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## Goal of the Study

- The goal of this asset-liability study is to establish a long-term strategic asset allocation target for the pension plans managed by the North Carolina Retirement System pension fund (the "Fund")
- An appropriate asset allocation will depend on the Fund's investment objectives.
- Minimize costs over the long run (long-term goal)
- How much return generation is necessary to lower costs and/or improve funded status?
- Minimize funded status volatility (short-term goal)
- How much risk reduction is necessary to reduce funded status volatility?
- Investment solution is an optimal balance between sustainable funded status volatility and minimization of costs over the long run
- Asset allocation will vary by the unique circumstances of the Fund
- No "one-size-fits-all" solution exists


## Callan Approach to Asset Allocation

Evaluate the interaction of three key strategic policies than govern a defined benefit plan with the goal of establishing the best investment policy

Investment Policy

- Return objective
- Risk tolerance
- Liquidity needs



## Funding Policy

- Assumed investment return
- Actuarial methodologies employed to stabilize contributions


## Callan Asset Liability Process



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## Capital Market Assumptions

## Capital Market Assumptions

Asset class expected returns are projected for both the next 10 and 30 years

- These projections reflect the collective view of Callan and NCRS Staff

Equity expected returns incorporate macroeconomic variables such as GDP growth and inflation as well as projected income return and valuation considerations

- Equity returns are forecasted to be relatively modest over the next decade
- Over the longer term, equity returns are projected to be more favorable

Bond asset class expected returns are forecasted by anchoring off current bond yields and the current interest rate term structure and incorporating an increase in interest rates over time

- Rising rates drive low fixed income returns over the next decade
- Higher future yields result in higher expected returns over the 30 year horizon

Alternative asset class expected returns are projected by blending baseline projections with NCRS specific implementation considerations as well as actual historical experience

Forecasts for asset class risks and correlations are also required to understand the behavior of the current portfolio as well the impact of potential asset allocation changes

- Higher asset class expected returns are linked with higher risks


## Asset Class Expected Returns and Risks

| Table 1: NCRS Asset Class Forecasts | 10 Yr Expected Return | 30 Yr Expected Return | Risk | Notes on proxy used |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Global Equity | 7.10\% | 7.40\% | 18.25\% | MSCI ACWI IMI |
| Private Equity | 9.10\% | 9.40\% | 21.50\% | Global Equity + $2 \%$ |
| Non Core Real Estate | 8.00\% | 8.40\% | 18.00\% | Private Core RE $+2 \%$; Risk 150\% of Private Core RE |
| Opportunistic Fixed Income | 5.80\% | 6.70\% | 11.60\% | See Table 2 below for detail |
| IG Fixed Income - Current Duration | 1.85\% | 3.30\% | 5.05\% | 90\% NC Custom IG BM 5+yr/10\% Cash |
| IG Fixed Income - Agg like Duration | 1.65\% | 2.90\% | 3.40\% | $90 \%$ Agg BM $/ 10 \%$ Cash |
| Cash | 0.75\% | 1.75\% | 0.90\% | 90 Day T-Bill |
| Core Real Estate | 6.25\% | 6.65\% | 12.85\% | 80\% NCREIF ODCE/20\% REITS |
| Inflation Sensitive | 4.25\% | 4.80\% | 7.20\% | See Table 3 below for detail |
| Inflation Sensitive ex Commodities | 4.70\% | 5.30\% | 7.90\% | See Table 4 below for detail |
| MultiStrategy | 4.25\% | 5.00\% | 8.00\% | CS Hedge Fund Index |
| Inflation Rate $2.25 \%$ $225 \%$ $1.50 \%$ |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |
| Table 2: Opportunistic Fixed Income Components | 10 Yr Expected Return Return | 30 Yr Expected <br> Return | Risk | Notes on proxy used |
| Distressed Debt (50\%) | 6.50\% | 6.75\% | 14.60\% | Distressed Loans |
| High Yield (25\%) | 4.25\% | 6.40\% | 12.90\% | Barclays HY Corporate |
| Bank Loans (25\%) | 5.15\% | 6.15\% | 11.00\% | CS Levered Loans |
|  |  |  |  |  |
| Table 3: Inflation Sensitive Components | 10 Yr Expected Return | 30 Yr Expected Return | Risk | Notes on proxy used |
| 1-3 yr TIPS (33\%) | 1.25\% | 2.25\% | 1.70\% | Bloomberg TIPS 1-3yr |
| Public Commodities (17\%) | 2.50\% | 2.50\% | 18.00\% | Bloomberg Commodity |
| Infrastructure (25\%) | 6.25\% | 6.65\% | 13.20\% | Modeled as Private |
| Private Core Real Estate (25\%) | 6.00\% | 6.40\% | 12.00\% | NCREIF ODCE |
|  |  |  |  |  |
| Table 4: Inflation Sensitive ex- Comm Components | 10 Yr Expected Return | $\begin{gathered} 30 \mathrm{Yr} \text { Expected } \\ \text { Return } \end{gathered}$ | Risk | Notes on proxy used |
| 1-3 yr TIPS (33\%) | 1.25\% | 2.25\% | 1.70\% | Bloomberg TIPS 1-3yr |
| Infrastructure (33\%) | 6.25\% | 6.65\% | 13.20\% | Modeled as Private |
| Private Core Real Estate (33\%) | 6.00\% | 6.40\% | 12.00\% | NCREIF ODCE |

All returns are (geometric) annualized

## Asset Class Correlations by NCRS Asset Classes

| Correlation Matrix | Global Equity | Private Equity | Non Core Real <br> Estate | Opportunistic Fixed Income | Income - <br> Current <br> Duration | IG Fixed Income - Agg like Duration | Cash | Core Real Estate | Inflation Sensitive | $\begin{gathered} \text { Infl Sensitive } \\ \text { ex Com } \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | MultiStrategy |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Global Equity | 1.00 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Private Equity | 0.83 | 1.00 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Non Core Real Estate | 0.72 | 0.63 | 1.00 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Opportunistic Fixed Income | 0.83 | 0.71 | 0.61 | 1.00 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| IG Fixed Income - Current Duration | -0.12 | -0.19 | -0.09 | -0.05 | 1.00 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| IG Fixed Income - Agg like Duration | -0.12 | -0.19 | -0.09 | -0.05 | 0.99 | 1.00 |  |  |  |  |  |
| Cash | -0.09 | 0.00 | -0.04 | -0.08 | 0.18 | 0.18 | 1.00 |  |  |  |  |
| Core Real Estate | 0.72 | 0.62 | 0.80 | 0.63 | -0.08 | -0.08 | -0.03 | 1.00 |  |  |  |
| Inflation Sensitive | 0.70 | 0.58 | 0.41 | 0.59 | -0.01 | -0.01 | -0.01 | 0.86 | 1.00 |  |  |
| Inflation Sensitive ex Commodities | 0.72 | 0.59 | 0.39 | 0.61 | 0.02 | 0.02 | -0.01 | 0.93 | 0.91 | 1.00 |  |
| MultiStrategy | 0.81 | 0.60 | 0.52 | 0.68 | 0.14 | 0.14 | -0.04 | 0.59 | 0.54 | 0.53 | 1.00 |

## Asset Class Inputs by Sub Asset Class Components

|  | $\mathbf{1 0 ~ Y r}$ <br> Arithmetic <br> Expected <br> Return | $\mathbf{1 0 ~ Y r}$ <br> Geometric <br> Expected <br> Return | $\mathbf{3 0 ~ Y r}$ <br> Arithmetic <br> Expected <br> Return | $\mathbf{3 0 ~ Y r}$ <br> Geometric <br> Expected <br> Return |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Global Equity | $8.60 \%$ | $7.10 \%$ | $8.90 \%$ | $7.40 \%$ | $18.25 \%$ |
| Private Equity | $11.12 \%$ | $9.10 \%$ | $11.42 \%$ | $9.40 \%$ | $21.50 \%$ |
| Non Core Real Estate | $9.45 \%$ | $8.00 \%$ | $9.80 \%$ | $8.40 \%$ | $18.00 \%$ |
| Core US Fixed | $1.82 \%$ | $1.75 \%$ | $3.12 \%$ | $3.05 \%$ | $3.75 \%$ |
| Mod Aggregate | $2.10 \%$ | $1.95 \%$ | $3.60 \%$ | $3.45 \%$ | $5.60 \%$ |
| Cash Equivalents | $0.75 \%$ | $0.75 \%$ | $1.75 \%$ | $1.75 \%$ | $0.90 \%$ |
| Core Real Estate | $6.67 \%$ | $6.00 \%$ | $7.07 \%$ | $6.40 \%$ | $12.00 \%$ |
| Hedge Funds | $4.55 \%$ | $4.25 \%$ | $5.30 \%$ | $5.00 \%$ | $8.00 \%$ |
| High Yield | $5.03 \%$ | $4.25 \%$ | $7.17 \%$ | $6.40 \%$ | $12.90 \%$ |
| 1-3 TIPS | $1.26 \%$ | $1.25 \%$ | $2.26 \%$ | $2.25 \%$ | $1.70 \%$ |
| Commodities | $4.02 \%$ | $2.50 \%$ | $4.02 \%$ | $2.50 \%$ | $18.00 \%$ |
| Bank Loans | $5.72 \%$ | $5.15 \%$ | $6.71 \%$ | $6.15 \%$ | $11.00 \%$ |
| Private Infrastructure | $7.05 \%$ | $6.25 \%$ | $7.45 \%$ | $6.65 \%$ | $13.20 \%$ |
| US REITs | $8.42 \%$ | $6.50 \%$ | $8.72 \%$ | $6.80 \%$ | $20.70 \%$ |
| Distressed Debt | $7.48 \%$ | $6.50 \%$ | $7.73 \%$ | $6.75 \%$ | $14.60 \%$ |


