

### WISCONSIN RETIREMENT SYSTEM 34<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL ACTUARIAL VALUATION OF RETIRED LIVES DECEMBER 31, 2016

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March 6, 2017

Employee Trust Funds Board Madison, Wisconsin

Ladies and Gentlemen:

The results of the **34th annual actuarial valuation of core and variable annuities** being paid from the Wisconsin Retirement System are presented in this report. This report should not be relied on for any other purpose.

The date of this valuation was December 31, 2016. Actuarial assumptions used in the valuation are summarized in the Appendix.

	Core	Variable
Number of Annuitants	197,647	40,647
Annual Amount	\$ 4,523.1	\$ 363.6
Fund Balance	51,972.0	3,792.0
Actuarial Reserve	50,941.4	3,645.1
Ratio	1.020	1.040

The results of the valuation may be briefly summarized as follows (\$ millions).

# Based upon these results, the increase in the core annuities is 2.0% and variable annuities will be increased by 4.0%.

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Future actuarial measurements may differ significantly from the current measurements presented in this report due to such factors as the following: plan experience differing from that anticipated by the economic or demographic assumptions; changes in economic or demographic assumptions; increases or decreases expected as part of the natural operation of the methodology used for these measurements; and changes in plan provisions or applicable law.

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To the best of our knowledge this report is complete and accurate. All calculations have been made in conformity with generally accepted actuarial principles and practices and with the Actuarial Standards of Practice issued by the Actuarial Standards Board. Brian B. Murphy, Mark Buis and James D. Anderson are all Members of the American Academy of Actuaries (MAAA) and meet the Qualification Standards of the American Academy of Actuaries to render the actuarial opinions contained herein. The signing actuaries are independent of the plan sponsor.

The cooperation of the Secretary and his staff in gathering materials for this valuation is acknowledged with appreciation.

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## **SECTION A** EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

#### 1. Retiree Dividend in Core Annuities

The Core annuity fund return (after applying the five year smoothing method under the Market Recognition Account) of 7.9% exceeds the 5.0% assumed investment return threshold that triggers an annuity adjustment. This valuation determined the amount of available surplus. The available surplus in the core fund is \$1,030.6 million as of December 31, 2016. After adjusting for expected improvements in longevity and various other items (described in detail on page 6), **the result is a 2.0% increase in benefits**.

#### 2. Change in Variable Annuities

The variable fund effective earnings rate was 10.0% resulting in a surplus of \$146.9 million. The surplus of \$146.9 million will **result in a 4.0% increase in all variable annuities in force.** 

#### **3. General Comments**

Due to the asset smoothing method used in the core annuity fund, there are approximately \$3 billion in unrecognized asset losses as of December 31, 2016 which will be recognized over the next four years. Although only half of this applies to the annuitant reserve, this will put downward pressure on dividends being granted over the next few years.

The value of previously granted dividends is approximately \$5.4 billion. It is important that the value of dividend payments continue to build up in order to avoid the possibility of leveraged negative adjustments in the future. This will happen naturally as long as investments in the core fund attain the long term investment goal of 7.2%.

**Conclusion.** In accordance with the Administrative Code, ETF 20.25, Section 40.27(2) and Section 40.28(2) of the Wisconsin Statutes:

Core annuities will be increased by 2.0%, and Variable annuities will be increased by 4.0%.

**SECTION B OPERATION OF THE SYSTEM**  Each year, as of December 31, an actuarial valuation of the liability for retired persons receiving benefits from the Wisconsin Retirement System is conducted. The purpose of the valuation is to determine the actuarial present value of future benefit payments on behalf of current retired lives. This present value is the "actuarial reserve." Theoretically, if an amount of money equal to the actuarial present value were invested at a yield equal to the valuation interest rate, the initial amount plus the continuing investment income would provide exactly the right amount of money to pay the annuities of all current retired persons and their beneficiaries for the rest of their lives. The fund would decrease each year, and would become zero many decades in the future when the last annuitant dies.

