirement Mortality Rates (Continued)**

	Rate (%) <sup>(1)</sup>			
Age	Male	Female		
20	0.05	0.02		
25	0.06	0.02		
30	0.05	0.02		
35	0.06	0.03		
40	0.07	0.04		
45	0.11	0.07		
50	0.19	0.12		
55	0.31	0.19		
60	0.51	0.27		
65	0.88	0.40		

For Tier 1 Enhanced, 100% of pre-retirement death benefits are assumed to be service-connected.

#### **Disability Incidence**

Years of

Age	Rate (%)
25	0.01
30	0.02
35	0.05
40	0.07
45	0.13
50	0.19
55	0.20
60	0.20

For Tier 1 Enhanced, 90% of disability retirements are assumed to be service-connected with serviceconnected disability benefits based on years of service, as follows:

Service	Benefit
Less than 20	55% of Final Average Monthly Compensation
3U 3U	65% of Final Avorago Monthly Componention

20 – 30 65% of Final Average Monthly Compensation More than 30 75% of Final Average Monthly Compensation

For Tier 1 Enhanced, 10% of disability retirements are assumed to be nonservice-connected with nonserviceconnected disability benefits equal to 40% of Final Average Monthly Compensation.

#### **Termination**

Termination (< 5 Years of Service)

Years of Service	Rate (%)
Less than 1	12.00
1 – 2	10.00
2 – 3	9.00
3 – 4	8.25
4 – 5	7.75

Termination (5+ Years of Service)

Age	Rate (%)
25	7.00
30	7.00
35	5.50
40	3.90
45	3.20
50	2.70
55	2.50
60	2.50

No termination is assumed after a member is eligible for retirement (as long as a retirement rate is present).

#### **Retirement Rates**

			Rate (9	%)		
	Tie	er 1	Tier Enhanced 1(1)		Tier 3	
	Non-		Non-		Non-	
Age	55/30	55/30	55/30	55/30	55/30	55/30
50	6.0	0.0	7.0	0.0	6.0	0.0
51	3.0	0.0	4.0	0.0	3.0	0.0
52	3.0	0.0	4.0	0.0	3.0	0.0
53	3.0	0.0	4.0	0.0	3.0	0.0
54	17.0	0.0	18.0	0.0	16.0	0.0
55	6.0	24.0	7.0	25.0	$0.0^{(2)}$	23.0
56	6.0	16.0	7.0	17.0	$0.0^{(2)}$	15.0
57	6.0	16.0	7.0	17.0	$0.0^{(2)}$	15.0
58	6.0	16.0	7.0	17.0	$0.0^{(2)}$	15.0
59	6.0	16.0	7.0	17.0	$0.0^{(2)}$	15.0
60	7.0	16.0	8.0	17.0	6.0	15.0
61	7.0	16.0	8.0	17.0	6.0	15.0
62	7.0	16.0	8.0	17.0	6.0	15.0
63	7.0	16.0	8.0	17.0	6.0	15.0
64	7.0	16.0	8.0	17.0	6.0	15.0
65	13.0	20.0	14.0	21.0	12.0	19.0
66	13.0	20.0	14.0	21.0	12.0	19.0
67	13.0	20.0	14.0	21.0	12.0	19.0
68	13.0	20.0	14.0	21.0	12.0	19.0
69	13.0	20.0	14.0	21.0	12.0	19.0
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Over	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0

<sup>(1)</sup> Consistent with the cost study prepared for the adoption of enhanced Tier 1 benefits, the rates above are estimated by increasing the retirement rates for Tier 1 by a flat 1%.

<sup>(1)</sup> Generational projections beyond the base year (2014) are not reflected in the above mortality rates.

<sup>(2)</sup> Not eligible to retire under the provisions of the Tier 3 plan.

# **Summary of Actuarial Assumptions and Actuarial Cost Method (Continued)**

## Retirement Age and Benefit for Inactive Vested Members

Pension benefit will be paid at the later of age 59 or the current attained age. For reciprocals, 3.90% compensation increases per annum.

#### **Other Reciprocal Service**

5% of future inactive vested Members will work at a reciprocal system.

#### **Service**

Employment service is used for eligibility determination purposes. Benefit service is used for benefit calculation purposes.

#### **Future Benefit Accruals**

1.0 year of service credit 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.

#### Form of Payment

All active and inactive Tier 1 and Tier 3 members who are assumed to be married or with domestic partners at retirement are assumed to elect the 50% Joint and Survivor Cash Refund Annuity. For Tier 1 Enhanced, the continuance percentage is 70% for service retirement and nonservice-connected disability, and 80% for service-connected disability. Those members who are assumed to be un-married or without domestic partners are assumed to elect the Single Cash Refund Annuity.

#### **Percent Married/Domestic Partner**

76% of male participants; 50% of female participants.

#### Age and Gender of Spouse

For all active and inactive members, male members are assumed to have a female spouse who is 3 years younger than the member, and female members are assumed to have a male spouse who is 2 years older than the member.

#### **Actuarial Cost Method**

Entry Age Cost Method, level percent of salary. Entry age is calculated as age on the valuation date minus years of employment service. Both the normal cost and the actuarial accrued liability are calculated on an individual basis.

#### **Actuarial Value of Assets**

Market value of assets (MVA) less unrecognized returns in each of the last seven years. Unrecognized return is equal to the difference between the actual market return and the expected return on the market value, and is recognized over a seven-year period. The actuarial value of assets (AVA) is limited by a 40% corridor; the AVA cannot be less than 60% of MVA, nor greater than 140% of MVA.

#### **Valuation Value of Assets**

The portion of the total actuarial value of assets allocated for retirement benefits, based on a prorated share of market value.

#### **Amortization Policy**

The amortization method for the UAAL is a level percent of payroll, assuming annual increases in total covered payroll equal to inflation plus across the board increases (other than inflation).

Changes in the UAAL due to actuarial gains/losses are amortized over separate 15-year periods. Changes in the UAAL due to assumption or method changes are amortized over separate 20-year periods. Plan changes, including the 2009 ERIP, are amortized over separate 15-year periods. Future ERIPs will be amortized over 5 years. Any actuarial surplus is amortized over 30 years. All the bases on or before June 30, 2012, except those arising from the 2009 ERIP and the two (at that time) GASB 25/27 layers, were combined and amortized over 30 years effective June 30, 2012.

#### **Employer Contributions**

Employer contributions consist of two components:

#### Normal Cost

The annual contribution rate that, if paid annually from a member's first year of membership through the year of retirement, would accumulate to the amount necessary to fully fund the member's retirement-related benefits. Accumulation includes annual crediting of interest at the assumed investment earnings rate. The contribution rate is expressed as a level percentage of the member's compensation.

Contribution to the Unfunded Actuarial Accrued Liability (UAAL)

The annual contribution rate that, if paid annually over the UAAL amortization period, would accumulate to the amount necessary to fully fund the UAAL. Accumulation includes annual crediting of interest at the assumed investment earnings rate. The contribution (or rate credit in the case of a negative

# **Summary of Actuarial Assumptions and Actuarial Cost Method (Continued)**

#### **Employer Contributions (Continued)**

UAAL) is calculated to remain as a level percentage of future active member payroll (including payroll for new members as they enter the System) assuming a constant number of active members. In order to remain as a level percentage of payroll, amortization payments (credits) are scheduled to increase at the annual rate of 3.50% (i.e., 3.00% inflation plus 0.50% across-the-board salary increase).

The amortization policy is described above.

#### **Internal Revenue Code Section 415**

Section 415 of the Internal Revenue Code (IRC) specifies the maximum benefits that may be paid to an individual from a defined benefit plan and the maximum amounts that may be allocated each year to an individual's account in a defined contribution plan.

A qualified pension plan may not pay benefits in excess of the Section 415 limits. The ultimate penalty for non-compliance is disqualification: active members could be taxed on their vested benefits and the IRS may see to tax the income earned on the plan's assets.

In particular, Section 415(b) of the IRC limits the maximum annual benefit payable at the Normal Retirement Age to a dollar limit of \$160,000 indexed for inflation. That limit is \$225,000 for 2019. Normal Retirement Age for these purposes is age 62. These are the limits in simplified terms. They must be adjusted based on each participant's circumstances, for such things as age at retirement, form of benefits chosen and after tax contributions.

Benefits in excess of the limits may be paid through a qualified governmental excess plan that meets the requirements of Section 415(m).

Legal counsel's review and interpretation of the law and regulations should be sought on any questions in this regard.

Contribution rates determined in this valuation have not been reduced for the Section 415 limitations. Actual limitations will result in gains as they occur.

#### **Changes in Actuarial Assumptions**

There have been no changes in actuarial assumptions since the last valuation.

#### **Summary of Plan Provisions**

LACERS administers a single-employer defined benefit Retirement Plan. The following summarizes the major provisions of LACERS' Retirement Plan included in the valuation. It is not intended to be, nor should it be interpreted as, a complete statement of all plan provisions.

#### Plan Year

July 1 through June 30

#### **Census Date**

June 30

#### **Membership Eligibility**

Tier 1 (§ 4.1002(a))

All employees who became Members of LACERS before July 1, 2013, and certain employees who became Members of LACERS on or after July 1, 2013. In addition, pursuant to Ordinance No. 184134, all Tier 2 employees who became Members of LACERS between July 1, 2013 and February 21, 2016 were transferred to Tier 1 effective February 21, 2016 (refer to Note 2 – Retirement Plan Description on pages 29 - 30 regarding the Membership). Includes Airport Peace Officers who did not pay for enhanced benefits.

#### Tier 1 Enhanced (§ 4.1002(e))

All Tier 1 Airport Peace Officers (including certain fire fighters) appointed to their positions before January 7, 2018 who elected to remain at LACERS after January 6, 2018, and who paid their mandatory additional contribution of \$5,700 to LACERS before January 8, 2019, or prior to their retirement date, whichever was earlier.

#### Tier 3 (§ 4.1080.2(a))

All employees who became Members of LACERS on or after February 21, 2016, except as provided otherwise in Section 4.1080.2(b) of the Los Angeles Administrative Code.

#### **Normal Retirement Benefit**

Tier 1 & Tier 1 Enhanced

Age & Service Requirement (§ 4.1005(a))

- Age 70; or
- Age 60 with 10 years of continuous City service; or
- Age 55 with at least 30 years of City service.

#### Tier 1

Amount (§ 4.1007(a))

2.16% per year of service credit (not greater than 100%) of the Final Average Monthly Compensation.

### **Normal Retirement Benefit (continued)**

Tier 1 Enhanced

Amount (§ 4.1007(a))

2.30% per year of service credit (not greater than 100%) of the Final Average Monthly Compensation.

### Tier 3

With less than 30 Years of Service  $(\S 4.1080.5(a)(2)(i))$ 

Age & Service Requirement

Age 60 with 10 years of service, including 5 years of continuous City service.

### Amount

1.50% per year of service credit at age 60 (not greater than 80%<sup>(1)</sup>) of the Final Average Monthly Compensation.

With 30 or more Years of Service (§ 4.1080.5(a)(2)(ii))

Age & Service Requirement

Age 60 with 30 years of service, including 5 years of continuous City service.

### Amount

2.00% per year of service credit at age 60 (not greater than 80%<sup>(1)</sup>) of the Final Average Monthly Compensation.

### **Early Retirement Benefit**

Tier 1 & Tier 1 Enhanced

Age & Service Requirement (§ 4.1005(b))

- Age 55 with 10 years of continuous City service; or
- Any age with 30 years of City service.

