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## LARGE PUBLIC PENSION PLAN INVESTMENT REPORT

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## Scope and Methodology

This report reviews the investment performance of Minnesota's large local public pension plans for the 2013 calendar year. The public pension plans included in this report are the Bloomington Fire Department Relief Association, the Duluth Teachers' Retirement Fund Association, and the St. Paul Teachers' Retirement Fund Association. ${ }^{1}$ The State Board of Investment (SBI), which is referenced frequently, is not a pension plan, but invests the assets of certain public employee pension plans administered by the Minnesota State Retirement System, the Public Employees Retirement Association, and the Teachers Retirement Association.

These pension plans and the SBI held over $\$ 58.5$ billion in assets as of December 31, 2013, which represents the future retirement benefits of hundreds of thousands of public employees.

Limited information for the University of Minnesota Supplemental Benefits Plan is also included in this report. This plan has a total market value of less than $\$ 25$ million, so its statutory reporting requirements are less than the reporting requirements for the other plans included in this report. Therefore, only a brief description of activities for the plan is provided, and the plan is not included in the report tables.

The pension plans are required under Minnesota Statutes, section 356.219, to annually report investment information to the Office of the State Auditor, and the State Auditor is required to provide a report to the legislature on the investment performance of these plans. One way to measure investment performance is to calculate a rate of return which can then be used to compare a plan against a benchmark or against other plans. The methodologies used by each of the large plans to calculate rates of return may vary from one another and from the methodology used by the Office of the State Auditor. To obtain analogous comparisons of investment performance, the Office of the State Auditor calculates rates of return using a uniform calculation method. ${ }^{2}$ Using a uniform calculation method allows for a fair comparison of performance among plans.

This report informs lawmakers of the large plans' investment performance, educates fiduciaries and members of the plans, and provides transparency to the public.

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## Executive Summary

## Current Trends

- During 2013, rates of return for the large plans were 19.2 percent (Bloomington Fire and St. Paul Teachers') and 20.7 percent (Duluth Teachers'). All of the plans exceeded their respective benchmarks. The rate of return for the SBI's Combined Funds was 20.2 percent. (Pages 7 through 14)
- Bloomington Fire was the only large plan that ended 2013 with a funding ratio above 100 percent, at 111.0 percent. St. Paul Teachers' and Duluth Teachers' had funding ratios of 60.4 percent and 54.0 percent, respectively. (Page 15)


## Long-Term Trends

- The ten-year period from January 2004 through December 2013 was a period of volatility. Bloomington Fire was the only large plan able to exceed their actuarial assumed rate of return over this period. Although the other large plans were not able to meet their actuarial assumed rates of return over this period, most of the plans were able to keep up with or exceed market returns. The best-performing plan over the ten-year period was St. Paul Teachers', which earned 7.5 percent. The SBI’s Combined Funds returned 8.1 percent for the period. (Pages 19 and 20)
- The plans with the lowest rates of return for the ten-year period were Duluth Teachers' and Bloomington Fire, with returns of 6.1 percent and 6.2 percent, respectively. Both of these plans exceeded their benchmarks for 2013. (Pages 19 and 20)

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## Understanding Investment Performance Terms

## Rate of Return

The gain or loss on an investment over a specified time period, usually expressed as a percentage increase over the fair market value at the beginning of the period.

## Asset Allocation

Asset allocation describes the practice of distributing the assets of a portfolio among different types of investment classes, such as stocks, bonds, cash, and real estate. By diversifying assets, the goals are to minimize risk and to create a favorable risk/reward ratio for a portfolio. When one asset class declines, the expectation is another will increase and offset the loss.

## Passive Investment Strategy

Passive investment strategy or passive management is more commonly called indexing. Indexing is an investment management approach based on investing in the same securities, and in the same proportions, as a specific index. The management style is considered passive because portfolio managers do not make decisions about which securities to buy and sell. Instead, managers simply copy the index by purchasing the same securities included in a particular stock or bond market index.

## Active Investment Strategy

Active investment strategy or active management is an attempt to outperform the market as measured by a particular benchmark or index. The aim of active fund management is to outperform, after fees are paid, the index that a particular fund is benchmarked against. Prevailing market trends, the economy, political and other current events, and companyspecific factors, such as earnings growth, all affect an active manager's decisions. Active investing often has higher costs than passive investing. These extra expenses may reduce any extra gains an active manager might earn.

## Enhanced Indexing Investment Strategy

Enhanced indexing investment strategy or enhanced indexing is a hybrid strategy used by many of the large plans. Enhanced indexing combines both passive and active investment strategies and attempts to generate rates of return that are slightly higher than that of an index fund or other passive management techniques.

## Benchmark

A benchmark is an index to which a plan compares its investments. Market benchmarks are used by individual investors, portfolio managers, and market researchers to determine how well a particular market or market sector performs. Investors look to broad indices as benchmarks to help them gauge not only how well the markets are performing, but also how well the investors are performing as investors.

## Why Benchmarks are Important

Measuring investment returns against an appropriate benchmark encourages prudent investment decisions and gives trustees a fair depiction of how a plan's investments are performing. The key to establishing the most accurate benchmark for a portfolio is determining which indices best track investments similar to the asset allocation of the investment policy. An ideal benchmark return would consist of a hypothetical portfolio of indices, invested in the same asset classes and in the same proportion as the actual holdings of the entire portfolio. Indices track different asset classes, such as domestic equity or bonds. An index may also track subsets of an asset class, such as smallcapitalization growth domestic equity. Although benchmark indices are not directly available for investment purposes, mutual and collective index funds which hold the same securities as the index can be obtained. Known as "index funds," these funds are managed with a passive style. Figure 1 below compares the 2013 rates of return and benchmark returns for the large plans and the State Board of Investment (SBI).

Figure 1: 2013 Rates of Return and Benchmark Return


## 2013 Performance Analysis

Markets overall continued to improve in 2013. The S\&P 500 Index, which is a gauge of the large-capitalization U.S. equities market, returned 32.4 percent in 2013. The Russell 3000 Index measures the performance of the largest 3,000 U.S. companies, representing nearly all of the U.S. equity market. The Russell 3000 Index returned 33.6 percent.

International equities also performed well in 2013, returning 15.3 percent as measured by the Morgan Stanley Capital International (MSCI) All-Country World Index excluding the United States (ACW Index ex. U.S.). This index measures the performance of both developed and emerging markets.

Domestic bonds declined in 2013, returning a negative 2.0 percent as measured by the Barclays Capital Aggregate Index. The 2013 negative returns for bonds failed to meet the 4.2 percent return achieved during 2012.

In 2013, economic indicators were mixed as unemployment dropped to 6.7 percent and consumer spending decreased by 0.7 percent. The Consumer Price Index, which measures inflation, rose 1.7 percent.

## Bloomington Fire Department Relief Association

The Bloomington Fire Department Relief Association consists of retired and active firefighters of the City of Bloomington. Bloomington Fire is the administrator of a single-employer defined-benefit pension plan available to firefighters, which was established April 1, 1947. ${ }^{2}$ Bloomington Fire is governed by a Board of Trustees made up of six members elected by the members of the plan for three-year terms, and the Mayor, City Treasurer, and Fire Chief, who serve as ex officio voting members of the Board.

Bloomington Fire returned 19.2 percent in 2013, as calculated by the Office of the State Auditor. The return exceeded the plan's benchmark return of 18.2 percent.

Bloomington Fire's investment policy allocates 50.0 percent to domestic equities, 10.0 percent to international equities, 35.0 percent to bonds, and 5.0 percent to cash. The plan's actual allocation for 2013 varied slightly from the policy allocation, with increases in international equities and cash and a reduction in fixed income. From 2012 to 2013, Bloomington Fire increased its allocation to cash by 13.5 percent and decreased its allocation to fixed income by 12.6 percent.