|  | Global <br> Equity | Private Equity | Non Core Real Estate | Core US Fixed | Mod Agg | $\begin{array}{c\|} \hline \text { Cash } \\ \text { Equivalent } \\ \text { s } \end{array}$ <br> s | Private <br> Core Real <br> Estate | Hedge Funds | High Yield | 1-3 TIPS | Commodit ies | Bank <br> Loans | Private <br> Infrastruct <br> ure | REITS | Distressed Debt |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Global Equity | 1.00 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Private Equity | 0.83 | 1.00 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Non Core Real Estate | 0.72 | 0.63 | 1.00 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Core US Fixed | -0.12 | -0.19 | -0.09 | 1.00 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Mod Aggregate | -0.12 | -0.19 | -0.09 | 0.99 | 1.00 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Cash Equivalents | -0.09 | 0.00 | -0.04 | 0.15 | 0.15 | 1.00 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Private Core Real Estate | 0.60 | 0.50 | 0.80 | -0.06 | -0.06 | -0.02 | 1.00 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Hedge Funds | 0.81 | 0.60 | 0.52 | 0.14 | 0.14 | -0.04 | 0.42 | 1.00 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| High Yield | 0.75 | 0.59 | 0.56 | 0.00 | 0.00 | -0.11 | 0.50 | 0.64 | 1.00 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1-3 TIPS | -0.11 | -0.12 | -0.03 | 0.64 | 0.64 | 0.48 | -0.05 | 0.06 | 0.01 | 1.00 |  |  |  |  |  |
| Commodities | 0.27 | 0.23 | 0.23 | -0.10 | -0.10 | -0.02 | 0.21 | 0.23 | 0.15 | 0.08 | 1.00 |  |  |  |  |
| Bank Loans | 0.66 | 0.50 | 0.48 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.34 | 0.52 | 0.60 | 0.00 | 0.10 | 1.00 |  |  |  |
| Private Infrastructure | 0.74 | 0.62 | 0.70 | 0.01 | 0.01 | -0.07 | 0.76 | 0.47 | 0.50 | -0.04 | 0.18 | 0.50 | 1.00 |  |  |
| REITs | 0.83 | 0.75 | 0.80 | -0.11 | -0.11 | -0.05 | 0.70 | 0.62 | 0.61 | -0.02 | 0.25 | 0.61 | 0.63 | 1.00 |  |
| Distressed Debt | 0.76 | 0.68 | 0.56 | -0.06 | -0.06 | -0.06 | 0.50 | 0.61 | 0.63 | -0.10 | 0.17 | 0.57 | 0.52 | 0.62 | 1.00 |

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## Return/Risk Characteristics

30 year assumptions


Higher asset class expected returns are linked with higher risks

- For example, non core real estate has both a higher expected return and risk than private core real estate


## Evaluate Asset Mixes

## Evaluating Asset Mixes

Callan evaluated sixteen candidate asset mixes across a variety of risk/return profiles Themes included:

- Keeping alternatives at their current policy allocation (29\%) throughout
- Incrementally increasing alternatives within statutory constraints to improve risk-adjusted returns
- NCRS staff specified mixes with incremental changes to the current policy target

After thorough review, the set of asset mixes was distilled down to five candidate mixes as well as the actual portfolio and the current policy target

- Actual: Reflects NCRS' actual asset class implementation as of June 30, 2021
- Mix 1: Lower expected return/risk mix significantly increasing defensive assets relative to target
- Mix 5: Higher expected return/risk mix significantly decreasing defensive assets relative to target
- Mix 8: Increases alternatives from $29 \%$ to $32 \%$ to improve risk-adjusted returns
- Mix 12: Staff specified mix which increases cash from current $1 \%$ target to $5 \%$, funded from fixed income
- Mix 16: Staff specified mix which increases cash from current $1 \%$ target to $5 \%$, funded from public equity
- Target: Current NCRS policy target

We detail these mixes on the following page and evaluate their impact on funding status and contributions in the study's asset/liability modeling

## Asset Mixes Evaluated

|  | Actual | Target | Mix 1 | Mix 5 | Mix 8 | Mix 12 | Mix 16 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| GROWTH | 50.3\% | 58.0\% | 47.0\% | 67.0\% | 56.5\% | 58.0\% | 55.0\% |
| Global Equity | 36.0\% | 42.0\% | 31.0\% | 51.0\% | 39.0\% | 42.0\% | 38.0\% |
| Private Equity | 6.1\% | 6.0\% | 6.0\% | 6.0\% | 7.0\% | 6.0\% | 7.0\% |
| Non Core Real Estate | 2.4\% | 3.0\% | 3.0\% | 3.0\% | 3.5\% | 3.0\% | 3.0\% |
| Opportunistic Fixed | 5.7\% | 7.0\% | 7.0\% | 7.0\% | 7.0\% | 7.0\% | 7.0\% |
| RATES AND LIQUIDITY | 38.6\% | 29.0\% | 40.0\% | 20.0\% | 29.0\% | 29.0\% | 33.0\% |
| 5+ IG Fixed and Cash | 27.4\% | 28.0\% | 39.0\% | 19.0\% | 28.0\% | 24.0\% | 28.0\% |
| Cash | 11.1\% | 1.0\% | 1.0\% | 1.0\% | 1.0\% | 5.0\% | 5.0\% |
| INFLATION SENSITIVE AND DIVERSIFIERS | 9.3\% | 11.0\% | 11.0\% | 11.0\% | 13.0\% | 11.0\% | 11.0\% |
| Inflation Sensitive ex Comm | 4.6\% | 6.0\% | 6.0\% | 6.0\% | 7.0\% | 6.0\% | 6.0\% |
| Core Real Estate | 4.8\% | 5.0\% | 5.0\% | 5.0\% | 6.0\% | 5.0\% | 5.0\% |
| MULTISTRATEGY | 1.9\% | 2.0\% | 2.0\% | 2.0\% | 1.5\% | 2.0\% | 1.0\% |
|  | 100.00\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% |
|  | Actual | Target | Mix 1 | Mix 5 | Mix 8 | Mix 12 | Mix 16 |
| 10 yr Expected Annualized Return | 5.23\% | 5.77\% | 5.21\% | 6.20\% | 5.79\% | 5.72\% | 5.58\% |
| 30 yr Expected Annualized Return | 5.99\% | 6.48\% | 6.05\% | 6.81\% | 6.50\% | 6.41\% | 6.31\% |
| Standard Deviation | 9.36\% | 10.75\% | 8.83\% | 12.38\% | 10.59\% | 10.75\% | 10.15\% |
| 10 yr Sharpe Ratio | 0.478 | 0.467 | 0.506 | 0.408 | 0.475 | 0.463 | 0.476 |
| Expense Ratio | 0.34\% | 0.38\% | 0.37\% | 0.40\% | 0.42\% | 0.38\% | 0.39\% |
| Statutory Constraints |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1 Global Equity no more than 65\% | 36.0\% | 42.0\% | 31.0\% | 51.0\% | 39.0\% | 42.0\% | 38.0\% |
| 2 Fixed income + Cash at least 20\% | 38.6\% | 29.0\% | 40.0\% | 20.0\% | 29.0\% | 29.0\% | 33.0\% |
| $3 \quad$ Alts $\leq 35 \%$ (sum of 4 through 8) | 27.2\% | 29.0\% | 29.0\% | 29.0\% | 32.0\% | 29.0\% | 30.3\% |
| 4 Private Eq + Multistrategy $\leq 8.75 \%$ | 8.0\% | 8.0\% | 8.0\% | 8.0\% | 8.5\% | 8.0\% | 8.0\% |
| 5 Core+ Non Core Real Est $\leq 10 \%$ | 7.2\% | 8.0\% | 8.0\% | 8.0\% | 9.5\% | 8.0\% | 8.0\% |
| 6 Inflation Protection $\leq 7.5 \%$ | 4.6\% | 6.0\% | 6.0\% | 6.0\% | 7.0\% | 6.0\% | 6.0\% |
| $7 \quad$ Other Fixed Income $\leq 7.5 \%$ | 5.9\% | 7.0\% | 7.0\% | 7.0\% | 7.0\% | 7.0\% | 7.0\% |
| 8 Public Eq Limited Liability $\leq 8.5 \%$ | 1.3\% | 1.3\% | 1.3\% | 1.3\% | 1.3\% | 1.3\% | 1.3\% |