Amount (§ 4.1007(a) & (b))

2.16% and 2.30% per year of service credit for Tier 1 and Tier 1 Enhanced, respectively, (not greater than 100%) of the Final Average Monthly Compensation, reduced for retirement ages below age 60 using the following Early Retirement benefit adjustment factors:

Age	Factor	Age	Factor
45	0.6250	53	0.8650
46	0.6550	54	0.8950
47	0.6850	55	0.9250
48	0.7150	56	0.9400
49	0.7450	57	0.9550
50	0.7750	58	0.9700
51	0.8050	59	0.9850
52	0.8350	60	1.0000

### Tier 3

Age & Service Requirement (§ 4.1080.5(a)(1))
Prior to age 60 with 30 years of service, including 5 years of continuous City service.

Amount (§ 4.1080.5(a)(1))

2.00% per year of service credit (not greater than 80%<sup>(1)</sup>) of the Final Average Monthly Compensation, reduced for retirement ages below age 55 using the following Early Retirement benefit adjustment factors:

Age	Factor	Age	Factor
45	0.6250	50	0.7750
46	0.6550	51	0.8050
47	0.6850	52	0.8350
48	0.7150	53	0.8650
49	0.7450	54	0.8950
		55 - 60	1.0000

(1) Except when benefit is based solely on the annuity component funded by the Member's contributions.

### **Enhanced Retirement Benefit**

Tier 1 & Tier 1 Enhanced

Age & Service Requirement

Not applicable – see Normal Retirement age and service requirement.

### Amount

Not applicable – see Normal Retirement amount.

### Tier 3

With less than 30 Years of Service (§ 4.1080.5(a)(3)(i))

Age & Service Requirement

Age 63 with 10 years of service, including 5 years of continuous City service.

### Amount

2.00% per year of service credit at age 63 (not greater than 80%<sup>(1)</sup>) of the Final Average Monthly Compensation.

With 30 or more Years of Service (§ 4.1080.5(a)(3)(ii))

Age & Service Requirement

Age 63 with 30 years of service, including 5 years of continuous City service.

### Amount

2.10% per year of service credit at age 63 (not greater than 80%<sup>(1)</sup>) of the Final Average Monthly Compensation.

(1) Except when benefit is based solely on the annuity component funded by the Member's contributions.

<sup>(1)</sup> Except when benefit is based solely on the annuity component funded by the Member's contributions.

### **Service Credit**

Tier 1, Tier 1 Enhanced, & Tier 3 (§ 4.1001(a) & § 4.1080.1(a))

The time component of the formula used by LACERS for purposes of calculating benefits.

### **Final Average Monthly Compensation**

Tier 1 & Tier 1 Enhanced (§ 4.1001(b))

Equivalent of monthly average salary of highest continuous 12 months (one year); includes base salary plus regularly assigned pensionable bonuses or premium pay.<sup>(1)</sup>

Tier 3 (§ 4.1080.1(b))

Equivalent of monthly average salary of highest continuous 36 months (three years); limited to base salary and any items of compensation that are designated as pension based.<sup>(1)</sup>

(1) IRC Section 401(a)(17) compensation limit would apply to all employees who began membership in LACERS after June 30, 1996.

### **Post-Retirement Cost-of-Living Benefits**

Tier 1 & Tier 1 Enhanced (§ 4.1022)

Based on changes to Los Angeles area<sup>(1)</sup> Consumer Price Index, to a maximum of 3% per year; excess banked.

Tier 3 (§ 4.1080.17)

Based on changes to Los Angeles area<sup>(1)</sup> Consumer Price Index, to a maximum of 2% per year; excess not banked.

(1) Currently referred to as the Los Angeles-Long Beach-Anaheim Area, by the Bureau of Labor Statistics.

### **Death after Retirement**

Tier 1 & Tier 3

(§ 4.1010(c), § 4.1080.10(c), & § 4.1012(c))

- 50% of retiree's unmodified allowance continued to an eligible spouse or a domestic partner; or a modified continuance to an eligible spouse or a domestic partner at the time of Member's death (or a designated beneficiary selected by Member at the time of retirement)<sup>(1)</sup>; and
- \$2,500 lump sum death benefit paid to a designated beneficiary; and
- Any unused contributions if the Member has elected the cash refund annuity option.
- (1) The retiree may elect at the time of retirement to take a reduced allowance in order to provide for a higher continuance percentage pursuant to the provisions of either Section 4.1015 (Tier 1) or Section 4.1080.14 (Tier 3).

Tier 1 Enhanced (§ 4.1010.1(b), § 4.1010.1(i), & § 4.1010.1(j)) While on service-connected disability

- 80% of retiree's unmodified allowance continued to an eligible spouse or a domestic partner; or a modified continuance to an eligible spouse or a domestic partner at the time of Member's death (or a designated beneficiary selected by Member at the time of retirement)<sup>(1), (2)</sup>; and
- \$2,500 lump sum death benefit paid to a designated beneficiary; and
- Any unused contributions if the Member has elected the cash refund annuity option.
- (1) If the death occurs within three years of the retiree's retirement, the eligible survivor shall receive 80% of the Final Average Monthly Compensation (adjusted with Cost of Living benefit).
- (2) The retiree may elect at the time of retirement to take a reduced allowance in order to provide for a higher continuance percentage pursuant to the provisions of Section 4.1010.1(c).

While on nonservice-connected disability or service retirement

- 70% of retiree's unmodified allowance continued to an eligible spouse or a domestic partner; or a modified continuance to an eligible spouse or a domestic partner at the time of Member's death (or a designated beneficiary selected by Member at the time of retirement)<sup>(3)</sup> and
- \$2,500 lump sum death benefit paid to a designated beneficiary; and
- Any unused contributions if the Member has elected the cash refund annuity option.
- (3) The retiree may elect at the time of retirement to take a reduced allowance in order to provide for a higher continuance percentage pursuant to the provisions of Section 4.1010.1(c).

### **Death before Retirement**

Tier 1, Tier 1 Enhanced, & Tier 3 (§ 4.1010(a), § 4.1010.1(b), & § 4.1080.10(a)) Greater of:

Option #1:

- Eligibility None.
- Benefit Refund of employee contributions plus a limited pension benefit equal to 50% of monthly salary paid, according to the following schedule:

### **Death before Retirement (Continued)**

Tier 1, Tier 1 Enhanced, & Tier 3 (Continued)

Service Credit	Total Number of Monthly Payments
Less than 1 year	0
1 year	2
2 years	4
3 years	6
4 years	8
5 years	10
6+ years	12

### Tier 1 & Tier 3

### Option #2:

- Eligibility Duty-related death or after five years of continuous service.
- Benefit Continuance of service or disability benefit payable under 100% joint and survivor option to an eligible spouse or qualified domestic partner.

Tier 1 Enhanced

Service-Connected Death

Option #2:

- Eligibility None.
- Benefit 80% of Member's Final Average Monthly Compensation.

Nonservice-Connected Death

### Option #2:

- Eligibility 5 years of service (unless on military leave and killed while on military duties).
- Benefit 50% of Member's Final Average Monthly Compensation.

### **Member Contributions**

### Tier 1 & Tier 1 Enhanced (§ 4.1003)

Effective July 1, 2011, the Member contribution rate became 7% for all employees. Of the 7% rate, 0.5% is the survivor contribution portion and 6.5% is the normal contribution. The 7% Member rate shall be paid until June 30, 2026 or until the ERIP Cost Obligation (defined in ERIP Ordinance No. 180926) is fully paid, whichever comes first<sup>(1)</sup>.

Beginning January 1, 2013, all non-represented Members and Members in certain bargaining groups are required to pay an additional 4% Member contribution rate to defray the cost of providing a Retiree Medical Plan premium subsidy (this additional rate has increased to 4.5% for certain Members).

For Tier 1 (excluding Tier 1 Enhanced), members with no eligible spouse or domestic partner at retirement can request a refund of the survivor portion of the Member contributions (i.e., generally based on a contribution rate of 0.5% of pay).

(1) The Member contribution rate will drop down to 6% afterwards.

### Tier 3 (§ 4.1080.3)

The Member contribution rate is 7% for all employees. Of the 7% rate, 0.5% is the survivor contribution portion and 6.5% is the normal contribution.

All Members are required to pay an additional 4% Member contribution rate to defray the cost of providing a Retiree Medical Plan premium subsidy.

Members with no eligible spouse or domestic partner at retirement can request a refund of the survivor portion of the Member contributions (i.e., generally based on a contribution rate of 0.5% of pay).

### **Disability**

### Tier 1 & Tier 3

Service Requirement (§ 4.1008(a) & § 4.1080.8(a)) 5 years of continuous service.

Amount<sup>(1)</sup> (§ 4.1008(c) & § 4.1080.8(c))

1/70 (1.43%) of the Final Average Monthly Compensation per year of service or 1/3 of the Final Average Monthly Compensation, if greater.

### Tier 1 Enhanced

Service Requirement (§ 4.1008.1)

Service-Connected Disability: None.

Nonservice-Connected Disability: 5 years of continuous service.

### Amount<sup>(1)</sup> (§ 4.1008.1)

Service-Connected Disability: 30% to 90% of the Final Average Monthly Compensation depending on severity of disability, with a minimum of 2% of the Final Average Monthly Compensation per year of service.

Nonservice-Connected Disability: 30% to 50% of the Final Average Monthly Compensation depending on severity of disability.

(1) The benefit calculated using the service retirement formula will be paid if the Member is eligible and that benefit is greater than that calculated under the disability retirement formula.

### **Deferred Retirement Benefit (Vested)**

Tier 1 & Tier 1 Enhanced (§ 4.1006)

Age & Service Requirement

- Age 70 with 5 years of continuous City service; or
- Age 60 with 5 years of continuous City service and at least 10 years elapsed from first date of membership; or
- Age 55 with at least 30 years of service.
- Deferred employee who meets part-time eligibility: age 60 and at least 10 years elapsed from first date of membership.

#### Amount

Normal Retirement Benefit (or refund of contributions and accumulated interest).

Age & Service Requirement

- Age 55 with 5 years of continuous City service and at least 10 years elapsed from first date of membership; or
- Deferred employee who meets part-time eligibility: age 55 and at least 10 years elapsed from first date of membership.

### Amount

Early Retirement Benefit (or refund of contributions and accumulated interest), using the following Early Retirement benefit adjustment factors:

Age	Factor
55	0.9250
56	0.9400
57	0.9550
58	0.9700
59	0.9850

Tier 3 (§ 4.1080.6)

Age & Service Requirement

- Age 60 with 5 years of continuous City service and at least 10 years elapsed from first date of membership; or
- Age 70 with 5 years of continuous City service, regardless of the number of years that have elapsed from first date of membership.

### Amount

Normal retirement benefit (based on a Retirement Factor of 1.50%; or refund of contributions and accumulated interest).

### Age & Service Requirement

- Age 60 with 30 years of continuous City service and at least 10 years elapsed from first date of membership; or
- Age 63 with 10 years of service, including 5 years of continuous City Service.

#### Amount

Normal retirement benefit (based on a Retirement Factor of 2.00%; or refund of contributions and accumulated interest).

### Age & Service Requirement

Age 63 with 30 years of continuous City service and at least 10 years elapsed from first date of membership.

#### Amount

Enhanced retirement (benefit based on a Retirement Factor of 2.10%; or refund of contributions and accumulated interest).

### Age & Service Requirement

Age 55 (but not yet 60) with 5 years of continuous City service and at least 10 years elapsed from first date of membership.

#### Amount

Early retirement benefit (based on a Retirement Factor of 1.50% instead of 2.00%; or refund of contributions and accumulated interest), using the following Early Retirement benefit adjustment factors:

Age	Factor
55	0.9250
56	0.9400
57	0.9550
58	0.9700
59	0.9850

# Withdrawal of Contributions Benefit (Ordinary Withdrawal)

Refund of employee contributions with interest.

### **Changes in Plan Provisions**

There have been no changes in plan provisions since the last valuation.