[^1]At the end of 2013, 88.3 percent of Bloomington Fire's total assets were held in the SBI's Supplemental Investment Fund: 32.6 percent of the plan's assets with the SBI were invested in the Common Stock Index Account; 16.1 percent in the Bond Market Account; 14.8 percent in the Money Market Account; 14.2 percent in the Growth Share Account; and 10.6 percent in the International Share Account.

The Common Stock Account is a Russell 3000 Index fund that returned 33.6 percent for the year. The Growth Share Account is an actively-managed domestic equity account that returned 35.9 percent for the year. Both domestic equity accounts met or exceeded their benchmark S\&P 500 return of 32.4 percent. The International Share Account, consisting of active, semi-passive, and passive managers, returned 17.8 percent for the year. The account is compared to a composite index that returned 26.7 percent. The Bond Market Account, an actively-managed account, returned negative 1.3 percent, and exceeded its benchmark Barclays Capital Aggregate Index return of negative 2.0 percent.

Wells Fargo Advisors held 10.0 percent of Bloomington Fire's total assets. This account was invested in cash, individual stocks, fixed-income, and mutual funds. The Wells Fargo account returned 17.2 percent.

Bloomington Fire also held investments in an internally-managed account. The account held 1.7 percent of the plan's assets, and was entirely invested in short-term cash investments. Assets held by the internally-managed account decreased by 0.7 percent over the 2012 holdings.

## Duluth Teachers' Retirement Fund Association

The Duluth Teachers’ Retirement Fund Association was established in 1910 to provide retirement coverage to eligible employees of the Duluth Public Schools. ${ }^{3}$ Eligible employees include the licensed, certified staff of Duluth Public Schools, certain staff at Lake Superior College hired prior to July 1, 1995 who elected to continue membership with the association, and association staff. Since 1964, the association also offers to members three tax-deferred 403(b) investment funds through payroll deduction with the school district. The association is governed by a nine-member Board of Trustees, which sets policy and oversees operations consistent with the applicable laws. The executive director is the administrative officer for the association.

Duluth Teachers' returned 20.7 percent in 2013, above its benchmark return of 17.1 percent. Above-market returns in domestic equity, fixed-income, and international equity investments contributed to the strong overall return for the plan's total portfolio.

Duluth Teachers’ updated its investment policy in December of 2011 to include a Purpose-Driven Portfolio strategy, which established policy weights for each asset class.

[^2]In this structure, asset allocation is a function of aggregate portfolio goals. Broad asset classes are not the primary focus. Investment allocations are based upon their ability to further the goals of the total portfolio. The policy has four categories: Return Enhancers, Portfolio Stabilizers, Opportunistic, and Economic Hedges.

The Return Enhancers category includes domestic equity, international equity, and private equity. In the investment policy, a target allocation of 65.0 percent of the plan's assets was established for this category. Duluth Teachers' domestic equity portfolio returned 39.4 percent. Investments in large-capitalization stocks were held through a Wells Fargo S\&P 500 Index fund, which comprised 13.0 percent of the plan’s total assets. The Wells Fargo fund returned 32.4 percent, falling in line with the benchmark S\&P 500 Index return of 32.4 percent. The small-capitalization growth segment of domestic equity was managed by Disciplined Growth Investors, which held 15.5 percent of Duluth Teachers' total assets. This fund returned a favorable 49.6 percent compared to a 43.3 percent return from the Russell 2000 Growth Index benchmark. The small- and mid-capitalization portfolio, comprising 8.7 percent of the plan's total assets, was managed by Wellington. The Wellington fund performed well in 2013 returning 35.2 percent, while its Russell 2500 Value Index benchmark provided a 33.3 percent return.

International equity comprised 25.6 percent of the total portfolio. The international equity portfolio returned 16.7 percent during 2013, which outperformed the benchmark MSCI ACW Index ex. U.S. return of 15.3 percent. The largest portion of the international equity portfolio was invested with the Tweedy, Browne Company. Comprising 10.7 percent of the total portfolio, the fund returned 19.6 percent. International equity funds with Vanguard and William Blair returned 23.1 percent and 18.9 percent, respectively. Emerging market equity investments were held with Wellington, which returned 2.4 percent in 2013.

The plan’s private equity funds were held by HarbourVest Partners, North Sky Capital, and Permal. Private equity consists of equity securities in operating companies that are not publicly traded on a stock exchange. The assets were invested in venture funds, buyout funds, and international private equity funds. Investments in private equity comprised 10.7 percent of the plan's total assets at the end of the year and returned 10.6 percent.

The Portfolio Stabilizers category includes fixed-income investments, absolute-return strategies, and cash. A target allocation of 20.0 percent was established for this category in 2013. The fixed-income portfolio held 15.8 percent of the plan's total assets at the end of the year. Fixed-income investments managed by Western Asset Management returned 1.7 percent, which exceeded the Barclays Capital Aggregate Index benchmark return of negative 2.0 percent. The Hussman Strategic Growth Fund was also previously classified in the Portfolio Stabilizers category. Duluth Teachers' removed its investments in this risk-controlled equity fund during January of 2013. Duluth Teachers' held 1.6 percent of its total assets in cash at the end of 2013.

The Opportunistic category includes unique or short-term investment opportunities. A target allocation of 5.0 percent was established for this category. The BlackRock Tempus fund returned 9.5 percent. Funds held with Pacific Investment Management Company returned 22.8 percent in 2013. The Opportunistic investments comprised 8.5 percent of the plan's total assets at the end of the year.

The Economic Hedges category includes real assets and real-return bonds. A target allocation of 10.0 percent was established for this category. Duluth Teachers' real estate investments made up 0.6 percent of the plan's total assets. The investments returned 10.4 percent for the year. However, the plan's real estate investment return underperformed compared to the benchmark National Council of Real Estate Investment Fiduciaries (NCREIF) Property Index return of 11.0 percent. The plan's real estate investments consist of the buildings which house the plan's offices. Rental income from the buildings is included by Duluth Teachers' in the calculation of the investment return for real estate, which contributed to the return of the asset class.

## St. Paul Teachers' Retirement Fund Association

The St. Paul Teachers' Retirement Fund Association is a non-profit organization formed in 1909. ${ }^{4}$ At the direction and oversight of a ten-member Board of Trustees, St. Paul Teachers' staff manage two tax-qualified, defined-benefit pension programs, a Basic Plan and a Coordinated Plan. These plans cover licensed personnel of the Independent School District (ISD) No. 625, which is the central administrative body for public schools within the City of St. Paul. Basic Plan members do not participate in Social Security through their employment with the ISD. In 1978, the Coordinated Plan commenced and it provides retirement benefits for members who simultaneously participate in Social Security.

St. Paul Teachers’ returned 19.2 percent in 2013, as calculated by the Office of the State Auditor, exceeding its benchmark return of 17.1 percent. The plan's market value increased by $\$ 113.5$ million. International and domestic equity returns were the main contributors to the plan's overall increase in market value.

The domestic equity holdings of St. Paul Teachers' returned 35.8 percent, which exceeded the S\&P 500 Index return of 32.4 percent. St. Paul Teachers’ used the S\&P 500 Index as the large-capitalization benchmark. The BlackRock Russell 1000 Growth Index fund returned 33.6 percent and exceeded the Russell 1000 Growth Index benchmark of 33.5 percent. This fund was the plan's third largest large-capitalization fund. The Barrow \& Hanley fund's rate of return of 35.9 percent exceeded the Russell 1000 Value Index benchmark return of 32.5 percent. The BlackRock Equity S\&P 500 Index fund returned 32.4 percent, matching the S\&P 500 Index benchmark of 32.4 percent. The lone mid-capitalization fund managed by Wellington Management returned 49.9 percent. The small-capitalization fund managed by Boston Company returned 45.6

[^3]percent. The Dimensional Fund Advisors 6-10 Value fund returned 42.7 percent, compared to its 34.5 percent benchmark return. The Advantus fund returned 2.4 percent, which exceeded the Wilshire Real Estate Securities Index return of 2.2 percent.

