

#### AGENDA

Tuesday, February	/ 25		
8:30 AM		Call to Order   Welcome	Jeff Cilek
	I.	Approval of Minutes	Jeff Cilek
		A. Draft of December 16 & 17, 2024 and January 31, 2025 Minutes	*
8:35 AM	١١.	Investments   Portfolio	Richelle Sugiyama
		A. Callan Quarterly Report	Ann O'Bradovich
		B. Monthly Portfolio Update R	lichelle Sugiyama, Chris Brechbuhler
9:20 AM	III.	Operations Administration	Mike Hampton
		A. Operations / Administration Update	Alex Simpson
		B. Legislative Update	Mike Hampton
		C. Private Letter Ruling	Mike Hampton, Cheryl George
9:50 AM		Break	
10:00 AM	III.	Operations Administration (cont.)	Mike Hampton
		D. Economic Study	Alex Simpson
		E. Public Safety Officer Death Benefits*	Alex Simpson
		F. 2025 PAA Milliman Study	Mike Hampton, Robert Schmidt
		G. Experience Study plan / schedule	Robert Schmidt, Ryan Cook
10:45 AM	IV.	Fiscal   Budget	Mike Anderson
		A. Fiscal Update/Travel/Expense Report	Mike Anderson
		B. Quarterly Financial Statements	Mike Anderson
10:55 AM	V.	Board	Jeff Cilek
		A. Trustee Call for Future Agenda Items *	
11:00 AM	**	Executive Session - Idaho Code § 74-206 (1)(a)(b)(f)*	Jeff Cilek
12:00 PM		Adjournment	

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February 24, 2025

#### Public Employee Retirement System of Idaho

Fourth Quarter 2024

Performance Evaluation

Ann O'Bradovich Senior Vice President

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### Agenda

- Market Overview and Summary
- DB Performance
  - DB Historical Actual Returns and Actuarial Return Assumptions
- DC Performance
- Sick Leave Plan Performance
- Callan Updates

### Equity Markets Up Sharply in 2024

### Stocks have recovered losses of 2022; fixed income still lags

#### S&P 500 climbed 25% in 2024

 U.S. large cap substantially outperformed U.S. small cap, developed ex-U.S. markets, and emerging markets. Technology and AI drove the S&P 500.

### Weak 4Q for core fixed income

- The Bloomberg Aggregate fell
   3.1%. Long duration and non-U.S.
   bonds saw even greater declines.
- Interest rates remain volatile as the markets assess how the Fed will continue with easing.
- CPI-U came in at 2.9% (year-overyear) through December, up from 3Q, but with a welcome decline in the core figure, which rose 3.2%.

### Solid growth through 2024

 - 3Q GDP came in at a surprisingly strong 3.1%, after another surprise in 2Q, and saw 2.3% growth in 4Q. Consumer spending continues to drive GDP growth.

31/24					
Quarter	1 Year	3 Years	5 Years	10 Years	25 Years
2.63	23.81	8.01	13.86	12.55	7.84
2.41	25.02	8.94	14.53	13.10	7.70
0.33	11.54	1.24	7.40	7.82	7.55
-7.43	4.70	1.91	5.10	5.26	3.78
-8.01	7.50	-1.92	1.70	3.64	
-7.66	3.36	-1.47	4.30	5.66	6.23
-3.06	1.25	-2.41	-0.33	1.35	3.94
1.17	5.25	3.89	2.46	1.77	1.91
-7.42	-4.15	-9.20	-3.26	0.99	5.36
-6.84	-4.22	-6.28	-3.37	-0.90	2.45
0.90	0.43	-0.82	3.13	5.66	7.58
-6.21	8.73	-2.20	4.27	5.73	9.84
2.68	7.93	2.75	14.27	13.40	12.39
3.35	10.18	7.08	7.89	7.31	4.59
1.49	9.83	4.41	7.00	5.26	5.57
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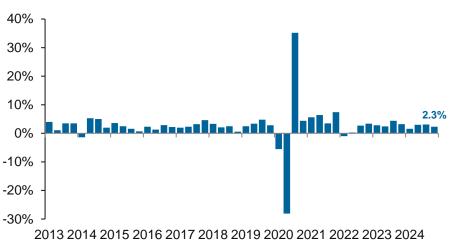
Returns for Periods ended 12/31/24

\*Cambridge Private Equity and Cambridge Senior Debt data as of 9/30/24. Returns greater than one year are annualized. Sources: Bloomberg, Callan, Cambridge, FTSE Russell, HFRI, MSCI, NCREIF, S&P Dow Jones Indices

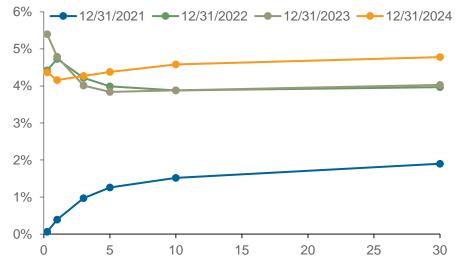


### **U.S. Economy—Summary**

### For periods ended 12/31/24



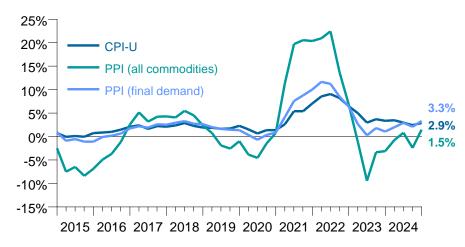
### **U.S. Treasury Yield Curves**



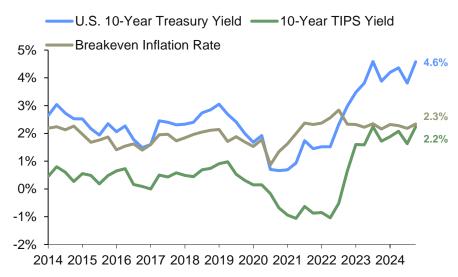
**Quarterly Real GDP Growth** 

#### Sources: Bureau of Labor Statistics, Callan, Federal Reserve

#### Inflation Year-Over-Year



#### **Historical 10-Year Yields**



### **U.S. Equity Performance: 4Q24**

### U.S. market ends on a high note, though with some volatility

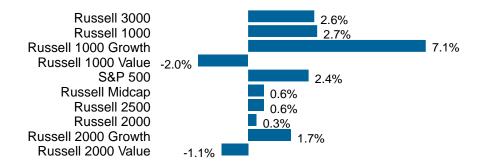
- The U.S. equity market ended on a positive note as the S&P 500 Index was up over 2%. However, the quarter was marked by volatility, particularly during October and December. Negative returns in October were driven by investor anxiety around the U.S. presidential election, uncertainty with the Fed's approach to interest rate cuts on a go-forward basis, and some misses to earnings expectations for companies. December returns, while initially buoyed by the Fed's third consecutive rate cut, cooled after the Fed announced no additional rate cuts until the second half of 2025.
- Sector performance was mixed; only 4 (Communication Services, Consumer Discretionary, Financials, and Information Technology) posted positive returns.
- During 4Q24, large cap stocks outperformed small cap stocks. Growth stocks outperformed value stocks across the market cap spectrum.
- Market concentration remains elevated; the percentage of companies outperforming the S&P 500 is at historic lows and there remains a large divergence between S&P 500 and S&P 500 ex-Magnificent Seven returns.

Industry Sector Quarterly Performance (S&P 500) as of 12/31/24

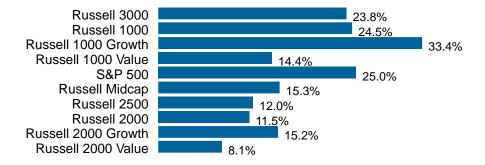
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#### 14.3% 8.9% 7.1% 4.8% -2.4% -2.3% -3.3% -5.5% -7.9% -10.3% -12.4% Communication Consumer Consumer **Financials** Health Care Industrials Information Materials Utilities Energy Real Estate Discretionary Staples Services Technology Sources: FTSE Russell, S&P Dow Jones Indices

#### U.S. Equity: Quarter Ended 12/31/24



#### U.S. Equity: One Year Ended 12/31/24

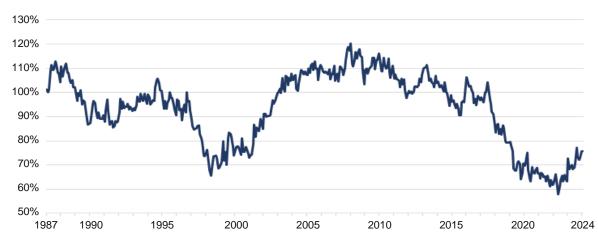


### **U.S. Equity Key Theme**

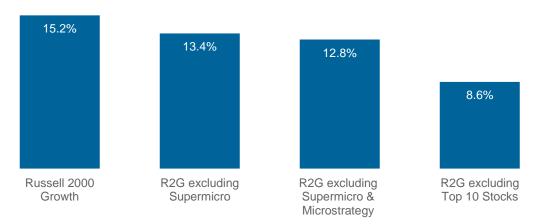
### Narratives around small caps also remain persistent

Small cap stocks and active small cap managers continue to face challenges

- Small cap valuations, on both an absolute and relative (to large cap valuations) basis, continue to trade at historic lows (though potentially pointing to an attractive entry point for investors).
- The percentage of Russell 2000 stocks outperforming the Russell 2000 Index remains at the lower end of the historical range, pointing to the persistence of relative weakness within the small cap markets.
- Small cap active managers have had to contend with benchmark concentration, as two stocks in particular, Supermicro and Microstrategy, continue to have an outsized impact on benchmark performance.
- During 2024, profitable companies outperformed those with losses -- 42% of the companies in the Russell 2000 lost money. This suggests active managers could be positioned for stronger relative performance.



#### Small Cap Valuations Remain at Historic Lows (Russell 2000 / S&P 500 Relative P/E)



Impact of Supermicro and Microstrategy on 2024 Performance

Sources: Furey Research Partners, MSCI, Royce Associates, Westfield



### Global/Global ex-U.S. Equity Performance: 4Q24

### Non-U.S. markets pull back at year-end

#### Broad market

- Global equity markets had a rough end to the year as concerns around Trump tariffs weighed on Europe and China.
- Europe was one of the worst-performing regions, plagued by political uncertainty and continued economic woes.
- While still negative, Japan's decline over the quarter was stemmed by the approval of a new economic stimulus plan focused on issues such as wage stability and deflation.

### **Emerging markets**

 Emerging markets declined on the heels of poor results out of China and India. Although Chinese stocks initially gained from the announced stimulus, they later declined due to expected tariffs.
 Economic growth in India fell short of expectations.

#### Growth vs. value

 In developed markets outside the U.S., the influence of technology and AI is comparatively more muted, which makes the trend of growth stocks, especially those from the "Magnificent Seven," outperforming value stocks less pronounced.

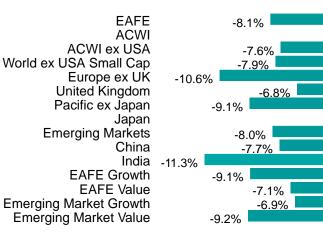
#### U.S. dollar strength

 The U.S. dollar shifted direction from the last quarter as expectations for interest rate cuts faded, along with the anticipated beneficial effects of the Trump administration on the U.S. economy; in total the U.S. Dollar Index rose over 7% during the quarter.

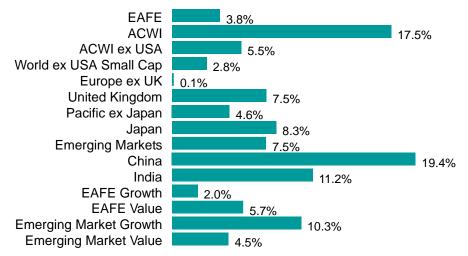
Source: MSCI



#### Global Equity Returns: Quarter Ended 12/31/24



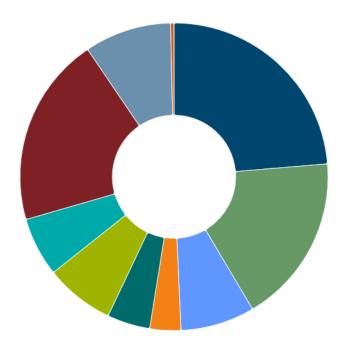
#### Global Equity Returns: One Year Ended 12/31/24



-1.0%

-3.6%

### PERSI DB Asset Allocation - Defined Benefit as of December 31, 2024



Asset Class	Assets	Actual Weight	Target
<ul> <li>US Public Equity</li> </ul>	\$5,805,910,181	23.66%	21.00%
<ul> <li>Global Equity</li> </ul>	\$4,375,611,680	17.83%	18.00%
Private Equity	\$1,909,919,891	7.78%	8.00%
REIT Equity	\$801,051,752	3.26%	4.00%
Private Real Estate	\$1,106,195,340	4.51%	4.00%
<ul> <li>Emerging Markets</li> <li>Equity</li> </ul>	\$1,785,481,057	7.28%	9.00%
<ul> <li>Developed Markets Equity</li> </ul>	\$1,522,282,503	6.20%	6.00%
<ul> <li>US Fixed Income</li> </ul>	\$4,909,927,938	20.01%	20.00%
US TIPS	\$2,236,701,725	9.11%	10.00%
<ul> <li>Short Term Cash</li> </ul>	\$88,914,250	0.36%	-
Total Fund	\$24,541,996,317	100.00%	100.00%

- Target asset allocation reflects strategic policy decisions to invest in Private Equity, Real Estate, Global Equity, and US TIPS relative to the Long-Term Target of 55% US Equity, 15% Non-US Equity, and 30% Bonds.
- The Fund was overweight to US Public Equity and Private Real Estate, and underweight to REITS, Emerging Markets Equity, and US TIPS relative to the Strategic Policy Target. Actual weights are within acceptable ranges
- Relative to the median public plan, PERSI has a strategic underweight to US Equity and overweight to Emerging Markets and TIPS.

Asset Class	Current	Target	Ranges
Equities	71%	70%	66% - 77%
Broad Domestic Equity	57%	55%	50% - 65%
International Developed Equity	14%	15%	10% - 20%
Fixed Income	29%	30%	23% - 33%
Cash	0%	0%	0% - 5%

### **PERSI DB Asset Distribution as of December 31, 2024**

Total Fund ended the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter 2024 with \$24.5 B, a net decrease of \$0.7 B

- Net withdrawals: \$0.101 B
- Investment growth: \$0.567 B

Portfolio	Ending Assets Dec 31, 2024	Weight	Net Cash Activity	Investment Gain/Loss	Beginning Assets Sep 30, 2024	Weight
US Public Equity	\$5,805,910,181	23.66%	-\$89,000,000	\$99,104,022	\$5,795,806,159	22.99%
Global Equity	\$4,375,611,680	17.83%	\$0	-\$159,221,429	\$4,534,833,109	17.99%
Private Equity	\$1,909,919,891	7.78%	\$32,326,255	\$17,843,629	\$1,859,750,007	7.38%
Real Assets	\$1,907,247,093	7.77%	-\$65,927,693	-\$46,407,949	\$2,019,582,735	8.01%
Emerging Markets Equity	\$1,785,481,057	7.28%	-\$198,780	-\$116,530,236	\$1,902,210,073	7.55%
Developed Markets Equity	\$1,522,282,503	6.20%	\$0	-\$150,660,943	\$1,672,943,446	6.64%
Total Fixed	\$7,146,629,663	29.12%	-\$471,957	-\$212,781,806	\$7,359,883,426	29.19%
Short Term Cash	\$88,914,250	0.36%	\$22,682,807	\$1,344,425	\$64,887,018	0.26%
Total Fund	\$24,541,996,317	100.00%	-\$100,759,397	-\$567,140,259	\$25,209,895,973	100.00%

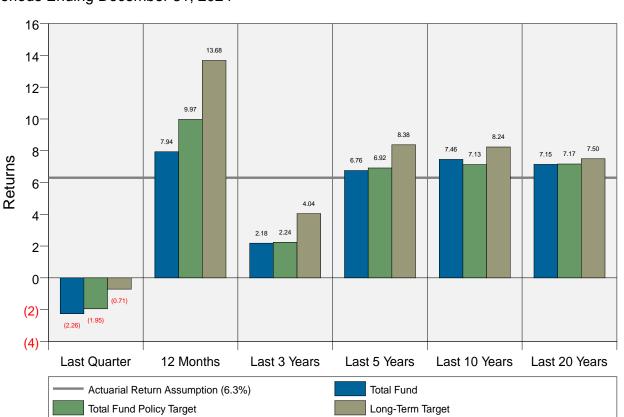
### PERSI DB: 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter 2024 Performance Summary\*

4Q 2024: PERSI Total Fund earned a return of -2.26%, underperforming the Policy and Long-Term Target returns

- In aggregate the managers underperformed their benchmarks by 49 bps.
- Variations from policy added 18 bps.

Over the last three years, the Total Fund returned 2.18%, trailing the Policy Target return of 2.24%. Over the last five years, the Total Fund gained 6.76% vis-à-vis the Policy Target return of 6.92%

Last 20 years: Total Fund has earned an average annual return of 7.15%

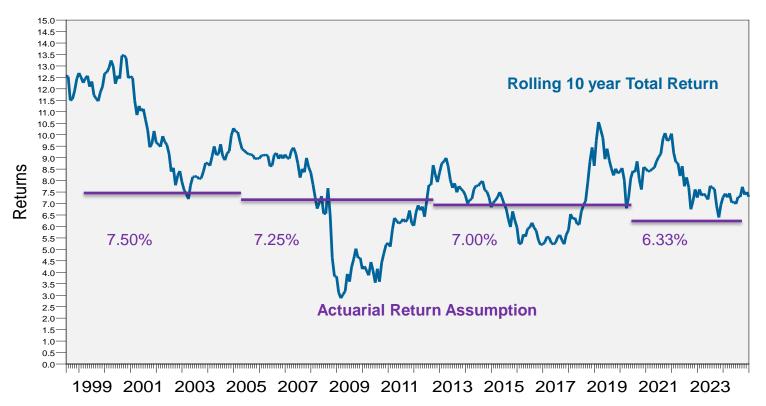


Total Fund Returns Periods Ending December 31, 2024

### **PERSI DB: Historical Actual Returns and Actuarial Return Assumptions**

10 year rolling time periods

Rolling 120 Month Net of Fee Returns Since Inception of Total Fund Ended December 31, 2024



### Performance\* Comparison - Trailing Time Periods as of December 31, 2024

Performance vs Callan Public Fund Spr DB



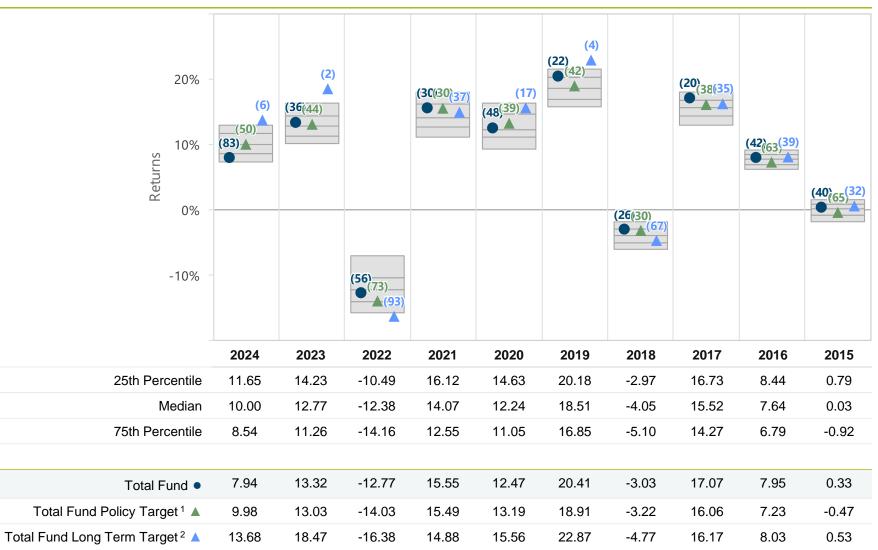
\* Total Fund Returns are Gross of Fees

(1) Total Fund Policy Target: 21% Russell 3000, 18% MSCI AC World Net Index, 6% MSCI EAFE Net Index, 9% MSCI Emg Mkts Net Index, 8% Private Equity Return, 4% NAREIT All Equity Index, 4% NFI-ODCE Equal-Wt

(2) Total Fund Long Term Target: 55% Russell 3000 Index, 30% Blmbg Aggregate Index and 15% MSCI EAFE Index.

### Performance\* Comparison - Calendar Years as of December 31, 2024

Performance vs Callan Public Fund Spr DB



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### Quarter ended December 31, 2024

#### Relative Attribution Effects for Quarter ended December 31, 2024

Style Class	Effective Actual Weight	Effective Target Weight	Actual Return	Target Return	Manager Effect	Style Allocation	Total Relative Return
US Public Equity	24%	21%	1.69%	2.63%	(0.22%)	0.09%	(0.12%)
Developed Markets	6%	6%	(9.01%)	(8.11%)	(0.06%)	(0.03%)	(0.09%)
Emerging Markets	7%	9%	(6.13%)	(8.01%)	0.15%	0.08%	0.23%
Global Equity	18%	18%	(3.51%)	(0.99%)	(0.45%)	(0.00%)	(0.45%)
US TIPS '	9%	10%	(2.97%)	(2.88%)	(0.01%)	0.01%	(0.00%)
US Fixed Income	20%	20%	(2.86%)	(3.06%)	0.04%	(0.00%)	0.04%
REIT Managers	3%	4%	(5.11%)	(8.15%)	0.11%	0.04%	0.14%
Private Real Estate	5%	4%	(0.32%)	0.85%	(0.05%)	0.01%	(0.04%)
Private Equity	7%	8%	0.96%	0.96%	0.00%	(0.02%)	(0.02%)
Cash/Transition	0%	0%	1.23%	1.23%	0.00%	0.01%	0.01%
Total			(2.26%) =	(1.95%) +	(0.49%) +	0.18%	(0.31%)

- Total Fund outperformed the Policy Target by 31 basis points during the past quarter.
- Manager Performance: 49 bps
  - + Emerging Markets, US Fixed Income, and REITs outperformed
  - US Public Equity, Developed Markets, Global Equity, TIPS, and Private Real Estate underperformed
- Allocation Impacts: +18 bps
  - + Overweight US Equity and Private Real Estate
  - + Underweight Emerging Markets, TIPS, and REITs
  - Underweight Private Equity

<sup>\*</sup> Returns are Gross of Fees

1 Year ended December 31, 2024

#### **One Year Relative Attribution Effects**

Style Class	Effective Actual Weight	Effective Target Weight	Actual Return	Target Return	Manager Effect	Style Allocation	Total Relative <u>Return</u>
US Public Equity	22%	21%	20.34%	23.81%	(0.72%)	0.09%	(0.63%)
Developed Markets	6%	6%	3.12%	3.82%	(0.05%)	(0.04%)	(0.09%)
Emerging Markets	7%	9%	6.46%	7.50%	(0.09%)	0.03%	(0.06%)
Global Equity	19%	18%	9.40%	17.49%	(1.47%)	0.13%	(1.34%)
USTIPS	9%	10%	2.01%	1.84%	0.02%	0.05%	0.07%
US Fixed Income	20%	20%	1.78%	1.25%	0.11%	0.07%	0.18%
REIT Managers	3%	4%	8.91%	4.92%	0.14%	(0.03%)	0.11%
Private Real Estate	5%	4%	(5.74%)	(2.43%)	(0.18%)	(0.10%)	(0.28%)
Private Equity	8%	8%	6.76%	6.76%	0.00%	0.01%	0.01%
Cash/Transition	0%	0%	4.67%	4.67%	0.00%	(0.01%)	<u>    (0.01%)  </u>
Total			7.94% =	9.98% +	- (2.22%) +	0.19%	(2.04%)

- Total Fund underperformed the Policy Target by 204 basis points during the past 12 months.
- Manager Performance: 222 bps
  - + TIPS, Fixed Income, and REITS outperformed
  - US Equity, Developed Markets, Emerging Markets, Global Equity, and Private Real Estate underperformed
- Allocation Impacts: + 19 bps
  - + Overweight US Equity and Global Equity
  - + Underweight Emerging Markets and TIPS
  - Overweight Private Real Estate
  - Underweight REITs

\* Returns are Gross of Fees

5 Years ended December 31, 2024

#### **Five Year Annualized Relative Attribution Effects**

Style Class	Effective Actual Weight	Effective Target Weight	Actual Return	Target Return	Manager Effect	Style Allocation	Total Relative Return
US Public Equity	22%	21%	13.72%	13.86%	(0.06%)	0.00%	(0.06%)
Developed Markets	6%	6%	4.62%	4.73%	(0.01%)	(0.03%)	(0.04%)
Emerging Markets	8%	9%	1.30%	1.70%	(0.02%)	0.05%	0.02%
Global Equity	19%	18%	9.30%	10.06%	(0.13%)	0.01%	(0.12%)
USTIPS	10%	10%	1.76%	1.87%	(0.01%)	0.01%	(0.00%)
US Fixed Income	19%	20%	0.16%	(0.33%)	0.10%	0.11%	0.21%
Private Real Estate	5%	4%	4.99%	2.24%	0.19%	(0.12%)	0.07%
REIT Managers	4%	4%	4.83%	3.29%	0.06%	(0.04%)	0.02%
Private Equity	7%	8%	13.83%	13.83%	0.00%	(0.20%)	(0.20%)
Cash/Transition	0%	0%	2.39%	2.39%	0.00%	(0.06%)	(0.06%)
Total			6.76% =	6.92% +	• 0.11% +	(0.27%)	(0.16%)

- Total Fund underperformed the Policy Target by 16 basis points for the past 5 years.
- + Manager Performance: + 11 bps
  - + Fixed Income, Private RE, and REITs outperformed.
  - US Equity, Developed Markets, Emerging Markets, Global Equity, and TIPS underperformed.
- Allocation Impacts: 27 bps
  - + Overweight Global Equity
  - + Underweight Emerging Markets and Fixed Income
  - Overweight Private RE
  - Underweight Private Equity

\* Returns are Gross of Fees

10 Years ended December 31, 2024

Style Class	Effective Actual Weight	Effective Target Weight	Actual Return	Target Return	Manager Effect	Style Allocation	Total Relative Return
US Public Equity	24%	21%	12.79%	12.55%	0.05%	0.09%	0.14%
Developed Markets	6%	6%	5.30%	5.20%	0.01%	(0.02%)	(0.01%)
Emerging Markets	8%	9%	3.63%	3.64%	0.00%	0.00%	0.01%
Global Equity	17%	18%	9.85%	9.23%	0.09%	(0.02%)	0.08%
USTIPS	10%	10%	2.16%	2.24%	(0.01%)	0.01%	(0.00%)
US Fixed Income	18%	20%	1.92%	1.35%	0.11%	0.07%	0.19%
REIT Managers	4%	4%	6.54%	5.83%	0.02%	(0.03%)	(0.01%)
Private Real Estate	5%	4%	8.96%	5.25%	0.19%	(0.07%)	0.12%
Private Equity	7%	8%	12.18%	12.18%	0.00%	(0.14%)	(0.14%)
Cash/Transition	0%	0%	2.36%	2.36%	0.00%	(0.04%)	<u>(0.04%)</u>
Total			7.46% =	: 7.13% н	- 0.47% +	(0.14%)	0.33%

#### **Ten Year Annualized Relative Attribution Effects**

- + Total Fund outperformed the Policy Target by 33 basis points for the past 10 years.
- + Manager Performance: + 47 bps
  - + US Equity, Developed Markets, Global Equity, Fixed Income, REITs, and Private RE outperformed.
  - TIPS underperformed.

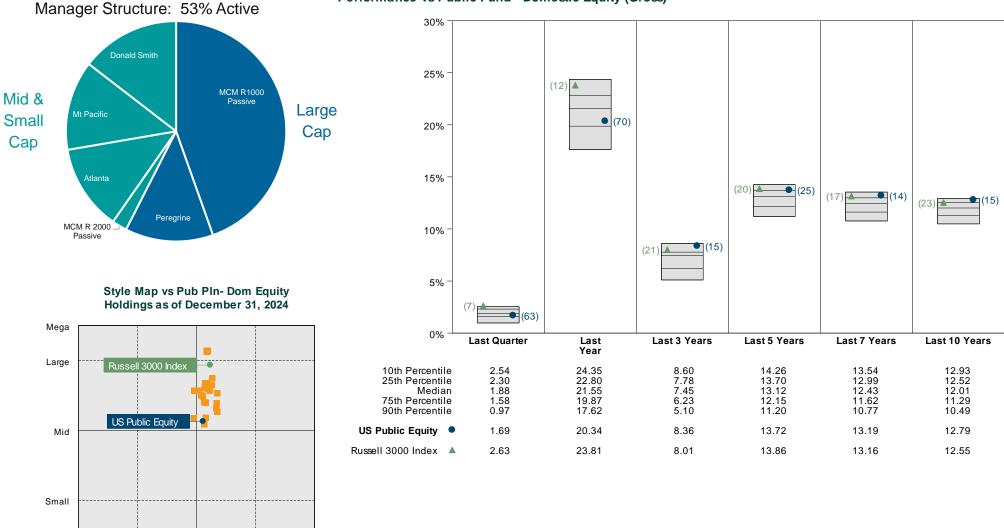
- Allocation Impacts: -14 bps
  - + Overweight US Equity
  - + Underweight Fixed Income
  - Overweight Private RE
  - Underweight Global Equity and Private Equity

<sup>\*</sup> Returns are Gross of Fees



### U.S. Equity Portfolio vs. Public Plan Domestic Equity Database

### Periods ended December 31, 2024



Performance vs Public Fund - Domestic Equity (Gross)

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Micro

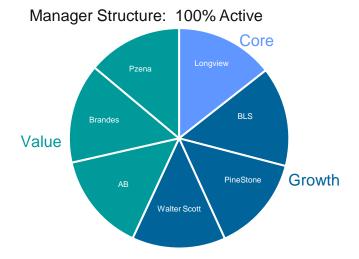
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### **Global Equity Portfolio vs. Global Equity Database**

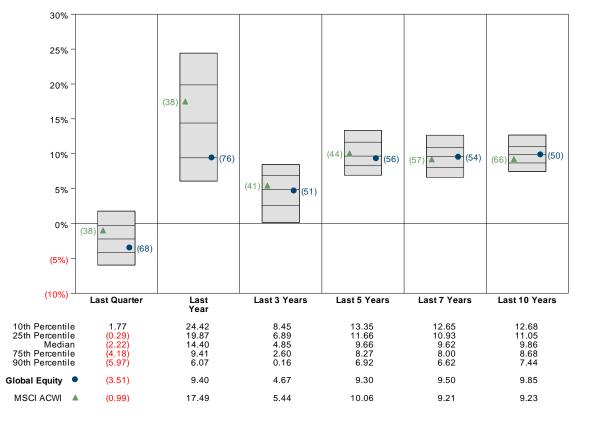
### Periods ended December 31, 2024



#### Style Map vs Callan Global Equity Holdings as of December 31, 2024



#### Performance vs Callan Global Equity (Gross)



### **Developed Markets Portfolio vs. Non-US Dev Core Database**

### Periods ended December 31, 2024

# Growth C Worldwide MCM EAFE Passive Core Mondrian SpruceGrove Value

### Manager Structure: 80% Active



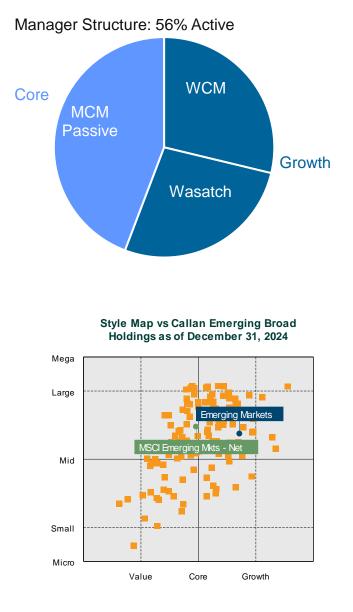


#### Performance vs Callan Non-US Developed Core Equity (Gross)

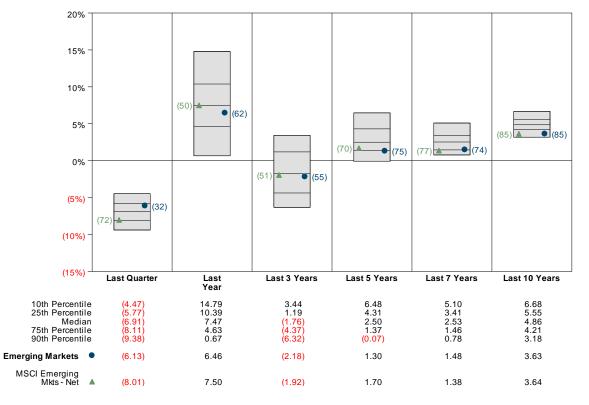


### **Emerging Markets Portfolio vs. Emerging Broad Database**

### Periods ended December 31, 2024

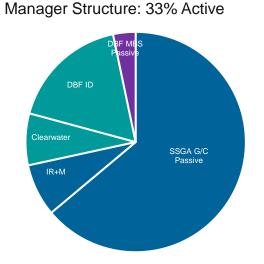


#### Performance vs Callan Emerging Broad (Gross)

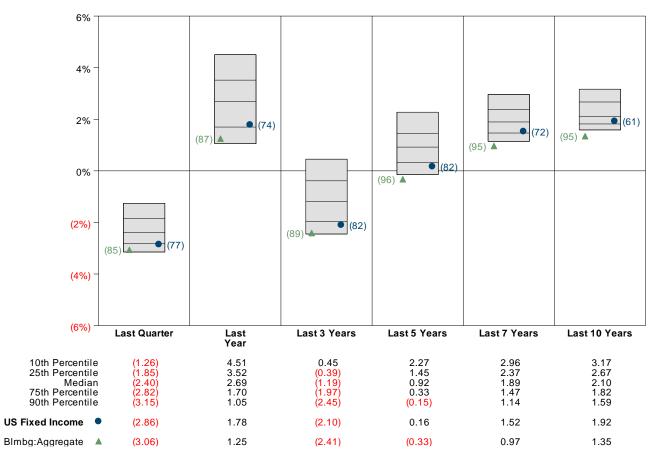


### **US Fixed Income Portfolio vs. Public Plan Fixed Income Database**

Periods ended December 30, 2024



Performance vs Public Fund - Domestic Fixed (Gross)



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### PERSI Choice 401(k) Plan New Investment Structure

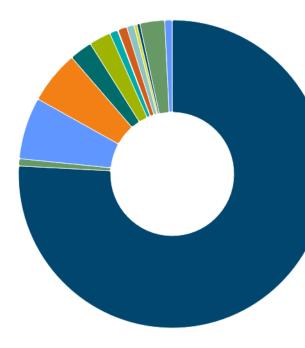
### Implemented: 3Q 2023



\*Total Return Fund is the Default Fund for the plan



### PERSI Choice 401(k) Asset Allocation as of December 31, 2024



	Asset Class	Assets	Actual Weight
	Total Return Fd	\$1,308,332,539	75.84%
	Calvert SRI Balanced	\$13,130,781	0.76%
	MCM U.S. Large Cap Equity	\$112,092,756	6.50%
	Vanguard Growth & Income	\$96,035,608	5.57%
	MCM U.S. Small/Mid Cap Equity	\$41,135,602	2.38%
	T. Rowe Price Small Cap	\$39,654,636	2.30%
	MCM Intl Equity	\$14,409,728	0.84%
•	T. Rowe Price Overseas Stock	\$588,400	0.03%
-	DFA Emerging Markets Core Equity	\$851,087	0.05%
	Dodge & Cox Income Fund	\$16,271,949	0.94%
	MCM U.S. Bond	\$13,432,675	0.78%
	MCM U.S. TIPS	\$5,380,446	0.31%
	MCM U.S. REITs	\$5,680,481	0.33%
	PERSI STIP	\$44,532,724	2.58%
	Loan Fund	\$13,695,421	0.79%
	Total Fund	\$1,725,224,832	100.00%

### PERSI Choice 401(k) Asset Distribution as of December 31, 2024

Portfolio	Ending Assets Dec 31, 2024	Weight	Net Cash Activity	Investment Gain/Loss	Beginning Assets Sep 30, 2024	Weight
Domestic Equity						
MCM U.S. Large Cap Equity	\$112,092,756	6.50%	\$4,134,478	\$2,515,973	\$105,442,306	6.03%
Vanguard Growth & Income	\$96,035,608	5.57%	\$4,287,020	\$3,036,287	\$88,712,302	5.07%
MCM U.S. Small/Mid Cap Equity	\$41,135,602	2.38%	\$381,587	\$1,781,295	\$38,972,720	2.23%
T. Rowe Price Small Cap	\$39,654,636	2.30%	\$239,760	\$589,227	\$38,825,649	2.22%
Balanced						
Total Return Fd	\$1,308,332,539	75.84%	-\$7,918,951	-\$31,143,914	\$1,347,395,404	77.00%
Calvert SRI Balanced	\$13,130,781	0.76%	\$732,191	\$132,910	\$12,265,679	0.70%
International Equity						
MCM Intl Equity	\$14,409,728	0.84%	\$69,553	-\$1,354,785	\$15,694,961	0.90%
T. Rowe Price Overseas Stock	\$588,400	0.03%	\$22,444	-\$48,167	\$614,122	0.04%
DFA Emerging Markets Core Equity	\$851,087	0.05%	\$53,078	-\$61,024	\$859,034	0.05%
Domestic Fixed Income						
Dodge & Cox Income Fund	\$16,271,949	0.94%	-\$624,580	-\$572,404	\$17,468,933	1.00%
MCM U.S. Bond	\$13,432,675	0.78%	\$202,262	-\$423,836	\$13,654,248	0.78%
MCM U.S. TIPS	\$5,380,446	0.31%	\$639,555	-\$147,061	\$4,887,952	0.28%
MCM U.S. REITs	\$5,680,481	0.33%	\$142,531	-\$350,135	\$5,888,085	0.34%
PERSI STIP	\$44,532,724	2.58%	-\$1,749,304	\$650,586	\$45,631,442	2.61%
Loan Fund	\$13,695,421	0.79%	\$457,266	-\$237,212	\$13,475,367	0.77%
Total Fund	\$1,725,224,832	100.00%	\$1,068,890	-\$25,632,260	\$1,749,788,203	100.00%

### PERSI Choice 401(k) Plan Performance Overview\*

	Last Quarter	Last Year	Last 3 Years	Last 5 Years	Last 10 Years
Domestic Equity					
Mellon Large Cap Equity	2.40%	24.63%	8.87%	14.48%	13.04%
Vanguard Growth and Income S&P 500 Index	3.41% 2.41%	26.28% 25.02%	9.30% 8.94%	14.77% 14.53%	13.04% 13.10%
	2.4170	23.0270	0.3470	14.0070	13.1070
Mellon Small/MidCap Equity	4.61%	15.51%	2.61%	10.07%	9.43%
DJ US Completion Total Stock Mkt	4.74%	16.89%	2.38%	9.77%	9.30%
T. Rowe Price Small Cap Stock	1.50%	11.75%	0.25%	8.02%	9.73%
Russell 2000 Index	0.33%	11.54%	1.24%	7.40%	7.82%
Balanced					
Total Return Fund	(2.32%)	7.67%	1.91%	6.48%	7.18%
Target Index (1)	(0.69%)	13.75%	4.04%	8.51%	8.29%
Calvert SRI Balanced (2)	1.13%	19.35%	5.73%	9.41%	8.40%
60%S&P/40% BImbg Agg	0.22%	15.13%	4.45%	8.80%	8.57%
International Equity					
Mellon Intl Index	(8.63%)	3.63%	1.86%	4.98%	5.49%
T. Rowe Price Overseas Stock (4)	(7.64%)	2.95%	0.51%	4.53%	-
MSCI EAFE Index	(8.11%)	3.82%	1.65%	4.73%	5.20%
DFA Emerging Markets Core Eq (5)	(6.87%)	7.32%	1.18%	4.53%	4.84%
MSCI Emg Mkts	(8.01%)	7.50%	(1.92%)	1.70%	3.64%
Domestic Fixed Income					
Dodge & Cox Income (3)	(3.30%)	2.34%	(0.57%)	1.29%	2.48%
Mellon Blmbg Agg	(3.09%)	1.18%	(2.45%)	(0.42%)	1.25%
BImbg Agg Index	(3.06%)	1.25%	(2.41%)	(0.33%)	1.35%
Mellon U.S. TIPS	(2.88%)	1.86%	(2.33%)	1.81%	2.19%
BImbg US TIPS Index	(2.88%)	1.84%	(2.30%)	1.87%	2.24%
Mellon U.S. REITs	(6.00%)	6.51%	(3.19%)	3.21%	4.70%
DJ US Select REIT Index	(5.93%)	8.10%	(3.02%)	3.40%	4.89%
PERSI STIP	1.17%	5.22%	3.99%	2.61%	2.02%
FTSE Treas 1 Yr	0.75%	4.85%	2.90%	2.10%	1.68%
TBills + 0.50%	1.29%	5.75%	4.39%	2.96%	2.27%

(1) Target Benchmark consists of 55% Russell 3000, 30% Bloomberg Capital Aggregate, and 15% MSCIEAFE.

(2) Performance represents Calvert Balance I until 04/30/2023 and Calvert Balance R6 thereafter.

(3) Performance represents Dodge & Cox Income I until 04/30/2023 and Dodge & Cox Income X thereafter.

(4) Funded April 2023, performance represents the T. Rowe Price Overseas Stock I Mutual Fund.

(5) Funded April 2023, performance represents the DFA Emerging Markets Core Equity I Mutual Fund.

\*Returns are net of fee



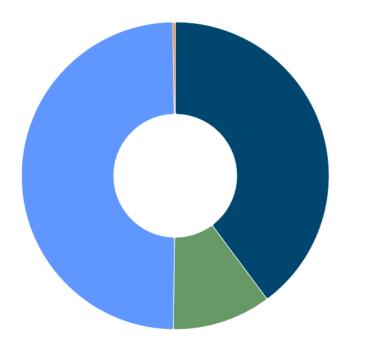
### For the Quarter

- Balanced Funds
- Total Return Fund underperformed the Long-Term Index.
- Calvert outperformed its benchmark by 91 bps.
- Active Manager performance vs benchmarks:
- T. Rowe Price Overseas + 47 bps
- Vanguard G&I + 100 bps
- DFA Emerging Markets + 114 bps
  - Dodge & Cox 24 bps
- T. Rowe Price Small Cap + 117 bps

### Long-term Perspective (3- to 10-yr)

- Dodge & Cox has outperformed over longer periods of time
- Vanguard G&I has outperformed its long-term target over the last 3 and 5 years
- T. Rowe Price Sm Cap outperformed the Russell 2000 index over the last 5 and 10 years
- T. Rowe Price Overseas<sup>4</sup> has underperformed the MSCI EAFE Index for the last 3 and 5 years
- DFA Emerging Markets<sup>5</sup> has outperformed the MSCI Emerging Markets Index for longer periods
- Total Return underperformed its long-term target over the last 3, 5 and 10 years.
- Calvert outperformed its long-term target over the last 3 and 5 years but lagged over the last 10 years
- Passive funds kept pace with their respective benchmarks.

### PERSI Sick Leave Asset Allocation as of December 31, 2024



	Asset Class	Assets	Actual Weight	Target
•	Russell 3000 Fund - Total	\$281,216,601	39.81%	39.4%
•	MSCI ACWI ex US Fund - Total	\$73,308,747	10.38%	10.6%
•	Govt/Credit Bond Fund - Total	\$350,040,911	49.56%	50.0%
	Treasurer's Office Cash - Total	\$1,784,393	0.25%	0.0%
	Total Sick Leave Funds	\$706,350,652	100.00%	-

Asset Class	\$000s Actual	Weight Actual	Target	Percent Difference	\$000s Difference
Russell 3000 Fund	281,217	39.8%	39.4%	0.5%	3,197
ACWI ex US Fund	73,309	10.4%	10.6%	(0.3%)	(1,847) (3,134)
Govt/Credit Bond Fund	350,041	49.6%	50.0%	(0.4%)	(3,134)
Treasurer's Office Cash	1,784	0.3%	0.0%	0.3%	1,784
Total	706,351	100.0%	100.0%		

\* Historical targets:

• Through Nov 2007: 100% Russell 3000

• From Dec 2007 through Aug 2011: 67% Russell 3000 + 33% Bloomberg Gov/Credit.

From Sep 2011 through Oct 2020: 55% Russell 3000 + 15% MSCI ACWI ex US + 30% Bloomberg Gov/Credit

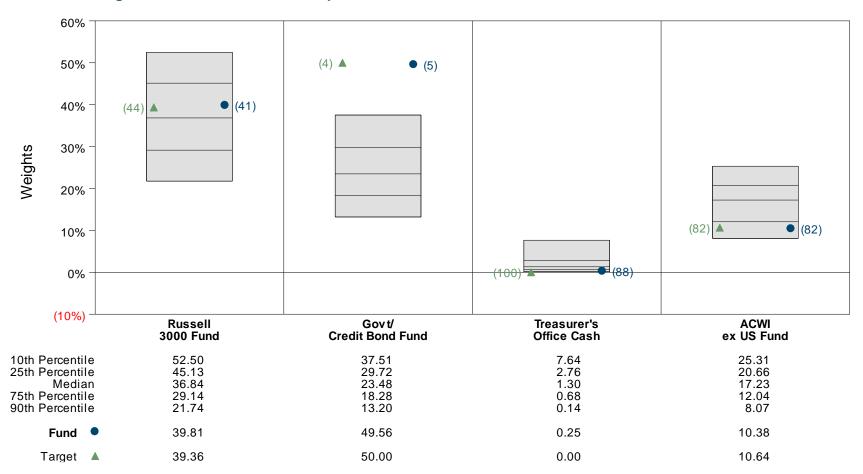
Current policy is 50% Equity/50% Fixed Income

### **PERSI Sick Leave Total Asset Distribution as of December 31, 2024**

Portfolio	Ending Assets Dec 31, 2024	Weight	Net Cash Activity	Investment Gain/Loss	Beginning Assets Sep 30, 2024	Weight
Russell 3000 Fund - Total	\$281,216,601	39.81%	-\$41,267,000	\$7,714,569	\$314,769,031	43.72%
MSCI ACWI ex US Fund - Total	\$73,308,747	10.38%	\$0	-\$5,927,243	\$79,235,991	11.01%
Govt/Credit Bond Fund - Total	\$350,040,911	49.56%	\$36,412,807	-\$10,503,648	\$324,131,752	45.02%
Treasurer's Office Cash - Total	\$1,784,393	0.25%	-\$28,454	\$5,750	\$1,807,097	0.25%
Total Sick Leave Funds	\$706,350,652	100.00%	-\$4,882,647	-\$8,710,572	\$719,943,870	100.00%

### **PERSI Sick Leave Funds Asset Allocation vs Other Public Funds**

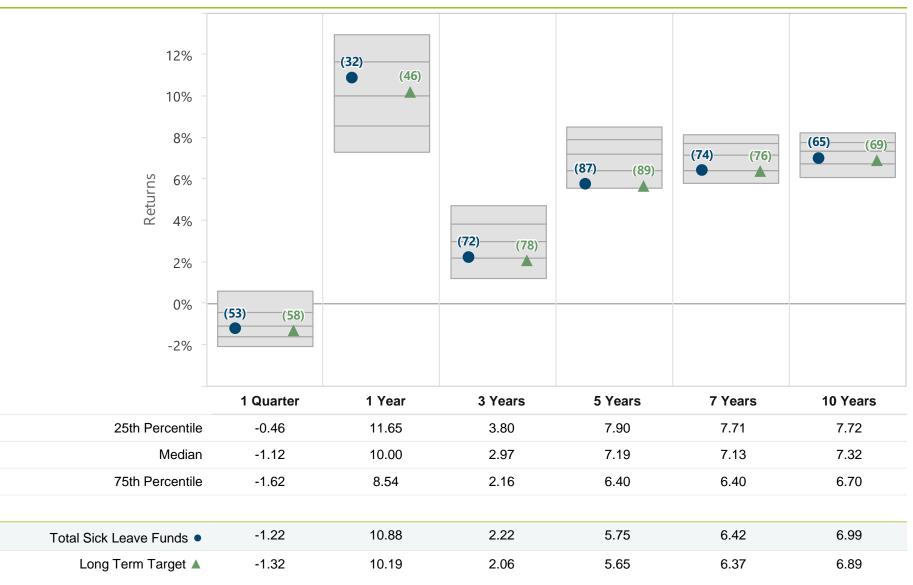
Periods ended December 31, 2024



#### Asset Class Weights vs Callan Public Fund Sponsor Database

### Performance\* Comparison - Trailing Time Periods as of December 31, 2024

Performance vs Callan Public Fund Spr DB



\* Total Sick Leave Funds Returns are Gross of Fees

Current Quarter Target (effective Nov 2020) = 50.0% Blmbg Gov/Credit, 39.4% Russell 3000 Index, 10.6% MSCI ACWI xUS (Net) and 0.0% 3-month Treasury Bill.

### Performance\* Comparison - Calendar Years as of December 31, 2024

Performance vs Callan Public Fund Spr DB



\* Total Sick Leave Funds Returns are Gross of Fees

Current Quarter Target (effective Nov 2020) = 50.0% Blmbg Gov/Credit, 39.4% Russell 3000 Index, 10.6% MSCI ACWI xUS (Net) and 0.0% 3-month Treasury Bill.

### **PERSI Sick Leave Funds Performance Attribution\***

### 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter 2024

#### Relative Attribution Effects for Quarter ended December 31, 2024

Style Class	Effective Actual Weight	Effective Target Weight	Actual Return	Target Return	Manager Effect	Style Allocation	Total Relative Return
Russell 3000 Fund	40%	39%	2.62%	2.63%	(0.01%)	0.04%	0.04%
ACWI ex US Fund	11%	11%	(7.48%)	(7.60%)	0.01%	0.00%	0.02%
Govt/Credit Bond Fund	49%	50%	(3.05%)	(3.08%)	0.01%	0.02%	0.03%
Treasurer's Office Cash	0% ו	0%	1.19%	1.17%	0.00%	0.02%	0.02%
Total			(1.22%) =	(1.32%) +	0.02% +	0.08%	0.10%

- Sick Leave Funds exceeded the Target by 10 bps during the quarter.
- Passive funds outperformed their benchmarks by 2 bps.
- Variations from target weights gained 8 bps.

### **PERSI Sick Leave Funds Performance Attribution\***

13 years since December 2011

#### Thirteen and One-Quarter Year Annualized Relative Attribution Effects

Style Class	Effective Actual Weight	Effective Target Weight	Actual Return	Target Return	Manager Effect	Style Allocation	Total Relative Return
Russell 3000 Fund ACWI ex US Fund	52% 13%	50% 14%	15.07% 6.21%	15.03% 5.94%	0.02% 0.04%	0.08%	0.10%
Govt/Credit Bond Fund	35%	36%	1.89%	1.84%	0.02%	0.01%	0.04%
Treasurer's Office Cash	<u>n 0%</u>	0%	1.27%	1.35%	(0.00%)	(0.00%)	_(0.00%)_
Total			8.94% =	8.78% +	0.07% +	0.09%	0.16%

Sick Leave Funds earned a return of 8.94%, which exceeded the target return of 8.78% by 16 bps.

• Passive funds slightly outperformed, contributing 7 bps of value-added, while rebalancing added another 9 bps.

**Callan Update** 



### **Published Research Highlights: 4Q24**

2024 Real Assets Fees and Terms Study



3Q24 Market Intelligence Report (clients-only)



Coming Soon: 2025 Capital Markets Assumptions



#### **Recent Blog Posts**

IRS Guidance: How Reliable Is it?	Public DB Plan Trends (and Some That Will Be)	Are Equity Returns More Volatile in an Election Year? It Depends! Ric Ford and Drew
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Active vs. Passive quarterly charts *Capital Markets Review* quarterly newsletter Monthly Updates to the Periodic Table *Market Pulse Flipbook* quarterly markets update Market Intelligence (clients-only) *Real Estate Indicators* market outlook

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Upcoming conferences, workshops, and webinars

# 2025 National Conference

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Our annual conference will feature mainstage speakers and Callan-led workshops on a variety of topics.

This year we welcome Zanny Minton Beddoes, Ethan Mollick, Admiral James Stavridis, Barry Sternlicht, and Evy Poumpouras to the stage! We will be updating our website as we add additional information regarding this event!

Learn more about this event at: https://www.callan.com/events/2025nationalconference/



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2025 Regional Workshops June 3, 2025 – Denver June 5, 2025 – New York October 28, 2025 – Chicago October 30, 2025 – San Francisco

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March 20, 2025 Research Café: Sector-Specific Strategies

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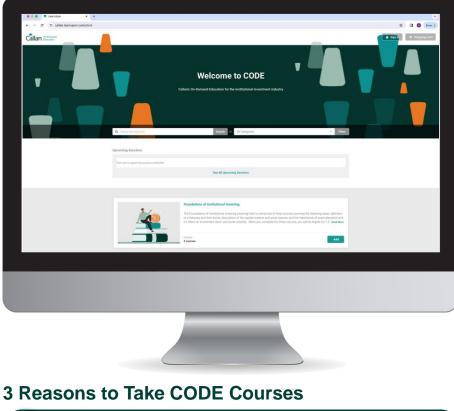
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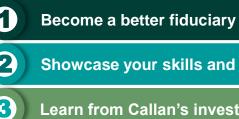
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# Firm updates by the numbers, as of Dec. 31, 2024

Total Associates: ~200

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- 100% employees
- ~70% of employees are equity owners

Total Investment Consultants: 50+ Total Specialty and Research Consultants: 65+ Total CFA/CAIA/FRMs: 60+ Total Institutional Investor Clients: 475+ Provides advisory services to institutional investor clients with assets over \$4+ trillion

# **NEW ON CODE: The Framework of Alternative Investments**

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- Greg Allen, CEO, Chief Research Officer in a June 2024 FundFire story about CODE



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# Capital Markets Review

## The Recession Never Came, so Now What?

#### ECONOMY

2 PAGE Economists were convinced that a recession would hit the U.S. economy, but it never came. Instead, growth held up, and consumers became more confident. Now what? With mass deportations and tariffs potentially leading to inflation, the fate of the economy is uncertain.

