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**CORRESPONDENCE MEMORANDUM**

**DATE:** November 16, 2009

**TO:** Employee Trust Funds (ETF) Board  
Teachers Retirement Board  
Wisconsin Retirement Board

**FROM:** Sari King, Office of Legislative Affairs, Communications and Quality Assurance

**SUBJECT:** Geographical Distribution of Wisconsin Retirement System (WRS) Retirees

**This memo is for informational purposes only. No Board action is required.**

At the September 17, 2009, Teachers Retirement Board meeting, Board members requested an update on the location of WRS retirees.

The attached map, which uses 2008 data, shows the majority of WRS retirees have maintained their primary residence in Wisconsin. For those choosing a warmer climate, Florida was the state of choice.

We did not update the map with 2009 data, due to the cost of obtaining this service through the Department of Natural Resources. However, a query of our own data in September yielded very similar results: 86% of WRS retirees reside in Wisconsin, 2% in Florida and 1% each in Arizona and Minnesota.

We hope this provides the information you are seeking. I will be available at the December meeting if you have any questions.

Attachment

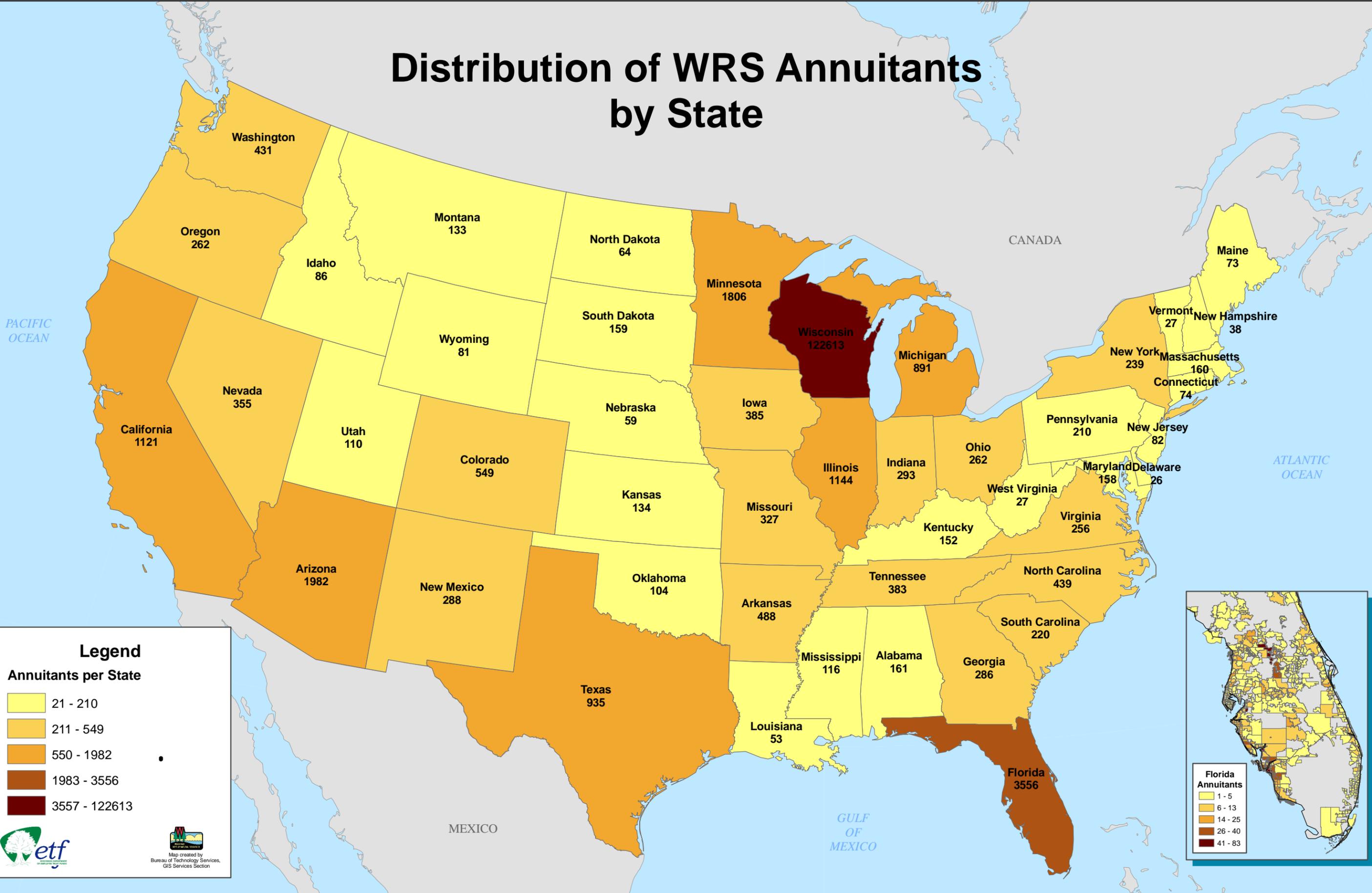
Reviewed and approved by Matt Stohr, Office of Legislative Affairs,  
Communications and Quality Assurance.

Signature

Date

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# Distribution of WRS Annuitants by State



**Legend**  
Annuitants per State

- 21 - 210
- 211 - 549
- 550 - 1982
- 1983 - 3556
- 3557 - 122613



Map created by  
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**Florida Annuitants**

- 1 - 5
- 6 - 13
- 14 - 25
- 26 - 40
- 41 - 83