The above is a "closed group" description of the operation of the annuity reserve fund. But the fund is really an "open group." The size of the fund does not actually decrease because each year more benefits are added to the rolls than are removed and fresh money is transferred into the annuity reserve fund to finance the benefits of the new annuitants. (The actuary calculates the reserve transfers for new annuitants each year as a by-product of the actuarial valuation.)

According to theory, the fund will eventually reach a state when the number of people entering (retiring) each year is approximately equal to the number of people exiting (dying) each year. When this mature state is reached, the amount of money in the fund will remain approximately level in constant dollars from year to year. Each year, the reserve transfers for the new annuitants plus real investment earnings on the whole fund (total money in) will be approximately equal to the benefit payments (total money out). The only source of growth in assets would be the result of the effects of inflation. The dollars in the fund would increase, but the "real" value of the fund would not change.

There are at least two factors that cause the actual operation to be different from the theoretical operation described above. The first is that annuitants may have longer or shorter lifetimes than expected. In recognition of this, the actuary monitors mortality experience of the retirement system and recommends a new mortality table when appropriate. The second factor is that actual investment earnings are rarely equal to the assumed rate. When investment earnings differ from the assumed rate, the difference, positive or negative, is recorded in a supplemental reserve.

The Wisconsin Retirement System (WRS) maintains separate reserves for core and variable annuities. Each year, the actuary determines the actuarial reserve for core and variable annuities separately. WRS' practice with respect to the use of supplemental reserves is described below.

*Core Annuity Division:* If the supplemental reserve is positive and is at least 0.5% of core annuity liabilities, core annuity increases (dividends) may be granted. If the supplemental reserve is negative and is equal to or greater than 0.5% of core annuity liabilities in absolute value, prior core annuity dividends are reduced by an aggregate amount equal to the shortfall. Increases or decreases become effective in April following the December 31 valuation.

*Variable Annuity Division:* If the supplemental reserve is at least 2% of variable annuity liabilities, substantially all of the reserve (dropping fractions of a percent) is used to increase or decrease variable annuities for the ensuing year. Increases or decreases become effective in April following the December 31 valuation.

In calculating both the dividend for the Core annuities and the adjustment for Variable annuities, a 5.0% assumed investment return is used to fund the original benefit. Only returns in excess of 5.0% can produce an increase in a member's annuity. Returns below 5% result in a decrease. Please see page 29 for a full description of these benefits.

## **SECTION C CORE ANNUITIES**

### CORE ANNUITY DIVISION DEVELOPMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

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	Assets	Liabilities	Ratio
Ending Balance December 31, 2015	\$49,147.0	\$48,897.5	1.005
Closing Adjustments	72.0	0.0	
Variable Terminations	63.9	63.9	
2016 Core Annuity Average Adjustment: 0.5%	0.0	232.0	
Beginning Balance January 1, 2016	49,282.9	49,193.4	1.002
Increases			
Reserve Transfers	3,513.7	3,513.7	
Regular Interest	2,435.1	2,435.1	
Additional Earnings	1,242.9	0.0	
Addition for Experience Study/Mortality Reserve	0.0	280.2	
Other	0.0	21.6	
Total Increases	7,191.7	6,250.6	
Decreases			
Annuities & Lump Sums	4,502.6	4,502.6	
Credit Re-establishments	0.0	0.0	
Subtraction for Experience Study/Mortality Reserve	0.0	0.0	
Other	0.0	0.0	
Total Decreases	4,502.6	4,502.6	
Ending Balance December 31, 2016	\$51,972.0	\$50,941.4	1.020

The ending liability balance includes a data reserve of \$50.9 million and a liability for previously granted dividends of \$5,422 million (prior to any 2017 adjustments).

Amounts to be transferred from the Employer Reserve and the Employee Reserve to the Annuity Reserve to cover liabilities for new annuities are computed as the first step in the annual actuarial valuation. The actuarial present value at time of retirement of core annuities reported as new since the last actuarial valuation is \$3,474,267,907. Adjustments to prior transfers, related to estimated annuities for which final computations have now been made, totaled \$39,379,347. Reserve transfers are distributed as follows:

Group	Regular Transfer	Adjustment to Prior Transfer	Total Transfer
General	\$2,984,492,765	\$35,171,146	\$3,019,663,911
Protective with Social Security	357,750,336	3,397,609	361,147,945
Protective without Social Security	95,402,277	282,792	95,685,069
Executive & Elected	36,622,529	527,800	37,150,329
Totals	\$3,474,267,907	\$39,379,347	\$3,513,647,254

Accordingly, we recommend that \$3,513,647,254 be transferred to the Core Annuity Reserve. The results in this report assume that this transfer has been made.