Mixes are designed to span the risk/return spectrum and evaluate impact of policy changes All mixes satisfy NCRS' statutory constraints

## Risk/Return Tradeoff for Asset Mixes



| Mix Name | Broad Allocation |
| :--- | :--- |
| Actual | EQ36/ IG27/ Cash 11/Alts 27 |
| Mix 1 | EQ31/ IG39/ Cash 1/Alts 29 |
| Mix 5 | EQ51/ IG19/ Cash 1/Alts 29 |
| Mix 8 | EQ39/ IG28/ Cash 1/Alts 32 |
| Mix 12 | EQ42/ IG24/ Cash 5/Alts 29 |
| Mix 16 | EQ38/ IG28/ Cash 5/Alts 29 |
| Target | EQ42/IG28/ Cash 1/Alts 29 |

Mixes have a broad spectrum of risk profiles relative to the current target
The actual allocation has a lower expected return and risk than the current target

## Simulate Financial Condition



- Generate 2,000 simulations per year, per asset mix to capture possible future economic scenarios and their effect on the portfolio
- The simulation results are then ranked from highest to lowest to develop probability distributions


## TSERS Current Financial Position and Funding Policy

- Liability model is based on the 12/31/2019 and 12/31/2020 TSERS actuarial valuation reports
- Simulations start at 12/31/2021
-2020 actual investment experience $=11.12 \%$
- 2021 actual investment experience $=9.7 \%$
- Callan and Cavanaugh Macdonald utilize the same actuarial software
- Cavanaugh Macdonald provided Callan with a liability model
- Callan conducted the asset modelling
- Funding Policy = Normal Cost + Amortization of Unfunded Liability/(Surplus) subject to the Employer Contribution Rate Stabilization Policy (ECRSP) effective through 6/30/2027
- Amortization bases have been set up every year since 2009 and are paid down over the next 12 years
- Future unfunded liability/(surplus) that develops in future years is amortized over a closed 12-year period
- Employer contribution rate minimum $=6.0 \%$

|  | Reported <br> $12 / 31 / 2019$ | Reported <br> $12 / 31 / 2020$ | Estimated <br> $12 / 31 / 2021$ |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Actuarial Accrued Liability | $\$ 84,873 \mathrm{M}$ | $\$ 89,809 \mathrm{M}$ | $\$ 92,204 \mathrm{M}$ |
| Discount Rate | $7.0 \%$ | $6.5 \%$ | $6.5 \%$ |
| Market Value of Assets | $\$ 75,487 \mathrm{M}$ | $\$ 81,969 \mathrm{M}$ | $\$ 87,451 \mathrm{M}$ |
| Actuarial Value of Assets | $\$ 73,354 \mathrm{M}$ | $\$ 77,922 \mathrm{M}$ | $\$ 83,171 \mathrm{M}$ |
| Market Funded Status (MVA/AL) | $88.9 \%$ | $91.2 \%$ | $94.9 \%$ |
| Actuarial Funded Status <br> (AVA/AL) | $86.4 \%$ | $86.8 \%$ | $90.1 \%$ |
| Required Employer Rate NCGS <br> 135-8(d) | $15.74 \%$ | $16.09 \%$ | $16.44 \%$ |


|  | Actuarial <br> Assumption | Callan 10-year <br> Expectation | Callan 30-year <br> Expectation |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Investment Return | $6.5 \%$ | $5.8 \%$ * | $6.5 \%$ * |
| Price Inflation | $2.5 \%$ | $2.25 \%$ | $2.25 \%$ |
| * |  |  |  |

## Simulation Section Summary

1. Variable results through time based on the current policy target
2. 10 -Year Forecast Horizon by Mix

- Projected Funded Status (Market Value of Assets / Actuarial Liability)
- Cumulative Contributions
- Contribution Reward vs. Risk
- Ultimate Net Cost (UNC)
- UNC Reward vs. Risk

3. 30-Year Forecast by Mix

- Projected Funded Status (Market Value of Assets / Actuarial Liability)
- Cumulative Contributions
- Ultimate Net Cost (UNC)
- UNC Reward vs. Risk

4. Employer Contribution Rate Analysis by Mix

## Current Policy Target Through Time

## Market Value of Assets (Current Policy Target)



- The expected outcome is the 50th percentile (50-50 chance of occurrence)
- The worse-case scenarios:
$-95^{\text {th }}$ percentile: 1 -in-20 chance ( $5 \%$ probability) that the $12 / 31 / 2050$ market value of assets will be $\$ 126.1 \mathrm{~B}$ or less
- 97.5th percentile: 1-in-40 chance ( $2.5 \%$ probability) that the $12 / 31 / 2050$ market value of assets will be $\$ 117.5 B$ or less
- Floating bars illustrate the range of outcomes from the $5^{\text {th }}$ to the 95th


## Actuarial Accrued Liability with Ad Hoc COLA



- Plan liabilities are increasing steadily over the next 30 years
- Liabilities increase with ongoing benefit accrual, passage of time (discount rate) and are reduced by benefit payments
- 30-Year expected annualized growth in liability is $2.31 \%$ per year
- Discount rate is held constant at $6.5 \%$ and ad hoc COLAs are reflected


## Simulated Returns (Current Policy Target)



|  | Arithmetic Return |  |  |  |  |  |  | Annualized Return |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Percentile | 2021 | 2025 | 2030 | 2035 | 2040 | 2045 | 2050 | 10-Year | 20-Year | 30-Year |
| 5th | 9.7\% | 25.2\% | 24.6\% | 25.2\% | 25.2\% | 25.5\% | 26.8\% | 11.6\% | 10.1\% | 9.6\% |
| 25th | 9.7\% | 13.9\% | 14.0\% | 14.6\% | 14.2\% | 14.1\% | 15.1\% | 8.1\% | 7.7\% | 7.8\% |
| 50th | 9.7\% | 5.7\% | 6.8\% | 7.4\% | 7.1\% | 7.1\% | 7.8\% | 5.9\% | 6.2\% | 6.5\% |
| 75th | 9.7\% | -1.3\% | -1.0\% | -0.6\% | -0.5\% | 0.2\% | 0.5\% | 3.7\% | 4.7\% | 5.2\% |
| 95th | 9.7\% | -11.8\% | -11.1\% | -10.5\% | -10.5\% | -10.3\% | -9.5\% | 0.3\% | 2.4\% | 3.3\% |
| 97.5th | 9.7\% | -15.8\% | -14.9\% | -13.6\% | -13.6\% | -13.9\% | -12.5\% | -0.6\% | 1.6\% | 2.7\% |
| Prob ( >= 6.5\% ) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 42\% | 46\% | 50\% |

- In a given year, a worse case return ( $95^{\text {th }}$ ) may be $-10 \%$ to $-12 \%$
- In a 2 standard deviation event ( $97.5^{\text {th }}$ ), worse case return may be $-14 \%$ to $-16 \%$
- The probability of meeting or exceeding a $6.5 \%$ return is expected to improve overtime


## Employer Contribution \$ (Current Policy Target)



| Percentile | ECRSP Period |  |  |  |  |  |  | 2030 | 2035 | 2040 | 2045 | 2050 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 2021 | 2022 | 2023 | 2024 | 2025 | 2026 | 2027 |  |  |  |  |  |
| 97.5th | 2,475 | 2,663 | 2,855 | 3,170 | 3,834 | 4,486 | 5,463 | 6,325 | 8,532 | 9,640 | 9,857 | 10,710 |
| 95th | 2,475 | 2,663 | 2,835 | 3,072 | 3,356 | 3,896 | 4,750 | 5,700 | 7,637 | 8,523 | 8,666 | 9,219 |
| 75th | 2,475 | 2,663 | 2,787 | 2,969 | 3,156 | 3,363 | 3,631 | 3,288 | 4,133 | 4,421 | 3,713 | 3,145 |
| 50th | 2,475 | 2,663 | 2,760 | 2,911 | 3,069 | 3,234 | 3,442 | 1,362 | 1,527 | 1,727 | 1,948 | 2,230 |
| 25th | 2,475 | 2,663 | 2,731 | 2,856 | 2,985 | 3,126 | 3,305 | 1,207 | 1,357 | 1,538 | 1,746 | 1,992 |
| 5th | 2,475 | 2,663 | 2,688 | 2,780 | 2,881 | 2,979 | 3,122 | 1,111 | 1,225 | 1,364 | 1,540 | 1,737 |
| Range (5th - 95th) |  | 0 | 76 | 161 | 288 | 662 | 1,308 | 4,338 | 6,109 | 6,796 | 6,718 | 6,989 |

- After 2027, ECRSP expires and funding policy is based on normal cost +12-year closed amortization bases


