



North Dakota Teachers' Fund for Retirement

Actuarial Valuation as of July 1, 2013

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Discussion Topics



➤ **Overview of Valuation Process**

➤ **Summary of Valuation Highlights**

➤ **Membership and Demographics**

➤ **Valuation Results and Projections**

Purposes of the Actuarial Valuation

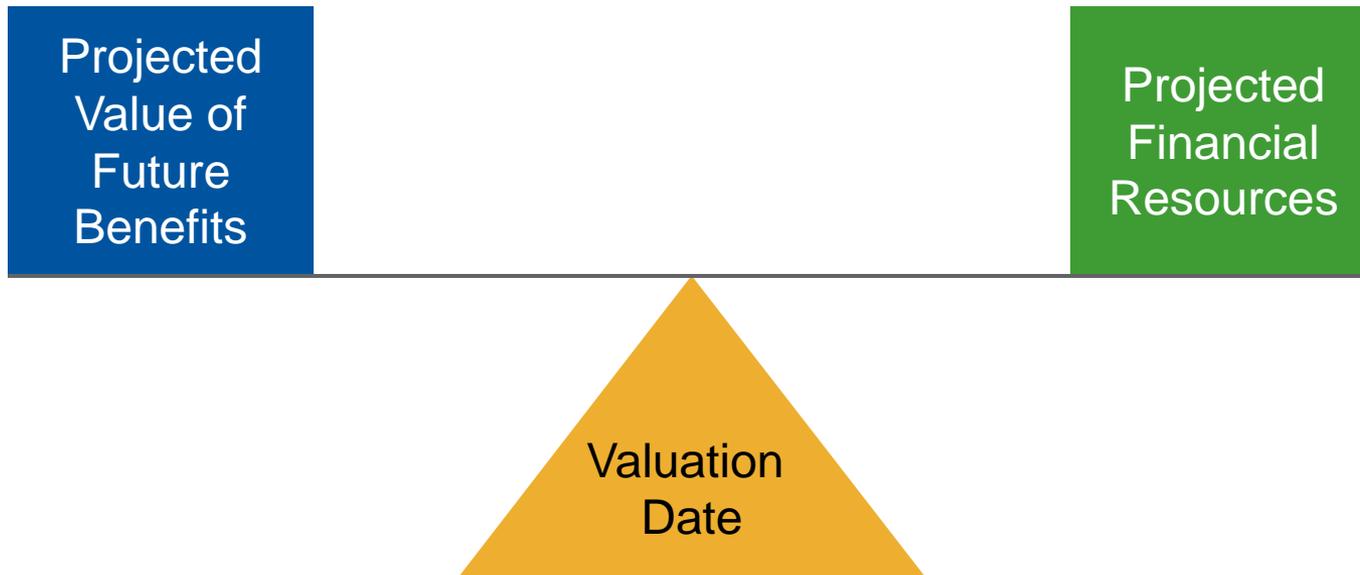
- Report the Fund's actuarial assets
- Calculate the Fund's liabilities
- Determine the Annual Required Contribution (ARC) for fiscal year 2014
 - Determine the funding policy Actuarially Determined Contribution (ADC)
- Provide information for annual financial statements
- Identify emerging trends

How is an Actuarial Valuation Performed?

The actuaries will:

- Gather data as of the valuation date
 - Participant data
 - Financial data
- Project a benefit for each member, for each possible benefit
- Apply assumptions about:
 - Economic (investment return, inflation, salary raises)
 - People or demographic (death, disability, retirement, turnover)
- Apply assumptions to benefits to determine a total liability and assign liabilities to service
- Apply the funding policy to determine ARC/ADC
 - Based on actuarial cost method and asset valuation method

Actuarial Balance



Over the life of a pension system,

$\text{Benefits} + \text{Expenses} = \text{Contributions} + \text{Investment Return}$

$\text{Contributions} = \text{Benefits} + \text{Expenses} - \text{Investment Return}$

Actuarial Assumptions

Two types:

Demographic

- Retirement
- Disability
- Death in active service
- Withdrawal
- Death after retirement

Economic

- Inflation
- Interest rate (return on assets)
- Salary increases
- Payroll growth

Actuaries make assumptions as to when and why a member will leave active service, and estimate the amount and duration of the pension benefits paid.

Economic Assumptions

➤ Interest Rate

- 8%

➤ Salary Increase Rates

- Based on service
- Ranges from 14.75% for new members to 4.5% for members with 25 or more years of service

➤ Payroll Growth

- 3.25%

Actuarial Methods

➤ Asset valuation method (actuarial value of assets)

- Smoothing of investment gains or losses
- TFFR uses a five-year smoothing method
 - Investment returns above or below the expected return are recognized over five years
- 20% market value corridor is applied (e.g., actuarial value must fall within 80% to 120% of market value)

➤ Cost method

- Allocation of liability between past service and future service
 - TFFR uses the entry age normal cost method
 - Most retirement systems use the entry age normal cost method

➤ Amortization method

- 30-year “closed” period to pay off unfunded actuarial accrued liability
- Based on level percentage of payroll
- Governmental Accounting Standards Board requires 30-year maximum period to determine the Annual Required Contribution

Entry Age Normal Cost Method

Allocates Cost Between Past and Future service

- **Normal Cost:** Cost of annual benefit accrual as a level percent of salary
- **Actuarial Accrued Liability:** Represents accumulated value of past normal costs (or difference between total cost and future normal costs)
- **Unfunded Actuarial Accrued Liability:** Actuarial accrued liability minus actuarial value of assets
- **Annual Required Contribution:**
 - Normal cost plus
 - Amortization payment of unfunded accrued liability over a 30-year closed period as a percent of payroll
 - 30-year closed period began July 1, 2013

Actuarial Accrued Liability and Normal Cost

The **actuarial accrued liability** is the portion of the total liability that is allocated to members' past years of service

➤ **Retirees and beneficiaries:**

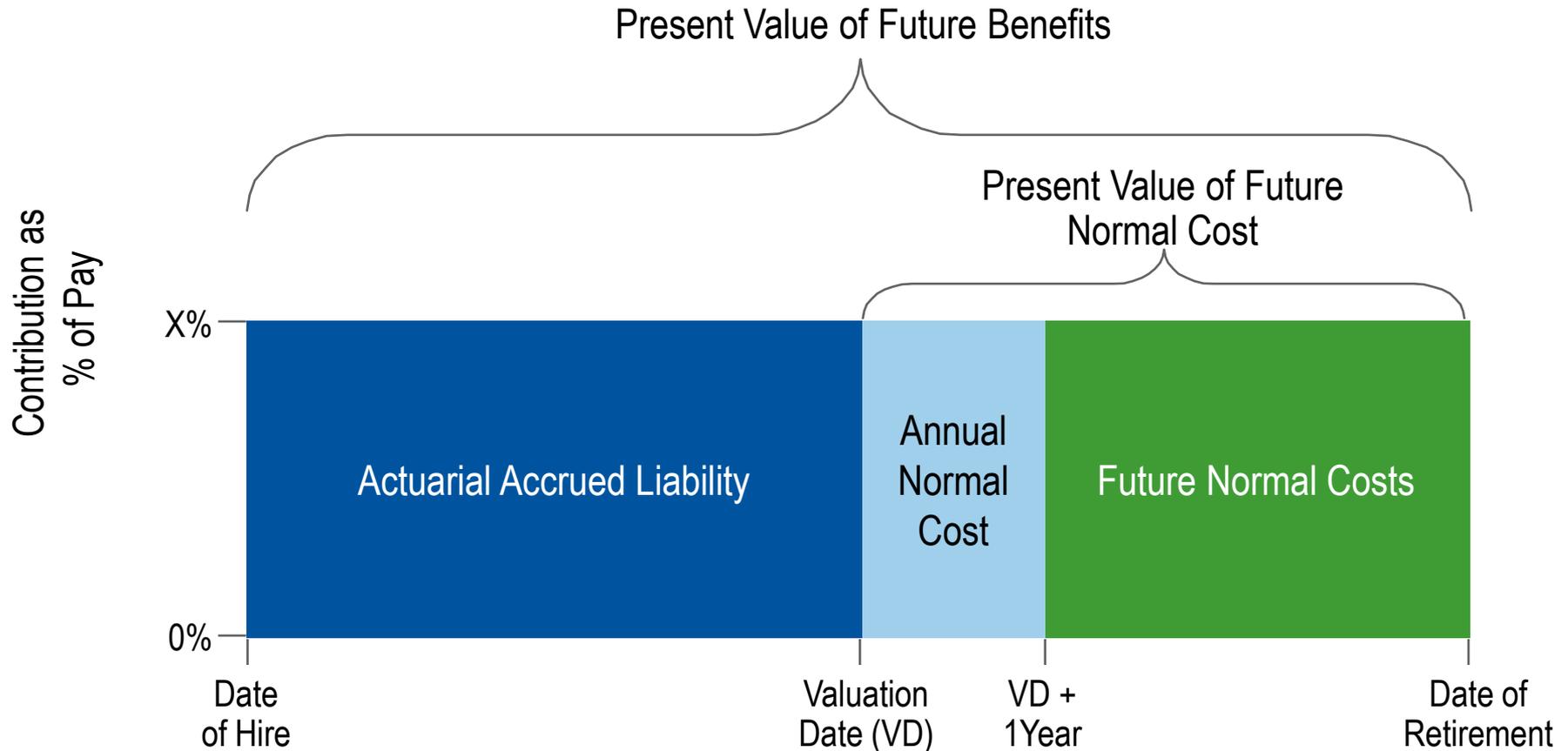
- All years of service are in the past, so the **actuarial accrued liability** is equal to the total liability

➤ **Active members:**

- The **actuarial accrued liability** represents the portion of the total liability that is attributable to the years of service that the members have already worked
- The **normal cost** represents the anticipated growth in the accrued liability in the coming year

The actuarial accrued liability is compared to the assets as a measure of funding progress.