# Inflation Worries Drag Most Indices Lower

FIXED INCOME

A gregate Bond Index PAGE fell 3.1% due to the rise in interest rates, and credit spreads tightened. The yield curve steepened, with rates rising for Treasuries one year and longer. The U.S. dollar surged.

# Gains in 3Q24 but Lags Benchmarks

#### PRIVATE CREDIT

**12** PAGE Private credit rose 2.0% in 3Q24, lagging two benchmarks. But over longer time periods it has held up well and performed better than either leveraged loans or high yield bonds. Fundraising for private debt was the strongest since 4Q23, with \$51 billion raised.

## Gains for 2024 but Concerns Over 2025

#### INSTITUTIONAL INVESTORS

A G E Institutional investors saw gains over 2024, but struggled against a 60% stocks/40% bonds benchmark. The new administration was the focus of many discussions, and inflation, interest rates, and the Fed continued to dominate asset-allocation decisions.

# Valuations May Have Bottomed; REITs Fall

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**10** PAGE Valuations appear to have bottomed and now reflect higher borrowing costs. Income returns for private real estate were positive across sectors and regions. REITs fell, both in the U.S. and globally. Redemption queues are starting to decline.

# Strong Finish but Choppy Outlook

#### HEDGE FUNDS/MACs

**13** PAGE Hedge funds finished strong to end the year; the median Callan Institutional Hedge Fund Peer Group rose 2.4%. Within the HFRI indices, the best-performing strategy was event-driven, which was up 2.1% as current M&A deals reacted positively to the new administration.

## U.S. Stocks Hit High After Volatility Spike

#### EQUITY

**6** P A G E U.S. stocks ended up roughly 2% after a volatile quarter. Sector performance was mixed, while large cap stocks outperformed small cap, again. Tariffs threatened by the Trump administration weighed on global equity markets, with Europe one of the worst performers.

# Fundraising Back; Activity Struggles

## PRIVATE EQUITY

Fundraising by dollar is nearing the highs of 2021. Buyout activity is flat, while venture capital activity is significantly depressed. Short-term performance continues to lag, but over longer time periods, private equity maintains a premium.

# Index Gains 5.6%; Turnover at Low

#### DEFINED CONTRIBUTION

15 PAGE PAGE Balances in the index rose entirely due to investment gains, as net flows were negative. Turnover as measured by the index hit its lowest level ever, while fixed income saw the most flows, outpacing even target date funds.

## Broad Market Quarterly Returns





Sources: Bloomberg, FTSE Russell, MSCI

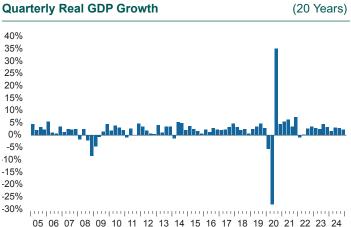
# The Recession Never Came, so Now What?

#### ECONOMY | Jay Kloepfer

Economists and market prognosticators were all so sure that a recession was in the cards, if not in 2023, then surely in 2024. But one never came, and now we are left scratching our collective heads as to what is in store for the global economy. The U.S. economy showed a few signs of slowing during 2024, scattered across indicators like inventories and consumer debt levels, especially for autos, and exports and imports. In the end solid GDP growth persisted, and the job market proved resilient despite some head fakes during the year. The hurricanes in the Southeast took a bite out of consumer optimism and the job market in the fall, when new jobs fell precipitously in October to recessionary readings (below 50,000). But hiring came bouncing back in November and December, and the U.S. economy clocked consecutive months with greater than 200,000 new jobs, a level associated with continued economic expansion. The unemployment rate remains low at 4.1%. GDP grew 2.5% over the course of 2024, after a gain of 2.9% the previous year.

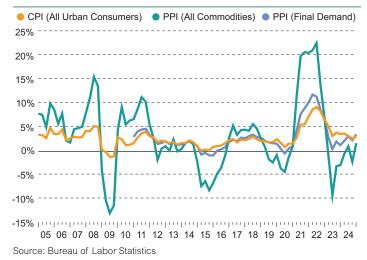
The Federal Reserve's process of rate hikes to tackle elevated inflation, in which the Fed Funds rate and mortgage rates and credit card and auto loan rates all rose dramatically within a very concentrated period of about six quarters, barely dented the U.S. economic growth engine. A tumultuous federal election year and spreading geopolitical turmoil around the globe has not hurt consumer confidence much. We can trace the consumer optimism in broad strokes to the strong, steady job market, and wages and salaries that have risen fast enough to finally outpace inflation, a reversal that took hold when the rate of inflation dropped sharply from its peak in 2022. Real average hourly earnings increased 1% over the course of 2024 (in other words, nominal wages outpaced inflation by 1%). Real wage growth has sustained confidence and boosted disposable income and spending.

The Fed signaled that it completed its mission to raise interest rates to fight inflation in mid-2024 and began cutting rates in September 2024. The Fed cut a total of 1% in 2024, and the current target range for the Fed Funds rate is 4.25%–4.50%. Longer term, the midpoint of the Fed's target for short rates is 3.0%,



Source: Bureau of Economic Analysis

#### **Inflation Year-Over-Year**



but the size of the range around this midpoint is unprecedented, 2.4% to 4%, suggesting a wide range of opinions at the Federal Open Market Committee (FOMC). The debt market is pricing in a halt to the Fed's rate cuts at 4%, suggesting belief that inflation and therefore short rates may have to settle in at levels higher than previously thought.

Despite the gains in real wages, the shadow of inflation still looms. The effects of this once-in-a-generation inflation spike will hang over companies and consumers for years. Inflation is a rate of increase in general prices; even if we hit the Federal Reserve's articulated goal of 2% long term, it still means prices continue to rise, every year. More importantly, that 9% spike in inflation is now baked in. Prices are "permanently" higher, and they are continuing to rise, just at a lower rate. Simple daily indicators abound that remind households and companies and governments that everything is substantially more expensive. None are more prevalent than the cost of food, both at home and at restaurants: How much did I just pay for those eggs?

Strong GDP growth suggests little easing in tight labor markets; the prospect for continued inflationary pressure from the labor market is high. Getting inflation down to the Fed's stated goal of 2% will take time and some discomfort. Squeezing out the last of excess inflation will require a period of below trend growth, a loosening of the labor market, and the pain of a rise in unemployment. In the face of this labor market tightness, deporting undocumented workers has the potential, most mainstream economists agree, to greatly restrict the supply of labor in agriculture across the country and could result in substantial upward pressure on the cost of food either from reduced supply (more likely) or increased wages to lure American workers to do these jobs (less likely). Other sectors including construction and services could see similar severe tightening in their supply of labor and upward pressure on prices.

The other part of the inflation shadow is the prospect of trade wars, namely the imposition of tariffs by the U.S., with potential retaliation from its trading partners. Within the complex web of global sourcing, assembly, and delivery of goods and services by U.S. companies, it is not clear what or who will be subject to a tariff. American automakers source parts, including computer chips, and assemble vehicles outside of the U.S. American tech companies make much of their hardware either entirely overseas or with

#### The Long-Term View

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Index	4Q24	1 Yr	5 Yrs	10 Yrs	25 Yrs
U.S. Equity					
Russell 3000	2.6	23.8	13.9	12.5	7.8
S&P 500	2.4	25.0	14.5	13.1	7.7
Russell 2000	0.3	11.5	7.4	7.8	7.6
Global ex-U.S. Equity					
MSCI EAFE	-8.1	3.8	4.7	5.2	3.6
MSCI ACWI ex USA	-7.6	5.5	4.1	4.8	
MSCI Emerging Markets	-8.0	7.5	1.7	3.6	
MSCI ACWI ex USA Small Cap	-7.7	3.4	4.3	5.7	6.2
Fixed Income					
Bloomberg Agg	-3.1	1.3	-0.3	1.3	3.9
90-Day T-Bill	1.2	5.3	2.5	1.8	1.9
Bloomberg Long G/C	-7.4	-4.2	-3.3	1.0	5.4
Bloomberg GI Agg ex US	-6.8	-4.2	-3.4	-0.9	2.4
Real Estate					
NCREIF Property	0.9	0.4	3.1	5.7	7.6
FTSE Nareit Equity	-6.2	8.7	4.3	5.7	9.8
Alternatives					
Cambridge PE*	2.5	9.2	16.4	15.4	13.3
Cambridge Senior Debt*	3.3	10.2	7.9	7.3	4.6
HFRI Fund Weighted	1.5	9.8	7.0	5.3	5.6
Bloomberg Commodity	-0.4	5.4	6.8	1.3	2.1
Inflation – CPI-U	0.1	2.9	4.2	3.0	2.5

\*Data for most recent period lags. Data as of 3Q24.

Sources: Bloomberg, Bureau of Economic Analysis, FTSE Russell, Hedge Fund Research, MSCI, NCREIF, Refinitiv/Cambridge, S&P Dow Jones Indices

components from overseas. Auto companies from Germany and Japan assemble autos in the U.S. How do we define an import car, exactly? Tariffs raise the prices to the end buyer, leading to more inflationary pressures. Spiraling prices may be the catalyst of the long-awaited recession, finally killing growth in the current economic cycle.

#### **Recent Quarterly Economic Indicators**

4Q24	3Q24	2Q24	1Q24	4Q23	3Q23
3.8%	3.9%	4.1%	4.2%	4.2%	4.3%
1.2%	2.3%	2.1%	0.7%	3.1%	3.8%
2.3%	2.8%	3.0%	1.6%	3.2%	4.4%
76.3%	76.7%	77.2%	77.1%	77.6%	78.1%
72.1	68.1	71.1	78.4	64.9	69.6
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Sources: Bureau of Economic Analysis, Bureau of Labor Statistics, Federal Reserve, IHS Economics, Reuters/University of Michigan

# Gains for 2024 but Concerns Over 2025

#### INSTITUTIONAL INVESTORS

- Public defined benefit (DB) plans and nonprofits gained 10% over the last year, easily topping U.S. fixed income and global ex-U.S. stocks.
- Corporate plans, with their heavier allocations to bonds, only rose 6%.
- But extraordinary stock gains easily outpaced those returns, and all institutional investor types lagged a 60% S&P 500/40% Bloomberg Aggregate benchmark.
- Over 5-, 10-, and 20-year time periods, the same pattern held: public DB plans and nonprofits outpaced corporate plans, but all lagged the benchmark.
- The margin of that outperformance narrowed over time.

#### **Macroeconomic Issues**

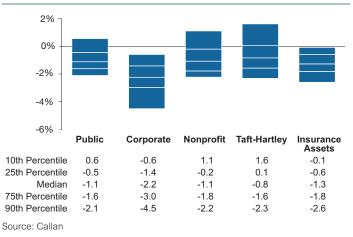
- Not surprisingly, the new administration was a major topic of discussions, with investors trying to understand its impact on inflation, trade, taxes, and deregulation.
- Global ex-U.S. markets continue to be a source of consternation, with their underperformance compared to U.S. equities a sore spot.
- At the same time, the excessive concentration within U.S. large cap stocks is a concern, as active managers struggle to outpace benchmarks.

#### Public DB plans

- Asset-allocation decisions drive many conversations for these plans.
- Fixed income, especially its performance compared to other asset classes, has been a pain point. However, increased capital markets expectations for the asset class, especially compared to two years ago, has led some plans to reconsider bonds.
- Interest rates and the Fed's actions continue to be a top-ofmind issue.

#### **Quarterly Returns, Callan Database Groups**





#### Callan Database Median and Index Returns\* for Periods Ended 12/31/24

Database Group	Quarter	1 Year	3 Years	5 Years	10 Years	20 Years
Public Database	-1.1	10.0	3.0	7.2	7.3	6.9
Corporate Database	-2.2	6.0	-0.7	3.9	5.5	6.2
Nonprofit Database	-1.1	10.1	2.9	7.2	7.0	6.7
Taft-Hartley Database	-0.8	9.7	2.8	6.8	7.0	6.7
Insurance Assets Database	-1.3	6.4	1.5	3.4	4.1	4.5
All Institutional Investors	-1.3	9.4	2.5	6.6	6.7	6.7
Large (>\$1 billion)	-1.1	8.6	2.6	7.0	7.1	6.9
Medium (\$100mm - \$1bn)	-1.3	9.5	2.5	6.7	6.8	6.8
Small (<\$100 million)	-1.4	10.0	2.5	6.5	6.6	6.5
60% S&P 500/40% Bloomberg Agg	0.2	15.1	4.5	8.8	8.6	7.7

\*Returns less than one year are not annualized.

Source: Callan. Callan's database includes the following groups: public defined benefit (DB) plans, corporate DB plans, nonprofits, insurance assets, and Taft-Hartley plans. Approximately 10% to 15% of the database constituents are Callan's clients. All database group returns presented gross of fees. Past performance is no guarantee of future results. Reference to or inclusion in this report of any product, service, or entity should not be construed as a recommendation, approval, affiliation, or endorsement of such product, service, or entity by Callan.

#### **Corporate DB plans**

- Funded status improvements are leading plans to discuss changes to asset allocation to protect the gains, or to derisk, or to examine pension risk transfer.
- Allocation issues touch a range of asset classes, including hedge funds and growth assets.
- Investors ranked artificial intelligence as the most topical issue they are addressing, followed by geopolitical uncertainty.
- With the pandemic and related lockdowns firmly in the rearview mirror for many, firm culture after COVID-19 was last in their rankings.

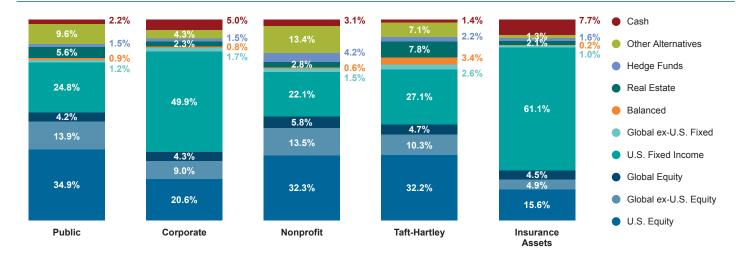
#### **DC** plans

 Retirement income is still under discussion by sponsors, to help participants with the "decumulation" phase of their careers and post-career lives.

- Target date funds are attracting scrutiny. They are quite popular, but some plans wonder if they have the "right" ones.
- The implications of SECURE 2.0 and other regulatory changes are uncertain, but sponsors are trying to assess what if any changes they need to make in response.

#### Nonprofits

- These investors are also weighing critical asset-allocation decisions, including how much to allocate to alternative investments, what to do with fixed income, and whether to overweight U.S. equities vs. global ex-U.S. equities.
- Return enhancement is another area of focus, with a desire to assure the growth of the portfolio.
- Interest in diversity, equity, and inclusion continues to be low, even compared to other types of institutional investors, with only 6% of clients this quarter planning future action and 26% taking no steps to implement DEI policies.



#### Average Asset Allocation, Callan Database Groups

Note: Charts may not sum to 100% due to rounding. Other alternatives include but is not limited to: diversified multi-asset, private credit, private equity, and real assets. Source: Callan

# Equity

#### **U.S. Equities**

#### U.S. market reaches record high after spike in volatility

- The U.S. equity market ended with the S&P 500 Index up over 2%. However, the quarter was marked by volatility, particularly during October and December.
- Negative returns in October were driven by investor anxiety around the U.S. presidential election, uncertainty with the Fed's approach to interest rate cuts, and some misses to corporate earnings expectations. December returns, while initially buoyed by the Fed's third consecutive rate cut, cooled after the Fed announced no additional rate cuts until the second half of 2025.
- Sector performance was mixed; only four (Communication Services, Consumer Discretionary, Financials, and Information Technology) posted gains.
- During 4Q24, large cap stocks outperformed small caps.
   Growth outperformed value across the market cap spectrum.

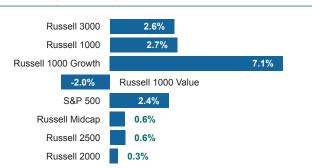
#### Large caps continue to drive narrow markets

- Concentration and performance contribution of the Magnificent Seven stocks within the large cap benchmarks remain outsized relative to the aggregate of benchmark constituents. In 2024, the S&P 500's return was 25%; the S&P 500 ex-Mag 7 return was 16%.
- For the second year in a row, less than 30% of S&P 500 stocks have outperformed the S&P 500 itself.

#### Fundamentals critical to success of large caps

- In recent years, themes—like "work from home" stocks and AI—as well as momentum have been attributed to the prolonged success of the Magnificent Seven.
- However, Magnificent Seven valuations have been supported by strong earnings, low debt, and high cash levels.
   Consensus and forward-looking EPS growth expectations also remain high for large cap companies.

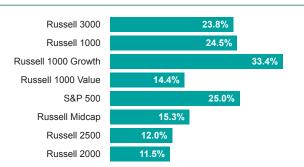
#### U.S. Equity: Quarterly Returns



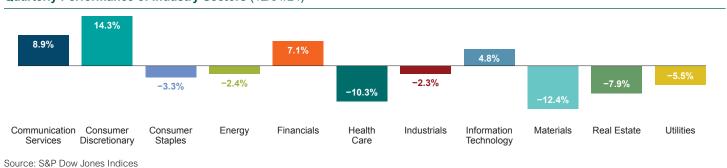
U.S. Equity: One-Year Returns

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Sources: FTSE Russell and S&P Dow Jones Indices



#### Quarterly Performance of Industry Sectors (12/31/24)

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#### **Global Equities**

#### Trump tariffs weigh on markets

- Global equity markets had a rough end to the year as proposed Trump tariffs weighed on Europe and China.
- Europe was one of the worst-performing regions, plagued by political uncertainty and continued economic woes.
- While still negative, Japan's decline over the quarter was stemmed by the approval of a new economic stimulus plan focused on issues such as wage stability and deflation.

#### Emerging markets: China, India fall short

 Emerging markets declined on the heels of poor results out of China and India. Although Chinese stocks initially gained from the announced stimulus, they later declined due to expected tariffs. Economic growth in India fell short of expectations.

#### Growth vs. value: Muted tech influence on growth

 In developed ex-U.S. markets, the influence of technology and AI is comparatively more muted, which makes the trend of growth stocks, especially those from the Magnificent Seven, outperforming value stocks less pronounced.

#### U.S. dollar: Strength from beneficial effects of Trump

 The U.S. dollar shifted direction from the last quarter as expectations for interest rate cuts faded, along with the anticipated beneficial effects of the Trump administration on the U.S. economy; in total the U.S. Dollar Index rose over 7% during the quarter.

#### Global equity market concentration continues higher

- The U.S. share of global market capitalization in global indices is at all-time highs as U.S. technology companies lead markets higher.
- Market capitalization-weighted global benchmarks are providing lower diversification benefits than historically at not only the country level but also the security level as the top five constituents of the MSCI ACWI Index currently comprise over 17% of the benchmark.

#### U.S. dollar strength has been a headwind

- Recent U.S. dollar strength has been a notable headwind for non-U.S. equities as local currency revenues of companies continue to weaken against the U.S. dollar.
- Some contributing factors to U.S. dollar strength have been higher interest rate policy by the Federal Reserve compared to other central banks, U.S. economic and market strength, and recent rhetoric regarding potentially higher tariff rates on U.S. imports.

#### Global ex-U.S. Equity: Quarterly Returns (U.S. Dollar, 12/31/24)



#### Global ex-U.S. Equity: One-Year Returns (U.S. Dollar, 12/31/24)



Source: MSCI

# **Fixed Income**

#### **U.S. Fixed Income**

#### Inflation concerns resurface

- The Fed continued the rate cutting cycle, most recently in December, bringing the target range to 4.25%-4.50%.
- The yield curve steepened, with rates rising for Treasuries one year and longer. The 10-year rose 77 bps to 4.58%.
- Inflation concerns resurfaced, with the breakeven inflation rate rising by 19 bps to 2.30% over the course of the quarter.

#### **Performance drivers**

- The Bloomberg US Aggregate Bond Index fell 3.1% due to the rise in rates.
- With the steepening yield curve, long government bonds fared the worst among sectors.
- Leveraged finance sectors (High yield: +0.2%, leveraged loans: +2.3%) were the only positive fixed income sectors as spreads tightened.

#### **Credit spreads tighten**

- Corporate credit spreads across both investment grade and leveraged finance tightened, with both being "priced to perfection."
- New issuance continued to be strong, with 2024 totals for both IG and HY outpacing 2023.

#### **Municipal Bonds**

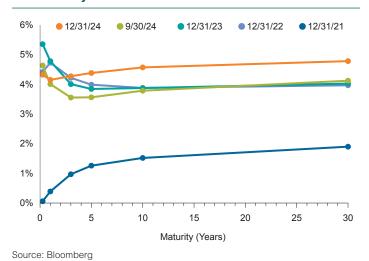
#### Negative returns in 4Q

- The muni AAA-rated curve shifted upward across the curve and the curve steepened.
- The spreads between the AAA 2s/10s key rates (24 bps) ended the year slightly tighter than Treasuries (33 bps).

#### Low dispersion across quality in 4Q and for the year

- AAA: -1.3%; +1.4%
- AA: -1.2%: +1.5%
- A: -1.2%; +1.5%
- BBB: -1.3%; +1.6%

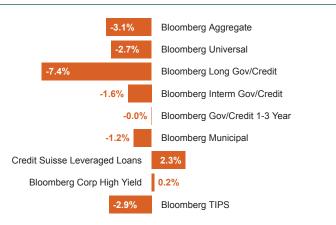
#### U.S. Treasury Yield Curves

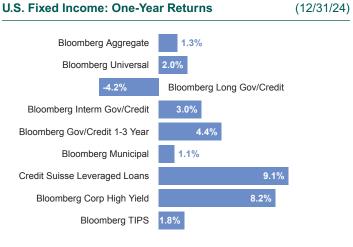




#### U.S. Fixed Income: Quarterly Returns

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Sources: Bloomberg and Credit Suisse

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#### FIXED INCOME (Continued)

#### Robust issuance through 4Q, demand softened slightly

- Total issuance in 2024 was \$508 billion, beating the previous high of \$485 billion in 2020 and up 32% year over year.
- Demand absorbed issuance most of the quarter, but December exhibited three weeks of fund outflows, after 23 weeks of consecutive net inflows.

#### Muni valuations vs. U.S. Treasuries remain rich

 10-year AAA muni/10-year U.S. Treasury yield ratio was rich relative to the 10-year median (67% now vs. 80% historical).

#### **Global Fixed Income**

#### Political controversy dogs euro zone

- The euro zone was marred with political controversy in 4Q, specifically in Germany and France.
- GDP growth in the euro zone rose modestly (+0.4%), while the ECB cut rates in December.
- Japan's GDP grew 1.2% on the back of strong exports and a weaker yen.

#### U.S. dollar surges

- The U.S. dollar rose 8% versus a basket of six developed market currencies.
- Global fixed income returns varied based on currency exposure, with the Bloomberg Global Aggregate ex US Hedged Index rising 0.7%, while the Bloomberg Global Aggregate ex US Unhedged Index fell by 6.8%.

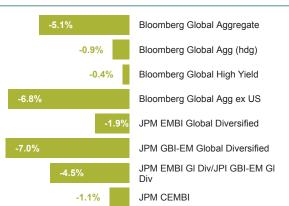
#### Emerging market debt faced similar challenges

- Both EM local and hard currency bonds posted negative returns on the quarter, weighed down by the strength of the dollar and geopolitical risk. Hard currency spreads narrowed at the tail end of the quarter, partially offsetting an early quarter drawdown.
- Brazil increased its policy rate by 150 bps in 4Q, resulting in the Brazilian real depreciating by 13.4% versus the U.S. dollar.

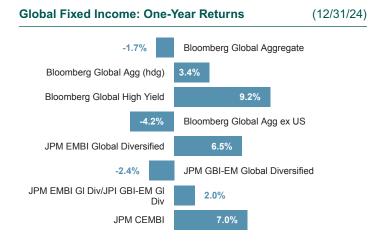


Global Fixed Income: Quarterly Returns

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Sources: Bloomberg and JPMorgan Chase



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#### **Change in 10-Year Global Government Bond Yields**

# Valuations May Have Bottomed; REITs Fall

#### REAL ESTATE/REAL ASSETS | Munir Iman

#### Valuations reflect higher interest rates

- Valuations appear to have bottomed and now reflect higher borrowing costs.
- Income returns were positive across sectors and regions.
- Property sectors were mixed; Office and Hotel experienced negative appreciation, and the remaining sectors had flat or positive appreciation.
- Return dispersion by manager within the ODCE Index was due to the composition of underlying portfolios.

#### **REITs fall and trade at a discount to NAV**

- Global REITs underperformed in 4Q24, down 9.7% compared to a 0.2% decline for global equities (MSCI World).
- U.S. REITs fell 6.2% in 4Q24, in contrast with the S&P 500 Index, which rose 2.4%.
- Global REITs are trading at a discount to NAV (-7.0%).
- Historically, global REITS have traded at a 3.9% discount to NAV.

#### **Redemption queues are falling**

- ODCE redemption queues are 16.4% of net asset value (NAV), with a median queue of 13.4%. This compares to the GFC, when queues peaked at approximately 15% of NAV.
- Outstanding redemption requests for most large ODCE funds are approximately 6% to 33% of NAV (one outlier at 56%).

# Apartments 1.2% Hotels 0.9% Industrials 1.2% -0.7% Office Retail 1.9%

(12/31/24)

Sector Quarterly Returns by Property Type

Source: NCREIF

 Redemption queues are now sharply decreasing after having peaked at 19.3% of NAV in 1Q24. This has been driven primarily by rescissions of redemption requests within a handful of managers with large queues. In certain cases, this has been due to loyalty fee programs being instituted.

#### Pricing, transaction volumes increasing

- Transaction volume is increasing on a rolling four-quarter basis yet remains below five-year averages.
- In 4Q24, transaction volume increased on a quarter-overquarter basis. Volume remains lower compared to 2022.
- The volatile rise in interest rates is the driving force behind the slowdown in transactions. Increasing transactions are driven by increasing confidence in multi-family and industrial values. Valuations have largely adjusted to increased borrowing costs.

#### Callan Database Median and Index Returns\* for Periods Ended 12/31/24

Private Real Assets	Quarter	Year to Date	1 Year	3 Years	5 Years	10 Years	20 Years
Real Estate ODCE Style	0.7	-2.2	-2.2	-3.0	2.4	5.4	5.5
NFI-ODCE (value-weighted, net)	1.0	-2.3	-2.3	-3.1	2.0	4.9	5.5
NCREIF Property	0.9	0.4	0.4	-0.8	3.1	5.7	7.0
NCREIF Farmland	-1.3	-1.0	-1.0	4.4	4.8	5.9	11.2
NCREIF Timberland	1.4	7.0	7.0	9.7	7.8	5.4	6.9
Public Real Estate							
Global Real Estate Style	-9.3	2.7	2.7	-4.8	1.4	4.5	6.1
FTSE EPRA Nareit Developed	-5.1	9.3	9.3	1.7	3.1	5.3	
Global ex-U.S. Real Estate Style	-15.8	-7.9	-7.9	-9.0	-3.9	3.1	
FTSE EPRA Nareit Dev ex US	-15.2	-8.4	-8.4	-9.7	-5.8	-0.2	
U.S. REIT Style	-6.6	8.0	8.0	-2.5	5.0	6.4	7.7
FTSE EPRA Nareit Equity REITs	-6.2	8.7	8.7	-2.2	4.3	5.7	7.0

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# **Fundraising Rebounds but Activity Struggles**

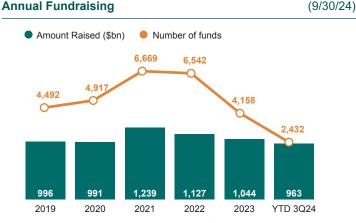
#### PRIVATE EQUITY | Ashley Kahn

**Fundraising** ► By volume, 2024 fundraising has been creeping toward the highs of 2021 (only 3% off). And compared to the same time last year, volume is up by 7%. On the other hand, fundraising by count was down significantly: 23% fewer funds raised in YTD 3Q24 compared to the same time last year.

**Buyouts** ► Buyout activity in 2024 was essentially flat compared to 2023, by both count and volume. Buyout valuations have started to creep back up, although still off by about a turn from the highs of 2021. They exhibited a large uptick in 3Q24, reflecting the Fed's first interest rate cut that quarter.

Venture Capital and Growth Equity ► Deal volume in 2024 was up from 2023 but still significantly depressed compared to the highs of 2021-22. Deal activity by count has declined each year, with the average deal size increasing. Early-stage valuations have reached record highs, up 28% from last year and 44% from 2021. This has been driven by today's AI "supercycle," with greater competition for AI startups pushing up valuations.

Exits ► Volume has remained significantly depressed through 3Q24, down 13% from last year and at 43% of 2021 levels.



Source: Pitchbook

Exit count is also down by 14% from last year and at 67% of 2021 levels.

**Returns** ► Short-term performance continues to lag public equity (driven by the "Magnificent Seven"). Due to the smoothed nature of its returns, private equity doesn't outperform when public equity is at record highs (it likewise doesn't drop as sharply when public equity drops). By strategy type, venture capital and growth equity are still recovering after losses in 2022-23, while buyouts have proven to be much more resilient.

#### Private Equity Performance (%) (Pooled Horizon IRRs through 9/30/24\*)

Strategy	Quarter	1 Year	3 Years	5 Years	10 Years	20 Years
All Venture	1.4	2.4	-5.3	14.9	14.8	12.2
Growth Equity	2.8	7.7	-0.5	13.9	13.2	13.5
All Buyouts	3.3	10.1	6.3	15.2	14.0	14.0
Mezzanine	3.0	10.4	9.1	11.7	10.9	11.4
Credit Opportunities	2.5	9.9	7.6	9.2	7.6	9.2
Control Distressed	0.9	3.3	6.7	13.3	10.8	11.2
All Private Equity	2.7	7.9	2.8	14.4	13.4	13.1

Note: Private equity returns are net of fees. Sources: LSEG/Cambridge and S&P Dow Jones Indices \*Most recent data available at time of publication

Note: Transaction count and dollar volume figures across all private equity measures are preliminary figures and are subject to update in subsequent versions of the Capital Markets Review and other Callan publications.

# Private Credit Gains in 3Q24 but Lags Benchmarks

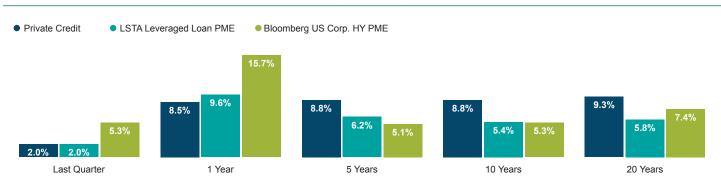
#### PRIVATE CREDIT | Cos Braswell

Private credit gained 2.0% in 3Q24, the most recent quarter available. That matched the LSTA Leveraged Loan PME Index but significantly trailed the Bloomberg US Corporate High Yield PME Index. Results over the trailing one year were roughly the same, but over 5-, 10-, and 20-year time periods private credit topped the two benchmarks.

- Private credit performance varies across sub-asset class and underlying return drivers. Higher-risk strategies have performed better than lower-risk strategies.
- Fundraising for private debt was the strongest since 4Q23, with \$51 billion raised.
- Direct lending was responsible for 76% of 3Q fundraising, with \$39 billion raised.
- While direct lending continues to dominate fundraises, we are noticing increased interest in specialty finance strategies for more mature PC portfolios.

- Private credit stayed in high demand among Callan clients, and a number of large DB plans are looking to increase their allocations from 2%–3% to 5%–10%.
- North American private debt AUM is expected to grow significantly, from \$1.01 trillion in 2024 to \$1.74 trillion in 2029, representing an annualized growth rate of 11%. European private debt AUM is projected to grow at a slower pace of 8%, reflecting resilience despite a more challenging economic environment.
- Fundraising in Europe is forecast to remain static, which could create upside potential as reduced competition for deals may improve investment opportunities.
- The private debt market is positioned to maintain strong growth, particularly in North America, while Europe's steadier trajectory still offers attractive prospects in a less crowded landscape.

#### Private Credit Performance (%) (Pooled Horizon IRRs through 9/30/24\*)



#### Private Credit Performance (%) (Pooled Horizon IRRs by Strategy through 9/30/24\*)

Strategy	Quarter	1 Year	5 Years	10 Years	20 Years
Senior Debt	2.3	9.1	7.8	8.2	8.4
Subordinated	0.8	7.5	10.1	10.3	10.3
Credit Opportunities	1.6	8.1	8.8	8.7	9.4
Total Private Credit	2.0	8.5	8.8	8.8	9.3

Source: LSEG/Cambridge

\*Most recent data available at time of publication

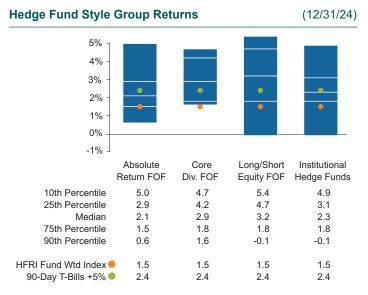
# Strong Finish to the Year but Choppy Outlook Ahead

#### HEDGE FUNDS/MACs | Joe McGuane

U.S. equity markets ended 4Q24 in positive territory, following the U.S. election, the Federal Reserve interest rate cut, and reports of strong economic data. Markets gave back some of that performance in December, as investors grew concerned about inflation and the potential slowdown in future rate cuts. Credit indices generated mixed returns during the quarter, with high yield outperforming investment grade bonds. The 10-year Treasury yield rose throughout the quarter and ended the year at 4.6%.

The S&P 500 gained 2.4%, with performance driven by earnings growth as rising rates caused the market's price-to-earnings ratio to modestly decline despite the Fed cutting interest rates 50 basis points. Index performance was led by Discretionary and Communication Services, which benefited from a better growth outlook, offset by declines in Materials, Health Care and REITs, due to a weaker China outlook and higher rates.

Hedge funds finished strong to end the year, and relative value strategies finished higher, as managers were able to profit off rising bond yields. Equity hedge strategies had strong



Sources: Callan, Credit Suisse, Federal Reserve

momentum, as managers profited on both the long and short side during the quarter as stock dispersion remained elevated. Event-driven managers soared in November, on the expectation of a strong M&A cycle in 2025. Macro strategies had a strong November, as managers were able to profit off rates moving higher in the final quarter of the year.

#### Callan Peer Group Median and Index Returns\* for Periods Ended 12/31/24

Hedge Fund Universe	Quarter	1 Year	3 Years	5 Years	10 Years	15 Years
Callan Institutional Hedge Fund Peer Group	2.3	9.7	6.7	7.3	6.7	7.0
Callan Fund-of-Funds Peer Group	2.9	10.7	4.8	6.1	4.7	5.1
Callan Absolute Return FOF Style	2.1	9.5	5.8	6.0	4.6	4.7
Callan Core Diversified FOF Style	2.9	10.9	4.7	6.4	4.7	5.1
Callan Long/Short Equity FOF Style	3.2	12.3	2.6	5.8	5.7	5.5
HFRI Fund Weighted Index	1.4	9.8	4.4	7.0	5.3	5.0
HFRI Fixed Convertible Arbitrage	1.4	10.9	4.8	6.9	5.7	5.5
HFRI Distressed/Restructuring	3.4	12.0	5.0	8.4	5.5	5.8
HFRI Emerging Markets	-0.4	9.2	1.0	4.5	4.3	3.4
HFRI Equity Market Neutral	2.4	10.5	5.8	4.8	3.7	3.3
HFRI Event-Driven	2.1	9.8	4.9	7.2	5.5	5.7
HFRI Relative Value	1.9	8.6	4.9	5.1	4.5	5.2
HFRI Macro	0.6	5.5	4.6	5.4	3.1	2.6
HFRI Equity Hedge	1.4	11.9	3.8	8.1	6.3	5.8
HFRI Multi-Strategy	5.0	13.7	4.3	7.0	4.2	4.2
HFRI Merger Arbitrage	1.7	5.6	4.5	5.8	5.0	4.4
90-Day T-Bill + 5%	2.4	10.3	8.9	7.5	6.8	6.2

\*Net of fees. Sources: Callan, Credit Suisse, Hedge Fund Research

Serving as a proxy for large, broadly diversified hedge funds with low-beta exposure to equity markets, the median manager in the Callan Institutional Hedge Fund Peer Group rose 2.3%. Within this style group of 50 peers, the average hedge credit manager gained 2.5%, driven by interest rate volatility in November following the U.S. election. Meanwhile, the average hedge equity manager added 2.1%, as managers were able to profit off elevated disperion across sectors.

Within the HFRI indices the best-performing strategy was multi-strategy, which gained 5.0%, followed by distressed/ restructuring, which took advantage of deal activity and was up 3.4%. Equity market neutral gained 2.4%.

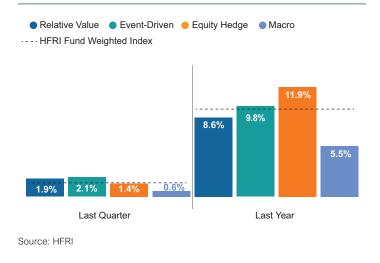
Across the Callan Hedge FOF database, the median Callan Long-Short Equity FOF ended 3.2% higher, as managers profited off the dispersion across sectors. Meanwhile, the median Callan Core Diversified FOF ended 2.9% higher, as equity hedge and event-driven strategies drove performance for the quarter. The Callan Absolute Return FOF ended 2.1% higher, as an overweight to relative value strategies drove performance.

Since the Global Financial Crisis, liquid alternatives to hedge funds have become popular among investors due to their attractive risk-adjusted returns that are similarly uncorrelated with traditional stock and bond investments but offered at a lower cost. Much of that interest is focused on rules-based, long-short strategies that isolate known risk premia such as value, momentum, and carry found across the various capital markets. These alternative risk premia are often embedded, to varying degrees, in hedge funds as well as other actively managed investment products.

Within Callan's database of liquid alternative solutions, the Callan MAC Risk Parity peer group fell 3.6%, as fixed income and commodities were a drag on performance, while U.S. equities were able to offset some of that negative performance. The Callan Long Biased MAC peer group fell 2.7%, as negative performance from fixed income pushed the strategy into negative territory.

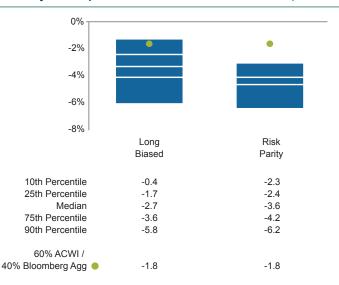
After a strong run for hedge funds in 2024, the market environment outlook appears to be choppier in 2025. While economic growth remains strong and recession probabilities seem low, market expectations remain high, valuations are at all-time highs in equities and spreads are tight in credit markets, leaving investors with limited margin for errors. With a new administration in the White House, change seems the most likely outcome, and uncertainty should be expected for market participants. In this environment, hedge funds should be able to profit off this dispersion.

## HFRI Hedge Fund-Weighted Strategy Returns (12/31/24)



#### **MAC Style Group Returns**





Sources: Bloomberg, Callan, Eurekahedge, S&P Dow Jones Indices

# Index Gains 5.6%; Turnover at All-Time Low

#### **DEFINED CONTRIBUTION | Scotty Lee**

#### Performance: Index gains for fourth straight quarter

The Callan DC Index<sup>™</sup> gained 5.6% in 3Q24. The Age 45 Target Date Fund (analogous to the 2045 vintage) had a higher quarterly return (6.5%).

#### Growth sources: Balances rise due to investment gains

Balances within the DC Index rose by 4.7% after a 1.1% increase in the previous quarter. Investment gains (5.6%) were the sole driver of the gain as net flows (-0.9%) had a contrary effect.

#### **Turnover: Lowest since index inception**

Turnover (i.e., net transfer activity levels within DC plans) in the DC Index decreased to 0.02%, the lowest ever, from the previous guarter's measure of 0.17%.

#### Net cash flow analysis: U.S. fixed income ousts TDFs

Automatic features and their appeal to "do-it-for-me" investors typically result in target date funds (TDFs) receiving the largest net inflows in the DC Index. But in 3Q24, as turnover reached the lowest level since the DC Index inception, U.S. fixed income outpaced the asset allocation funds, earning 68.3% of quarterly net flows.

#### Equity allocation: Exposure rises

The Index's overall allocation to equity (74.0%) rose slightly from the previous guarter's level (73.7%).

#### Asset allocation: Smid cap equity gains

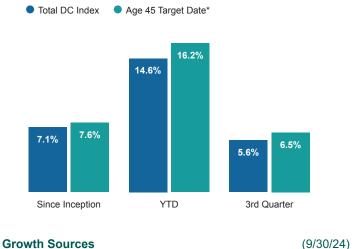
- U.S. small/mid cap equity (7.1%) and target date funds (35.7%) were among the asset classes with the largest percentage increases in allocation, while stable value (6.1%) had the largest decrease in allocation from the previous quarter due to net outflows.

#### Prevalence of asset class: Global equity funds rise

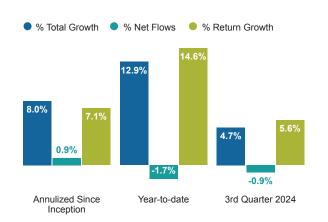
- The prevalence of global equity funds (18.6%) rose by 0.7 percentage points, matching the increase in the prevalence of emerging markets (18.6%), which also rose by 0.7 percentage points. Other notable movements included a 1.4 percentage point increase in the prevalence of U.S. small/ mid cap equity offerings (94.3%).

Underlying fund performance, asset allocation, and cash flows of more than 100 large defined contribution plans representing approximately \$400 billion in assets are tracked in the Callan DC Index.

## Investment Performance



(9/30/24)



#### Net Cash Flow Analysis 3Q24)

(Top Two and Bottom Two Asset Gatherers)

Asset Class	Flows as % of Total Net Flows
U.S. Fixed Income	68.3%
High Yield Fixed Income	5.3%
U.S. Small/Mid Cap	-15.2%
U.S. Large Cap	-38.6%
Total Turnover**	0.02%

Data provided here is the most recent available at time of publication. Source: Callan DC Index

Note: DC Index inception date is January 2006.

- The Age 45 Fund transitioned from the average 2040 TDF to the 2045 TDF in June 2023.
- \*\* Total Index "turnover" measures the percentage of total invested assets (transfers only, excluding contributions and withdrawals) that moved between asset classes.

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In preparation for our upcoming Board meeting, we thought it would be helpful to provide this summary of our agenda items:

• Callan Quarterly Report

From:

- Monthly Portfolio Update
  - As of 2/14, the Fund is up +7.2% at \$25.3 billion for the FYTD
  - Fixed Income Investment Manager Search we'll provide a status update to the overview we provided during the December Board meeting:
    - The investment team (Chris, Callan, Staff Advisors, and I) conducted due

diligence visits with semi-finalists in late January and selected the finalists on 2/10.

- On 2/11, we provided Investment Liaisons, Park and Darin, with an update on our progress.
- We're in the process of requesting best and final offers, reviewing investment vehicles, following up on other PERSI-related requirements, and initiating legal work on agreements.
- The finalist interviews were pushed back (from 2/24) and are tentatively scheduled for Monday, 3/17.

Please contact me or Chris if you have any questions or concerns.

Kind regards,

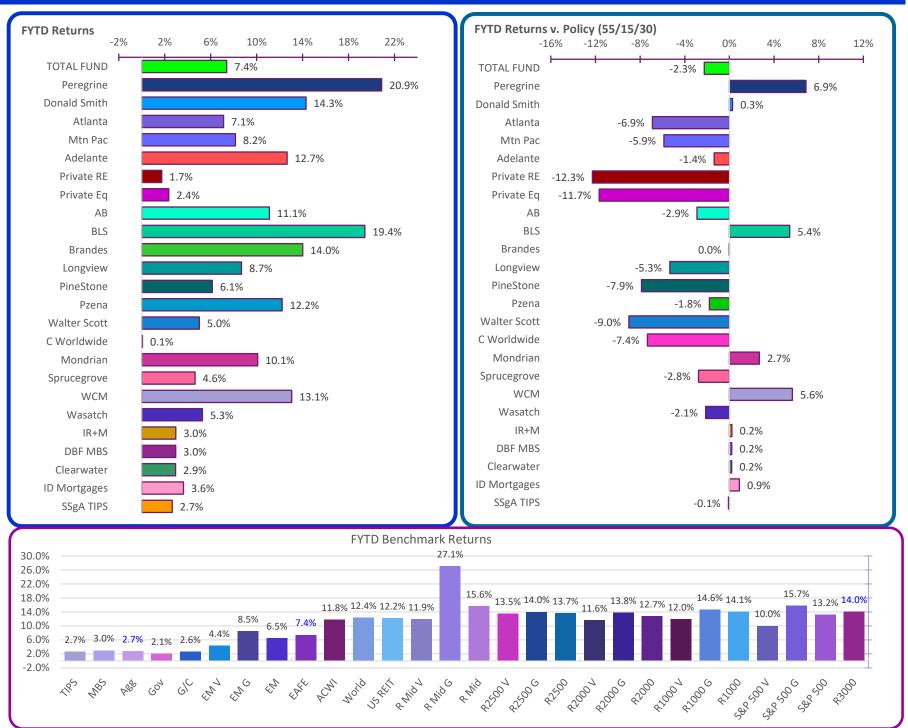
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Total Fund	1.0%	Total F	und	7.4%	Total Fund	7.1%	Total Fund	7.6%
55-15-30	1.3%	55-15-	30	9.6%	55-15-30	8.5%	55-15-30	8.3%
U.S. Equity	0.5%	U.S. Ec	quity	9.6%	U.S. Equity	11.3%	U.S. Equity	11.4%
R3000	1.4%	R3000		14.0%	R3000	13.9%	R3000	12.8%
Global Equity	1.7%	Global	Equity	10.9%	<b>Global Equity</b>	10.5%	<b>Global Equity</b>	10.1%
MSCI World	2.0%	MSCI V	Norld	12.4%	MSCI World	12.3%	MSCI World	10.8%
Int'l Equity	3.3%	Int'l Ec	uity	6.6%	Int'l Equity	4.5%	Int'l Equity	4.7%
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Fixed Income	0.2%	Fixed I	ncome	2.9%	Fixed Income	0.5%	Fixed Income	2.0%
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	Large Cap	\$	3,539.1	14%	13%	Mtg 17%		
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Performance is unaudited and gross of fees unless otherwise noted

# **PERSI Investment Report**

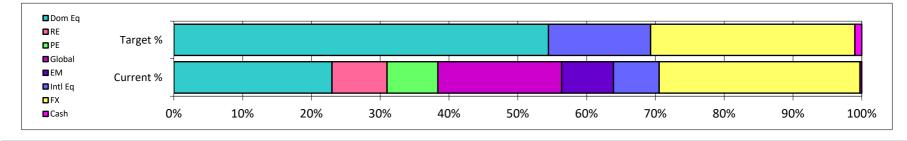


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Total Fund Summary					1/31/2025	
Preliminary Performance Summary	<b>blue</b> = outperform by 50 bp; <b>red</b> =	underperform by 50 bp			(* Annualized)	
	Last	Last	Last	Last	Last	Last
	<u>Month</u>	<u>3 Months</u>	<u>1 Year</u>	<u>3 Years</u> *	<u>5 Years</u> *	<u>10 Years</u>
Total Fund	2.5%	2.2%	<b>10.8%</b>	4.3%	7.4%	7.7%
Strategic Policy *	2.1%	2.2%	12.7%	4.5%	7.7%	7.5%
Policy (55-15-30)	2.7%	4.0%	16.1%	6.7%	9.0%	8.7%
Total Domestic Equity (Russell 3000)	3.1%	3.9%	14.9%	7.8%	11.6%	11.4%
Russell 3000	3.2%	6.7%	26.3%	11.4%	14.6%	13.2%
U.S. Equity (Russell 3000)	3.4%	5.0%	22.4%	10.3%	<b>13.1%</b>	12.3%
Real Estate (NCREIF)	0.7%	-1.0%	2.3%	-0.1%	4.7%	7.2%
Private Equity (Russell 3000*1.35)	0.0%	1.4%	7.6%	5.0%	<b>14.0%</b>	1 <b>2.2</b> %
Global Equity (Russell 3000)	4.7%	4.4%	13.6%	7.8%	10.8%	10.5%
Total International Equity (MSCI EAFE)	3.6%	-0.2%	11.7%	1.6%	4.3%	4.7%
MSCI EAFE	5.3%	2.3%	9.2%	5.7%	6.8%	6.2%
Total Fixed Income (BB Aggregate)	0.8%	0.0%	2.6%	-1.3%	0.4%	1.8%
Bloomberg Aggregate	0.5%	-0.1%	2.1%	-1.5%	-0.6%	1.2%

## Asset Allocation blue = over allowable target range; red = under allowable target range

	Month-End MV		Current %	<u>Target %</u>
U.S. Equity	\$ 6,023		24.0 %	
Real Estate	\$ 1,918		7.6 %	
Private Equity	\$ 1,912		7.6 %	
Global Equity	\$ 4,581		18.2 %	
Total Domestic Equity	\$	14,434	57.5 %	55.0%
Emerging Markets Equity	\$ 1,837		7.3 %	
Total International Equity	\$	3,426	13.6 %	15.0%
Total Fixed Income	\$	7,201	28.7 %	29.0%
Cash	\$	53	0.2 %	1.0%
Total Fund	\$	25,114	100.0 %	100.0%



## **Performance Commentary:**

During the month, the Total Fund outperformed the Strategic Policy by 40 basis points and narrowly trailed the Broad Policy benchmark. Over the last five-year period, the Total Fund underperformed the Strategic Policy benchmark by 30 basis points and the Broad Policy benchmark by 160 basis points.