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### **Actuarial Certification**

### November 6, 2019

This is to certify that Segal Consulting (Segal) has conducted an actuarial valuation of certain benefit obligations of Los Angeles City Employees' Retirement System's other postemployment benefit programs as of June 30, 2019, in accordance with generally accepted actuarial principles and practices. In particular, it is our understanding that the assumptions and methods used for funding purposes meet the parameters set by the Actuarial Standards of Practice (ASOPs). Actuarial valuations are performed annually for this other postemployment benefit program with the last valuation completed as of June 30, 2018.

The actuarial valuation is based on the plan of benefits verified by LACERS and on participant, premium, claims and financial data provided by LACERS. Segal did not audit LACERS' financial statements, but conducted an examination of all participant data for reasonableness and we concluded that it was reasonable and consistent with the prior year's data.

One of the general goals of an actuarial valuation is to establish contributions that fully fund the System's liabilities, and that, as a percentage of payroll, remain as level as possible for each generation of active members. Both the Normal Cost and the Actuarial Accrued Liability are determined under the Entry Age cost method.

The actuarial computations made are for purposes of funding plan benefits. Accordingly, additional determinations will be needed for other purposes, such as satisfying financial accounting requirements under Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 74 and judging benefit security at termination of the plan.

Segal prepared all of the supporting schedules in the Actuarial Section of the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR) and certain supporting schedules in the Financial Section, based on the results of the June 30, 2019 actuarial valuation. A listing of the supporting schedules Segal prepared for inclusion in the Financial Section, and in the Actuarial Section, is provided below:

### **Financial Section**

- 1) Schedule of Net Other Postemployment Benefits (OPEB) Liability\*
- 2) Schedule of Changes in Net OPEB Liability and Related Ratios\*
- 3) Schedule of Contribution History\*

## **Actuarial Section**

- 4) Summary of Significant Valuation Results
- 5) Active Member Valuation Data
- 6) Retirees and Beneficiaries Added to and Removed from Health Benefits
- 7) Member Benefit Coverage Information
- 8) Schedule of Funding Progress
- 9) Actuarial Analysis of Financial Experience
- 10) Actuarial Balance Sheet
- 11) Schedule of Changes in Net OPEB Liability and Related Ratios\*
- 12) Projection of OPEB Plan's Fiduciary Net Position for Use in Calculation of Discount Rate of 7.25% and Preparation of GASB 74 Report as of June 30, 2019
  - \* Source: Segal's GASB Statement No. 74 valuation report as of June 30, 2019.

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### **Actuarial Certification (Continued)**

LACERS' staff prepared other trend data schedules in the Statistical Section based on information supplied in Segal's valuation report.

To the best of our knowledge, this report is complete and accurate and in our opinion presents the plan's current funding information. The signing actuaries are members of the American Academy of Actuaries and collectively are qualified to render the actuarial opinion contained herein.

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Retiree Health Actuary

Andy Yeung, ASA, MAAA, FCA, EA

Vice President and Actuary

# **Health Benefits Valuation**

### **Active Member Valuation Data**

# Member Population

Valuation Date	Active Members(1)	Covered Payroll	Annual Average Pay <sup>(2)</sup>	Change in Annual Average Pay (%)
06/30/2010	26,245	\$1,817,662,284	\$69,257	5.5
06/30/2011	25,449	1,833,392,381	72,042	4.0
06/30/2012	24,917	1,819,269,630	73,013	1.3
06/30/2013	24,441	1,846,970,474	75,569	3.5
06/30/2014	24,009	1,898,064,175	79,056	4.6
06/30/2015	23,895	1,907,664,598	79,835	1.0
06/30/2016	24,446	1,968,702,630	80,533	0.9
06/30/2017	25,457	2,062,316,129	81,012	0.6
06/30/2018	26,042	2,177,687,102	83,622	3.2
06/30/2019	26,632	2,225,412,831	83,562	(0.1)

<sup>(1)</sup> Includes non-vested Members.

### Retirees and Beneficiaries Added to and Removed from Health Benefits

Valuation Date	No. of New Retirees/ Beneficiaries	Annual Subsidies Added <sup>(1)</sup>	No. of Retirees/ Beneficiaries Removed	Annual Subsidies Removed	No. of Retirees/ Beneficiaries at 6/30	Annual Subsidies at 6/30	Percent Increase in Annual Subsidies	Average Annual Subsidy
06/30/2010	2,104(2)	\$23,010,841(2)	555	\$2,670,987	13,442	\$94,208,355	27.5%	\$7,009
06/30/2011	431	5,670,390	437	2,774,684	13,436	97,104,061	3.1	7,227
06/30/2012	433	(540,583)	438	2,516,835	13,431	94,046,643	(3.1)	7,002
06/30/2013	635	9,263,844	474	2,463,967	13,592	100,846,520	7.2	7,420
06/30/2014	616	7,160,148	522	3,047,436	13,686	104,959,232	4.1	7,669
06/30/2015	860	10,844,333	534	3,174,045	14,012	112,629,520	7.3	8,038
06/30/2016	837	2,185,058	536	3,102,492	14,313	111,712,086	(8.0)	7,805
06/30/2017	913	13,706,185	574	3,316,380	14,652	122,101,891	9.3	8,333
06/30/2018	1,104	17,413,241	612	3,649,382	15,144	135,865,750	11.3	8,972
06/30/2019	1,195	12,323,187	548	3,780,696	15,791 <sup>(3)</sup>	144,408,241	6.3	9,145

 $<sup>^{(1)}</sup>$  Also reflects changes in subsidies for continuing retirees and beneficiaries.

<sup>(2)</sup> Reflects annualized salaries for part-time Members.

<sup>(2)</sup> Large increase primarily due to accelerated retirements stimulated by the City's Early Retirement Incentive Program (ERIP).

<sup>(3)</sup> Total participants including married dependents currently receiving benefits are 21,115.

# **Member Benefit Coverage Information**

For Years Ended June 30 (Dollars in Thousands)

Aggregate Actuarial Accrued Liabilities For

Portion of Aggregate Accrued Liabilities Covered by Reported Assets

_	Aggregate Actuarial Accrued Liabilities For				Covered by Reported Assets			
Valuation Date	Inactive/ Vested Members	Retirees, Beneficiaries & Dependents	Active Members	Valuation Value of Assets	Inactive/ Vested Members	Retirees, Beneficiaries & Dependents	Active Members	
06/30/2010	\$34,455	\$1,124,254	\$1,075,166	\$1,425,726	100%	100%	25%	
06/30/2011	19,964	1,066,351	882,393	1,546,884	100	100	52	
06/30/2012	24,454	1,083,168	1,184,778	1,642,374	100	100	45	
06/30/2013	26,869	1,104,833	1,280,783	1,734,733	100	100	47	
06/30/2014	41,188	1,196,769	1,424,896	1,941,225	100	100	49	
06/30/2015	42,943	1,210,067	1,393,980	2,108,925	100	100	61	
06/30/2016	50,413	1,275,604	1,467,671	2,248,753	100	100	63	
06/30/2017	62,252	1,379,357	1,564,197	2,438,458	100	100	64	
06/30/2018	67,138	1,497,370	1,692,320	2,628,844	100	100	63	
06/30/2019	65,887	1,600,131	1,668,281	2,812,662	100	100	69	

# **Schedule of Funding Progress**

For Years Ended June 30 (Dollars in Thousands)

Valuation Date	Valuation Value of Assets (a)	Actuarial Accrued Liability (AAL) (b)	Unfunded AAL (UAAL) (b)-(a)	Funded Ratio (a)/(b)	Covered Payroll (c)	UAAL as a Percentage of Covered Payroll [(b)-(a)]/(c)
06/30/2010	\$1,425,726	\$2,233,874	\$808,148	63.8 %	\$1,817,662	44.5 %
06/30/2011	1,546,884	1,968,708	421,824	78.6	1,833,392	23.0
06/30/2012	1,642,374	2,292,400	650,026	71.6	1,819,270	35.7
06/30/2013	1,734,733	2,412,484	677,751	71.9	1,846,970	36.7
06/30/2014	1,941,225	2,662,853	721,628	72.9	1,898,064	38.0
06/30/2015	2,108,925	2,646,989	538,064	79.7	1,907,665	28.2
06/30/2016	2,248,753	2,793,688	544,935	80.5	1,968,703	27.7
06/30/2017	2,438,458	3,005,806	567,348	81.1	2,062,316	27.5
06/30/2018	2,628,844	3,256,828	627,984	80.7	2,177,687	28.8
06/30/2019	2,812,662	3,334,299	521,637	84.4	2,225,413	23.4

# **Actuarial Analysis of Financial Experience**

Development of Unfunded Actuarial Accrued Liability for Year Ended June 30, 2019

1.	Unfunded actuarial accrued liability as of June 30, 2018	\$ 627,984,336
2.	Employer normal cost as of June 30, 2018	74,477,507
3.	Expected employer contributions during 2018-19 fiscal year	(106,524,934)
4.	Interest	 43,205,425
5.	Expected unfunded actuarial accrued liability as of June 30, 2019 (1 + 2 + 3 + 4)	639,142,334
6.	Change due to investment gain, after smoothing	(16,214,973)
7.	Change due to actual contributions more than expected	(1,177,631)
8.	Change due to miscellaneous demographic gains and losses <sup>(1)</sup>	38,443,686
9.	Change due to updated 2019-20 premium and subsidy levels	(172,496,463)
10.	Change due to updating trend to project future Medicare Part B premiums after	
	2019/2020	 33,939,702
11.	Unfunded actuarial accrued liability as of June 30, 2019 (5 + 6 + 7 + 8 + 9 + 10)	\$ 521,636,655

<sup>(1)</sup> Other losses include the recognition for the first time of the liability for about 250 retirees receiving a premium reimbursement for health plans not sponsored by LACERS. Data for those retirees is not included in the regular retiree membership data as members receiving a medical subsidy from LACERS, and was provided separately for the first time for this valuation.

### **Actuarial Balance Sheet**

June 30, 2019

### **Assets**

Actuarial value of assets	\$ 2,812,661,894				
2. Present value of future normal costs	647,218,953				
3. Unfunded actuarial accrued liability	521,636,655				
4. Present value of current and future assets	\$ 3,981,517,502				
Liabilities					
5. Actuarial present value of total projected benefits	\$ 3,981,517,502				

### Schedule of Changes in Net OPEB Liability and Related Ratios For the Fiscal Years Ended June 30 (Dollars in Thousands)

	2019	2018	 2017	 2016
Total OPEB Liability				
Service cost <sup>(1)</sup>	\$ 74,478	\$ 74,611	\$ 68,385	\$ 62,360
Interest	236,678	218,686	210,170	199,078
Changes of benefit terms	-	948	-	17,215
Differences between expected and actual experience <sup>(2)</sup>	(134,053)	(7,321)	19,666	(22,013)
Changes of assumptions	33,940	92,178	33,512	-
Benefit payments <sup>(3)</sup>	 (133,571)	 (128,081)	 (119,616)	 (109,940)
Net change in total OPEB liability	77,472	251,021	212,117	146,700
Total OPEB liability-beginning	 3,256,827	 3,005,806	 2,793,689	 2,646,989
Total OPEB liability-ending (a)	\$ 3,334,299	\$ 3,256,827	\$ 3,005,806	\$ 2,793,689
Plan fiduciary net position				
Contributions-employer	\$ 107,927	\$ 100,909	\$ 97,457	105,983
Net investment income (loss)	166,470	269,380	330,708	(344)
Benefit payments <sup>(3)</sup>	(133,571)	(128,081)	(119,616)	(109,940)
Administrative expense	 (5,099)	 (4,699)	 (4,564)	 (4,528)
Net change in Plan fiduciary net position	135,727	237,509	303,985	(8,829)
Plan fiduciary net position-beginning	2,676,371	2,438,862	2,134,877	2,143,706
Plan fiduciary net position-ending (b)	\$ 2,812,098	\$ 2,676,371	\$ 2,438,862	\$ 2,134,877
Plan's net OPEB liability-ending (a)-(b)	\$ 522,201	\$ 580,456	\$ 566,944	\$ 658,812
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Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total OPEB liability (b)/(a)	84.3%	82.2%	81.1%	76.4%
Covered payroll	\$ 2,108,171	\$ 2,057,565	\$ 1,973,049	\$ 1,876,946
Plan's net OPEB liability as a percentage of				
covered payroll	24.8%	28.2%	28.7%	35.1%
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<sup>(1)</sup> The service cost is based on the previous year's valuation.