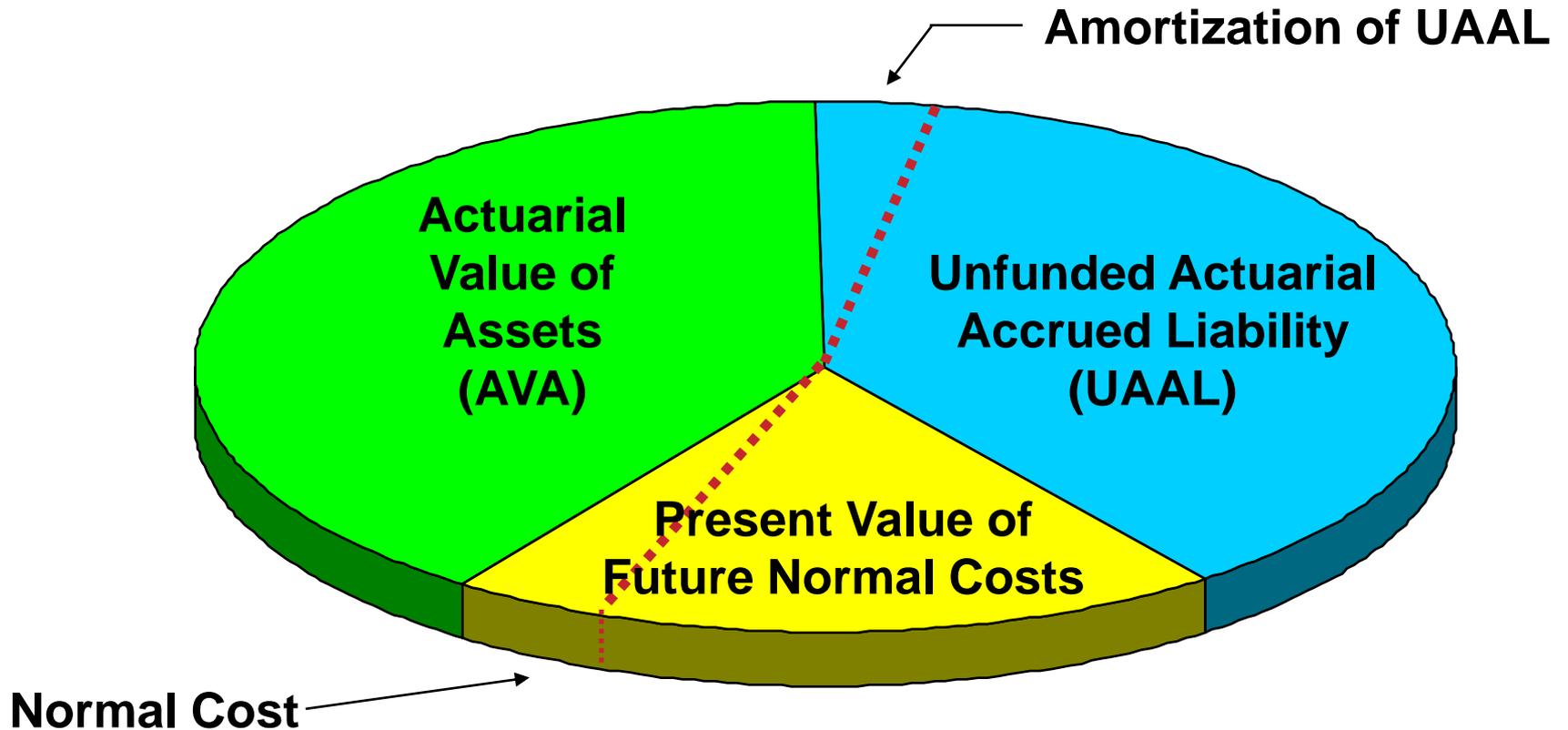
Funding Process



$$\text{Actuarial Accrued Liability} - \text{Assets} = \text{Unfunded Actuarial Accrued Liability}$$

Annual Required Contribution

Present Value of Future Benefits



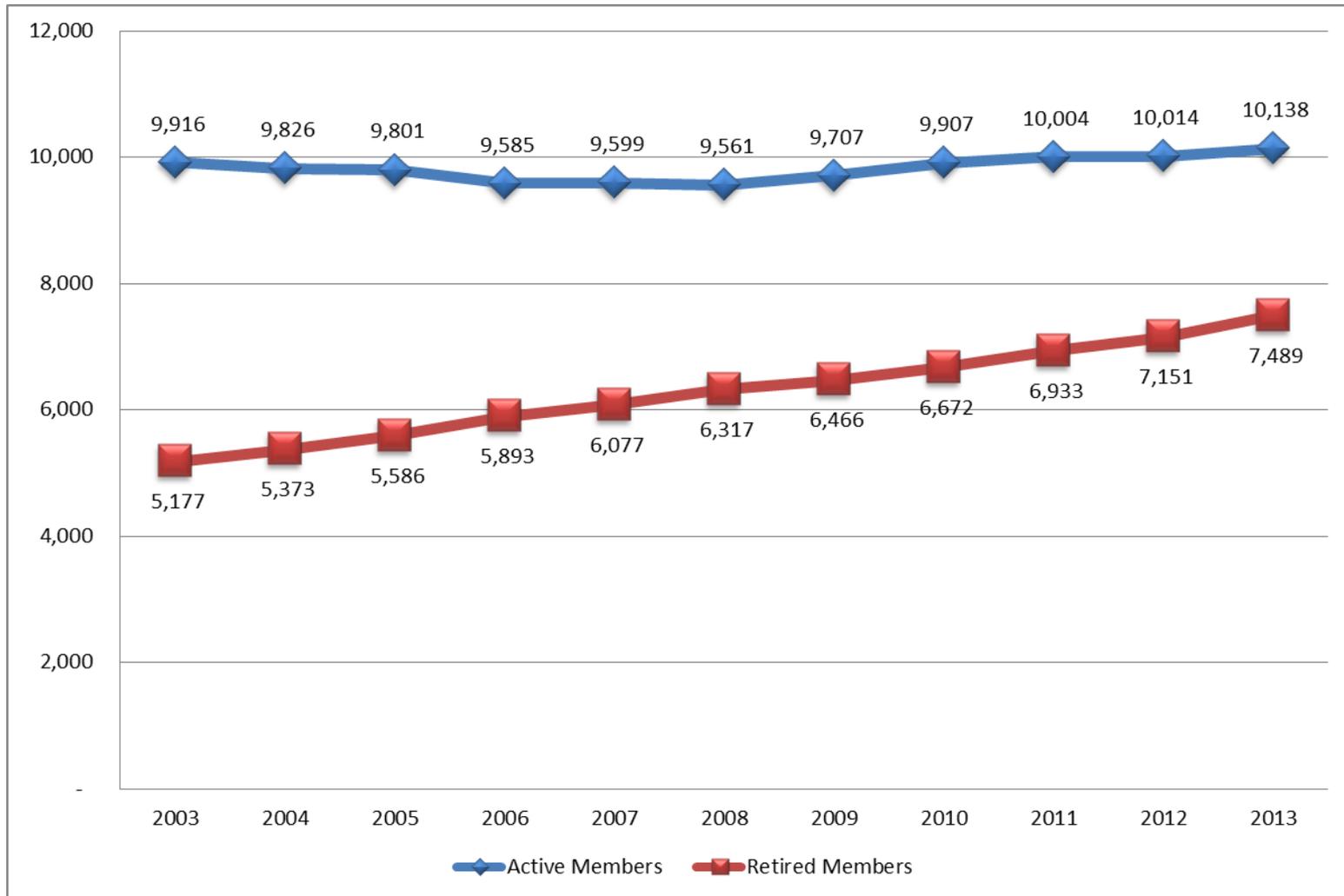
Summary of Valuation Highlights

- Valuation reflects increases in contribution rates contained in HB 1134
 - Member rate will increase from 9.75% to 11.75% on July 1, 2014
 - Employer rate will increase from 10.75% to 12.75% on July 1, 2014
 - Increases will revert to 7.75% for both members and employers once the funded ratio reaches 100% (measured using the actuarial value of assets)
 - ADC and GASB ARC reflect the actuarial present value of the increases as of July 1, 2013
- Market value of assets returned 13.4% for year ending 6/30/13 (Segal calculation)
 - Gradual recognition of deferred losses resulted in 2.7% return on actuarial value of assets
- Net impact on funded ratio was a decrease from 60.9% (as of 7/1/2012) to 58.8% (as of 7/1/2013)
- Effective amortization period increased from 25 years (as of 7/1/2012) to 28 years (as of 7/1/2013)
- Net impact on ARC/ADC was an increase from 9.49% of payroll (FY13) to 10.26% of payroll (FY14)
 - Based on the employer contribution rate for fiscal 2013 of 10.75%, there is a contribution sufficiency of 0.49% of payroll