<sup>\*</sup> Strategic Policy Benchmark = 8% R2500, 14% S&P500, 4% REIT, 4% PRE, 8% PE, 9% EM, 8% EAFE, 15% World, 15% Agg, 5% ID Mtg, 10% TIPS

Month-End Performance					Jan 2025		
Manager (Style Benchmark)	<b>blue</b> = outperform by 50 bp; <b>red</b> =	underperform by 50 bp			(* Annualized)		
	Last <u>Month</u>	Last <u>3 Months</u>	Last <u>1 Year</u>	Last <u>3 Years</u> *	Last <u>5 Years</u> *	Last 10 <u>Years</u> '	
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<b>Fotal Domestic Equity</b> (Russell 3000)	3.1%	3.9%	14.9%	7.8%	11.6%	11.4%	
(Includes U.S. Eq, Glbl Eq, RE, PE)							
U.S. Equity ex RE, PE (Russell 3000)	3.4%	5.0%	22.4%	10.3%	13.1%	12.3%	
Russell 3000	3.2%	6.7%	26.3%	11.4%	14.6%	13.2%	
MCM Index Fund (Russell 3000)	3.1%	6.6%	27.5%	11.7%	14.8%	13.3%	
MCM Russell 1000 (Russell 1000)	3.2%	6.8%	26.5%	11.6%	14.9%	13.5%	
Russell 1000	3.2%	6.8%	26.7%	11.7%	15.0%	13.5%	
S&P 500 Index	2.8%	6.2%	26.4%	11.9%	15.2%	13.8%	
MCM Russell 2000 (Russell 2000)	2.6%	4.5%	18.7%	5.6%	8.7%	8.5%	
Russell 2000	2.6%	4.5%	19.1%	5.6%	8.7%	8.4%	
Donald Smith & Co. (Russell 3000)	3.2%	2.1%	27.9%	26.1%	23.0%	14.0%	
Russell 3000	3.2%	6.7%	26.3%	11.4%	14.6%	13.2%	
Peregrine (Russell 1000 Growth)	8.7%	17.5%	20.3%	8.2%	11.3%	16.2%	
Russell 1000 Growth	2.0%	9.6%	32.7%	14.6%	18.9%	17.2%	
Atlanta Capital (Russell 2500)	2.4%	0.5%	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	
Mountain Pacific (Russell 2500)	2.8%	2.5%	19.9%	8.2%	11.8%	12.4%	
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Wilshire 5000	3.1%	6.6%	26.3%	11.4%	14.8%	13.4%	
MSCI World	3.6%	5.6%	21.9%	10.1%	12.6%	11.1%	
MSCI World net div	3.5%	5.5%	21.3%	9.5%	12.1%	10.5%	
MSCI AC World	3.4%	4.8%	21.4%	8.9%	12.1%	10.3%	
BLS ( <i>msci acwi</i> )	4.0%	4.8 <i>%</i>	10.9%	6.4%	10.4%	10.3 % N/A	
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Brandes (Russell 3000)	5.0%	4.7%	18.2%	11.2%	13.2%		
Longview (MSCI ACWI)	4.5%	4.1%	13.5%	9.4%	10.1%	10.5%	
PineStone (MSCI World)	4.6%	5.4%	20.2%	9.0%	13.3%	N/A	
Pzena (MSCI ACWI) Walter Scott (MSCI World net div)	5.5% 3.9%	3.3% 3.3%	N/A 10.5%	N/A 7.4%	N/A 10.7%	N/A N/A	
Private Equity (Russell 3000)	0.0%	1.4%	7.6%	5.0%	14.0%	12.2%	
Russell 3000	3.2%	6.7%	26.3%	11.4%	14.6%	13.2%	

Manager (Style Benchmark)	<b>blue</b> = outperform by 50 bp; <b>red</b> =	underperform by 50 bp			(* Annualized)
	Last Month	Last <u>3 Months</u>	Last <u>1 Year</u>	Last <u>3 Years</u> *	Last <u>5 Years</u> *
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Real Estate (NCREIF)	0.7%	-1.0%	2.3%	-0.1%	4.7%
MCM REIT (DJ US Select REIT)	1.2%	-1.7%	14.0%	-0.4%	3.6%
Dow Jones U.S. Select REIT	1.2%	-1.7%	14.0%	-0.4%	3.6%
Adelante REITs (Wilshire REIT)	1.2%	-1.4%	14.4%	0.6%	5.6%
Wilshire REIT	1.0%	-1.6%	14.6%	0.2%	4.6%
Prudential (NCREIF)	1.8%	1.8%	-2.0%	-2.7%	2.7%
Private Real Estate	0.4%	-0.6%	-5.3%	0.5%	5.0%
NCREIF Prop 1Q Arrears	0.3%	0.8%	-2.2%	0.3%	3.2%
Int'l Equity (MSCI EAFE)	3.6%	-0.2%	11.7%	1.6%	4.3%
MSCI EAFE	5.3%	2.3%	9.2%	5.7%	6.8%
MSCI ACWI ex US	4.0%	1.2%	11.5%	4.0%	6.0%
MCM International (MSCI EAFE)	5.1%	2.1%	9.3%	5.5%	6.7%
C Worldwide (MSCI ACWI ex US)	4.4%	0.0%	N/A	N/A	N/A
Mondrian (MSCI EAFE)	4.5%	1.5%	11.6%	6.1%	6.4%
Sprucegrove (MSCI EAFE)	3.7%	0.3%	N/A	N/A	N/A
MCM Emerging Markets (MSCI EMF)	2.0%	-1.7%	14.6%	-1.1%	3.1%
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MCM Emerging Markets (MSCI EMF)	2.0%	-1.7%	14.6%	-1.1%	3.1%	3.8%
WCM	3.5%	2.7%	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Wasatch	3.7%	-4.4%	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
MSCI EM	1.8%	-1.9%	15.3%	-0.3%	3.5%	4.2%
IEMG ETF	-1.9%	-19.7%	-10.5%	N/A	N/A	N/A
MSCI EM IMI	1.1%	-2.5%	13.6%	0.2%	4.1%	4.3%
Total Fixed Income (BC Aggregate)	0.8%	0.0%	2.6%	-1.3%	0.4%	1.8%
BB Aggregate	0.5%	-0.1%	2.1%	-1.5%	-0.6%	1.2%
Western (BB Aggregate)	10.9%	98.0%	39.1%	7.7%	5.2%	5.1%
Clearwater (BB Aggregate) - 1/2014	0.1%	0.0%	2.9%	-1.2%	-0.2%	1.5%
SSgA Gov/Corp (вв G/С)	0.5%	-0.2%	1.9%	-1.6%	-0.5%	1.4%
IR+M ( <i>BB G/C</i> )	0.6%	0.0%	2.6%	-1.1%	0.1%	N/A
Bloomberg Gov/Credit	0.5%	-0.2%	2.0%	-1.6%	-0.6%	1.3%
DBF Idaho Mortgages (BB Mortgage)	0.6%	0.3%	3.9%	0.5%	1.2%	2.8%
Bloomberg Treasury	0.5%	-0.3%	1.4%	-2.1%	-1.1%	0.6%
DBF MBS (BB Mortgage)	0.6%	0.1%	2.5%	-1.1%	-0.6%	0.9%
Bloomberg Mortgage	0.5%	0.2%	2.2%	-1.5%	-0.8%	0.9%
SSgA TIPS (BB TIPS)	1.3%	0.1%	2.9%	-1.4%	1.6%	2.0%

558A 11 5 (BB 11-5)	1.370	0.170	2.370	1.470	1.070	2.070
Bloomberg US TIPS	1.3%	0.2%	3.0%	-1.2%	1.7%	2.1%
Cash						
Clearwater: PERSI STIF (90-day LIBOR)	0.4%	1.2%	5.2%	4.1%	2.6%	2.0%
ICE BofA 3-mo Treasury Bill Index	0.4%	1.2%	5.2%	4.0%	2.5%	1.8%

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## Adelante (Public RE - REITs) Domestic Equity: Wilshire REIT Benchmark

	For the month of:	January	2025		
Manager Performance Cal	lculations			* /	Annualized returns
	Last	Last	Last	Last	Last
	Month	<u>3 Months</u>	<u>1 Year</u>	<u>3 Years*</u>	<u>5 Years*</u>
Adelante Total Return	1.21%	-1.41%	14.25%	0.61%	5.60%
Wilshire REIT Index	1.02%	-1.61%	14.55%	0.24%	4.60%

#### **Performance Attribution & Strategy Comments**

For the month ended January 31, 2025 – The Account outperformed the Wilshire US REIT Index by 19 basis points, gross of fees, as the REIT market advanced 1.0%.

- Contributors: security selection within Care Facilities REIT, Hotel REIT and the sector allocation to Care Facilities REIT (overweight).
- Detractors: the sector allocation to Data Center REIT (overweight), Free Standing REIT (underweight) and security selection within Shopping Center REIT.
- Best performing holding: ProLogis, Inc., +12.6%.
- Worst performing holding: Digital Realty Trust, -7.6%.

For the trailing quarter ended January 31, 2025 – The Account outperformed the Wilshire US REIT Index by 20 basis points, gross of fees, as the REIT market declined 1.6%.

- Contributors: the sector allocation to Medical Offices and Laboratories REIT (underweight), Real Estate Services (overweight) and security selection within Care Facilities REIT.
- Detractors: the sector allocation to Data Center REIT (overweight), Free Standing REIT (underweight) and security selection within Shopping Center REIT.
- Best performing holding: Marriott International-CL A, +13.6%.
- Worst performing holding: Iron Mountain, -17.3%.

**Comments** – In the first month of the new year, **market participants navigated a range of significant events: the inauguration of the 47th President of the United States, widespread wildfires, multiple executive orders, and the disruptive emergence of DeepSeek AI**. The 10-year Treasury yield fluctuated between 4.54% and 4.76% amid mixed economic data and shifting Federal Reserve signals, ultimately closing January at 4.55%. The FOMC held the federal funds rate steady at its January meeting and REIT share prices saw modest gains as earnings season commenced.

Looking ahead, commercial real estate fundamentals are expected to strengthen throughout 2025 as new supply declines, interest rates stabilize, and evolving Washington, D.C. policies take effect. Tariff uncertainty and geopolitical tensions, along with rising material costs—exacerbated by post-wildfire supply disruptions—will pressure returns and strain underwriting in the near term. Meanwhile, signs of stabilization in the office and retail sectors are emerging; Blackstone's recent contract to acquire a New York City office tower (following their recent privatization of ROIC, a shopping center REIT) signals growing confidence in high-quality office valuations.

On January 2nd, Wilshire Indexes revised the methodology for their index suite, including the Wilshire US REIT Index. The update introduced new property sector classifications, a revised sector breakdown with approximately 10% reweighting, and an expansion to 134 holdings. We leveraged our expanded coverage universe—established over three years ago—to adjust our portfolio. We initiated two new positions: Agree Realty Corporation, a Free-Standing REIT, and VICI Properties Inc., a Gaming and Casino REIT, which we have previously held.

At month-end, the portfolio's dividend yield stood at 3.4%, while cash holdings were 1.3%.

#### **Manager Style Summary**

Adelante (formerly Lend Lease Rosen) manages the public real estate portfolio, comprised of publicly-traded real estate companies, primarily real estate investment trusts (REITs). Investments will generally fall into one of three categories as described in the Portfolio Attributes section: Core holdings, Takeover/Privatization candidates, and Trading Opportunities. Typical portfolio characteristics include current pricing at a discount relative to the underlying real estate value, attractive dividend prospects, low multiple valuations (P/FFO), and expert management.

# Adelante (Public RE - REITs)

Domestic Equity: Wilshire REIT Benchmark

## Portfolio Guideline Compliance

Portfolio Guideline:	Adelante	Wilshire REIT	Calc	Min	Max	Compliance		
B2. All securities are publicly-traded real estate companies, primarily real estate investment trusts								
B3. Mkt Cap of Issuers of Securitie	s in the Accou	unt		\$250		ok		
B4. Single Security Positions <= 30	% @ purchase	e				ok		
B6a. P/FFO (12-mo trail)	20.53	18.82	1.09		1.30	ok		
B6b. Beta	0.96	1.00	0.96	0.70	1.30	ok		
B6c. Dividend Yield	3.35	3.82	0.88	0.80	2.00	ok		
B6d. Expected FFO Growth	19.45	18.02	108%	80%	120%	ok		
E2. Commissions not to exceed \$0.06/share								
The portfolio is in compliance with	all other aspe	ects of the Port	folio Guideli	nes	✓ Yes	🗌 No		

# Manager Explanations for Deviations from Portfolio Guidelines

There were no deviations.

Portfolio Attributes	Portfolio Guide	lines secti	ion B5
Core Holdings (40% - 100%) Actua	: <b>83%</b>	ok	<b>(</b>
Consists of investments with the following characteristics: premier asset portfoli	os and manag	ement	
teams, attractive dividend yields, low multiple valuations, real estate property ty	pes or regions	that are	e less
prone to experinece the impact of an economic slowdown.			
Takeover/Privatization Candidates (0% - 15%)Actual	: 0%	ok	(
Focuses on smaller companies which may be attractive merger candidates or lac	the resource	s to grov	w the
company in the longer-term. Also focuses on companies which may have interest	t in returning	to the	
private market due to higher private market valuations.		_	
Trading Arbitrage (0% - 20%) Actua	: <b>16%</b>	ok	(
Focuses on high quality companies which may become over-sold as investors see	k liquidity.		
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Total Firm Assets Under Management (\$m) as of:	Qtr 4	\$ 1	.,566
Organizational/Personnel Changes			
There were no changes during the month.			
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Account Turnover			
Gained: Number of Accounts: 0 Total Market Value (\$m)	:	\$	-
Lost: Number of Accounts: 0 Total Market Value (\$m)	:	\$	-

# Atlanta Capital Domestic Equity: Russell 2500 Benchmark

	For the month of:	January	2025		
Manager Performance Ca	lculations			* Ann	ualized returns
	Last	Last	Last	Last	Last
	<u>Month</u>	<u>3 Months</u>	<u>1 Year</u>	<u>3 Years*</u>	<u>5 Years*</u>
Atlanta Capital	2.39%	0.55%	N/A	N/A	N/A
Russell 2500	3.54%	5.16%	N/A	N/A	N/A

#### **Portfolio Attributes**

<b>Characteristics</b>	<u>Atlanta</u>	<u>RU 2500</u>	Sector	· Analysis (Top 2)	
Mkt Value (\$m)	748.66	N/A	Over-weight	<u>Atlanta</u>	<u>RU 2500</u>
Wtd Cap (\$b)	14.73	8.37	Financials	25.29%	18.04%
P/E	21.00	19.70	Industrials	26.14%	18.93%
Beta	0.68	1.00			
Yield (%)	0.76	1.35	<u>Under-weight</u>	<u>Atlanta</u>	<u>RU 2500</u>
Earnings Growth	13.10	16.80	Health Care	5.04%	12.09%
			Energy	0.00%	5.06%

#### Performance Attribution & Strategy Comments

US Small and Mid Cap stocks continued higher in January with the Russell 2500 index posting a +3.5% return. The Atlanta SMID Cap portfolio also had a positive return for the month, but trailed the benchmark. Overall stock selection was negative for the period with holdings in Financial and Industrials detracting from results. Within Industrials, there was broad-based weakness across companies that contract with the government on fears related to the incoming administration's Department of Government Efficiency (DOGE). While it's hard for us to foresee significant cuts to critical defense providers, several of the fund's high quality defense contractors were caught up in this sell off. Within Financials, several of our insurance holding lagged due to concerns around West Coast fire losses. Our analysis indicates that our holdings should have limited direct exposure to losses and may benefit from likely future premium increases. Stock selection within Real Estate and Technology was positive and largely driven by continued positive earnings growth across holdings. Overall asset allocation was positive, with our overweight in Financials and underweight in Real Estate providing the most benefit. The portfolio's underweight to Health Care was the largest detractor. Much of the market's return in 2024 was driven by valuation multiple expansion. Now that the market has priced in strong forward expectations, we will see if companies can deliver with solid earnings growth in 2025. We continue to favor high quality companies that we believe have a high likelihood of achieving their growth expectations.

#### Manager Style Summary

Atlanta Capital has been hired to manage a small-to-mid cap quality equity portfolio. Atlanta will invest in a focused portfolio of generally 50-60 companies with 5% max position size. Further, sector limits are limited to 30% absolute. Atlanta evaluates U.S. companies having market capitalizations within the range of companies comprising the Russell 2500 Index. The team excludes companies with volatile earnings streams, short operating histories, high levels of debt, weak cash flow generation, and low returns on capital to create a "focus list" of high-quality companies.

# Atlanta Capital

Domestic Equity: Russell 2500 Benchmark

# Portfolio Guideline Compliance

Portfolio Guideline:	Index	Atlanta	Calc	Min	Max	Compliance			
A2. Cash exposure <= 5%	2. Cash exposure <= 5%								
32. Securities, at time of purchase, within the index market cap									
B3. Security position <= 5% of the a	ccount					Yes			
B4. Number of issues		51		50	60	ok			
B5. Sector limits less than 30%						Yes			
B6. Annual turnover	10%		10%	20%	ok				
B7. Normal Global Portfolio Charact	eristics								
Capitalization (rel)	8365	14727	176%	100%	200%	ok			
Maximum Sector Exposure		26%		0%	30%	ok			
Price/Book Value (rel)	2.3	3.6	157%	100%	170%	ok			
Price/Earnings (rel)	19.7	21.0	107%	100%	200%	ok			
Dividend Yield (rel)	1.4	0.8	56%	40%	70%	ok			
Beta (rel)		0.68		0.70	1.00	check			
D. No foreign currency denominate	d securities, d	erivatives, sho	ort sales, con	nmodities, m	hargin or				
affiliated pooled funds.						Yes			
E1. Brokerage commissions not to e	xceed \$0.05/s	share for U.S.	equities			Yes			
The portfolio is in compliance with all	other aspects	s of the Portfo	olio Guideline	es	🖂 Yes	□ No			

# Manager Explanations for Deviations from Portfolio Guidelines

B7. Beta:

Trailing beta vs. the benchmark is still in keeping with our higher quality bias.

Total Firm Assets Under Management (\$m) as of:	Qtr 4	\$ 34,256
Organizational/Personnel Changes		
N/A		

Account	Turnover			
Gained:	Number of Accounts:	0	Total Market Value (\$m):	\$ -
Lost:	Number of Accounts:	0	Total Market Value (\$m):	\$ -
	Reason(s): n/a			

## Bernstein Global Strategic Value

Global Equity: MSCI ACWI Benchmark

	For the month of:	January	2025			
Manager Performance Calculations * Annualized returns						
	Last	Last	Last	Last	Last	
	<u>Month</u>	<u>3 Months</u>	<u>1 Year</u>	<u>3 Years*</u>	<u>5 Years*</u>	
Bernstein GSV	5.27%	5.97%	18.81%	6.67%	8.48%	
MSCI ACWI	3.36%	4.68%	20.72%	8.41%	11.04%	
Russell 3000	3.16%	6.66%	26.32%	11.36%	14.60%	

#### Performance Attribution & Strategy Comments

Portfolio Performance: In January, the Portfolio increased in absolute terms and outperformed its Benchmark, the MSCI ACWI, gross and net of fees. Both stock and sector selection contributed to overall relative performance, gross of fees. Stock selection within technology and industrials contributed the most, while selection within communication services and consumer discretionary detracted, offsetting some gains. Middleby, a global leader in manufacturing innovative cooking equipment for the commercial, residential and industrial foodservice markets, contributed. Shares rose with news of the arrival of an activist investor seeking board seats and the company's acknowledgement of considering a spin- off of its residential kitchen business unit through its acquisition of Gorreri Food Processing Technology, an Italy-based manufacturer of specialty dessert production equipment. As a result, several analysts have raised their FY 2025 earnings estimates for the company. Middleby maintains strong financials with ample liquidity plus an impressive growth trajectory and strong market position, as it continues to expand its global footprint. Royalty Pharma, the world's largest buyer of biopharmaceutical royalties and a leading funder of innovation in life sciences, contributed. The company announced acquisition of its external manager, RP Management, for a total value of around \$1.1 billion. This transaction to simplify Royalty Pharma's corporate structure is expected to result in multiple benefits for shareholders, including reducing costs and enhancing economic returns on investments. Royalty Pharma also announced the sale of MorphoSys development funding bonds for \$511 million in upfront cash during the month. Also, the board approved a \$3 billion share repurchase program as part of the company's evolving approach to returning capital to shareholders. Outlook: It was an eventful first month of the year with the Bank of Japan raising rates, the Federal Reserve holding still and the European Central Bank cutting—all as expected. The biggest surprise of January was news out of China that DeepSeek released a new AI model that purports to be significantly more efficient than existing models, which has big potential implications on the entire AI complex. With the announcement at the end of the month of tariffs being imposed on Canada, Mexico and China by the US, February is shaping up to be another impactful month. The MSCI ACWI Value Index outperformed the style-neutral index by 0.9% in US-dollar terms in January, with significant style volatility driven by shifting AI sentiment and DeepSeek. The year 2024 was another of historically narrow market performance driven by mega-cap US technology companies, which generally is not favorable for our Portfolio. But this is an environment that we do not expect to continue forever, as shown by the DeepSeek surprise this month. We believe our Portfolio is well positioned with a collection of underappreciated businesses, as well as businesses undergoing positive changes with overall good growth prospects and profitability characteristics yet trading at a large discount to the market. We have about a 15% underweight to US mega- cap tech stocks (the Magnificent Seven) compared with the market; we believe this is appropriate, as we feel we can find other strong businesses trading at much more attractive valuations. Our key bets include overweight positions to memory semiconductors, European aerospace and defense, SMID-cap US industrials, and US communications services and materials, as well as underweight positions to tech (excluding memory semis), large-cap industrials (excluding aerospace and defense), consumer staples and non- bank financials. We made some trims and additions to existing positions in January, in addition to a couple new name additions and exits.

#### **Manager Style Summary**

Bernstein is a research-driven, value-based, "bottom-up" manager, whose process is driven by individual security selection. Country allocations are a by-product of the stock selection process, which drives the portfolio country over and under weights. They invest in companies with long-term earnings power, which are undervalued due to an overreaction by the market. This value bias will result in a portfolio which will tend to have lower P/E and P/B ratios and higher dividend yields, relative to the market. The Global Strategic Value product is a concentrated global equity portfolio, and as such, may experience more volatility relative to the market.

## Bernstein Global Strategic Value

Global Equity: MSCI ACWI Benchmark

## Portfolio Guideline Compliance

Port	tfolio Guideline:	Index	Bernstein	Calc	Min	Max	Compliance	
B3.	B3. Security position <= 10% of the account @ purchase							
B4.	34. Number of issues 56.0 25 75							
B5.	. Normal Regional Exposures (* benchmark -/+ min/max):							
	United States *	66%	55%		41%	91%	ok	
	Europe ex U.K. *	11%	11%		-4%	26%	ok	
	UK *	3%	<b>12%</b>		-7%	13%	ok	
	Japan *	5%	10%		-5%	15%	ok	
	Emerging Markets		7%		0%	20%	ok	
	Other		6%		0%	20%	ok	
B6.	Normal Global Portfolio Characteri	stics (MSCI A	CWI)				-	
	Capitalization	669,920	274,899	41%	50%	100%	check	
	Price/Book Value	3.4	2.3	69%	50%	100%	ok	
	Price/Earnings (Next 12 mo)	16.6	12.6	76%	50%	100%	ok	
	Price/Cash Flow	15.6	9.5	61%	50%	100%	ok	
	Dividend Yield	1.8	1.9	106%	75%	200%	ok	
C1.	Currency or cross-currency position	n <= value of	hedged secui	rities			ok	
	No executed forward w/o a corres	oonding secu	rities positior	າ.			ok	
C2.	Max forward w/ counterparty <= 3	0% of total m	v of account				ok	
Forwards executed with Custodian <= 100% of the total mv of account, given credit check						ok		
F2.	F2. Brokerage commissions not to exceed \$0.05/share for U.S. equities						ok	
F3.	Annual turnover		57%		30%	40%	check	
The	portfolio is in compliance with all ot	her aspects o	f the Portfoli	o Guideline	S	⊡ Yes	🗌 No	

#### Manager Explanations for Deviations from Portfolio Guidelines

F3. Annual Turnover: Turnover will vary throughout market cycles based on the level of volatility in markets and the changing nature of the value opportunity.
 B6. Capitalization: Our portfolio average capitalisation weight relative to the benchmark is driven by

## two factors. We find some smaller cap ideas very attractive.

## Total Firm Assets Under Management (\$m) as of:

#### **Organizational/Personnel Changes**

Investment decisions for Global Strategic Value are made by the Chief Investment Officer and Director of Research. For the month of January 2025 there were no personnel changes for the GSV portfolio.

Account Turnover						
Gained:	Number of Accounts:	0	Total Market Value (\$m): \$	-		
Lost:	Number of Accounts:	0	Total Market Value (\$m): \$	-		
	Reason(s):					

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BLS Capital								
Global Equity: MSCI ACWI Benchmark								
For the month of: January 2025								
Manager Performance	e Calculations			*,	Annualized returns			
	Last	Last	Last	Last	Last			
	Month	<u>3 Months</u>	<u>1 Year</u>	<u>3 Years*</u>	<u>5 Years*</u>			
BLS	4.01%	3.83%	10.86%	6.40%	10.39%			
MSCI ACWI	3.36%	4.68%	20.72%	8.41%	11.04%			

#### **Performance Attribution & Strategy Comments**

In January, the top relative contributors to portfolio performance were St. James's Place (21% return in USD), Experian (16%), and LVMH (12%). The largest detractors were DSV (-6%), Yum China (-4%), and Budweiser APAC (-6%).

Eight of our portfolio companies reported earnings with results generally in line with expectations and some small positive surprises. LVMH, Mastercard, and Visa delivered reports indicating strong consumption trends in the U.S., while consumer confidence in China remained low, but stable.

St James's Place reported fourth quarter net inflows and funds under management both exceeding expectations. This continued the company's more than 20 years streak of consistently positive quarterly net inflows. With regulatory risk declining and strong progress in complaint resolution suggesting last year's provision was overly conservative, the valuation discount has been narrowing as the share price has risen.

LVMH reported full-year results with flat organic revenue growth, reflecting sequential improvement from the third quarter. Demand was particularly driven by strong U.S. consumers, while sales to Chinese consumers showed sequential improvement in the latter part of the year. The luxury sector experienced strong share price performance in January, following signs of demand stabilization and slightly better-than-expected sales.

Our elevator companies Kone and Otis reported fourth quarter results, where growth in maintenance remains strong and accelerating. Kone grew its maintenance revenues by a very strong 10% along with a more than 6% growth in the maintenance portfolio. Modernization orders and revenue growth of double-digits remain strong at both companies, and is a continued growth driver with improving profitability.

For Mastercard, revenues increased by 14% driven by payments network revenues growth of 14% and value-added services and solutions growth of 16%. Earnings per share increased 20%, and the company expects 2025 to be another solid year with revenue growth in the low teens. Visa grew revenues by 10% following payments volume growth of 9% and value-added services growth by 18%. Earnings per share grew 14%. Following the strong results, Visa now expects its revenues and earnings per share to grow by low-double-digits and low teens, respectively, this fiscal year.

Automatic Data Processing (ADP) reported strong quarterly results with an 8% increase in revenue, an expanded operating margin, and 10% earnings per share growth. ADP announced a 10% quarterly dividend increase, qualifying the company for Dividend King status with 50 years of uninterrupted dividend per share increases. ADP maintained its fiscal year guidance, expecting 6-7% revenue growth and 7-9% adjusted EPS growth.

#### Manager Style Summary

*BLS is a "bottom-up" manager, whose process is driven by individual security selection. They invest in quality companies which have the best possibility of creating sustainable value and generating attractive risk adjusted returns to investors in the long term. Country and sector exposures are by-products of the security selection process and are unconstrained by index weights. The portfolio consists of roughly 25-30 securities at a time. It is a concentrated global equity portfolio, and as such, may experience more volatility relative to the market.* 

# **BLS** Capital

Global Equity: MSCI ACWI Benchmark

# Portfolio Guideline Compliance

Portfolio Guideline:	BLS	Min	Max	Compliance			
3. No more than 10% of the account shall be invested in any one security @ purchase							
4. No more than 2 companies headquartered in Denmark							
35. Number of issues	25	25	30	ok			
6. Normal Regional Exposures (* benchmark -/+ min/max):							
North America	41%	35%	50%	ok			
Japan	0%	0%	0%	ok			
Europe ex UK	33%	15%	35%	ok			
UK	20%	5%	13%	check			
Pacific ex Japan	0%	0%	0%	ok			
Emerging Markets	5%	10%	30%	check			
Non-Index Countries	0%	0%	0%	ok			
Total	100%						
37. Normal Global Portfolio Characteristics							
Capitalization (45%-75%)	115	45	75	check			
Price/Book Value	7.7	5	9	ok			
Price/Earnings (current)	21.8	17	23	ok			
Price/Cash Flow (current)	18.6	19	24	check			
Dividend Yield	2.0%	1.8%	2.8%	ok			
ROE	47%	31%	37%	check			
ROIC	47%	42%	50%	ok			
FCF Yield	5.4%	3.8%		ok			
2. Brokerage commissions not to exceed \$0.	.03/share for U.S. equities		• escolution and a second s	Yes			
3. Annual turnover	29%		40%	ok			
ne portfolio is in compliance with all other aspects of the Portfolio Guidelines 🛛 🖂 Yes							

# Manager Explanations for Deviations from Portfolio Guidelines

B4.	Denmark HQ Limit:	We see attractive risk-adjusted return potential in our globally exposed companies with HQs in Denmark. We assess underlying exposure more so than location of HQ.
B6.	Regional Exposures:	We have continued to see more attractive risk-adjusted return potential in our UK listed companies as opposed to Emerging Markets holdings.
B7.	Capitalization:	We continue to see attractive risk-adjusted returns in higher market capitalization names.
B7.	Price/Cash Flow:	The price/cash flow metric is not our key valuation measure, the free cash flow yield. As the free cash flow yield has increased, the price/cash flow has drifted lower.
B7.	ROE:	We continue to see attractive opportunities in companies with higher returns on equity.

Total Firm Assets Under Management (\$m) as of:	Qtr 4	\$ 7,734
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# Organizational/Personnel Changes

There were no changes to the investment team in January 2025.

Account Turnover							
Gained:	Number of Accounts:	0	Total Market Value (\$m):	\$	-		
Lost:	Number of Accounts:	0	Total Market Value (\$m):	\$	-		
	Reason(s):						

#### Brandes Investment Partners, L.P.

Global Equity: Russell 3000 Benchmark

	For the month of:	January	2025		
Manager Performance Ca	* /	Annualized returns			
	Last	Last	Last	Last	Last
	<u>Month</u>	<u>3 Months</u>	<u>1 Year</u>	<u> 3 Years*</u>	<u>5 Years*</u>
Brandes	4.96%	4.52%	18.49%	11.14%	13.11%
Russell 3000	3.16%	6.66%	26.32%	11.35%	14.58%

#### **Performance Attribution & Strategy Comments**

Global equity markets saw a strong start to the year, with Value stocks outperforming Growth stocks and developed market equities outperforming emerging market equities. European stocks led the way, a shift from the strong markets we have seen in the U.S. Against this backdrop the Brandes Global Equity portfolio rose and outperformed the broader index. While tariff concerns hung over markets the portfolio's US holdings performed well due to strong stock selection. The largest sector contributor on a relative basis was the portfolio's large underweight to the Information Technology sector and good performance of select holdings. We have been conservative in our earmings projections so the portfolio was not negatively impacted by the DeepSeek developments of a potentially cheaper AI model. Conversely select holdings in Communication Services detracted from overall performance. On a country basis the largest relative contributor to outperformance was the portfolio's US exposure, followed by holdings in Switzerland, Holdings in Hong Kong, on the other hand, detracted. As of 1/31/25, the largest absolute country weightings were in the U.S. - although the portfolio is significantly underweight relative to the index - the United Kingdom and France; the largest sector weightings were Financials, Health Care and Industrials. During the month the Global Investment Committee initiated no new positions and had one full sell of German software company SAP, which rose on strong earnings and reached our estimate of intrinsic value. The PERSI Global Equity portfolio continues to hold key positions in the economically sensitive financials sector and the more defensive health care sector, while maintaining its largest underweight to technology. Value stocks continue to trade within the least expensive decile relative to growth (MSCI World Value vs. MSCI World Growth) across various valuation measures (price/earnings, price/cash flow, and enterprise value/sales). However the valuation gap between U.S. and international stocks (MSCI USA vs. MSCI EAFE) widened as 2024 marked the largest outperformance year for U.S. stocks relative to international stocks since 1997. As a result, U.S. stocks now trade at their most expensive levels relative to international stocks since the inception of the MSCI indices in 1970, even when adjusting for sector differences.

We are excited about the long-term prospects of our holdings, which display attractive fundamentals and in aggregate trade at more compelling valuation levels than the benchmark, in our opinion.

<b>Total Firm</b>	Assets Under Management (	(\$m) as of:	Qtr 4	\$ 28,641
Organizati	onal/Personnel Changes			
None				
Account Tu	urnover			
Gained:	Number of Accounts:	0	Total Market Value (\$m):	\$ -
Lost:	Number of Accounts:	0	Total Market Value (\$m):	\$ -
	Reason(s): N/A			

#### **Manager Style Summary**

Brandes is a classic "bottom-up" manager, focusing primarily on individual security selection (while country allocation is a secondary consideration), with a "value" bias, purchasing stocks primarily on the perceived undervaluation of their existing assets or current earnings. Consequently, the securities in the portfolio will tend to have a higher dividend yield and lower P/E and P/Book ratios compared to the market. Brandes' classic Graham and Dodd value investment style combined with the relatively low number of stocks in the portfolio results in large gains or losses on the portfolio. What has been encouraging is that Brandes has turned in good returns when the markets generally have rewarded growth, rather than value, styles.

### Brandes Investment Partners, L.P.

Global Equity: Russell 3000 Benchmark

### **Portfolio Guideline Compliance**

Por	tfolio Guideline:	Index	Brandes	Calc	Min	Max	Compliance
B3.	Security position <= 5% of the ac	count @ purc	hase				ok
B4.	Number of issues		69		40	70	ok
B5.	Normal Country Exposures:						•
	United States & Canada		45%		30%	100%	ok
	Americas ex U.S.		5%		0%	40%	ok
	United Kingdom		14%		0%	25%	ok
	Europe ex U.K.		22%		0%	50%	ok
	Japan		1%		0%	45%	ok
	Pacific ex Japan		11%		0%	40%	ok
	Non-Index Countries		0%		0%	20%	ok
	Cash & Hedges		1%				
	Total		100%				
B6.	Normal International Portfolio C	haracteristics	(FTSE All Wor	d ex U.S. "Larg	e")		
	Capitalization	\$112,210	\$92,428	82%	30%	125%	ok
	Price/Book Value	1.9	1.4	73%	50%	100%	ok
	Price/Earnings	15.9	14.6	92%	50%	100%	ok
	Price/Cash Flow	10.3	7.3	70%	50%	100%	ok
	Dividend Yield	2.8	3.3	117%	90%	150%	ok
B7.	Normal U.S. Portfolio Characteri	stics (Russell 3	3000)				•
	Capitalization	\$816,507	\$177,311	22%	30%	125%	check
	Price/Book Value	4.7	1.8	38%	50%	100%	check
	Price/Earnings	26.8	15.3	57%	50%	100%	ok
	Price/Cash Flow	18.2	10.6	58%	50%	100%	ok
	Dividend Yield	1.2	2.2	181%	90%	150%	check
C1.	Currency or cross-currency posit	ion <= value o	f hedged secu	rities			ok
	No executed forward w/o a corr		•	n.			ok
C2.	Max forward w/ counterpart <=						ok
F2.	Brokerage commissions not to ex	ceed \$0.05/sl	hare or 50% o	f principal (non	-U.S.)		ok
F2.	Annual turnover		16%			100%	ok
The	portfolio is in compliance with all	other aspects	of the Portfol	io Guidelines		🗹 Yes	🗌 No

#### Manager Explanations for Deviations from Portfolio Guidelines

B7. Capitalization:
B7. Capitalization:
B7. Price/Book Value:
B7. Price/Book Value:
B7. Dividend Yield:
Current US mkt historically wide spread btw Value/Growth causing all portf characteristics to skew even more "value" than our typical range.
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#### C WorldWide Asset Management

International Equity: MSCI ACWI ex US Benchmark

Fo	or the month of:	January	2025				
Manager Performance Calculations * Annualized returns							
	Last	Last	Last	Last	Last		
	<u>Month</u>	<u>3 Months</u>	<u>1 Year</u>	<u>3 Years*</u>	5 Years*		
C WorldWide Asset Mgmt	4.11%	-0.38%	N/A	N/A	N/A		
MSCI ACWI ex US	4.03%	1.08%	N/A	N/A	N/A		

#### **Performance Attribution & Strategy Comments**

Among January's top contributors to investment returns were SAP, LVMH and Hoya. SAP's shares were strong in 2024 based on robust 2024 results, with all key metrics, revenue growth, operating profit and free cash flow at the top of guidance. The cloud backlog was impressive, accelerating to 40% growth over the last year. The management team pointed out that 60% of Cloud ERP revenue comes from existing customers, 30% from new wins, and 10% from upsell, showing that the SAP Cloud story is not only about transitioning existing customers. Generative AI has emerged as a driver of ERP, with around half of deals driven by AI. While the market overall is likely close to "peak hype" around AI and its use as a revenue driver (and IR/marketing tool...), we believe that its use internally in large software firms to save costs is an underestimated driver. R&D to sales is 19% for SAP, vs close to 12% for Microsoft. While Microsoft has some scale advantages, SAP's R&D should also be more focused on its core ERP offerings than Microsoft's broader offerings. We believe that the opportunity remains to narrow the gap and increase margins.

The luxury goods sector and LVMH recovered from outstanding results from peer Richemont, which reported robust jewellery sales. When LVMH reported, its Tiffany jewellery brand was up 9%. The key Fashion & Leather Goods division was softer than expected at -1%, up four percentage points from the third quarter. Luxury spending credit card data from the U.S. showed the first growth in over ten quarters in early 2025, pointing to signs of a turnaround in the sector.

Among the top detractors were HDFC Bank, Diageo, and AIA. However, the absolute magnitude of the names on the list of detractors was only in the low teen bps, except for HDFC Bank (negative 32 bps), which saw its shares fall back after a powerful Q4 2024 performance.

While news flow remains volatile overall, it's worth addressing two key issues regarding long-term portfolio positioning this year. They are trade war concerns as well as DeepSeek. We see the trade war escalation as having a limited impact on current portfolio positioning. Most portfolio companies have high margins, strong market positions, and localised production, minimising tariff risks. An exception could be Diageo, which has exposure to Mexican tequila and Canadian whisky and may try to push through price hikes. Regarding DeepSeek, AI disruptions will likely broaden semiconductor demand over time despite short-term uncertainties for firms like ASML.

#### **Manager Style Summary**

C WorldWide Asset Management will manage an international equity mandate. They utilize a "bottom up" strategy and will hold a maximum of 30 stocks (one in/one out) with a quality and large cap bias. The portfolio will exhibit low turnover and the investment horizon is long term. Global trends and themes assist with portfolio construction from idea generation to execution. The firm is looking for stable and sustainable business models favorably aligned with global and regional themes.

## C WorldWide Asset Management

International Equity: MSCI ACWI ex US Benchmark

## Portfolio Guideline Compliance

Portfolio Guideline:	C World	Min	Max	Compliance		
A2. Cash exposure <= 5%						
B2. Securities with a >=5% weighting, not to collectively	exceed 40% o	f the port		Yes		
B3. Security position <= 10% of the account				Yes		
B4. Number of issues	29.0	25	30	ok		
B5. Normal Regional Exposures (benchmark min/max):				-		
Europe ex U.K.	44%	20%	60%	ok		
U.K.	16%	0%	30%	ok		
Pacific	18%	0%	30%	ok		
Emerging Markets	13%	0%	30%	ok		
United States	9%	0%	20%	ok		
Total	100%					
B6. Normal Global Portfolio Characteristics relative to b	enchmark					
Capitalization	163.88%	50%	200%	ok		
Price/Book Value	243.83%	50%	-	ok		
Price/Earnings	158.39%	50%	-	ok		
Price/Cash Flow	178.89%	50%	-	ok		
Dividend Yield	64.25%	-	200%	ok		
D. No derivatives, short sales, commodities, margin or	currency hedgi	ing.		Yes		
E1. Brokerage commissions not to exceed \$0.06/share f	or U.S. equitie	S		Yes		
F3. Annual turnover	17%	0%	30%	ok		
he portfolio is in compliance with all other aspects of the Portfolio Guidelines I Yes						

## Manager Explanations for Deviations from Portfolio Guidelines

There were no deviations.

<b>Total Firm</b>	n Assets Under Management (\$n	n) as of:		Qtr 4	\$ 18,006
Organiza	tional/Personnel Changes				
No chang	es in organization or personnel.				
Account	Turnover				
Gained:	Number of Accounts:	0	(\$m):		\$ -
Lost:	Number of Accounts:	1	(\$m):		\$ 2.7 mn

Change in investment strategy

Reason(s):

## Clearwater Advisors, LLC

Core Fixed: BB Aggregate Benchmark

	For the month of:	January	2025		
Manager Performanc	e Calculations			* 4	nnualized returns
	Last	Last	Last	Last	Last
	<u>Month</u>	<u>3 Months</u>	<u>1 Year</u>	<u>3 Years*</u>	<u>5 Years*</u>
Clearwater Agg	0.51%	-0.11%	2.45%	-1.31%	-0.34%
BB Aggregate	0.53%	-0.07%	2.07%	-1.52%	-0.60%

### **Performance Attribution & Strategy Comments**

January was certainly an eventful month, but you might not notice if you just look at the end result in the markets. Even though there was a presidential inauguration, a Fed meeting, a slew of executive orders and new tariffs on significant trading partners, the financial markets remained fairly calm. In fact, long-term interest rates ended just 2 basis points lower than where they started. Credit spreads fell by 3 basis points to end at 117. Stocks climbed by about 2% and volatility fell by about 1 point.

2025 is off to a good start and that probably shouldn't be too much of a surprise. The majority of the underlying fundamental economic measures are still coming in positively. The economy is growing at a reasonable but not remarkable pace. Unemployment is low and moving slightly lower. Wages are growing slightly faster than inflation and consumers are still consuming at a steady rate. The only concerning thing to note is that with a strong economy like this, inflation usually starts to pick up. If that happens this time, it could put the Fed in a very difficult position of having to consider going back into hiking mode.

The Clearwater portfolio underperformed the benchmark by 2 basis points in January. Our duration was right on target and our sector exposures were even closer to benchmark than normal. As mentioned above, interest rates ended where they started and spreads only tightened slightly so there was very little opportunity for performance to deviate from the benchmark. Our Muni exposure was the top performer, and MBS was at the bottom, but all sectors were relatively similar in terms of return for the month.

### Manager Style Summary

Clearwater manages a core Aggregate portfolio which is not expected to deviate significantly from the benchmark, although issuer concentration is expected to be much larger. They seek to add value through sector allocation and security selection rather than duration bets. Prior to January 2014, Clearwater managed a TBA mortgage portfolio. The historical returns through December 2013 reflects the performance of the TBA portfolio while performance beginning January 2014 reflects the Aggregate portfolio.

## Clearwater Advisors, LLC

Core Fixed: BB Aggregate Benchmark

## **Portfolio Guideline Compliance**

Portfolio Guideline:	Clearwater	BB Agg	Min	Max	Compliance
A1. The account shall consist of dollar	denominated fi	xed income s	ecurities		ok
B2. Duration:	6.2	5.9	5.4	6.4	ok
B3. Sector Diversification:					
Treasuries	30%	45%	30%	60%	ok
Agencies	3%	1%	-14%	16%	ok
Supra/Sovereign	1%	3%	-7%	13%	ok
Corporates	37%	24%	4%	44%	ok
Industrial	16%	14%	-1%	29%	ok
Financial	19%	8%	-7%	23%	ok
Utility	2%	2%	-8%	12%	ok
MBS	<b>26%</b>	25%	10%	40%	ok
ABS	1%	0%	-5%	5%	ok
CMBS	2%	2%	-3%	7%	ok
B4. Issuer Concentration: <=5% all cor	porate issuers			5%	ok
B5. Number of positions	189		100	200	ok
B6. Non-Investment Grade alloc	0%			10%	ok
B7. Out of index sector alloc	0%			10%	ok
B7. TIPS allocation	0%			20%	ok
E2. Annual Turnover (ex TBA rolls)	21%		25%	65%	check
The portfolio is in compliance with all	other aspects of	the Portfolio	Guidelines	🗹 Yes	🗌 No

## Manager Explanations for Deviations from Portfolio Guidelines

E2. Annual Turnover (ex TBA):

Trading activity remains below average. Our view is that credit spreads are historically tight and relative value trades are sparse for the time being.

Total Firm Assets Under Management (\$m) as of:	Qtr 4	\$	4,523
Organizational/Personnel Changes			
none			
Account Turnover			
Coinade Number of Accounts 1	Total Milt Value (ćm)	ć	1.0

Gained:	Number of Accounts:	1	Total Mkt Value (\$m):	\$ 1.0
Lost:	Number of Accounts:	0	Total Mkt Value (\$m):	\$ -
Reason(s)	for loss: N/A			

## Clearwater Advisors - PERSI STIF

Cash: Merrill Lynch 0-3 Month Treasury Bill Benchmark

	For the month of:	January	2025			
Manager Performance Calculations * Annualized retur						
	Last	Last	Last	Last	Last	
	Month	<u>3 Months</u>	<u>1 Year</u>	<u>3 Years*</u>	<u>5 Years*</u>	
Clearwater - PERSI STIF	0.38%	1.16%	5.14%	4.06%	2.60%	
ML 0-3 Month T-bill	0.37%	1.16%	5.24%	4.09%	2.52%	

#### **Performance Attribution & Strategy Comments**

Higher yields earlier in the month on stronger economic data ultimately reversed and gave way to the lack of "day one" material universal tariffs, less hawkish Powell comments, and inflation satisfaction later in the month. Economic data trended stronger to begin January -- improved manufacturing and services activity, more job openings, an upside surprise to monthly job adds, and lower unemployment rate. However, markets were relieved in the middle of the month with slightly lower core inflation despite higher headline inflation. The Fed also ended the month sending a mixed signal at its January meeting where Chairman Powell's less hawkish sounding comments ultimately overpowered hawkish changes to the official statement. Meanwhile, Trump didn't impose "day one" material universal tariffs, which added to market relief.

U.S. Treasury yields moved little on net in January with the 2- and 10-year yield falling 3 and 5 basis points, respectively. Similarly, yields on the very front end were little changed with the 3-month falling 3 basis points and the 6-month rising 3 basis points. Removing some year end volatility, SOFR ended January relatively steady at 4.33%. US investment grade corporate bond spreads narrowed modestly over the month.

Portfolio Guideline:	Clearwater	Min	Max	Compliance
B2a. Sector Allocations:	100%			
Treasuries	16%	0%	100%	ok
Agencies	<b>10%</b>	0%	100%	ok
Corporates	8%	0%	100%	ok
Mortgage Backed Securities (MBSs)	0%	0%	60%	ok
Asset Backed Securities (ABSs)	8%	0%	40%	ok
Cash	3%	0%	100%	ok
Commercial Paper	55%	0%	100%	ok
B2b. Quality: Securities must be rated investment	grade by S&P or	Moody's at time	e of purchase	ok
B2c. Effective Duration <=18 months	2		18	ok
B2d. Number of securities	43	10	50	ok
B3a. Allocation of corporate securities to one issu	4%		5%	ok
The portfolio is in compliance with all other aspects	of the Portfolio	Guidelines	🗸 Yes	🗌 No

### **Portfolio Guideline Compliance**

Manager Explanations for Deviations from Portfolio Guidelines

There were no deviations.

#### Manager Style Summary

The enhanced cash portfolio was created with the expectation that the portfolio will generate returns similar to, or in slight excess of, the Mellon Short-Term Investment Fund (STIF), while providing PERSI with an increased level of transparency into the cash portfolio.

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## D.B. Fitzpatrick & Co., Inc. - Idaho Commercial Mortgages

Domestic Fixed: BB Mortgage Benchmark

	For the month of:	January	2025			
Manager Performance Calculations * Annualized returns						
	Last	Last	Last	Last	Last	
	<u>Month</u>	<u>3 Months</u>	<u>1 Year</u>	<u>3 Years*</u>	<u>5 Years*</u>	
Idaho Commercial Mortgage	s 0.54%	0.45%	4.02%	0.78%	1.36%	
BB Mortgage	0.51%	0.17%	2.19%	-1.47%	-0.77%	

#### **Portfolio Summary**

rket Valu	e: \$	869,706,033		D	elinquencies	s/REOs
					<u>\$ Amt</u>	<u>% of Portfolio</u>
Origin	nations	/Payoffs	30 days	\$	-	0.00%
lonth:	\$	4,864,758	60 days	\$	-	0.00%
ΓD:	\$	4,864,758	90 days	\$	-	0.00%
			120+ days	\$	-	0.00%
Payoffs:	\$	386,230	REOs	\$	-	0.00%

### **Performance Attribution & Strategy Comments**

The PERSI Commercial Mortgage Portfolio returned 4.02% during the last year, outperforming its benchmark by 183 basis points. Looking at the longer term, PERSI's portfolio has returned 1.36% (annualized) during the last five years, outperforming its benchmark by 213 basis points (annualized). Outperformance over longer periods is driven by the portfolio's low delinquency rate and coupon advantage vis-à-vis the benchmark.

As 2025 gets underway the commercial mortgage portfolio continues to perform well, with no delinquencies or real estate owned (REO) properties. New loan originations were \$4.9 million in January and we are seeing more inquiries from borrowers compared to this time last year. This notwithstanding, there remains a dearth of activity generally in the commercial real estate market, with potential buyers and sellers struggling to agree on valuations in today's interest rate environment. Investor demand for Idaho commercial real estate remains high, however, and we expect investment activity to slowly increase throughout 2025.

Also of note, we believe there is an upcoming "maturity wall" of commercial mortgages (both nationally and in the local market) set to come due during the next two to three years. These maturities might provide a jolt to market activity, and we believe they will be accretive to our loan production figures as borrowers not currently in our portfolio explore all potential sources of financing.

### **Manager Style Summary**

The Idaho Commercial Mortgage portfolio is managed by DBF and consists of directly owned Idaho commercial mortgages. DBF oversees the origination process, the monitoring of the portfolio, and services 50% of the portfolio.

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## D.B. Fitzpatrick & Co., Inc. - MBS Portfolio

Domestic Fixed: BB Mortgage Benchmark

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	For the month of:	January	2025		
Manager Performance	e Calculations			* Ann	ualized returns
	Last	Last	Last	Last	Last
	<u>Month</u>	<u>3 Months</u>	<u>1 Year</u>	<u>3 Years*</u>	5 Years*
DBF MBS	0.53%	-0.01%	2.15%	-1.53%	-0.83%
BB Mortgage	0.51%	0.17%	2.19%	-1.47%	-0.77%
Portfolio Attributes					
Characterist	ics		DBF	BB Mtg	
Market Val	ue (\$ m)		\$161.34	N/A	
Weighted A	verage <i>Effective</i> Duration	on (in years)	6.0	6.0	
Weighted Average Yield (in %)			5.3%	5.2%	
Weighted Average Coupon (in %)		3.6%	3.5%		

### **Performance Attribution & Strategy Comments**

The U.S. Treasury yield curve was down slightly in January, as investors evaluated the rhetoric and newly enacted policies of the incoming U.S. administration. President Trump had indicated that new tariffs would be instituted against major trading partners in the first days of his presidency, but it now appears that tariffs will be delayed for at least several weeks and that they are being utilized as part of a longer-term negotiation with several countries. Bond investors were encouraged by this development and the yield curve fell in the last days of January, with the 10-year Treasury yield ending the month at 4.54%. The risk of a lasting impact of tariffs on supply chains remains an important issue in the market today, however, and U.S. inflation breakeven rates (what investors are forecasting inflation to be in the future) remain above the Federal Reserve's 2.0% target. The 2-year U.S. inflation breakeven rate was 2.94% at the end of January.

U.S. agency mortgage-backed securities (MBS) performed well in January, as their option-adjusted spread (OAS) vis-à-vis Treasury yields fell during the month. We continue to see good value in the agency MBS market, as prepayment risk is very low for all but the highest coupon securities in the current interest rate environment. Additionally, agency MBS compare well against corporate bonds, whose spreads overTreasury yields are new 5-year lows.

PERSI's MBS portfolio returned 0.53% in January, outperforming its benchmark by two basis points. The portfolio's performance is close to its benchmark's return over longer periods, despite the drag created by significant cash requirements of the related Idaho Commercial Mortgage portfolio. The MBS portfolio ended January with a yield-to-maturity of 5.3% and effective duration of 6.0 years.

### Manager Style Summary

DBF's MBS (Mortgage Backed Security) portfolio is a "core" holding which attempts to generally track the returns of the Barclays Capital Mortgage Index. Excess returns are added through security selection and interest rate bets, although such bets are expected to be limited and relatively low-risk. DBF also manages the Idaho Mortgage Program in conjunction with this portfolio -- the MBS portfolio serves as a "cash reserve" of sorts, to fund mortgages managed through the Idaho Mortgage Program. Consequently, we expect this portfolio to hold traditional MBS instruments and to maintain a reasonably healthy status, with no significant bets which could go significantly awry.

## D.B. Fitzpatrick & Co., Inc. - MBS Portfolio

Domestic Fixed: BB Mortgage Benchmark

## Portfolio Guideline Compliance

Portfolio Guideline:		DBF	Min	Max	Compliance
B2. Minimum portfolio size		<b>\$161</b>	\$50		ok
B2a. Security Type:					
MORTGAGE RELAT	ED	100%	80%	100%	ok
Generic MBSs		100%	75%	100%	ok
GNMAs		7.7%			-
FNMAs		58.2%			
FHLMCs		34.1%			
CMOs		0.0%	0%	25%	ok
NON-MORTGAGE R	ELATED	0.0%	0%	20%	ok
Treasuries		0.0%	0%	20%	ok
Agencies		0.0%	0%	20%	ok
Cash		0.4%	0%	10%	ok
Attributes:	BB Mtg				
Duration	6.0	6.0	4.0	8.0	ok
Coupon	3.5%	3.6%	2.5%	4.5%	ok
Quality	AAA+	AAA+	AAA		ok
33. Individual security excl	Treasuries as a %	of portfolio	0%	5%	ok
B4. Number of securities		80	25	50	check
E2. Annual Turnover		10%	0%	25%	ok
The portfolio is in compliance	with all other as	pects of the Port	folio Guidelines	🗹 Yes	🗌 No

## Manager Explanations for Deviations from Portfolio Guidelines

B4. Number of Securities: Number of securities is greater than 50 due to cash flow activity from the commercial mortgage portfolio.