Fixed-income investments returned a negative 1.8 percent, exceeding its Barclays Capital Aggregate Index benchmark return of negative 2.0 percent. During 2013, St. Paul Teachers’ liquidated three fixed income funds and purchased four new fixed income funds. In February of 2013, St. Paul Teachers' liquidated its holdings in the BlackRock High Yield Fund. In June and August of 2013, St. Paul Teachers’ liquidated its holdings in the BGI G/C Index Fund and BlackRock U.S. Debt Index Fund, respectively. In May of 2013, St. Paul Teachers’ added two funds to its fixed income portfolio. During the last two quarters of 2013, Brandywine and T. Rowe Price Funds returned 0.1 percent and 1.7 percent, respectively. In June of 2013, St. Paul Teachers’ added the Guggenheim Fund, which had a return of 2.8 percent during the last two quarters of 2013. St. Paul Teachers' added the Allianz Cash Overlay Fund in July of 2013. This fund returned 2.7 percent during the last two quarters of 2013. Fixed-income investments made up 18.7 percent of the total portfolio, after accounting for 19.4 percent of the portfolio in 2012.

St. Paul Teachers' international equity portfolio returned 13.2 percent. The plan classifies the international equity managers as either developed or emerging market. The developed market funds, managed by JP Morgan and Morgan Stanley, track the MSCI EAFE Index benchmark, which returned 22.8 percent. The JP Morgan fund fell short of the benchmark, returning 18.8 percent, and the Morgan Stanley fund also fell short of the benchmark with a return of 21.7 percent. The emerging market segment underperformed the developed market holdings of St. Paul Teachers', which reduced the overall return of the plan's international equity portfolio. The emerging market fund managed by Capital International returned 0.4 percent, outperforming the MSCI Emerging Markets Index benchmark of negative 2.3 percent.

Global equity investments for St. Paul Teachers' returned 20.9 percent. The Lazard Thematic Global Fund returned 19.4 percent, falling short of the MSCI ACW Index benchmark of 23.4 percent. Morgan Stanley’s Global Franchise Fund and JP Morgan’s Focus Fund returned 19.7 percent and 25.5 percent, respectively. Both funds are compared to the MSCI World Index benchmark, which returned 27.4 percent in 2013. In January of 2013, St. Paul Teachers’ began investing in Lazard Global Discounted Assets Fund. The fund returned 16.9 percent, missing the MSCI ACW Index benchmark of 23.4 percent.

Real estate holdings for St. Paul Teachers’ returned 11.3 percent as calculated by the Office of the State Auditor, compared to its NFI ODCE (net) Index benchmark return of 12.9 percent. The UBS Trumbull Fund returned 10.4 percent in 2013, underperforming the NFI ODCE (net) Index benchmark return of 12.9 percent. In July and August of 2013, St. Paul Teachers’ added two additional funds. The UBS Trumbull Growth and Income Fund returned 11.9 percent during the last two quarters of 2013, outperforming the NCREIF Property benchmark of 5.2 percent for the same period. The other real
estate fund purchased during August of 2013 was the Tortoise MLP Fund. This fund returned 8.6 percent for the last quarter of 2013.

Prior to 2013, alternative investments and private equity investments held by St. Paul Teachers’ were combined for reporting purposes. For the 2013 reporting year, private equity and alternative investments were separated into their own assets classes. Private Equity investments returned negative 3.6 percent, as calculated by the Office of the State Auditor. Private equity investments included funds managed by RWI Group, North Sky Capital, and Franklin Park. St. Paul Teachers' uses the Russell $3000+3$ percent as a benchmark for its private equity funds. The 2013 benchmark rate of return was 18.8 percent.

St. Paul Teachers' purchased two alternative investment funds during 2013. The Waddell and Reed High Yield Fund was purchased in March of 2013. This fund returned 6.4 percent for the last two quarters of 2013. St. Paul Teachers’ purchased the VIA Energy Fund in November of 2013. A rate of return was not reported for this fund because it was held for less than one quarter at year-end. St. Paul Teachers' alternative investments portfolio returned 5.6 percent in 2013, as calculated by the Office of the State Auditor.

St. Paul Teachers' cash portfolio returned 13.6 percent. The cash portfolio includes a cash overlay account managed by the Clifton Group. The cash overlay account overlaid equity returns on cash, contributing to the strong rate of return for the cash portfolio.

St. Paul Teachers’ U.S. Treasury Bills portfolio consisted of the Clifton Group TIPS Fund. The fund returned negative 9.4 percent.

## State Board of Investment

The State Board of Investment (SBI) was established by Article XI of the Minnesota Constitution to invest state funds. The SBI is responsible for the investment management of various retirement funds, trust funds, and cash accounts. Its membership, as specified in the Constitution, is comprised of the Governor (who is designated as chair of the Board), the State Auditor, the Secretary of State, and the State Attorney General. All investments undertaken by the SBI are governed by the prudent person rule and other standards codified in Minnesota Statutes, Chapter 11A and Chapter 356A.

The SBI’s Combined Funds returned 20.2 percent in 2013, exceeding its 18.4 percent benchmark for the year. Each of the SBI's individual asset classes contributed to the above-market total return by surpassing their respective benchmarks.

The SBI's domestic equity portfolio returned 35.1 percent, which was above the benchmark Russell 3000 Index return of 33.6 percent. The portfolio is managed by 17 active money managers, four semi-passive managers, and one passive manager. Each active manager is expected to add value over the long run relative to the Russell style index which reflects its investment approach or style. The semi-passive managers are
expected to add incremental value relative to the Russell 1000 Index, employing a strategy that more closely tracks the benchmark than that of the active managers. The passive manager consistently tracks the Russell 3000 Index.

The fixed-income portfolio of the SBI returned negative 1.3 percent for the year, compared to the negative 2.0 percent benchmark return of the Barclays Capital Aggregate Index. An 18.0 percent allocation to fixed income is provided for in the SBI's investment policy, and the fixed-income portfolio made up 21.2 percent of the SBI's total assets at the end of the year. The SBI targets no more than half of the fixed-income portfolio for active management, while having at least half managed semi-passively. The objective of the five active managers is to outperform the Barclays Capital Aggregate Index by focusing on high quality fixed-income securities across all sectors of the market. The three semi-passive managers have the goal of adding incremental value through superior bond selection and sector allocation rather than through interest rate exposure.

The SBI's international equity portfolio returned 17.8 percent, outperforming its benchmark MSCI ACW Index ex. U.S. return of 15.3 percent. The SBI allocates 15.0 percent to international equities in its investment policy, and at year-end international equities accounted for 15.7 percent of the total assets. The SBI's international equity portfolio has eight active managers, three semi-passive managers, and one passive manager. Six of the eight active managers and the three semi-passive managers invest entirely in developed markets. The remaining two active managers invest solely in emerging markets. SBI's target is to have at least one-third of the portfolio managed actively, no more than one-third managed semi-passively, and at least one-quarter managed passively.

The alternative investments of the SBI returned 15.8 percent in 2013. The actual rate of return is used as the benchmark for this asset class. A target allocation of 20.0 percent is established in the investment policy, with an actual allocation of 12.6 percent to alternative investments at the end of 2013. The majority of the portfolio is allocated to private equity, with assets also being held in yield-oriented investments, resource investments, and real estate.

## University of Minnesota Supplemental Benefits Plan

The University of Minnesota Supplemental Benefits Plan is a University-funded definedbenefit plan designed to provide additional retirement benefits for certain groups of individuals. ${ }^{5}$ As of July 1, 2013, the plan had four active members and 151 retirees and survivors who were receiving or were entitled to receive benefits. No additional participants in the plan are expected, as the eligible population is a closed group.