<sup>(2)</sup> After the GASB Statement No. 74 valuation report was issued for the fiscal year June 30, 2017, the System's consulting actuary reclassified \$12,450,000 of OPEB liability from the *Changes of Assumption* (revised from \$45,962,000 to \$33,512,000) to the *Differences Between Expected and Actual Experience* (revised from \$7,216,000 to \$19,666,000). However, this reclassification did not affect the recommended employer contribution rates or results of the OPEB valuation in total.

<sup>(3)</sup> Benefit payments associated with the self-funded insurance premium of \$6,090,000 and Member's health insurance premium reserve of \$468,000 that were reported as both additions and deductions in fiduciary net position for the fiscal year 2019 were excluded from the above schedule.

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### Schedule of Changes in Net OPEB Liability and Related Ratios (Continued)

### Notes to Schedule:

Changes of Benefit Terms: The OPEB liability from the changes of benefit terms for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2016 is primarily due to providing retiree healthcare benefits to part-time employees who retired with 10 years of service but less than 10 years of service credit (refer to Note 3 – Postemployment Health Care Plan Description, Eligibility Requirement and Benefits Provided on pages 34 - 35) while the June 30, 2018 increase is primarily as a result of the newly adopted enhanced benefits for Airport Peace Officers (APO) who elected to stay at LACERS Plan (refer to Note 2 – Retirement Plan Description, Tier 1 – Enhanced Benefits on page 29) as some APO Members may retire earlier than expected. Enhanced benefits became effective as of January 7, 2018.

Changes of Assumptions: The OPEB liability from the changes of assumptions for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2017 is primarily due to the lowered assumed investment rate of return, from 7.50% to 7.25%, and the June 30, 2018 increase is primarily due to the new actuarial assumptions adopted in the triennial experience study (July 1, 2014 through June 30, 2017), including revising the mortality tables from static to generational, while the June 30, 2019 increase is due to the increased Medicare Part B Premium Trend Rate from 4.0% to 4.5%.

# Projection of OPEB Plan's Fiduciary Net Position for Use in Calculation of Discount Rate of 7.25% and Preparation of GASB 74 Report as of June 30, 2019

(Dollars in Millions)

Year Beginning July 1,	Projected Beginning OPEB Plan Fiduciary Net Position (a)	Projected Total Contributions (b)	Projected Benefit Payments (c)	Projected Admin. Expenses (d)	Projected Investment Earnings (e)	Projected Ending OPEB Plan Fiduciary Net Position (a)+(b)-(c)-(d)+(e)
2018	\$2,676	\$108	\$134	\$5	\$166	\$2,812
2019	2,812	96	148	5	202	2,956
2020	2,956	95	157	6	212	3,101
2021	3,101	94	169	6	222	3,242
2022	3,242	94	183	6	232	3,379
2023	3,379	93	196	6	241	3,511
2024	3,511	84	208	7	250	3,631
2025	3,631	84	220	7	258	3,747
2026	3,747	84	231	7	266	3,858
2045	5,772	34	447	11	403	5,752
2046	5,752	33	454	11	402	5,722
2047	5,722	32	461	11	399	5,680
2048	5,680	30	470	11	396	5,625
2049	5,625	28	480	11	391	5,554
2082	1,087	8(1)	190	2	72	975
2083	975	7 <sup>(1)</sup>	176	2	65	869
2084	869	7(1)	162	2	57	770
2085	770	6(1)	148	1	51	678
2086	678	6(1)	135	1	44	592
2102	21	1(1)	8	0(2)	1	15
2103	15	1 <sup>(1)</sup>	6	0(2)	1	10
2104	10	1(1)	4	0(2)	1	7
2105	7	0(1),(2)	3	0(2)	0(2)	4
2106	4	0(1),(2)	2	0(2)	0(2)	3
2107	3	0(1),(2)	2	0(2)	0(2)	2
2108	2	0(1),(2)	1	0(2)	0(2)	1
2109	1	0(1),(2)	1	0(2)	0(2)	1
2110	1	0(1),(2)	0(2)	0(2)	0(2)	1
2111	1	0(1),(2)	0(2)	0(2)	0(2)	0(2)
2112	0(2)	0(1),(2)	0(2)	0(2)	0(2)	0(2)
2113	0(2)	0(1),(2)	0(2)	0(2)	0(2)	0(2)
2114	0(2)	0(1),(2)	0(2)	0(2)	0(2)	0(2)
2115	0(2)	0(1),(2)	0(2)	0(2)	0(2)	0(2)
2116	0(2)	0(1),(2)	0(2)	0(2)	0(2)	0(2)
2117	0(2)	0(1),(2)	0(2)	0(2)	0(2)	0(2)

<sup>(1)</sup> Mainly attributable to employer contributions to fund each year's annual administrative expenses.

Note that in preparing the above projections, we have not taken into consideration the one-year delay between the date of the contribution rate calculation and the implementation.

<sup>(2)</sup> Less than \$1 million when rounded.

# Projection of OPEB Plan's Fiduciary Net Position for Use in Calculation of Discount Rate of 7.25% and Preparation of GASB 74 Report as of June 30, 2019 (Continued)

### Notes to Schedule:

- 1. Amounts may not total exactly due to rounding.
- 2. Amounts shown for the year beginning July 1, 2018 row are actual amounts, based on the unaudited financial statements provided by LACERS.
- 3. Years 2027-2044, 2050-2081, and 2087-2101 have been omitted from this table.
- 4. Column (a): None of the projected beginning OPEB Plan Fiduciary Net Position amounts shown have been adjusted for the time value of money.
- 5. Column (b): Projected total contributions include employer normal cost contributions based on closed group projections (based on covered active Members as of June 30, 2019); plus employer contributions to the unfunded actuarial accrued liability; plus contributions to fund each year's annual administrative expenses reflecting a 15-year amortization schedule. Contributions are assumed to occur halfway through the year, on average.
- 6. Column (c): Projected benefit payments have been determined in accordance with paragraph 43 of GASB Statement No. 74, and are based on the closed group of active, inactive vested, retired Members, and beneficiaries as of June 30, 2019. The projected benefit payments reflect the excise tax as imposed by the ACA and related statutes reflected in the June 30, 2019 funding valuation report. Benefit payments are assumed to occur halfway through the year, on average. In accordance with paragraph 49 of GASB Statement No. 74, the long-term expected rate of return on Plan investments of 7.25% was applied to all periods of projected benefit payments to determine the discount rate.
- 7. Column (d): Projected administrative expenses are calculated as approximately 0.19% of the projected beginning OPEB Plan Fiduciary Net Position amount. The 0.19% portion was based on the actual fiscal year 2018-19 administrative expenses as a percentage of the beginning OPEB Plan Fiduciary Net Position amount as of July 1, 2018. Administrative expenses are assumed to occur halfway through the year, on average.
- 8. Column (e): Projected investment earnings are based on the assumed investment rate of return of 7.25% per annum.
- 9. As illustrated in this Schedule, the OPEB Plan's Fiduciary Net Position was projected to be available to make all projected future benefit payments for current Plan Members. In other words, there is no projected 'cross-over date' when projected benefits are not covered by projected assets. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on Plan investments of 7.25% per annum was applied to all periods of projected benefit payments to determine the Total OPEB Liability as of June 30, 2019 shown in the GAS 74 report, pursuant to paragraph 49 of GASB Statement No. 74.

# **Summary of Actuarial Assumptions and Actuarial Cost Method**

### **Rationale for Assumptions**

The information and analysis used in selecting each assumption that has a significant effect on this actuarial valuation is shown in the July 1, 2014 through June 30, 2017 Actuarial Experience Study dated June 29, 2018, the Review of Economic Actuarial Assumptions dated June 30, 2017, the Supplemental Information report dated August 10, 2017, and the retiree health assumptions letter dated September 17, 2019. Unless otherwise noted, all actuarial assumptions and methods shown below apply to both Tier 1 and Tier 3 Members. These assumptions have been adopted by the Board.

#### **Measurement Date**

June 30, 2019.

#### Data

LACERS provided detailed census data and financial information for post-employment benefits.

### **Post-Retirement Mortality Rates**

Healthy Members and all Beneficiaries

Headcount-Weighted RP-2014 Healthy Annuitant Mortality Tables (separate tables for males and females), with no setback for males and females, projected generationally with the two-dimensional mortality improvement scale MP-2017.

### Disabled Members

Headcount-Weighted RP-2014 Disabled Retiree Mortality Tables (separate tables for males and females), with no setback for males and females, projected generationally with the two-dimensional mortality improvement scale MP-2017.

The RP-2014 mortality tables and adjustments as shown above reasonably reflect the mortality experience as of the measurement date. The generational projection is a provision for future mortality improvement.

### **Termination Rates before Retirement**

Pre-Retirement Mortality

Headcount-Weighted RP-2014 Employee Mortality Tables (separate tables for males and females), with no setback for males and females, multiplied by 90%, projected generationally with the two-dimensional mortality improvement scale MP-2017.

Rates of termination for Members with less than five years of service are as follows:

Years of Service	Rate (%)
0	12.00
1	10.00
2	9.00
3	8.25
4	7.75

	Rate (%)		
Age	Disability	Termination <sup>(1)</sup>	
25	0.01	7.00	
30	0.02	7.00	
35	0.05	5.50	
40	0.07	3.90	
45	0.13	3.20	
50	0.19	2.70	
55	0.20	2.50	
60	0.20	2.50	

(1) Rates for Members with five or more years of service. No termination is assumed after a member is eligible for retirement (as long as a retirement rate is present).

### **Retirement Rates**

		Rate (%)				
	Tie	er 1	APO T	ier 1 <sup>(1)</sup>	Tie	er 3
	Non-		Non-		Non-	
Age	55/30	55/30	55/30	55/30	55/30	55/30
50	6.0	0.0	7.0	0.0	6.0	0.0
51	3.0	0.0	4.0	0.0	3.0	0.0
52	3.0	0.0	4.0	0.0	3.0	0.0
53	3.0	0.0	4.0	0.0	3.0	0.0
54	17.0	0.0	18.0	0.0	16.0	0.0
55	6.0	24.0	7.0	25.0	$0.0^{(2)}$	23.0
56	6.0	16.0	7.0	17.0	$0.0^{(2)}$	15.0
57	6.0	16.0	7.0	17.0	$0.0^{(2)}$	15.0
58	6.0	16.0	7.0	17.0	$0.0^{(2)}$	15.0
59	6.0	16.0	7.0	17.0	$0.0^{(2)}$	15.0
60	7.0	16.0	8.0	17.0	6.0	15.0
61	7.0	16.0	8.0	17.0	6.0	15.0
62	7.0	16.0	8.0	17.0	6.0	15.0
63	7.0	16.0	8.0	17.0	6.0	15.0
64	7.0	16.0	8.0	17.0	6.0	15.0
65	13.0	20.0	14.0	21.0	12.0	19.0
66	13.0	20.0	14.0	21.0	12.0	19.0
67	13.0	20.0	14.0	21.0	12.0	19.0
68	13.0	20.0	14.0	21.0	12.0	19.0
69	13.0	20.0	14.0	21.0	12.0	19.0
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Over	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0

<sup>(1)</sup> Consistent with the cost study prepared for the adoption of enhanced Tier 1 benefits, the rates above are estimated by increasing the retirement rates for Tier 1 by a flat 1%.

<sup>(2)</sup> Not eligible to retire under the provisions of the Tier 3 plan.