## Employer Contribution Rate for the Current Policy Target



- Employer Contribution Rate Stabilization Policy (ECRSP) is effective through calendar year 2027
- Annual appropriation recommendation is the greater of (1) and (2) but not greater than (3)
- (1): Underlying actuarially determined employer contribution rate (ADEC) for upcoming year
- (2): Current year appropriation $+0.35 \%$ of pay
- (3): Underlying ADEC based on discount rate equal to 30-year Treasury yield
- The ceiling is not reflected in modelling since the probability of the 30-year Treasury yield exceeding $6.5 \%$ is less than $1.0 \%$ in the next five years
- Employer contributions are expected (median) to plummet when the ECRSP floor is removed. However, in a worse case scenario ( $97.5^{\text {th }}$ ), employer contribution rates are 30-33\%


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## Downside Risk During ECRSP Period



- The above chart illustrates that poor investment performance over the next 5 years (2022-2026) may result in a 2027 employer rate much higher than an expected rate of $\sim 18.0 \%$
- In the table, is the return distribution associated with a 2027 employer rate larger than $20 \%$ ( $13 \%$ chance) or $25 \%$ ( $5 \%$ chance) respectively


## Worse Case Scenario (97.5 ${ }^{\text {th }}$ percentile) for 2027 Employer Rate



- The worse case scenario ( $97.5^{\text {th }}$ ) is driven by overall poor investment performance over a five year period
- May be some good years in the scenario (returns above $6.5 \%$ are highlighted in light green)
- However, 2-4 bad years (returns below 0\% are highlighted in light red) more than offsets one or two good years


## Worse Case Scenario (95 ${ }^{\text {th }}$ percentile) for 2027 Employer Rate



- Same analysis is conducted for the $95^{\text {th }}$ percentile worse case scenario


## Market Funded Status (Current Policy Target)



- Market Funded Status = Market Value of Assets / Actuarial Liability
- The Plan is expected to be fully funded in 2027
- Plan may become very overfunded due to minimum employer rate $=6.0 \%$ in conjunction with an employee rate $=6.0 \%$


## Net Outflow as a \% of Assets (Current Policy Target)



- Net outflow = Benefits + administration expenses - employee contributions - employer contributions
- NOF / Assets ranges from $-1.0 \%$ to $+5.0 \%$ per year
- Portfolio income (not reflected) can assist with paying benefits
- Fund has manageable liquidity needs that don't preclude an allocation to illiquid investments or warrant a "liquidity sleeve" to pay benefits


## 10-Year Forecast Horizon

## 10-Year Annualized Return

- The $50^{\text {th }}$ percentile is the Expected Return over 10 years
- None of the Mixes are expected to achieve the 6.5\% actuarial discount rate over the next 10 years
- However, there is still a $32-48 \%$ probability of achieving $6.5 \%$ across all the mixes

| Mix Name | Broad Allocation |
| :--- | :--- |
| Actual | EQ36/ IG27/ Cash 11/Alts 27 |
| Mix 1 | EQ31/ IG39/ Cash 1/Alts 29 |
| Mix 5 | EQ51/ IG19/ Cash 1/Alts 29 |
| Mix 8 | EQ39/ IG28/ Cash 1/Alts 32 |
| Mix 12 | EQ42/ IG24/ Cash 5/Alts 29 |
| Mix 16 | EQ38/ IG28/ Cash 5/Alts 29 |
| Target | EQ42/IG28/ Cash 1/Alts 29 |

## 10-Year Cumulative Contributions



- The above chart shows total employer contributions from 2021 to 2030
- Expected contributions range from \$24.2B to \$25.8B
- Worse Case contributions (95 ${ }^{\text {th }}$ percentile) range from $\$ 41.0 \mathrm{~B}$ to $\$ 44.0 \mathrm{~B}$

| Mix Name | Broad Allocation |
| :--- | :--- |
| Actual | EQ36/ IG27/ Cash 11/Alts 27 |
| Mix 1 | EQ31/ IG39/ Cash 1/Alts 29 |
| Mix 5 | EQ51/ IG19/ Cash 1/Alts 29 |
| Mix 8 | EQ39/ IG28/ Cash 1/Alts 32 |
| Mix 12 | EQ42/ IG24/ Cash 5/Alts 29 |
| Mix 16 | EQ38/ IG28/ Cash 5/Alts 29 |
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## 10-Year Risk-Reward Trade-off in Contribution Space



- More aggressive mixes result in lower contributions (vertical axis is inverted)
- In a worse case scenario, more aggressive mixes result in higher contributions
- A linear regression line is fitted to the Mixes

| Mix Name | Broad Allocation |
| :--- | :--- |
| Actual | EQ36/ IG27/ Cash 11/Alts 27 |
| Mix 1 | EQ31/ IG39/ Cash 1/Alts 29 |
| Mix 5 | EQ51/ IG19/ Cash 1/Alts 29 |
| Mix 8 | EQ39/ IG28/ Cash 1/Alts 32 |
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## 10-Year Projected Market Funded Status (At 12/31/2030)



- Market Funded Status (Market Value of Assets / Actuarial Liability) is expected to improve across all Mixes
- 12/31/2021 Estimated Funded Status ~ 95\%

| Mix Name | Broad Allocation |
| :--- | :--- |
| Actual | EQ36/ IG27/ Cash 11/Alts 27 |
| Mix 1 | EQ31/ IG39/ Cash 1/Alts 29 |
| Mix 5 | EQ51/ IG19/ Cash 1/Alts 29 |
| Mix 8 | EQ39/IG28/ Cash 1/Alts 32 |
| Mix 12 | EQ42/ IG24/ Cash 5/Alts 29 |
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## 10-Year Ultimate Net Cost (UNC10)



- UNC10 = 10-Year Cumulative Contributions (2021 - 2030) + 12/31/2030 Unfunded Actuarial Liability
- UNC captures what is expected to be paid over 10 years plus what is owed at the end of the 10 year period
- Unfunded Actuarial Liability = Actuarial Liability - Market Value of Assets
- More aggressive mixes lower UNC in the expected case but result in a higher UNC in a worse case scenario

| Mix Name | Broad Allocation |
| :--- | :--- |
| Actual | EQ36/ IG27/ Cash 11/Alts 27 |
| Mix 1 | EQ31/ IG39/ Cash 1/Alts 29 |
| Mix 5 | EQ51/ IG19/ Cash 1/Alts 29 |
| Mix 8 | EQ39/ IG28/ Cash 1/Alts 32 |
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| Mix 16 | EQ38/ IG28/ Cash 5/Alts 29 |
| Target | EQ42/IG28/ Cash 1/Alts 29 |

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UNC10: Expected Cost vs. Worse Case Cost


- The above graph contrasts expected UNC10 vs. worse case UNC10

| Mix Name | Broad Allocation |
| :--- | :--- |
| Actual | EQ36/ IG27/ Cash 11/Alts 27 |
| Mix 1 | EQ31/ IG39/ Cash 1/Alts 29 |
| Mix 5 | EQ51/ IG19/ Cash 1/Alts 29 |
| Mix 8 | EQ39/ IG28/ Cash 1/Alts 32 |
| Mix 12 | EQ42/ IG24/ Cash 5/Alts 29 |
| Mix 16 | EQ38/ IG28/ Cash 5/Alts 29 |
| Target | EQ42/IG28/ Cash 1/Alts 29 |

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## UNC 10: Change in Risk-Reward Relative to the Actual Allocation



- The above graph depicts the change in the $50^{\text {th }}$ percentile (Expected Cost) and the $95^{\text {th }}$ percentile (Worse Case Cost) relative to the Actual Allocation
- A positive (negative) change is an increase (reduction) in cost
- The decrease in expected cost is much larger than the increase in worse case cost in for most mixes (Mix 1 has a small increase in expected cost but with a larger reduction in worse case cost)

| Mix Name | Broad Allocation |
| :--- | :--- |
| Actual | EQ36/ IG27/ Cash 11/Alts 27 |
| Mix 1 | EQ31/ IG39/ Cash 1/Alts 29 |
| Mix 5 | EQ51/ IG19/ Cash 1/Alts 29 |
| Mix 8 | EQ39/ IG28/ Cash 1/Alts 32 |
| Mix 12 | EQ42/ IG24/ Cash 5/Alts 29 |
| Mix 16 | EQ38/ IG28/ Cash 5/Alts 29 |
| Target | EQ42/IG28/ Cash 1/Alts 29 |

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## 30-Year Forecast Horizon

## 30-Year Annualized Return



- Mixes that are expected to meet or exceed the 6.5\% actuarial discount rate over the next 30 years are highlighted in green

| Mix Name | Broad Allocation |
| :--- | :--- |
| Actual | EQ36/ IG27/ Cash 11/Alts 27 |
| Mix 1 | EQ31/ IG39/ Cash 1/Alts 29 |
| Mix 5 | EQ51/ IG19/ Cash 1/Alts 29 |
| Mix 8 | EQ39/ IG28/ Cash 1/Alts 32 |
| Mix 12 | EQ42/ IG24/ Cash 5/Alts 29 |
| Mix 16 | EQ38/ IG28/ Cash 5/Alts 29 |
| Target | EQ42/IG28/ Cash 1/Alts 29 |