<b>Total Firm</b>	Total Firm Assets Under Management (\$m) as of: Qtr								
Organizational/Personnel Changes									
	There were no organizational or personnel changes in January.								
?									
Account	Turnover								
Gained:	Number of Accounts:	0	Total Market Value (\$m):	\$	-				
Lost:	Number of Accounts:	0	Total Market Value (\$m):	\$	-				
	Reason(s): N/A								

## Donald Smith & Co., Inc.

Domestic Equity: Russell 3000 Benchmark

	For the	e month of:	January	2025		
Manager Performa	nce Calculat	ions			* Ann	ualized returns
		Last	Last	Last	Last	Last
		<u>Month</u>	<u>3 Months</u>	<u>1 Year</u>	<u>3 Years*</u>	<u>5 Years*</u>
Donald Smith & Co.		3.20%	2.10%	27.87%	26.20%	23.00%
Russell 3000		3.16%	6.66%	26.32%	11.36%	14.60%
Portfolio Attributes	5					
<b>Characteristics</b>	<u>DSCO</u>	<u>RU 3000</u>		Sec	tor Analysis	
Mkt Value (\$m)	871.81	N/A		Over-weight	DSCO	<u>RU 3000</u>
Wtd Cap (\$b)	19.49	921.50		Financials	35.44%	11.55%
P/E	7.64	26.62		Materials	23.28%	1.51%
Beta	0.95	N/A		Energy	6.76%	3.54%
Yield (%)	1.85	1.26				
Earnings Growth				<u>Under-weight</u>	<u>DSCO</u>	<u>RU 3000</u>
				Info Technology	0.00%	34.27%
				Health Care	0.00%	10.12%
				Cons. Staples	0.00%	3.86%

### **Performance Attribution & Strategy Comments**

The account appreciated +3.2%, in-line with the Russell 3000 (+3.2%) and outperforming the S&P 500 (+2.8%), but lagging the Russell 3000 Value (+4.5%). Markets were volatile to start the year with concerns about higher interest rates and the impact of tariffs under the new Trump administration. The biggest contributors were the financial stocks (Citigroup +15.7%; Corebridge +12.8%; Nomura +12.2%-- select notable contributors). A few insurers detracted (Siriuspoint -11.2%; Everest Re -4.1%) on liability concerns over the wildfires in California, but the group generally outperformed. Beazer Homes (-19.3%) and M/I Homes (-5.4%) detracted on worries over mortgage rates remaining elevated for longer and the fallout from Trump's new policies on immigration and tariffs. Also rattled by tariff concerns were the steelmaker Algoma (-16.6%) and General Motors (-7.2%). While the ongoing saga with Nippon's acquisition attempt continues, US Steel (+8.4%) was lifted higher on news that Nucor and Cleveland-Cliffs are now exploring a joint bid for the company. Other notable detractors included some of the consumer discretionary holdings (Harley-Davidson -10.2%; Hooker Furnishings -9.1%). All three real estate holdings (RLJ Lodging -4.5%; Park Hotels -4.1%; Howard Hughes -0.7%) declined. Bill Ackman's Pershing Square announced that it would seek to acquire Howard Hughes in a deal we find to be inadequate. The biggest offset to the detraction were most of the gold miner stocks. IAMGOLD (+20.9%) and Equinox Gold (+20.9%) were particularly strong. In particular, IAMGOLD and Equinox were strong as they offer the most leverage to higher gold prices given their capital structures and rising production profiles as they proceed to ramp output from their newly-constructed Cote and Greenstone mines, respectively. We added to Global Ship Lease, Harley-Davidson, Nomura, and Park Hotels. We sold out of JetBlue completely. There were no other transactions. Insurance, precious metals, financials, building / real estate, and aircraft leasing / airlines are the largest industry weightings. The portfolio trades at 89% of tangible book value and 6.3x 2-4 year normalized EPS.

## **Manager Style Summary**

Donald Smith & Co manages an all-cap portfolio, employing a bottom-up, deep value investment strategy. They invest in stocks with low P/B ratios and which are undervalued given their long-term earnings potential. Consequently, the portfolio will consist of securities with higher dividend yield and lower P/B and P/E ratios relative to the market. This is a concentrated portfolio, consisting of approximately 15-35 issues, and as a result, may experience more volatility than the market.

## Donald Smith & Co., Inc.

Domestic Equity: Russell 3000 Benchmark

## Portfolio Guideline Compliance

Port	tfolio Guideline:	DSCO	RU 3000	Calc	Min	Max	Compliance	
B2.	Security Market Cap (in \$m) >	\$100 m @ pı	urchase				ok	
B3.	Security Positions <= 15% @ p	urchase					ok	
B4.	Number of issues	35			15	35	ok	
B5.	Portfolio Characteristics							
	Р/В	0.89	4.68	19%	30%	100%	check	
	P/E (1 Year Forward)	7.64	26.62	29%	50%	100%	check	
	Dividend Yield	1.85	1.26	147%	50%	150%	ok	
F2. Commissions not to exceed \$0.05/share; explanation required for commissions >\$0.07/share							ok	
F3.	Annual Turnover	30%			20%	40%	ok	
The	The portfolio is in compliance with all other aspects of the Portfolio Guidelines 🛛 🗹 Yes							

## Manager Explanations for Deviations from Portfolio Guidelines

B5. P/B:

Our primary approach is to buy low P/B stocks selling at discounts to tangible book value.

- B5. P/E (1 Yr Forward):
- We focus on normalized EPS looking out 2-4 years. On this basis, we are significantly below the market.

Total Firm Assets Under Management (\$m) as of:	
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Qtr 4 \$ 4,379

**Organizational/Personnel Changes** N/A

## **Account Turnover**

Gained: Number of Accounts: 1 Lost: Number of Accounts: 0 Reason(s): N/A Total Market Value (\$m):\$5.0Total Market Value (\$m):\$-

#### Income Research & Management (IR+M)

Core Fixed: BB Gov/Credit Bond Index

	For the month of:	January	2025		
Manager Performance Cal	culations			* Anr	ualized returns
	Last	Last	Last	Last	Last
	<u>Month</u>	<u>3 Months</u>	<u>1 Year</u>	<u> 3 Years*</u>	<u>5 Years*</u>
IR+M	0.58%	0.02%	2.52%	-1.13%	0.10%
BB Gov/Credit	0.53%	-0.18%	1.95%	-1.60%	-0.58%

### Performance Attribution & Strategy Comments

The portfolio outperformed the BB Gov/Credit index, returning 0.58% and 0.53% respectively. The portfolio's underweight towards TSYs aided performance, while it's overweight to Utilities detracted. Security selection within SBAs, Utilities, and ABS aided performance, while selection within Industrials and Financials detracted. Market participants navigated a wave of high-impact events in Jan, including destructive California wildfires with estimated losses up to \$45 billion, the sudden entry of China's DeepSeek into the AI horserace, and a series of policy changes from President Trump, who closed out the month with the tariff announcement, adding to the market uncertainty. Economic data continued to highlight a resilient labor market in the face of persistently elevated inflation, with Dec's change in nonfarm payrolls shattering expectations and its unemployment rate ticking slightly lower. The Fed kept the fed funds target range unchanged at 4.25% - 4.50%, reaffirming confidence in the labor market and the broader US economy amid sticky inflation. TSY Bond yields rose early in the month, with the 10-year rate hitting 4.79% – its highest level in over fourteen months – before falling to close the month down 3bps to 4.54%. IG corporates outperformed TSYs during the month except for Utilities, which lagged other sectors amid uncertainty surrounding the California wildfires' impact. Yields rose to 5.54% in the first half of the month before reversing course and closing at 5.30%, 3bps lower than where they started; spreads remained rangebound between 78-81bps, finishing at 79bps. HY bonds extended their rally to six consecutive months, posting a total return of 1.37%; all-in yields declined by 29bps to 7.20%, and spreads narrowed by 26bps to 261bps, the tightest monthly reading in nearly a year. High-grade corporate issuance totaled \$186 billion, exceeding estimates, but remaining 2% below the Jan 2024 figure. HY primary market activity was muted for most of the month, but experienced a late boost from a bevy of new issues pricing in the final week, ending the month with \$22 billion of new bonds – nearly 30% lower than this point last year. MBS saw the highest Jan supply since 2022, driven by an increase in purchase loans; spreads tightened by 9bps during the month to 34bps, supported by renewed interest from banks and foreign investors.

### Total Firm Assets Under Management (\$m) as of:

Qtr 4 \$ 111,221

Organizational/Personnel Changes N/A

### Manager Style Summary

IR+M's investment philosophy is based on the belief that careful security selection and active portfolio risk management provide superior returns over the long term. Utilizing a disciplined, bottom-up investment approach, IR+M adds value through security selection by seeking attractive, overlooked, and inefficiently priced issues.

## Income Research & Management (IR+M)

Core Fixed: BB Gov/Credit Bond Index

## Portfolio Guideline Compliance

Portfolio Guideline:	IR+M	BB G/C	Min	Max	Compliance
B2. Effective Duration:	6.1	6.1	5.6	6.6	ok
B3. Sector Diversification:					
Government	<b>40</b> %	62%	32%	92%	ok
Treasuries	37%	61%	31%	91%	ok
Agencies	о%	1%	-4%	6%	ok
Govt Guaranteed	<b>3</b> %	о%	-10%	10%	ok
Credit	41%	38%	18%	58%	ok
Financial	16%	11%	-4%	26%	ok
Industrial	19%	19%	4%	34%	ok
Utility	5%	3%	-7%	13%	ok
Non-Corporate	о%	4%	-6%	14%	ok
Securitized					
RMBS	1%	о%	-10%	10%	ok
ABS	8%	0%	-10%	10%	ok
CMBS	7%	0%	-10%	10%	ok
Agency CMBS	2%	0%	-5%	5%	ok
Municipals	1%	1%	-9%	11%	ok
B4. Issuer Concentration: <=5% all co	orporate issue	rs		5%	ok
B5. Number of positions	305		100	175	check
B6. Non-Investment Grade alloc	0%			5%	ok
E2. Annual Turnover	33%		25%	75%	ok
The portfolio is in compliance with a	ll other aspect	ts of the Portfol	lio Guidelines	🗹 Yes	🗌 No

## Manager Explanations for Deviations from Portfolio Guidelines

B5. Number of Positions:

Due to volatility, we positioned the portfolio to take advantage of attractive opportunities.

Account Turnover								
Gained:	Number of Account	ts: 4	Total Mkt Value (\$m):	227 million				
Lost:	Number of Accoun	ts: 1	Total Mkt Value (\$m):	23 million				
Reason(s) for loss: Account closing due to clie			ashflow needs🛛					

#### Longview Partners

Global Equity: MSCI ACWI Benchmark

	For the month of:	January	2025		
Manager Performa	nce Calculations			* Anr	nualized returns
	Last	Last	Last	Last	Last
	<u>Month</u>	<u>3 Months</u>	<u>1 Year</u>	<u>3 Years*</u>	5 Years*
Longview	4.51%	4.08%	13.53%	9.37%	10.06%
MSCI ACWI	3.36%	4.68%	20.72%	8.40%	11.03%

#### **Performance Attribution & Strategy Comments**

Among the largest contributors to relative performance were Thermo Fisher, CDW and Medtronic.

Thermo Fisher, the life sciences company, performed well in January following the release of fourth quarter results that were modestly ahead of consensus expectations and positive guidance for 2025. The company expects to achieve 4-5% core organic revenue growth and 6-8% growth in adjusted earnings per share in 2025. The company also expects the wider life sciences tools market to continue to recover in 2025 with a return to growth after the low single digit percentage decline in 2024.

CDW outperformed during January despite little stock specific news and recovered the underperformance experienced in November and December.

Medtronic performed well in January, recovering the post US election underperformance experienced in November and December. Whilst there was limited company specific news, the Centres for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) announced that it is creating a national coverage analysis for Medtronic's Symplicity Spyral renal denervation system for the treatment of hypertension. Whilst there are competing products, such as GLP-1s, this was seen as a positive development for Medtronic given the very large size of the hypertension market and lack of successful treatments currently available.

Some of the largest detractors in January were Booking Holdings, Sysco and Diageo.

Booking Holdings underperformed during January despite little stock specific news. The company remains one of the portfolio's top contributors over the last twelve months and was also the portfolio's top contributor in the fourth quarter of 2024.

Sysco underperformed following the release of its second quarter earnings for the fiscal year ending June 2025. Whilst group results were largely in line with consensus expectations, US case volumes were slightly weaker than expected. The company maintained full year financial guidance of 4-5% revenue growth and 6-7% earnings per share growth but the market appeared to be slightly disappointed by a lack of increase in guidance.

Diageo underperformed during January following a US Surgeon General Advisory calling for cancer risk warnings on alcoholic beverages along with speculation over the potential impact of US tariffs on Mexico and Canada, which would negatively affect Diageo's tequila and Canadian whisky portfolios.

#### **Manager Style Summary**

Longview is a "bottom-up" manager, whose process is driven by individual security selection. Country allocations are a byproduct of the stock selection process, which drives the portfolio country over and under weights, and is unconstrained by the index weights. The portfolio holds 30-35 securities at a time, and stocks are equally weighted. It is a concentrated global equity portfolio, and as such, may experience more volatility relative to the market.

## Longview Partners

Global Equity: MSCI ACWI Benchmark

## Portfolio Guideline Compliance

Port	folio Guideline:	Longview	Min	Max	Compliance	
B3.	Security position <= 5% of the account @ purchase	<b></b>			Yes	
B4.	Number of issues	30.0	30	35	ok	
B5.	Normal Regional Exposures (* benchmark -/+ min/m	ax):				
	United States & Canada	83%	35%	80%	check	
	Europe incl U.K.	17%	20%	50%	check	
	Japan	0%	0%	20%	ok	
	Emerging Markets	0%	0%	15%	ok	
	Non-Index Countries	0%	0%	10%	ok	
	Total	100%		•	-	
B6.	Normal Global Portfolio Characteristics					
	Median Mkt Cap (in billions)	116,457	\$10		ok	
	Price/Earnings (Trailing)	27.1	10	17	check	
	Dividend Yield	1%	0.5%	2.0%	ok	
	Price/Cash Flow (Trailing)	18.5	10	14	check	
C1.	C1. No executed forward w/o a corresponding securities position.					
C2. Foreign Currency (cash or cash equiv) <= 8% of Account value						
F2.	Brokerage commissions not to exceed \$0.06/share for	or U.S. equitie	S		Yes	
F3.	Annual turnover	12%	25%	50%	check	
The	portfolio is in compliance with all other aspects of the	Portfolio Gui	delines	🗹 Yes	🗌 No	

## Manager Explanations for Deviations from Portfolio Guidelines

B5.	Regional Exposures:	The output of our investment process is a concentrated, yet diversified, portfolio of typically 35 names, unconstrained by geography or sector.
B6.	Price/Earnings:	Price/Earnings is not targeted and stood at 27.1 in January.
B6.	Price/Cash Flow:	Price/Cash Flow is not targeted and stood at 18.5 in January.
F3.	Annual Turnover:	We do not target a specific level of turnover. Annual turnover is calculated on a rolling 12 month period and includes client flows.

Total Firm Assets Under Management (\$m) as of:	Qtr 1	\$	16,803
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## Organizational/Personnel Changes

There were no changes to the investment team in January.

Account Turnover				
Gained:	Number of Accounts:	0	(\$m):	\$-
Lost:	Number of Accounts:	0	(\$m):	\$-
	Reason(s):			

## Mondrian Investment Partners

International Equity: MSCI EAFE Benchmark

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	For the	e month of:	January	2025		
Manager Perfo	ormance Calculat	ions			* Ann	ualized returns
		Last	Last	Last	Last	Last
		<u>Month</u>	<u>3 Months</u>	<u>1 Year</u>	3 Years*	5 Years*
Mondrian		4.51%	1.47%	11.58%	6.12%	6.36%
MSCI EAFE		5.26%	2.28%	8.65%	5.12%	6.25%
Country Alloca	tion Comparison	I				
Over-weight	Mondrian	EAFE	L	<b>Jnder-weight</b>	Mondrian	EAFE
UK	22.20%	14.90%	Australia		1.41%	7.37%
Italy	6.54%	2.80%	Switzerland 4		4.81%	9.56%
Singapore	5.23%	1.67%	Sweden		0.00%	3.65%

## **Performance Attribution & Strategy Comments**

International equity markets started the year strongly despite encountering some volatility over the month. European markets led Asia Pacific markets on strong results in the luxury goods sector and a rate cut by the ECB, while China-USA tariff headlines weighed on Hong Kong. Despite disruption from the DeepSeek AI model, the IT sector outperformed on optimism around AI infrastructure investment and strong company earnings. The Bank of Japan's third rate hike in a year drove strength in Japanese banks and the Japanese yen.

In a robust month for equity markets, the portfolio delivered attractive absolute returns; consistent with Mondrian's defensive investment philosophy, the returns lagged the strong market.

Relative returns were held back by stock selection in Europe and the overweight position to the weak Hong Kong equity market. While most of the challenge in European markets arose from not holding a handful of strong stocks, WPP, the UK advertising and communications group, did lag on announcement of some client account losses. These returns were partially offset by strong stock selection in the financials sector driven by Lloyds, the UK bank, on easing concerns around potential UK motor finance redress costs.

## Manager Style Summary

Mondrian (formerly Delaware International) employs a top-down/bottom-up approach, with focus on security selection. The firm identifies attractive investments based on their fundamental, long-term flow of income. Dividend yield and future growth prospects are critical to the decision making process. The portfolio is expected to be fairly concentrated (40-60 securities), with a value bias. As such, we can expect the portfolio characteristics to exhibit low P/B, low P/E and high dividend yield ratios relative to the market.

## **Mondrian Investment Partners**

International Equity: MSCI EAFE Benchmark

### **Portfolio Guideline Compliance**

Portfolio Guideline:	Index	Mondrian	Calc	Min	Мах	Compliance
B3. Security position <= 5% of the	account @	ourchase		1		ok
B4. Number of issues		53		40	60	ok
B5. Normal Regional Exposures:		-				ok
United Kingdom		22%		0%	45%	ok
Europe ex U.K.		40%		0%	75%	ok
Japan		25%		0%	45%	ok
Pacific ex Japan		12%		0%	40%	ok
Non-Index Countries		0%		0%	20%	ok
Cash		1%		0%	5%	ok
Total		100%				
B6. Normal Portfolio Characteristi	CS	•				
Capitalization	91,254	60,394	66%	25%	100%	ok
Price/Book Value	1.9	1.3	70%	50%	125%	ok
Price/Earnings (Trailing)	15.1	11.9	79%	50%	100%	ok
Price/Cash Flow	9.7	5.8	60%	50%	100%	ok
Dividend Yield	3.1	4.1	133%	100%	200%	ok
C1. Currency or cross-currency position <= value of hedged securities						ok
No executed forward w/o a corresponding securities position.						ok
C2. Max forward w/ counterpart <= 30% of total mv of account				ok		
F2. Annual turnover	25%			40%	ok	
The portfolio is in compliance with a	all other asp	ects of the Po	rtfolio Guide	elines	🗹 Yes	🗌 No

## Manager Explanations for Deviations from Portfolio Guidelines

There were no deviations.

## Total Firm Assets Under Management (\$m) as of:

## **Organizational/Personnel Changes**

No Changes.

## **Account Turnover**

Gained: Number of Accounts: 1

Lost: Number of Accounts: 1 Total Market Value (\$m) \$ 245.0

Total Market Value (\$m) \$ 70.2

Reason(s): Mondrian lost one International Equity separate account when the client decided to remove all active equity exposure given the corporate DB plan was now overfunded.

Qtr 4 \$ 41,475

### **Mountain Pacific Investment Advisers**

Domestic Equity: Russell 2500 Benchmark

	For th	ne month of:	January	2025			
Manager Perform	Manager Performance Calculations * Annualized returns						
		Last	Last	Last	Last	Last	
		<u>Month</u>	<u>3 Months</u>	<u>1 Year</u>	<u>3 Years*</u>	<u>5 Years*</u>	
Mountain Pacific		2.82%	2.49%	20.27%	8.35%	11.80%	
Russell 2500		3.54%	5.16%	19.08%	6.63%	9.97%	
Portfolio Attribu	Portfolio Attributes						
<b>Characteristics</b>	<u>Mtn Pac</u>	<u>RU 2500</u>		Se	ctor Analysis		
Mkt Value (\$m)	787.36	N/A	<u>(</u>	Over-weight	<u>Mtn Pac</u>	<u>RU 2500</u>	
Wtd Cap (\$b)	33.56	8.60	C	Capital Goods	54.31%	21.67%	
P/E	23.49	20.67	Ν	Materials	5.51%	3.47%	
Beta	1.01	1.00					
Yield (%)	0.89	1.39	<u>L</u>	<u> Jnder-weight</u>	<u>Mtn Pac</u>	<u>RU 2500</u>	
Earnings Growt	10.53	13.62	C	Cons. Cyclical	2.03%	14.80%	
			F	Real Estate	0.00%	6.75%	
			E	Energy	0.00%	5.18%	

#### **Performance Attribution & Strategy Comments**

Patience with a view to ease remained the theme for the Federal Reserve as the FOMC held rates constant at their late January meeting. CPI and PCE inflation prints released in January showed continued improvement. Labor data indicated a market that is healthy but without the signs of tightness that would likely unnerve Fed officials. The solid economy and policy uncertainty associated with the incoming administration are probably both contributing to Fed reluctance to hurry further rate cuts. A March ease now seems doubtful with June seen as a toss-up. The portfolio gained 2.82% during the month, underperforming our benchmark, the RU 2500, by 72 bps. Over the past three months, our portfolio has underperformed the index by 267 bps.

Selection effects accounted for essentially all of the underperformance; allocation was about flat. Health care drove approximately half of the drag with financials and consumer discretionary also contributing. Charles River Laboratories, a provider of services for drug discovery and development, and Danaher, a supplier to biotech and medical diagnostic markets, both issued disappointing outlooks for 2025; their declines were worth about 60 basis point of underperformance. RBC Bearings, a maker of high precision bearings and related motion control equipment, rose 17% in January on solid earnings and better than expected prospects. RBC's industrial segment returned to growth in 4Q24, complementing continued good results in aerospace & defense. S&P 500 earnings reports have been strong into 4Q and help to support the largely positive economic environment described above. Expectations of monetary action are much more in-line now, in our opinion, reducing a key market risk. Our outlook of cautious optimism, however, acknowledges the high multiples currently reflected in US equity prices.

### **Manager Style Summary**

Mountain Pacific manages a mid-to small-cap portfolio, employing a "GARP" (Growth At a Reasonable Price) investment strategy. Their portfolio holdings and characteristics will wander around the average stock in their benchmark, and they tend to favor companies which do not sell directly to the public and therefore, depend on sales to other businesses. Mountain Pacific runs a more concentrated portfolio than most, and as a result, their returns will diverge more dramatically from their benchmark, and sometimes for sustained periods.

## **Mountain Pacific Investment Advisers**

Domestic Equity: Russell 2500 Benchmark

## Portfolio Guideline Compliance

Portfolio Guideline:	Mtn Pac	RU 2500	Calc	Min	Max	Compliance
B2. Security Market Cap (in \$m)				\$100.0	\$7,500.0	ok
B3. Wtd Avg Cap	33560	8602	390%	80%	120%	check
B4. Number of issues	39			35	55	ok
B5. Security Positions <= 4% @ pure	B5. Security Positions <= 4% @ purchase					
B6a. P/E (12-mo trail)	30.13	31.22	97%	80%	120%	ok
B6b. Beta	1.01	1.00	1.01	0.80	1.20	ok
B6c. Yield	0.89	1.39	64%	80%	120%	check
B6d. Expected Earnings Growth	10.53	13.62	77%	80%	120%	check
E2. Commissions not to exceed \$0.06/share					ok	
E3. Annual Turnover	8%				60%	ok
The portfolio is in compliance with all other aspects of the Portfolio Guidelines 🛛 🗹 Yes						🗌 No

## Manager Explanations for Deviations from Portfolio Guidelines

B3. Wtd Avg Cap:	Our Wtd Avg Cap exceeds that of the benchmark due to price appreciation. The median cap of the portfolio is \$11.0 BN.
B6c. Yield:	Our yield is below that of the benchmark as we have been adding companies that reinvest more for growth than pay dividends.
B6d. Earnings Growth:	Earnings growth expectations for the portfolio were recently revised downward.

## Assets Under Management (\$m) as of:

Qtr 4

\$ 1,748

# Organizational/Personnel Changes

None

## Account Turnover

Gained: Number of Accounts: 0 Lost: Number of Accounts: 0 Reason(s): N/A

- Total Market Value (\$m \$ -
- Total Market Value (\$m \$ -

## **Peregrine Capital Management**

Domestic Equity: Russell 1000 Growth Benchmark

	For th	e month of:	January	2025		
Manager Perform	nance Calculat	ions			* Annı	alized returns
		Last	Last	Last	Last	Last
		<u>Month</u>	<u>3 Months</u>	<u>1 Year</u>	<u>3 Years*</u>	5 Years*
Peregrine		8.69%	17.52%	20.27%	8.23%	11.30%
Russell 1000 Growth 1.98%			9.55%	32.68%	14.57%	18.90%
Portfolio Attribut	Portfolio Attributes					
<b>Characteristics</b>	Peregrine	<u>RU 1000G</u>		Se	ctor Analysis	
Mkt Value (\$m)	816.95	N/A		Over-weight	Peregrine	<u>RU 1000G</u>
Wtd Cap (\$b)	559.54	1630.91		Financials	15.43%	6.80%
P/E	48.14	32.80		Health Care	12.97%	6.87%
Beta	0.99	1.00		Cons Disc	19.99%	16.35%
Yield (%)	0.22	0.55				
Earnings Growth	18.67	16.44		Under-weight	<b>Peregrine</b>	<u>RU 1000G</u>
				Info Tech	33.71%	46.07%
				Cons Stp	0.00%	3.28%
				Comm Svc	11.37%	14.54%

### **Performance Attribution & Strategy Comments**

The markets breadth broadened and finished higher in January, with the equal weighted S&P 500<sup>®</sup> outperforming the cap-weighted index. The AI-growth narrative shifted in the last week with the introduction of the low-cost DeepSeek AI model sparking a sell-off in AI-enablers like Nvidia, Broadcom and MSFT. Many of Peregrine Large Cap Growth's software holdings benefited from the shift in focus from the early stage of AI model training to reduced costs of AI model usage.

The change in Washington to the second Trump administration continued to support the market with "animal spirits" and deregulation benefits. Some caution arose at the end of the month as tariff rhetoric intensified with friend and foe alike. This will likely be a source of anxiety as the markets learn what tariff-talk materializes as policy action versus only negotiation. The Fed paused its rate cutting in January to wait and see how economic data report after the multiple changes of recent months. December earnings reports show broadening strength. Big Tech was mixed with a handful showing strength in earnings and performance (NFLX, META) while others underperformed due to a combination of lackluster earnings reports and the DeepSeek scare (AAPL, AVGO, MSFT, NVDA).

More than two-thirds of the portfolio outperformed the benchmark during the month. The market reaction to DeepSeek's lower-cost language model benefited several of our technology holdings which look to capitalize on deploying large-language-models and would benefit from lower cost models (including CRWD, DUOL, NET, TEAM, UBER). ServiceNow reported strong a December quarter results but refrained from taking up its outlook for the new year. Despite the market anticipating a strong outlook, the company was unwilling to incorporate that outlook in its official guidance. Cadence was one of our few names which suffered when the market responded to DeepSeek's news.

## Manager Style Summary

Peregrine manages a large cap growth equity portfolio, utilizing a "bottom up" strategy, and focusing more on the future growth prospects of a firm rather than current earnings. We can expect the P/E and P/B ratios to be slightly higher than that of the market, stock volatility to be slightly higher than the market, and dividend yield to be lower than average. Their style encourages overweight positions in traditional growth sectors such as technology, retail, business services, and financial services. Due to the concentrated nature of the portfolio, it will tend to be more volatile than more diversified portfolios.

## Peregrine Capital Management

Domestic Equity: Russell 1000 Growth Benchmark

## Portfolio Guideline Compliance

Portfolio Guideline:	S&P 500	Peregrine	Calc	Min	Мах	Compliance
B2. Security Market Cap > \$1 billion						
B3. Security position <=5% @ purcha	ase, excludin	g contributio	ns			
B4. Number of issues		27		25	35	ok
B5. P/B	4.96	11.59	2.3	1.2	2.0	check
B5. P/E (Projected)	23.99	48.14	2.0	1.0	2.0	check
B5. Dividend Yield	1.22	0.22	0.2	0.1	0.8	ok
B5. Beta	1.00	1.10	1.1	1.10	1.35	ok
B5. Earnings Growth (5-year)		19%		11%	22%	ok
F2. Commissions not to exceed \$0.05/share						
F3. Annual Turnover	13%		15%	30%	check	
The portfolio is in compliance with all other aspects of the Portfolio Guidelines Ives					🗌 No	

## Manager Explanations for Deviations from Portfolio Guidelines

B5. P/B:	This measure typically is at a premium for faster growing companies earlier in their life-cycle than the more mature mix of companies in the S&P 500 <sup>®</sup> .
	The Russell 1000 <sup>®</sup> Growth is at a similar premium of ~9x. We don't expect this measure to come down to below 2x the S&P 500 <sup>®</sup> in the near-term.
B5. P/E (projected):	The relative P/E ticked up above 2.0 with the strong relative performance. The relative earnings strenght of the portfolio will likely bring this down.
F3. Annual Turnover:	Our normalized turnover remains approximately 20%. We expect 2025 to be above 15%.

## Total Firm Assets Under Management (\$m) as of:

### Qtr 4 \$ 4,639

### **Organizational/Personnel Changes**

Bill Grierson, Small Cap Growth Portfolio Manager, retired for health reasons.

Account	Turnover				
Gained:	Number of Ac	counts:	0	Total Market Value (\$m):	\$ -
Lost:	Number of Ac	counts:	1	Total Market Value (\$m):	\$ 16.0
	Reason(s):	Going in a	different direction		

# PineStone Global Equity: MSCI World Benchmark

	For the month of:	January	2025				
Manager Performance Calculations * Annualized retur							
	Last	Last	Last	Last	Last		
	Month	<u>3 Months</u>	<u>1 Year</u>	<u>3 Years*</u>	<u>5 Years*</u>		
PineStone	4.59%	5.41%	N/A	N/A	N/A		
MSCI World	3.53%	5.46%	N/A	N/A	N/A		

### **Performance Attribution & Strategy Comments**

Global equity markets moved higher in January continuing the momentum seen in the fourth quarter of 2024. A significant focus was put on the inauguration of President Trump and what it would mean for the markets. Many executive orders were signed in the first few days of his presidency but no major announcement on trade/tariffs or deregulation were made.

The strategy was up in absolute returns and outperformed its benchmark, the MSCI World Index, in the month. Outperformance in January was mostly attributable to security selection. Selection within the Information Technology and Consumer Discretionary sectors were the largest positive drivers. Offsetting this was negative security selection in Financials and Industrials. Sector allocation furthermore contributed positively, particularly driven by our overweight position to the outperforming Consumer Discretionary sector.

Among the top relative contributors held in the strategy for the month were Compagnie Financière Richemont SA and Alphabet Inc. (GOOGLE). Compagnie Financière Richemont SA reported Q3 sales results that surpassed expectations highlighted by 10% sales growth with double-digit gains in all regions except for China. This represented the highest quarterly sales in the company's history. The results showed improvement over H1 across all business areas, driven by an acceleration at the group's four Jewellery Maisons (Buccellati, Cartier, Van Cleef & Arpels and Vhernier) to +14%. LVMH and other luxury retailers also saw their shares move up following this news. Alphabet Inc.'s stock maintained its upward trend in January, building on the momentum from the fourth quarter of 2024. The rerating of the shares persisted, driven by positive earnings momentum and the potential influence of the new US administration on the ongoing litigation with the Department of Justice.

Carrier Global Corporation and Diageo plc were among the top relative detractors held in the strategy for January. Carrier's shares were impacted due to concerns over potential US tariffs, potentially affecting the HVAC industry at wide, with important manufacturing in Mexico. As for Diageo plc., the stock was also likely impacted by potential tariffs, though the Investment Team believes given the premiumization of their products, pricing strategies may be implemented, as seen in the past. The company furthermore continued to struggle due to a challenging economic environment post-COVID and recent disappointing results in Latin America.

During the month, we did not initiate nor exit any existing positions in the Strategy.

### Manager Style Summary

PineStone is a "bottom-up" manager, whose process is driven by individual security selection. They invest in quality companies and seek to consistently compound shareholder wealth at attractive rates of return over the long term while preserving capital. Country and sector exposures are by-products of the security selection process. The portfolio consists of roughly 30-50 securities at a time. It is a concentrated global equity portfolio, and as such, may experience more volatility relative to the market.

## PineStone

Global Equity: MSCI World Benchmark

## Portfolio Guideline Compliance

Portfolio Guideline:	Index	PineStone	Calc	Min	Max	Compliance
B3. No more than 10% of the a	count shall be i	nvested in a	ny one secu	irity @ purc	hase	Yes
B4. Number of issues		31		25	50	ok
B5. Issuer market capitalization	: above \$1 billio	n @ purchas	se		1	Yes
B6. Normal Regional Exposures	(* benchmark -	/+ min/max)	:			
North America		66%		30%	80%	ok
Japan		3%		0%	30%	ok
Europe ex UK		16%		10%	50%	ok
UK		7%		0%	50%	ok
Pacific ex Japan		0%		0%	30%	ok
Emerging Markets		9%		0%	20%	ok
Non-Index Countries		0%		0%	20%	ok
Total		100%				
B7. Normal Global Portfolio Cha	aracteristics					
ROE	12.5	27.1	217%	100%		ok
ROIC	11.5	36.2	315%	100%		ok
Price/Earnings	21.6	27.0	125%	50%		ok
Price/Book Value	3.5	8.0	225%	50%		ok
Price/Cash Flow	15.1	23.7	157%	50%		ok
Dividend Yield	1.6	1.3	77%	25%		ok
Market Capitalization	770,601	633,465	82%	25%		ok
C2. Max value of forwards w/si	ng <mark>le counterpar</mark>	0%			30%	ok
C3. Cash/cash equiv in non-USE	) currencies	0%			10%	ok
F2. Brokerage commissions not	to exceed \$0.0	5/share for L	J.S. equities			Yes
F3. Annual turnover		0%		10%	20%	check
The portfolio is in compliance wit	th all other aspe	cts of the Po	ortfolio Guio	delines	🗹 Yes	🗌 No

### Manager Explanations for Deviations from Portfolio Guidelines

F3. Annual Turnover:

As the account inception was in April 2024, there is no annual turnover data available to date.

<b>Total Firm Assets Under</b>	<sup>•</sup> Management (	[\$m]	) as of	f:
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Qtr 4 \$ 54,903

## **Organizational/Personnel Changes**

In January 2025, the Investment Team hired a Junior Analyst following the completion of his summer internship.

Account Turnover							
Gained:	Number of Accounts:	11	Total Market Value (\$m):	\$427.17 M			
Lost:	Number of Accounts:	1	Total Market Value (\$m):	\$6.3 M			
	Reason(s): Assets being	repurposed.					

#### Pzena

Global Equity: MSCI ACWI Benchmark

	For the month of:	January	2025		
Manager Performance Calculations * Annualized returns					
	Last	Last	Last	Last	Last
	<u>Month</u>	<u>3 Months</u>	<u>1 Year</u>	<u>3 Years*</u>	5 Years*
Pzena	5.39%	3.22%	N/A	N/A	N/A
MSCI ACWI	3.36%	4.68%	N/A	N/A	N/A

#### **Performance Attribution & Strategy Comments**

Global markets rebounded to start the year, with strong returns across much of the globe. US markets rose, with market breadth widening in January. US corporate earnings season began with over half of reporting companies posting earnings beats. In a reversal of recent trends, European equities outperformed their US counterparts. Sentiment was buoyed as the Trump administration did not immediately roll out new tariffs. Additionally, investors rotated from US to European equities amid concerns about US equity valuations, and potential inflationary policies in the US. Emerging markets were mixed, with Korean equities regaining ground after the failed coup attempt. Chinese equities were up slightly, as the extent of potential US trade tariffs remained unknown. Within the MSCI All Country World Index, communication services, health care, and financials were particularly strong. Only the information technology sector posted a negative return this month.

The Pzena Global Focused Value portfolio rose and outperformed the MSCI All Country World Index. Relative underperformance was driven by stock selection in the information technology, communication services, and health care sectors.

The top contributors included CVS Health Corporation (the largest retail pharmacy chain in the US, the top pharmacy benefit manager in Caremark, and a significant health maintenance organization in Aetna), Daimler Truck Holding (German commercial truck maker), and Capital One Financial (financial services company). CVS rose on a positive 2026 Medicare Advantage payment proposal. Daimler Truck jumped on a competitor's positive 2025 new truck order outlook. Capital One posted solid quarterly results. Additionally, credit card delinquencies came down, which supports a positive view of the state of the US consumer.

The largest detractors were Edison International (California-based utility), PVH Corp. (apparel retailer), and Dollar General Corporation (discount retailer). Shares of Edison International experienced a pronounced drop in the wake of the Los Angeles wildfires amid potential liability concerns. PVH Corp. declined as the Chinese Ministry of Commerce announced the company was subject to investigation for what has been described as improper behaviors in Xinjiang, which could curb PVH's Chinese business. The uncertainty weighed on shares as China represents approximately 15% of PVH's earnings. Tariff concerns and cost-of-living pressure on the low-end consumer weighed on shares of Dollar General.

#### **Manager Style Summary**

Pzena will manage a global, focused deep value fund. The firm seeks investments with skewed potential outcomes via a concentrated portfolio of deeply undervalued businesses. A quantitative screen filters for low price-to-normal earnings level and current earnings depressed to historical norms. Fundamental research is performed to determine if the problem is temporary and not permanent, if the company's business is good and assesses the downside risks. It's a bottom-up process that focuses on the cheapest quintile. After an initial review a full research project will be performed. Initial position size is based on valuation, risk, and diversification. The number of holdings is expected to be between 40 - 60.

## Pzena

Global Equity: MSCI ACWI Benchmark

## Portfolio Guideline Compliance

Portfolio Guideline:	Index	Pzena	Calc	Min	Max	Compliance
B3. No more than 5% of the a	account shall be inv	vested in an	y one secur	ity @ purch	ase	Yes
B4. Number of issues		52		40	60	ok
B5. Normal Regional Exposur	es (* benchmark -/	+ min/max)	•			
Emerging Markets	10%	9%		0%	25%	ok
Europe ex UK	11%	29%		0%	41%	ok
Japan	5%	1%		0%	35%	ok
North America	69%	50%		30%	99%	ok
United Kingdom	3%	11%		0%	33%	ok
Other	3%	1%		0%	33%	ok
Total		100%			•	
B6. Normal Global Portfolio (	Characteristics					
Capitalization	667964	67499	10%	10%	80%	ok
Price/Book Value	3.3	1.3	37%	20%	100%	ok
Price/Earnings	21.5	12.6	59%	20%	120%	ok
Dividend Yield	1.8	3.4	190%	75%	200%	ok
B7. Price/Normalized Earning	gs in Q1	90%		60%	100%	ok
C2. Max value of forwards w,	/single counterpar	0%			30%	ok
C3. Cash/cash equiv in non-U	SD currencies	1%			10%	ok
F2. Brokerage commissions n	ot to exceed \$0.03	5/share for	U.S. equitie	S	•	Yes
F3. Annual turnover		-		20%	40%	check
The portfolio is in compliance	with all other aspe <mark>c</mark>	ts of the Po	rtfolio Guid	elines	🗹 Yes	🗌 No

## Manager Explanations for Deviations from Portfolio Guidelines

Total Firm Accets Under Management (cm) as of

F3. Annual Turnover:

As the account was incepted on April 22, 2024, there is no annual turnover data available yet.

TOLAI FIITI	Assets OII	der manageme	nt (şin) as on		Qtr 4	Ş	00,822
Organizat	tional/Perso	onnel Changes					
None.							
Account 1	Turnover						
Gained:	Number of	Accounts:	0	Total Market Value (\$m):		\$	-
Lost:	Number of	Accounts:	0	Total Market Value (\$m):		\$	-
	Reason(s):			<sup>·</sup> displayed is for the Pzena G r 2024. Data for January 202			

## Sprucegrove

International Equity: MSCI EAFE Benchmark

	For the month of:	January	2025		
Manager Performance C	alculations			* Ani	nualized returns
	Last	Last	Last	Last	Last
	<u>Month</u>	<u>3 Months</u>	<u>1 Year</u>	<u>3 Years*</u>	5 Years*
Sprucegrove	3.68%	0.34%	-	-	-
MSCI EAFE	5.26%	2.28%	-	-	-

#### Performance Attribution & Strategy Comments

April 22, 2024 inception date.

International equity markets rebounded in January on better-than-expected economic and inflation data in Europe. The index returned 5.26%\*.

The Fund underperformed the index in January (3.68% vs 5.26%).

Underweight and stock selection in Financials were the primary detractors. The sector continued to lead within the index, and the returns of our holdings based in India and Hong Kong lagged those from European and Japanese Financials. Positive stock selection in Health Care partially offset this as our Swiss pharmaceutical holdings outperformed.

From a country perspective, overweight Hong Kong and exposure to Emerging Markets were modest detractors.

\*MSCI EAFE

#### **Manager Style Summary**

Sprucegrove will manage an international equity portfolio. The bottom-up process seeks ownership of quality and value with a long-term focus (low turnover). Sprucegrove seeks investments that provide a margin of safety on quality via above average and consistent profitability, sustainable competitive advantages, financial strength, business growth opportunities and capable management. An investment must meet both quality and attractive value characteristics.

## Sprucegrove

International Equity: MSCI EAFE Benchmark

Por	tfolio Guideline Compliance				
Port	folio Guideline:	Sprucegrv	Min	Max	Compliance
B2.	Security position <= 5% of the account @ purchase				Yes
B4.	Number of issues	62.0	40		ok
B6.	Largest single industry group exposure (by GICS)	22%	0%	25%	ok
B7.	Number of sectors in portfolio	10	7	11	ok
B8.	European country exposure (# of countries)	10	3		ok
B8.	Asia/Pacific country exposure (# of countries)	3	3		ok
B9.	Normal Country Exposures			-	-
	Japan	17%	5%	50%	ok
	United Kingdom	18%	10%	50%	ok
	Canada	2%	0%	10%	ok
	United States (not permitted)	0%	0%	0%	ok
	Other MSCI EAFE Individual Country (not listed				
abo	ve)	11%	0%	15%	ok
	Total non-MSCI EAFE Country, exclude Canada	11%	0%	15%	ok
	Total non-MSCI EAFE Country, include Canada	13%	0%	20%	ok
СЗ.	Maximum value of forward w/single counterparty	0%	0%	30%	ok
C4.	Foreign Currency (cash or cash equiv) <= 5% of Account	unt value		-	Yes
The	portfolio is in compliance with all other aspects of the	Portfolio Gui	delines	⊡ Yes	🗌 No

## Manager Explanations for Deviations from Portfolio Guidelines

There were no deviations.

<b>Total Fir</b>	m Assets Under Management (\$	Qtr 4	\$ 15,385		
Organiza	tional/Personnel Changes				
n/a					
Account	Turnover				
Gained:	Number of Accounts:	0	(\$m):		\$ -
Lost:	Number of Accounts:	0	(\$m):		-
	Reason(s):				

## Walter Scott & Partners Limited

Global Equity: MSCI World Benchmark

	For the month of:	January	2025		
Manager Performance			* Annua	lized returns	
	Last	Last	Last	Last	Last
	<u>Month</u>	<u>3 Months</u>	<u>1 Year</u>	<u>3 Years*</u>	<u>5 Years*</u>
Walter Scott	3.90%	3.32%	10.65%	7.43%	10.76%
MSCI World	3.53%	5.46%	21.40%	9.54%	12.08%

#### **Performance Attribution & Strategy Comments**

From a sector perspective, communication services and healthcare holdings were the strongest absolute performers over the period. Technology holdings outperformed their sector index peers and contributed the most to relative return. On the downside, less exposure to the strong financials sector, coupled with underperformance from held names, detracted the most from a relative viewpoint. AIA Group was one of the portfolio's weakest names.

The portfolio's UK holdings were the strongest in absolute terms – Experian was of note. From a relative viewpoint, the portfolio's US holdings were strong and contributed the most to relative performance. Pacific ex-Japan stocks weighed marginally on relative return.

Equity market sentiment was broadly positive this month, but a variety of issues may trigger near-term turbulence. President Trump's fiscal measures could provide a shot in the arm for the US economy, including the manufacturing sector which has been in the doldrums. However, tariffs complicate the outlook for US inflation and may disrupt supply chains. In tandem with a less-generous Fed, some of the positive aspects of the Trump stimulus could be outweighed by the impact of higher prices on the consumer. The descent into a prolonged trade war would have repercussions on global growth. The DeepSeek episode has reminded investors that the progression of any technology is never linear and may prompt more circumspection towards equity valuations in the sector. Indeed, this vigilance applies to all stocks where valuations have run ahead of underlying fundamentals, with earnings disappointments likely to be dealt with harshly by investors.

### **Manager Style Summary**

Walter Scott is a "bottom-up" manager whose process is driven by individual security selection. They invest in companies with high rates of internal wealth generation (IRR > 20%) which translates into total return to the investor over time (real return = 7-10%). Country and sector exposures are by-products of the security selection process. This is a concentrated global equity portfolio, and as such, may experience more volatility relative to the market.

### Walter Scott & Partners Limited

Global Equity: MSCI World Benchmark

#### **Portfolio Guideline Compliance**

Portfolio Guideline:	WS	Min	Max	Compliance
<ol> <li>Cash balance &lt;= 5% of portfolio market value</li> </ol>	4%		5%	ok
33. No more than 5% of the account shall be invested in	any one security @	purchase		Yes
34. Number of issues	45	40	60	ok
35. No shares of investment companies or pooled funds	sponsored/manag	ed by manager	or affiliates	Yes
6. Normal Regional Exposures (* benchmark -/+ min/m	ax):			_
North America	67%	60%	75%	ok
Japan	4%	0%	9%	ok
Europe ex UK	15%	8%	22%	ok
UK	4%	0%	12%	ok
Pacific ex Japan	3%	0%	12%	ok
Emerging Markets	4%	0%	12%	ok
Total	96%		•	
87. Normal Global Portfolio Characteristics				
ROE	26%	10%	20%	check
CROCE	31%	20%	30%	check
Operating Margin	18%	15%	25%	ok
Portfolio turnover	3%	0%	20%	ok
Relative P/E	1.3	1.0	1.4	ok
Price/Book Value	8	3	5	check
Price Earnings	30	22	34	ok
Price/Cash Flow	24	13	21	check
Dividend Yield	1%	1%	3%	ok
2. Brokerage commissions in bps	5	4	13	ok
3. Annual turnover	11%		30%	ok
he portfolio is in compliance with all other aspects of the	Portfolio Guidelin	es	🗹 Yes	🗌 No

B7. ROE:

Net income has grown faster than shareholder equity for the portfolio's companies in aggregate.

B7. CROCE:	Net cash from operating activities has grown faster than capital
B7. Price/Book:	employed for the portfolio's companies in aggregate. As with net income (see ROE explanation), the price of the portfolio's
B7. Price/Cash Flow:	holdings has increased at a faster pace than their book values. The price of the portfolio's holdings have increased at a faster pace than the most recently reported cash flows of the portfolio's companies.

<b>Total Firn</b>	n Assets Under Manager	Qtr 4		\$ 78,175	
Account 7	ſurnover				
Gained:	Number of Accounts:	3	Total Market Value (\$m):	\$ 34.4	
Lost:	Number of Accounts:	1	Total Market Value (\$m):	\$ 235.5	
	Reason(s): Reallocatio	on of assets.			

#### Organizational/Personnel Changes

Alicia Zhang joined Walter Scott as an Investment Manager on 6 January 2025. John Rae joined Walter Scott as a Client Investment Manager on 13 January 2025. Matthew Gerlach and Dom Butvilas, both Investment Managers, left the firm effective 31 January 2025. There were no organisational changes.

## Wasatch Global Investors

Emerging Markets Equity: MSCI EM Benchmark

	For the	month of:	January	2025				
Manager Perform	nance Calculat	ions			* Annu	alized returns		
		Last	Last	Last	Last	Last		
		<u>Month</u>	<u>3 Months</u>	<u>1 Year</u>	<u>3 Years*</u>	5 Years*		
Wasatch		3.68%	-4.40%	n/a	n/a	n/a		
MSCI EM		1.79%	-2.00%	n/a	n/a	n/a		
Country Allocation	Country Allocation Comparison							
Over-weight	Wasatch	EM	Und	der-weight	Wasatch	EM		
India	32.65%	18.41%	Chi	na	11.44%	27.52%		
United States	13.85%	0.00%	Sou	ith Korea	3.26%	9.43%		
Brazil	11.81%	4.49%	Sau	di Arabia	0.00%	4.20%		

#### **Performance Attribution & Strategy Comments**

Emerging-market equities stabilized after a fourth-quarter selloff and ended the period with gains. The Wasatch Emerging Markets Select strategy surpassed the benchmark MSCI Emerging Markets Index, which rose 1.79% for the month.

On a geographic basis, overweight positioning and advantageous stock selection in Brazil contributed most to the strategy's relative performance. However, stock selection in Taiwan and an overweight in India detracted from relative results.

At the sector level, stock selection in the financials and communication-services sectors contributed most to performance relative to the benchmark. Conversely, the strategy's holdings in the health-care and information-technology sectors detracted most from relative performance.

The largest contributors to strategy performance for the month included Bajaj Finance Ltd., a diversified non-bank lender in India; NU Holdings Ltd. (NU), a fintech bank operating in Latin America; and MercadoLibre, Inc. (MELI), a Latin American e-commerce and fintech giant.

The largest detractors from performance included Trent Ltd., an operator of leading retail chains in India; Divi's Laboratories Ltd., an Indian manufacturer of active pharmaceutical ingredients; and Max Healthcare Institute Ltd., an operator of specialty hospitals in India.

#### Manager Style Summary

Wasatch believes that long-term stock prices are driven by earnings growth. The market's short-term bias presents opportunities to purchase high-quality businesses at a discount to their long-term value. They are patient investors in exceptional companies that can compound earnings over time. The Wasatch Emerging Markets Select strategy is a concentrated, yet diversified growth portfolio of high-quality companies. They use a team based, bottom-up, systematic, approach that seeks to identify companies with outstanding long-term growth potential. Attributes of typical investments include high returns on capital, exceptional management teams, sustainable competitive advantages, and reasonable valuations.

## Wasatch Global Investors

Emerging Markets Equity: MSCI EM Benchmark

## Portfolio Guideline Compliance

Portfolio Guideline:	Index	Wasatch	Calc	Min	Max	Compliance
Security position <= 10% of the acc	ount @ purch	ase		•		Yes
Number of issues		33		20	50	ok
Investments in a single sector will I	not exceed mo	ore than 50%	of the portf	olio value		Yes
nvestments in a single country will not exceed more than 50% of the portfolio value						Yes
Normal Regional Exposures (* ben	chmark -/+ mi	n/max):				
Emerging Markets	100%	80%		60%	100%	ok
Other	0%	20%		0%	40%	ok
Total		100%				
Normal Global Portfolio Characteri	stics (Relative	to the Index	)			
Price/Earnings (fwd)	11.9	28.2	237%	50%	NA	ok
ROE	17.2	23.3	135%	50%	NA	ok
3-5 Yr.Est. Growth	12.8	28.6	223%	50%	NA	ok
No derivatives, short sales, commodities, margin or currency hedging						Yes
Annual turnover	129%		10%	60%	check	
The portfolio is in compliance with	all other aspe	cts of the Pc	rtfolio Guide	elines	🗹 Yes	🗌 No

## Manager Explanations for Deviations from Portfolio Guidelines

Turnover:

Portfolio in-kind transfer of an ETF. Strategy turnover = 35%.

Total Firm Assets Under Management (\$m) as of:	Qtr 4	\$ 27,863
Organizational/Personnel Changes		
Stuart Pigby pamed as Portfolio Manager (in addition to Ajay Krishpan)		

Stuart Rigby named as Portfolio Manager (in addition to Ajay Krishnan) Anh Hoang named as Associate Portfolio Manager (in addition to Scott Thomas)

Account Turnover						
Gained:	Number of Accounts:	0	Total Market Value (\$m):	\$	-	
Lost:	Number of Accounts:	0	Total Market Value (\$m):	\$	-	
	Reason(s):					

#### WCM

Emerging Markets Equity: MSCI EM Benchmark

	For the	month of:	January	2025		
			Sandary	2025		
Manager Perform	nance Calculati	ons			* Annu	alized returns
		Last	Last	Last	Last	Last
		<u>Month</u>	<u>3 Months</u>	<u>1 Year</u>	<u>3 Years*</u>	<u>5 Years*</u>
WCM		-0.96%	-0.64%	N/A	N/A	N/A
MSCI Emerging Markets		-0.08%	-7.96%	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Country Allocation</b>	on Comparison					
Over-weight	WCM	EM	Unc	der-weight	WCM	EM
Singapore	7.61%	2.00%	Indi	ia	11.74%	18.41%
Canada	5.85%	0.00%	Chii	na	20.11%	26.69%
Brazil	10.21%	4.46%	Taiv	wan	13.78%	20.02%

#### **Performance Attribution & Strategy Comments**

In January 2025, the portfolio significantly outperformed the MSCI Emerging Markets, delivering a total return of 3.45% compared to the benchmark's 1.82%, resulting in a performance variation of 1.63%. This outperformance was predominantly driven by a strong country allocation effect of 1.67%. Notably, Canada and Brazil were instrumental in this achievement, contributing 1.44% and 1.21% to the performance, respectively. Additionally, the Information Technology sector contributed positively to the portfolio's performance with a total effect of 1.89%, while the Financials sector detracted from performance, with a negative impact of -39 basis points.

The portfolio consistently outperformed the MSCI Emerging Markets benchmark throughout January 2025, with total effects showing a minor but persistent positive relative performance in the first two weeks, evidenced by 13 basis points and 8 basis points respectively, and a significant uplift in the third week with 1.34%, before returning to minor gains of 3 basis points and 4 basis points in the final weeks. The attribution analysis reveals a mixed influence of country allocation and stock selection on these outcomes. Initially, a strong positive country allocation of 23 basis points was slightly offset by a negative stock selection of -11 basis points, and a similar pattern occurred in subsequent weeks with notable allocation boosts such as 73 basis points and 29 basis points. Throughout the month, Canada consistently contributed positively to the portfolio's relative performance, particularly during the week ending on January 17th with 41 basis points, while Brazil also played a notable role in the final week with a contribution of 27 basis points. Notably, the Information Technology sector was a significant contributor to the portfolio's success, particularly in the third week with a contribution of 79 basis points, while Financials also had a notable impact in the first week with 37 basis points.