# **Health Benefits Valuation**

# **Summary of Actuarial Assumptions and Actuarial Cost Method (Continued)**

# Retirement Age and Benefit for Inactive Vested Participants

Assume retiree health benefit will be paid at the later of age 59 or the current attained age.

### **Exclusion of Inactive Vested**

Inactive vested with less than 10 years of service are excluded.

### **Unknown Data for Members**

Same as those exhibited by Members with similar known characteristics. If not specified, Members are assumed to be male.

#### Service

Employment service is used for eligibility determination purposes. Benefit service is used for benefit calculation purposes.

### **Future Benefit Accruals**

1.0 year of service credit per year

### **Net Investment Return**

7.25%(1)

(1) Net of investment and administrative expenses for funding purposes, and net of investment expenses only for financial reporting purposes.

### **Discount Rate**

7.25%

### **Salary Increases**

The annual rate of compensation increase includes: inflation at 3.00%, plus "across the board" salary increases of 0.50% per year, plus the following merit and promotion increases:

Years of		
Service	Percentage Increase	
Less than 1	6.50%	
1 – 2	6.20%	
2 – 3	5.10%	
3 – 4	3.10%	
4 – 5	2.10%	
5 – 6	1.10%	
6 – 7	1.00%	
7 – 8	0.90%	
8 – 9	0.70%	
9 – 10	0.60%	
10 & Over	0.40%	

### Per Capita Cost Development

The assumed costs on a composite basis are the future costs of providing postemployment healthcare benefits at each age. To determine the assumed costs on a composite basis, historical premiums are reviewed and adjusted for increases in the cost of healthcare services.

# Maximum Dental Subsidy 2019-20 Fiscal Year

Carrier	Election Percent	Maximum Monthly Dental Subsidy		
Delta Dental PPO DeltaCare	79.4%	\$44.60		
USA	20.6%	\$13.98		

Medicare Part B Premium Subsidy<sup>(1)</sup>

Actual monthly premium for calendar year 2019	\$135.50
Projected monthly premium for calendar year 2020	\$141.60
Projected monthly premium for plan year 2019/2020	\$138.55

<sup>(1)</sup> LACERS will not reimburse Medicare Part B premiums for spouses/domestic partners, unless they are LACERS retired Members with Medicare Parts A and B enrolled as a dependent in a LACERS medical plan. This valuation does not reflect Medicare Part B reimbursement for any spouses/domestic partners enrolled in Medicare Parts A and B.

Maximum Monthly Medical Subsidy (Not Subject to Medical Subsidy Cap) Participant Under Age 65 or Not Eligible for Medicare A & B

2019-20 Fiscal Year

<u>Carrier</u>	Observed and Assumed Election Percent	Single Party Subsidy	Married/with Domestic Partner Subsidy	Eligible Survivor Subsidy
Kaiser HMO	61.9%	\$853.39	\$1,706.78	\$853.39
Anthem BC PPO	21.5%	\$1,271.19	\$1,790.80	\$853.39
Anthem BC HMO	16.6%	\$996.03	\$1,790.80	\$853.39

# **Summary of Actuarial Assumptions and Actuarial Cost Method (Continued)**

## Per Capita Cost Development (Continued)

Maximum Monthly Medical Subsidy (Not Subject to Medical Subsidy Cap) Participant Eligible for Medicare A & B 2019-20 Fiscal Year

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	Observed and		Married/with	
	Assumed	Single	Domestic Partner	Eligible Survivor
Carrier	Election Percent	Party Subsidy	Subsidy	Subsidy
Kaiser Senior Adv. HMO	57.6%	\$262.47	\$524.94	\$262.47
Anthem BC Medicare Supplement	31.4%	\$546.54	\$1,066.16	\$546.54
UHC Medicare Advantage Plan <sup>(1)</sup>	11.0%	\$275.98	\$547.14	\$275.98

<sup>(1)</sup> Rates for CA plan.

Members who are subject to the retiree medical subsidy cap will have monthly health insurance subsidy maximums capped at the levels in effect at July 1, 2011, as shown in the table below:

Maximum Monthly Medical Subsidy (Subject to Medical Subsidy Cap)

(Subject to Medical Subsidy Cap)			
		Married/With	
	Single	Domestic	Eligible
	Party	Partner	Survivor
	Subsidy	Subsidy	Subsidy
Under Age 65: All Plans	\$1,190.00	\$1,190.00	\$593.62
Age 65 and Over: Kaiser Senior Advantage HMO	\$203.27	\$406.54	\$203.27
Blue Cross Medicare Supplement	\$478.43	\$478.43	\$478.43
UHC Medicare Advantage Plan	\$219.09	\$433.93	\$219.09

These rates only apply to a small number of deferred vested members, retirees and beneficiaries. No active members are subject to the retiree medical subsidy cap. Adjustments to per-capita costs based on age, gender, and status are as follows:

	Re	tiree	Spo	ouse
Age	Male	Female	Male	Female
55	0.9019	0.9312	0.7098	0.8040
60	1.0711	1.0037	0.9503	0.9324
64	1.2288	1.0647	1.1996	1.0495
65	0.9187	0.7809	0.9187	0.7809
70	1.0648	0.8415	1.0648	0.8415
75	1.1475	0.9058	1.1475	0.9058
+08	1.2357	0.9766	1.2357	0.9766

### **Spouse/Domestic Partner Coverage**

60% of male and 35% of female retirees who receive a subsidy are assumed to be married or have a qualified domestic partner and elect dependent coverage. Of these covered spouses/domestic partners, 100% are assumed to continue coverage if the retiree predeceases the spouse/domestic partner.

Male retirees are assumed to be four years older than their female spouses/domestic partners. Female retirees are assumed to be two years younger than their male spouses/domestic partners.

### **Participation**

Retiree Medical and Dental Coverage Participation:

Years of	
Service Range	Percent Covered(1)
10 – 14	60%
15 – 19	80%
20 – 24	90%
25 and Over	95%

<sup>(1)</sup> Inactive Members are assumed to elect coverages at 50% of the rates shown above.

100% of retirees becoming eligible for Medicare are assumed to be covered by both Parts A and B.

### **Health Care Cost Subsidy Trend Rates**

Trends to be applied in following fiscal years, to all health plans.

First Fiscal Year (July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020):

Dlon	Trend to be applied to 2019-20 Fiscal
<u>Plan</u>	Year premium
Anthem BC HMO, Under Age 65	7.89%
Anthem BC PPO, Under Age 65	3.40%
Kaiser HMO, Under Age 65	3.37%
Anthem BC Medicare Supplement	3.88%
Kaiser Senior Advantage	3.12%
UHC Medicare Advantage Plan	3.96%

# **Summary of Actuarial Assumptions and Actuarial Cost Method (Continued)**

# **Health Care Cost Subsidy Trend Rates** (Continued)

The fiscal year trend rates are based on the following calendar year trend rates:

				Trend (a	pplied to
Fiscal			Calendar	calculate	following
Year	Trend (A	Approx.)	Year	year pro	emium) _
	Non-			Non-	
	Medicare	Medicare		Medicare	Medicare
2020-21	6.62%	6.12%	2020	6.75%	6.25%
2021-22	6.37%	5.87%	2021	6.50%	6.00%
2022-23	6.12%	5.62%	2022	6.25%	5.75%
2023-24	5.87%	5.37%	2023	6.00%	5.50%
2024-25	5.62%	5.12%	2024	5.75%	5.25%
2025-26	5.37%	4.87%	2025	5.50%	5.00%
2026-27	5.12%	4.62%	2026	5.25%	4.75%
2027-28	4.87%	4.50%	2027	5.00%	4.50%
2028-29	4.62%	4.50%	2028	4.75%	4.50%
2029-30					
and later	4.50%	4.50%	2029	4.50%	4.50%

Dental Premium Trend: 4.00% for all years.

Medicare Part B Premium Trend: 4.50% for all years.

### **Health Care Reform**

As directed by LACERS, the impact of potential excise tax imposed on high-cost health care plans by the Affordable Care Act (ACA) and related statutes on certain health plans was reflected in the current valuation in calculating the contribution rates for the employer. Statements No. 74 and No. 75 by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) for financial reporting purposes require the inclusion of the excise tax in the liability. The potential tax liability has been allocated to the Plan and member in the same proportion as the proportion of the total medical premium paid by the Plan and member.

### **Administrative Expenses**

No administrative expenses were valued separately from the premium costs.

### **Actuarial Cost Method**

Entry Age Cost Method, level percent of salary. Entry age is calculated as age on the valuation date minus years of employment service. Both the normal cost and the actuarial accrued liability are calculated on an individual basis.

#### **Actuarial Value of Assets**

Market value of assets (MVA) less unrecognized returns in each of the last seven years. Unrecognized return is equal to the difference between the actual return and the expected return on the market value, and is recognized over a seven-year period. The actuarial value of assets cannot be less than 60% of MVA nor greater than 140% of MVA.

### Valuation Value of Assets

The portion of the total actuarial value of assets allocated for health benefits, based on a prorated share of market value.

### **Amortization Policy**

The amortization method for the UAAL is a level percent of payroll, assuming annual increases in total covered payroll equal to inflation plus across the board increases (other than inflation).

Changes in the UAAL due to actuarial gains/losses are amortized over separate 15-year periods. Changes in the UAAL due to assumption or method changes are amortized over separate 20-year periods. Plan changes, including the 2009 ERIP, are amortized over separate 15-year periods. Future ERIPs will be amortized over 5 years. Any actuarial surplus is amortized over 30 years. All the bases on or before June 30, 2012, except those arising from the 2009 ERIP, were combined and amortized over 30 years effective June 30, 2012. Health trend and premium assumption changes are amortized over 15 years.

### **Employer Contributions**

Employer contributions consist of two components:

Normal Cost

The annual contribution rate that, if paid annually from a member's first year of membership through the year of retirement, would accumulate to the amount necessary to fully fund the member's postemployment healthcare related benefits. Accumulation includes annual crediting of interest at the assumed investment earnings rate. The contribution rate is expressed as a level percentage of the member's compensation.

Contribution to the Unfunded Actuarial Accrued Liability (UAAL)

The annual contribution rate that, if paid annually over the UAAL amortization period, would accumulate to the amount necessary to fully fund the UAAL. Accumulation includes annual crediting of interest at the assumed investment earnings rate. The contribution (or rate credit in the case of a negative

# **Summary of Actuarial Assumptions and Actuarial Cost Method (Continued)**

### **Employer Contributions (Continued)**

UAAL) is calculated to remain as a level percentage of future active member payroll (including payroll for new members as they enter the System) assuming a constant number of active members. In order to remain as a level percentage of payroll, amortization payments (credits) are scheduled to increase at the annual rate of 3.50% (i.e., 3.00% inflation plus 0.50% across-the-board salary increase).

The amortization policy is described above.

### **Assumption Changes since Prior Valuation**

The trend used to project future Medicare Part B premiums was increased from 4.00% to 4.50%. Starting premium costs and first year trends were updated to reflect 2020 calendar year premium data.

### **Summary of Plan Provisions**

LACERS administers a single-employer postemployment healthcare plan. The following summarizes the major benefit provisions of the Health Plan as included in the valuation. To the best of our knowledge, the summary represents the substantive plans as of the measurement date. It is not intended to be, nor should it be interpreted as, a complete statement of all benefit provisions.

### **Membership Eligibility**

Tier 1 (§4.1002(a))

All employees who became Members of LACERS before July 1, 2013, and certain employees who became Members of LACERS on or after July 1, 2013. In addition, pursuant to Ordinance No. 184134, all Tier 2 employees who became Members of LACERS between July 1, 2013 and February 21, 2016 were transferred to Tier 1 effective February 21, 2016 (refer to Note 3 – Postemployment Health Care Plan Description on page 34 regarding the Membership).