[^4]The Supplemental Benefits Plan is invested in the University of Minnesota Group Income Pool (GIP). The GIP is invested in a diversified bond fund, which is measured against the Barclays Capital Aggregate Index (after taxes and un-hedged). The Barclays Capital Aggregate Index returned negative 2.0 percent during 2013. The GIP returned 2.0 percent during the same period. The Supplemental Benefits Plan had a rate of return of 0.9 percent for 2013, as calculated by the Office of the State Auditor. The rate of return calculated by the Office of the State Auditor was for the Supplemental Benefits Plan only, and not for the entire GIP.

| Beginning Market Value | $\$ 1,759,911$ |
| :--- | ---: |
| Net Cash Flows | $\$(74,087)$ |
| Investment Returns | $\$ 16,913$ |
| Ending Market Value | $\$ 1,702,737$ |
| OSA One-Year Rate of Return | $0.9 \%$ |
| OSA Three-Year Rate of Return | $5.2 \%$ |
| Group Income Pool One-Year Rate of Return | $2.0 \%$ |
| Benchmark Rate of Return | $\mathbf{( 2 . 0 ) \%}$ |

Figure 2 below shows the 2013 rates of return for the large plans and the SBI.

Figure 2: 2013 Rates of Return


## Funding Ratios

Funding ratios show the relationship between a plan's assets and its liabilities. A funding ratio below 100 percent means the plan does not have a surplus and has unfunded actuarial accrued liabilities. ${ }^{6}$ A plan's liabilities are calculated by an actuary using statutory assumptions based on historical data. Examining the ratio between assets and liabilities can help determine how well-funded the plan is, whether additional contributions to the plan will be needed, and whether future benefit increases would be sustainable. Investment returns, contributions, actuarial assumptions, plan provisions, changes in benefit levels, and historical funding issues can all have a direct influence on the financial health of the plan.

The funding ratios provided in this report are calculated based on each plan's fiscal year. Bloomington Fire has a December 31 fiscal year-end, while Duluth Teachers’ and St. Paul Teachers' have a June 30 fiscal year-end.

Bloomington Fire’s funding ratio increased 12.3 percent during 2013. Bloomington Fire was the highest-funded large public pension plan, with a funding ratio of 111.0 percent. Because the assets of Bloomington Fire are not smoothed, the funding ratio is subject to greater volatility than the other large plans. ${ }^{7}$ Actuarial smoothing evens out the effect of short-term volatility in the market value of assets.

Duluth Teachers' funding ratio decreased 9.4 percent, for a funding ratio of 54.0 percent. Duluth Teachers' unfunded actuarial accrued liability amount was $\$ 162.0$ million.

St. Paul Teachers' funding ratio decreased by 1.6 percent to 60.4 percent. Its unfunded actuarial accrued liability was $\$ 581.1$ million.

Figure 3 on the next page illustrates the funded ratios for the large plans.

[^5]Figure 3: Fiscal Year 2013 Funded Ratio Percentage


## Administrative Expenses

Pension plans are permitted by state law to pay certain administrative expenses out of the pension plan's assets. These expenses include staff salaries, legal fees, professional services (including audit and actuarial fees), and other items such as travel, postage, and printing. It is important to limit expenses to those that are necessary and reasonable while still maintaining a well-managed pension plan.

The administrative expenses provided in this report are calculated based on each plan's fiscal year.

St. Paul Teachers,' the largest plan, spent the most on administrative expenses, totaling $\$ 751,064$, a 2.0 percent increase from 2012. Duluth Teachers,' the next largest plan, spent $\$ 537,013$ on administrative expenses, which was a 14.6 percent decrease from the previous year.

Bloomington Fire, the smallest plan, increased its administrative expenses from the previous year by 8.2 percent. Bloomington Fire had the lowest total administrative expenses of the plans, at $\$ 94,617$.

Employee salaries made up the largest portion of administrative expenses paid by the plans in 2013. Employee salaries include payroll expenses, plus insurance and benefits for the employees. St. Paul Teachers’ paid $\$ 506,357$ in employee salaries in 2013. This was a increase of 12.4 percent in the amount paid from the previous year. Duluth Teachers' paid $\$ 242,728$ in employee salaries during the fiscal year ending June 30, 2013. This was a 28.2 percent decrease over the amount paid in 2012. Bloomington Fire paid $\$ 46,569$ in employee salaries during 2013, which was the same as the amount spent in 2012.

Total administrative expenses on a per-member basis remained fairly constant for each of the plans during 2013 and have remained fairly constant over the past ten years. ${ }^{8}$ Figure 4 on the next page provides further detail on administrative expenses.

[^6]Figure 4: Administrative Expenses for Fiscal Year 2013


Bloomington Fire - \$94,617


Duluth Teachers' - \$537,013


St. Paul Teachers' - \$751,064

## Ten-Year Performance Analysis

The rates of return over the last ten years have remained fairly constant in spite of two years of limited or negative growth in 2008 and 2011. Domestic equity, as measured by the Russell 3000 Index, posted positive returns during eight of the ten years. This tenyear period will allow us to measure the performance of Minnesota's large plans during a period of volatility.

The investment returns of Minnesota's large plans over the ten-year period ending December 31, 2013, can be assessed by using market indices as benchmarks. The U.S. stock market, as measured by the Russell 3000 Index, returned 7.9 percent over the tenyear period. Domestic equity represented the largest asset allocation for each of the large plans.

International equity, as measured by the MSCI EAFE Index, averaged 6.9 percent annually over the ten-year period. Emerging markets averaged an annual return of 11.5 percent over the period, as measured by the MSCI Emerging Markets Index.

The average bond market return over the ten-year period was 4.5 percent, as measured by the Barclays Capital Aggregate Index.

An example of a return that was calculated over the ten-year period is the State Board of Investment's Income Share Account. The target asset allocations for this account were 60.0 percent domestic equities, 35.0 percent bonds, and 5.0 percent cash. The stock component of this account is indexed to the Russell 3000 Index. The bond portion of this account is actively managed and includes corporate bonds, mortgage securities, and government-issued bonds. The Income Share Account represents a balanced fund. Over time this account is expected to average higher rates of return than a fixed-income or money market account. The Income Share Account's average annual rate of return for the ten-year period was 7.1 percent. Bloomington Fire and Duluth Teachers' failed to meet the Income Share Account ten-year rate of return.

Of the large public pension plans, the top performing plan over the ten-year period was St. Paul Teachers', averaging a 7.5 percent annual rate of return. For comparison purposes, the SBI had a ten-year return of 8.1 percent. ${ }^{9}$ Duluth Teachers' had a 6.1 percent rate of return over the ten-year period. Bloomington Fire had a ten-year return of 6.2 percent. Bloomington Fire's actuarial assumed rate of return of 6.0 percent is lower than the actuarial assumed rate of return for the other large plans, so Bloomington Fire's ten-year return matches its different investment and risk objectives. Bloomington Fire was the only plan to exceed its actuarial assumed average annual rates of return over the ten-year period.

[^7]Figure 5 below shows the ten-year average annual rates of return for the large plans and for the SBI.

Figure 5: Ten-Year Average Annual Rates of Return (2004-2013)


## 2013 Plan Summaries

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## How to Read the Plan Summaries

The plan summaries on pages 25 through 28 of this report contain various acronyms and investment terms that are defined below.

## Rates of Return (ROR)

- OSA One-Year ROR - The pension plan's total return on its assets, as calculated by the Office of the State Auditor. Note: Under State law, the Duluth Teachers’ Retirement Fund Association and the State Board of Investment submit only limited reporting information. The rates of return for these two plans are provided by the plans and are not re-calculated by the Office of the State Auditor.
- Plan One-Year ROR - The pension plan's return on its assets as calculated by the plan or its consultant.
- Benchmark ROR - The rate of return of a hypothetical portfolio invested in the plan's chosen benchmark components in the percentages dictated by the plan's investment policy. Although not perfect, it is a good measure of what return the plan could have achieved during the year.
- Actuarial Assumed ROR - The rate of return required for the plan to meet its actuarial assumptions.
- Three-, Five-, and Ten-Year ROR - The average annual returns earned by the plan over the specified time period, either calculated by the Office of the State Auditor or reported by the plan. Note: Under State law, the Duluth Teachers' Retirement Fund Association and the State Board of Investment submit only limited reporting information. The rates of return for these two plans are provided by the plans and are not re-calculated by the Office of the State Auditor.