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## 30-Year Cumulative Contributions



| Percentile | Actual | Mix 1 | Mix 5 | Mix 8 | Mix 12 | Mix 16 | Target |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 97,5th | $\$ 185,991$ | $\$ 180,247$ | $\$ 186,894$ | $\$ 181,978$ | $\$ 184,537$ | $\$ 182,656$ | $\$ 183,207$ |
| 95th | $\$ 173,474$ | $\$ 167,283$ | $\$ 171,532$ | $\$ 166,908$ | $\$ 170,481$ | $\$ 169,126$ | $\$ 168,703$ |
| 75th | 123,261 | 119,658 | 109,329 | 112,397 | 114,516 | 116,039 | 113,196 |
| 50th | 84,982 | 84,032 | 68,089 | 73,018 | 74,139 | 76,955 | 73,340 |
| 25th | 60,630 | 60,767 | 57,396 | 58,071 | 58,324 | 58,781 | 58,149 |
| 5th | 53,131 | 53,120 | 52,087 | 52,384 | 52,444 | 52,594 | 52,384 |
| 30-yr Expected Return | $6.0 \%$ | $6.0 \%$ | $6.8 \%$ | $6.5 \%$ | $6.4 \%$ | $6.3 \%$ | $6.5 \%$ |
| Standard Deviation | $9.4 \%$ | $8.8 \%$ | $12.4 \%$ | $10.6 \%$ | $10.7 \%$ | $10.2 \%$ | $10.8 \%$ |

- The above chart shows total employer contributions from 2021 to 2050
- Expected contributions range from $\$ 68.1 \mathrm{~B}$ to $\$ 85.0 \mathrm{~B}$
- Worse Case contributions ( $95^{\text {th }}$ percentile) range from $\$ 166.9 \mathrm{~B}$ to $\$ 173.5 \mathrm{~B}$

| Mix Name | Broad Allocation |
| :--- | :--- |
| Actual | EQ36/ IG27/ Cash 11/Alts 27 |
| Mix 1 | EQ31/ IG39/ Cash 1/Alts 29 |
| Mix 5 | EQ51/ IG19/ Cash 1/Alts 29 |
| Mix 8 | EQ39/IG28/ Cash 1/Alts 32 |
| Mix 12 | EQ42/ IG24/ Cash 5/Alts 29 |
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## 30-Year Projected Funded Status (At 12/31/2050)



## 30-Year Ultimate Net Cost (UNC30)



| - UNC30 $=$ 30-Year Cumulative Contributions $(2021-2050)+12 / 31 / 2050$ Unfunded Actuarial |
| :--- |
| Liability |
| Mix Name |

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## UNC30: Expected Cost vs. Worse Case Cost



- The above graph contrasts expected UNC30 vs. worse case UNC30

| Mix Name | Broad Allocation |
| :--- | :--- |
| Actual | EQ36/ IG27/ Cash 11/Alts 27 |
| Mix 1 | EQ31/ IG39/ Cash 1/Alts 29 |
| Mix 5 | EQ51/ IG19/ Cash 1/Alts 29 |
| Mix 8 | EQ39/ IG28/ Cash 1/Alts 32 |
| Mix 12 | EQ42/ IG24/ Cash 5/Alts 29 |
| Mix 16 | EQ38/ IG28/ Cash 5/Alts 29 |
| Target | EQ42/IG28/ Cash 1/Alts 29 |

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## UNC 30: Change in Risk-Reward Relative to the Actual Allocation



- The above graph depicts the change in the $50^{\text {th }}$ percentile (Expected Cost) and the $95^{\text {th }}$ percentile (Worse Case Cost) relative to the Actual Allocation
- A positive (negative) change is an increase (reduction) in cost
- Both expected cost and worse case cost are reduced by moving to any alternative mix

| Mix Name | Broad Allocation |
| :--- | :--- |
| Actual | EQ36/ IG27/ Cash 11/Alts 27 |
| Mix 1 | EQ31/ IG39/ Cash 1/Alts 29 |
| Mix 5 | EQ51/ IG19/ Cash 1/Alts 29 |
| Mix 8 | EQ39/IG28/ Cash 1/Alts 32 |
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## Employer Contribution Rate Analysis

## Median Employer Contribution Rate



- The above graph illustrates the expected employer contribution rate over the next 30 years


## Expected vs. Worse Case Employer Rate (Year 8)



- The above graph illustrates a reward-risk trade-off in contribution space in year 8 (2028) of the forecast
- More aggressive mixes are expected to lower the employer rate but result in a higher rate in a worse case scenario


## Worse Case Change in Employer Rate (2027 to 2028)



|  | Actual | Target | Mix 1 | Mix 5 | Mix 8 | Mix 12 | Mix $\mathbf{1 6}$ |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 10-Yr Expected Return | $5.2 \%$ | $5.8 \%$ | $5.2 \%$ | $6.2 \%$ | $5.8 \%$ | $5.7 \%$ | $5.6 \%$ |
| 30-Year Expected Return | $5.99 \%$ | $6.48 \%$ | $6.05 \%$ | $6.81 \%$ | $6.50 \%$ | $6.41 \%$ | $6.31 \%$ |
| Standard Deviation | $9.4 \%$ | $10.8 \%$ | $8.8 \%$ | $12.4 \%$ | $10.6 \%$ | $10.7 \%$ | $10.15 \%$ |
| Worse Case Chg (2027-2028) | $2.56 \%$ | $2.77 \%$ | $2.41 \%$ | $3.03 \%$ | $2.67 \%$ | $2.76 \%$ | $2.60 \%$ |

- Bar chart shows the worse case $\left(95^{\text {th }}\right)$ change in the employer contribution rate from 2027 to 2028
- Portfolio risk (standard deviation) is highly correlated with annual contribution volatility

| Mix Name | Broad Allocation |
| :--- | :--- |
| Actual | EQ36/ IG27/ Cash 11/Alts 27 |
| Mix 1 | EQ31/ IG39/ Cash 1/Alts 29 |
| Mix 5 | EQ51/ IG19/ Cash 1/Alts 29 |
| Mix 8 | EQ39/IG28/ Cash 1/Alts 32 |
| Mix 12 | EQ42/ IG24/ Cash 5/Alts 29 |
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Probability of Employer Rate Spike (>2.0\%) Over One Year



- The probability of an employer rate spike (>2.0\%) depends on the year
- Year 8 (2028) and 13 (2033) are shown on the left
- Probability ranges from 7\% to $25 \%$ over time
- Year 13 (2033) is the most volatile year in the 30 -year forecast horizon
- Probability may not vary much across the mixes in some years
- A conservative mix may have a higher probability of a rate spike than an aggressive mix
- Actual and Mix 1 in Year 13 have a higher probability

| Mix Name | Broad Allocation |
| :--- | :--- |
| Actual | EQ36/ IG27/ Cash 11/Alts 27 |
| Mix 1 | EQ31/ IG39/ Cash 1/Alts 29 |
| Mix 5 | EQ51/ IG19/ Cash 1/Alts 29 |
| Mix 8 | EQ39/ IG28/ Cash 1/Alts 32 |
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## Employer Contribution Rate Per Unit of Excess Return Over 30 Years



- The graph illustrates the expected reduction in the employer rate per unit of additional return
- The vertical axis is the expected 30-year average employer rate relative to the Actual Mix
- The horizontal axis is the difference in 30-year return between the illustrated Mix and the Actual Mix (i.e., a return premium)
- For example, the expected return for Mix 5 is $0.82 \%$ higher than the Actual Mix and is expected to result in an average annual employer rate that is $2.1 \%$ lower

Employer Contribution Required to Achieve 100\% Funded Status at 12/31/2030



- The top graph shows the employer contribution required to be $100 \%$ funded at the end of 10 years given the 10-year expected return is realized every year
- Employer contribution is determined as a level $\$$ amount over 10 years
- The bottom graph shows the difference in required contribution relative to the current policy target
- Mixes with higher expected return than the current policy reduce contributions - Mix 5 and 8
- The Actual Allocation and Mix 1 require \$4.7-4.8B more in contributions over the next 10 years

Employer Contribution Required to Achieve 100\% Funded Status at 12/31/2050



- The top graph shows the employer contribution required to be $100 \%$ funded at the end of 30 years given the 30-year expected return is realized every year
-Employer contribution is determined as a level $\$$ amount over 30 years
- Savings or cost relative to the current policy target are exacerbated over a longer time horizon
- Mix 5 and 8 reduce contributions relative to the current target
- The Actual Allocation and Mix 1 require \$14-17B more in contributions over the next 30 years