Tier 3 (§4.1080.2(a))

All employees who became Members of LACERS on or after February 21, 2016, except as provided otherwise in Section 4.1080.2(b) of the Los Angeles Administrative Code.

### **Benefit Eligibility**

Tier 1 (§4.1111(a)) and Tier 3 (§4.1126(a))

Retired age 55 or older with at least 10 years of service (including deferred vested Members who terminate employment and receive a retirement

benefit from LACERS), or if retirement date is between October 2, 1996 and September 30, 1999 at age 50 or older with at least 30 years of service. Benefits are also payable to spouses, domestic partners, or other qualified dependents while the retiree is alive. The health subsidy is not payable to a disabled retiree before the Member reaches age 55.

### Medical Subsidy for Members Not Subject to Cap

Under Age 65 or Over Age 65 Without Medicare Part A:

Tier 1 (§4.1111(d)) and Tier 3 (§4.1126(c))

Both Tier 1 and Tier 3 Members will be eligible for 40% of maximum medical plan premium subsidy for 1-10 whole years of service credit, and eligible Members earn 4% per year of service credit for their annual medical subsidy accrual after 10 years of service (limited to actual premium). As of July 1, 2019, the maximum monthly health subsidy is \$1,790.80, remaining unchanged in calendar year 2020. This amount includes coverage of dependent premium costs.

Over Age 65 and Enrolled in Both Medicare Parts A and B:

Tier 1 (§4.1111(e)) and Tier 3 (§4.1126(d))

For retirees, a maximum health subsidy shall be paid in the amount of the single-party monthly premium of the approved Medicare supplemental or coordinated plan in which the retiree is enrolled, subject to the following vesting schedule:

Completed Years	Vested
of Service Credit	Percentage
1-14	75%
15-19	90%
20+	100%

### Subsidy Cap for Tier 1

Tier 1 (§4.1111(b))

As of the June 30, 2011 valuation, the retiree health benefits program was changed to cap the medical subsidy for non-retired Members who do not contribute an additional 4.0% or 4.5% of employee contributions to the System.

The capped subsidy is different for Medicare and non-Medicare retirees. The cap applies to the medical subsidy limits at the 2011 calendar year level. The cap does not apply to the dental subsidy or the Medicare Part B premium reimbursement.

### **Dependents**

Tier 1 (§4.1111(e)(4)) and Tier 3 (§4.1126(d)(4))

An additional amount is added for coverage of dependents which shall not exceed the amount provided to a retiree not enrolled in Medicare Parts A and B and covered by the same medical plan with the same years of service credit. The combined Member and dependent subsidy shall not exceed the actual premium. This refers to dependents of retired Members with Medicare Parts A and B. It does not apply to those without Medicare or Part B only.

### **Dental Subsidy for Members**

Tier 1 (§4.1114(b)) and Tier 3 (§4.1129(b))

The System will pay 4% of the maximum dental subsidy (limited to actual premium) for each year of Service Credit, up to 100% of the maximum dental subsidy. As of July 1, 2019, the maximum dental subsidy is \$44.60 per month; remaining unchanged in calendar year 2020.

There is no subsidy available to dental plan dependents or surviving spouses/domestic partners. There is also no reimbursement for dental plans not sponsored by the System.

### **Medicare Part B Reimbursement for Members**

Tier 1 (§4.1113) and Tier 3 (§4.1128)

If a retiree is covered by both Medicare Parts A and B, and enrolled in a LACERS medical plan or participates in the LACERS Retiree Medical Premium Reimbursement Program, LACERS will reimburse the retiree the basic Medicare Part B premium.

### **Medical Subsidy for Surviving Spouse**

Tier 1 (§4.1115) and Tier 3 (§4.1129.1)

The surviving spouse or domestic partner will be entitled to a health subsidy based on the Member's years of service credit and the surviving dependent's eligibility for Medicare.

Under Age 65 or Over Age 65 Without Medicare Part A

The maximum health subsidy available for survivors is the lowest cost plan available (currently Kaiser) single-party premium (\$853.39 per month as of July 1, 2019, remaining unchanged in calendar year 2020).

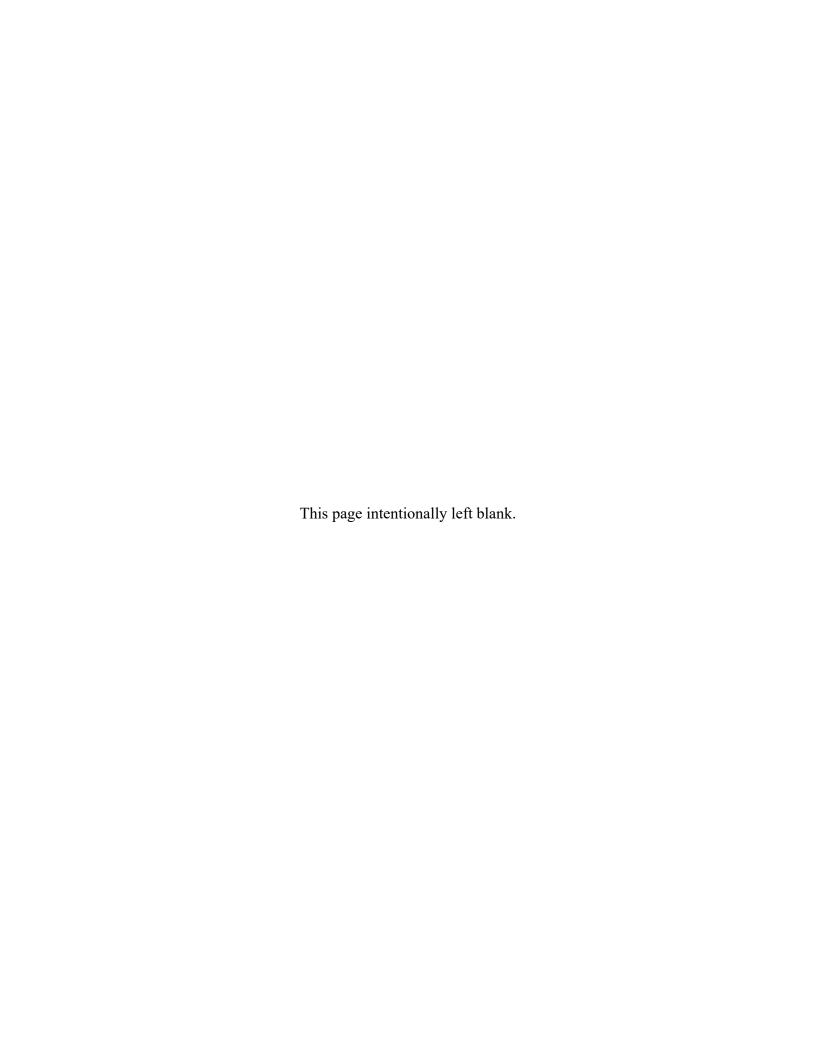
Over Age 65 and Enrolled in Both Medicare Parts A and B:

For survivors, a maximum health subsidy limited to the single-party monthly premium of the plan in which the survivor is enrolled, is provided subject to the following vesting schedule:

Completed Years	Vested
of Service Credit	Percentage
1-14	75%
15-19	90%
20+	100%

### **Changes in Plan Provisions**

None.



# Statistical

# **Statistical Section**

The Statistical Section of the System's Comprehensive Annual Financial Report provides additional historical trend information to assist the reader in gaining a more comprehensive understanding of the current fiscal year's financial statements, note disclosures, and required supplementary information, which cover the System's Retirement Plan and the Postemployment Health Care Plan. This section also provides multi-year trending of financial and operating information to facilitate comprehensive understanding of how the System's financial position and performance has changed over time. More specifically, the financial and operating information provides contextual data for the System's revenues (additions), expenses (deductions), net increase or decrease in fiduciary net position, benefit expenses by type, number of retirees by different types of benefits, and average monthly benefit payments. The financial and operating trend information is as follows:

### **Schedule of Additions by Source - Retirement Plan**

(Dollars in Thousands)

Employer Contributions <sup>(1)</sup>									
	Member				As a % of Annual		let Investment		Total
Fiscal Year	Contributions		Amounts		Covered Payroll <sup>(2)</sup>	Ir	ncome (Loss) <sup>(3)</sup>		Additions
2010	\$ 126,961	\$	266,240		14.2%	\$	911,088	\$	1,304,289
2011	114,731		306,737		18.1		1,654,824		2,076,292
2012	178,246		308,712		18.0		72,705		559,663
2013	197,881		346,350		19.9		1,275,612		1,819,843
2014	204,136		357,818		19.8		1,820,266		2,382,220
2015	207,564		381,299		20.8		308,557		897,420
2016	211,345		440,704		23.5		27,638		679,687
2017	227,532		453,504		23.0		1,524,533		2,205,569
2018	236,222		450,338		21.9		1,249,814		1,936,374
2019	240,357		478,827		22.7		802,027		1,521,211

- (1) Contributions received on July 15th of the fiscal year with discounted rate.
- (2) Starting fiscal year 2014, when a new benefit tier was added, % of Annual Covered Payroll is an aggregate rate for all tiers and it is based on actual covered payroll.
- (3) Includes unrealized gains and losses of investments. Investment related administrative expenses are included starting fiscal year 2014 pursuant to GASB Statement No. 67.

### Schedule of Deductions by Type - Retirement Plan

	Benefit	Refunds of	Administrative	Total
Fiscal Year	Payments	Contributions	Expenses <sup>(1)</sup>	Deductions
2010	\$ 569,938	\$ 27,971	\$ 14,204	\$ 612,113
2011	654,384	18,215	13,232	685,831
2012	664,626	11,100	12,995	688,721
2013	687,362	17,697	13,352	718,411
2014	708,956	15,982	12,438	737,376
2015	734,736	10,121	15,946	760,803
2016	767,264	7,719	15,576	790,559
2017	799,221	9,803	16,019	825,043
2018	847,031	10,412	16,394	873,837
2019	909,154	11,684	17,806	938,644

<sup>(1)</sup> Excludes investment related administrative expenses starting fiscal year 2014. Starting fiscal year 2015, the System is required to share the employer contribution for its employees' retirement benefits.

# Schedule of Additions by Source - Postemployment Health Care Plan

(Dollars in Thousands)

	Employe	er Contributions <sup>(1)</sup>		Health		
Fiscal Year	Amounts	As a % of Annual Covered Payroll <sup>(2)</sup>	Self-Funded Insurance Premium <sup>(3)</sup>	Insurance Premium Reserve <sup>(3)</sup>	Net Investment Income (Loss)(4)	Total Additions
2010	\$ 96,511	5.3 %	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 155,745 \$	252,256
2011	107,396	6.4	-	-	295,324	402,720
2012	115,209	6.7	-	-	10,314	125,523
2013	72,916	4.2	-	-	253,632	326,548
2014	97,841	5.4	-	-	375,504	473,345
2015	100,467	5.5	-	-	59,435	159,902
2016	105,983	5.7	-	-	(721)	105,262
2017	97,457	4.9	-	-	330,368	427,825
2018	100,909	4.9	-	-	269,065	369,974
2019	107,927	5.1	6,090	468	166,470	280,955

- (1) Contributions received on July 15th of the fiscal year with discounted rate.
- (2) Starting fiscal year 2014, when a new benefit tier was added, % of annual covered payroll is an aggregate rate for all tiers and it is based on actual covered payroll.
- (3) Additions related to LACERS Postemployment Health Care 115 Trust fund and the self-funded Dental Plan established in fiscal year 2019.
- (4) Includes unrealized gains and losses of investments. Investment related administrative expenses are included starting fiscal year 2014.