#### **Manager Style Summary**

WCM will manage an emerging markets equity portfolio. WMC's emerging market philosophy is built on moats, culture, tailwinds, focused and valuation. They focus on bottom-up stock picking with a selection edge. The portfolio will hold approximately 50 stocks. Maximum position size will be around 10% with maximum industry exposure around 30%. Idea generation is followed by rigorous quantitative and fundamental analysis before portfolio construction is undertaken.

Emerging Markets Equity: MSCI EM Benchmark

## Portfolio Guideline Compliance

Portfolio Guideline:	WCM	Min	Max	Compliance		
At least 80% in emerging/frontier	80%	80%	100%	ok		
Number of countries in the portfolio	15	3	N/A	ok		
Number of global industries	25	15	N/A	ok		
No more than 5% of the outstanding shares of each issuer						
% of outstanding of China traded company shares	0.01%	0	4%	ok		
Single Industry (% MV)			30%	ok		
Single Sector (% MV)			50%	ok		
Single position (% MV)			10%	ok		
Derivatives (% MV)		0%	0%	ok		

The portfolio is in compliance with all other aspects of the portfolio guidelines		
	Yes	🗌 No

# Manager Explanations for Deviations from Portfolio Guidelines

There were no deviations.

<b>Total Fir</b>	m Assets Under Managem	ent (\$m) as of:		Qtr 2	\$ 90,684	
Organiza	ational/Personnel Changes					
No changes.						
Account	Turnover					
Gained:	Number of Accounts:	0	Total Market Value (\$m):	ç	<b>.</b> -	
Lost:	Number of Accounts:	0	Total Market Value (\$m):	ć	5 -	

Reason(s): No EM Account turnover in January.

PERSI Choice Plan Summary						Jan 2025
Performance - Net of fees	blue	= outperform	by 50 bp; <b>red</b> = ur	nderperform b	y 50 bp	(*Annualized
		Last	Last	Last	Last	Last
		<u>Month</u>	<u>3 Months</u>	<u>1 Year</u>	<u>3 Years</u> *	<u>5 Years</u> *
Balanced						
PERSI Total Return Fund <sup>α</sup>	n/a	2.5%	2.1%	10.5%	4.0%	7.1%
Strategic Policy *		2.1%	2.2%	12.7%	4.5%	7.7%
Policy (55% R3000, 15% MSCI EAFE, 30% BCAgg)		2.7%	4.0%	16.1%	6.7%	9.0%
Calvert Balanced Fund 🗹 **	CBARX	2.3%	4.4%	19.9%	8.3%	9.5%
Custom Bench (60% R1000, 40% BCAgg)		2.1%	4.0%	16.4%	6.4%	8.8%
Capital Preservation						
PERSI Short-Term Investment Portfolio *	n/a	0.4%	1.1%	5.1%	4.0%	2.5%
ICE BofA US 3-month T-bill Index		0.4%	1.2%	5.2%	4.0%	2.5%
Bond						
US Bond Index Fund	n/a	0.5%	-0.1%	2.0%	-1.6%	-0.7%
Dodge and Cox Fixed Income Fund <sup>5</sup>	DOXIX	0.7%	0.0%	3.2%	0.3%	1.1%
Bloomberg Aggregate		0.5%	-0.1%	2.1%	-1.5%	-0.6%
US TIPS Index Fund	n/a	1.3%	0.2%	2.9%	-1.3%	1.6%
Bloomberg US TIPS Index		1.3%	0.2%	3.0%	-1.2%	1.7%
U.S. Equity						
Russell 3000		3.2%	6.7%	26.3%	11.4%	14.6%
Large Cap						
U.S. Large Cap Equity Index Fund	n/a	2.8%	6.2%	26.3%	11.8%	15.1%
Vanguard Growth & Income Fund 🕯	VGIAX	3.0%	<b>6.8%</b>	26.8%	12.1%	15.5%
S&P 500		2.8%	6.2%	26.4%	11.9%	15.2%
Small/Mid Cap						
U.S. Small/Mid Cap Equity Index Fund $^3$	n/a	5.0%	9.2%	25.7%	8.0%	11.3%
Dow Jones U.S. Completion Total Stock Market Ind	ex	5.0%	9.3%	25.7%	7.8%	11.0%
Small Cap						
T. Rowe Price Small Cap Stock Fund 🖞	TRSSX	2.5%	5.2%	17.5%	5.0%	8.9%
Russell 2000		2.6%	4.5%	19.1%	5.6%	8.7%
Specialty	,		4.00/	40.00/	0.64	<b>a</b> 404
US REIT Index Fund	n/a	1.2%	-1.8%	13.9%	-0.6%	3.4%
Dow Jones U.S. Select REIT		1.2%	-1.7%	14.0%	-0.4%	3.6%
International Equity						
International Equity Index Fund	n/a	5.1%	2.2%	9.0%	5.0%	6.6%
T. Rowe Price Overseas Stock	TROIX	4.0%	1.4%	9.1%	N/A	N/A
MSCI EAFE net dividend		5.3%	2.3%	8.7%	5.1%	6.3%
DFA Emerging Markets Core Equity I	DFCEX	0.4%	-2.4%	11.6%	N/A	N/A

\*\* BNYM and Callan have return discrepancies and are reviewing

\* Performance reported by Custodian and may be preliminary; mutual funds identified by corresponding tickers

<sup>\*</sup> Strategic Policy Benchmark = 8% R2500, 13% S&P500, 4% REIT, 4% PRE, 8% PE, 9% EM, 6% EAFE, 18% World, 15% Agg, 5% ID Mtg, 10% TIPS

<sup>α</sup> Fund returns reflect fees beginning 05/01/15

<sup>1</sup> Calvert Balanced Social Investment (Sudan-Free) Fund performance begins 10/12/07; effective 05/23: share class change from CBAIX to CBARX

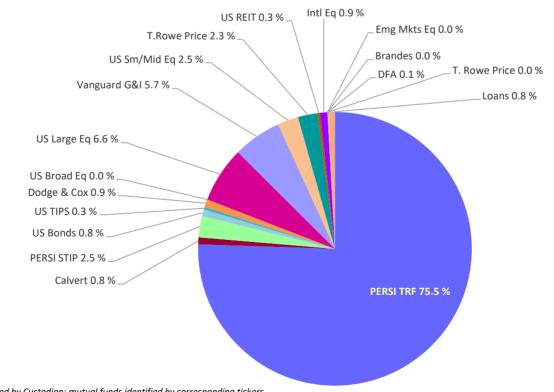
<sup>2</sup> Vanguard Growth & Income Admiral Shares (VGIAX) performance begins 08/01/03; previous periods reflect Vanguard Growth & Income Investor Shares (VQNPX)

<sup>3</sup> US Small/Mid Cap Equity Index Fund managed by MCM performance begins 10/12/07; previous periods reflect Dreyfus Premier Midcap Stock R Fund (DDMRX)

<sup>4</sup> T. Rowe Price Small Cap Stock Fund (TRSSX) begins 04/01/2017; (OTCFX) performance begins 8/01/2003; previous periods reflect ING Small Company Fund (AESGX)

<sup>5</sup> Effective 05/23:share class change from DODIX to DOXIX

ERSI Choice Plan Summary			Jan 2025
rformance - Net of fees			
		Alloc by	Alloc b
		<u>Fund</u>	Asset Clas
anced			76.3%
PERSI Total Return Fund	\$ 1,335,917,028	75.5 %	
Calvert Balanced Fund	\$ 14,431,813	0.8 %	
nital Preservation			2.5%
PERSI Short-Term Investment Portfolio (ML 91-day T-bills)	\$ 44,813,498	2.5 %	
nds			2.0%
U.S. Bond Index Fund (BC Aggregate)	\$ 13,418,828	0.8 %	
U.S. TIPS Index Fund (BC US TIPS)	\$ 5,808,431	0.3 %	
Dodge and Cox Fixed Income Fund (BC Aggregate)	\$ 16,011,626	0.9 %	
. Equity			17.4
Large Cap			
U.S. Large Cap Equity Index Fund (S&P 500)	\$ 116,597,536	6.6 %	
Vanguard Growth & Income Fund (S&P 500) Small/Mid Cap	\$ 101,047,275	5.7 %	
U.S. Small/Mid Cap Equity Index Fund (DJ USTSMI) Small Cap	\$ 43,730,111	2.5 %	
T. Rowe Price Small Cap Stock Fund (R2000) Specialty	\$ 40,761,587	2.3 %	
U.S. REIT Index Fund (DJ US Select REIT)	\$ 5,691,910	0.3 %	
ernational Equity			0.9
International Equity Index Fund (MSCI EAFE)	\$ 15,134,389	0.9 %	
T. Rowe Price Overseas Stock	\$ 591,927	0.0 %	
DFA Emerging Markets Core Equity I	\$ 930,101	0.1 %	
ner de la companya de			0.8
Loans	\$ 13,876,190	0.8 %	
al DC Plan	\$ 1,768,762,250	100%	100.0



Performance reported by Custodian; mutual funds identified by corresponding tickers

## Memo



Date:	February 19, 2025
To:	PERSI Board

From: Investment Team

Re: Fixed Income Investment Manager Search Update

#### Summary:

This is a status update on the fixed income investment manager search.

#### Background:

Please refer to the staff memo from the December board meeting (attached) for more information.

#### Current Search Status:

Staff, in conjunction with Callan and Staff Advisors, identified the finalists and conducted due diligence on-site visits in January. We then reconvened to review, evaluate, and select investment manager finalists.

Staff provided an update to investment liaisons – Trustee Price and Trustee DeAngeli.

#### Next steps:

In coordination with the Investment Liaisons, we are tentatively planning in-person manager finalist presentations for March 17<sup>th</sup>.

If this schedule holds, Staff will present our recommendation(s) to the Board at the March meeting for the final decision.

## Memo



Date:	December 16, 2024
То:	PERSI Board/Investment Committee
From:	Richelle Sugiyama, CIO Chris Brechbuhler, Deputy CIO
Re:	Fixed Income Investment Manager Search Status Update w/Roles & Responsibilities

#### Summary:

This memo serves to summarize the overall process of manager retention (hiring and firing) and specifically, to provide an update for the current manager review and search project, including the purpose of the project and the roles and responsibilities for each of the participating parties.

#### Background:

The investment staff is responsible for reviewing and recommending investment manager changes. In the event of manager terminations, Staff may work with a team (comprised of any combination of staff, consultant, and/or advisors) to review the manager, make a determination, and plan for the transition. Staff typically informs the Board of issue(s) well ahead of the recommendation, when possible. If timing allows, a termination recommendation is made to the Board and effective immediately following the meeting. Staff may terminate a manager immediately and request Board ratification at the next meeting.

When hiring a manager, Staff works with our investment consultant (Callan) and the Advisors to identify, review and evaluate candidates. At times, the Board has elected to create an Investment Committee to assist in the process of manager searches. If so, Staff works with the Investment Committee to keep the Board updated on the progress of the search. Managers recommended for hire are invited to present to the Board, with all interviews publicly noticed to allow for all Trustees to attend. Upon completion of the process, Staff presents its recommendation to the Board.

#### Current Search Status:

The current manager search was initiated due to the termination of one of our fixed income managers. Staff have been working with Callan and the Advisors throughout this process.

We have identified the finalists and will be conducting due diligence on-site visits in January, then reconvene to review, evaluate, and finalize our recommendation to the Board.

#### Next steps:

Staff will coordinate with the investment liaison, Trustee Price, as to availability, interest, and timing of finalist presentations (tentatively scheduled for February). Consistent with past searches, Staff will present our recommendation(s) to the Board for the final decision.

Please contact us if you have any questions or concerns.

The following table summarizes the search process, including the timeline, meeting/deliverable, purpose, and roles/responsibilities, which our consistent with historical practice:

Date	Meeting/Deliverable	Purpose	Roles/Responsibilities
October 30, 2024	Manager search	Gather a list of potential	Staff & Advisors: provided ideas
	mandates and criteria	managers (over 400+)	Callan: provided ideas and filtered the list
November 5, 2024	RFIs distributed	• Focus search for Core fixed	Staff, Advisors, Callan: approved RFI
		income manager	distribution list
			Callan: prepared & distributed RFIs
November 22, 2024	RFI responses due	Gather information from	Staff & Advisors: reviewed responses
		RFIs	Callan: collected & distributed RFIs,
		Received 8	reviewed responses
December 5, 2024	Cull RFI responses	<ul> <li>Narrow the list of</li> </ul>	Staff, Callan & Advisors: questioned,
		managers/strategies to a	challenged, discussed and determined
		short list	short list
			Callan: Manager Research Teams provided
			qualitative views
December 13, 2024	Manager books	<ul> <li>Access to Callan manager</li> </ul>	Staff, Callan & Advisors: used data to assist
	(profiles and	database and resources	in determining the semi-finalists and as a
	quantitative	• Equip Staff and the Advisors	resource for due diligence visits
	comparisons) created	with firm/product data	Callan: compiled data, created review
	and delivered for 'short		books
	list' managers		
Mid-December 2024	Identify semi-finalists &	<ul> <li>Identify semi-finalists</li> </ul>	Staff, Callan & Advisors: discuss, debate,
	On-site visits	On-site visits to be	challenge and determine semi-finalists
		conducted for all semi-	
		finalists	
In-process and on-	Manager IMA &	Prepare manager	Staff: prepare, work with legal on IMA to
going through	Portfolio Guidelines	agreement and portfolio	ensure current industry standards are
implementation		guideline templates	included, in addition to language required
		Distribute to finalists for	by Idaho law.
		review/input	
		Executed copies required	
		prior to finalist	
January 2025	Due Diligence Trin	presentations	Staff 8 Advisory us avived
January 2025	Due Diligence Trip	Thorough vetting of	Staff & Advisors: required Callan: attending
		<ul><li>candidates</li><li>PERSI Introduction</li></ul>	
		<ul> <li>Distribution of IMA, Guidelines</li> </ul>	
TBD	Due diligence de-	Confirm finalists	Staff, Callan & Advisors: input from
עני	briefing w/full team		everyone
	Board Materials	Board memo summarizing	Staff: prepare Board materials
		Staff recommendations,	Advisors & Callan: assist in the preparation
		including resulting manager	
		structure and tentative	
		implementation	
		details/timeline	
February 2025	Board Meeting	Final recommendation	Staff: present recommendations
,	0	presented to Board for	<b>Board:</b> approve (or disapprove of) staff
		approval, including resulting	recommendations

		manager structure and implementation details/timeline	Investment Committee: provide feedback if asked Callan: provide input, advice Managers: present for questions and introduction
Before 03/31/25	Implementation	Complete documentation	Staff: coordinate w/accounting team,
		<ul> <li>Fund accounts</li> </ul>	managers, BNYM, and Callan



#### February 25, 2025

To:PERSI Board of DirectorsFrom:Deputy DirectorSubject:Operational Updates

#### 1099's for Fund Distributions were Processed Successfully:

- For both DB and JRF plan
- Communication efforts to continue to move members to the new Member Portal
- Thanks to all those involved in getting those out

#### JFAC Passed CEC on February 6<sup>th</sup>:

- Funded at \$1.55 per hour per permanent employee
- \$1.05 per hour minimum
- Additional 4.5% for IT workers
- Shifts salary schedules by no less than \$1.55 per hour
  - New funding provided for employees at the bottom of pay ranges

#### New Employer:

- Lewis Soil Conservation District
  - Located in Nezperce
  - One Employee
  - Five Elected/Appointed Officials Unpaid

#### MEMORANDUM

- DATE: February 12, 2025
- TO: Alex Simpson Alex Deputy Director
- FROM: Mike Anderson Financial Executive Officer

SUBJECT: New Employer

The following employer will enter the PERSI system on February 1, 2025:

LEWIS SOIL CONSERVATION DISTRICT -M355 Location – Nezperce, ID – 1 Employee – 5 Elected/Appointed Officials Not Paid



February 25, 2025

TO:Retirement Board TrusteesFROM:Mike Hampton, DirectorSUBJECT:Legislative Update

#### Summary:

The 2025 legislative session has been fairly quite on the PERSI front so far. The pace of the Legislature has picked up significantly over the past few weeks.

Comparative (unscientific):

	Non- Appropriation Bills Printed	Appropriation Bills	Total Bills	Bills Signed into Law
2024 Legislative Session	511	123	634	330
2025 Legislative Session	385	12	397	5

#### Key Discussion:

- HB 0014 Idaho Code Cleanup Act
  - Requires state agencies to review their titles and chapters of Idaho Code for unnecessary, obsolete, and outdated provisions, and to report to the Legislature by September 1, 2025, their recommendations for the removal of such provisions.
- HB 0035 Multifactor Authentication on all Devices
  - Requires all state agencies to implement and use multifactor authentication to increase cybersecurity on state devices and when accessing state resources.
- HB 0055 Bona Fide Volunteer
  - Add definition of bona fide volunteer definition to reemployment of retired members section of PERSI code.
- HB 0208 Consolidation of Fire Districts
  - Fire District consolidation can provide improved effectiveness and efficiency. Current statutes do not promote it.

#### Action:

No action is requested. This is informational only.



February 25, 2025

TO:Retirement Board TrusteesFROM:Mike Hampton, DirectorSUBJECT:IRS Private Letter Ruling

#### Summary:

In January 2024 staff requested approval to seek a private letter ruling (PLR) from the IRS with regards to the exclusion of certain benefit payments from federal income tax. The Board granted staff the authority to pursue the PLR. PERSI has received a favorable PLR excluding certain benefit payments from federal income tax.

#### Key Discussion:

- The one-time \$100,000 benefit under Idaho Code 59-1352A for a public safety officer permanently disabled from a line of duty incident is excluded from the recipient's gross income.
- The one-time \$500,000 and \$75,000 ongoing benefit under Idaho Code 59-1352B for a public safety officer that suffers a catastrophic line of duty injury is excluded from the recipient's gross income.
- The one-time \$100,000 benefit under Idaho Code 59-1361A for a public safety officer who loses their life in the line of duty is excluded from the recipient's gross income.

#### Action:

No action is requested. This is informational only.

FAX <sup>,</sup> COVER SHEET OFFICE OF CHIEF COUNSEL, IRS					
Date Sent: December 23, 2024	Pages Sent: 19				
Deliver To: Mary Claire Chesshire	Fax Number: 410-234-2309				
Organization:	Phone Number:				
Sender: William Fischer	Fax Number:				
Office: Office of Chief Counsel Phone Number:(202) 317-4590					
Sent By: Aliyah.D.Belle@irscounsel.treas.gov					
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COMMENTS:

#### Internal Revenue Service

Index Number: 101.08-00, 104.02-00

Mr. Don Drum Executive Director Public Employees Retirement System of Idaho 607 N. 8th St. Boise, Idaho 83702 Department of the Treasury Washington, DC 20224

Third Party Communication: None Date of Communication: Not Applicable

Person To Contact: William Fischer, ID No. 1003275192 Telephone Number: (202) 317-4590 Refer Reply To: CC:EEE:EB:HW PLR-107905-24 Date: December 09, 2024

Legend

Taxpayer = Public Employees Retirement System of Idaho

Plan = Idaho Public Employees Retirement Plan

Dear Mr. Drum:

This responds to your letter, dated January 24, 2024, supplemented by a letter dated December 6, 2024, requesting the following rulings:

- (1) That Idaho Code Sections 59–1352A and 59–1352B are statutes in the nature of a workmen's compensation act and that the lump sum payment of \$100,000 for a non-catastrophic line of duty disability benefit paid pursuant to Section 59–1352A and the lump sum payment of \$500,000 for a catastrophic line of duty disability benefit paid pursuant to Section 59–1352B of the Idaho statutes are excludable from the gross income of the recipient under section 104(a)(1) of the Code, and that the \$75,000 annual benefit paid for a catastrophic line of duty disability benefit, as actuarially adjusted every four years, paid pursuant to Section 59– 1352B of the Idaho statutes is excludable from the gross income of the recipient under section 104(a)(1) of the Code.
- (2) That Section 59–1361A of the Idaho statutes that provides for a lump sum payment on account of the death of a public safety officer killed in the line of duty and paid to the spouse or child of the public safety officer pursuant to Section 59–1361A attributable to such officer's service as a public safety officer is excludable from the gross income of the recipient under section 101(h) of the Code.

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#### FACTS

Taxpayer is the administrator of the Plan established under the laws of the State of Idaho. The statutes constituting the Plan and governing the payment of retirement and disability benefits by Taxpayer are set forth in Idaho Code, Title 59, Chapter 13. Taxpayer is the administrator of the tax qualified, defined benefit Plan to which both the members and the participating employers contribute. The Plan is a governmental plan administered and operated by the State of Idaho through Taxpayer. Participation in the Plan is mandatory for eligible state and school district employees and is available to other public employers and their employees on a contractual basis.

Section 59–1352A of the Idaho Code provides for a one-time payment of \$100,000 to a public safety officer who is determined by the retirement board to be permanently disabled as a result of bodily injury or disease sustained in the line of duty. Under Section 59–1352A, the retirement board must determine that the permanent disability occurred in the line of duty, the permanent disability was not caused by intentional misconduct of the public safety officer or by the public safety officer's intentional infliction of injury, and the public safety officer was not voluntarily intoxicated at the time of the event causing the disability. Section 59–1352A(4)(a) provides that the benefit payable under this section is "separate from and independent of any benefits payable to the public safety officer under this chapter."

Section 59–1352B of the Idaho Code provides for a one-time payment of \$500,000 to a public safety officer who is determined by the retirement board to be catastrophically injured. Section 59–1352B also provides for an ongoing annual benefit payment of not less than \$75,000, adjusted every four years pursuant to an actuarial study to determine the change in average public safety officer benefits over the previous four years. In addition, Section 59-1352B provides that in the event a public safety officer who is receiving benefits under this section dies and leaves a surviving spouse to whom the member was married at the time of the catastrophic injury, the surviving spouse will receive the ongoing annual benefit payment (to which the public safety officer would have been entitled) for the duration of the spouse's life. Idaho Code Section 59-1352B(1)(a) defines a "catastrophic injury" as a "sudden, violent, life-threatening, dutyrelated injury sustained by an active member within the scope of the public safety officer's duties and within the department policy that is due to an externally caused event such as a motor vehicle collision, gunshot wound, aggravated battery, structural collapse, significant fall, or other external event or events that is not self-inflicted or the result of intoxication, provided, however, that no psychological injury, disorder, or condition shall be considered a catastrophic injury under this definition." Further, the injury must be of such severity that it causes the loss of ability to maintain certifications required by the state of Idaho, the member's department, or both. Section 59–1352B(6) provides that the "benefits provided for in this section shall not be in addition to other benefits under this chapter."

Section 59–1361A of the Idaho Code provides for a death benefit payment of \$100,000 in the event a public safety officer dies as the direct and proximate result of a personal

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injury sustained in the line of duty. The death benefit is payable to an officer's surviving spouse or, in the event there is no surviving spouse, divided among the officer's dependent children. The benefit is only paid after the retirement board determines that the death occurred in the line of duty (as defined in regulations issued by the United States Department of Justice pursuant to 42 U.S.C section 3796, except as modified by the retirement board), the death was not caused by the intentional misconduct of the officer or by such officer's intentional infliction of injury, and the officer was not voluntarily intoxicated at the time of death. In addition, benefit payments will not be paid to a person whose actions were a substantial contributing factor to the death of the officer.

#### LAW

Section 61(a) of the Code provides that, except as otherwise provided by law, gross income means all income from whatever source derived, including compensation for services.

Section 72(a) of the Code provides that, except as otherwise provided, gross income includes any amount received as an annuity (whether for a period certain or during one or more lives) under an annuity, endowment, or life-insurance contract.

Section 101(h)(1) of the Code provides that gross income shall not include any amount paid as a survivor annuity on account of the death of a public safety officer (as such term is defined in Section 1204 of the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 as in effect immediately before the enactment of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2013) killed in the line of duty—(A) if such annuity is provided under a governmental plan which meets the requirements of Section 401(a), to the spouse (or former spouse) of the public safety officer or to a child of such officer; and (B) to the extent such annuity is attributable to such officer's service as a public safety officer.

Section 101(h)(2) of the Code provides that section 101(h)(1) of the Code shall not apply with respect to the death of any public safety officer if, as determined in accordance with the provisions of the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968—(A) the death was caused by the intentional misconduct of the officer or by such officer's intention to bring about such officer's death; (B) the officer was voluntarily intoxicated (as defined in section 1204 of such Act) at the time of death; (C) the officer was performing such officer's duties in a grossly negligent manner at the time of death; or (D) the payment is to an individual whose actions were a substantial contributing factor to the death of the officer.

Section 104(a)(1) of the Code provides that gross income does not include amounts received under workmen's compensation acts as compensation for personal injuries or sickness.

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Treas. Reg. § 1.104–1(b) provides that section 104(a)(1) of the Code excludes from gross income amounts received by an employee under a workmen's compensation act or under a statute in the nature of a workmen's compensation act that provides compensation to the employee for personal injury or sickness incurred in the course of employment. Treas. Reg. § 1.104–1(b) also provides this exclusion to compensation paid under a workmen's compensation act to the survivor or survivors of a deceased employee. Treas. Reg. § 1.104–1(b) states that this exclusion does not apply to the amount received either to the extent that it is determined by reference to the employee's age or length of service, or the employee's prior contributions, even though the employee's retirement is occasioned by an occupational injury or sickness, or to the extent that it is in excess of the amount provided in the applicable workmen's compensation act or acts.

Rev. Rul. 80–14, 1980–1 C.B. 33, concluded that a statute that provides disability benefits to a class restricted to employees with service-incurred disabilities is a statute in the nature of a workmen's compensation act and the benefits are excludable from gross income under section 104(a)(1) of the Code.

In Rev. Rul. 80–44, 1980–1 C.B. 34, a statute in the nature of a workmen's compensation act provided for an allowance of the greater of (A) 60 percent of the individual's average final compensation, or (B) the amount to which the individual would be entitled under the normal, years of service, retirement plan. The ruling concluded that the benefits under the statute were excludable under section 104(a)(1) of the Code to the extent that they did not exceed 60 percent of the final average compensation. Any excess over 60 percent of final average compensation was attributable to length of service, and therefore, not excludable from gross income. Rev. Rul. 80–44 also holds that benefits of the surviving spouse which are a continuation of the employee's benefits are excludable under section 104(a)(1) of the Code in the same percentage as the employee's benefits were excludable.

Rev. Rul. 80–84, 1980–1 C.B. 35, concluded that benefits paid to employees' survivors may qualify as paid under a statute in the nature of a workmen's compensation act where those benefits are a mere continuation of employees' section 104(a)(1) benefits. The ruling also stated that a statute authorizing benefits for employees' survivors may qualify as a statute in the nature of a workmen's compensation act if it requires as a prerequisite to payment a determination that the cause of the employee's death was service-related. The ruling concluded that survivor benefits are excludable from gross income under section 104(a)(1) if the recipient can establish that the benefits are received under the service-connected death provisions.

Rev. Rul. 85–104, 1985–2 C.B. 52, considered a statute under which the participants, who were disabled due to work-related injury or sickness, receive the greater of a fixed percentage of base salary or an amount computed on the basis of years of service. The ruling concluded that an amount up to the percentage of base salary specified by the statute would be excludable from the participant's gross income under section 104(a)(1) of the Code, but that any excess, computed on the basis of length of service, would not

be excludable under section 104(a)(1). The ruling also concluded that if the benefits are computed by a formula that does not refer to the employee's age, length of service, or prior contributions and are provided to a class that is restricted to employees with service-incurred injuries, then the benefits are payment for those injuries, and the statute under which the benefits are paid qualifies as a statute in the nature of a workmen's compensation act.

#### ANALYSIS AND CONCLUSION

Section 59–1352A of the Idaho Code provides for a one-time payment of \$100,000 to a public safety officer who is determined by the retirement board to be permanently disabled as a result of bodily injury or disease sustained in the line of duty. Under Section 59–1352A, the retirement board must determine that the permanent disability occurred in the line of duty and was not caused by intentional misconduct, intentional infliction of injury, or voluntary intoxication.

The payment under Section 59–1352A is not determined on the basis of age, length of service, or prior employee contributions, and the lump sum payment is provided to a class that is restricted to employees with service-connected injuries who are determined to be permanently disabled. Therefore, Section 59–1352A is a statute in the nature of a workmen's compensation act and the lump sum payment is excluded from the recipient's gross income under section 104(a)(1) to the extent that the lump sum payment benefit immediately payable to the public safety officer under the Plan.

Section 59–1352B of the Idaho Code provides for a one-time payment of \$500,000 to a public safety officer who is determined by the retirement board to be catastrophically injured. In addition, Section 59–1352B provides for an ongoing annual benefit payment of not less than \$75,000 (adjusted pursuant to an actuarial study) which is payable to a surviving spouse for the life of the surviving spouse in the event that the public safety officer dies. Under Section 59–1352B, the retirement board must determine that the catactrophic injury was custained by an active member within the scope of the public safety officer's duties and within the department policy that is due to certain externally caused events and meets other statutory requirements.

The lump sum payment under Section 59–1352B is not determined on the basis of age, length of service, or prior employee contributions, and the lump sum payment is provided to a class that is restricted to employees with service-connected injuries that are determined by the Taxpayer to be permanently disabled. In addition, the ongoing annual benefit is not determined on the basis of age, length of service, or prior employee contributions, and the ongoing annual benefit is provided to a class that is restricted to employees with service-connected injuries who are determined to be catastrophically injured. Further, Section 59–1352B(6) provides that the "benefits provided for in this section shall not be in addition to other benefits under this chapter." Therefore, Section 59–1352B is a statute in the nature of a workmen's compensation act and the one-time lump sum payment and ongoing annual benefit are excluded from

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the recipient's gross income under section 104(a)(1) to the extent that the value of the lump sum payment and ongoing annual benefit paid by Taxpayer to the recipient exceeds the value of any retirement benefit immediately payable to the public safety officer under the Plan. In addition, in the event a public safety officer who is receiving benefits under Section 59–1352B dies, the payments to a surviving spouse under Section 59–1352B are excluded from the gross income of the surviving spouse.

Section 59–1361A of the Idaho Code provides for a death benefit payment of \$100,000 in the event a public safety officer dies as the direct and proximate result of a personal injury sustained in the line of duty. The death benefit is payable to an officer's surviving spouse or, in the event there is no surviving spouse, divided among the officer's dependent children.

The death benefit provided under Section 59–1361A of the Idaho Code is limited to public safety officers as defined in Section 1204 of the of the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 as in effect immediately before the enactment of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2013. Section 1204 of the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 defines a public safety officer as "an individual serving a public agency in an official capacity, with or without compensation, as a law enforcement officer, as a firefighter, or as a chaplain." Section 59–1361A of the Idaho Code defines public safety officer as an active member of Plan who is either designated as police officer, firefighter, or paid firefighter under the Idaho Code. Plan is a governmental plan which meets the requirements of section 401(a) of the Code and the death benefit is only payable to surviving spouse of the public safety officer or to dependent children of such officer.

The death benefit is limited to spouses and children of public safety officers who are killed in the line of duty. The benefit is paid only after the retirement board determines that the death occurred in the line of duty (as defined in regulations issued by the United States Department of Justice pursuant to 42 U.S.C section 3796, except as modified by the retirement board), the death was not caused by the intentional misconduct of the officer or by such officer's intentional infliction of injury, and the officer was not voluntarily intoxicated at the time of death. Benefit payments will not be paid to a person whose actions were a substantial contributing factor to the death of the officer.

The death benefit payable to the spouse or dependent child of a public safety officer under Section 59-1361A of the Idaho Code that provides for the payment of a lump sum on account of the death of a public safety officer killed in the line of duty and attributable to such officer's service as a public safety officer is excludable from the gross income of the spouse or dependent child under section 101(h)(1) of the Code, provided that Taxpayer determines the officer was not performing such officer's duties in a grossly negligent manner at the time of death consistent with section 101(h)(2)(C).

The rulings contained in this letter are based upon information and representations submitted by Taxpayer and accompanied by a penalties of perjury statement executed by an appropriate party, as specified in Rev. Proc. 2024-1, 2024-1 I.R.B. 1, section

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7.01(16)(b). This office has not verified any of the material submitted in support of the request for a ruling, and such material is subject to verification upon examination. The Associate Office will revoke or modify a letter ruling and apply the revocation retroactively if there has been a misstatement or omission of controlling facts; the facts at the time of the transaction are materially different from the controlling facts on which the ruling was based; or, in the case of a transaction involving a continuing action or series of actions, the controlling facts change during the course of the transaction. See section 11.05 of Rev. Proc. 2024-1.

Except as expressly provided herein, no opinion is expressed or implied concerning the tax consequences of any aspect of any transaction or item discussed or referenced in this letter.

No opinion is expressed concerning the Federal tax consequences under any other provision of the Code other than those specifically stated herein.

This ruling is directed only to the party requesting it. Sections 6110(k)(3) of the Code provides that it may not be used or cited as precedent.

In accordance with the Power of Attorney on file with this office, a copy of this letter is being sent to your authorized representative.

Sincerely,

Sara D. Trujillo Date: 2024.12.12 22:57:34 -05'00'

Denise Trujillo Chief, Health & Welfare Branch Office of Associate Chief Counsel (Employee Benefits, Exempt Organizations, and Employment Taxes)

cc: Mary Claire Chesshire Paul W. Madden

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Index Number: 101.08-00, 104.02-00

#### Department of the Treasury Washington, DC 20224

Third Party Communication: None Date of Communication: Not Applicable

Person To Contact: , ID No.

Telephone Number:

Refer Reply To: CC:EEE:EB:HW PLR-107905-24 Date: December 09, 2024

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Taxpayer =

Plan =

Dear

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This responds to your letter, dated January 24, 2024, supplemented by a letter dated December 6, 2024, requesting the following rulings:

(1) That and are statutes in the nature of a workmen's compensation act and that the lump sum payment of for a non-catastrophic line of duty disability benefit paid pursuant to for a catastrophic line of duty disability and the lump sum payment of benefit paid pursuant to of the statutes are excludable from the gross income of the recipient under section 104(a)(1) of the Code, and annual benefit paid for a catastrophic line of duty disability that the benefit, as actuarially adjusted every four years, paid pursuant to statutes is excludable from the gross income of the recipient ofthe

under section 104(a)(1) of the Code.

(2) That of the statutes that provides for a lump sum payment on account of the death of a public safety officer killed in the line of duty and paid to the spouse or child of the public safety officer pursuant to attributable to such officer's service as a public safety officer is excludable from the gross income of the recipient under section 101(h) of the Code.

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#### FACTS

Taxpayer is the administrator of the Plan established under the laws of the State of

The statutes constituting the Plan and governing the payment of retirement and disability benefits by Taxpayer are set forth in Taxpayer is the administrator of the tax qualified, defined benefit Plan to which both the members and the participating employers contribute. The Plan is a governmental plan administered and operated by the State of through Taxpayer. Participation in the Plan is mandatory for eligible state and school district employees and is available to other public employers and their employees on a contractual basis.

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occurred in the line of duty, the permanent disability was not caused by intentional misconduct of the public safety officer or by the public safety officer's intentional infliction of injury, and the public safety officer was not voluntarily intoxicated at the time of the event causing the disability. provides that the benefit payable under this section is "separate from and independent of any benefits payable to the public safety officer under this chapter."

of the provides for a one-time payment of to a public safety officer who is determined by the retirement board to be catastrophically injured. also provides for an ongoing annual benefit payment of not less than , adjusted every four years pursuant to an actuarial study to determine the change in average public safety officer benefits over the previous four years. In addition, provides that in the event a public safety officer who is receiving benefits under this section dies and leaves a surviving spouse to whom the member was married at the time of the catastrophic injury, the surviving spouse will receive the ongoing annual benefit payment (to which the public safety officer would have been entitled) for the duration of the spouse's life

defines a "catastrophic injury" as a "sudden, violent, life-threatening, dutyrelated injury sustained by an active member within the scope of the public safety officer's duties and within the department policy that is due to an externally caused event such as a motor vehicle collision, gunshot wound, aggravated battery, structural collapse, significant fall, or other external event or events that is not self-inflicted or the result of intoxication, provided, however, that no psychological injury, disorder, or condition shall be considered a catastrophic injury under this definition." Further, the injury must be of such severity that it causes the loss of ability to maintain certifications required by the state of \_\_\_\_\_\_, the member's department, or both. provides that the "benefits provided for in this section shall not be in addition to other benefits under this chapter."

provides for a death benefit payment of in the event a public safety officer dies as the direct and proximate result of a personal

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injury sustained in the line of duty. The death benefit is payable to an officer's surviving spouse or, in the event there is no surviving spouse, divided among the officer's dependent children. The benefit is only paid after the retirement board determines that the death occurred in the line of duty

, the death was not caused by the intentional misconduct of the officer or by such officer's intentional infliction of injury, and the officer was not voluntarily intoxicated at the time of death. In addition, benefit payments will not be paid to a person whose actions were a substantial contributing factor to the death of the officer.

#### LAW

Section 61(a) of the Code provides that, except as otherwise provided by law, gross income means all income from whatever source derived, including compensation for services.

Section 72(a) of the Code provides that, except as otherwise provided, gross income includes any amount received as an annuity (whether for a period certain or during one or more lives) under an annuity, endowment, or life-insurance contract.

Section 101(h)(1) of the Code provides that gross income shall not include any amount paid as a survivor annuity on account of the death of a public safety officer (as such term is defined in Section 1204 of the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 as in effect immediately before the enactment of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2013) killed in the line of duty—(A) if such annuity is provided under a governmental plan which meets the requirements of section 401(a), to the spouse (or former spouse) of the public safety officer or to a child of such officer; and (B) to the extent such annuity is attributable to such officer's service as a public safety officer.

Section 101(h)(2) of the Code provides that section 101(h)(1) of the Code shall not apply with respect to the death of any public safety officer if, as determined in accordance with the provisions of the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968—(A) the death was caused by the intentional misconduct of the officer or by such officer's intention to bring about such officer's death; (B) the officer was voluntarily intoxicated (as defined in section 1204 of such Act) at the time of death; (C) the officer was performing such officer's duties in a grossly negligent manner at the time of death; or (D) the payment is to an individual whose actions were a substantial contributing factor to the death of the officer.

Section 104(a)(1) of the Code provides that gross income does not include amounts received under workmen's compensation acts as compensation for personal injuries or sickness.

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Treas. Reg. § 1.104–1(b) provides that section 104(a)(1) of the Code excludes from gross income amounts received by an employee under a workmen's compensation act or under a statute in the nature of a workmen's compensation act that provides compensation to the employee for personal injury or sickness incurred in the course of employment. Treas. Reg. § 1.104–1(b) also provides this exclusion to compensation paid under a workmen's compensation act to the survivor or survivors of a deceased employee. Treas. Reg. § 1.104–1(b) states that this exclusion does not apply to the amount received either to the extent that it is determined by reference to the employee's age or length of service, or the employee's prior contributions, even though the employee's retirement is occasioned by an occupational injury or sickness, or to the extent that it is in excess of the amount provided in the applicable workmen's compensation act or acts.

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#### ANALYSIS AND CONCLUSION

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The rulings contained in this letter are based upon information and representations submitted by Taxpayer and accompanied by a penalties of perjury statement executed by an appropriate party, as specified in Rev. Proc. 2024-1, 2024-1 I.R.B. 1, section

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Sincerely,

Denise Trujillo Chief, Health & Welfare Branch Office of Associate Chief Counsel (Employee Benefits, Exempt Organizations, and Employment Taxes)

CC:

#### **Internal Revenue Service**

Department of the Treasury Washington, DC 20224

Third Party Communication: None Date of Communication: Not Applicable

Mary Claire Chesshire Whiteford, Taylor & Preston LLP One West Pennsylvania Avenue, Suite 300 Towson, MD 21204-5025

Index Number: 101.08-00, 104.02-00

Person To Contact: William Fischer, ID No. 1003275192 Telephone Number: (202) 317-5500 Refer Reply To: CC:EEE:EB:HW PLR-107905-24 Date: December 12, 2024

Public Employees Retirement System of Idaho (EIN: 82-6000952)

Dear Ms. Chesshire:

The enclosed copy of a letter is sent to you under the provisions of a power of

attorney and declaration of representative, or other proper authorization, currently on file

with the Internal Revenue Service.

Sincerely,

Sara D. Trujillo Trujillo Date: 2024.12.12 22:07:56 -05'00'

Digitally signed by Sara D.

Denise Trujillo Branch Chief, Health & Welfare Office of Associate Chief Counsel Employee Benefits, Exempt Organizations, and Employment Taxes



Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service [Operating Division / Program Name] 1111 Constitution Ave NW Washington, D.C 20224

Date: 12/23/2024 Last date to request IRS review: 01/12/2025 Last date to request delay: 02/21/2025 Last date to petition Tax Court: 02/21/2025 Date open to public inspection: 03/21/2025 Person to contact: Chief, Disclosure Support Branch Contact telephone number: 202-317-6840

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In accordance with Internal Revenue Code (IRC) Section 6110, we intend to make the enclosed copy of your ruling (with deletions) open to public inspection.

IRC Section 6110 provides that copies of certain rulings, technical advice memoranda, and determination letters will be open to public inspection after deletions are made. These written determinations will be open to public inspection online in the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) Reading Room at **IRS.gov/privacy-disclosure**/ **foia-library**.

We made the deletions indicated in accordance with Section 6110(c), which requires us to delete:

- 1. The names, addresses, and other identifying details of the person the ruling pertains to, and of any other person identified in the ruling [other than a person making a "third party communication" (see back of this notice)].
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- 6. Information contained in or related to examination, operating, or condition reports prepared by, or for use of, an agency that regulates or supervises financial institutions.
- 7. Geological and geophysical information and data (including maps) concerning wells.

These are the only grounds for deleting material. We made the indicated proposed deletions after considering any suggestions for deletions you may have made prior to issuance of the ruling.

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> Attention: Chief, CC:PA:LPD:DS Internal Revenue Service Ben Franklin Station P.O. Box 7604 Washington, DC 20044 Fax: 855-592-8978

It must be faxed or postmarked no later than the "Last date to request IRS review" shown on this notice. We will give your submission careful consideration. If we determine we cannot make any or all of the additional deletions you suggest, we will so advise you not later than 20 days after we receive your submission.

Fax your information using either a fax machine or an online fax service. Protect yourself when sending digital data by understanding the fax service's privacy and security policies.

You will then have the right to file a petition in the United States Tax Court if you disagree with us. Your petition must be filed no later than the "Last date to petition Tax Court" shown on this notice, which is 60 days after the mailing date of this notice. If a petition is filed in the Tax Court, the disputed portion(s) of the ruling will not be placed in the Reading Room until after a court decision becomes final.

You can download a fillable petition form and get information about filing at **ustaxcourt.gov**. The Tax Court encourages petitioners to electronically file petitions. You can eFile your completed petition by following the instructions and user guides available on the Tax Court website at **ustaxcourt.gov/dawson.html**. You will need to register for a DAWSON account to do so. Or you may send the completed petition to:

United States Tax Court 400 Second Street, NW Washington, DC 20217

Be sure to include a copy of this notice and any attachments with the petition and the filing fee payable online, or by mail or in person using a check or money order made out to Clerk, U.S. Tax Court. Do not send your petition to the office at the top of this letter or to the IRS; you must file your petition with the Tax Court.

Your petition is timely if the Tax Court receives it within the 60-day period or if it is postmarked by the United States Postal Service within the 60-day period and the envelope containing the petition is properly addressed with the correct postage. The postmark rule doesn't apply if using the mail service of a foreign country. Generally, your petition will be timely if the date marked by a designated private delivery service is within the 60-day period. You can find a list of designated delivery services for domestic and international mailings in Notice 2016-30, which is available on our website at **IRS.gov/pub/irs-drop/n-16-30.pdf**. The list of approved delivery companies is subject to change.

If you lack access to a computer or the internet and want to file a paper petition, you may get a copy of the petition form and filing information by contacting the Office of the Clerk of the Tax Court at the address above or by calling 202-521-0700.

If no petition is filed in the Tax Court, the deleted version of your ruling will be made open to public inspection on the date shown above in the "Date open to public inspection" heading. If the transaction to which the ruling relates will not be completed by then, you may request a delay of public inspection.

#### **Request for delay of public inspection**

You may request a delay of public inspection of up to 90 days, or 15 days after the transaction is completed, whichever is later. The request for delay must be received by the IRS no later than the "Last date to request delay" shown on this notice, which is 60 days after the mailing date of this notice. Mail or fax your request for delay to:

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After the copy of your ruling, with deletions, is placed in our online FOIA Reading Room, any person may request us to make additional portions of the ruling open to public inspection. If we receive a request that involves disclosure of names, addresses, or taxpayer identifying numbers, we will deny the request and you will not be contacted. If that request involves disclosure of anything other than names, addresses, or taxpayer identifying numbers, we will contact you before taking action.

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If you have any questions regarding this notice, please call us at 202-317-6840.

[Enclosures:]

[cc:]



#### February 25, 2025

To:PERSI Board of DirectorsFrom:Deputy DirectorSubject:PERSI Economic Study

#### Summary:

In August 2024 Persi contracted with Recon Insight Group LLC at the University of Idaho to outline the economic impacts in Idaho and by county from the operation's spending and retiree benefit payments from Persi. The goal of the study is to assess how Persi influences and contributes to Idaho's GDP.

#### Key Discussion:

- Data from FY 2023 was used to conduct the study
- Benefit payments were over \$1B and contributions were \$830M
  - The difference of \$250.5M in household incomes
    - A portion of which is spent in Idaho and support businesses and additional employment incomes and taxes
    - Out of state spending was approximately \$109.7M
    - \$140.7M spent on in-state goods and services
- Additional \$9.6M on operational expenses to administer fund
- GDP was \$149.8M higher because of Persi
  - Economic activity supported roughly 1,508 FTE jobs throughout the state
  - o Generating another \$80.5M in additional household income
- Impacts were uneven across the state
  - o Ada and Teton counties lost economic activity
  - o Other counties in the state gained economic activity

#### Action:

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## **Executive Summary**

The goal of this study is to assess how PERSI influences and contributes to Idaho's GDP. The approach in the study, therefore, is to 1) see what money is being drawn out of the state economy and being invested elsewhere via PERSI's portfolio, 2) what money from PERSI's portfolio is being injected into the economy and being spent within Idaho to create economic activity, 3) to assess how the management activities of the PERSI staff influence the counties in which staff are located (i.e., PERSI's operational contributions), and 4) to understand the distributional effects by county, since not all counties contribute to or benefit from PERSI in the same proportions.

### Data and Methodology

The data and approach used to meet the above listed objectives were primary data provided by PERSI staff, private and public data for defining and understanding Idaho markets, and lastly an economic database of financial transactions known as input-output accounts produced by IMPLAN.

Idaho's economy has expanded more rapidly than the nation over the past several decades and continues to be one of the top growth economies within the nation. Figure E.1 shows the employment growth from 2014 to 2024. This past decade has seen employment rise from 655 thousand to 879 thousand, slightly more than 34% growth over the decade. This represents serious challenges to Idaho's infrastructure capacity, but is associated with similar growth in economic productivity.

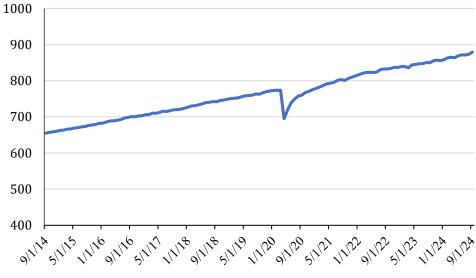


Figure E.1: Total Idaho Employment - 2014 to 2024 (Thousands)

Source: FRED, Bureau of Labor Statistics

In the midst of the state's rapid growth, PERSI has been a rapidly growing financial asset for the state that provides largescale net economic injections to the economy via the benefits paid to the

state's retirees. Benefit payments injected into the economy in 2023 exceeded \$1billion, while contributions into PERSI's fund were less than \$830 million. The difference between the distributions from the fund and the payments into it represent an additional \$250.5 million in household incomes, a portion of which are spent into Idaho's network of supply chains, supporting businesses, additional employment incomes, and taxes. Figure E.2 shows how the benefits and contributions have evolved since 2016 and how the net financial injections continue to grow year-over-year.

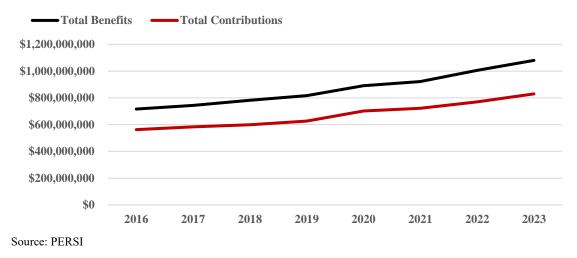




Table E.1 shows a more detailed explanation of PERSI's 2023 financial processes and provides the basis for calculating the primary economic impacts on Idaho's economy. While nearly \$250.5 million in net injections are made from PERSI to households in Idaho, approximately \$140.7 million are spent on in-state goods and service markets. The other \$109.7 million is spent on importing goods and services.

	Sutions Received
Total Benefits Paid to All PERSI Retirees	\$1,228,235,790
Benefits Paid Out-of-State	(\$148,238,213)
Total Benefits Paid to Idaho Residents	\$1,079,997,577
Percentage paid to Idaho Residents	87.9%
Total Contributions	(\$829,534,052)
Net Injections to Idaho Household Income	\$250,463,525
Out-of-State Spending	(\$109,745,258)
In-State Spending	\$140,718,267
Percentage spending in-state	56.2%

#### Table E.1: Annual Benefits Paid and Contributions Received

Source: PERSI

In addition to the benefit payments PERSI also expends \$9.6 million on its operational expenses. Those dollars go to pay for office supplies, employee wages, facilities etc. Combined, the net benefit payments and operational expenses enter the economy and generate the impacts outlined below.

### Summary Results

Table E.2 shows how PERSI's operational expenses and net benefit payments enter and flow through Idaho's economy, generating successive rounds of spending and income. In total, Idaho's GRP in 2023 was \$149.8 million higher than it would have been in the absence of PERSI. This economic activity supported roughly 1,508 FTE jobs in the state through the generation of \$80.5 million in additional household income.

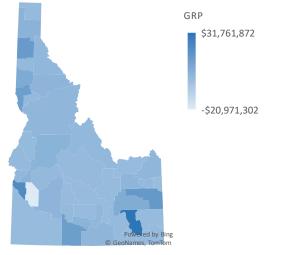
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Effect	Sales	GRP	Income	Jobs	
Direct	\$9,622,476	\$4,811,857	\$2,589,302	31	
Indirect	\$4,975,246	\$2,203,006	\$1,390,281	23	
Induced	\$253,913,380	\$142,803,344	\$76,550,259	1,454	
Total	\$268,511,102	\$149,818,208	\$80,529,842	1,508	
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#### Table E.2: Annual Benefits Paid and Contributions Received

Source: Author's Calculations

While the state as a whole benefits substantially from PERSI, those impacts were uneven across the state. Ada and Teton Counties, arguably the wealthiest counties in the state, lost direct economic activity because of PERSI, though they likely recovered those dollars via indirect expenditures. Retirees in canyon county for example, likely spend a portion of their income in Ada County since Boise is a central economic hub.

#### Figure E.3: County Level GRP Impacts of PERSI by County



Source: PERSI

## Conclusions

Early investments in PERSI are now paying off for Idaho. While this analysis focuses on the change in economic activity (e.g. jobs and gross state product (GSP)) as a result of PERSI, the value of PERSI's portfolio represents a sizable \$20.7 billion, financial asset for the state, even when not considering the Firefighters' Retirement Fund (\$471.4 million) or the Judges' Retirement Fund (\$111.0 million). Several Idaho retirees stay in state, resulting in the majority of PERSI's benefit distributions remaining in the state. These dollars are largely expended on Idaho businesses and work their way through the supply networks generating successive rounds of spending and income for other Idaho residents.

The net injections to the Idaho Economy from PERSI's operations contribute **1,508 jobs annually** and added **\$149.8 million to Idaho's Gross State Product in 2023**. All but two counties, Ada and Teton, saw net positive economic impacts as a result of PERSI. The fund itself pays out in benefits more than it draws in through contributions but remains sustainable due to the returns it generates on its portfolio. In 2023, PERSI's net position improved by over \$1.35 billion

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# 1. Introduction

In 2024 the PERSI Board saw the need to assess how the Public Employee Retirement System of Idaho (PERSI) was influencing the economy of the state. Michael Hampton, Executive Director of PERSI; along with Alex Simpson, Deputy Director of PERSI, approached Recon in October and scoped out a proposed study based on similar analyses done in other states. The goal of the study was not to look at the performance of the fund itself, but rather to assess how it was influencing and contributing to Idaho's GDP.

The approach in the study, therefore, is to 1) see what money is being drawn out of the state economy and being invested elsewhere via the fund, 2) what money from the fund is being injected into the economy and being spent within Idaho to create economic activity, 3) to assess how the management activities of the PERSI staff influence the counties in which staff are located (i.e., PERSI's operational effects), and 4) to understand the distributional effects by county, since not all counties contribute to or benefit from PERSI in the same proportions.