Membership

	2013	2012	Change
Active:			
• Number	10,138	10,014	+1.2%
• Payroll	\$526.7 mil	\$505.3 mil	+4.2%
• Average Age	43.2 years	43.7 years	- 0.5 years
• Average Service	13.2 years	13.7 years	- 0.5 years
Retirees and Beneficiaries			
• Number	7,489	7,151	+4.7%
• Total Annual Benefits	\$154.8 mil	\$142.8 mil	+8.4%
• Average Monthly Benefit	\$1,722	\$1,664	+3.5%

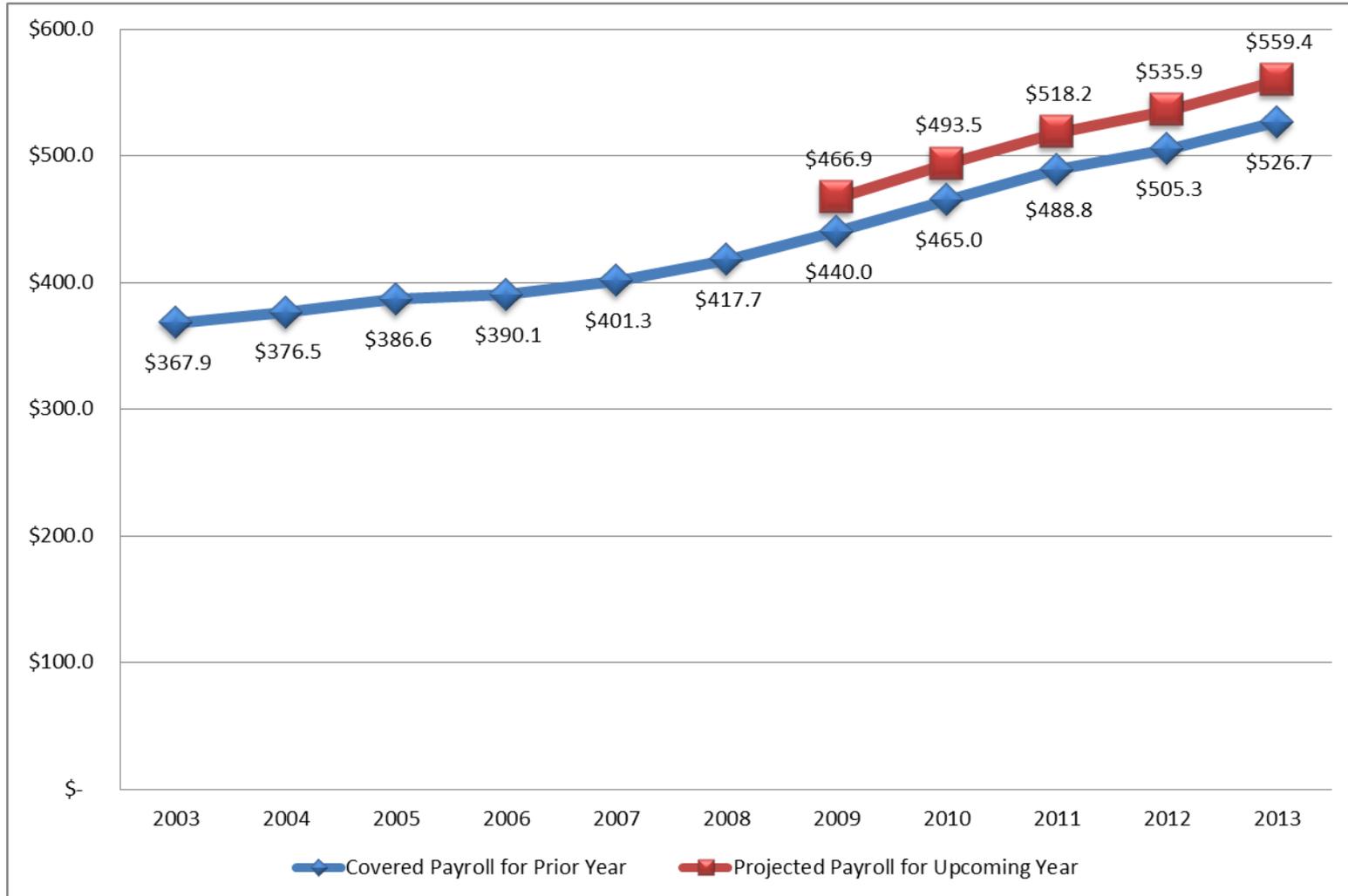
Active and Retired Membership



Since 2003, number of retirees and beneficiaries has increased 3.8% per year on average.