# Schedule of Deductions by Type - Postemployment Health Care Plan

Fiscal Year	Benefit Payments	Administrative Expenses <sup>(1)</sup>	Total Deductions
2010	\$ 83,196	\$ 2,859	\$ 86,055
2011	98,156	2,786	100,942
2012	91,437	2,931	94,368
2013	97,946	3,197	101,143
2014	101,628	3,327	104,955
2015	103,599	3,932	107,531
2016	109,940	4,151	114,091
2017	119,616	4,224	123,840
2018	128,081	4,384	132,465
2019	140,129	5,099	145,228

<sup>(1)</sup> Excludes investment related administrative expenses starting fiscal year 2014. Starting fiscal year 2015, the System is required to share the employer contribution for its employees' postemployment healthcare benefits. Starting fiscal year 2019, expenses include third party fees paid for the administration of the self-funded Dental Plan.

### Net Increase (Decrease) in Fiduciary Net Position - Retirement Plan Last Ten Fiscal Years

(In Thousands)

		Addit	ions						
Fiscal Year	City Contributions	Member Contributions	Net Investment Income (Loss)	Total Additions	Benefit Payments	Refunds of Contributions	Admin. Expenses <sup>(1)</sup>	Total Deductions	Net In(De)crease in Fiduciary Net Position
2010	\$ 266,240	\$ 126,961	\$ 911,088	\$ 1,304,289	\$ 569,938	\$ 27,971	\$ 14,204	\$ 612,113	\$ 692,176
2011	306,737	114,731	1,654,824	2,076,292	654,384	18,215	13,232	685,831	1,390,461
2012	308,712	178,246	72,705	559,663	664,626	11,100	12,995	688,721	(129,058)
2013	346,350	197,881	1,275,612	1,819,843	687,362	17,697	13,352	718,411	1,101,432
2014	357,818	204,136	1,820,266	2,382,220	708,956	15,982	12,438	737,376	1,644,844
2015	381,299	207,564	308,557	897,420	734,736	10,121	15,946	760,803	136,617
2016	440,704	211,345	27,638	679,687	767,264	7,719	15,576	790,559	(110,872)
2017	453,504	227,532	1,524,533	2,205,569	799,221	9,803	16,019	825,043	1,380,526
2018	450,338	236,222	1,249,814	1,936,374	847,031	10,412	16,394	873,837	1,062,537
2019	478,827	240,357	802,027	1,521,211	909,154	11,684	17,806	938,644	582,567

<sup>(1)</sup> Excludes investment related administrative expenses starting fiscal year 2014. Starting fiscal year 2015, the System is required to share the employer contribution for its employees' retirement benefits.

# Net Increase (Decrease) in Fiduciary Net Position - Postemployment Health Care Plan Last Ten Fiscal Years

			Additions			Deductions		
			Health	Net				Net
Fiscal Year	City Contributions	Self-Funded Insurance Premium <sup>(1)</sup>	Insurance Premium Reserve <sup>(1)</sup>	Investment Income (Loss)	Total Additions	Benefit Payments	Admin. Total Expenses <sup>(2)</sup> Deduction	In(De)crease in Fiduciary ns Net Position
2010	\$ 96,511	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 155,745	\$ 252,256	\$ 83,196	\$ 2,859 \$ 86,055	\$ 166,201
2011	107,396	-	-	295,324	402,720	98,156	2,786 100,942	301,778
2012	115,209	-	-	10,314	125,523	91,437	2,931 94,368	31,155
2013	72,916	-	-	253,632	326,548	97,946	3,197 101,143	225,405
2014	97,841	-	-	375,504	473,345	101,628	3,327 104,955	368,390
2015	100,467	-	-	59,435	159,902	103,599	3,932 107,531	52,371
2016	105,983	-	-	(721)	105,262	109,940	4,151 114,091	(8,829)
2017	97,457	-	-	330,368	427,825	119,616	4,224 123,840	303,985
2018	100,909	-	-	269,065	369,974	128,081	4,384 132,465	237,509
2019	107,927	6,090	468	166,470	280,955	140,129	5,099 145,228	135,727

<sup>(1)</sup> Additions related to LACERS Postemployment Health Care 115 Trust fund and the self-funded Dental Plan established in fiscal year 2019.

<sup>(2)</sup> Excludes investment related administrative expenses starting fiscal year 2014. Starting fiscal year 2015, the System is required to share the employer contribution for its employees' postemployment health care benefits. Starting fiscal year 2019, expenses include third party fees paid for the administration of the self-funded Dental Plan.

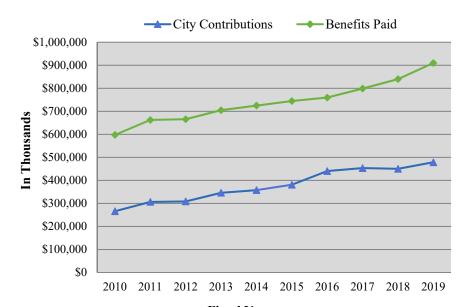
# **Schedule of Benefit Expenses by Type - Retirement Plan**

(In Thousands)

			Ber	nefits				Refun	ds of Contribu	tions		
	Age & S	Service										
	Ben	efits		Disability	/ Benefits							Total
Fiscal			Death in					Death in	Unused			Benefits
Year	Retirants	Survivors	Service	Retirants	Survivors	Sub-total	Separation	Service	Contributions	Misc.	Sub-Total	Paid
2010	\$ 483,295	\$ 60,299	\$ 2,699	\$ 16,268	\$ 7,377	\$ 569,938	\$ 21,814	\$ 1,269	\$ 1,094	\$3,794	\$ 27,971	\$ 597,909
2011	563,254	64,160	2,674	16,544	7,752	654,384	13,951	1,640	1,281	1,343	18,215	672,599
2012	570,633	66,735	2,477	16,720	8,061	664,626	6,765	2,416	965	954	11,100	675,726
2013	588,035	70,298	2,776	17,810	8,443	687,362	13,103	2,515	1,006	1,073	17,697	705,059
2014	606,135	73,477	2,669	17,657	9,018	708,956	12,295	1,509	1,184	994	15,982	724,938
2015	627,865	76,619	2,537	18,348	9,367	734,736	3,891	1,848	1,342	3,040	10,121	744,857
2016	657,810	78,441	2,315	19,001	9,697	767,264	4,241	1,231	883	1,364	7,719	774,983
2017	686,172	81,250	2,738	18,810	10,251	799,221	4,213	3,015	1,027	1,548	9,803	809,024
2018	731,954	83,387	2,402	18,850	10,438	847,031	5,686	1,653	1,588	1,485	10,412	857,443
2019	794,844	83,072	2,066	18,935	10,237	909,154	6,529	3,302	1,054	799	11,684	920,838

# City Contributions versus Benefits Paid - Retirement Plan

City Contributions	Benefits Paid
\$ 266,240	\$ 597,909
306,737	672,599
308,712	675,726
346,350	705,059
357,818	724,938
381,299	744,857
440,704	774,983
453,504	809,024
450,338	857,443
478,827	920,838
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Fiscal Year

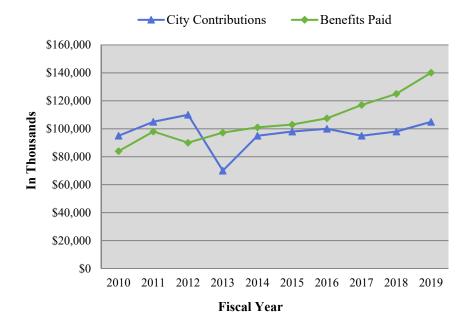
# Schedule of Benefit Expenses by Type - Postemployment Health Care Plan

(In Thousands)

	Age & Serv	rice Benefits	Death in Service	Disabili	ty Benefits	
Fiscal Year	Retirants	Survivors	Benefits	Retirants	Survivors	Total Benefits Paid
2010	\$ 70,548	\$ 8,802	\$ 394	\$ 2,375	\$ 1,077	\$ 83,196
2011	84,487	9,624	401	2,481	1,163	98,156
2012	78,506	9,181	341	2,300	1,109	91,437
2013	83,792	10,017	396	2,538	1,203	97,946
2014	86,889	10,533	382	2,531	1,293	101,628
2015	88,530	10,803	358	2,587	1,321	103,599
2016	94,256	11,240	332	2,723	1,389	109,940
2017	102,697	12,160	410	2,815	1,534	119,616
2018	110,680	12,609	363	2,851	1,578	128,081
2019	122,510	12,804	318	2,919	1,578	140,129

# City Contributions versus Benefits Paid - Postemployment Health Care Plan

City Contributions	Benefits Paid
\$ 96,511	\$ 83,196
107,396	98,156
115,209	91,437
72,916	97,946
97,841	101,628
100,467	103,599
105,983	109,940
97,457	119,616
100,909	128,081
107,927	140,129
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# **Statistical Section**

### Schedule of Retired Members by Type of Benefits - Retirement Plan

			Type of Benefits <sup>(2)</sup>									
Amount of Monthly Benefits	Number of Retirants <sup>(1)</sup>	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
\$ 1 to \$1,000	1,745	373	338	9	455	67	159	85	259	-	432	18
1,001 to 2,000	3,521	1,066	835	56	512	582	87	209	174	-	79	1
2,001 to 3,000	3,141	1,849	573	84	253	219	23	75	65	-	16	1
3,001 to 4,000	3,129	2,578	282	81	127	13	3	18	27	-	4	-
4,001 to 5,000	2,824	2,538	179	37	55	5	-	2	8	-	1	-
5,001 to 6,000	2,094	1,925	119	15	30	1	-	-	4	-	-	-
6,001 to 7,000	1,323	1,232	64	7	19	-	-	-	1	-	-	-
7,001 to 8,000	800	764	20	5	11	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
8,001 to 9,000	512	474	23	7	8	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
9,001 to 10,000	303	284	10	4	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Over \$10,000	575	541	22	1	7	3	-	1	-	-	-	-
Total	19,967	13,624	2,465	306	1,482	890	272	390	538	-	532	20

<sup>(1)</sup> Larger Annuity and Larger Annuity Continuance type of benefits are not included in counting the total number of retirants since both benefits are voluntary supplementary benefits to the retirants.

### (2) Type of Benefits

- 1 Service Retirement
- 2 Service Continuance
- 3 Service Survivorship
- 4 Vested Right Retirement
- 5 Disability Retirement6 Disability Continuance
- 7 Disability Survivorship
- 8 DRO Life Time Annuity
- 9 DRO Term Annuity
- 10 Larger Annuity
- 11 Larger Annuity Continuance

# **Statistical Section**

# Schedule of Retired Members by Type of Benefits - Postemployment Health Care Plan

			Type of Benefits <sup>(3)</sup>							
Amount of Monthly Bene		Number of Retirants	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	
Medical Subs	sidy									
	200	491	335	35	4	39	48	17	13	
201 to	400	4,680	3,374	968	80	123	58	25	52	
401 to	600	5,000	4,215	401	50	207	84	17	26	
601 to	800	180	94	15	14	28	14	1	14	
801 to 1,	000	1,718	1,409	91	30	120	58	4	6	
1,001 to 1,2	200	1,393	1,352	-	-	36	5	-	-	
1,201 to 1,4	400	908	836	-	-	53	19	-	-	
1,401 to 1,	791 <sup>(1)</sup>	1,368	1,319	-	-	43	6	-		
Total	_	15,738	12,934	1,510	178	649	292	64	111	
Dental Subsi	dy									
\$ 1 to \$	10	634	463	-	-	75	96	-	-	
11 to	20	2,452	2,291	-	-	109	52	-	-	
21 to	30	949	708	-	-	156	85	-	-	
31 to	40	1,075	893	-	-	142	40	-	-	
41 to	45 <sup>(2)</sup>	8,354	8,188	_	-	146	20	-	-	
Total		13,464	12,543	-	-	628	293	-	-	

- (1) Maximum medical subsidy for plan year 2019.
- (2) Maximum dental subsidy for plan year 2019.
- (3) Type of Benefits
- 1 Service Retirement
- 5 Disability Retirement
- 2 Service Continuance
- 6 Disability Continuance
- 3 Service Survivorship
- 7 Disability Survivorship
- 4 Vested Right Retirement