#### Abstract

Asset Class A group of similar investments, such as domestic equity, bonds, cash, or alternative investments. Pension plans invest in different asset classes for diversification purposes. When returns for one asset class decline, another may increase offsetting the loss. In this report, any account or fund that holds investments from more than one asset class is reported as its own asset class.


## Benchmark Components and Rates of Return

Benchmark components are the different indices to which the plan compares its investments. Indices track different asset classes, such as domestic equity or bonds. They may also track subsets of an asset class. To evaluate investment performance, it is important to use appropriate indices. The rates of return for each benchmark component are also provided.

## Policy Asset Allocation

The percentage allocated to each asset class in the investment policy.

## Actual Asset Allocation

The percentage actually invested in each asset class. In the plan summaries that follow, the actual asset allocation is measured as of the year-end.

## Beginning Market Value/Ending Market Value

The market value is the price as determined by buyers and sellers in an open market. The dollar amount in the asset class or investment as of the beginning/end of 2013 is the beginning market value/ending market value.

## Net Cash Flows

The net amount of cash (or securities) deposited or withdrawn from the asset class or investment during the year.

## Investment Return

The net amount of interest, dividends, and appreciation or depreciation the asset class or investment gained or lost during the year.

## Rate of Return

The net (after fees) return of the asset class or investment during the year.

| Rates of Return (ROR) |  |
| :--- | ---: |
|  |  |
| OSA One-Year ROR | $19.2 \%$ |
| Plan One-Year ROR | $19.3 \%$ |
| Benchmark ROR | $18.2 \%$ |
| Actuarial Assumed ROR - Active | $6.0 \%$ |
| Actuarial Assumed ROR - Retired | $6.0 \%$ |
| OSA Three-Year ROR | $10.4 \%$ |
| OSA Five-Year ROR | $12.0 \%$ |
| OSA Ten-Year ROR | $6.2 \%$ |


| $\begin{array}{c}\text { Benchmark Components } \\ \text { and Rates of Return }\end{array}$ |  |
| :--- | ---: |
| S\&P 500 | $32.4 \%$ |
| MSCI World (Net) | $26.7 \%$ |
| Barclays Capital Aggregate | $(2.0) \%$ |
| 90-Day U.S Treasury Bill | $0.0 \%$ |



Bloomington Fire Department Relief Association
For theYear Ended December 31, 2013
(Dolars in Thousands)


| $\begin{array}{c}\text { Investment } \\ \text { Return }\end{array}$ |  |
| :---: | ---: |
| $\$$ | 19,187 |
|  | 2,368 |
|  | $(413)$ |
|  | 13 |
|  | 41 |
|  | 2,108 |
| $\$$ | $\mathbf{2 3 , 3 0 4}$ |


| $\begin{array}{c}\text { Ending } \\ \text { Market Value }\end{array}$ |  |
| :---: | ---: |
| $\$$ | 67,464 |
|  | 15,253 |
|  | 23,149 |
|  | 21,276 |
|  | 2,475 |
|  | 14,378 |
| $\$$ | $\mathbf{1 4 3 , 9 9 5}$ |

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| Investment Type |
| :--- |
| Domestic Equities |
| International Equities |
| Fixed Income |
| Cash |
| Balanced |
| Balanced |
| Total |


| Actual Asset Allocation |  |
| :---: | :---: |
| Domestic Equities | 37.2 \% |
| Fixed Income | 15.8\% |
| International Equities | 25.6 \% |
| Cash | 1.6 \% |
| Real Assets | 0.6 \% |
| Private Equity | 10.7 \% |
| Opportunistic | 8.5 \% |
| Ending Market Value | Rate of Return |
| 83,189 | 39.4 \% |
| 0 |  |
| 35,479 | 1.7 \% |
| 57,213 | 16.7 \% |
| 3,637 | 0.4 \% |
| 1,475 | 10.4 \% |
| 23,911 | 10.6\% |
| 18,938 | 16.2 \% |
| 223,842 |  |


Duluth Teachers' Retirement Fund Association

For the Year Ended December 31, 2013 | $\begin{array}{c}\text { Policy } \\ \text { Asset Allocation }\end{array}$ |  |
| :--- | ---: |
| Domestic Equities | $33.0 \%$ |
| Fixed Income | $17.0 \%$ |
| International Equities | $25.0 \%$ |
| Cash | $3.0 \%$ |
| Real Assets | $10.0 \%$ |
| Private Equity | $7.0 \%$ |
| Opportunistic | $5.0 \%$ |




| Rates of Return (ROR) |  |
| :--- | ---: |
|  |  |
| Plan One-Year ROR | $20.7 \%$ |
| Benchmark ROR | $17.1 \%$ |
| Actuarial Assumed ROR - Active | $8.0 \%$ |
| Actuarial Assumed ROR - Retired | $8.0 \%$ |
| Plan Three-Year ROR | $11.6 \%$ |
| Plan Five-Year ROR | $13.6 \%$ |
| Plan Ten-Year ROR | $6.1 \%$ |



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 (Dollars in Thousands)
St. Paul Teachers' Retirement Fund Association
$\underset{\text { (Dollars in Thousands) }}{\text { Year Ending December 31, } 2013}$





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| Rates of Return (ROR) |  |
| :--- | ---: |
|  |  |
| Plan One-Year ROR | $20.2 \%$ |
| Benchmark ROR | $18.4 \%$ |
| Actuarial Assumed ROR - Active | $8.0 \%$ |
| Actuarial Assumed ROR - Retired | $8.0 \%$ |
| Plan Three-Year ROR | $11.5 \%$ |
| Plan Five-Year ROR | $13.8 \%$ |
| Plan Ten-Year ROR | $8.1 \%$ |
|  |  |
| Asset Class |  |
| Domestic Equities |  |
| Fixed Income |  |
| International Equities |  |
| Alternatives |  |
| Cash \& Disbursement Account |  |
| Cash - CD Repo |  |


|  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { N } \\ & \underset{N}{N} \\ & \underset{N}{N} \end{aligned}$ $\leftrightarrow$ |  |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { ल్ } \\ & 0 \\ & \hat{N} \\ & \text { N゙ } \\ & \text { N } \end{aligned}$ | $\stackrel{N}{\infty}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \infty \\ & \underset{\sim}{\circ} \\ & \underset{\sim}{n} \end{aligned}$ |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |

## 2013 Appendix

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Table 1
Historical Rates of Return
For Calendar Years 2004 to 2013

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \begin{array}{c}
2013 \\
\hline \\
*
\end{array} \\
& \begin{array}{c}
2012 \\
\hline 12.6 \% \\
15.0 \% \\
* \\
* \\
12.5 \% \\
13.7 \%
\end{array}
\end{aligned}
$$

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\begin{aligned}
& \begin{array}{c}
\mathbf{2 0 0 7} \\
\hline 6.9 \% \\
6.6 \% \\
11.5 \% \\
6.9 \% \\
8.1 \% \\
9.7 \% \\
9.2 \%
\end{array}
\end{aligned}
$$

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\begin{aligned}
& \begin{array}{c}
2004 \\
\hline 9.5 \% \\
10.6 \% \\
10.1 \% \\
10.1 \% \\
14.1 \% \\
13.0 \% \\
11.8 \%
\end{array} \\
& \text { Public Pension Plans }
\end{aligned}
$$

${ }^{1}$ The SBI Basic and Post Funds were combined in 2009.