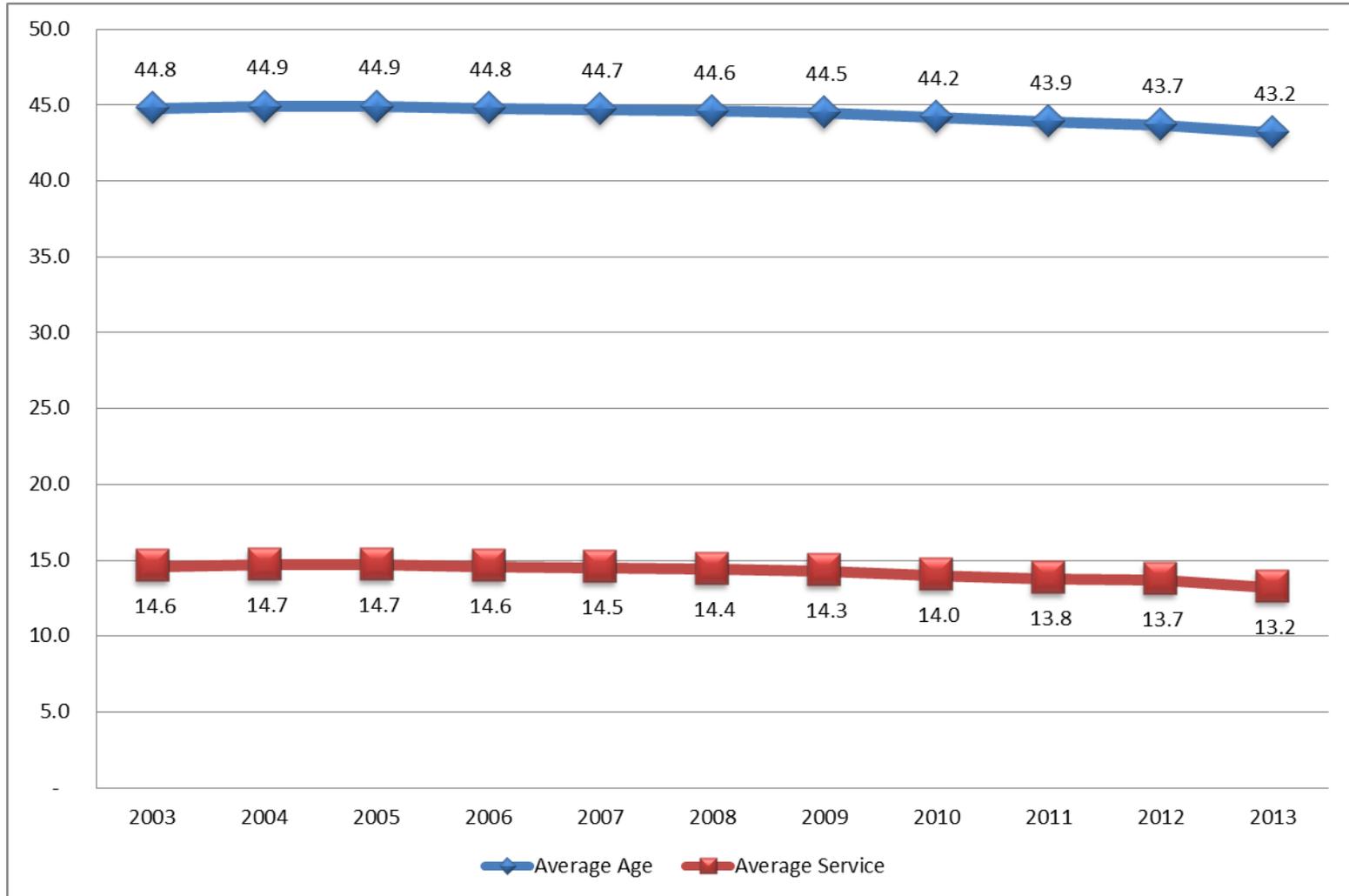
Active Payroll

\$ Millions

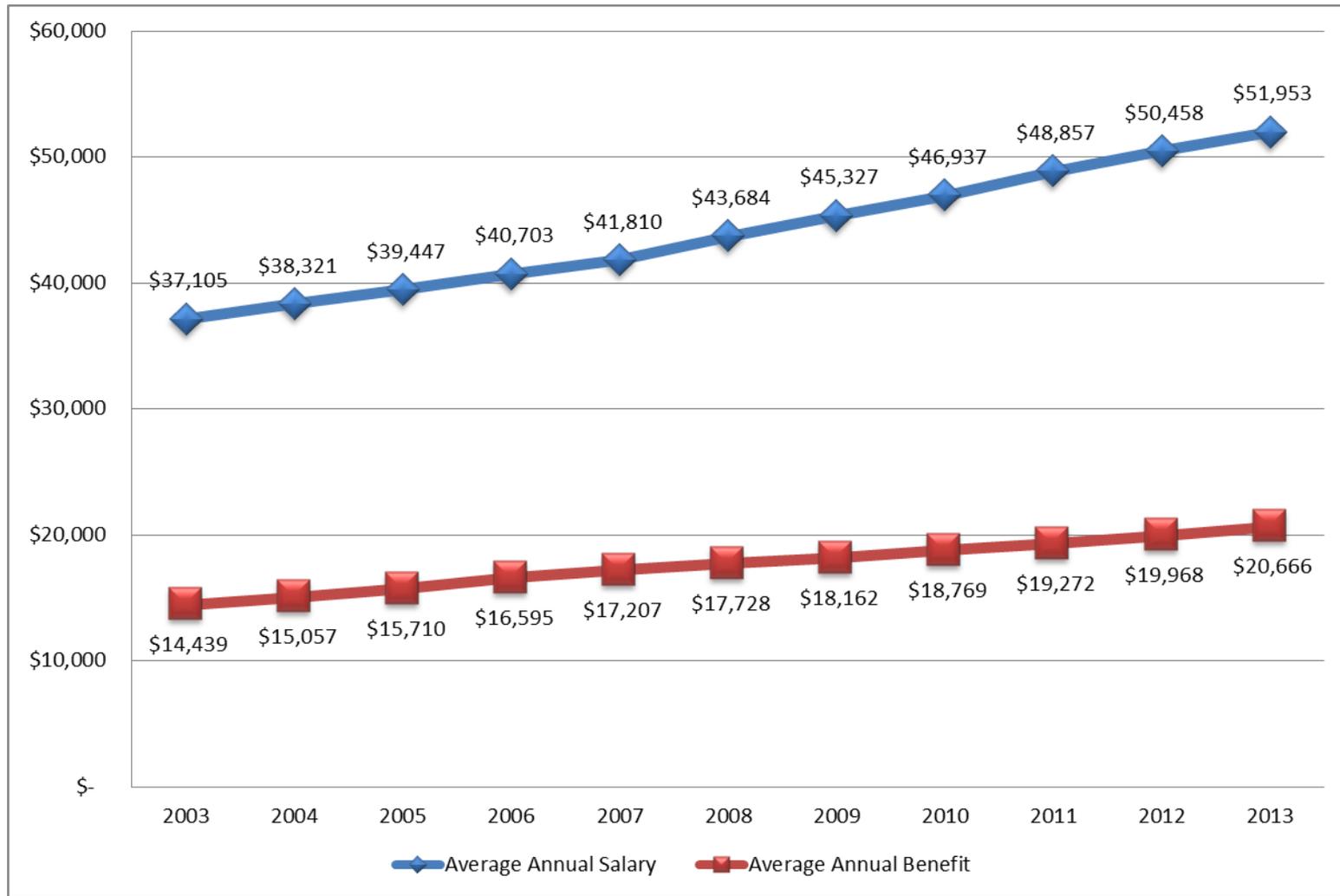


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Average Age and Service of Active Members



Average Salary and Average Benefit



Since 2003, average salary has increased, on average, 3.4% per year. Average annual benefit has also increased by 3.7% per year.

Assets

- The market value of assets increased from \$1.654 billion (as of June 30, 2012) to \$1.839 billion (as of June 30, 2013)
 - Segal determined the investment return was 13.4%, net of investment and administrative expenses

- The actuarial value of assets – which smoothes investment gains and losses over five years – increased from \$1.748 billion (as of June 30, 2012) to \$1.762 billion (as of June 30, 2013)
 - Investment return of 2.7%, net of investment and administrative expenses
 - Actuarial value is 95.8% of market
 - There is a total of \$77 million of deferred net investment gains that will be recognized in future years

- The average annual return on market assets over the past 10 years is 6.6%
 - 20-year average is 6.9%

- The average annual return on actuarial assets over the past 10 years is 4.1%
 - 20-year average is 6.6%

Market Value of Assets (\$ in millions)

Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2013	
Beginning of Year	\$1,654
Contributions:	
• Employer	59
• Member	54
• Service Purchases	3
• Total	116
Benefits and Refunds	(149)
Investment Income (net)	218
End of Year	\$1,839
Rate of Return	13.4%

Actuarial Value of Assets (\$ in millions)

1. Market Value of Assets as of June 30, 2012	\$1,654
2. Contributions and Benefits for FYE June 30, 2013	(33)
3. Expected Return	<u>131</u>
4. Expected Market Value of Assets (1) + (2) + (3)	\$1,752
5. Actual Market Value of Assets on June 30, 2013	1,839
6. Excess/(Shortfall) for FYE June 30, 2013 (5) – (4)	87
Excess/(Shortfall) Returns:	

Year	Initial Amount	Deferral %	Unrecognized Amount
2013	\$87	80%	\$70
2012	(159)	60%	(96)
2011	220	40%	88
2010	74	20%	15
2009	(640)	0%	<u>0</u>
7. Total			\$77

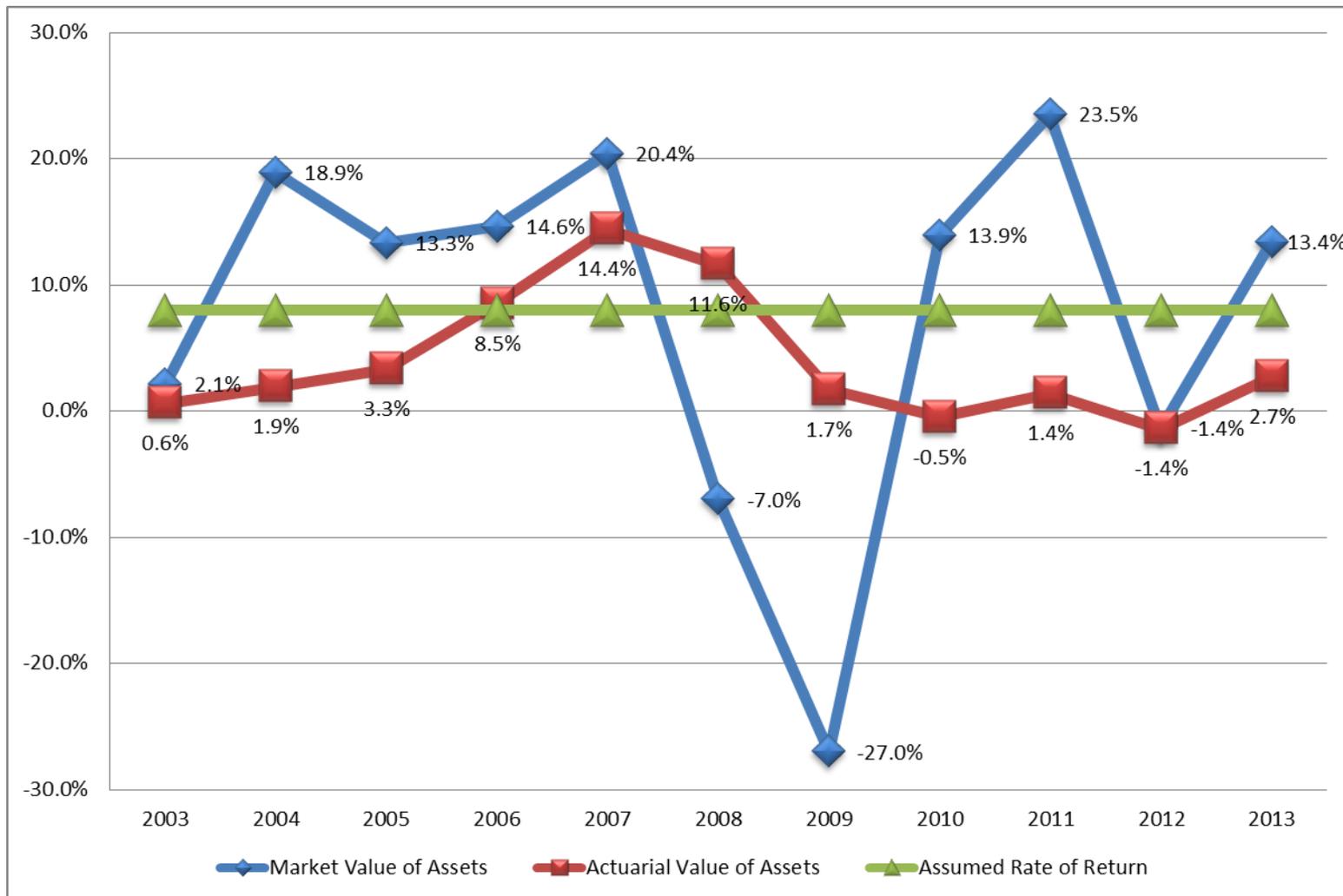
8. Actuarial Value of Assets as of June 30, 2013 (5) - (7)	\$1,762
9. Actuarial Value of Assets as a % of Market Value of Assets	95.8%