## 10-Year Scenario Analysis

## Scenario Development

|  | Number of Scenarios |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Low Growth | Moderate | High Growth |
| Low Inflation | 16 |  |  |
|  |  | 167 | 17 |
| Moderate | 160 | 1,281 | 159 |
| High Inflation | 24 | 152 | 24 |


| 10-Year Annualized Inflation |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Low Growth | Moderate | High Growth |
|  |  |  |
| $0.89 \%$ | $0.95 \%$ | $0.85 \%$ |
|  |  |  |
| $2.27 \%$ | $2.23 \%$ | $2.28 \%$ |
|  |  |  |
| $3.61 \%$ | $3.59 \%$ | $3.48 \%$ |


| 10-Year Annualized Clobal Equity |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Low Growth | Moderate | High Growth |
|  |  |  |
| $-2.60 \%$ | $7.34 \%$ | $15.78 \%$ |
|  |  |  |
| $-2.33 \%$ | $7.21 \%$ | $16.95 \%$ |
|  |  |  |
| $-2.64 \%$ | $7.22 \%$ | $17.04 \%$ |

- Simulations are sorted into economic regimes based on simulated inflation and global equity
- Low Inflation = Below 10th percentile ( 200 scenarios)
- Moderate inflation $=10$ th $-90^{\text {th }}$ percentile (1,600 scenarios)
- High Inflation $=$ Above $90^{\text {th }}$ percentile ( 200 Scenarios)
- Low Growth = Global equity returns below 10 th percentile (200 scenarios)
- Moderate Growth $=$ Global equity returns between 10th and 90 th percentile (1,600 scenarios)
- High Growth $=$ Global equity returns above 90th percentile ( 200 Scenarios)
- Scenarios are based on 10 years of simulated inflation and equity returns
- 2021 - 2030 contributions

| Mix Name | Broad Allocation |
| :--- | :--- |
| Actual | EQ36/ IG27/ Cash 11/Alts 27 |
| Mix 1 | EQ31/ IG39/ Cash 1/Alts 29 |
| Mix 5 | EQ51/ IG19/ Cash 1/Alts 29 |
| Mix 8 | EQ39/ IG28/ Cash 1/Alts 32 |
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| Mix 16 | EQ38/ IG28/ Cash 5/Alts 29 |
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## 10-Year Annualized Returns

|  | Low Growth |  |  |  | Moderate |  |  |  | High Growth |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Low Inflation | 0.38\% | 0.72\% | -0.17\% |  | 5.29\% | 5.28\% | 6.37\% |  | 9.60\% | 9.30\% | 12.07\% |  |
|  | 0.38\% | 0.20\% | 0.37\% | 0.25\% | 5.90\% | 5.84\% | 5.67\% | 5.89\% | 10.77\% | 10.79\% | 10.34\% | 10.84\% |
| Moderate | 0.59\% | 0.91\% | 0.01\% |  | 5.33\% | 5.31\% | 6.34\% |  | 10.27\% | 9.92\% | 12.89\% |  |
|  | 0.54\% | 0.38\% | 0.55\% | 0.43\% | 5.90\% | 5.85\% | 5.69\% | 5.89\% | 11.49\% | 11.52\% | 11.05\% | 11.57\% |
| High Inflation | 0.67\% | 1.03\% | 0.00\% |  | 5.48\% | 5.44\% | 6.39\% |  | 10.49\% | 10.13\% | 13.08\% |  |
|  | 0.63\% | 0.44\% | 0.63\% | 0.48\% | 5.99\% | 5.94\% | 5.80\% | 5.98\% | 11.71\% | 11.73\% | 11.26\% | 11.77\% |

## Best Result in Economic Regime



| Mix Name | Broad Allocation |
| :--- | :--- |
| Actual | EQ36/ IG27/ Cash 11/Alts 27 |
| Mix 1 | EQ31/ IG39/ Cash 1/Alts 29 |
| Mix 5 | EQ51/ IG19/ Cash 1/Alts 29 |
| Mix 8 | EQ39/IG28/ Cash 1/Alts 32 |
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## 10-Year Cumulative Contributions (2021-2030)

|  | Low Growth |  |  |  | Moderate |  |  |  | High Growth |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Low Inflation | 36.7 | 35.6 | 38.8 |  | 25.4 | 25.2 | 25.1 |  | 21.7 | 21.6 | 21.6 |  |
|  | 36.9 | 37.4 | 36.9 | 37.3 | 25.1 | 25.2 | 25.2 | 25.1 | 21.6 | 21.6 | 21.6 | 21.6 |
| Moderate | 38.5 | 37.6 | 40.3 |  | 27.8 | 27.6 | 27.2 |  | 23.1 | 23.1 | 23.0 |  |
|  | 38.7 | 39.1 | 38.6 | 39.0 | 27.2 | 27.3 | 27.4 | 27.3 | 23.0 | 23.0 | 23.0 | 23.0 |
| High Inflation | 43.2 | 42.1 | 45.5 |  | 30.3 | 30.4 | 29.4 |  | 23.9 | 24.0 | 23.9 |  |
|  | 43.5 | 44.0 | 43.4 | 43.9 | 29.7 | 29.8 | 29.9 | 29.7 | 23.9 | 23.9 | 23.9 | 23.9 |

## Best Result in Economic Regime



| Mix Name | Broad Allocation |
| :--- | :--- |
| Actual | EQ36/ IG27/ Cash 11/Alts 27 |
| Mix 1 | EQ31/ IG39/ Cash 1/Alts 29 |
| Mix 5 | EQ51/ IG19/ Cash 1/Alts 29 |
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## 12/31/2030 Market Funded Status

|  | Low Growth |  |  |  | Moderate |  |  |  | High Growth |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Low Inflation | 69.1\% | 70.4\% | 67.7\% |  | 103.4\% | 102.9\% | 116.3\% |  | 151.3\% | 147.4\% | 190.6\% |  |
|  | 69.5\% | 68.8\% | 69.3\% | 68.9\% | 110.2\% | 109.6\% | 107.6\% | 110.1\% | 169.0\% | 169.2\% | 162.3\% | 170.1\% |
| Moderate | 69.6\% | 70.9\% | 68.4\% |  | 98.7\% | 98.2\% | 109.7\% |  | 148.8\% | 144.1\% | 188.3\% |  |
|  | 70.0\% | 69.3\% | 69.8\% | 69.5\% | 104.4\% | 104.0\% | 102.2\% | 104.4\% | 166.2\% | 166.7\% | 159.6\% | 167.3\% |
| High Inflation | 66.5\% | 68.0\% | 64.5\% |  | 94.6\% | 94.1\% | 103.6\% |  | 146.5\% | 141.8\% | 185.3\% |  |
|  | 66.6\% | 65.8\% | 66.5\% | 66.0\% | 99.2\% | 98.9\% | 97.5\% | 99.2\% | 163.8\% | 164.1\% | 157.3\% | 164.6\% |

## Best Result in Economic Regime



| Mix Name | Broad Allocation |
| :--- | :--- |
| Actual | EQ36/ IG27/ Cash 11/Alts 27 |
| Mix 1 | EQ31/ IG39/ Cash 1/Alts 29 |
| Mix 5 | EQ51/ IG19/ Cash 1/Alts 29 |
| Mix 8 | EQ39/ IG28/ Cash 1/Alts 32 |
| Mix 12 | EQ42/ IG24/ Cash 5/Alts 29 |
| Mix 16 | EQ38/ IG28/ Cash 5/Alts 29 |
| Target | EQ42/IG28/ Cash 1/Alts 29 |

## 10-Year Ultimate Net Cost

|  | Low Growth |  |  |  | Moderate |  |  |  | High Growth |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Low Inflation | 70.1 | 67.6 | 73.8 |  | 21.7 | 22.0 | 7.5 |  | (33.6) | (29.4) | (75.9) |  |
|  | 69.9 | 71.3 | 70.0 | 70.9 | 14.1 | 14.7 | 17.0 | 14.1 | (52.7) | (52.9) | (45.4) | (53.9) |
| Moderate | 73.6 | 71.2 | 76.8 |  | 29.3 | 29.8 | 16.1 |  | (33.3) | (27.9) | (79.1) |  |
|  | 73.4 | 74.6 | 73.5 | 74.2 | 22.2 | 22.8 | 24.9 | 22.3 | (53.5) | (54.0) | (45.9) | (54.7) |
| High Inflation | 84.7 | 81.7 | 89.4 |  | 37.0 | 37.7 | 25.1 |  | (32.9) | (27.1) | (80.4) |  |
|  | 84.8 | 86.3 | 84.8 | 85.9 | 30.7 | 31.2 | 33.1 | 30.8 | (54.1) | (54.5) | (46.1) | (55.1) |

## Best Result in Economic Regime



| Mix Name | Broad Allocation |
| :--- | :--- |
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## 30-Year Scenario Analysis