* The Minneapolis Firefighters' Relief Association and the Minneapolis Police Relief Association were consolidated with the Public Employees Retirement Association (PERA) in 2011.
Table 2
State of Minnesota Contributions
For Fiscal Years 2004 to 2013

(e.g., as part of Employer Contributions). Public Employees Retirement Association (PERA) in 2011.
Table 3
Employer Contributions
For Fiscal Years 2004 to 2013

| Public Pension Plans | 2004 |  | 2005 |  | 2006 |  | 2007 |  | 2008 |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Bloomington Fire (12/31) | \$ | 2,986,280 | \$ | 1,576,139 | \$ | 841,138 | \$ | - | \$ | - |
| Duluth Teachers' (6/30) |  | 2,826,730 |  | 2,845,684 |  | 2,867,299 |  | 2,940,697 |  | 2,994,086 |
| Minneapolis Fire (12/31) |  | 2,670 |  | 4,737,705 |  | 1,348,855 |  | 3,030,347 |  | 3,336,852 |
| Minneapolis Police (12/31) |  | 20,800,530 |  | 24,976,747 |  | 5,366,224 |  | 3,647,229 |  | 3,535,999 |
| St. Paul Teachers' (6/30) |  | 20,378,315 |  | 20,435,230 |  | 20,615,130 |  | 20,466,200 |  | 20,775,392 |
| Total | \$ | 46,994,525 | \$ | 54,571,505 | \$ | 31,038,646 | \$ | 30,084,473 | \$ | 30,642,329 |
| Public Pension Plans |  | 2009 |  | 2010 |  | 2011 |  | 2012 |  | 2013 |
| Bloomington Fire (12/31) | \$ | - | \$ | 3,245,667 | \$ | 3,129,651 | \$ | 1,852,639 | \$ | 1,911,112 |
| Duluth Teachers' (6/30) |  | 2,954,026 |  | 2,866,150 |  | 2,798,027 |  | 2,878,549 |  | 3,013,717 |
| Minneapolis Fire (12/31) |  | 1,837,448 |  | 1,377,896 |  | * |  | * |  | * |
| Minneapolis Police (12/31) |  | 2,870,590 |  | 11,635,632 |  | * |  | * |  | * |
| St. Paul Teachers' (6/30) |  | 21,501,237 |  | 21,107,889 |  | 21,013,360 |  | 21,451,545 |  | 22,779,713 |
| Total | \$ | 29,163,301 | \$ | 40,233,234 | \$ | 26,941,038 | \$ | 26,182,733 | \$ | 27,704,542 |

Total
Table 4
Employee Contributions
For Fiscal Years 2004 to 2013

0
0
0
0
0
0
0
0
Table 5

| Average Contribution per Member <br> For Fiscal Years 2004 to 2013 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Public Pension Plans | 2004 | 2005 |  | 2006 |  | 2007 |  | 2008 | 2009 | 2010 | 2011 | 2012 |  | 2013 |  |
| Bloomington Fire (12/31) | \$ 12,567 | \$ | 7,558 | \$ | 4,975 | \$ | 1,673 | \$ 1,433 | \$ 1,216 | \$ 11,927 | \$ 11,583 | \$ | 7,120 | \$ | 7,160 |
| Duluth Teachers' (6/30) | 1,776 |  | 1,766 |  | 1,817 |  | 1,751 | 1,766 | 1,843 | 1,936 | 1,848 |  | 1,884 |  | 1,918 |
| Minneapolis Fire (12/31) | 3,302 |  | 10,445 |  | 4,125 |  | 7,056 | 8,051 | 7,233 | 6,664 | * |  | * |  | * |
| Minneapolis Police (12/31) | 29,701 |  | 34,257 |  | 11,754 |  | 7,797 | 6,757 | 7,503 | 18,687 | * |  | * |  | * |
| St. Paul Teachers' (6/30) | 3,864 |  | 3,776 |  | 3,768 |  | 3,774 | 3,766 | 3,815 | 3,842 | 3,746 |  | 3,760 |  | 3,893 |

Note: This average is calculated by dividing all Contributions by the number of Members at Fiscal Year End.

* The Minneapolis Firefighters' Relief Association and the Minneapolis Police Relief Association were consolidated with the Public Employees
Retirement Association (PERA) in 2011.
Table 6



Average of Total Annual Benefits per Retired Member/Beneficiary






| $\mathbf{2 0 0 4}$ |
| ---: |
| $\$ 18,880$ |
| 15,309 |
| 35,070 |
| 35,611 |
| 29,174 |


| Public Pension Plans |
| :--- |
| Bloomington Fire $(12 / 31)$ |
| Duluth Teachers' $(6 / 30)$ |
| Minneapolis Fire $(12 / 31)$ |
| Minneapolis Police $(12 / 31)$ |
| St. Paul Teachers' $(6 / 30)$ |

Note: Beneficiaries include retirees, disabled members and surviving spouses.

* The Minneapolis Firefighters' Relief Association and the Minneapolis Police Relief Association were consolidated with the Public Employees
Retirement Association (PERA) in 2011 .
Table 7

| Percent Increase in Average of Total Benefits per Retired Member/Beneficiary and the Consumer Price Index <br> For Fiscal Years 2004 to 2013 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Public Pension Plans | 2004 | 2005 | 2006 | 2007 | 2008 | 2009 | 2010 | 2011 | 2012 | 2013 |
| Consumer Price Index | 2.70 \% | 3.40 \% | 3.20 \% | 2.90 \% | 3.80 \% | (0.30)\% | 1.60\% | 3.20 \% | 2.10 \% | 1.50 \% |
| Bloomington Fire (12/31) | (1.13)\% | 4.57 \% | 2.27 \% | 1.74 \% | 5.20 \% | 4.18 \% | 1.86 \% | 2.61 \% | 2.86 \% | 1.21 \% |
| Duluth Teachers' (6/30) | (0.36)\% | 4.06 \% | 1.91 \% | 1.74 \% | 5.40 \% | 4.50 \% | 0.65 \% | (1.34)\% | (0.54)\% | (1.04)\% |
| Minneapolis Fire (12/31) | 10.75 \% | 0.20 \% | 2.97 \% | 8.04 \% | 1.52 \% | (2.90)\% | (1.01)\% | * | * | * |
| Minneapolis Police (12/31) | 4.52 \% | 4.96 \% | 3.27 \% | 8.55 \% | 6.09 \% | (5.60)\% | (9.09)\% | * | * | * |
| St. Paul Teachers' (6/30) | $1.94 \%$ | 0.60 \% | 3.32 \% | 1.50 \% | 2.35 \% | 0.68 \% | (0.19)\% | (3.39)\% | 2.04 \% | (1.70)\% |

Note: Beneficiaries include retirees, disabled members and surviving spouses.

* The Minneapolis Firefighters' Relief Association and the Minneapolis Police Relief Association were consolidated with the Public Employees Retirement Association (PERA) in 2011.


## Table 8

| Public Pension Plans | 2004 | 2005 | 2006 | 2007 | 2008 | 2009 | 2010 | 2011 | 2012 | 2013 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Bloomington Fire (12/31) | 115.12 \% | 124.16 \% | 133.93 \% | 130.94 \% | 91.28 \% | 99.01 \% | 105.41 \% | 102.66 \% | 98.66\% | 110.95 \% |
| Duluth Teachers' (6/30) | 91.80 \% | 86.40 \% | 84.10 \% | 86.80 \% | 82.10 \% | 76.55 \% | 81.66\% | 73.22 \% | 63.40 \% | 54.00 \% |
| Minneapolis Fire ( $12 / 31)^{1}$ | 90.20 \% | 86.20 \% | 87.50 \% | 92.80 \% | 90.13 \% | 79.07 \% | 77.35 \% | * | * | * |
| Minneapolis Police (12/31) ${ }^{1}$ | 68.60 \% | 77.30 \% | 85.70 \% | 87.90 \% | 73.50 \% | 66.87 \% | 62.75 \% | * | * | * |
| St. Paul Teachers' (6/30) | 71.82 \% | 69.65 \% | 69.11 \% | 73.01 \% | 75.13 \% | 72.20 \% | 68.05 \% | 69.99 \% | 61.98 \% | 60.40 \% |

Note: The Funded Ratio Percentage is calculated by dividing the actuarial value of plan assets by the actuarial accrued liability.
${ }^{1}$ The Minneapolis Firefighters' Relief Association and the Minneapolis Police Relief Association were required to revise the 2008 actuarial valuation pursuant to a court order dated November 20, 2009. The 2008 percentages are the resulting restated Funded Ratio Percentages.