Market and Actuarial Values of Assets

\$ Millions

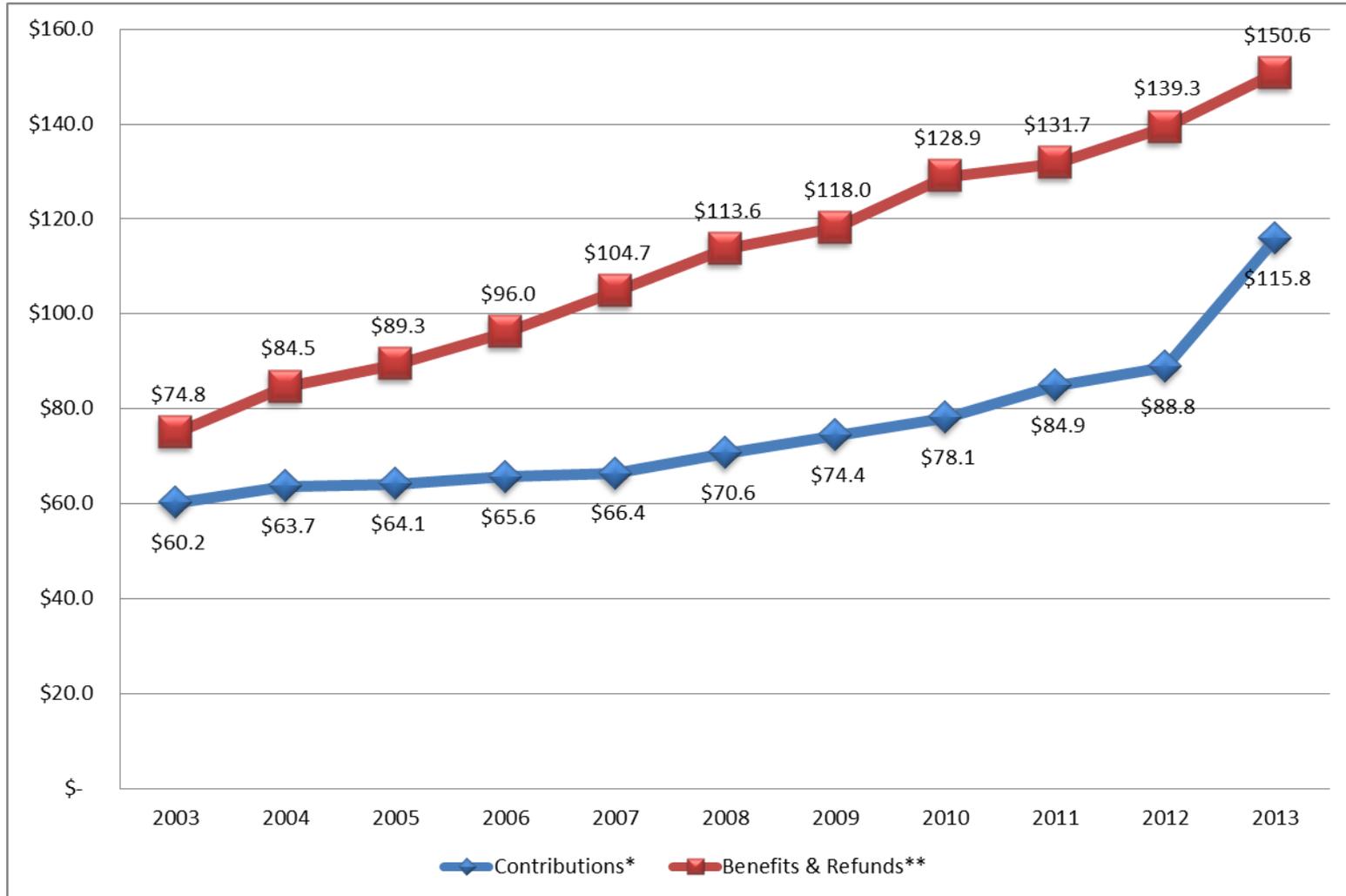


Asset Returns



Contributions vs. Benefits and Refunds

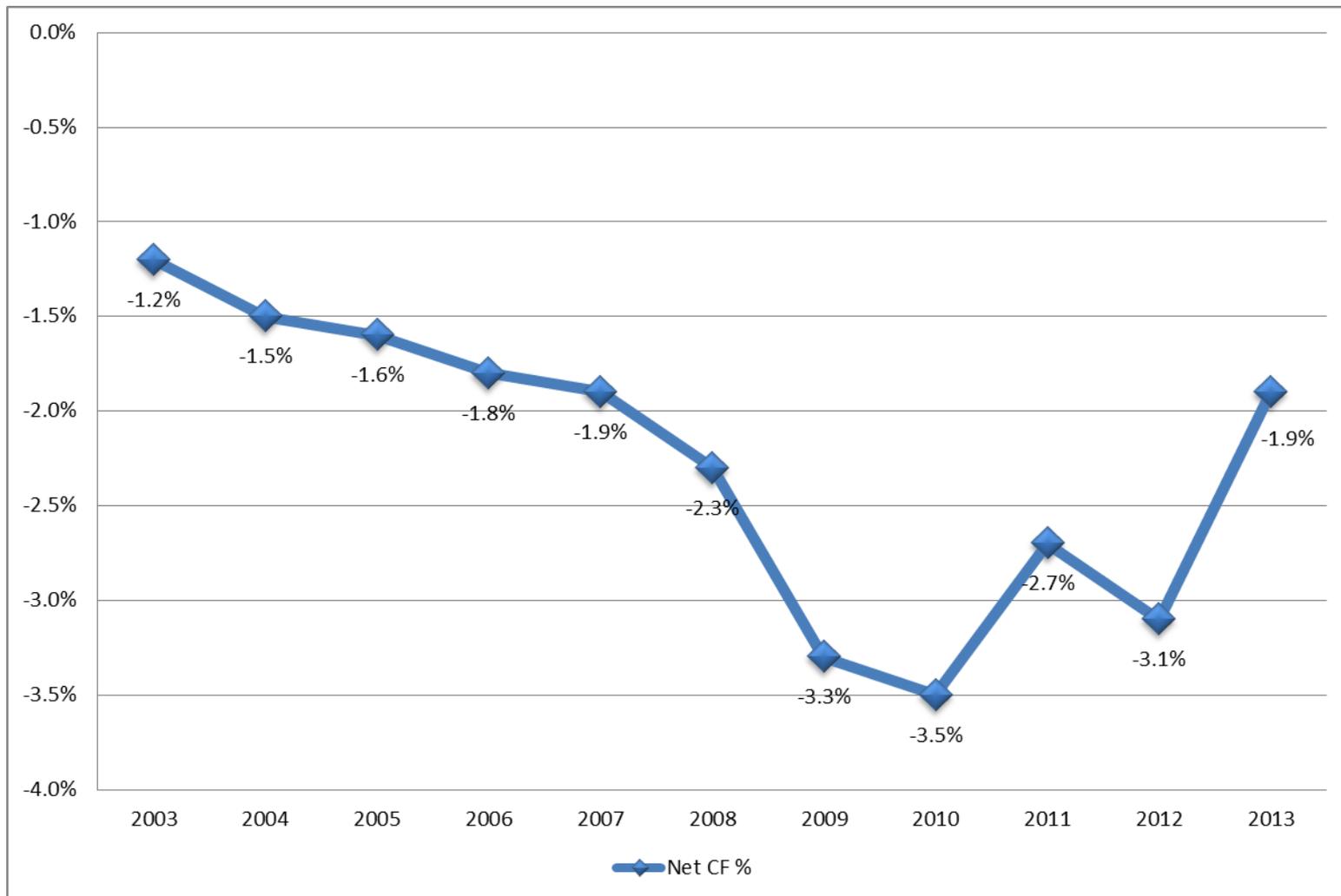
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* Includes member and employer contributions, and service purchases

** Includes administrative expenses

Net Cash Flow as a % of Market Value



Valuation Results (\$ in millions)

	July 1, 2013	July 1, 2012
Actuarial Accrued Liability:		
• Active Members	\$1,371	\$1,373
• Inactive Members	74	70
• Retirees and Beneficiaries	<u>1,552</u>	<u>1,429</u>
Total	\$2,997	\$2,872
Actuarial Assets	<u>1,762</u>	<u>1,748</u>
Unfunded Accrued Liability	\$1,235	\$1,124
Funded Ratio	58.8%	60.9%

Annual Required Contribution

	July 1, 2013	July 1, 2012
Normal Cost Rate	10.15%	9.83%
Member Rate	<u>9.75%</u>	<u>9.75%</u>
Employer Normal Cost Rate	0.40%	0.08%
Adjusted for Timing	0.41%	0.08%
Amortization of UAAL*	<u>9.85%</u>	<u>9.41%</u>
Annual Required Contribution	10.26%	9.49%
Employer Rate	10.75%	10.75%
Contribution Sufficiency/(Deficiency)	0.49%	1.26%