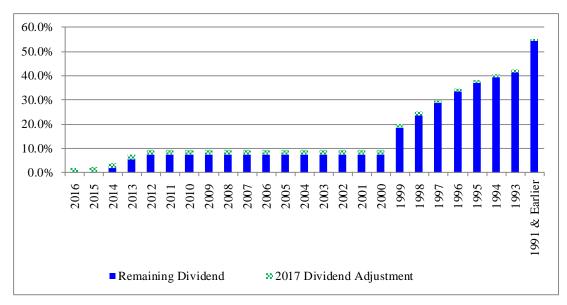
The Core Annuity Fund balance, \$51,972.0 million, was greater than the actuarial present value of core annuities and reserves, \$50,941.4 million, by \$1,030.6 million, which resulted in an annuity adjustment of 2.0%. The primary sources of the 2.0% adjustment are:

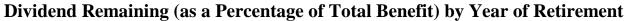
	% of APV
1. SWIB net of fee investment return	8.29%
2. MRA adjustment	(0.39)%
3. Published effective earnings rate	7.90%
4. Adjustment to relate earnings to average core annuity fund balance	(0.36)%
5. Earnings rate based on average balance	7.54%
6. Expected dividend before adjustments: 1.0754/1.05-1	2.42%
7. Adjustment to relate average asset to ending liability	0.02%
8. Carryover from last year due to timing of dividend accounting adjustments and rounding	0.18%
9. Experience study/mortality reserve adjustment	(0.55)%
10. Experience and other effects	(0.05)%
11. Statutory adjustment to round to nearest one-tenth percent	(0.02)%
12. Computed average dividend rate: (6)+(7)+(8)+(9)+(10)+(11)	2.0%
13. Adjustment for members at or near the statutory floor	0.0%
14. Final maximum computed dividend rate: (12)+(13), if greater than 0.5% of core annuities, otherwise 0%	2.0%

#### See pages 30 and 31 for a description of items on this page.

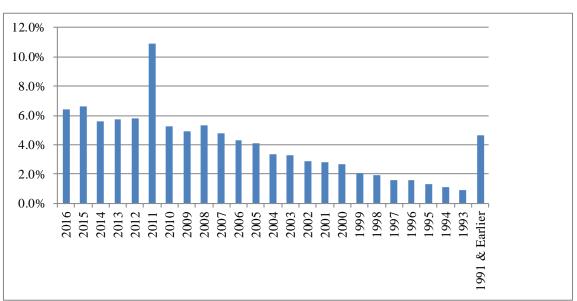
In accordance with the Administrative Code, ETF 20.25 and Section 40.27(2) Wisconsin Statutes (see page 29), the dividend adjustment is 2.0% effective April 1, 2017.

As shown on the prior page, the adjustment for all core fund members is 2.0%. This is the fourth positive dividend adjustment since 2008, and will be spread equally over all annuitants as shown in the chart below.





After the 2017 dividend adjustment, members retired prior to 2000 continue to have the highest dividend remaining as a percentage of total benefit and also represent a shrinking portion of the liabilities. The chart below shows liabilities by year of retirement.



### Liabilities (as a Percentage of Total) by Year of Retirement

Looking ahead, a few years of spreading positive dividends over all annuitants is needed to decrease the probability of leveraged negative dividends that occurred between 2008 and 2012. Over this period, the liability for dividends decreased from about \$9.2 billion to \$3.0 billion. The value of previously granted dividends is approximately \$5.4 billion. However, there are currently about \$3 billion in unrecognized assets losses that will be recognized over the next four years, about half of which will be applied to the annuitant reserve.