* The Minneapolis Firefighters' Relief Association and the Minneapolis Police Relief Association were consolidated with the Public Employees Retirement Association (PERA) in 2011.
Table 9

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\begin{aligned}
& \text { Public Pension Plans } \\
& \hline \text { Bloomington Fire }(12 / 31) \\
& \text { Duluth Teachers' }(6 / 30) \\
& \text { Minneapolis Fire }(12 / 31) \\
& \text { Minneapolis Police }(12 / 31) \\
& \text { St. Paul Teachers' }(6 / 30) \\
& \text { Total }
\end{aligned}
$$

## Public Pension Plans <br> Bloomington Fire (12/31) Duluth Teachers' (6/30) Minneapolis Fire $(12 / 31)^{1}$ Minneapolis Police $(12 / 31)^{1}$ St. Paul Teachers' (6/30) Total

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Unfunded Actuarial Accrued Liability For Fiscal Years 2004 to 2013

$$
\begin{array}{cc} 
& \mathbf{2 0 0 5} \\
\hline \$ & (20,457,329) \\
& 42,443,000
\end{array}
$$

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$$
\begin{array}{cc} 
& \mathbf{2 0 1 2} \\
\hline \$ & 1,665,469 \\
& 119,410,000 \\
& * \\
& * \\
& 559,286,000 \\
\hline \$ & \mathbf{6 8 0 , 3 6 1 , 4 6 9} \\
\hline \hline
\end{array}
$$

$$
\begin{array}{cc} 
& \mathbf{2 0 1 3} \\
\hline \$ & (14,169,780) \\
& 162,026,000 \\
& * \\
& * \\
& 581,054,000 \\
\hline \$ & \mathbf{7 2 8 , 9 1 0 , 2 2 0} \\
\hline \hline
\end{array}
$$

Table 10
Net Assets/Net Position ${ }^{1}$ Held in Trust for Pension Benefits For Fiscal Years 2004 to 2013

| Public Pension Plans | 2004 |  | 2005 |  | 2006 |  | 2007 |  | 2008 |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Bloomington Fire (12/31) | \$ | 101,341,890 | \$ | 105,139,140 | \$ | 116,978,895 | \$ | 122,158,440 | \$ | 88,639,493 |
| Duluth Teachers' (6/30) |  | 258,831,515 |  | 267,383,556 |  | 281,950,173 |  | 318,973,530 |  | 271,616,844 |
| Minneapolis Fire (12/31) |  | 254,086,792 |  | 254,424,228 |  | 265,244,602 |  | 276,046,212 |  | 182,391,932 |
| Minneapolis Police ( $12 / 31$ ) |  | 348,910,983 |  | 366,406,914 |  | 390,831,714 |  | 389,025,966 |  | 249,250,216 |
| St. Paul Teachers' (6/30) |  | 871,902,589 |  | 934,667,364 |  | 1,005,745,229 |  | 1,156,017,206 |  | 1,023,639,596 |
| Total | \$ | 1,835,073,769 | \$ | 1,928,021,202 | \$ | 2,060,750,613 | \$ | 2,262,221,354 | \$ | $\mathbf{1 , 8 1 5 , 5 3 8 , 0 8 1}$ |
| Public Pension Plans |  | 2009 |  | 2010 |  | 2011 |  | 2012 |  | 2013 |
| Bloomington Fire (12/31) | \$ | 98,707,362 | \$ | 111,072,465 | \$ | 110,822,777 | \$ | 122,544,916 | \$ | 143,611,691 |
| Duluth Teachers' (6/30) |  | 179,933,200 |  | 192,402,546 |  | 213,367,995 |  | 194,552,931 |  | 205,300,543 |
| Minneapolis Fire (12/31) |  | 211,052,137 |  | 217,167,206 |  | * |  | * |  | * |
| Minneapolis Police ( $12 / 31$ ) |  | 280,741,244 |  | 301,008,825 |  | * |  | * |  | * |
| St. Paul Teachers' (6/30) |  | 773,258,985 |  | 815,307,121 |  | 950,120,989 |  | 881,926,414 |  | 933,082,142 |
| Total | \$ | 1,543,692,928 | \$ | 1,636,958,163 | \$ | 1,274,311,761 | \$ | 1,199,024,261 | \$ | $\mathbf{1 , 2 8 1 , 9 9 4 , 3 7 6}$ |

Note: These Net Assets/Net Position only include any net assets/net position that are "Held in Trust for Pension Benefits." Resources, Deferred Inflows of Resources, and Net Position, effective for financial statements for periods beginning after December 15, 2011 the residual measure is renamed as net position, rather than net assets.

[^8]Table 11

| Net Assets/Net Position ${ }^{1}$ per Member <br> For Fiscal Years 2004 to 2013 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Public Pension Plans | 2004 |  | 2005 |  | 2006 |  | 2007 |  | 2008 |  |
| Bloomington Fire (12/31) | \$ | 350,664 | \$ | 363,803 | \$ | 401,989 | \$ | 395,335 | \$ | 288,728 |
| Duluth Teachers' (6/30) |  | 78,984 |  | 81,819 |  | 86,861 |  | 94,371 |  | 80,622 |
| Minneapolis Fire (12/31) |  | 383,238 |  | 398,784 |  | 425,754 |  | 454,023 |  | 309,139 |
| Minneapolis Police (12/31) |  | 371,577 |  | 397,836 |  | 434,741 |  | 445,110 |  | 289,826 |
| St. Paul Teachers' (6/30) |  | 88,482 |  | 94,325 |  | 101,141 |  | 116,171 |  | 101,652 |
| Public Pension Plans |  | 009 |  | 10 |  | 011 |  | 012 |  | 013 |
| Bloomington Fire (12/31) | \$ | 322,573 | \$ | 365,370 | \$ | 368,182 | \$ | 394,035 | \$ | 444,618 |
| Duluth Teachers' (6/30) |  | 53,266 |  | 57,076 |  | 63,220 |  | 57,989 |  | 61,412 |
| Minneapolis Fire (12/31) |  | 370,267 |  | 394,133 |  | * |  | * |  | * |
| Minneapolis Police (12/31) |  | 334,614 |  | 369,790 |  | * |  | * |  | * |
| St. Paul Teachers' (6/30) |  | 76,206 |  | 80,223 |  | 91,640 |  | 84,540 |  | 87,302 |

Note: This calculation is the result of dividing the Net Assets Held in Trust for Pension Benefits/ Net Position Held in Trust for Pension Benefits by the Members at Fiscal Year End.
${ }^{1}$ In accordance with Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 63, Financial Reporting of Deferred Outflows of Resources, Deferred Inflows of Resources, and Net Position, effective for financial statements for periods beginning after December 15, 2011 the residual measure is renamed as net position, rather than net assets.

* The Minneapolis Firefighters' Relief Association and the Minneapolis Police Relief Association were consolidated with the Public Employees Retirement Association (PERA) in 2011.
Table 12


| Public Pension Plans | 2009 |  | 2010 |  | 2011 |  | 2012 |  | 2013 |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Bloomington Fire (12/31) | \$ | 3,237 | \$ | $(18,750)$ | \$ | $(9,538)$ | \$ | 5,355 | \$ | $(43,869)$ |
| Duluth Teachers' (6/30) |  | 25,327 |  | 17,010 |  | 25,479 |  | 35,592 |  | 48,467 |
| Minneapolis Fire (12/31) |  | 93,386 |  | 99,363 |  | * |  | * |  | * |
| Minneapolis Police (12/31) |  | 164,049 |  | 185,899 |  | * |  | * |  | * |
| St. Paul Teachers' (6/30) |  | 39,850 |  | 46,264 |  | 40,235 |  | 53,613 |  | 54,365 |

Note: This calculation is the result of dividing the Unfunded Actuarial Accrued Liability by the Members at Fiscal Year End.