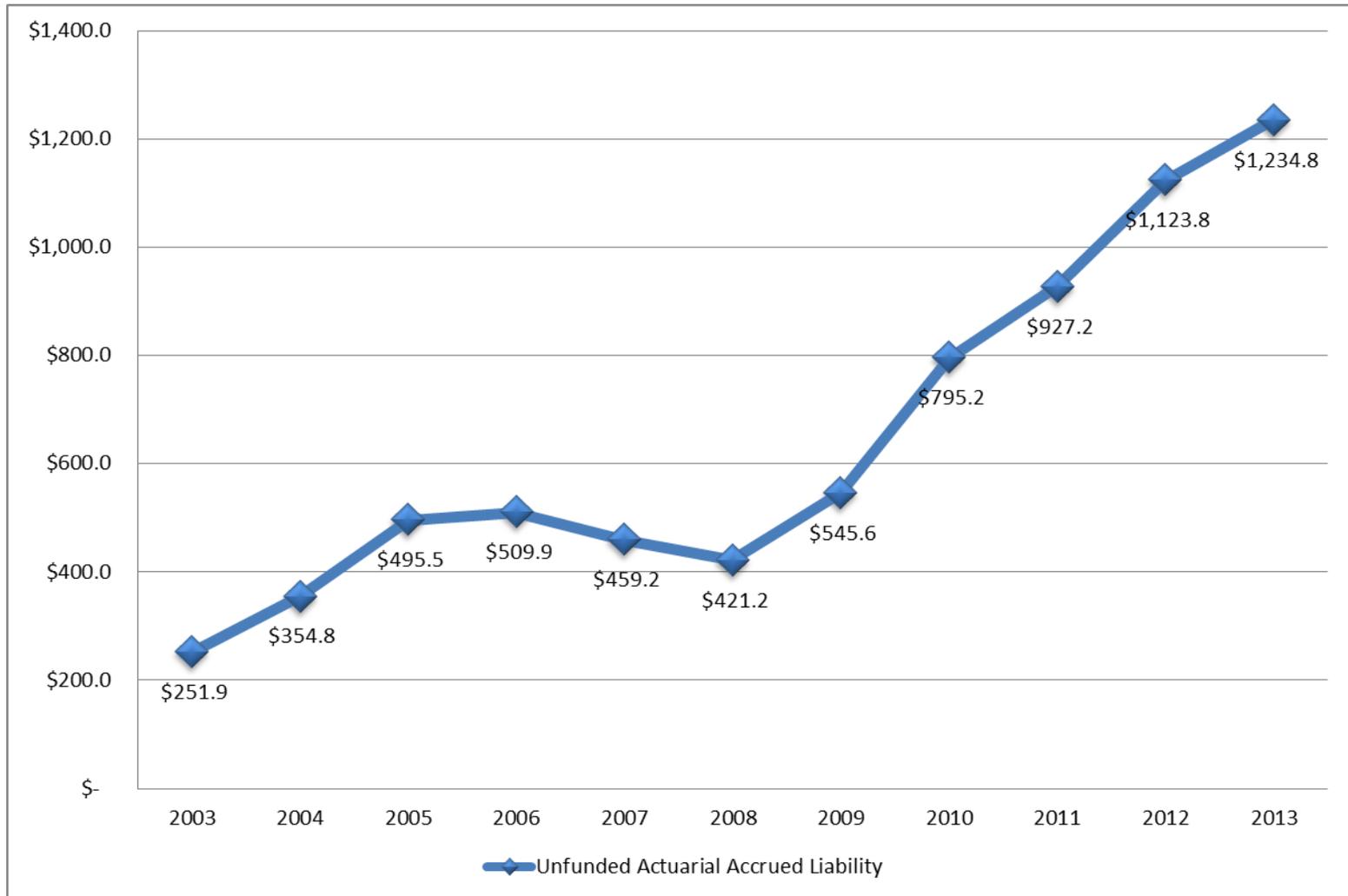
* Reflects the actuarial present value of the increased statutory contributions scheduled to occur July 1, 2014. The amount for 2012 has been restated from last year's valuation.

Valuation Results - Comments

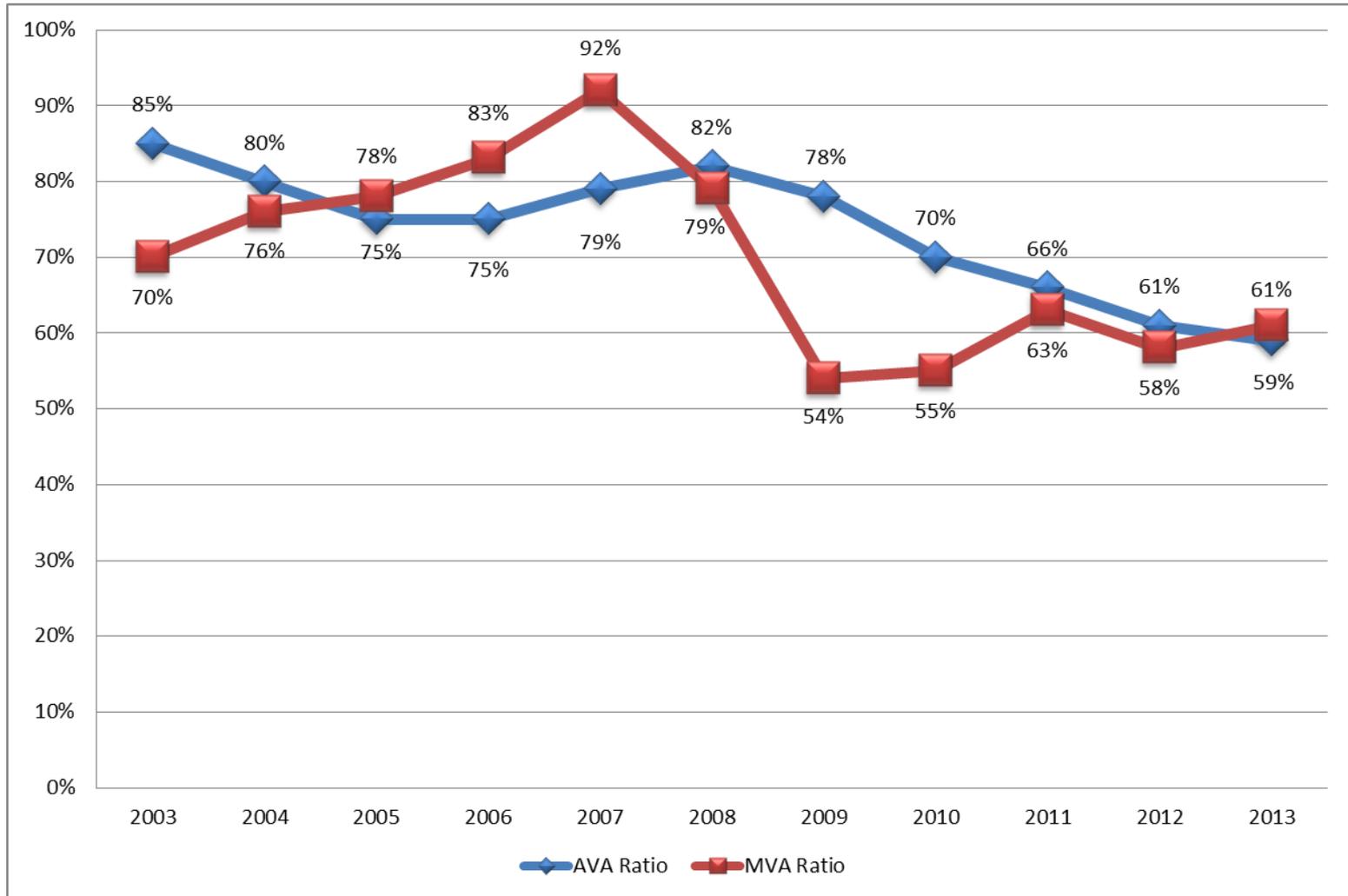
- The actuarial accrued liability increased from \$2.872 billion (as of June 30, 2012) to \$2.997 billion (as of June 30, 2013)
- The unfunded actuarial accrued liability (UAAL) increased from \$1.124 billion to \$1.235 billion
- The funded ratio on an AVA basis decreased from 61% to 59%
 - On a market value basis, the funded ratio increased from 58% to 61%
- The Annual Required Contribution (ARC) increased from 9.49% of payroll to 10.26% of payroll
 - Going forward, this will be referred to as the Actuarially Determined Contribution (ADC)
 - Compared to 10.75% employer contribution, results in a contribution sufficiency of 0.49%
 - The effective amortization period is 28 years