## Scenario Development

|  | Number of Scenarios |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Low Growth | Moderate | High Growth |
| Low Inflation |  |  |  |
|  | 23 | 163 | 14 |
| Moderate | 153 | 1,275 | 172 |
|  |  |  |  |
| High Inflation | 24 | 162 | 14 |


| 10-Year Annualized Inflation |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Low Growth | Moderate | High Growth |
|  |  |  |
| $1.40 \%$ | $1.45 \%$ | $1.47 \%$ |
|  |  |  |
| $2.28 \%$ | $2.23 \%$ | $2.25 \%$ |
|  |  |  |
| $3.05 \%$ | $3.04 \%$ | $3.00 \%$ |


| 10-Year Annualized Global Equity |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Low Growth | Moderate | High Growth |  |
|  |  |  |  |
| $2.20 \%$ | $7.13 \%$ | $13.10 \%$ |  |
|  |  |  |  |
| $1.85 \%$ | $7.51 \%$ | $12.89 \%$ |  |
|  |  |  |  |
| $1.90 \%$ | $7.43 \%$ | $12.67 \%$ |  |

- Simulations are sorted into economic regimes based on simulated inflation and global equity
- Low Inflation = Below 10 th percentile ( 200 scenarios)
- Moderate inflation $=10$ th $-90^{\text {th }}$ percentile (1,600 scenarios)
- High Inflation = Above 90 ${ }^{\text {th }}$ percentile ( 200 Scenarios)
- Low Growth = Global equity returns below $10^{\text {th }}$ percentile (200 scenarios)
- Moderate Growth = Global equity returns between 10th and 90 th percentile (1,600 scenarios)
- High Growth $=$ Global equity returns above $90^{\text {th }}$ percentile ( 200 Scenarios)
- Scenarios are based on 30 years of simulated inflation and equity returns
- 2021 - 2050 contributions
- 12/31/2050 Funded Status
- 30-Year Ultimate Net Cost

| Mix Name | Broad Allocation |
| :--- | :--- |
| Actual | EQ36/ IG27/ Cash 11/Alts 27 |
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## 30-Year Annualized Returns

|  | Low Growth |  |  |  | Moderate |  |  |  | High Growth |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Low Inflation | 3.12\% | 3.35\% | 3.17\% |  | 5.76\% | 5.83\% | 6.59\% |  | 8.79\% | 8.66\% | 10.72\% |  |
|  | 3.34\% | 3.20\% | 3.26\% | 3.27\% | 6.29\% | 6.20\% | 6.10\% | 6.26\% | 9.77\% | 9.74\% | 9.41\% | 9.80\% |
| Moderate | 3.19\% | 3.42\% | 3.11\% |  | 6.03\% | 6.07\% | 6.87\% |  | 8.77\% | 8.63\% | 10.50\% |  |
|  | 3.34\% | 3.21\% | 3.28\% | 3.27\% | 6.54\% | 6.47\% | 6.36\% | 6.53\% | 9.65\% | 9.62\% | 9.33\% | 9.68\% |
| High Inflation | 3.52\% | 3.77\% | 3.35\% |  | 5.97\% | 6.01\% | 6.77\% |  | 8.59\% | 8.46\% | 10.30\% |  |
|  | 3.63\% | 3.49\% | 3.59\% | 3.56\% | 6.46\% | 6.38\% | 6.28\% | 6.45\% | 9.45\% | 9.43\% | 9.13\% | 9.49\% |

## Best Result in Economic Regime



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## 30-Year Cumulative Contributions (2021-2050)

|  | Low Growth |  |  |  | Moderate |  |  |  | High Growth |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Low Inflation | 139.0 | 133.6 | 135.0 |  | 81.8 | 80.2 | 73.6 |  | 51.6 | 51.6 | 51.5 |  |
|  | 132.3 | 135.7 | 134.8 | 134.0 | 75.1 | 76.4 | 77.3 | 75.6 | 51.5 | 51.5 | 51.5 | 51.5 |
| Moderate | 164.8 | 159.3 | 163.7 |  | 91.1 | 89.8 | 81.1 |  | 59.8 | 59.9 | 58.1 |  |
|  | 159.6 | 162.9 | 161.5 | 161.3 | 83.5 | 84.8 | 86.0 | 83.9 | 58.6 | 58.6 | 58.9 | 58.5 |
| High Inflation | 174.3 | 168.6 | 173.7 |  | 109.3 | 108.0 | 96.7 |  | 68.4 | 68.3 | 65.5 |  |
|  | 169.1 | 172.6 | 171.0 | 170.9 | 100.0 | 101.4 | 103.0 | 100.3 | 66.5 | 66.7 | 67.2 | 66.6 |

## Best Result in Economic Regime



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## 12/31/2050 Market Funded Status

| Low Inflation | Low Growth |  |  |  | Moderate |  |  |  | High Growth |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 81.7\% | 83.1\% | 83.9\% |  | 130.6\% | 130.2\% | 185.0\% |  | 345.1\% | 324.9\% | 693.4\% |  |
|  | 83.9\% | 83.0\% | 83.0\% | 83.5\% | 158.3\% | 154.8\% | 147.2\% | 157.8\% | 495.3\% | 490.4\% | 433.9\% | 501.0\% |
| Moderate | 83.9\% | 85.4\% | 85.5\% |  | 128.5\% | 127.6\% | 178.7\% |  | 290.4\% | 273.6\% | 538.3\% |  |
|  | 85.7\% | 84.8\% | 85.1\% | 85.4\% | 153.1\% | 150.5\% | 143.3\% | 153.1\% | 397.6\% | 394.4\% | 355.1\% | 401.8\% |
| High Inflation | 79.9\% | 82.2\% | 79.8\% |  | 116.5\% | 115.5\% | 156.8\% |  | 231.8\% | 220.0\% | 418.4\% |  |
|  | 81.3\% | 80.0\% | 80.8\% | 80.7\% | 135.6\% | 133.7\% | 128.0\% | 135.7\% | 313.1\% | 310.8\% | 280.6\% | 316.9\% |

## Best Result in Economic Regime



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## 30-Year Ultimate Net Cost

|  | Low Growth |  |  |  | Moderate |  |  |  | High Growth |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Low Inflation | 166.7 | 159.2 | 159.3 |  | 35.8 | 34.7 | (54.4) |  | (321.2) | (290.4) | (852.4) |  |
|  | 156.6 | 161.4 | 160.4 | 158.9 | (12.6) | (6.1) | 6.2 | (11.4) | (550.0) | (542.6) | (456.5) | (558.8) |
| Moderate | 193.3 | 185.2 | 189.2 |  | 40.7 | 41.0 | (58.0) |  | (280.4) | (250.2) | (724.6) |  |
|  | 184.9 | 189.7 | 187.9 | 187.2 | (10.3) | (4.5) | 9.4 | (9.9) | (472.9) | (467.1) | (396.7) | (480.4) |
| High Inflation | 216.6 | 206.1 | 216.1 |  | 74.8 | 75.4 | (22.1) |  | (206.0) | (181.6) | (598.7) |  |
|  | 208.5 | 214.5 | 211.5 | 211.5 | 25.4 | 30.9 | 44.4 | 25.5 | (377.8) | (372.9) | (309.1) | (385.8) |

## Best Result in Economic Regime



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## Appendix

## Equity Model

Overview

## Fundamental Relationship:



Over the next decade, U.S. Equity (S\&P 500) forecasted at 6.75\%; Global Equity (ACWI IMI) forecasted at 7.10\%

- Building up US equity returns from long-term fundamentals results in a $6.75 \%$ annualized return
- Real earnings growth is linked to real GDP growth over long horizons; we forecast US real GDP of $2.25 \%$ over the next decade
- Inflation(CPI-U) forecasted at 2.25\%
- Consistent with Fed's inflation target
- Consistent with realized inflation over the past three decades
- In line with the market-based forecast of breakeven inflation (yield difference between Treasuries and TIPS)
- Income return of $2.50 \%$ from dividend yield and net share buybacks
- 0.25\% reduction based on high current US valuations
- Small return premium for global equity over US equity stems from valuation considerations, higher international dividends and emerging market growth potential


## Over the $\mathbf{3 0}$ year horizon, Global Equity is forecasted at 7.40\%

- Global equities have returned 5.3\% above inflation/year from 1900-2020


## Bond Model: Expected Returns Are Driven by the Path of Treasury Yields



Rising yield projections translate into low bond returns over the next decade, higher returns thereafter Cash at end of the 30-year horizon is $2.75 \%$

- Reflects a 50 basis point premium over projected inflation which is consistent with long-term US interest rate history
- Cash projected to start to increase from current 0\% in Year 2 in line with market expectations

Term premiums are consistent with long-term historical averages

- For example, in Year 30, the 30-year Treasury yield is $4.4 \%$, or $1.65 \%$ above cash


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## Bond Model: Results

Expected return forecasts

|  | 10 Year <br> Expected <br> Return | 30 Year <br> Expected <br> Return |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| Cash | $0.75 \%$ | $1.75 \%$ |
| $1-3$ Year TIPS | $1.25 \%$ | $2.25 \%$ |
| Investment Grade Bonds (Aggregate) | $1.75 \%$ | $3.05 \%$ |
| Custom Investment Grade (5+ years) | $1.95 \%$ | $3.45 \%$ |
| High Yield | $4.25 \%$ | $6.40 \%$ |
| Bank Loans | $5.15 \%$ | $6.15 \%$ |