# **Schedule of Average Benefit Payments - Retirement Plan**

	Years of Service Credit							
Retirement Effective Dates July 1, 2009 to June 30, 2019	Under 11 vr	s 11-15 yrs	16-20 yrs	21-25 yrs	26-30 yrs	Over 30 yrs		
Period 7/1/09 to 6/30/10	Olider 11 yi	3 11 10 y13	10 20 y13	21 20 y13	20 00 yis	Over 50 yrs		
Average Monthly Benefit at Retirement	\$ 907	\$ 1,964	\$ 2,810	\$ 3,911	\$ 4,674	\$ 5,818		
Average Final Monthly Salary <sup>(1)</sup>	\$ 3,755	\$ 5,525	\$ 6,030	\$ 6,316	\$ 6,514	\$ 6,708		
Number of Retirees Added (2)	94	140	137	365	559	1,238		
Period 7/1/10 to 6/30/11								
Average Monthly Benefit at Retirement	\$ 768	\$ 1,414	\$ 2,369	\$ 3,146	\$ 3,721	\$ 5,920		
Average Final Monthly Salary <sup>(1)</sup>	\$ 5,266	\$ 5,175	\$ 6,141	\$ 6,424	\$ 6,409	\$ 7,882		
Number of Retirees Added	51	42	27	55	42	37		
Period 7/1/11 to 6/30/12								
Average Monthly Benefit at Retirement	\$ 784	\$ 1,379	\$ 2,362	\$ 3,453	\$ 4,008	\$ 6,003		
Average Final Monthly Salary <sup>(1)</sup>	\$ 4,995	\$ 5,052	\$ 6,338	\$ 7,165	\$ 6,804	\$ 8,238		
Number of Retirees Added	46	37	30	70	43	48		
Period 7/1/12 to 6/30/13								
Average Monthly Benefit at Retirement	\$ 976	\$ 1,888	\$ 2,253	\$ 3,355	\$ 4,101	\$ 5,487		
Average Final Monthly Salary <sup>(1)</sup>	\$ 6,025	\$ 6,713	\$ 6,055	\$ 6,819	\$ 7,007	\$ 7,573		
Number of Retirees Added	63	57	34	94	87	107		
Period 7/1/13 to 6/30/14	ф. 700	<b>4.0</b> //	<b>4.0.450</b>	ф 0.74 <i>(</i>	<b>A. 1.500</b>	<b>*</b> ( 00 )		
Average Monthly Benefit at Retirement	\$ 708	\$ 1,966	\$ 2,459	\$ 3,716	\$ 4,520	\$ 6,204		
Average Final Monthly Salary <sup>(1)</sup>	\$ 4,551	\$ 6,868	\$ 6,343	\$ 7,551 83	\$ 7,482 120	\$ 8,350		
Number of Retirees Added	60	65	47	83	120	95		
Period 7/1/14 to 6/30/15  Average Monthly Benefit at Retirement	\$ 969	\$ 1,875	\$ 2,775	\$ 3,735	\$ 4,707	\$ 6,307		
Average Monthly Benefit at Retirement  Average Final Monthly Salary <sup>(1)</sup>	\$ 5,309	\$ 6,386	\$ 2,773	\$ 7,289	\$ 4,707 \$ 7,795	\$ 0,307		
Number of Retirees Added	\$ 5,30 <del>9</del>	3 0,300 108	\$ 7,040 62	111	234	212		
Period 7/1/15 to 6/30/16	00	100	02		201	212		
Average Monthly Benefit at Retirement	\$ 943	\$ 1,756	\$ 2,514	\$ 3,796	\$ 4,514	\$ 5,498		
Average Final Monthly Salary <sup>(1)</sup>	\$ 5,095	\$ 6,077	\$ 6,786	\$ 7,656	\$ 7,731	\$ 7,876		
Number of Retirees Added	117	116	89	77	255	228		
Average Monthly Continuance Benefit <sup>(3)</sup>	\$ 886	\$ 1,068	\$ 1,388	\$ 1,521	\$ 1,657	\$ 2,568		
Number of Continuance Benefit Added <sup>(3)</sup>	79	29	24	41	32	65		
Period 7/1/16 to 6/30/17								
Average Monthly Benefit at Retirement	\$ 1,076	\$ 1,764	\$ 2,546	\$ 3,412	\$ 4,789	\$ 5,745		
Average Final Monthly Salary <sup>(1)</sup>	\$ 5,553	\$ 6,326	\$ 6,974	\$ 7,696	\$ 8,053	\$ 8,204		
Number of Retirees Added	105	99	104	107	263	271		
Average Monthly Continuance Benefit <sup>(3)</sup>	\$ 1,154	\$ 1,022	\$ 1,360	\$ 1,949	\$ 1,869	\$ 2,916		
Number of Continuance Benefit Added <sup>(3)</sup>	70	19	30	38	50	55		
Period 7/1/17 to 6/30/18								
Average Monthly Benefit at Retirement	\$ 1,291	\$ 1,913	\$ 2,739	\$ 3,922	\$ 5,037	\$ 6,348		
Average Final Monthly Salary <sup>(1)</sup>	\$ 5,869	\$ 6,707	\$ 7,100	\$ 7,896	\$ 8,292	\$ 8,758		
Number of Retirees Added	115	115	136	85	247	377		
Average Monthly Continuance Benefit <sup>(3)</sup>	\$ 1,012	\$ 1,411	\$ 1,562	\$ 2,076	\$ 2,830	\$ 3,812		
Number of Continuance Benefit Added <sup>(3)</sup>	70	25	26	28	49	54		

### **Schedule of Average Benefit Payments - Retirement Plan (Continued)**

	Years of Service Credit								
Retirement Effective Dates  July 1, 2009 to June 30, 2019	Under 11 yrs	s 11-15 yrs	16-20 yrs	21-25 yrs	26-30 yrs	Over 30 yrs			
Period 7/1/18 to 6/30/19									
Average Monthly Benefit at Retirement	\$ 1,003	\$ 2,010	\$ 2,756	\$ 3,829	\$ 5,395	\$ 6,834			
Average Final Monthly Salary(1)	\$ 5,276	\$ 6,613	\$ 7,103	\$ 7,771	\$ 8,695	\$ 9,219			
Number of Retirees Added	123	104	147	82	277	344			
Average Monthly Continuance Benefit (3)	\$ 1,697	\$ 1,703	\$ 1,586	\$ 2,655	\$ 2,665	\$ 4,184			
Number of Continuance Benefit Added <sup>(3)</sup>	65	28	30	29	42	82			

# Schedule of Average Benefit Payments - Postemployment Health Care Plan

	Years of Service Credit									
Retirement Effective Dates  July 1, 2009 to June 30, 2019	Unde	r 10 yrs <sup>(1)</sup>	1(	0-15 yrs	1	6-20 yrs	,	21-25 yrs	0	ver 25 yrs
Period 7/1/09 to 6/30/10  Health Insurance Subsidy  Average Monthly Benefit at Retirement  Number of Retirees Added (2)  Dental Insurance Subsidy  Average Monthly Benefit at Retirement  Number of Retirees Added (2)	\$	8 11	\$	385 116 12 120	\$	562 110 21 102	\$	634 267 26 261	\$	786 1,978 28 1,987
Period 7/1/10 to 6/30/11  Health Insurance Subsidy  Average Monthly Benefit at Retirement  Number of Retirees Added  Dental Insurance Subsidy  Average Monthly Benefit at Retirement  Number of Retirees Added	\$	- 1 - 2	\$	465 31 12 26	\$	440 31 17 26	\$	688 69 22 68	\$	648 145 17 130
Period 7/1/11 to 6/30/12  Health Insurance Subsidy  Average Monthly Benefit at Retirement  Number of Retirees Added  Dental Insurance Subsidy  Average Monthly Benefit at Retirement  Number of Retirees Added	\$	- - 4	\$	372 34 10 25	\$	581 27 17 24	\$	660 84 28 75	\$	642 136 25 131
Period 7/1/12 to 6/30/13  Health Insurance Subsidy  Average Monthly Benefit at Retirement  Number of Retirees Added  Dental Insurance Subsidy  Average Monthly Benefit at Retirement  Number of Retirees Added	\$	- 1 - 2	\$	428 64 14 55	\$	596 33 21 27	\$	790 102 28 95	\$	840 243 26 235

<sup>(1)</sup> Average Final Monthly Salary = Average of last or highest 12 consecutive months' salary.
(2) Large increase primarily due to accelerated retirements stimulated by the City's Early Retirement Incentive Program (ERIP).
(3) Additional information for Continuance Benefit is provided starting fiscal year 2016.

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# **Schedule of Average Benefit Payments - Postemployment Health Care Plan (Continued)**

	Years of Service Credit						
Retirement Effective Dates  July 1, 2009 to June 30, 2019	Und	der 10 yrs <sup>(1)</sup>	1	0-15 yrs	16-20 yrs	21-25 yrs	Over 25 yrs
Period 7/1/13 to 6/30/14  Health Insurance Subsidy  Average Monthly Benefit at Retirement  Number of Retirees Added  Dental Insurance Subsidy  Average Monthly Benefit at Retirement  Number of Retirees Added	\$	- 1 - 2	\$	447 57 15 53	\$ 619 41 \$ 20 36	\$ 831 93 \$ 30 91	\$ 876 276 \$ 27 266
Period 7/1/14 to 6/30/15  Health Insurance Subsidy  Average Monthly Benefit at Retirement  Number of Retirees Added  Dental Insurance Subsidy  Average Monthly Benefit at Retirement  Number of Retirees Added	\$	- - - 1	\$	543 85 17 78	\$ 700 40 \$ 26 35	\$ 914 105 \$ 32 102	\$ 1,080 409 \$ 36 399
Period 7/1/15 to 6/30/16  Health Insurance Subsidy  Average Monthly Benefit at Retirement  Number of Retirees Added  Dental Insurance Subsidy  Average Monthly Benefit at Retirement  Number of Retirees Added	\$	309 12 11 16	\$	515 88 16 89	\$ 729 62 \$ 24 57	\$ 926 61 \$ 34 60	\$ 1,099 447 \$ 35 453
Period 7/1/16 to 6/30/17  Health Insurance Subsidy  Average Monthly Benefit at Retirement  Number of Retirees Added  Dental Insurance Subsidy  Average Monthly Benefit at Retirement  Number of Retirees Added	\$	411 17 11 10	\$	493 76 18 75	\$ 717 79 \$ 25 78	\$ 1,136 85 \$ 34 82	\$ 1,184 487 \$ 38 483
Period 7/1/17 to 6/30/18  Health Insurance Subsidy  Average Monthly Benefit at Retirement  Number of Retirees Added  Dental Insurance Subsidy  Average Monthly Benefit at Retirement  Number of Retirees Added	\$	- - 5 1	\$	547 100 17 80	\$ 771 115 \$ 27 98	\$ 1,082 86 \$ 31 68	\$ 1,257 638 \$ 36 552
Period 7/1/18 to 6/30/19  Health Insurance Subsidy  Average Monthly Benefit at Retirement  Number of Retirees Added  Dental Insurance Subsidy  Average Monthly Benefit at Retirement  Number of Retirees Added	\$	716 2 12 4	\$	560 98 16 75	\$ 714 127 \$ 27 113	\$ 1,012 72 \$ 36 62	\$ 1,220 640 \$ 37 539

<sup>(1)</sup> Effective February 21, 2016, retiree health benefits are provided to part-time employees who retired with 10 years of service but less than 10 years of service credit. Previously, they were allowed to enroll in LACERS Health Care Plan at their own cost, but not eligible for health benefits.

<sup>(2)</sup> Large increase is primarily due to accelerated retirements stimulated by the City's Early Retirement Incentive Program (ERIP).

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