Unfunded Actuarial Accrued Liability

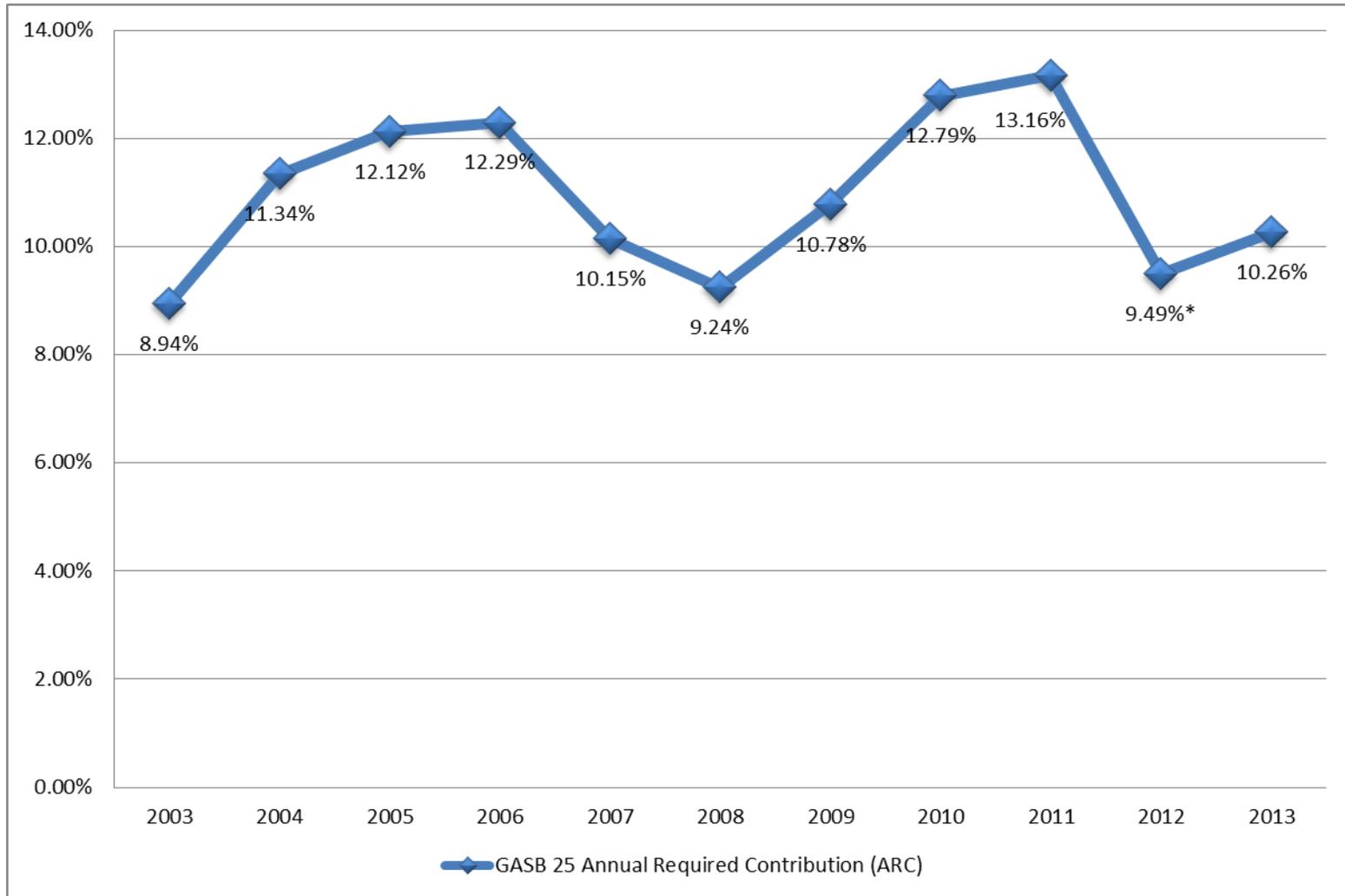
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Funded Ratios



GASB 25 Annual Required Contribution (ARC)



- Prior to 2005, the ARC calculation was based on a 20-year open amortization period.
- From 2005 - 2012, the calculation of the ARC was based on a 30-year open level percentage of payroll amortization.
- Beginning in 2013, the period is 30-year closed.

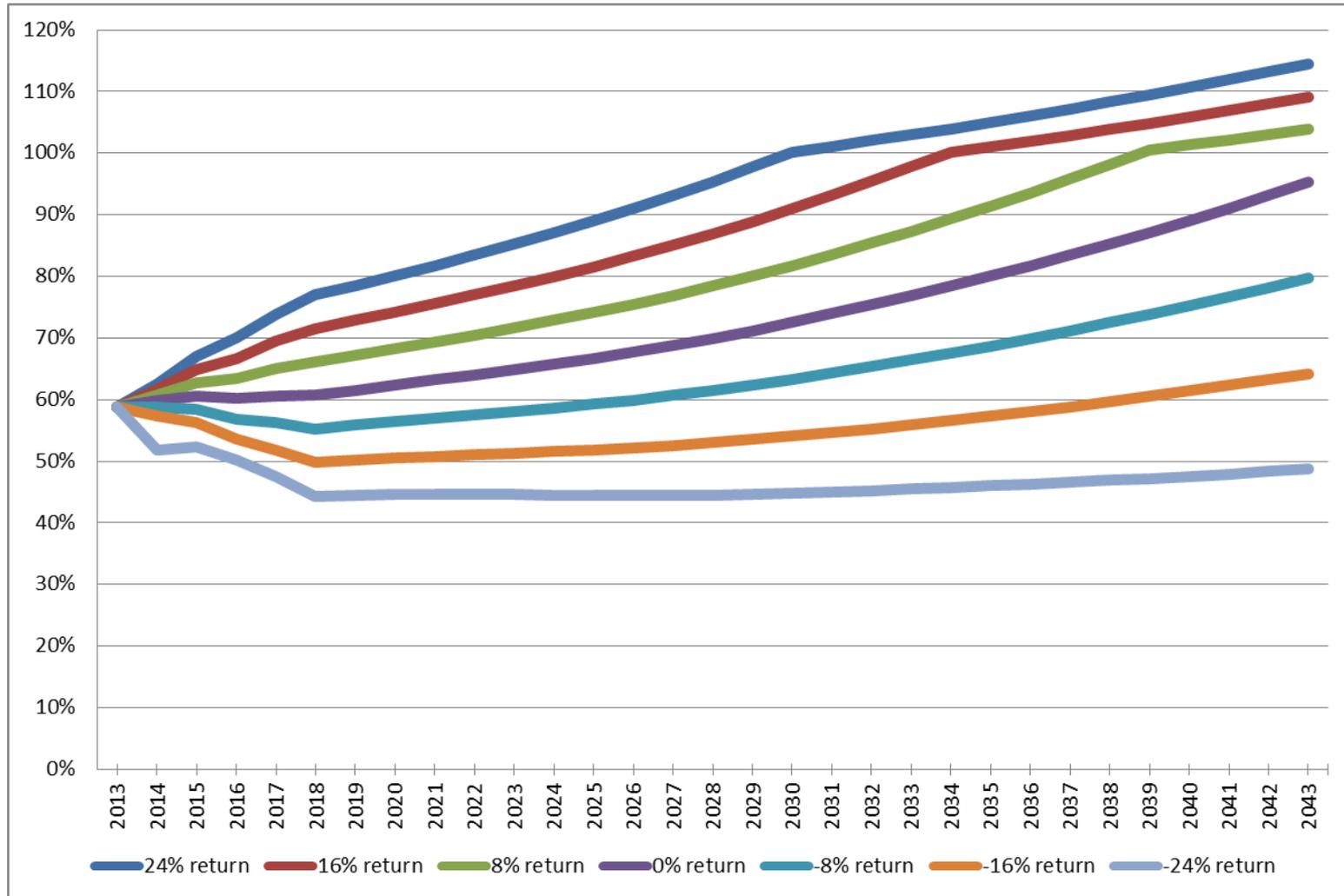
* Restated from last year's valuation to reflect the actuarial present value of contribution increases effective July 1, 2014.

Projections

- Projections of estimated funded ratios for 30 years
 - Based on FY14 investment return scenarios ranging from -24% to +24%
 - Assumes Fund earns 8% per year in FY15 and each year thereafter
 - Additional projections assuming Fund earns 7% or 9% per year every year
 - All other experience is assumed to emerge as expected

- Includes contribution rate increases from HB 1134
 - Member rate is 9.75% for FY14 and increases to 11.75% for FY15 and thereafter
 - Employer rate is 10.75% for FY14 and increases to 12.75% for FY15 and thereafter
 - Increases “sunset” back to 7.75% once the funded ratio reaches 100% (based on actuarial assets)