During the early years of PERSI, more money was being withdrawn from the state and being placed into the fund. Today, withdrawals from the fund exceed the direct payments into it. The management of the fund is such, that it continues to grow, even with the extra withdrawals for benefit payments. The net position of the fund between 2022 and 2023 rose by \$1.35 billion, not including the Firefighters' Retirement Fund or the Judges' Retirement Fund, which both grew as well (see pg. 15 of the 2023 PERSI financial statement).

While innumerable alternative investment strategies exist, it is not within the purview of this study to assess how PERSI's impact on the state would evolve under a different management policy or a different investment schema. We simply wish to show what the fund contributes to the economy today in terms of measures of economic activity including financial transactions, GDP, household income, and employment. To do this we cannot stop at the direct injections of benefit payments, since those dollars are spent in the state and county economies and circulate generating income for non-retired Idaho citizens. In this regard the impacts of PERSI extend well beyond direct beneficiaries. It is these indirect financial interactions that we are trying to quantify. It is quite true that PERSI has a positive impact outside of Idaho's borders as well, as many of Idaho's residents spend their income outside of the state. That research will need to be addressed in a later analysis.

Chapter 2 will provide an overview of Idaho's economic data, PERSI data, and the IMPLAN economic data used for tracking transactions and supply networks throughout the state. Chapter 3 will focus on methodology and theory as well as discussing the interactions between statewide and county level analyses. Chapter 4 will discuss the impact results. Chapter 5 will provide concluding remarks. Much of the detailed data and county level overviews are provided in the Appendices.

# 2. Economic Data and Sources

The data used in this study were derived from three primary sources. PERSI's data provided the direct inputs to our modelling framework, outlining the county level benefits paid and contributions made each year, as well as the number of contributors and beneficiaries. Benefits, in the context of this report, reflect financial injections into the state and are the distributions of the fund. Contributions, on the other hand are moneys being paid into the fund and represent dollars that current employees are investing rather than spending within the state. Contributions in this context represent leakages to Idaho's economy today but will return with interest in future years. Those individuals contributing to the fund are still employed by the state, while those receiving benefits are retirees. Thus, the investors and the recipients are not the same population, though they both influence the impact of PERSI on the state in the same year and in opposite directions. All the data regarding contributors and beneficiaries came from PERSI staff. While some figures will be reported here, comprehensive tables can be found in Appendix 2.

The second data source on the Idaho economy came from IMPLAN, a data company that complies information on national and subnational geographies based predominantly on industry spending patterns. This data is based on federal and state sources and has at its core, the Bureau of Economic Analysis Input-Output tables. While IMPLAN is one of many data systems that reports Input-Output accounting data, it is at present the most widely available.<sup>1</sup> An outline of the Input-Output data and methodology is provided in chapter three of this report where the PERSI data and Input-Output methodologies are combined for producing results.

Lastly, we use BEA, Census, and other public and private data sources to understand the local and regional markets throughout Idaho. The following Idaho profile is built from such data and leans heavily on the theories of Walter Christaller and Walter Isard, the *de facto* fathers of regional economic science.

## Idaho State Data

### A Contrast of Urban Versus Rural

Idaho is a state with two economies: one urban and one rural. The rural economy is based on agriculture and other natural resource industries, while the urban economy is based on rapidly growing high-technology manufacturing and service companies. These two separate economies reflect Idaho's past, present, and future. The two economies both complement each other and compete for resources.

Urban areas have seen rapid economic growth and increases in population, particularly those regions with high-technology industries and related services. The growth of the rural regions and

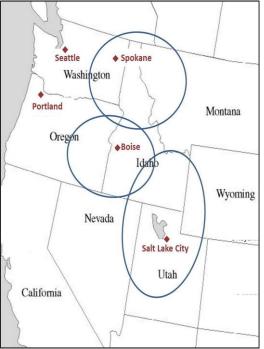
<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> University of Idaho faculty, in conjunction with the Northwest Knowledge Network, are working towards an opensource version of these accounts. Much of this work will revert to those data systems upon their release.

natural resource-based economies have been modest or negative. The most impoverished regions of the state tend to be the most rural. While both urban and rural areas have seen gains in their economies due to PERSI, the rural areas have seen greater activity relative to the urban areas.

#### Economic Boundaries of the State Sub-Regions

In terms of political boundaries, Idaho is a single state. In terms of economic boundaries, the U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis divides the state of Idaho into three distinct economies. The first is the Boise economy, which includes eastern Oregon, southwest Idaho, and central Idaho. Second is the Spokane-Coeur d'Alene economy, comprising eastern Washington, northern Idaho, the southwestern region of Canada, and part of western Montana. Lastly is the Salt Lake City economy, which includes most of Utah, a portion of northwestern Nevada, and southeast Idaho. Political boundaries rarely coincide with the integrated economic regions focused on these market centers. A very geographically diverse state, Idaho is one of the largest U.S. states, ranking 11th by land area (or 14th including water). Idaho ranks 38th in terms of population according to the 2024 census, moving up one position from 39th place in the 2010 census.

Idaho's traffic and trade flows run east-west. North-south routes are inhibited by vast mountains and extremely rural settings. The northern Coeur d'Alene-Montana corridor is connected by the U.S. Interstate Highway 90. U.S. Interstate Highways 15, 86, and 84 link the southern Idaho region to the rest of the world. While the east-west highways are well kept, the north-south highways are greatly underdeveloped and often weather impaired.



#### Figure 2.1: Idaho's economic regions

### A State of Change: Idaho State Economic Trends

Idaho population growth over the last decade was second fastest, only behind Utah, according to the 2020 census. Idaho was the fastest growing state in the U.S. cumulatively from 2020 to 2023

at 6.8%. Idaho's population increased by 1.3% (25,730 people) from 2022 to 2023, ranking fourth behind South Carolina, Florida, and Texas. Idaho was the fastest growing state in 2021, 2020, 2019, 2017, and second in 2018.

Looking further back, the state had an overall population increase of 29% between 1990 and 2000, compared to a 13% increase for the nation. Only the states of Nevada (66%), Arizona (40%), Colorado (31%), and Utah (30%) grew faster in that decade. In the following decade, from 2000 to 2010, Idaho grew 21%, ranking 4th in the nation. From 2010 to 2020, cumulatively Idaho's population grew 17.3%, reaching 1,839,106 in 2020, according to the 2020 census.

Idaho's spectacular growth in population has been unevenly distributed, although most counties have increased. Most of the growth occurred in the urban regions of Boise (i.e., Treasure Valley), the Coeur 'd'Alene corridor (northern Idaho), and other urban pockets, while many rural regions grew slowly or experienced negative growth with a few exceptions. From 2010 to 2020, for example, the population of Ada County grew by 26.0%, followed by Canyon County (25.5%), Kootenai County (23.2%), Teton County (23.0%), Valley County (19.7%), and Bonneville County (17.1%) all according to the U.S. Census.

From 2010 to 2023, Ada County grew by 132,309 people (34%) and reached a total population of 524,673 (2023), and Canyon County reached 257,674. The Boise Metropolitan Statistical Area (MSA), which includes the counties of Ada, Canyon, Gem, Boise, and Owyhee, was home to a population of about 832,970 in 2023 and is projected by Lightcast to reach 1,041,254 by 2034. The Boise MSA contains about 42.4% of Idaho's population and is the primary urban economic driver in Idaho.

The population growth indicates the desirability of Idaho and many regions are attracting "quality of life migrants," which bring their retirement and outside incomes into the state. More importantly, Idaho is able to retain many of her retirees while many states shed employees after retirement. The retention of retirees results in PERSI benefit payments remaining in-state.<sup>2</sup>

#### **Employment and Income Trends**

As the population has grown, so has employment. Covered employment grew by 212,005 jobs from 2013 to 2023—a 34% increase. Total employment (including the self-employed workers) grew by 239,868 jobs: 731,683 jobs in 2013 increased to 971,551 jobs, or 33%, in 2023 (Figure 2.2 and Table 2.1). The construction industry had the greatest increase in jobs at 41,923 jobs (101% increase). Second was health care and social assistance with an increase of 31,707 jobs (36%). Third was accommodation and food services with 24,376 jobs (44% increase). There has been strong growth in all industries at various rates. The average earnings per job (i.e., wages and benefits) was \$65,653 with a high of \$147,435 (management) and a low of \$26,400 (accommodation and food service) (Lightcast, Bureau of Labor Statistics).

Idaho's tourism, high technology services, general services, and health care have been increasing in economic importance. The traditional, natural resource industries have remained strong and

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Subsequent analysis will look into ranking of states in terms of the portion of their pensioners that stay in their state of employment and which states are therefore able to recuperate the majority of their portfolio payments.

provide an important base for future growth. Dairy, cheese, and yogurt manufacturing—now some of Idaho's most important agriculture-related sectors— has increased substantially in recent years.

Idaho's median household income was \$73,910 in 2023, ranking 36th in the U.S. (Statista, U.S. Census). Historically, Idaho has ranked relatively low in median family income rankings but has been improving over the last couple of decades. Idaho also has a relatively low cost of living, stretching the earnings further than the raw statistics would suggest. The state has a relatively low unemployment rate (3.6% in September 2024), ranking 26th (Bureau of Labor Statistics).

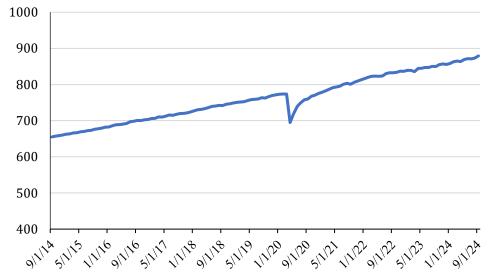


Figure 2.2: Total Idaho Employment - 2014 to 2024 (Thousands)

Source: FRED, Bureau of Labor Statistics

Description	2013 Jobs	2023 Jobs	Change	% Change	Avg. Earnings Per Job	Number of Businesses
Agriculture, Forestry	32,260	34,772	2,512	8%	\$57,502	2,603
Mining	2,690	2,964	275	10%	\$110,417	231
Utilities	2,806	3,397	591	21%	\$118,661	321
Construction	41,430	83,254	41,823	101%	\$69,236	12,448
Manufacturing	62,188	78,019	15,831	25%	\$86,252	3,838
Wholesale Trade	29,042	35,889	6,847	24%	\$98,191	5,122
Retail Trade	82,227	98,792	16,564	20%	\$46,600	7,167
Transportation/Warehousing	21,068	33,693	12,625	60%	\$65,539	2,814
Information	9,713	10,489	776	8%	\$101,842	2,838
Finance and Insurance	23,040	32,296	9,256	40%	\$100,892	5,118
Real Estate	9,904	16,276	6,373	64%	\$65,930	3,989
Professional, Scientific, Services	37,343	59,262	21,919	59%	\$99,461	13,551
Management	5,435	8,431	2,996	55%	\$147,435	590
Waste Management	44,751	54,729	9,977	22%	\$56,838	5,877
Educational Services	14,893	22,223	7,330	49%	\$35,946	1,563
Health Care/Social Assistance	86,920	118,627	31,707	36%	\$66,414	10,878
Arts, Entertainment/Recreation	10,824	18,597	7,772	72%	\$33,226	1,346
Accommodation/Food Services	55,066	79,442	24,376	44%	\$26,184	5,021
Other Services	34,410	42,223	7,812	23%	\$38,250	5,377
Government	125,672	138,093	12,421	10%	\$69,404	2,754
Total	731,683	971,551	239,868	33%	\$65,653	201

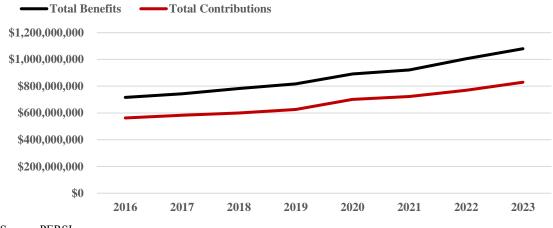
#### Table 2.1: Idaho Employment Statistics by Industry, 2013 to 2023

Source: Lightcast

## PERSI Data

### Portfolio Contributions and Benefit Distributions

PERSI paid out \$1.08 billion in benefits throughout the 2023 fiscal year to 47,349 Idaho resident retirees, with an additional \$148.24 million to 8,119 out-of-state retirees. Average monthly benefits came to \$1,900 for in-state retirees and \$1,521 for out-of-state retirees. Nearly 88% of all direct annual payments stayed inside Idaho. The majority of retirees, 12,670, are located in Ada County with Canyon and Kootenai Counties coming in second and third at 4,824 and 3,517 respectively. The contributions to the PERSI fund in 2023 were \$829.5 million. Active base plan members were 76,668, the majority of which, 44,627, are vested. The net difference in dollars withdrawn from the state economy and into the fund, contributions, and the injections into the state economy, through benefit payments to retirees, was \$250.5 million. These net injections become direct gains (i.e., direct impacts) on the state's economy. Even though total benefits paid routinely exceed total contributions made (see Figure 2.3), the interest on the contributions more than covers the direct portfolio deficits, leading to a net gain in the portfolio balance.



#### Figure 2.3: Annual Benefits Paid and Contributions Received

Source: PERSI

Figure 2.4 shows a map of Idaho where higher net benefits injected into each county result in darker shading. The full data table may be found in Appendix 2 Table 2. Ada and Teton counties were the only counties that saw negative net benefit numbers, i.e., higher contributions than benefits. However, as described in Figure 2.1, Ada County, likely benefit indirectly as spending from the surrounding counties flows into the Bosie region as out-of-county beneficiaries spend a portion of their retirement income within Boise. In short, the negative direct effect is likely outweighed by the indirect spending effects from the surrounding counties within the Bosie MSA central place hierarchy. The magnitudes of those transfers will be the subject of future research.

#### Portfolio Management Contributions

It is not only the benefits (net distributions) that influence the counties. The management and operations of PERSI also result in income payments to employees. The spending of PERSI for operational expenses and staff wages also contributes to the economy. What is being measured here does not include payments to external fund managers and related custodial expenses. Table 2.2 shows the 2023 PERSI operating expenditures by regional office. PERSI has employees and offices in Ada County (Boise), Bannock County (Pocatello),<sup>3</sup> and Kootenai County (Coeur d'Alene).

Total Operating Expenses	\$9,622,476.49
Coeur D'Alene Office	\$100,038.19
Pocatello Office	\$184,739.89
Boise Office	\$9,337,698.41
Table 2.2. Operational Exp	Jenses by I ERSI

#### Table 2.2: Operational Expenses by PERSI Regional Office

Source: PERSI

These expenditures are considered to be net injections into each county. They are paid out from the fund as appropriated by the Idaho legislature. As will be discussed in the following chapter, these dollars flow through the local economies in a far different fashion than the net injections

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Technically Pocatello is also part of Power County operating on the Fort Hall Indian Reservation. This nuance is omitted for the sake of simplifying the economic model.

from the portfolio itself. This is mainly because these dollars function as business expenditures, rather than retiree or household incomes. Table 2.3 shows the distribution of PERSI employees by County of Residence. Clearly Ada County is the dominant location of operations both in terms of business expenditures and employment. Many of the employees stationed in surrounding counties commute to the primary office described in Table 2.2.

County	# of Employees
Ada	64
Bannock	7
Bingham	1
Bonneville	1
Canyon	7
Elmore	1
Kootenai	3
Total Employment	84

Source: PERSI

## **IMPLAN** Data

The IMPLAN Data forms the basis of our Input-Output analysis and is compiled of several public and private sources. Primary data sources include the National Income and Product Accounts (NIPA). This is where the general economic data such as total employment, GDP, capital investment, and personal consumption data are sourced. These are combined with the BEA Benchmark I-O tables which provide national industry level production functions, often described by economists as technology. The BEA also provides a host of state and sub-state level information on the economy: farming outputs, state tax levels, deflators, etc.

Data from the Department of Agriculture is used to determine county and farm sector productions. These and other specialized industries (US Forest Service, Railroad Retirement Board, National Center for Education Statistics, and more) are used to refine the industry transaction accounts as well as some of the inter and intra-regional trade.

The Bureau of Labor Statistics, particularly the quarterly census of employment and wages (QCEW), provides the core employment and earnings data by industry. This allows IMPLAN to more accurately report the labor factor embedded in each industry's production technology.

One of the other large and key public databases in the IMPLAN data production process is the Census Bureau and Department of Commerce data sets. These data provide the number of establishments by industry type (County Business Patterns) and the foreign and domestic import and export data. This data is key to understanding the interdependence of economies on one another. If someone in Idaho buys a Toyota, the amount of money retained by the local auto retailer, the amount going to local or non-local energy production, whether the car was manufactured in Texas, Mississippi, or Kentucky, the portion of the transaction returning to Japan as corporate profits, etc are all based on the data in these government information sets.

IMPLAN does have an algorithm by which these data sets are integrated for producing the Input-Output accounts, though that manual has not been updated for many years. Thus, some of their processes are now considered trade secrets and/or copywritten. However, the overall process is utilized by all major providers of regionalized Input-Output accounts.

# 3. Theory and Methodology

# **Input-Output Theory**

The system of accounts known as Input-Output (I-O) represents an economist's version of double-entry bookkeeping for industries. Figure 3.1 below shows a simplified version of an I-O matrix with just a hand full of industries. Each cell in this table of accounts is populated by dollar transactions.

		Producers as Consumers							Final De	mand	
		Agric.	Min.	Const.	Manuf.	Services	Other	Households	Investment	Government	Net exports
	Agric.						Ţ				
₽	Min.										
rodu	Const.										
Producers	Manuf.										
S	Services										
	Other										
Val	Labor										
Value Added	Returns to Capital							Gross Domestic Product			
ed	Taxes										

### Figure 3.1: Example System of Input-Output Accounts

Reading down a column of this table shows what inputs an industry is buying in order to produce their output. The mining column, for example, may buy construction services for roads; trucks, signage, and heavy equipment are purchased from the manufacturing sector, and legal and accounting services from the service sector. They will also purchase imports. Payments to mine employees are captured in the "Labor" row. Payments must be made to owners of capital, and the industry pays taxes to the government. Reading across a row tells us where an industry's income originates. Sticking with mining, virtually all of the revenue would derive from selling minerals outside of Idaho, i.e., exporting the minerals via the "Net exports" column.

In the case of PERSI this is slightly different. The injections come as payments to households. These injections to household income result in purchases within the local economies. This is a direct income injection that results in additional sales in the economy. Economists say this is an increase in exogenous final demand. Only a portion of these direct income injections are spent

locally. A large portion of the spending goes to the purchase of imported goods. Only approximately \$140.7 million of the net \$250.5 million are spent within the Idaho supply chains.

Adding up all the labor, capital, and tax payments for all industries gives the sum of all value added and will equal Gross State Product (GSP). Similarly, summing all of the expenditures of households, government, investment, and net exports yields the same GSP. These two methods of calculating GSP are known as the Income and Expenditure approaches, respectively, and they represent a check for ensuring all accounts balance. It is through the I-O system that we are able to trace the dollars through the economy and calculate multiplier effects on new dollars entering the state.

However, it is only through attracting new dollars into the economy that PERSI will generate positive impacts. Economists distinguish between industries that are export-oriented and those that serve the local economy, recirculating the dollars once they are in the economy. We call export-oriented industries "basic" and resident serving industries "non-basic." The mining sector from our example is considered basic, as local residents are not buying directly from the mine and the majority of the product is exported. The basic industries that bring dollars into the economy support the non-basic industries, which could not exist locally without the income from exports. As such, the employment contributions of basic industries support more than the direct employment within the industry. One of the key issues at stake here is whether PERSI is a basic industry that brings in more dollars than it causes to leak out of the economy through dollars invested into the PERSI portfolio. Dollars invested via PERSI are dollars that current state employees are not spending within Idaho. Those dollars "leak" out of the economy. However, as

#### **Basic vs. Non-Basic Impacts: Which Industries Support the Economy?**

A small rural town may seem to have a large retail trade sector in terms of employment, while the number of employees engaged in natural resource industries is fairly low, and often seasonal. However, the natural resource industries are exporting their product and bringing money into the economy. The retail trade sector is predominantly serving residents. In this story, it is the loggers, farmers, ranchers, and miners that are supporting the economy, and the retail shops are retaining the money generated within the economy. However, it should be clear that the natural resource-based industries would continue to exist in the absence of the retail shops, while the barbers, bakers, and clothing store clerks would not be likely to stay in the absence of the farms etc. In this setting, the non-basic retail jobs rely on the basic natural resource jobs. The employment impacts, including many of the schoolteachers and retail employees, would be attributed to the basic agricultural industries.

PERSI takes money from the fund and pays benefits to retirees within the state, it is injecting dollars from outside of Idaho back into Idaho. When these injections exceed the leakages PERSI has a net positive impact on the state.

It is worth going through the thought experiment of the first year PERSI was enacted as a savings plan for state employees. In that year employees invested in the fund, but no distributions were made. The story is likely the same in the second and several subsequent years. In those years the leakages exceeded the injections, resulting in a net outflow of dollars from the

state. As retirees began drawing on their pensions, the economy started to benefit from net inflows. Now, in 2024, the injections (via benefits) exceed the leakages (contributions) by a large margin (see Figure 2.3 above).

We encourage readers to think of these injections and leakages like a basin filled with water. The distributions, or benefit payments, represent a flow value of water into a sink. Contributions into the fund represent a flow value leaking out of the sink. If the water coming into the basin



exceeds the water leaking out the bottom, the economy is filing up. The water in the sink (the "impact" of PERSI) is a stock value. Note that contributions to the fund are not the only leakages out of the economy, death and out-migration from the state by past employees will also cause the in-flow values and the stock value to adjust. As long as the fund exists and retirees in Idaho are able to draw on it, there will be water in the basin i.e., a positive impact. In the early years of the program that was not the case. Investments often require a period of building before they generate returns.<sup>4</sup> In the early days PERSI was drawing money out of the economy, essentially taking money from other portions of the economy. Because of those early investment PERSI today is paying the economy back with interest. When we measure the *impacts*, we do not measure the full amount of economic activity within the state as a result of PERSI. If we stick with our analogy, we are not measuring how much water is in the basin. We are only measuring how much new water was added in the year. We also measure the ripples it created in the economy as it circulated. Net new money is injected into the economy and circulates through the state's supply chains, creating ripples of buying and spending throughout the economy.

It is important to recognize that money flowing out of the fund, and into Idaho, exceeds the money being contributed to the fund, and leaving Idaho. This process would not be sustainable in the long run if it were not for the return on investment PERSI is able to generate on the portfolio. In 2023 those returns exceeded \$1.3 billion dollars, and reflect the long-run sustainability of PERSI.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> It is important to understand that measuring economic activity via an Input-Output model is not the same as assessing the return on an investment. The concepts are entirely different as impacts are measured on an annual bases and investments are often measured in terms of the present value of a multi-year time horizon. In this case one is not derived from the other.

# Methodology

### Determining Direct Effects

As stated previously, the net dollars injected into the economy via PERSI increase household income. This is the primary driver of the impacts PERSI has on the state. However, the operational spending of PERSI functions as more of a traditional industry. The administrative side of PERSI is required to pay employees, purchase office supplies, pay for facilities, electricity, and other traditional business expenses. The I-O accounts capture these expenditures in the "Other State Government Enterprises." Since these operational expenses are direct expenditures within the Idaho economy, we are able to model them as traditional sales expenditures, similar to the mining example outlined above. The question is "what is the activity that is bringing these dollars into the Idaho economy?" In the case of mining, agriculture, manufacturing, services, etc. it is clear that minerals, raw food, manufactured goods, and various services are exported *from* Idaho to bring dollars *into* Idaho. In the case of PERSI, an invoice is issued to the state, and the state issues the funds to be expended. These state dollars are considered exogenous to each of the counties where the dollars are spont.

#### **Determining Multiplier Effects**

The multiplier effects are estimated as the spending from the direct effects goes through rounds of additional spending in the local economy. The purchase of office supplies by PERSI or the purchase of household goods by retirees, set off a chain reaction of purchases throughout the regional, state, and up through even the international supply chains. These multiple rounds of spending are captured by the I-O model and are broken into two categories: indirect and induced effects, collectively referred to as the multipliers.

*Indirect effects:* those rounds of spending stemming from the direct business-to-business expenditures within the local supply networks.

*Induced effects:* those rounds of spending stemming from the direct payroll and subsequent household-to-business expenditures within the local supply networks.

#### Sales vs. Value-added

A way to explain why sales overstates impacts is to imagine individuals spending money in a regional economy. Suppose an individual spends \$40,000 on a new truck. Another individual spends the same amount on an appendectomy at the regional hospital. From a sales perspective, the impacts are the same, \$40,000. However, from a value-added perspective the purchase of the truck provides less to the regional economy. Perhaps \$30,000 of the truck purchase had to immediately go to the manufacturer back in Detroit or Japan. Conversely, the appendectomy at the hospital probably saw most of the spending stay local as income to the doctors, nurses and hospital staff. Perhaps only \$10,000 leaves the region for importing of capital assets like the hospital bed, scalpels, etc. From a value-added perspective, the hospital is more valuable than the auto dealership even though they are equivalent from a sales perspective.

Because the injections of PERSI through payments to beneficiaries are all captured via household-to-business transactions, all of those payments are captured as induced effects, even though they came from "direct" injections. The PERSI operational effects have direct, indirect, and induced components.

# 4. Results

## **Direct effects**

PERSI paid out a total of \$1.23 billion in benefits during the 2023 fiscal year. Only \$148.24 million went to out-of-state beneficiaries. The remaining \$1.08 billion, 87.9% of the total, went to Idaho beneficiaries. This averaged \$1,845 in monthly benefit payment per recipient. Total contributions, dollars being withdrawn from the economy, in FY 2023 amounted to \$829.53 million. The net difference was \$250.46 million in financial injections to household incomes. Of the \$250.46 million, \$140.72 million was spent directly in Idaho, with the residual going to the purchase of household imports. The \$140.72 million circulated through the Idaho economy generating multiplier effects as it became spending and income within the state's supply chains.

Total Benefits Paid to All PERSI Retirees	\$1,228,235,790
Benefits Paid Out-of-State	(\$148,238,213)
Total Benefits Paid In-State	\$1,079,997,577
Percentage paid to Idaho Residents	87.9%
Total Contributions	(\$829,534,052)
Net Injections to Idaho Household Income	\$250,463,525
Out-of-State Spending	(\$109,745,258)
In-State Spending	\$140,718,267
Percentage spending in-state	56.2%

Table 4.1: Calculation	of Direct In-State	Spending from	PERSI Renefits
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Source: PERSI and Author's Calculations

All of the \$9.62 million in operational spending is also spent on in-state purchases. The traditional measure of direct effects would be \$150.34 million. Though the direct, indirect, and induced effects from the benefit payments are all reported under the induced measure since all expenditures derived from PERSI benefit payments start as household purchases and are thus captured under the household-to-business measure.

# Multipliers

Once all of the multiplier spending works its way through the states supply chains a total of \$268.51 million in transactions have occurred. These are the Sales within the state that derived from the net operations and benefits that would not have occurred but for PERSI. The multipliers on the \$150.34 million in initial injections to Idaho generated another \$118.17 million. The 1.78 multiplier is smaller than the typical industry multiplier for Idaho, 2.9. This is largely due to the fact that the benefits paid are injections to household incomes and are not associated with industry production input purchases.

# **Total Economic Impacts**

Table 4.2 shows the Direct, Indirect, and Induced economic effects associated with PERSI at the state level. Note that the large Induced effects are a result of the benefits all being captured under this measure. The impacts are broken out by various economic measures: Sales, Gross State Product (GSP), Income, and Jobs. Technically the GSP figure represents impacts, as this measure removes double counting (See the Sales vs. Value-Added textbox in the previous chapter). Income, particularly the induced income measure of \$76.55 million is income derived from operations and benefits spending, i.e., it does not include the net income from the "direct" benefit payments from PERSI.

	Sales	GSP	Income	Jobs
Direct	\$9,622,476	\$4,811,857	\$2,589,302	31
Indirect	\$4,975,246	\$2,203,006	\$1,390,281	23
Induced	\$253,913,380	\$142,803,344	\$76,550,259	1,454
Total	\$268,511,102	\$149,818,208	\$80,529,842	1,508

#### Table 4.2: Total 2023 Impacts from PERSI by Effect and Economic Measure.

Source: PERSI and Author's Calculations

Based on Table 4.2 we can say that without PERSI the 2023 Idaho economy would have been \$149.8 million smaller than was realized. The labor force would have been approximately 1,500 jobs smaller, and households would have had \$80.5 million less in income. The average income associated with PERSI impacts was \$53,402. This is lower than the \$65,653 average income reported in Table 2.1, which is not surprising since what is captured is derived from retirees who typically have lower average expenses than traditional workforce participants. Recognize the PERSI's true value to Idaho extends beyond these tangible financial measures. It provides stable retirement funds for Idaho's retirees. Without this, many state employees might not have saved enough for their retirement and become entirely dependent on Social Security and other federal programs. This serves to protect Idaho from becoming increasingly dependent on federal sources.

# **County Level Results**

The county level analysis poses some difficulties. Traditionally I-O analysis is designed to consider functional economic areas, such as those discussed in chapter 1. A single county may export goods to other counties within the state and thus draw dollars into the county economy without drawing new dollars into the state as a whole. All the counties in Idaho manifest trade with one another, often referred to by economists as "cross hauling.<sup>5</sup>" This redistribution of county dollars is not reflected in the statewide impacts, i.e., the sum of the parts will not equal the whole. To address this issue surrounding the intra-state transfers, we ran the net county benefits from PERSI, including operational spending for Ada, Bannock, and Kootenai counties,

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> Cross hauling refers to two regions that trade a single good. A prime example of this might be England shipping Earl Gray tea to China, and China shipping Oolong Tea to England. Tea flows both directions, presumably because of differentiations in products.

and summed the total "county impacts." Each county's impacts were then scaled to match the state totals reported above. This addresses any concerns of double counting through multi-regional spillover effects and ensures the values reported at the county level reconcile with the state totals.

Because nearly all of the impacts, both for the state and counties occur as induced impacts, we report the total Gross Regional Product impacts by county. The Sales, Income, and Jobs numbers by county are reported in the Appendix 3 where are county economic profile is also provided. One of the interesting takeaways from the county level analysis is that Bannock, not Ada County, is the primary beneficiary of PERSI. In fact, every county in Idaho benefits more from PERSI than does Ada. At this point in time only Ada and Teton Counties saw less economic activity as a result of PERSI.

Table 4.3: Co	ounty Level Imp	acts of PERS	I	Figure 4.1: County Level Impact
Counties	GRP	Counties	GRP	
Ada	-\$20,971,302	Gem	\$3,758,517	GRP <b>\$31,761,872</b>
Adams	\$918,594	Gooding	\$1,161,092	
Bannock	\$31,761,872	Idaho	\$2,148,452	
Bear Lake	\$842,612	Jefferson	\$2,417,114	
Benewah	\$1,357,930	Jerome	\$3,319,287	-\$20,971,302
Bingham	\$6,848,035	Kootenai	\$14,378,064	A LAND
Blaine	\$89,616	Latah	\$7,522,224	
Boise	\$1,151,312	Lemhi	\$1,708,567	
Bonner	\$3,672,902	Lewis	\$1,044,670	
Bonneville	\$15,283,256	Lincoln	\$265,516	Powered by Bing © GeoNames, TomTom
Boundary	\$884,182	Madison	\$1,013,558	Source: PERSI and Author's Calculations
Butte	\$130,563	Minidoka	\$2,010,843	
Camas	\$244,526	Nez Perce	\$12,824,948	
Canyon	\$21,292,949	Oneida	\$429,816	
Caribou	\$465,955	Owyhee	\$293,426	
Cassia	\$2,678,274	Payette	\$2,225,492	
Clark	\$38,142	Power	\$608,861	
Clearwater	\$2,843,923	Shoshone	\$1,942,676	
Custer	\$775 <i>,</i> 008	Teton	-\$586,570	
Elmore	\$2,781,473	Twin Falls	\$12,614,099	
Franklin	\$619,987	Valley	\$4,044,016	

\$1,085,312

Washington

Source: P ERSI and Author's Calculations

Fremont

\$2,248,327

# 5. Conclusions

Early investments in PERSI are now paying off for Idaho. While this analysis focuses on the change in economic activity as a result of PERSI, the value of PERSI's portfolio represents an enormous, \$20.7 billion, financial asset for the state, not including the Firefighters' Retirement Fund (\$471.4 million) or the Judges' Retirement Fund (\$111.0 million). Idaho retains most of her state employment retirees, which results in the majority of PERSI's benefit distributions remaining in the state. These dollars are largely expended on Idaho businesses and work their way through the supply networks generating successive rounds of spending and income for other Idaho residents.

PERSI distributed a total of \$1.23 billion in retirement benefits, with \$1.08 billion (87.9%) retained in Idaho, averaging \$1,845 per recipient per month. After accounting for contributions, a net financial injection of \$250.46 million bolstered Idaho's household incomes. Of this, \$140.72 million was spent directly within the state, initiating a cascade of economic activity through local supply chains and household consumption expenditures.

Including operational spending, the total direct in-state spending reached \$150.34 million. This expenditure generated additional multiplier effects, resulting in \$268.51 million in total economic transactions. The 1.78 multiplier reflects the unique nature of benefit payments as household income injections, which differ from traditional industry multipliers. Without PERSI, Idaho's gross state product in 2023 would have been \$149.8 million smaller, with households earning \$80.5 million less and approximately 1,500 fewer jobs in the state.

Table 5.1 summarizes these results and shows how PERSI's operational expenses and net benefit payments enter and flow through Idaho's economy, generating successive rounds of spending and income.

Effect	Sales	GRP	Income	Jobs
Direct	\$9,622,476	\$4,811,857	\$2,589,302	31
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Source: Author's Calculations

While the state as a whole benefit substantially of PERSI, those impacts were uneven across the state. Ada and Teton Counties, arguably the wealthiest counties in the state, lost direct economic activity because of PERSI, though they likely recovered those dollars via indirect expenditures. Retirees in canyon county for example, likely spend a portion of their income in Ada County since Boise is a central economic hub. Ada county saw \$359.6 million in contributions to PERSI and \$332.5 million in benefit payments, resulting in a total leakage of \$27.1 million in 2023. Teton County saw \$4.1 million in contributions and \$3.0 million in benefit payments, resulting in

total leakages of \$1.04 million in 2023. There are two reasons for these leakages. One reason is because employees leave these counties after retirement and migrate to counties with lower costs of living. This helps retirees stretch their retirement dollars further. The second reason for these deficits are that these are rapidly growing counties, resulting in more employees than retirees. It is likely that as growth rates slow, the current labor market will begin to retire, and the "sink will start to fill," i.e., the benefit payments will start to exceed the contributions in these counties.

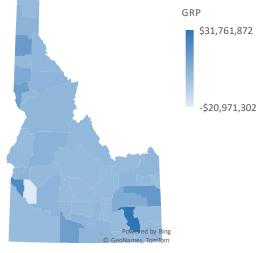


Figure E.3: County Level GRP Impacts of PERSI by County

Source: PERSI

Beyond the quantitative economic impacts, PERSI's broader implications underscore its critical role in supporting Idaho's retirees. By providing stable retirement funds, PERSI reduces the potential reliance on federal assistance programs like Social Security, thereby alleviating pressures on both individual retirees and public safety nets. This stability contributes to the economic resilience of Idaho households and, by extension, the state's economy.

PERSI's benefits extend beyond mere financial injections. The program has been shown to enhance regional economic stability, support household spending, and contribute to job creation, demonstrating its role as a pivotal element in Idaho's economic landscape. As the state continues to grapple with economic uncertainties and demographic changes, maintaining and strengthening PERSI's efficacy will remain essential for sustaining economic growth and enhancing quality of life for Idaho's residents.

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# Appendix 2: Raw PERSI Data

### Table A.2.1: County Level Benefits Paid, Retirees Counts, and Average Monthly Benefits

	Benefits Paid		Average monthly	
County	(millions)	Retiree Count	Benefit	
Ada	\$332.47	12,670	\$2,186.74	
Adams	\$4.04	213	\$1,581.10	
Bannock	\$75.22	2,985	\$2,099.97	
Bear Lake	\$4.37	271	\$1,343.72	
Benewah	\$6.00	328	\$1,524.95	
Bingham	\$28.85	1,387	\$1,733.46	
Blaine	\$13.52	490	\$2,299.46	
Boise	\$6.08	289	\$1,753.65	
Bonner	\$20.73	1,075	\$1,606.62	
Bonneville	\$63.86	2,608	\$2,040.62	
Boundary	\$5.39	346	\$1,298.86	
Butte	\$1.56	102	\$1,277.34	
Camas	\$1.27	60	\$1,770.27	
Canyon	\$104.32	4,824	\$1,802.09	
Caribou	\$4.38	251	\$1,455.51	
Cassia	\$14.20	721	\$1,641.28	
Clark	\$0.75	39	\$1,597.84	
Clearwater	\$9.50	484	\$1,635.00	
Custer	\$3.09	174	\$1,479.73	
Elmore	\$14.44	712	\$1,689.88	
Franklin	\$5.37	324	\$1,382.36	
Fremont	\$10.21	514	\$1,655.35	
Gem	\$12.62	632	\$1,664.43	
Gooding	\$9.77	526	\$1,547.17	
Idaho	\$9.74	566	\$1,434.14	
Jefferson	\$14.83	739	\$1,672.10	
Jerome	\$9.55	489	\$1,627.06	
Kootenai	\$77.85	3,517	\$1,844.62	
Latah	\$37.86	1,538	\$2,051.59	
Lemhi	\$6.25	356	\$1,461.91	
Lewis	\$4.20	217	\$1,611.77	
Lincoln	\$3.31	165	\$1,672.68	
Madison	\$12.98	608	\$1,778.72	
Minidoka	\$11.38	622	\$1,525.15	
Nez Perce	\$34.47	1,448	\$1,983.78	
Oneida	\$3.15	163	\$1,608.27	
Owyhee	\$4.76	292	\$1,358.83	
Payette	\$11.38	563	\$1,684.62	
Power	\$5.21	256	\$1,695.26	
Shoshone	\$9.12	526	\$1,444.43	
<b>T</b>	\$3.02	158	\$1,590.80	
Teton Twin Falls	\$3.02 \$46.55	2,101	\$1,590.80	
Valley	\$13.72	545	\$2,098.20	
Washington	\$8.65	455	\$1,583.41	
Total Benefits Paid to Idaho Residents:	\$1,079,997,577	47,349	\$1,900.78	
Benefits Paid Out-of-State	\$148,238,213	<u>47,349</u> 8,119	\$1,500.78	
Total Benefits Paid to All Retirees:	\$1,228,235,790	55,468	\$1,845.26	

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County	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
Ada	\$221.08	\$228.30	\$240.82	\$250.07	\$279.86	\$282.39	\$308.16	\$332.47
Adams	\$2.79	\$2.80	\$2.95	\$3.05	\$2.91	\$3.46	\$3.86	\$4.04
Bannock	\$50.89	\$52.30	\$55.20	\$57.69	\$64.89	\$65.57	\$70.91	\$75.22
Bear Lake	\$2.90	\$1.50	\$3.38	\$3.52	\$4.21	\$4.06	\$4.20	\$4.37
Benewah	\$4.08	\$4.20	\$4.30	\$4.03	\$4.25	\$4.65	\$5.42	\$6.00
Bingham	\$19.65	\$22.00	\$21.27	\$21.51	\$22.76	\$24.45	\$26.74	\$28.85
Blaine	\$6.65	\$7.70	\$7.93	\$8.84	\$9.30	\$10.39	\$12.10	\$13.52
Boise	\$3.80	\$3.90	\$4.05	\$4.33	\$4.85	\$5.14	\$5.65	\$6.08
Bonner	\$12.51	\$12.90	\$13.64	\$15.03	\$15.85	\$17.10	\$19.06	\$20.73
Bonneville	\$41.95	\$44.60	\$46.80	\$49.30	\$53.53	\$54.45	\$59.78	\$63.86
Boundary	\$3.71	\$3.90	\$4.15	\$4.19	\$4.12	\$4.67	\$5.09	\$5.39
Butte	\$0.91	\$1.00	\$1.08	\$1.25	\$1.28	\$1.46	\$1.42	\$1.56
Camas	\$0.78	\$0.80	\$0.87	\$0.81	\$0.93	\$0.98	\$1.11	\$1.27
Canyon	\$64.30	\$66.50	\$70.69	\$76.42	\$82.16	\$87.29	\$96.23	\$104.32
Caribou	\$3.79	\$3.80	\$3.80	\$3.69	\$3.79	\$3.78	\$4.17	\$4.38
Cassia	\$10.20	\$10.40	\$10.99	\$11.31	\$11.86	\$12.35	\$13.42	\$14.20
Clark	\$0.53	\$0.60	\$0.53	\$0.59	\$0.65	\$0.66	\$0.74	\$0.75
Clearwater	\$6.05	\$5.80	\$6.49	\$7.04	\$7.42	\$8.05	\$8.75	\$9.50
Custer	\$2.20	\$2.30	\$2.39	\$2.44	\$2.85	\$2.82	\$2.98	\$3.09
Elmore	\$10.43	\$10.60	\$10.93	\$11.43	\$12.06	\$12.84	\$13.47	\$14.44
Franklin	\$4.21	\$4.30	\$4.56	\$4.57	\$4.88	\$4.63	\$5.05	\$5.37
Fremont	\$6.41	\$7.10	\$7.35	\$7.86	\$8.15	\$8.68	\$9.45	\$10.21
Gem	\$9.08	\$9.30	\$9.73	\$10.23	\$10.50	\$11.24	\$11.87	\$12.62
Gooding	\$6.84	\$7.10	\$7.39	\$7.83	\$8.65	\$8.68	\$9.32	\$9.77
Idaho	\$6.25	\$6.50	\$7.03	\$9.16	\$0.05 \$7.57	\$8.11	\$8.95	\$9.74
Jefferson	\$9.35	\$9.90	\$10.67	\$11.21	\$12.05	\$12.60	\$13.55	\$14.83
Jerome	\$6.95	\$7.00	\$7.16	\$7.25	\$7.55	\$7.92	\$8.96	\$9.55
Kootenai	\$50.84	\$52.50	\$55.55	\$58.50	\$62.78	\$65.77	\$71.94	\$77.85
Latah	\$26.43	\$32.50 \$27.50	\$28.56	\$38.30 \$29.34	\$32.20	\$33.62	\$35.80	\$37.86
Lemhi	\$20.43 \$4.44	\$4.30	\$28.50 \$4.62	\$29.34 \$4.66	\$5.26	\$5.02 \$5.37	\$35.80 \$5.78	\$6.25
Lewis	\$4.44 \$3.23	\$4.30 \$3.20	\$4.02 \$3.03	\$4.00 \$1.24	\$3.20 \$3.36	\$3.37 \$3.73	\$3.78 \$3.99	\$0.23 \$4.20
	\$3.23 \$2.14	\$3.20 \$2.30	\$3.03 \$2.47	\$1.24 \$2.49	\$3.30 \$2.48	\$3.73 \$2.65	\$3.99 \$2.89	\$4.20
Lincoln								
Madison	\$9.00 \$7.60	\$9.50 \$7.60	\$9.90 \$7.01	\$9.99 \$8.26	\$10.82	\$11.47	\$12.08	\$12.98
Minidoka	\$7.60	\$7.60	\$7.91	\$8.26	\$8.83	\$9.86	\$10.80	\$11.38
Nez Perce	\$23.12	\$24.10	\$25.22	\$25.51	\$28.66	\$29.31	\$32.20	\$34.47
Oneida	\$2.05	\$2.00	\$2.13	\$2.23	\$2.40	\$2.56	\$2.73	\$3.15
Owyhee	\$2.90	\$3.30	\$3.31	\$3.50	\$3.44	\$3.85	\$4.29	\$4.76
Payette	\$7.15	\$7.50	\$7.81	\$8.19	\$8.84	\$9.56	\$10.74	\$11.38
Power	\$3.99	\$4.10	\$4.08	\$4.03	\$4.54	\$4.58	\$4.86	\$5.21
Shoshone	\$6.97	\$7.50	\$7.81	\$8.24	\$8.52	\$8.35	\$8.90	\$9.12
Teton	\$1.89	\$2.00	\$2.05	\$2.22	\$2.25	\$2.35	\$2.80	\$3.02
Twin Falls	\$30.74	\$32.20	\$34.15	\$35.39	\$38.72	\$39.77	\$43.97	\$46.55
Valley	\$9.61	\$10.30	\$11.00	\$11.68	\$12.00	\$12.27	\$12.60	\$13.72
Washington	\$5.91	\$6.00	\$6.42	\$6.89	\$6.93	\$7.67	\$8.22	\$8.65
Total Benefits	\$716.30	\$743.00	\$782.17	\$817.00	\$890.93	\$921.16	\$1,005.00	\$1,080.00

Table A.2.2: Benefits Paid by County and Year (Millions of Dollars)

Table A.2.3: C			·					2022
County	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
Ada	\$243.33	\$254.20	\$258.17	\$268.63	\$302.38	\$311.50	\$330.36	\$359.60
Adams	\$0.95	\$0.99	\$1.00	\$1.03	\$1.15	\$1.19	\$1.24	\$1.34
Bannock	\$27.43	\$26.87	\$27.07	\$28.07	\$30.89	\$31.80	\$32.98	\$34.92
Bear Lake	\$1.42	\$1.45	\$1.53	\$1.58	\$1.74	\$1.84	\$1.91	\$2.01
Benewah	\$1.97	\$1.99	\$2.08	\$2.17	\$2.40	\$2.51	\$2.76	\$2.74
Bingham	\$10.84	\$10.94	\$11.34	\$11.72	\$12.83	\$13.45	\$14.38	\$15.09
Blaine	\$10.07	\$9.89	\$9.98	\$10.55	\$11.72	\$11.31	\$12.81	\$13.26
Boise	\$1.42	\$1.45	\$1.50	\$1.60	\$1.79	\$1.90	\$2.11	\$2.16
Bonner	\$10.04	\$10.41	\$10.26	\$11.02	\$12.51	\$13.11	\$14.24	\$14.72
Bonneville	\$29.24	\$30.21	\$32.11	\$34.50	\$38.38	\$39.95	\$42.50	\$45.33
Boundary	\$2.28	\$2.35	\$2.45	\$2.56	\$2.84	\$2.93	\$3.11	\$3.28
Butte	\$0.62	\$0.64	\$0.67	\$0.71	\$0.77	\$0.75	\$0.82	\$0.83
Camas	\$0.40	\$0.38	\$0.39	\$0.40	\$0.46	\$0.49	\$0.49	\$0.51
Canyon	\$46.01	\$48.83	\$51.25	\$53.31	\$60.69	\$62.08	\$66.53	\$73.18
Caribou	\$2.15	\$2.15	\$2.27	\$2.31	\$2.69	\$2.84	\$3.09	\$3.29
Cassia	\$6.15	\$7.09	\$7.04	\$7.24	\$8.48	\$8.37	\$8.56	\$9.25
Clark	\$0.43	\$0.39	\$0.42	\$0.42	\$0.46	\$0.50	\$0.48	\$0.52
Clearwater	\$2.18	\$2.21	\$2.20	\$2.49	\$2.55	\$2.62	\$2.87	\$3.07
Custer	\$0.99	\$1.05	\$1.03	\$1.09	\$1.07	\$1.19	\$1.24	\$1.32
Elmore	\$5.42	\$5.45	\$5.64	\$5.91	\$6.66	\$7.09	\$7.30	\$8.38
Franklin	\$2.67	\$2.74	\$2.75	\$3.12	\$3.15	\$3.71	\$3.75	\$3.84
Fremont	\$3.20	\$3.24	\$3.35	\$3.49	\$3.93	\$4.14	\$4.32	\$4.80
Gem	\$3.21	\$3.18	\$3.35	\$3.56	\$3.98	\$4.11	\$4.31	\$4.53
Gooding	\$4.21	\$4.47	\$4.60	\$4.92	\$5.49	\$5.76	\$6.28	\$6.59
Idaho	\$3.39	\$3.41	\$3.48	\$3.62	\$3.95	\$4.14	\$4.43	\$4.59
Jefferson	\$5.25	\$5.38	\$5.74	\$6.37	\$7.32	\$8.07	\$8.77	\$9.17
Jerome	\$5.24	\$5.13	\$5.35	\$5.74	\$6.44	\$6.87	\$7.17	\$7.56
Kootenai	\$37.09	\$38.09	\$39.59	\$41.58	\$46.80	\$47.42	\$52.57	\$57.62
Latah	\$19.29	\$20.96	\$21.68	\$22.11	\$23.45	\$22.71	\$23.56	\$25.46
Lemhi	\$1.66	\$1.66	\$1.68	\$1.73	\$1.87	\$1.95	\$2.09	\$2.24
Lewis	\$0.72	\$0.71	\$0.74	\$0.77	\$0.85	\$0.88	\$0.91	\$0.97
Lincoln	\$1.78	\$1.76	\$1.80	\$1.98	\$2.12	\$2.24	\$2.37	\$2.43
Madison	\$7.36	\$7.57	\$8.10	\$8.36	\$9.27	\$10.01	\$10.85	\$11.41
Minidoka	\$5.03	\$5.08	\$5.30	\$5.35	\$6.16	\$6.72	\$6.75	\$6.84
Nez Perce	\$13.24	\$13.38	\$13.67	\$14.27	\$15.76	\$15.66	\$16.49	\$17.21
Oneida	\$1.05	\$0.96	\$1.03	\$1.06	\$1.32	\$1.58	\$1.96	\$1.88
Owyhee	\$2.45	\$2.61	\$2.67	\$2.79	\$3.08	\$3.24	\$3.39	\$3.74
Payette	\$4.89	\$4.98	\$5.16	\$5.41	\$6.14	\$6.32	\$6.75	\$7.28
Power	\$2.21	\$2.18	\$2.30	\$2.38	\$2.64	\$2.80	\$2.87	\$3.02
Shoshone	\$3.32	\$3.27	\$3.41	\$3.53	\$3.98	\$4.11	\$4.32	\$3.02 \$4.72
Teton	\$3.52 \$2.66	\$3.27 \$2.77	\$2.95	\$3.19	\$3.55	\$3.76	\$3.91	\$4.06
Twin Falls	\$21.51	\$22.57	\$23.93	\$25.27	\$27.60	\$28.28	\$30.44	\$32.17
Valley	\$4.11	\$4.31	\$4.33	\$4.42	\$27.00 \$5.30	\$28.28 \$5.80	\$50.44 \$6.40	\$32.17 \$7.04
Washington	\$4.11 \$3.64	\$4.31 \$3.66	\$4.33 \$3.86	\$4.42 \$4.14	\$3.30 \$4.56	\$3.80 \$4.75	\$0.40 \$4.98	\$7.04 \$5.56
Total								
Contributions	\$562.51	\$582.98	\$599.19	\$626.48	\$701.16	\$722.42	\$769.41	\$829.53

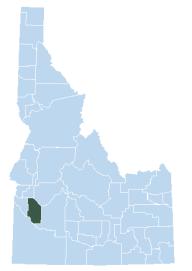
 Table A.2.3: Contributions Paid by County and Year (Millions of Dollars)

### Table A.2.4: 2023 Operational Expenditures by District Office

Boise Office	\$9,337,698.41
Pocatello Office	\$184,739.89
Coeur D'Alene Office	\$100,038.19
Total Operating Expenses	\$9,622,476.49

# Appendix 3: County Level Profiles and Impacts

# Ada County Economic Profile

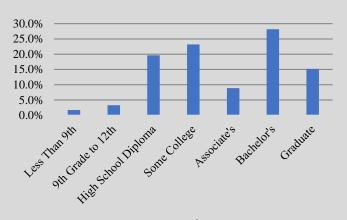


Population: 524,673

Employment: 316,394

Avg. Household Income: \$83,881

Educational Distribution:

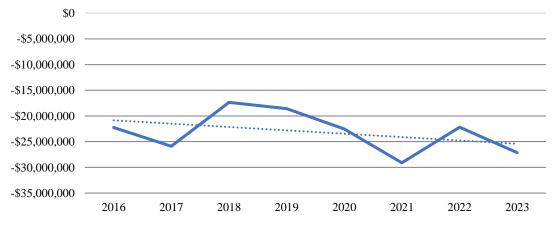


Gross Regional Product: \$44,500,629,279

Ada	Sales	GRP	Income	Jobs
Direct	\$9,338,877	\$4,697,710	\$2,527,770	30
Indirect	\$4,860,650	\$2,158,651	\$1,363,335	22
Induced	-\$48,330,109	-\$27,827,662	-\$18,008,184	-30
Total	-\$34,130,582	-\$20,971,302	-\$14,117,080	23

## PERSI IMPACTS

<b>PERSI</b> Net Injections	(Benefits-Contribut	tions): (2016-2023)
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# Adams County Economic Profile

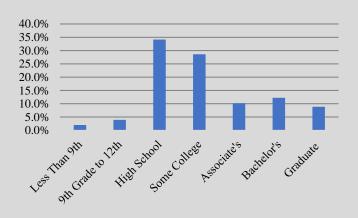


Population: 5,090

Employment: 1,309

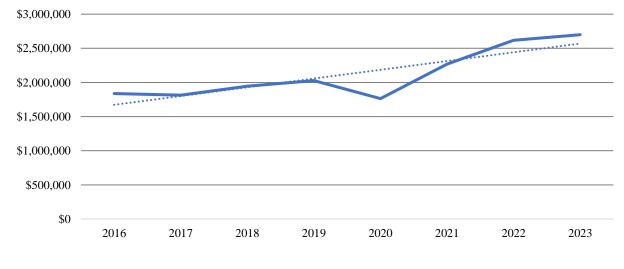
### Avg. Household Income: \$55,891

Educational Distribution:



### Gross Regional Product: \$220,701,657

PERSI IMPACTS				
Adams	Sales	GRP	Income	Jobs
Direct	\$0	\$0	\$0	0
Indirect	\$0	\$0	\$0	0
Induced	\$1,631,738	\$918,594.07	\$374,356.27	1
Total	\$1,631,738	\$918,594	\$374,356	1



# Bannock County Economic Profile

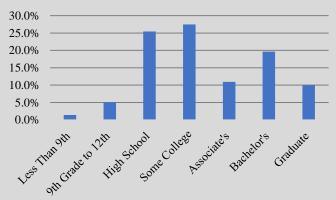


Population: **90,400** 

Employment: 41,981

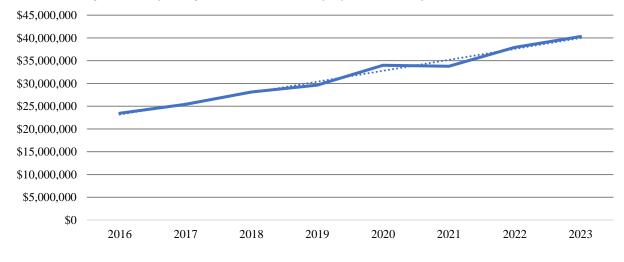
### Avg. Household Income: \$60,998

Educational Distribution:

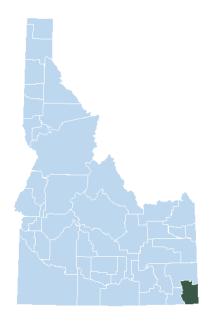


### Gross Regional Product: \$4,161,840,537

PERSI IMPACTS				
Bannock	Sales	GRP	Income	Jobs
Direct	\$183,975	\$79,399	\$42,775	1
Indirect	\$69,885	\$26,507	\$15,965	0
Induced	\$57,608,147	\$31,655,966	\$18,366,965	43
Total	\$57,862,007	\$31,761,872	\$18,425,705	44



# Bear Lake County Economic Profile

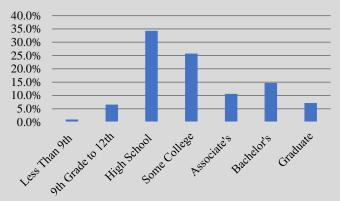


Population: 6,766

Employment: 2,329

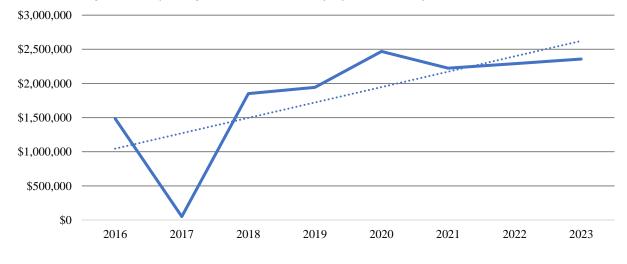
### Avg. Household Income: \$60,244

Educational Distribution:

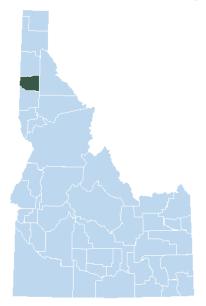


### Gross Regional Product: \$277,983,977

PERSI IMPACTS				
Bear Lake	Sales	GRP	Income	Jobs
Direct	\$0	\$0	\$0	0
Indirect	\$0	\$0	\$0	0
Induced	\$1,575,076	\$842,612	\$335,133	1
Total	\$1,575,076	\$842,612	\$335,133	1



# Benewah County Economic Profile

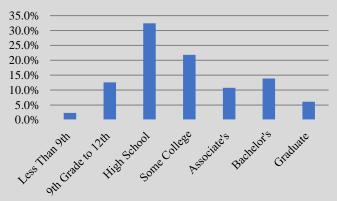


Population: 10,369

Employment: 3,872

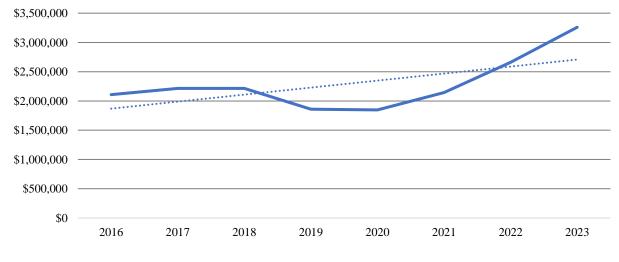
### Avg. Household Income: \$54,191

Educational Distribution:

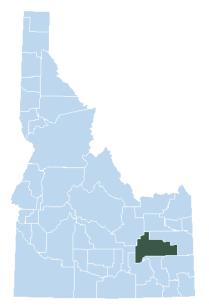


### Gross Regional Product: \$502,383,816

PERSI IMPACTS				
Benewah	Sales	GRP	Income	Jobs
Direct	\$0	\$0	\$0	0
Indirect	\$0	\$0	\$0	0
Induced	\$2,375,355	\$1,357,930	\$652,159	2
Total	\$2,375,355	\$1,357,930	\$652,159	2



# **Bingham County Economic Profile**

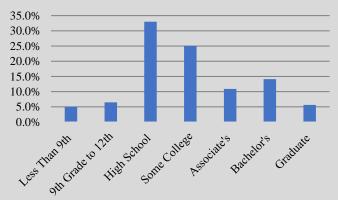


Population: 50,395

Employment: 18,636

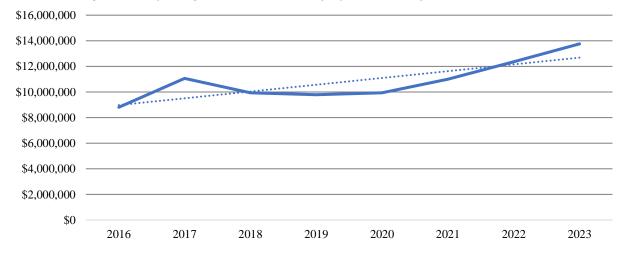
### Avg. Household Income: \$69,433

Educational Distribution:

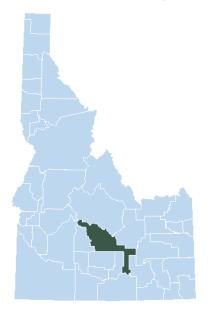


### Gross Regional Product: \$2,128,067,573

PERSI IMPACTS				
Bingham	Sales	GRP	Income	Jobs
Direct	\$0	\$0	\$0	0
Indirect	\$0	\$0	\$0	0
Induced	\$12,236,610	\$6,848,035	\$3,602,272	9
Total	\$12,236,610	\$6,848,035	\$3,602,272	9



# **Blaine County Economic Profile**

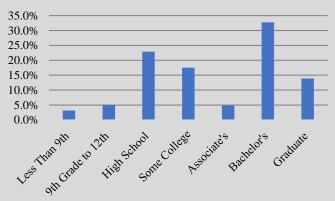


Population: 25,041

Employment: 17,111

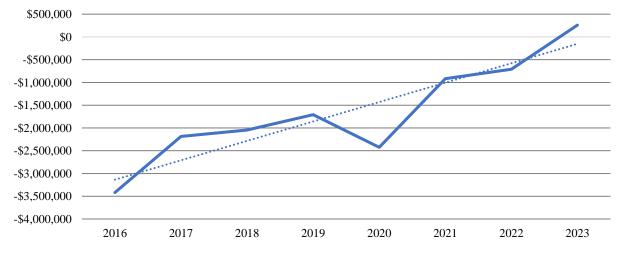
## Avg. Household Income: \$81,794

Educational Distribution:



## Gross Regional Product: \$2,487,304,214

PERSI IMPACTS				
Blaine	Sales	GRP	Income	Jobs
Direct	\$0	\$0	\$0	0
Indirect	\$0	\$0	\$0	0
Induced	\$150,298	\$89,616	\$56,039	0
Total	\$150,298	\$89,616	\$56,039	0



# **Boise County Economic Profile**

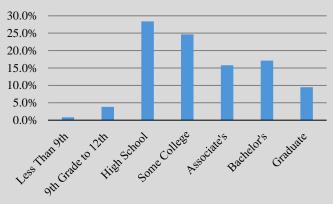


Population: 8,517

Employment: 2,209

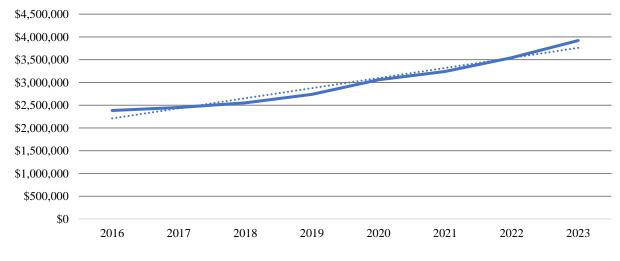
### Avg. Household Income: \$70,776

Educational Distribution:

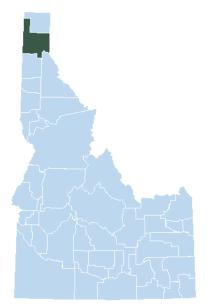


## Gross Regional Product: \$246,169,599

PERSI IMPACTS				
Boise	Sales	GRP	Income	Jobs
Direct	\$0	\$0	\$0	0
Indirect	\$0	\$0	\$0	0
Induced	\$2,034,799	\$1,151,312	\$425,225	1
Total	\$2,034,799	\$1,151,312	\$425,225	1



# **Bonner County Economic Profile**

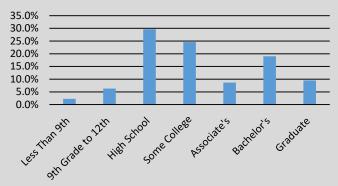


Population: 52,547

Employment: 19,314

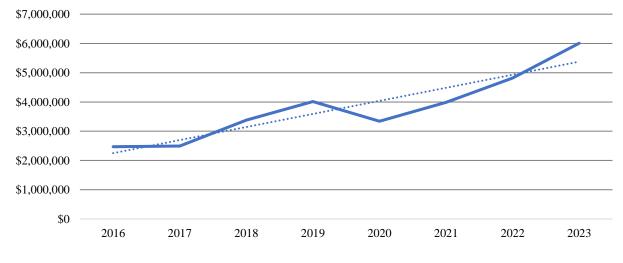
## Avg. Household Income: \$61,816

Educational Distribution:



Gross Regional Product: \$2,450,884,592

PERSI IMPACTS				
Bonner	Sales	GRP	Income	Jobs
Direct	\$0	\$0	\$0	0
Indirect	\$0	\$0	\$0	0
Induced	\$6,581,462	\$3,672,902	\$1,916,890	5
Total	\$6,581,462	\$3,672,902	\$1,916,890	5



# **Bonneville County Economic Profile**

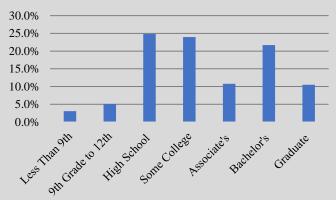


# Population: 131,366

### Employment: 68,871

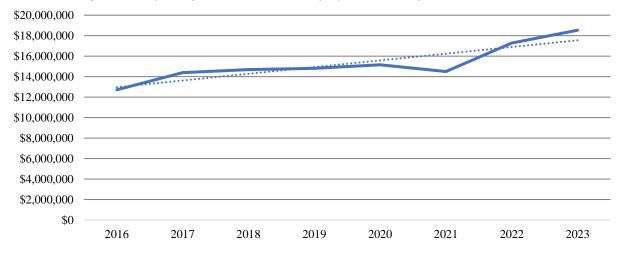
# Avg. Household Income: \$73,103

Educational Distribution:



## Gross Regional Product: \$7,906,178,710

PERSI IMPACTS				
Bonneville	Sales	GRP	Income	Jobs
Direct	\$0	\$0	\$0	0
Indirect	\$0	\$0	\$0	0
Induced	\$26,705,906	\$15,283,256	\$9,940,857	17
Total	\$26,705,906	\$15,283,256	\$9,940,857	17



# **Boundary County Economic Profile**

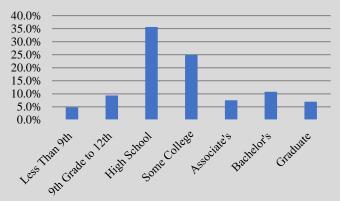


Population: 13,557

Employment: 4,902

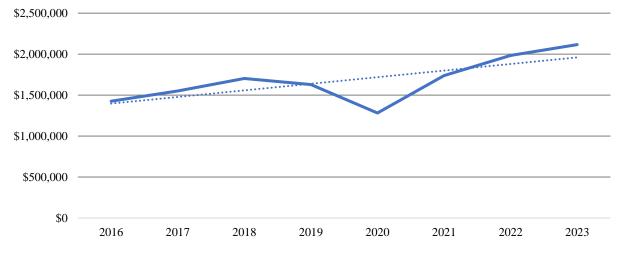
## Avg. Household Income: \$58,810

Educational Distribution:



## Gross Regional Product: \$576,393,686

PERSI IMPACTS				
Boundary	Sales	GRP	Income	Jobs
Direct	\$0	\$0	\$0	0
Indirect	\$0	\$0	\$0	0
Induced	\$1,555,809	\$884,182	\$393,036	1
Total	\$1,555,809	\$884,182	\$393,036	1



# **Butte County Economic Profile**

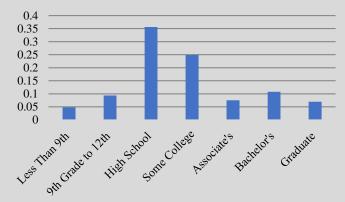


Population: 2,758

Employment: 10,096

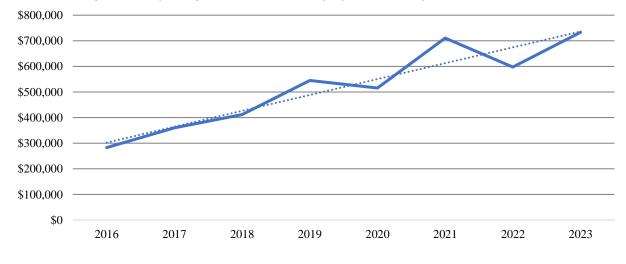
### Avg. Household Income: \$37,358

Educational Distribution:

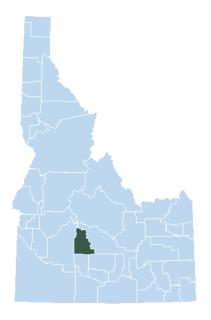


## Gross Regional Product: \$1,681,382,829

PERSI IMPACTS				
Butte	Sales	GRP	Income	Jobs
Direct	\$0	\$0	\$0	0
Indirect	\$0	\$0	\$0	0
Induced	\$203,366	\$130,563	\$73,438	0
Total	\$203,366	\$130,563	\$73,438	0



# **Camas County Economic Profile**

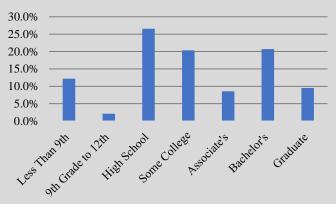


## Population: 1,232

## Employment: 613

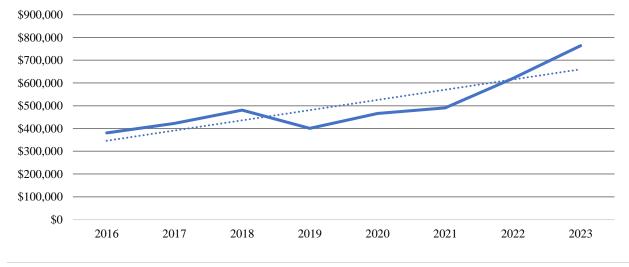
### Avg. Household Income: **\$63,750**

Educational Distribution:



## Gross Regional Product: \$84,448,782

PERSI IMPACTS				
Camas	Sales	GRP	Income	Jobs
Direct	\$0	\$0	\$0	0
Indirect	\$0	\$0	\$0	0
Induced	\$406,160	\$244,526	\$117,147	0
Total	\$406,160	\$244,526	\$117,147	0



# **Canyon County Economic Profile**

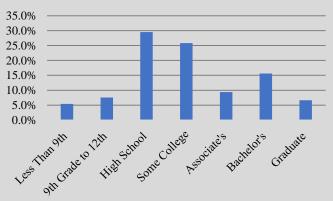


## Population: 257,674

### Employment: 99,370

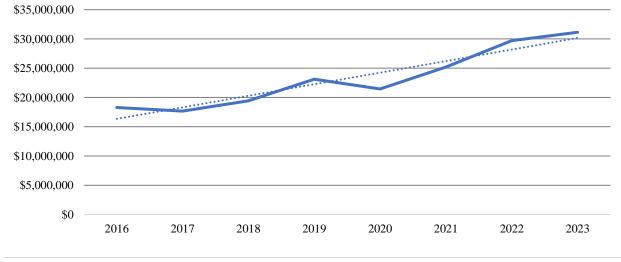
### Avg. Household Income: \$68,473

Educational Distribution:



## Gross Regional Product: \$11,075,732,460

PERSI IMPACTS				
Canyon	Sales	GRP	Income	Jobs
Direct	\$0	\$0	\$0	0
Indirect	\$0	\$0	\$0	0
Induced	\$37,758,571	\$21,292,949	\$12,186,462	28
Total	\$37,758,571	\$21,292,949	\$12,186,462	28



# Caribou County Economic Profile

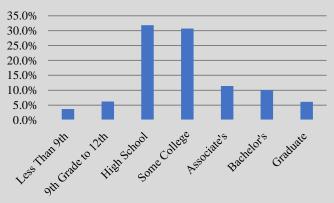


# Population: 7,219

## Employment: 4,024

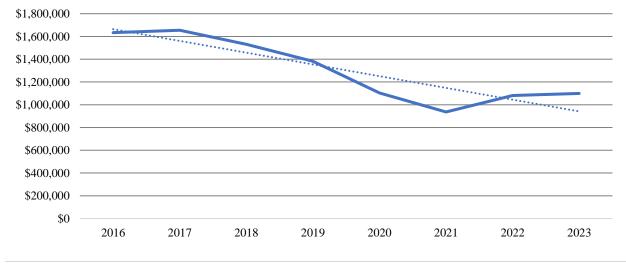
### Avg. Household Income: **\$65,380**

Educational Distribution:



Gross Regional Product: \$866,542,267

PERSI IMPACTS				
Caribou	Sales	GRP	Income	Jobs
Direct	\$0	\$0	\$0	0
Indirect	\$0	\$0	\$0	0
Induced	\$832,040	\$465,955	\$232,473	1
Total	\$832,040	\$465,955	\$232,473	1



# Cassia County Economic Profile

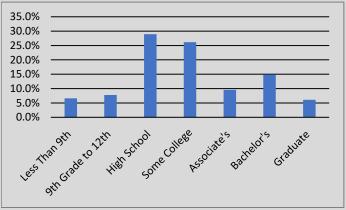


## Population: 25,696

### Employment: 14,519

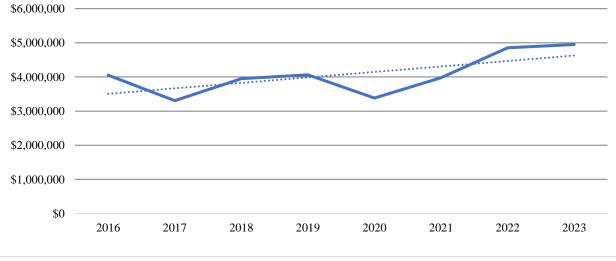
### Avg. Household Income: \$63,525

Educational Distribution:

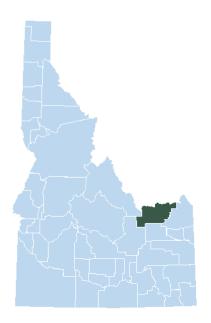


Gross Regional Product: \$1,752,303,836

PERSI IMPACTS				
Cassia	Sales	GRP	Income	Jobs
Direct	\$0	\$0	\$0	0
Indirect	\$0	\$0	\$0	0
Induced	\$4,929,970	\$2,678,274	\$1,521,953	4
Total	\$4,929,970	\$2,678,274	\$1,521,953	4



# **Clark County Economic Profile**

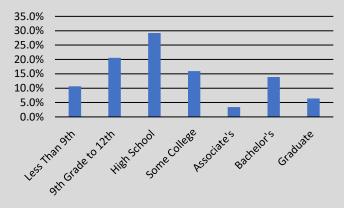


## Population: 801

Employment: 385

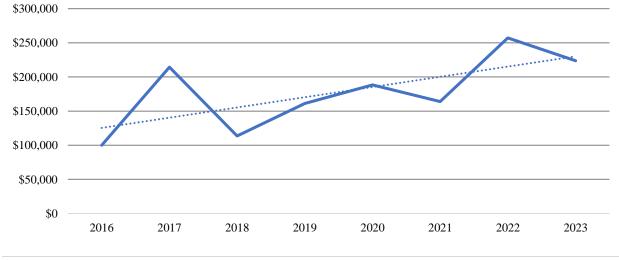
### Avg. Household Income: \$53,500

Educational Distribution:



Gross Regional Product: \$65,025,277

PERSI IMPACTS				
Clark	Sales	GRP	Income	Jobs
Direct	\$0	\$0	\$0	0
Indirect	\$0	\$0	\$0	0
Induced	\$62,412	\$38,142	\$10,978	0
Total	\$62,412	\$38,142	\$10,978	0



# **Clearwater County Economic Profile**

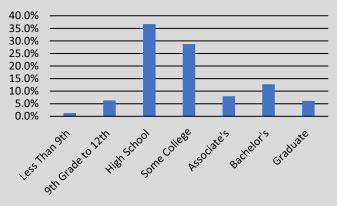


## Population: 9,214

## Employment: 3,125

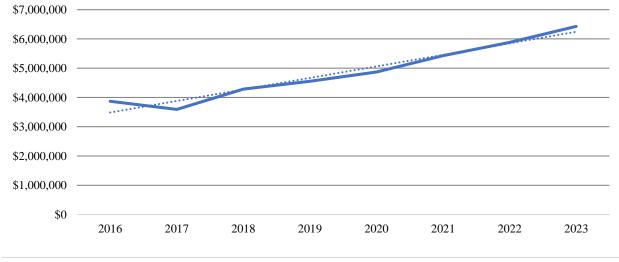
### Avg. Household Income: \$55,885

Educational Distribution:



Gross Regional Product: \$358,159,118

PERSI IMPACTS				
Clearwater	Sales	GRP	Income	Jobs
Direct	\$0	\$0	\$0	0
Indirect	\$0	\$0	\$0	0
Induced	\$4,985,415	\$2,843,923	\$1,298,679	4
Total	\$4,985,415	\$2,843,923	\$1,298,679	4



# **Custer County Economic Profile**

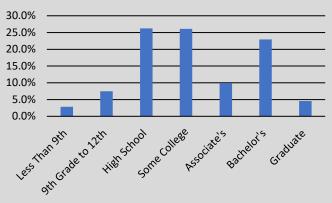


# Population: 4,523

## Employment: 1,935

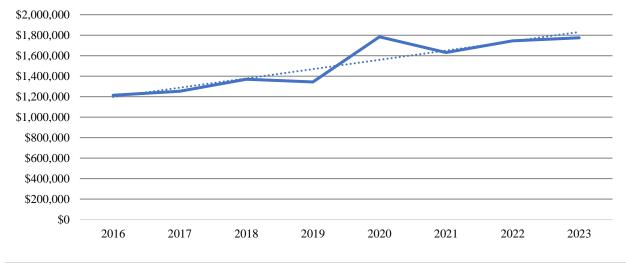
### Avg. Household Income: **\$60,357**

Educational Distribution:

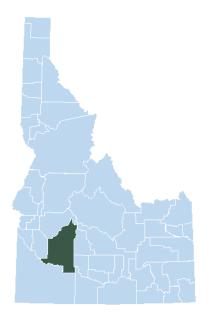


Gross Regional Product: \$251,640,150

PERSI IMPACTS				
Custer	Sales	GRP	Income	Jobs
Direct	\$0	\$0	\$0	0
Indirect	\$0	\$0	\$0	0
Induced	\$1,469,296	\$775,008	\$325,358	1
Total	\$1,469,296	\$775,008	\$325,358	1



# Elmore County Economic Profile

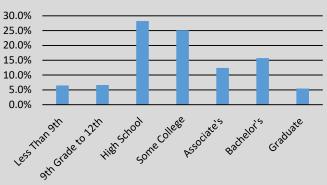


## Population: 29,724

## Employment: 12,209

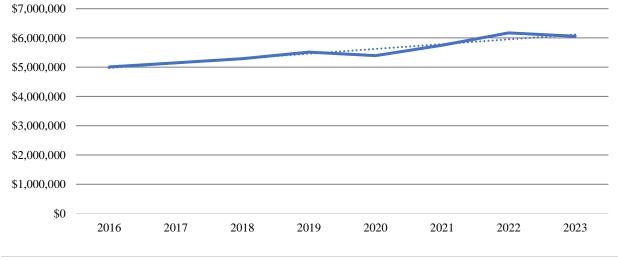
### Avg. Household Income: **\$55,000**

Educational Distribution:



# Gross Regional Product: \$1,723,072,718

PERSI IMPACTS				
Elmore	Sales	GRP	Income	Jobs
Direct	\$0	\$0	\$0	0
Indirect	\$0	\$0	\$0	0
Induced	\$5,056,989	\$2,781,473	\$1,357,843	4
Total	\$5,056,989	\$2,781,473	\$1,357,843	4



# Franklin County Economic Profile

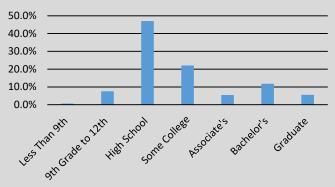


## Population: 15,494

## Employment: 4,994

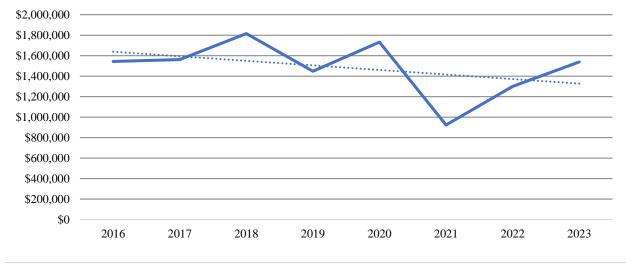
### Avg. Household Income: **\$61,679**

Educational Distribution:

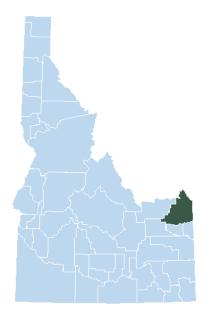


## Gross Regional Product: \$641,826,093

PERSI IMPACTS				
Franklin	Sales	GRP	Income	Jobs
Direct	\$0	\$0	\$0	0
Indirect	\$0	\$0	\$0	0
Induced	\$1,156,614	\$619,987	\$268,674	1
Total	\$1,156,614	\$619,987	\$268,674	1



# Fremont County Economic Profile

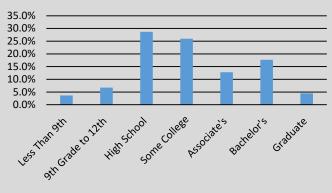


## Population: 14,196

## Employment: 4,490

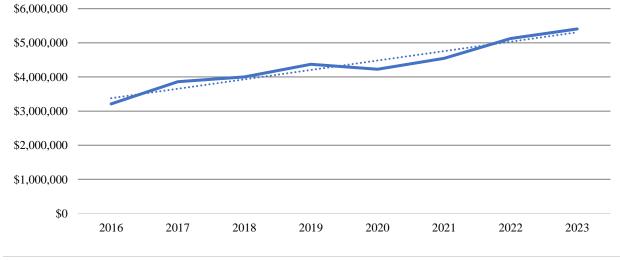
### Avg. Household Income: \$67,015

Educational Distribution:



# Gross Regional Product: \$556,622,580

PERSI IMPACTS				
Fremont	Sales	GRP	Income	Jobs
Direct	\$0	\$0	\$0	0
Indirect	\$0	\$0	\$0	0
Induced	\$3,930,927	\$2,248,327	\$969,369	3
Total	\$3,930,927	\$2,248,327	\$969,369	3



# Gem County Economic Profile

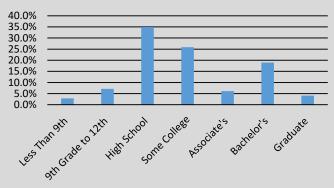


## Population: 21,071

## Employment: 5,512

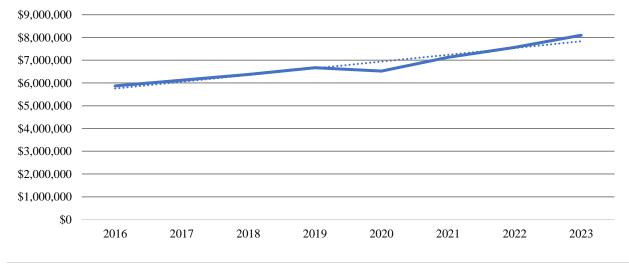
### Avg. Household Income: \$65,204

Educational Distribution:

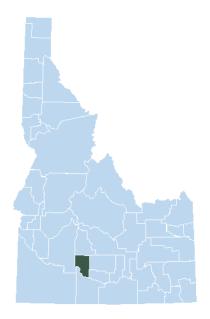


Gross Regional Product: \$634,785,209

PERSI IMPACTS				
Gem	Sales	GRP	Income	Jobs
Direct	\$0	\$0	\$0	0
Indirect	\$0	\$0	\$0	0
Induced	\$6,756,654	\$3,758,517	\$1,774,748	5
Total	\$6,756,654	\$3,758,517	\$1,774,748	5



# **Gooding County Economic Profile**

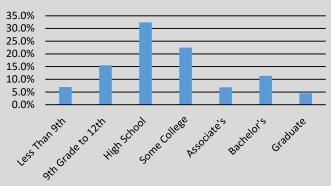


## Population: 16,061

## Employment: 7,990

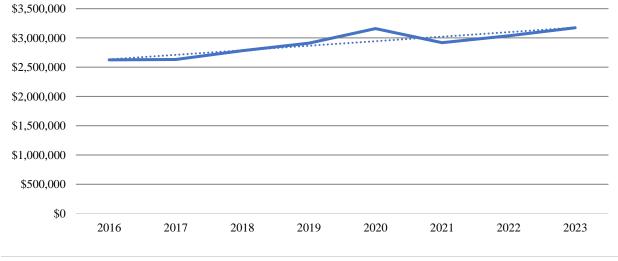
### Avg. Household Income: \$60,938

Educational Distribution:



# Gross Regional Product: \$1,016,843,598

PERSI IMPACTS				
Gooding	Sales	GRP	Income	Jobs
Direct	\$0	\$0	\$0	0
Indirect	\$0	\$0	\$0	0
Induced	\$2,043,148	\$1,161,092	\$606,130	1,269
Total	\$2,043,148	\$1,161,092	\$606,130	1,269



# Idaho County Economic Profile

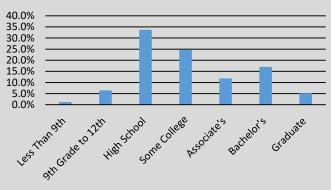


# Population: 17,890

## Employment: 5,674

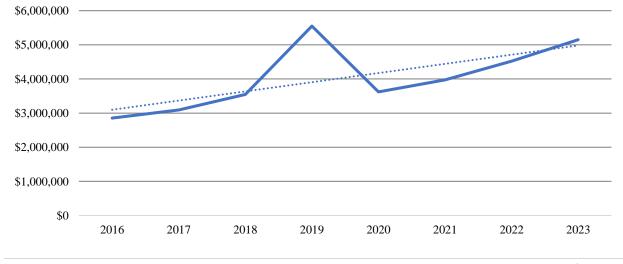
### Avg. Household Income: \$54,745

Educational Distribution:

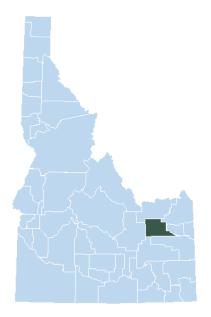


## Gross Regional Product: \$710,862,029

PERSI IMPACTS				
Idaho	Sales	GRP	Income	Jobs
Direct	\$0	\$0	\$0	0
Indirect	\$0	\$0	\$0	0
Induced	\$4,020,398	\$2,148,452	\$990,371	3
Total	\$4,020,398	\$2,148,452	\$990,371	3



# Jefferson County Economic Profile

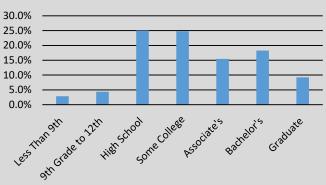


## Population: 34,198

## Employment: 9,611

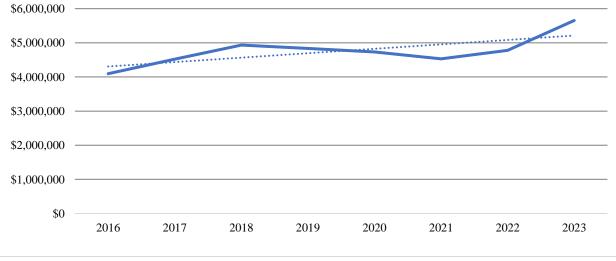
### Avg. Household Income: \$77,491

Educational Distribution:



# Gross Regional Product: \$1,142,842,120

PERSI IMPACTS				
Jefferson	Sales	GRP	Income	Jobs
Direct	\$0	\$0	\$0	0
Indirect	\$0	\$0	\$0	0
Induced	\$4,427,493	\$2,417,114	\$1,154,635	3
Total	\$4,427,493	\$2,417,114	\$1,154,635	3



# Jerome County Economic Profile

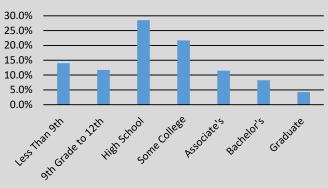


## Population: 25,479

## Employment: 13,405

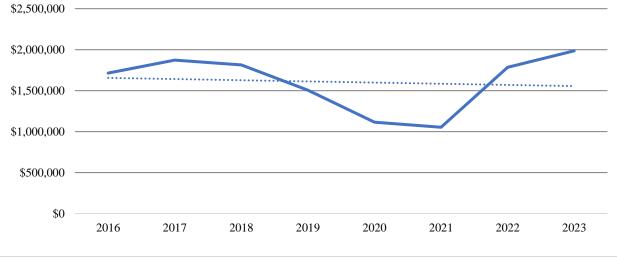
### Avg. Household Income: \$67,347

Educational Distribution:

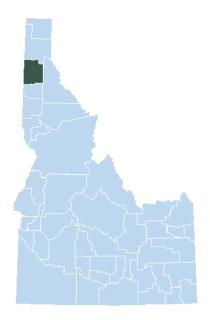


# Gross Regional Product: \$1,693,354,386

PERSI IMPACTS				
Jerome	Sales	GRP	Income	Jobs
Direct	\$0	\$0	\$0	0
Indirect	\$0	\$0	\$0	0
Induced	\$1,616,630	\$949,380	\$488,214	1
Total	\$4,526,069	\$3,319,287	\$1,104,397	18



# Kootenai County Economic Profile

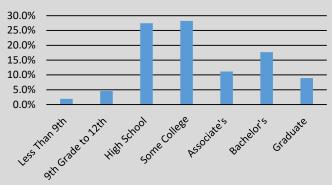


# Population: 185,010

### Employment: 81,595

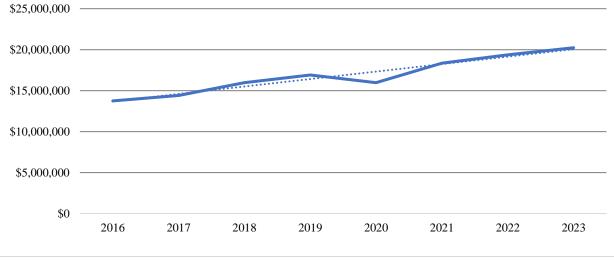
# Avg. Household Income: \$71,949

Educational Distribution:



## Gross Regional Product: \$10,587,352,089

PERSI IMPACTS				
Kootenai	Sales	GRP	Income	Jobs
Direct	\$99,624	\$34,748	\$18,757	0
Indirect	\$44,711	\$17,849	\$10,981	0
Induced	\$24,063,393	\$14,325,468	\$7,967,334	17
Total	\$24,207,728	\$14,378,064	\$7,997,072	17



# Latah County Economic Profile

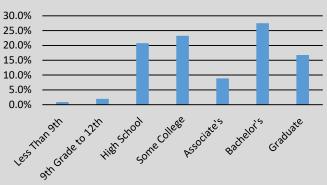


## Population: 41,301

## Employment: 17,662

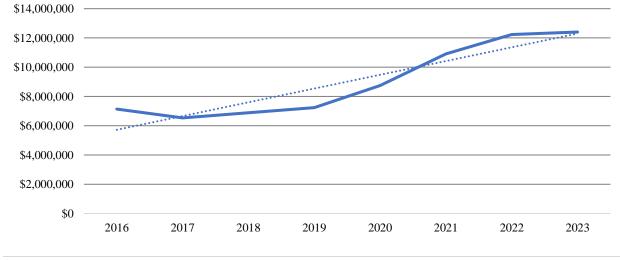
### Avg. Household Income: \$62,258

Educational Distribution:

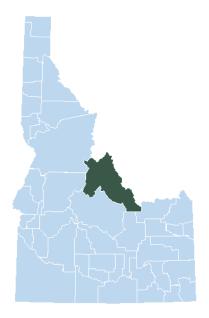


# Gross Regional Product: \$1,764,483,932

PERSI IMPACTS				
Latah	Sales	GRP	Income	Jobs
Direct	\$0	\$0	\$0	0
Indirect	\$0	\$0	\$0	0
Induced	\$13,075,005	\$7,522,224	\$4,067,926	10
Total	\$13,075,005	\$7,522,224	\$4,067,926	10



# Lemhi County Economic Profile

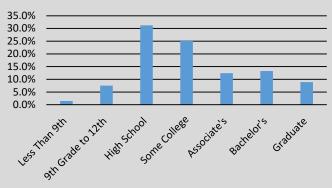


## Population: 8,441

## Employment: 3,320

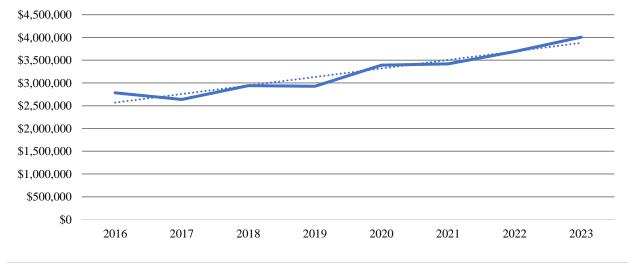
### Avg. Household Income: \$49,216

Educational Distribution:

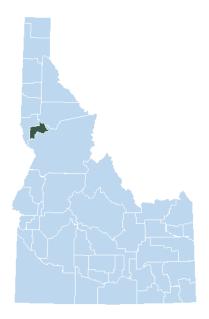


# Gross Regional Product: \$406,811,554

PERSI IMPACTS				
Lemhi	Sales	GRP	Income	Jobs
Direct	\$0	\$0	\$0	0
Indirect	\$0	\$0	\$0	0
Induced	\$3,115,223	\$1,708,567	\$787,766	3
Total	\$3,115,223	\$1,708,567	\$787,766	3



# Lewis County Economic Profile

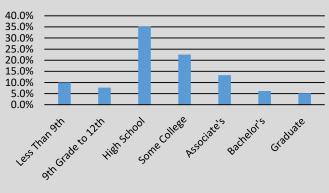


## Population: 3,739

## Employment: 1,837

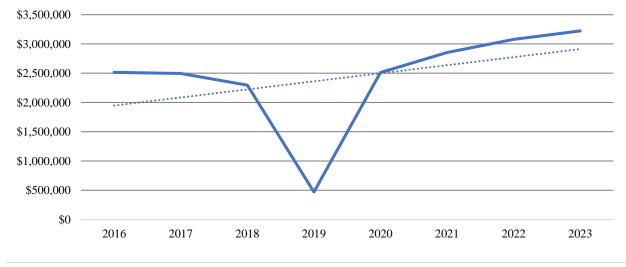
### Avg. Household Income: \$46,484

Educational Distribution:



# Gross Regional Product: \$211,386,473

PERSI IMPACTS				
Lewis	Sales	GRP	Income	Jobs
Direct	\$0	\$0	\$0	0
Indirect	\$0	\$0	\$0	0
Induced	\$1,942,157	\$1,044,670	\$459,307	1
Total	\$1,942,157	\$1,044,670	\$459,307	1



# Lincoln County Economic Profile

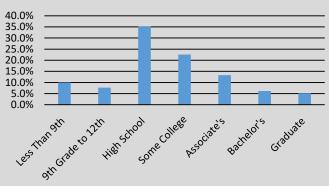


## Population: 5,450

## Employment: 2,073

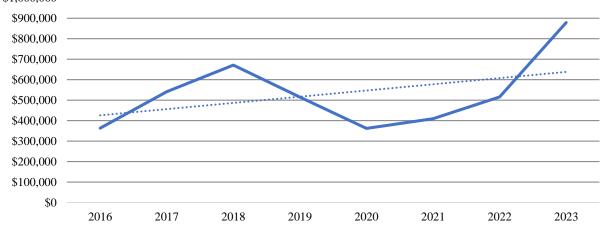
### Avg. Household Income: \$62,250

Educational Distribution:



## Gross Regional Product: \$279,249,201

PERSI IMPACTS				
Lincoln	Sales	GRP	Income	Jobs
Direct	\$0	\$0	\$0	0
Indirect	\$0	\$0	\$0	0
Induced	\$442,970	\$265,516	\$101,894	0
Total	\$442,970	\$265,516	\$101,894	0



# Madison County Economic Profile

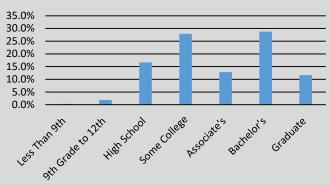


## Population: 54,547

## Employment: 27,058

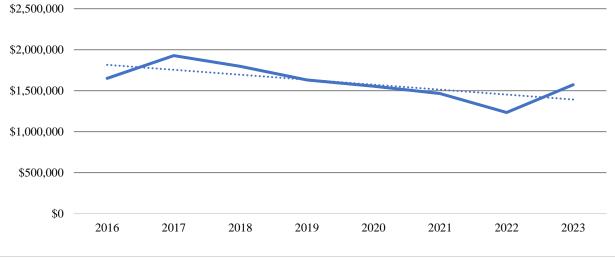
### Avg. Household Income: \$53,025

Educational Distribution:



# Gross Regional Product: \$1,945,765,341

PERSI IMPACTS				
Madison	Sales	GRP	Income	Jobs
Direct	\$0	\$0	\$0	0
Indirect	\$0	\$0	\$0	0
Induced	\$1,798,589	\$1,013,558	\$530,951	1
Total	\$1,798,589	\$1,013,558	\$530,951	1



# Minidoka County Economic Profile

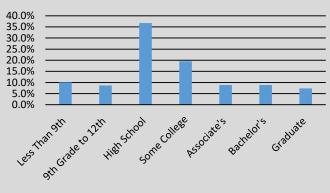


## Population: 22,480

### Employment: 10,561

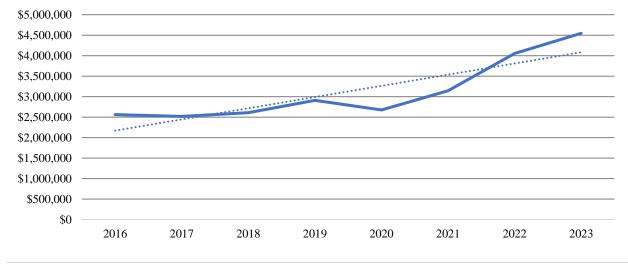
### Avg. Household Income: \$63,594

Educational Distribution:

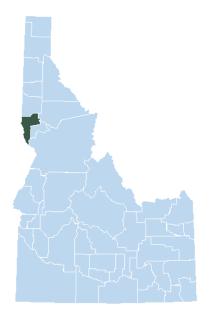


## Gross Regional Product: \$1,346,161,479

PERSI IMPACTS				
Minidoka	Sales	GRP	Income	Jobs
Direct	\$0	\$0	\$0	0
Indirect	\$0	\$0	\$0	0
Induced	\$3,452,778	\$2,010,843	\$902,854	2
Total	\$3,452,778	\$2,010,843	\$902,854	2



# Nez Perce County Economic Profile

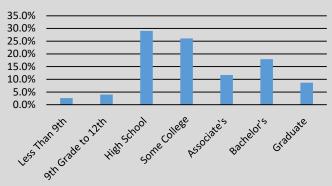


## Population: 42,987

### Employment: 23,811

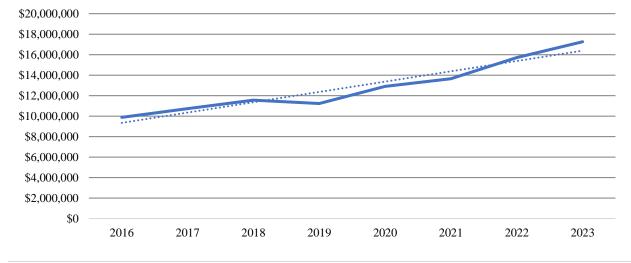
### Avg. Household Income: **\$65,023**

Educational Distribution:



## Gross Regional Product: \$3,263,458,190

PERSI IMPACTS				
Nez Perce	Sales	GRP	Income	Jobs
Direct	\$0	\$0	\$0	0
Indirect	\$0	\$0	\$0	0
Induced	\$21,951,757	\$12,824,948	\$7,498,283	14
Total	\$21,951,757	\$12,824,948	\$7,498,283	14



# Oneida County Economic Profile

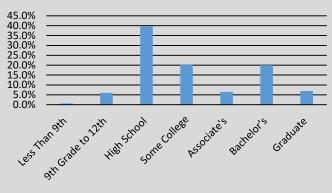


## Population: 4,953

## Employment: 1,910

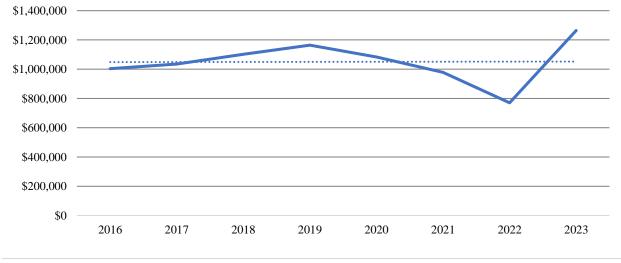
# Avg. Household Income: \$67,383

Educational Distribution:

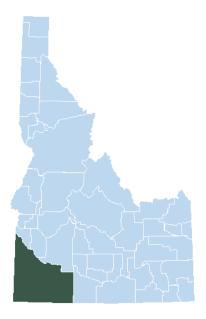


# Gross Regional Product: \$197,301,829

PERSI IMPACTS				
Oneida	Sales	GRP	Income	Jobs
Direct	\$0	\$0	\$0	0
Indirect	\$0	\$0	\$0	0
Induced	\$751,511	\$429,816	\$134,201	0
Total	\$751,511	\$429,816	\$134,201	0



# **Owyhee County Economic Profile**

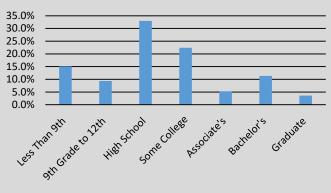


# Population: 12,722

## Employment: 3,897

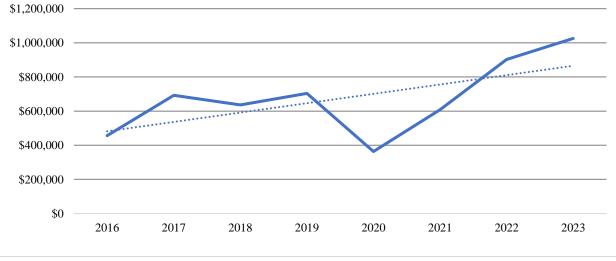
### Avg. Household Income: **\$58,440**

Educational Distribution:



## Gross Regional Product: \$529,856,887

PERSI IMPACTS				
Owyhee	Sales	GRP	Income	Jobs
Direct	\$0	\$0	\$0	0
Indirect	\$0	\$0	\$0	0
Induced	\$523,132	\$293,426	\$112,377	0
Total	\$523,132	\$293,426	\$112,377	0



# Payette County Economic Profile

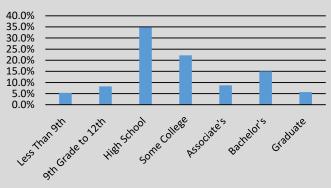


## Population: 27,279

### Employment: 8,340

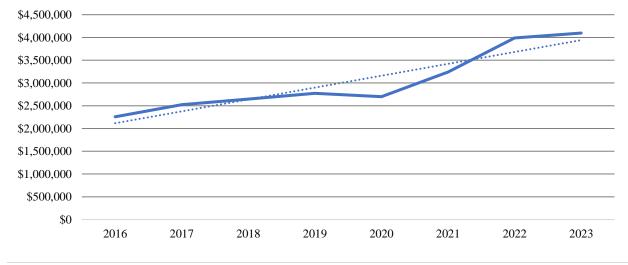
### Avg. Household Income: \$62,721

Educational Distribution:



# Gross Regional Product: \$1,051,091,108

PERSI IMPACTS				
Payette	Sales	GRP	Income	Jobs
Direct	\$0	\$0	\$0	0
Indirect	\$0	\$0	\$0	0
Induced	\$3,808,073	\$2,225,492	\$1,145,936	3
Total	\$3,808,073	\$2,225,492	\$1,145,936	3



# **Power County Economic Profile**

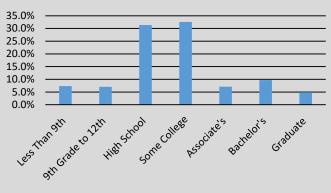


## Population: 8,253

## Employment: 4,581

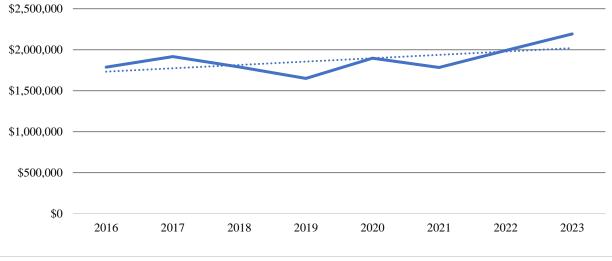
### Avg. Household Income: \$56,671

Educational Distribution:

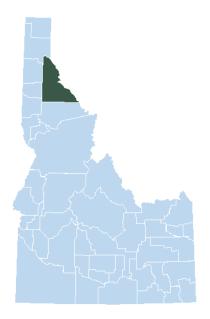


## Gross Regional Product: \$683,305,872

PERSI IMPACTS					
Power	Sales	GRP	Income	Jobs	
Direct	\$0	\$0	\$0	0	
Indirect	\$0	\$0	\$0	0	
Induced	\$1,013,087	\$608,861	\$234,286	1	
Total	\$1,013,087	\$608,861	\$234,286	1	



# Shoshone County Economic Profile

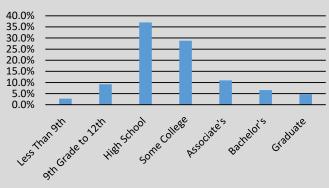


## Population: 14,026

### Employment: 10,096

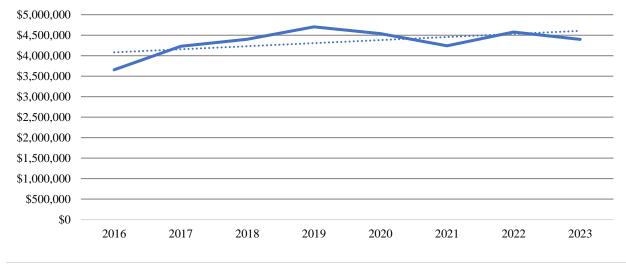
### Avg. Household Income: \$37,358

Educational Distribution:

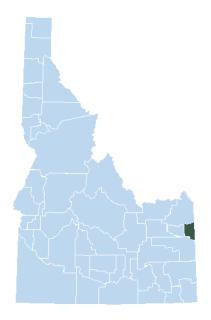


# Gross Regional Product: \$1,681,382,829

PERSI IMPACTS				
Shoshone	Sales	GRP	Income	Jobs
Direct	\$0	\$0	\$0	0
Indirect	\$0	\$0	\$0	0
Induced	\$3,329,012	\$1,942,676	\$845,691	2
Total	\$3,329,012	\$1,942,676	\$845,691	2



# **Teton County Economic Profile**

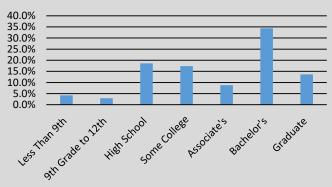


## Population: 12,549

## Employment: 5,681

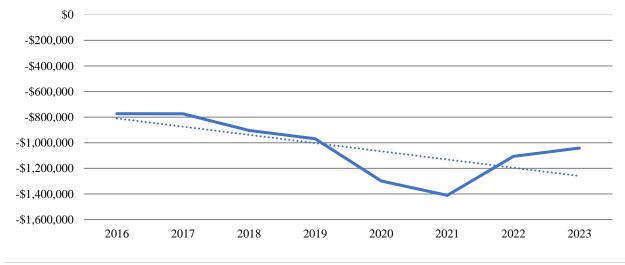
### Avg. Household Income: **\$89,906**

Educational Distribution:



## Gross Regional Product: \$730,475,859

PERSI IMPACTS				
Teton	Sales	GRP	Income	Jobs
Direct	\$0	\$0	\$0	0
Indirect	\$0	\$0	\$0	0
Induced	-\$1,027,093	-\$586,570	-\$292,557	-1
Total	-\$1,027,093	-\$586,570	-\$292,557	-1



# Twin Falls County Economic Profile

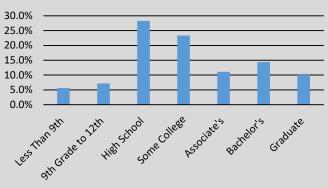


## Population: 95,156

### Employment: 47,241

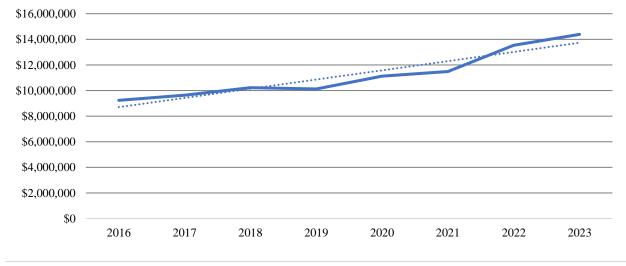
### Avg. Household Income: **\$61,183**

Educational Distribution:

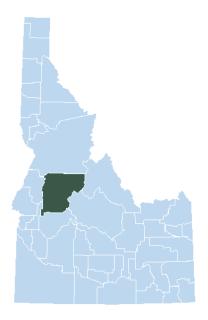


# Gross Regional Product: \$5,152,052,148

PERSI IMPACTS				
Twin Falls	Sales	GRP	Income	Jobs
Direct	\$0	\$0	\$0	0
Indirect	\$0	\$0	\$0	0
Induced	\$22,539,157	\$12,614,099	\$7,946,272	16
Total	\$22,539,157	\$12,614,099	\$7,946,272	16



# Valley County Economic Profile

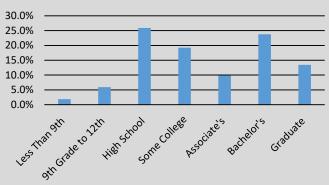


# Population: 12,644

# Employment: 6,331

## Avg. Household Income: \$72,878

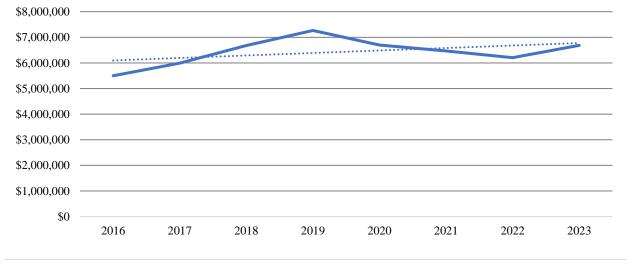
Educational Distribution:



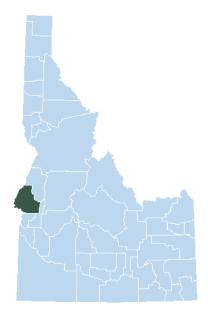
# Gross Regional Product: \$746,303,806

PERSI IMPACTS				
Valley	Sales	GRP	Income	Jobs
Direct	\$0	\$0	\$0	0
Indirect	\$0	\$0	\$0	0
Induced	\$7,381,616	\$4,044,016	\$2,221,878	5
Total	\$7,381,616	\$4,044,016	\$2,221,878	5

#### PERSI Net Injections (Benefits-Contributions): (2016-2023)



# Washington County Economic Profile

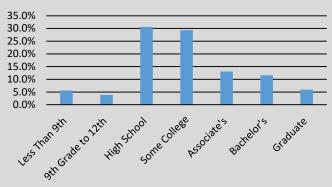


# Population: 11,425

# Employment: 3,610

### Avg. Household Income: \$50,046

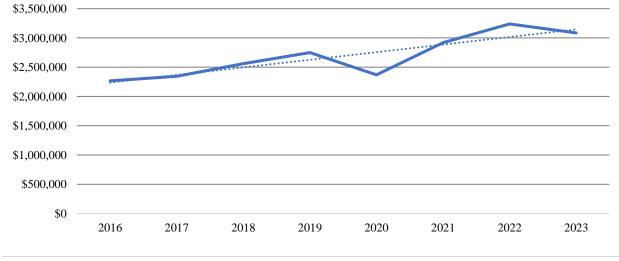
Educational Distribution:



# Gross Regional Product: \$385,864,303

PERSI IMPACTS				
Washington	Sales	GRP	Income	Jobs
Direct	\$0	\$0	\$0	0
Indirect	\$0	\$0	\$0	0
Induced	\$1,971,839	\$1,085,312	\$454,640	2
Total	\$1,971,839	\$1,085,312	\$454,640	2

#### PERSI Net Injections (Benefits-Contributions): (2016-2023)







Recon Insight Group LLC





#### February 25, 2025

To:PERSI Board of DirectorsFrom:Deputy DirectorSubject:Public Safety Officer Death Benefit

#### Summary:

Statute 59-1361A states that if a public safety officer dies as the direct and proximate result of a personal injury sustained in the line of duty, a death benefit in the amount of one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000) shall be payable to the officer's surviving spouse or, in the event there is no surviving spouse, divided among the officer's dependent children. Application for benefits under this chapter shall be made to the retirement board.