10-year bond projections are lower than the 30-year projections

- Rising rates drive low fixed income returns over the next decade
- Higher future yields result in higher expected returns over the 30 year horizon

NCRS currently has a custom investment grade (IG) allocation composed of 5+ year maturity bonds

- In the asset-liability study, custom IG bond asset class characteristics will be assessed relative to a shorter maturity IG Aggregate allocation


## Alternative Investment Modeling

Private equity, private real estate, opportunistic fixed, inflation sensitive, and hedge funds

## Private equity projected with a $2 \%$ return premium over global equity

- Premium is consistent with NCRS historical program results
- Private equity is driven by similar economic factors as global equity but modelled with a higher risk

Private core real estate projected at 6.00\% return over next decade, $6.40 \%$ over 30 years

- Based on projections for income and capital appreciation
- Asset class characteristics fall in between public equity and fixed income


## Non core real estate modeled with a $\mathbf{2 \%}$ premium over private core real estate

- Consistent with NCRS historical program results and well as adjusting expected returns for greater risk
- Asset class risks are scaled upward accordingly as well


## Opportunistic fixed income projected at 5.80\% return over next decade, 6.75\% over 30 years

- Modeled as $50 \%$ distressed debt, $25 \%$ high yield, and $25 \%$ bank loans
- As a component of NCRS's growth allocation, primary role is to grow the asset pool rather than provide defensive characteristics

Inflation sensitive projected at a 4.25\% return over next decade; $\mathbf{4 . 8 0 \%}$ over 30 years

- Currently modeled as 33\% 1-3 TIPS, 17\% Public Commodities, 25\% Infrastructure, 25\% Private Real Estate
- Will also evaluate this bucket without the commodities allocation, which will increase both expected return and risk

Multistrategy (Hedge Funds) projected at 4.25\% return over next decade; 5.00\% over 30 years

- Modeled as cash returns plus an equity beta of 0.4 from market exposure and $1 \%$ return from non-conventional market exposure


## Asset Class Fee Estimates

|  |  |  |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Fees |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |
| Asset Class | Mgt | Incentive | Total |
| Global Equity | $0.13 \%$ | $0.00 \%$ | $0.13 \%$ |
| Private Equity | $0.80 \%$ | $0.90 \%$ | $1.70 \%$ |
| Non Core Real Estate | $1.25 \%$ | $0.60 \%$ | $1.85 \%$ |
| Opportunistic Fixed Income | $0.66 \%$ | $0.34 \%$ | $1.00 \%$ |
| IG Fixed Income - Current Duration | $0.00 \%$ | $0.00 \%$ | $0.00 \%$ |
| IG Fixed Income - Agg like Duration | $0.00 \%$ | $0.00 \%$ | $0.00 \%$ |
| Cash | $0.00 \%$ | $0.00 \%$ | $0.00 \%$ |
| Core Real Estate | $0.60 \%$ | $0.15 \%$ | $0.75 \%$ |
| Inflation Sensitive ex Commodities | $0.65 \%$ | $0.35 \%$ | $1.00 \%$ |
| MultiStrategy | $0.25 \%$ | $0.00 \%$ | $0.25 \%$ |

## Public Plan Return Experience

Rolling 5 Year Large Public Fund Median Returns
for 25 Years Ended December 31, 2021


To provide additional context around worse case scenarios, the blue line above shows the historical median rolling 5year return for Large Public Pension Plans in the Callan database

## Plan Membership



- Active members are held constant at 305,962
- Future new hires replace exits due to retirement, death, disability, and withdrawal.
- A constant active membership implies $0 \%$ workforce growth
- Average age of actives is constant over the forecast horizon $\sim$ age 45


## Ad Hoc COLA Assumptions



- Ad Hoc COLA assumptions based on last 10 years of TSERS history:
- Target 20\% of cumulative inflation overtime
- Maximum COLA per year $=1.0 \%$; Minimum COLA per year $=0.0 \%$
- Granted once every 3 years
- 30-year annualized growth rate in median actuarial liability:
- No COLA = 2.20\% per year
- With Ad Hoc COLA = 2.31\% per year

TSERS Ad hoc COLA History
Relative to CPI-U

|  | Total Allowance |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Increase |  |
| 1989 | $6.70 \%$ |  |
| 1990 | $0.00 \%$ | $4.60 \%$ |
| 1991 | $5.20 \%$ | $6.10 \%$ |
| 1992 | $2.20 \%$ | $3.10 \%$ |
| 1993 | $4.70 \%$ | $2.90 \%$ |
| 1994 | $3.20 \%$ | $2.70 \%$ |
| 1995 | $4.40 \%$ | $2.70 \%$ |
| 1996 | $6.20 \%$ | $2.50 \%$ |
| 1997 | $2.50 \%$ | $3.30 \%$ |
| 1998 | $2.30 \%$ | $1.70 \%$ |
| 1999 | $4.20 \%$ | $1.60 \%$ |
| 2000 | $2.00 \%$ | $2.70 \%$ |
| 2001 | $2.00 \%$ | $3.40 \%$ |
| 2002 | $1.30 \%$ | $2.60 \%$ |
| 2003 | $1.70 \%$ | $2.40 \%$ |
| 2004 | $2.00 \%$ | $1.90 \%$ |
| 2005 | $3.00 \%$ | $3.30 \%$ |
| 2006 | $2.20 \%$ | $3.40 \%$ |
| 2007 | $2.20 \%$ | $2.50 \%$ |
| 2008 | $0.00 \%$ | $4.10 \%$ |
| 2009 | $0.00 \%$ | $0.10 \%$ |
| 2010 | $0.00 \%$ | $2.70 \%$ |
| 2011 | $1.00 \%$ | $1.50 \%$ |
| 2012 | $0.00 \%$ | $3.00 \%$ |
| 2013 | $1.00 \%$ | $1.70 \%$ |
| 2015 | $0.00 \%$ | $1.50 \%$ |
| 2017 | $0.00 \%$ | $0.80 \%$ |
| 2019 | $0.00 \%$ | $0.70 \%$ |
|  | $0.00 \%$ | $2.10 \%$ |
|  | $2.10 \%$ | $1.90 \%$ |
|  |  | $2.30 \%$ |
|  |  |  |
|  |  |  |

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## Simulated 30-Year Treasury Yield



| ECRSP Period |  |  |  | 2030 | 2035 | 2040 | 2045 | 2050 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Percentile | 2021 | 2025 | 2027 |  |  |  |  |  |
| 5th | 3.8\% | 5.1\% | 5.5\% | 6.0\% | 6.4\% | 6.9\% | 7.0\% | 7.0\% |
| 25th | 3.1\% | 3.9\% | 4.1\% | 4.5\% | 4.9\% | 5.1\% | 5.3\% | 5.3\% |
| 50th | 2.6\% | 3.1\% | 3.3\% | 3.6\% | 3.9\% | 4.1\% | 4.2\% | 4.3\% |
| 75th | 2.1\% | 2.4\% | 2.5\% | 2.7\% | 3.0\% | 3.1\% | 3.2\% | 3.3\% |
| 95th | 1.5\% | 1.5\% | 1.5\% | 1.6\% | 1.8\% | 1.9\% | 2.0\% | 2.1\% |
| Prob ( > 6.5\% ) | 0.0\% | 0.6\% | 0.8\% | 2.6\% | 4.4\% | 7.0\% | 8.0\% | 9.5\% |

- Probability of a contribution cap on employer contributions is less than $1 \%$ over the next 5 years - Yields are expected to gradually rise in the baseline


## Simulated Price Inflation



| Percentile | 2021 | 2025 | 2030 | 2035 | 2040 | 2045 | 2050 | Annualized |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 10-Year | 20-Year | 30-Year |
| 97.5th | 5.12\% | 5.18\% | 5.33\% | 5.13\% | 5.19\% | 5.22\% | 5.17\% | 3.74\% | 3.31\% | 3.14\% |
| 95th | 4.64\% | 4.69\% | 4.78\% | 4.65\% | 4.65\% | 4.76\% | 4.68\% | 3.51\% | 3.15\% | 2.98\% |
| 75th | 3.26\% | 3.28\% | 3.30\% | 3.27\% | 3.19\% | 3.28\% | 3.25\% | 2.75\% | 2.62\% | 2.55\% |
| 50th | 2.23\% | 2.24\% | 2.26\% | 2.21\% | 2.22\% | 2.26\% | 2.22\% | 2.23\% | 2.25\% | 2.24\% |
| 25th | 1.23\% | 1.20\% | 1.26\% | 1.24\% | 1.24\% | 1.24\% | 1.25\% | 1.74\% | 1.85\% | 1.94\% |
| 5th | -0.10\% | -0.23\% | -0.32\% | -0.18\% | -0.08\% | -0.34\% | -0.13\% | 1.05\% | 1.31\% | 1.49\% |

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