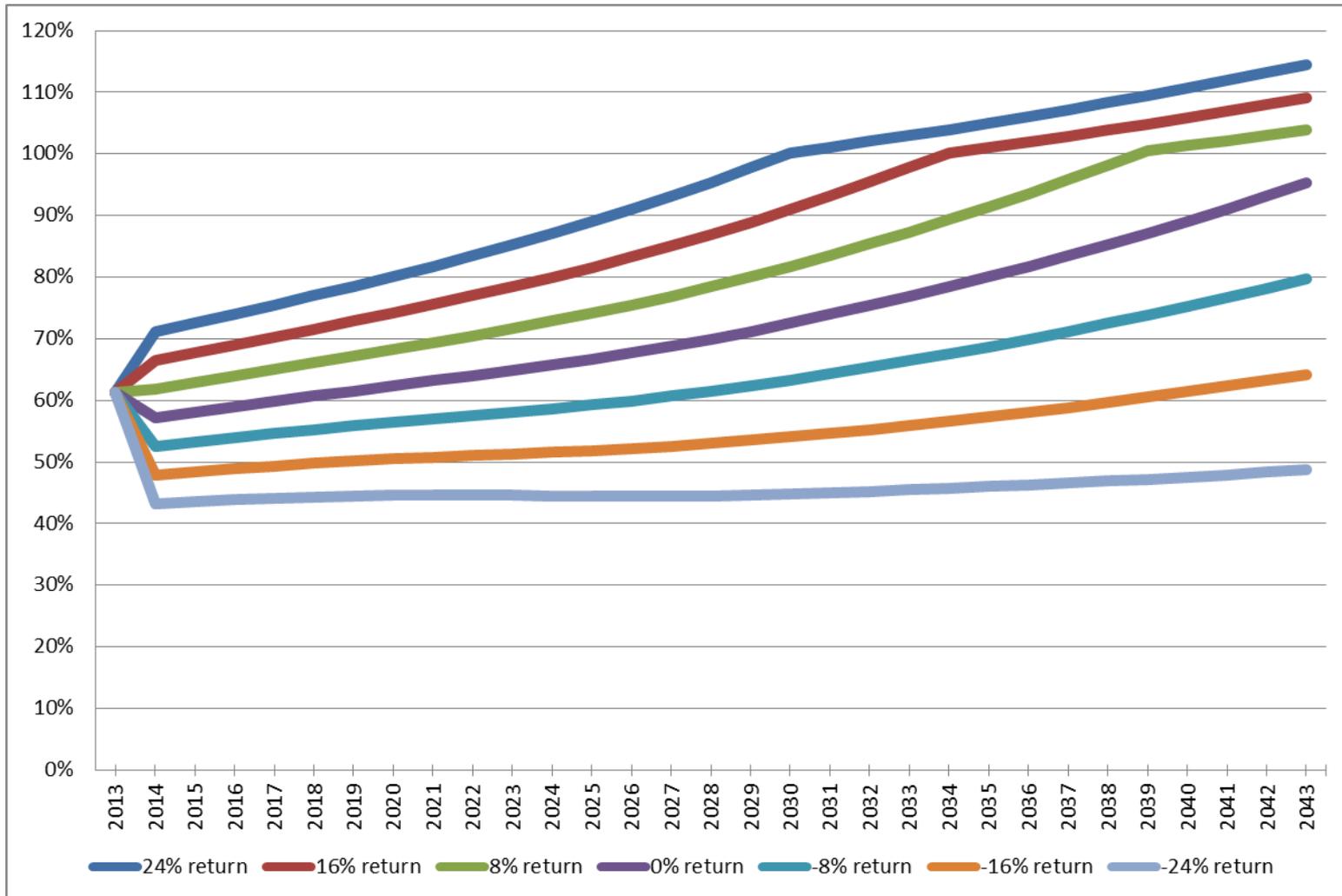
Projected Funded Ratios (AVA Basis)



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Valuation Year	24% for FY2014	16% for FY2014	8% for FY2014	0% for FY2014	-8% for FY2014	-16% for FY2014	-24% for FY2014
2013	59%	59%	59%	59%	59%	59%	59%
2014	63%	62%	61%	60%	59%	57%	52%
2015	67%	65%	63%	61%	58%	56%	52%
2016	70%	67%	63%	60%	57%	54%	50%
2017	74%	69%	65%	61%	56%	52%	47%
2018	77%	72%	66%	61%	55%	50%	44%
2023	85%	78%	72%	65%	58%	51%	45%
2028	95%	87%	78%	70%	61%	53%	45%
2033	103%	98%	87%	77%	66%	56%	45%
2038	108%	104%	98%	85%	72%	60%	47%
2043	114%	109%	104%	95%	80%	64%	49%

Projected Funded Ratios (MVA Basis)



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Valuation Year	24% for FY2014	16% for FY2014	8% for FY2014	0% for FY2014	-8% for FY2014	-16% for FY2014	-24% for FY2014
2013	61%	61%	61%	61%	61%	61%	61%
2014	71%	66%	62%	57%	52%	48%	43%
2015	73%	68%	63%	58%	53%	48%	44%
2016	74%	69%	64%	59%	54%	49%	44%
2017	75%	70%	65%	60%	55%	49%	44%
2018	77%	72%	66%	61%	55%	50%	44%
2023	85%	78%	72%	65%	58%	51%	45%
2028	95%	87%	78%	70%	61%	53%	45%
2033	103%	98%	87%	77%	66%	56%	45%
2038	108%	104%	98%	85%	72%	60%	47%
2043	114%	109%	104%	95%	80%	64%	49%

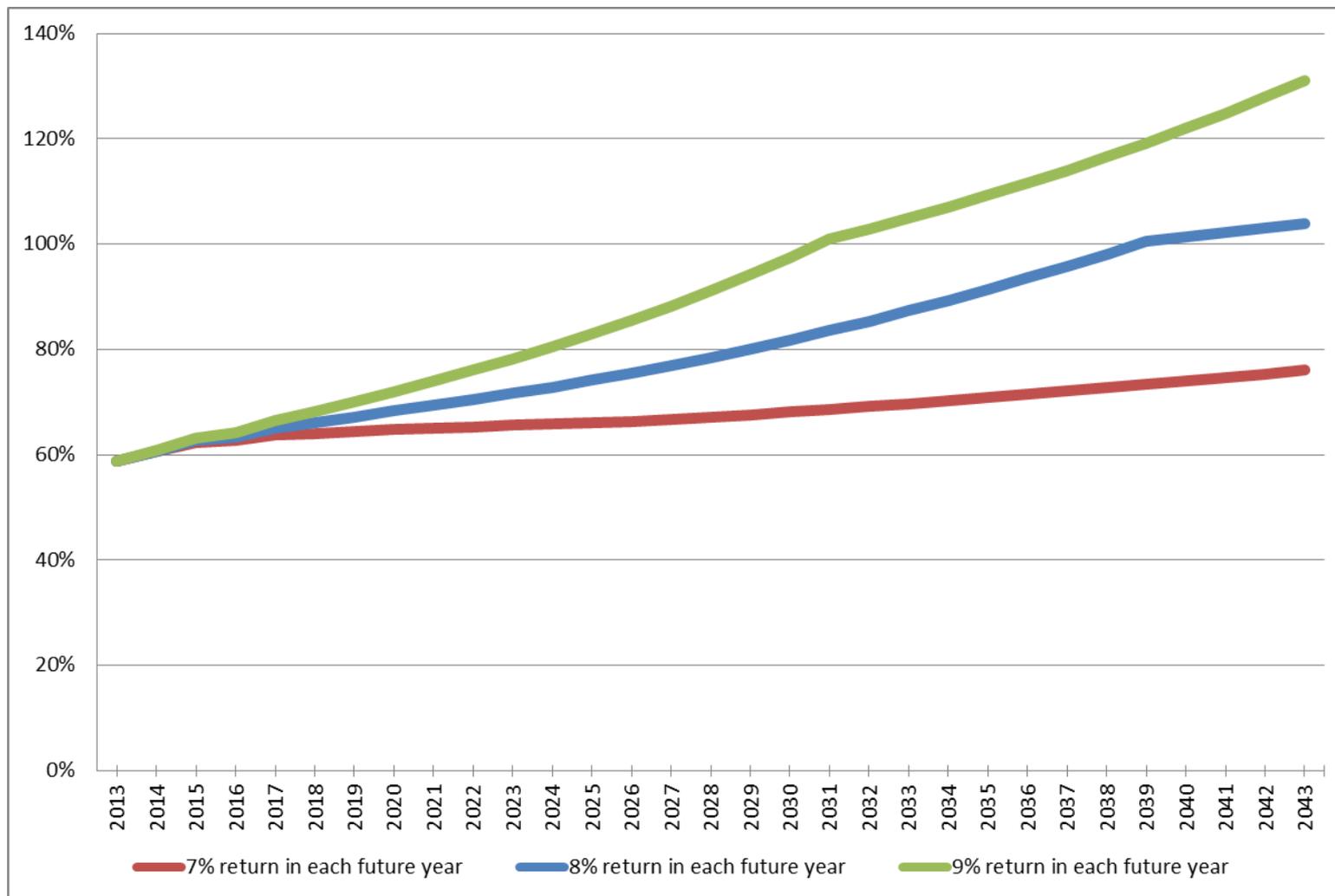
Projected Margin (AVA Basis)

Valuation Year	24% for FY2014	16% for FY2014	8% for FY2014	0% for FY2014	-8% for FY2014	-16% for FY2014	-24% for FY2014
2013	0.49%	0.49%	0.49%	0.49%	0.49%	0.49%	0.49%
2014	1.78%	1.47%	1.15%	0.84%	0.52%	0.03%	-1.86%
2015	3.01%	2.26%	1.52%	0.77%	0.03%	-0.72%	-2.13%
2016	3.76%	2.59%	1.41%	0.24%	-0.93%	-2.11%	-3.28%
2017	4.86%	3.26%	1.66%	0.06%	-1.54%	-3.14%	-4.75%
2018	5.79%	3.76%	1.73%	-0.31%	-2.34%	-4.37%	-6.40%
2023	7.99%	5.11%	2.23%	-0.65%	-3.53%	-6.41%	-9.29%
2028	11.91%	7.64%	3.38%	-0.89%	-5.15%	-9.42%	-13.68%
2033	5.98%	12.62%	5.47%	-1.68%	-8.83%	-15.97%	-23.12%
2038	7.70%	6.19%	12.70%	3.78%	-5.14%	-14.06%	-22.98%
2043	9.88%	7.99%	6.19%	10.54%	-0.64%	-11.82%	-23.00%

* The projected margin is based on a 30-year closed period starting July 1, 2013. Once the period declines to 10 years remaining, the projected margin is based on a 10-year open period.

** If an overfunding exists, the surplus is amortized over a 30-year open period.

Projected Funded Ratios (AVA Basis) Actual Returns +1% or -1% of Assumed



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