#### Key Discussion:

- U.S. Department of Justice issued their determination of the federal Public Safety Officers' Benefit (PSOB).
  - The member's death was determined to be caused as a result of an on-duty training situation involving nonroutine stressful physical fire training activity.
  - PSOB Office has concluded that the member's surviving spouse will receive the federal benefit amount payable.
- The member's spouse has submitted an application for the \$100,000 death benefit to Persi.

#### Action:

The application qualifies for the death benefit under Statute 59-1361A. It is the staff's recommendation that the Board approve the spouse's application for the \$100,000 death benefit payment.



February 25, 2025

TO:Retirement Board TrusteesFROM:Mike Hampton, DirectorSUBJECT:PAA Analysis

#### Summary:

Staff requested Milliman to provide an analysis of the following questions raised:

- 1) What is the impact on the projected benefit payments by year if an additional 1% discretionary PAA from 2024 were granted effective March 1, 2025?
- 2) What is the impact if the Board had granted the maximum PAA allowed by current law of 15.1% instead of the 1.3% PAA approved at the December Board meeting to be effective March 1, 2025?

#### Key Discussion:

- The cost of \$129 million for a 1% discretionary PAA as calculated by Milliman is actually the present value of the future costs, as of July 1, 2024. The total cost is \$260 million paid out from 2025 through 2078. The projected cost, using the base plan assumptions, is provided by year in the report.
- If the full amount of retro PAA's had been granted, the UAAL would have increased by \$1.6 billion, and the amortization period would have increased from 11.8 years to 17.2 years. This includes the future proposed contribution rate increases currently scheduled for FY 26 and FY 27.
- To maintain the current amortization period of 11.8 years, while granting the full retro PAA, contribution rates would need to be increased by 3.80% to maintain the same level of amortization period. See table on page 3 of the report.
- If the assumption for PAAs was increased to the current inflation assumption of 2.30% to fund for future PAAs the total AAL would increase by \$3.5 billion and normal cost rate would increase by 2.74%.

#### Action:

No action is requested. This is informational only.



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January 28, 2025

#### **Michael Hampton**

**Executive Director** 

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#### Re: 2025 PERSI Postretirement Allowance Adjustment Study

#### Mike,

On slide 43 of our September 24, 2024, Board Meeting presentation on the 2024 Actuarial Valuation, we showed the following table discussing the availability and cost of Postretirement Allowance Adjustments (PAAs) that the Board could consider granting effective March 1, 2025.

	AVAILABLE PAA FO	AVAILABLE PAA FOR MARCH 2025						
ΡΑΑ ΤΥΡΕ	YEAR	AMOUNT	COST 1					
Automatic	2024	1.0%	Already included in valuation					
Discretionary	2024	1.5%	\$194 m					
	2023	2.7%	\$338 m					
Retroactive PAAs	2022	7.2%	\$850 m					
Retroactive PAAS	2021	1.7%	\$196 m					
	2020	0.3%	<u>\$32 m</u>					
Total		15.1% <sup>2</sup>	\$1,610 m					

<sup>1</sup> Increase in July 1, 2024, Actuarial Accrued Liability (AAL) measured assuming PAAs are granted in order of newest to oldest.

<sup>2</sup> PAAs from separate years are combined multiplicatively, so the total PAA available is greater than the sum of the PAAs from each year.

This letter presents additional analysis regarding the cost of PAAs effective March 1, 2025, to answer the following two questions received from PERSI staff.

- 1. What is the impact on the projected benefit payments by year if an additional 1% discretionary PAA from 2024 were granted effective March 1, 2025?
- 2. What is the impact on the Normal Cost rate if the Board had granted the maximum PAA allowed by current law of 15.1% instead of the 1.3% PAA approved at the December Board meeting to be effective March 1, 2025?



# Impact on Annual Benefit Payments of a 1% Discretionary PAA

On slide 44 of our September 24, 2024, Board Meeting presentation on the 2024 Actuarial Valuation, we showed that the cost of a 1% discretionary PAA, effective March 1, 2025, was \$129 million. This \$129 million is the present value, as of July 1, 2024, of the following increases in the benefits projected to be paid to current vested terminated and retired members.

FYE	\$ MILLIONS						
2025	4.1	2039	9.1	2053	3.1	2067	0.5
2026	12.3	2040	8.7	2054	2.8	2068	0.4
2027	12.1	2041	8.3	2055	2.5	2069	0.3
2028	12.0	2042	7.8	2056	2.2	2070	0.3
2029	11.8	2043	7.4	2057	1.9	2071	0.2
2030	11.6	2044	6.9	2058	1.7	2072	0.2
2031	11.4	2045	6.5	2059	1.5	2073	0.2
2032	11.2	2046	6.0	2060	1.3	2074	0.1
2033	11.0	2047	5.6	2061	1.1	2075	0.1
2034	10.7	2048	5.1	2062	1.0	2076	0.1
2035	10.4	2049	4.7	2063	0.8	2077	0.1
2036	10.1	2050	4.3	2064	0.7	2078	0.1
2037	9.8	2051	3.9	2065	0.6	2079	0.0
2038	9.4	2052	3.5	2066	0.5	2080	0.0

#### INCREASE IN ANNUAL BENEFIT PAYMENTS DUE TO A 1% DISCRETIONARY PAA EFFECTIVE MARCH 1, 2025

# Impact on Normal Cost Rate of a 15.1% PAA

On page 1 of this letter, we showed that, under current law, the maximum PAA available for the Board to grant effective March 1, 2025, was 15.1%. Of this 15.1%, 1.0% of the 2024 CPI-U is automatically granted by statute and the Board voted to grant an additional 0.3% retroactive PAA to make up for the shortfall between CPI-U and the granted PAA from 2020, for a total PAA of 1.3% effective March 1, 2025.

If the March 1, 2025, PAA were instead the full 15.1%, it would raise the July 1, 2024, Unfunded Actuarial Accrued Liability (UAAL) by \$1.6 billion and the amortization period from 11.8 years to 17.2 years. There would be no immediate impact on the Normal Cost Rate because PAAs are granted to terminated vested and retired members, while the Normal Cost Rate is the cost to pre-fund the benefits that will be paid to current active members after they retire. However, there could be impacts on the Normal Cost Rate down the line due to higher member contribution rates or a higher PAA valuation assumption.

#### IMPACT OF RAISING CONTRIBUTION RATES

One way to think about the cost of a higher PAA is to ask, "How much would contribution rates need to increase to keep the amortization period of the plan unchanged?" In this example of a 15.1% PAA, it would take a 3.80% increase in the contribution rate schedule, effective July 1, 2025, to get the July 1, 2024, amortization period down to the 11.8 years it is at with the currently approved 1.3% PAA. This 3.80% increase in contribution rates, would result in a 0.28% increase in the Normal Cost Rate due to higher projected employee contribution balances that the plan must



refund in some cases where a member terminates employment prior to retirement. The following table summarizes these scenarios.

Contribution Rate Schedule:         20.77%         20.77%         24.57%           July 1, 2025         23.27%         23.27%         27.07%           July 1, 2026         23.27%         27.02%         30.82%           July 1, 2024, UAAL         \$3.8 billion         \$5.4 billion         \$5.3 billion           July 1, 2024, Amortization Period         11.8 years         17.2 years         11.8 years				
Contribution Rate Schedule:         20.77%         20.77%         24.57%           July 1, 2025         23.27%         23.27%         27.07%           July 1, 2026         23.27%         27.02%         30.82%           July 1, 2024, UAAL         \$3.8 billion         \$5.4 billion         \$5.3 billion           July 1, 2024, Amortization Period         11.8 years         17.2 years         11.8 years		CURRENT SCENARIO		
July 1, 2025       20.77%       20.77%       24.57%         July 1, 2026       23.27%       23.27%       27.07%         July 1, 2027       27.02%       27.02%       30.82%         July 1, 2024, UAAL       \$3.8 billion       \$5.4 billion       \$5.3 billion         July 1, 2024, Amortization Period       11.8 years       17.2 years       11.8 years	March 1, 2025, PAA	1.3%	15.1%	15.1%
July 1, 2026       23.27%       23.27%       27.07%         July 1, 2027       27.02%       27.02%       30.82%         July 1, 2024, UAAL       \$3.8 billion       \$5.4 billion       \$5.3 billion         July 1, 2024, Amortization Period       11.8 years       17.2 years       11.8 years	Contribution Rate Schedule:			
July 1, 2027         27.02%         27.02%         30.82%           July 1, 2024, UAAL         \$3.8 billion         \$5.4 billion         \$5.3 billion           July 1, 2024, Amortization Period         11.8 years         17.2 years         11.8 years	July 1, 2025	20.77%	20.77%	24.57%
July 1, 2024, UAAL\$3.8 billion\$5.4 billionJuly 1, 2024, Amortization Period11.8 years17.2 years11.8 years	July 1, 2026	23.27%	23.27%	27.07%
July 1, 2024, Amortization Period     11.8 years     17.2 years     11.8 years	July 1, 2027	27.02%	27.02%	30.82%
	July 1, 2024, UAAL	\$3.8 billion	\$5.4 billion	\$5.3 billion
July 1, 2025, Normal Cost Rate         17.06%         17.34%	July 1, 2024, Amortization Period	11.8 years	17.2 years	11.8 years
	July 1, 2025, Normal Cost Rate	17.06%	17.06%	17.34%

Note that all scenarios reflect the changes in the scheduled contribution rates approved by the Board in the October and December 2024 Board Meetings.

#### IMPACT OF RAISING THE PAA VALUATION ASSUMPTION

A second potential impact of higher PAAs is what it could mean for the long-term PAA assumption used in the annual actuarial valuations. If there was an expectation that, over the long term, PAAs would be granted to keep up with CPI-U, then it may make sense to adjust the PAA assumption in the actuarial valuation to be equal to the long-term inflation assumption. This would allow for pre-funding of anticipated future discretionary PAAs. Currently the PAA assumption is equal to 1.00% (i.e., only automatic PAAs). Raising it to 2.30%, to match the inflation assumption, would result in a \$3.5 billion increase in the Actuarial Accrued Liability (AAL) and a 2.74% increase in the Normal Cost Rate.

#### Caveats

The purpose of this letter is to provide examples to help the reader understand the impact that discretionary PAAs have on plan costs. It does not explore the potential for any legal or administrative issues with regards to granting of the hypothetical PAAs discussed in this letter. The calculations in this letter are based on the data, plan provisions, methods, and assumptions used in our July 1, 2024, actuarial valuation report for the Public Employee Retirement System of Idaho, dated October 17, 2024. All caveats, certifications, and limitations of use and distribution described in that report apply to this letter. Section 7 of that report describes a detailed discussion of risks pertaining to PERSI; these risks would be materially affected by some of the hypothetical scenarios discussed in this letter.

On the basis of the foregoing, we hereby certify that, to the best of our knowledge and belief, this report is complete and accurate and has been prepared in accordance with generally recognized and accepted actuarial principles and practices which are consistent with the principles prescribed by the Actuarial Standards Board and the Code of Professional Conduct and Qualification Standards for Actuaries Issuing Statements of Actuarial Opinion in the United States of the American Academy of Actuaries. We are members of the American Academy of Actuaries and meet the Qualification Standards to render the actuarial opinions contained herein.

Please reach out if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Robert L. Schmidt, FSA, EA, MAAA Principal and Consulting Actuary

Ryan J. Cook, FSA, EA, CERA, MAAA

Consulting Actuary



February 25, 2025

TO:Retirement Board TrusteesFROM:Mike Hampton, DirectorSUBJECT:Experience Study Schedule / Plan

#### Summary:

The last experience study was completed and adopted by the Board in October of 2021 and applied to the July 1, 2021 valuation. That experience study covered the period from July 1, 2015 to June 30, 2020. Milliman will provide an overview of their plan to complete the experience study with touchpoints for the Board at the March, April and May Board meetings. The goal is for the Board to adopt the final assumptions that will be utilized for the July 1, 2025 valuation, at the May 2025 board meeting.

#### Key Discussion:

- Milliman to provide background about demographic and economic assumptions used in actuarial valuation.
- Schedule is to allow Board time and opportunity for exploring the assumptions utilized, ask for additional information or scenarios, and review the impact of assumptions contemplated.
- An additional stated goal of the Board is to have the experience study completed prior to the end of the fiscal year to facilitate review of proposed contribution rate adjustments currently scheduled to be implemented in July of 2025 and July of 2026.

#### Action:

No action is requested. This is informational only.

# 2025 PERSI Actuarial Assumptions Study

**Proposed Board Meeting Schedule** 

Robert Schmidt, FSA, EA, MAAA Ryan Cook, FSA, EA, MAAA FEBRUARY 24, 2025





# PERSI Actuarial Assumptions Study + FY 2027 Contribution Rate Setting

Milliman's Analysis

# Demographic Experience Study -February to March 2025

## Assumptions to study

- Retiree mortality
- Inactive member retirement
- Active member:
- Merit salary increases
- Retirement
- Termination
- Disability
- Death

## Process

- 1. Compile member data for FYE 2022–2025
- 2. Compare experience to valuation assumptions
- 3. Recommend assumption changes
- 4. Calculate liability impact

# Economic Experience Study -February to March 2025

# **Key Assumptions**

- Expected return on assets
  - Milliman & Callan capital market assumptions
  - NASRA data on peer plans
- Salary inflation
  - National Index
- Payroll growth

## **Minor Assumptions**

- Administrative expense load
- Interest on employee contributions

## **Valuation Methods**

- PAA assumption
- Actuarial valuation of assets

# Expected Return / Contribution Rate Scenarios - March to April 2025

- Goal is to set FY 2027 contribution rates by June
- Options for contribution rates are linked to the Board decision on expected return assumption, so looking at both together
- Milliman will work with PERSI to determine a range of expected return assumption and contribution rate pairings to present to the Board for consideration
  - Look at impact on amortization period and other valuation results
  - Look at likelihood of needing to raise rates in coming valuation(s)
  - Can also weave in options for other assumptions, if desired

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# PERSI Actuarial Assumptions Study + FY 2027 Contribution Rate Setting

Proposed Spring 2025 Board Meeting Schedule

# March 18th Board Meeting

#### 60 minutes

- Demographic assumption study
  - Background about demographic assumptions for actuarial valuations
  - Our philosophy with setting demographic assumptions
  - PERSI demographic experience study results and recommendations
  - Liability impacts
- Economic assumptions study
  - Background about economic assumptions for actuarial valuations
  - PERSI economic experience study results and recommendations
  - Liability impacts

# April 22<sup>nd</sup> Board Meeting

## 30 minutes

- Review expected return experience study results
- Expected return / contribution rate scenarios
  - Range of options for expected return assumption and contribution rate schedule
  - Impact on valuation results
  - Feedback from Board on additional scenarios for May

# May 20<sup>th</sup> Board Meeting

## 30 minutes

- Additional expected return / contribution rate scenarios
- Board votes to:
- Adopt demographic assumptions
- Select expected return and other economic assumptions (if changes desired)
- Adjust the FY 2027 (and possibly FY 2028) contribution rates (if changes desired)

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# Thank you

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HELPING YOU BUILD A SECURE RETIREMENT

Date: February 25, 2025

TO: PERSI Retirement Board

Governor Brad Little FROM:

Mike Anderson Financial Executive Officer

#### Retirement Board Jeff Cilek, Chairman Joshua Whitworth Lori Wolff Park Price Darin DeAngeli

Executive Director Michael L. Hampton

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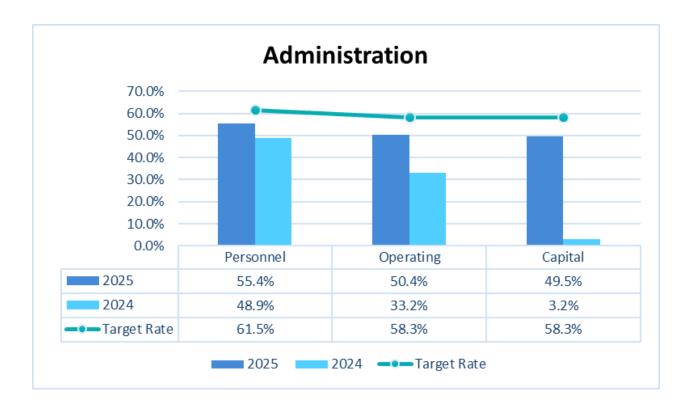
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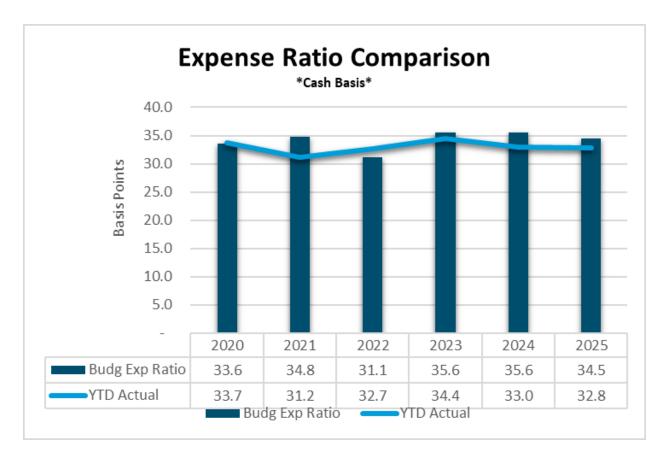
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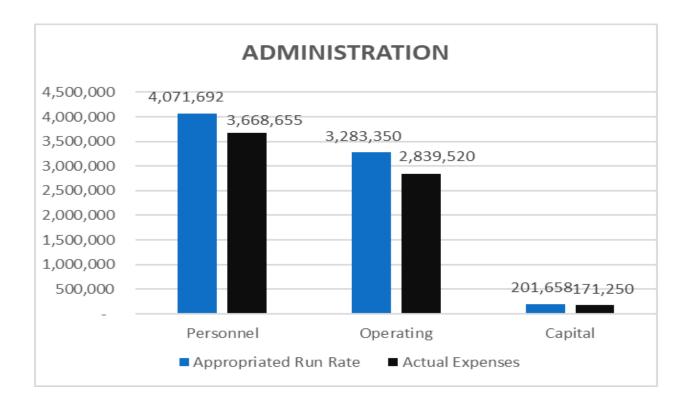
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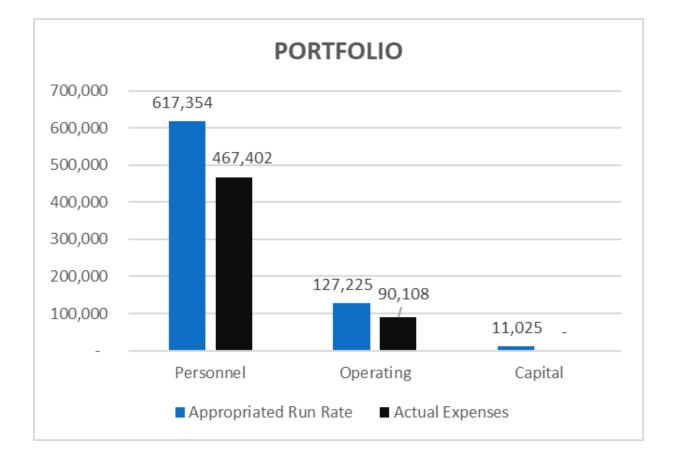
- <u>2025 EXPENSE REPORTS:</u> PERSI's year-to-date expense reports for the Administrative and Portfolio funds are enclosed.
  - <u>Administration</u>: The report is for FY2025 expenditures as of the end of January. Personnel expenses are below the target rate of 61.5%. Operating and Capital Outlay expenses are both below the target rate of 58.3%.
  - <u>Portfolio:</u> Our year-to-date expense ratio is 32.8 basis points of projected average net assets compared to the budgeted projection of 34.5 basis points. Both the budget and actual are below the 50-basis point target ratio. The total budgeted for FY 2025 assumed asset growth of 6.3% net. The reports are on a cash basis and, therefore, will vary from the expenses reported in the accrual-based financial statements.
- **MONTHLY OUT OF STATE TRAVEL REPORT:** The monthly travel report is included in the board report. Please let me know if you have any questions.

**QUARTERLY FINANCIAL STATEMENTS:** The Year-to-date 2025 unaudited financial statements are in your board packets. Please let me know if you have any questions.









			PUBLIC EMPLO	EE RETIREMEN	NT SYSTEM				
		FY	2025 CASH BASIS	ADMINISTRA	TION EXPENSE	S			
SUMMARY REPORT							TARGET:		58.3%
ADMINISTRATIVE BUD	GET								
JANUARY 31, 2025									
							FY 2025	Current	Actual
	FY 2024	FY 2024	FY 2025	PRIOR			Total	Spending	as % of
	BUDGETED	ACTUAL	BUDGETED	MONTHS	DECEMBER	JANUARY	Expenses	Balance	Budget
PERSONNEL	6,478,600	5,667,669	6,616,500	2,507,843	476,137	684,674	3,668,655	2,947,846	55.4%
OPERATING	5,652,900	4,673,300	5,628,600	1,946,336	309,789	583,396	2,839,520	2,789,080	50.4%
CAPITAL	200,500	154,496	345,700	77,376	8,618	85,256	171,250	174,450	49.5%
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TOTAL	12,332,000	10,495,465	12,590,800	4,531,555	794,544	1,353,326	6,679,425	5,911,375	53.1%

		PUBLIC EMPLOY	EE RETIREMENT S	YSTEM				
		FY 2025 CASH BAS	SIS PORTFOLIO EX	PENSES				
SUMMARY REPORT - PORTFOLIO							TARGET:	58.3%
JANUARY 31, 2025								
							FY 2025	Actual
INVESTMENTS	FY 2024	FY 2024	FY 2025	PRIOR			Total	as % of
	BUDGETED	ACTUAL	BUDGETED	MONTHS	DECEMBER	JANUARY	<b>Expenses</b>	Budget
STAFF EXPENSE								
Personnel	991,900	751,089	1,003,200	320,410	58,121	88,870	467,402	46.6%
Operations	224,600	143,759	218,100	63,925	6,622	19,560	90,108	41.3%
Capital Outlay	18,900	24,734	18,900	-	-	-	-	0.0%

# PUBLIC EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT SYSTEM FY 2025 CASH BASIS ADMINISTRATION EXPENSES

# SUMMARY REPORT ADMINISTRATIVE BUDGET JANUARY 31, 2025

TARGET:

58.3%

	FY 2024 BUDGETED	FY 2024 ACTUAL	FY 2025 BUDGETED	PRIOR MONTHS	DECEMBER	JANUARY	FY 2025 Total Expenses	Current Spending Balance	Actual as % of Budget
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PERSONNEL	6,478,600	5,667,669	6,616,500	2,507,843	476,137	684,674	3,668,655	2,947,846	55.4%
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## ADMINISTRATIVE BUDGET

By Cost Center and Account Category

JANUARY 31, 2025

							FY 2025	Current	Actual
DESCRIPTION	FY 2024	FY 2024	FY 2025	PRIOR			Total	Spending	as % of
	BUDGETED	ACTUAL	BUDGETED	MONTHS	DECEMBER	JANUARY	Expenses	Balance	Budget
ADMINISTRATION									
Personnel	740,170	620,492	759,100	264,936	47,663	70,353	382,953	376,147	50.4%
Operating	157,600	106,937	162,300	72,837	19,023	24,168	116,028	46,272	71.5%
Capital	-	-	-	39,988	-	-	39,988	(39,988)	0.0%
BOARD			-						
Personnel	10,985	5,493	11,300	1,401	-	646	2,047	9,253	18.1%
Operating	21,300	59,409	23,900	12,135	1,400	500	14,035	9,865	58.7% 0.0%
Capital	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.0%
LEGAL Personnel			-						0.0%
Operating	129,575	- 147,736	- 148,500	- 128,746	-	- 2,766	131,512	16,988	88.6%
Capital			-		-				0.0%
QUALITY ASSURANCE			-						
Personnel	503,313	538,359	518,400	189,701	33,954	48,525	272,180	246,220	52.5%
Operating	5,900	18,321	5,900	1,216	135	105	1,456	4,444	24.7%
Capital	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.0%
FISCAL ADMINISTRATION	000.000		-		70 500	440.007		207.000	FO 40/
Personnel Operating	928,982 108,500	919,564 67,091	950,300 108,500	363,531 83,251	78,562 4,444	110,307 1,722	552,400 89,417	397,900 19,083	58.1% 82.4%
Capital	- 100,500	-	-		<del>4,444</del> -	1,722	- 05,417		0.0%
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	Capital									0.070	1
Ε	MPLOYER SERVICE CENTER			-							
	Personnel	306,266	266,777	305,600	124,516	20,810	28,963	174,290	131,310	57.0%	
	Operating	2,700	53,188	2,700	849	153	125	1,128	1,572	41.8%	
	Capital	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.0%	

ADMINISTRA By Cost Cent JANUARY 31,		(Cont.) FY 2024 BUDGETED	FY 2024 ACTUAL	FY 2025 BUDGETED	PRIOR MONTHS	DECEMBER	JANUARY	FY 2025 Total	Current Spending Balance	Actua as % o Budge
OVERHEAD										
	Personnel Operating Capital	90,956 640,605 -	17,545 586,693 20,635	33,700 660,900 -	8,783 343,733 -	- (14,284) -	- 82,267 -	8,783 411,716 -	24,917 249,184 -	26.1% 62.3% 0.0%
T - ADMINIS	TRATION			-						
	Personnel Operating Capital	900,469 52,000 -	937,887 53,646 -	948,000 52,000 -	396,148 10,316 -	74,039 2,270 -	105,594 1,426 -	575,780 14,013 -	372,220 37,987 -	60.7% 26.9% 0.0%
T - SYSTEM N	MAINTENANCE			-						
	Personnel Operating Capital	- 965,850 200,500	- 848,476 118,859	- 858,800 345,700	- 145,172 633	- 15,562 2,061	- 231,362 73,659	- 392,096 76,353	- 466,704 269,347	0.0% 45.7% 22.1%
T - PROJECTS	5			-						
	Personnel Operating Capital	- 3,000,000 -	- 2,272,945 -	- 3,000,000 -	- 961,448 -	- 227,160 -	- 170,600 -	- 1,359,208 -	- 1,640,792 -	0.0% 45.3% 0.0%
MEMBER SEF	•			-						
-	Personnel Operating Capital	434,558 17,900 -	298,170 44,578 -	533,800 35,900 -	214,695 11,529 -	42,386 5,600 -	59,351 1,924 -	316,432 19,053 -	217,368 16,847 -	59.3% 53.1% 0.0%
DISABILITY AS	SSESSMENT			-						
	Personnel Operating Capital	- 227,000 -	- 150,221 -	- 197,000 -	- 61,670 -	- 8,500 -	- 28,715 -	- 98,885 -	- 98,115 -	0.0% 50.2% 0.0%
FIELD SERVIC				-						
	Personnel Operating Capital	130,215 30,350 -	134,734 32,148 200	135,100 48,500 -	56,426 5,450 -	11,010 1,532 -	15,518 19,829 -	82,955 26,812 -	52,145 21,688 -	61.4% 55.3% 0.0%
FIELD SERVIC				-						
	Personnel Operating Capital	134,191 37,220 -	134,159 42,298 14,582	137,200 73,200 -	46,093 24,891 -	11,100 2,772 -	15,513 18,428 -	72,705 46,092 -	64,495 27,108 -	53.09 63.09 0.0%
PERSI RETIRE	MENT CENTER			-						
	Personnel Operating Capital	471,986 35,950 -	196,774 4,149 -	436,100 8,000 -	119,415 1,320 -	23,600 268 -	36,498 312 -	179,513 1,899 -	256,587 6,101 -	41.2% 23.7% 0.0%
PERSI ANSWE		544 440	240 504	-	440.045	40 500	22.440		226 220	14.00
	Personnel Operating Capital	541,449 36,400 -	319,504 4,886 -	388,800 36,400 -	110,845 24,620 36,755	19,586 882 6,557	32,140 (11,239) 11,598	162,571 14,263 54,909	226,229 22,137 (54,909)	41.8% 39.2% 0.0%
PERSI PROCE	SSING CENTER Personnel Operating	250,858 12,600	393,942 12,136	- 393,400 12,600	161,447 2,447	29,631 732	47,772 963	238,849 4,142	154,551 8,458	60.7% 32.9%
	Capital	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.0%
MAGING	Personnel	68,196	68,237	- 70,200	29,402	5,463	7,625	42,490	27,710	60.5%
	Operating Capital	1,700	746	1,700	752 -	-		752	948	44.2% 0.0%
RAINING				-						
	Personnel	628,311	547,255	643,400	271,044	50,600	66,326	387,970	255,430	60.3%
	Operating Capital	62,950 -	78,819 220	91,900 -	36,200 -	12,945 -	8,245 -	57,390 -	34,510 -	62.4% 0.0%
COMMUNICA			04 200	-	42.002	7 750		C0.010	10 704	ГО 40
	Personnel Operating Capital	86,988 91,900 -	91,200 86,207 -	104,600 86,000 -	42,003 10,477 -	7,758 20,523 -	11,057 523 -	60,819 31,524 -	43,781 54,476 -	58.1% 36.7% 0.0%
DC PLAN ADM	MINISTRATION			_						
	Personnel	250,707	177,577	247,500	107,457	19,975	28,487	155,919	91,581	63.0%
	Operating Capital	14,900	2,670	13,900	7,277	171	652	8,101	5,799	58.3% 0.0%
	Capital		_	-	-	_	-	-	_	0.07
	PERSONNEL	6,478,600	5,667,669	6,616,500	2,507,843	476,137	684,674	3,668,655	2,947,846	55.4%
	DPERATING CAPITAL	5,652,900 200,500	4,673,300 154,496	5,628,600 345,700	2,507,843 1,946,336 77,376	476,137 309,789 8,618	583,396 85,256	2,839,520 171,250	2,947,846 2,789,080 174,450	55.49 50.49 49.59
		12,332,000	10,495,465	12,590,800	4,531,555	794,544	1,353,326	6,679,425	5,911,375	53.19

#### PUBLIC EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT SYSTEM FY 2025 CASH BASIS PORTFOLIO EXPENSES

#### SUMMARY REPORT - PORTFOLIO JANUARY 31, 2025

TARGET: 58.3%

JANUARY 31, 2025						1		
INVESTMENTS	FY 2024 BUDGETED	FY 2024 ACTUAL	FY 2025 BUDGETED	PRIOR MONTHS	DECEMBER	JANUARY	FY 2025 Total <u>Expenses</u>	Actual as % of <u>Budget</u>
MANAGEMENT FEES	62,023,608	57,876,903	68,558,103	26,583,421	4,407,686	5,946,720	36,937,827	53.9%
CONSULTANTS	1,110,000	1,106,103	1,500,000	540,288	60,856	179,262	780,405	52.0%
CUSTODIAL SERVICES	3,516,000	3,108,881	3,000,000	1,118,495	213,294	154,607	1,486,395	49.5%
REPORTING SERVICES 1. Investment Related 2. Non-Investment Related	121,000 550,000	117,635 597,246	240,000 710,000	70,174 232,155	5,000 66,476	1,875 29,983	77,049 328,614	32.1% 46.3%
LEGAL	805,000	786,738	1,100,000	294,701	15,417	136,384	446,501	40.6%
STAFF EXPENSE	1,235,400	919,582	1,240,200	384,336	64,744	108,430	557,510	45.0%
ENCUMBRANCES*	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
TOTAL EXPENDITURES*	69,361,008	64,513,088	76,348,303	29,223,568	4,833,472	6,557,262	40,614,302	53.2%
ADMINISTRATION	12,708,870	10,495,464	12,590,800	4,531,555	794,544	1,353,326	6,679,425	53.1%
YTD EXPENDITURES INCLUSIVE	82,069,878	75,008,552	88,939,103	33,755,123	5,628,015	7,910,588	47,293,726	53.2%
		FY 2024 Actual	FY 2025 Budgeted					
Investment Related Services		63,915,842	75,638,303					
Non-Investement Related Services Judges Retirement Fund		597,246 437,195	710,000 467,100					
PERSI Administration <sup>1</sup>		10,495,464	12,590,800					
1) TOTAL PERSI COSTS		75,445,747	89,406,203					
2) ESTIMATED NET AVERAGE ASSETS		24,142,867,889	25,878,647,171					
3) RATIO OF COSTS TO NET ASSETS		0.312%	0.345%					
Investment Expense Non-Investment Contracted Services Judges Retirement Fund PERSI Administration		0.265% 0.002% 0.002% 0.043%	0.292% 0.003% 0.002% 0.049%					
4) BUDGETED EXPENSE RATIO			34.5					
5) ACTUAL EXPENSE RATIO <sup>2</sup>			32.8					

#### PUBLIC EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT Page 2 of 2 SYSTEM OF IDAHO **DETAIL REPORT** TARGET: 58.3% **JANUARY 31, 2025** FY 2025 Actual DESCRIPTION FY 2024 FY 2024 FY 2025 PRIOR Total as % of BUDGETED ACTUAL BUDGETED MONTHS DECEMBER JANUARY **Expenses** <u>Budget</u> MANAGEMENT FEES Equity - Domestic 9,788,143 10,548,941 11,213,525 6,102,644 2,113,392 8,216,036 73.3% Equity - International 7,716,570 3,030,958 8,155,000 3,915,154 216.514 223,248 4,354,915 53.4% 2,843,895 **Fixed Income** 2,765,360 2,939,577 1,387,160 125,303 319,673 1,832,136 62.3% Real Estate 16,500,000 14,434,551 17,250,000 4,045,427 2,946,960 583,064 7,575,451 43.9% Idaho Mortgage Program 3,675,000 3,773,228 4,500,000 1,616,197 327,320 327,214 2,270,730 50.5% 23,323,865 12,688,558 Equity Global 21,500,000 24,500,000 9,516,839 791,589 2,380,129 51.8% CONSULTANTS Investment Consultants 710,000 616,648 760,000 288,079 22,500 132,789 443,368 58.3% 380,000 380,000 125,000 Advisors 345,855 26,963 33,298 185,260 48.8% Other Consultants 20,000 360,000 151,777 143,600 127,209 11,393 13,175 42.2% CUSTODIAL SERVICES Trust/Custody 3,000,000 2,635,150 3,000,000 919,755 213,294 154,607 1,287,656 42.9% Clearwater Analytics, LLC 516,000 473,731 198,739 198,739 -**REPORTING SERVICES** 1. Auditors Fees a. Annual Audit 100,000 151,367 160,000 2,309 34,928 32,619 -21.8% 2. Actuarial Fees 262,546 Milliman USA 250,000 350,000 116,202 47,501 13,316 177,019 50.6% 200,000 183,333 200,000 83,333 116,667 Cavanaugh MacDonald 16,667 16,667 58.3% 117,635 3. Bloomberg LP & Other 121,000 240,000 70,174 5,000 1,875 77,049 32.1% LEGAL 1. Legal Fees Legal Advice - Other 5,000 355,790 400,000 111,034 15,417 17,743 144,194 36.0% 600,000 409,873 600,000 182,817 117,866 300,683 50.1% Legal Advice - Priv Equity -Legal Advice - Fiduciary/Liability 200,000 21,075 100,000 850 775 1,625 1.6% -STAFF EXPENSE 991,900 Personnel 751,089 1,003,200 320,410 58,121 88,870 467,402 46.6% Operations 224,600 143,759 218,100 63,925 6,622 19,560 90,108 41.3% Capital Outlay 18,900 24,734 18,900 0.0% \_ -0.0% Encumbrances \_ \_ \_ -29,223,568 64,513,088 76,348,303 Total Monthly Expenditures 69,361,008 4,833,472 6,557,262 40,614,302 53.2% JUDGES RETIREMENT FUND 330,000 192,667 Invest, Mgmt, Consulting, Custody, Reporting 325,000 320,000 138,991 23,003 30,673 58.4% 15,000 454 45.7% Accounting, Auditing 11,000 15,140 6,406 6,860 -**Other Professional Services** 0.0% \_ -30,000 36,521 40,000 30,940 30,940 Actuary -77.3% -Legal 2,000 2,000 4,000 1,448 76 2,191 54.8% 668 6,079 Administration 76,900 63,534 78,100 32,465 8,547 47,090 60.3% Admin Rule 392 392 0.0% 280,140 444,900 437,195 467,100 60,551 39,887 179,702 60.0%

# Scheduled and Completed Out of State Travel - Staff

Traveler	Request Created	Destination City/ State	Description	Dates of Travel	Final Voucher Amount
Chris Brechbuhler	Х	Santa Monica, CA	Property Tour	01/07/25-01/08/25	920.46
Richelle Sugiyama	Х	Santa Monica, CA	Property Tour/Elkind 2025 Winter Emerging Market Forum	01/07/25-01/09/25	1,441.25
Chris Brechbuhler	Х	San Francisco, CA	Fixed Income Due Diligence	01/21/25-01/22/25	1,114.69
Richelle Sugiyama	Х	San Francisco, CA	Fixed Income Due Diligence	01/21/25-01/22/25	1,081.83
Richelle Sugiyama	Х	New York City, NY	2025 AB Global CIO Forum	01/14/25-01/17/25	675.69
Richelle Sugiyama	Х	New York City, NY	Fixed Income Due Diligence	01/28/25-01/31/25	1,812.85
Chris Brechbuhler	Х	New York City, NY	Fixed Income Due Diligence	01/28/25-02/01/25	1,843.88

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# PUBLIC EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT SYSTEM OF IDAHO

# FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

# FOR THE YEAR TO DATE

# DECEMBER 30, 2024 AND 2023

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#### PUBLIC EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT SYSTEM OF IDAHO COMBINING STATEMENT OF PLAN NET ASSETS - PENSION TRUST FUNDS AND OTHER TRUST FUNDS FOR THE YEAR TO DATE OF 12/31/2024 WITH COMPARATIVE TOTALS FOR SAME PERIOD PRIOR YEAR TO DATE

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	PERSI Pensi	ion Funds					To	tals
	Base Plan	Judges' Retirement Fund	Choice Plan 401(k)	Choice Plan 414(k)	Sick Leave Insurance Reserve Trust Fund - State	Sick Leave Insurance Reserve Trust Fund - Schools	Current Year-To-Date	Prior Year-To-Date
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS (Note 1)	\$ 30,891,550	\$ 792,818	\$ 2,830,218	\$ 126,459	\$ 507,619	\$ 1,276,773	\$ 36,425,437	\$ 28,271,564
INVESTMENTS, at fair value (Note 2)								
Fixed Income Investments					440.057.450	000 000 750	C 100 010 100	5,591,422,382
Domestic	5,802,628,975	30,149,523			146,357,156	203,683,756	6,182,819,409	12,133,177
International	005 004 044	4,187,508					810,122,418	790,656,682
Idaho Mortgages	805,934,911 329,561,903	4,187,508	2,465,511				333,739,765	289,298,792
Short-Term Investments Real Estate Equities (Note 3)	1,041,811,043	5,413,082	2,400,011				1,047,224,125	1,125,286,784
Equity Securities	1,041,011,040	0,410,002					.,	.,,
Domestic	10.792.555.852	56,076,377			117,799,613	163,416,987	11,129,848,830	10,023,194,336
International	2,482,491,896	12,898,627			29,978,686	43,330,061	2,568,699,271	3,065,247,491
Private Equity	1,801,625,556	9,360,955					1,810,986,511	1,683,679,341
Mutual, Collective, Unitized Funds			1,662,884,355	57,700,527			1,720,584,882	1,591,641,828
Total Investments	23,056,610,136	119,798,423	1,665,349,866	57,700,527	294,135,455	410,430,804	25,604,025,211	24,172,560,812
RECEIVABLES								
Investments Sold (Note 2)	17,353,465	90,166					17,443,631	58,938,098
Contributions	12,915,480	536,419	644,925				14,096,824	186,807,885
Administrative Fee			191,535	8,332			199,867	187,933
Interest and Dividends	80,200,433	416,709	4,393,588	146,119			85,156,849	
Total Receivables	110,469,378	1,043,294	5,230,048	154,451	0	0	116,897,171	325,728,577
ASSETS USED IN PLAN OPERATIONS (Note 4)	5,572,421						5,572,421	4,360,021
DUE FROM OTHER FUNDS							0	140,000
PREPAID EXPENDITURES (Note 5)	105,508,481						105,508,481	100,985,846
TOTAL ASSETS	23,309,051,966	121,634,535	1,673,410,132	57,981,437	294,643,075	411,707,577	25,868,428,721	24,631,906,820
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE								
LIABILITIES	40,594,629	210,923					40,805,552	92,662,864
Investments Purchased (Note 2)	40,594,629	210,525					0	
Due to Other Funds Accrued Liabilities (Note 6)	20,008,581	758,487	610,264	5,503	111,084	21,157	21,515,076	17,826,108
		,,,	,	- )				
TOTAL LIABILITIES	60,603,209	969,410	610,264	5,503	111,084	21,157	62,320,628	110,628,972
NET POSITION RESTRICTED FOR			A 4 070 700 007	ф <b>г</b> а Айс АА4	\$ 294,531,990	¢ 111 606 10	\$ 25,806,108,093	\$ 24,521,417,847
PENSIONS AND AMOUNTS HELD IN TRUST See notes to financial statements	\$ 23,248,448,757	\$ 120,665,125	\$ 1,672,799,867	<u>۵ 57,975,934</u>		φ 411,000,42	φ 25,600,108,093	φ 27,021,717,047

See notes to financial statements

#### PUBLIC EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT SYSTEM OF IDAHO COMBINING STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN PLAN POSITION - PENSION TRUST AND OTHER TRUST FUNDS FOR THE YEAR TO DATE 12/31/2024 WITH COMPARATIVE TOTALS FOR PRIOR YEAR TO DATE

		PERSI Pensi	on Fi	unds						Tota	is	raye 4
		Base Plan	Reti	Judges' irement Fund	Choice Plan 401(k)	Choice Plan 414(k)	Sick Leave Insurance Reserve Trust Fund - State	Sick Leave Insurance Reserve Trust Fund - Schools	Curre	nt Year-To-Date	Prior Year-	To-Date
ADDITIONS:												
Contributions									e	242,878,449	¢ 210	417,289
Members	\$	198,721,424	\$	497,391			(70)	5 050	\$	242,878,449		,293,814
Employers		309,818,679		2,866,407	5,875,690		(78)	5,358		8.013.950		,173,318
Rollovers In					8,013,950	0	(70)	E 260		569,458,455		,173,318
		508,540,104		3,363,798	57,549,275	0	(78)	5,358		569,456,455	509	,004,42.1
Investment Income												
Net Appreciation/(Depreciation) in Fair Value of Investments		625,446,917		3,228,193	57,777,912	2,060,820	13,387,806	18,500,735		720,402,383		,363,096
Interest, Dividends and Other Investment Income		216,974,267		1,128,115	14,167,927	170,912				232,441,222		6,554,223
Less: Investment Expenses		(32,753,415)		(169,445)	(1,909,900)	(6,130)	(69,630)	(79,176		(34,987,697)		2,506,276
Net Investment Income		809,667,769		4,186,864	70,035,940	2,225,602	13,318,176	18,421,559		917,855,909	1,143	3,411,043
Other Revenue, Net		750,157		11,442			3,795	7,754		773,148		448,160
Total Additions		1,318,958,030		7,562,104	127,585,215	2,225,602	13,321,892	18,434,671		1,488,087,512	1,653	3,743,624
DEDUCTIONS:												
Benefits and Refunds Paid to Plan Members and Beneficiaries (Note 7)		696,533,416		4,614,306	50,056,466	2,618,122	2,730,397	6,709,040		763,261,746		),749,680
Administrative Expenses		5,609,143		77,650	1,207,220	115,280	29,957	42,137		7,081,387		7,167,845
Total Deductions	••••	702,142,559		4,691,955	51,263,686	2,733,402	2,760,354	6,751,177		770,343,133	537	7,917,526
INCREASE (DECREASE) IN NET POSITION		616,815,470		2,870,148	<b>76,32</b> 1,530	(507,800)	10,561,538	11,683,494		717,744,379	1,115	5,826,096
NET POSITION, BEGINNING OF YEAR		22,631,633,287		117,794,977	1,596,478,337	58,483,734	283,970,452	400,002,927		25,088,363,714	23,405	5,591,749
NET POSITION, YEAR-TO-DATE	\$	23,248,448,757	\$	120,665,125	\$ 1,672,799,867	\$ 57,975,934	\$ 294,531,990	\$ 411,686,421	\$	25,806,108,093	\$ 24,52	1,417,847
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#### PUBLIC EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT SYSTEM OF IDAHO NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR TO DATE DECEMBER 30, 2024

#### NOTE 1 Cash and Cash Equivalents

Cash held in banking institutions

	STO accounts (DB, JRF, State & Schools)	32,802,017
	Empower Bank Account	157,574
	Cushman & Wakefield Building Account	2,076
	US Bank Account	462,953
	US Bank RMD Account	190,191
	Wells Fargo (DB & DC)	34,743
	Mellon 8804 & 8805 Accounts	2,775,883
Total Cash and Cash	n Equivalents	36,425,437

#### NOTE 2 Portfolio Assets

Portfolio assets are reported at fair value. Investments Sold and Investments Purchased consist of foreign exchange contracts and security purchases and sales that have not yet settled.

#### NOTE 3 Real Estate Holdings

The amount reported for real estate investments does not reflect some publicly-traded REIT securities that Bank ofNew York (BNY) classifies as equity securities. Approximately \$788,204,004 of such securities are classified as equity securities as of December 30, 2024.

#### NOTE 4 Assets Used in Plan Operations

These assets represent computer software development costs and equipment used by PERSI. PERSI adheres to GASB Statement No.67, (an amendment of GASB Statement No. 25) which requires reporting of operating assets at historical cost net of accumulated depreciation. PERSI also follows GASB Statement No. 51, which requires the capitalization of certain software development costs. Depreciation and amortization are recorded using the straight-line method over the estimated useful lives of the assets. The estimated useful life is 30-50 years for the buildings, 10-15 years for the software development costs, and 3-5 years for the equipment.

Assets Used in Plan Operations at December 30, 2024, consist of the following:

Computer Software - Arrivos	\$15,778,683
Less: Accumulated Amortization - Arrivos	(\$10,429,094)
Net Software Development	\$5,349,589
Equipment	\$733,603
Less: Accumulated Depreciation	(\$510,771)
Net Equipment	\$222,832
Assets Used in Plan Operations, Net	\$5,572,421

Amortization expense for Arrivos for the year to date is \$595,622. Depreciation expense on all equipment for the year to date is \$46,263.

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#### PUBLIC EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT SYSTEM OF IDAHO NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR TO DATE DECEMBER 30, 2024

#### NOTE 5 Prepaid Expenditures

Retiree payroll calculated in the current month,	
but not paid until the following month	\$105,508,481
Total Prepaid Expenditures	\$105,508,481

#### NOTE 6 Accrued Liabilities

Accrued Expenses consis	t of the following:	
	Administrative Expenses (DB, DC & JRF Admin Exp Payable)	\$2,573,266
	Stale Dated Checks Payable (DC checks over 4 months old)	\$483,758
	RMD Payable	\$1,890,191
	Investment Management Sick Leave - State	\$111,084
	Investment Management Sick Leave - School	\$21,157
	Investment Management (DB & JRF)	\$16,435,620
Total Accrued Liabilities		\$21,515,076

#### NOTE 7 Benefits and Refunds Paid

Benefits and Refunds Paid to Plan Members and Beneficiaries:	
Payments to Retirees (DB & JRF)	\$663,699,692
Separation Benefits (DB)	\$30,264,966
Death Benefits (DB)	\$7,183,063
Benefits Paid (DC)	\$52,674,588
Medical Insurance Premiums (State & Schools)	\$9,439,437
	\$763,261,746

#### NOTE 8 Estimates

PERSI may use certain estimates in interim financial statements when it is more cost effective or timely than computing actual amounts and the difference between the estimates and actuals will not materially impact the financial statements as a whole.

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