* The Minneapolis Firefighters' Relief Association and the Minneapolis Police Relief Association were consolidated with the Public
Employees Retirement Association (PERA) in 2011.
Table 13


| 2013 |  |
| :--- | ---: |
| $\$$ | 94,617 |
|  | 537,013 |
|  | $*$ |
|  | $*$ |
|  | 751,064 |
| $\$$ | $\mathbf{1 , 3 8 2 , 6 9 4}$ |


| 2012 |  |
| :--- | ---: |
| $\$$ | 87,482 |
|  | 628,923 |
|  | $*$ |
|  | $*$ |
|  | 736,446 |
| $\$$ | $\mathbf{1 , 4 5 2 , 8 5 1}$ |




Public Pension Plans

Administrative Expenses
For Fiscal Years 2004 to 2013



* The Minneapolis Firefighters' Relief Association and the Minneapolis Police Relief Association were consolidated with the Public Employees Retirement Association (PERA) in 2011.
Table 14

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\end{array}\right)
$$

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \text { Public Pension Plans } \\
& \hline \text { Bloomington Fire }(12 / 31) \\
& \text { Duluth Teachers' }(6 / 30) \\
& \text { Minneapolis Fire }(12 / 31) \\
& \text { Minneapolis Police }(12 / 31) \\
& \text { St. Paul Teachers' }(6 / 30)
\end{aligned}
$$

$$
\begin{array}{r}
2004 \\
\hline \$ \quad 222 \\
137 \\
871 \\
820 \\
\\
52
\end{array}
$$

* The Minneapolis Firefighters' Relief Association and the Minneapolis Police Relief Association were consolidated with the Public Employ Retirement Association (PERA) in 2011.

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\begin{aligned}
& \text { Administrative Expenses per Member } \\
& \text { For Fiscal Years } 2004 \text { to } 2013
\end{aligned}
$$

Table 15
Members at Fiscal Year End
For Fiscal Years 2004 to 2013
$\xrightarrow[3008]{2007}$




$\begin{array}{r}\mathbf{2 0 0 9} \\ \hline 306 \\ 3,378 \\ 570 \\ 839 \\ 10,147 \\ \hline \mathbf{1 5 , 2 4 0} \\ \hline\end{array}$






| Public Pension Plans |
| :--- |
| Bloomington Fire $(12 / 31)$ |
| Duluth Teachers' $(6 / 30)$ |
| Minneapolis Fire $(12 / 31)$ |
| Minneapolis Police $(12 / 31)$ |
| St. Paul Teachers' $(6 / 30)$ |
| Total |

Table 16
Members at Fiscal Year End - Retirees \& Beneficiaries Receiving Benefits For Fiscal Years 2004 to 2013

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\begin{aligned}
& \text { Public Pension Plans } \\
& \hline \text { Bloomington Fire }(12 / 31) \\
& \text { Duluth Teachers' }(6 / 30) \\
& \text { Minneapolis Fire }(12 / 31) \\
& \text { Minneapolis Police }(12 / 31) \\
& \text { St. Paul Teachers' }(6 / 30) \\
& \text { Total }
\end{aligned}
$$

Note: Beneficiaries are defined as retirees, disabled members, and surviving spouses.

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Retirement Association (PERA) in 2011.
Table 17
Investment Expenses For Fiscal Years 2004 to 2013

| Public Pension Plans | 2004 |  | 2005 |  | 2006 |  | 2007 |  | 2008 |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Bloomington Fire (12/31) | \$ | 78,689 | \$ | 86,305 | \$ | 29,588 | \$ | 17,251 | \$ | 57,751 |
| Duluth Teachers' (6/30) |  | 1,203,295 |  | 1,169,704 |  | 1,289,870 |  | 1,758,675 |  | 1,566,292 |
| Minneapolis Fire (12/31) |  | 1,042,816 |  | 1,088,434 |  | 1,141,368 |  | 1,061,056 |  | 847,469 |
| Minneapolis Police (12/31) |  | 922,855 |  | 645,622 |  | 504,973 |  | 555,491 |  | 521,518 |
| St. Paul Teachers' (6/30) |  | 3,059,912 |  | 3,422,410 |  | 4,609,937 |  | 5,064,712 |  | 4,767,302 |
| Total | \$ | 6,307,567 | \$ | 6,412,475 | \$ | 7,575,736 | \$ | 8,457,185 | \$ | 7,760,332 |
| Public Pension Plans |  | 2009 |  | 2010 |  | 2011 |  | 2012 |  | 2013 |
| Bloomington Fire (12/31) | \$ | 60,234 | \$ | 93,871 | \$ | 109,000 | \$ | 122,563 | \$ | 115,426 |
| Duluth Teachers' (6/30) |  | 1,289,965 |  | 1,209,193 |  | 1,359,608 |  | 1,269,821 |  | 1,311,857 |
| Minneapolis Fire (12/31) |  | 794,662 |  | 835,285 |  | * |  | * |  | * |
| Minneapolis Police (12/31) |  | 468,414 |  | 751,593 |  | * |  | * |  | * |
| St. Paul Teachers' (6/30) |  | 3,635,962 |  | 4,594,683 |  | 4,483,067 |  | 4,148,331 |  | 5,063,012 |
| Total | \$ | 6,249,237 | \$ | 7,484,625 | \$ | 5,951,675 | \$ | 5,540,715 | \$ | 6,490,295 |

Note: Investment Expenses excludes securities lending.

* The Minneapolis Firefighters' Relief Association and the Minneapolis Police Relief Association were consolidated with the Public Employees Retirement Association (PERA) in 2011.

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[^0]:    ${ }^{1}$ The Minneapolis Firefighters' Relief Association and the Minneapolis Police Relief Association are no longer included in this report as both plans were consolidated with the Public Employees Retirement Association in 2011.
    ${ }^{2}$ Minnesota Statutes, section 356.219 , requires the Office of the State Auditor to compute and report total portfolio and asset class time-weighted rates of return, net of all costs and fees. The Duluth Teachers' Retirement Fund Association and the SBI are permitted by this statute to submit limited reporting information. Therefore, the rates of return included in this report for Duluth Teachers' and the SBI are provided by both respective entities, and are not re-calculated by the Office of the State Auditor.

[^1]:    ${ }^{2}$ See Bloomington Fire Department Relief Association December 31, 2013, Financial Statements and Management Letter, page nine.

[^2]:    ${ }^{3}$ See Duluth Teachers' Retirement Fund Association 2013 Comprehensive Annual Financial Report Letter of Transmittal, page three.

[^3]:    ${ }^{4}$ See St. Paul Teachers’ Retirement Fund Association June 30, 2013, Financial Statements and Management Letter, page five.

[^4]:    ${ }^{5}$ Plan and membership information was obtained from the University of Minnesota Supplemental Benefits Plan July 1, 2013, Actuarial Valuation, and from the Supplemental Benefits Plan Administrative Policy.

[^5]:    ${ }^{6}$ The unfunded actuarial accrued liability is the difference between the present value of benefits estimated to be payable to plan members as a result of their service through the valuation date and the actuarial value of plan assets available to pay those benefits.
    ${ }^{7}$ The other large plans included in this report have statutorily-required five-year asset-smoothing actuarial valuation of assets. See Minn. Stat. § 356.215, subd. 1(f).

[^6]:    ${ }^{8}$ See Table 14 on page 44 of this report.

[^7]:    ${ }^{9}$ The SBI's basic and post funds were consolidated in 2009.

[^8]:    * The Minneapolis Firefighters' Relief Association and the Minneapolis Police Relief Association were consolidated with the Public Employees Retirement Association (PERA) in 2011.