### TRANSFERS TO ANNUITY RESERVE TO FINANCE CORE ANNUITIES APPROVED IN 2016 TABULATED BY TYPE OF ANNUITY AND OPTION

Alpha	T (D 5)	NT 1		Annual		Present
Code	Type of Benefit	Number		Amount		Value
	REGULAR RETIREMENT					
SL	Straight Life	1,503	\$	29,988,027	\$	412,060,660
SL	Straight Life (accelerated)	1,505	Ψ	3,985,847	Ψ	14,061,275
A60	Life Annuity with 60 payments guaranteed	927		18,613,849		259,527,172
A60	Life Annuity with 60 payments guaranteed (accelerated)	0		3,076,071		11,431,819
A180	Life Annuity with 180 payments guaranteed	1,949		39,306,305		568,513,281
A180	Life Annuity with 180 payments guaranteed (accelerated)	0		7,536,472		29,934,926
A180F	Life Annuity with 180 payments guaranteed (decentrated)	35		350,591		4,295,850
JOINT	Joint and 75% Survivor	913		23,053,426		351,439,120
JOINT	Joint and 75% Survivor (accelerated)	0		3,925,557		14,955,100
R25	Reduced 25% on First Death	422		12,253,175		177,892,725
R25	Reduced 25% on First Death (accelerated)	422		1,358,130		5,305,883
C100	100% Continued to Named Survivor	1,087		23,255,542		358,246,580
C100	100% Continued to Named Survivor 100% Continued to Named Survivor (accelerated)	1,007		3,285,797		12,947,407
C100 C180	100% Continued to Named Survivor (accelerated)	3,019		71,287,378		1,126,667,775
C180	100% Continued to Named Survivor with 180 payments guaranteed (accelerated)	0		14,073,821		56,913,792
LOL	Life with Optional Length Guaranteed	3		232,134		2,400,572
LOLF	Life with Optional Length Guaranteed (Forced)	1		2,739		2,400,572
AC24	Annuity Certain with 24 Payments	1		79,958		201,960
AC60	Annuity Certain with 60 Payments	1		64,707		301,537
AC120		1		145,387		1,165,992
AC120 AC180	Annuity Certain with 120 Payments Annuity Certain between 24 and 180 Payments	1 0		143,387		1,105,992
SLNSD	Straight Life - Named Survivor Deceased	4		93,666		990,374
SLINSD	Total Regular	9,866	\$	256,131,997	¢	
		61.2 Years	Ф	230,131,997	φ	3,410,347,546
	Average Age at Retirement	01.2 Teals				
	DISABILITY RETIREMENT					
SL	Straight Life	13	\$	431,251	\$	5,950,001
A60	Life Annuity with 60 payments guaranteed	5	Ψ	181,472	ψ	2,508,818
A180	Life Annuity with 180 payments guaranteed	14		576,996		8,349,110
JOINT	Joint and 75% Survivor	6		197,351		2,888,686
R25	Reduced 25% on First Death	3		197,331		1,599,512
C100	100% Continued to Named Survivor	8		296,936		4,546,475
C100 C180	100% Continued to Named Survivor 100% Continued to Named Survivor with 180 payments guaranteed	8 49		1,554,003		25,303,218
C160	Total Disability	98	\$	3,345,812	¢	51,145,820
	Average Age at Retirement	55.9 Years	φ	3,343,012	φ	51,145,620
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	DEATH-IN-SERVICE BENEFITS					
SL	Straight Life	9	\$	140,999	\$	1,965,685
SL	Straight Life (accelerated)	0	Ψ	8,593	Ψ	25,586
A60	Life Annuity with 60 payments guaranteed	6		46,312		702,467
A60	Life Annuity with 60 payments guaranteed (accelerated)	0		15,096		117,175
A180	Life Annuity with 180 payments guaranteed	47		663,446		9,697,671
A180	Life Annuity with 180 payments guaranteed (accelerated)	47		77,171		265,957
A100	Total Death-in-Service	62	\$	951,617	¢	12,774,541
	Average Age at Retirement	55.0 Years	φ	751,017	ф	12,774,341
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	GRAND TOTAL	10,026	\$	260.429.426	\$	3,474,267,907
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### CORE ANNUITIES BEING PAID TABULATED BY TYPE OF ANNUITY AND OPTION

Alpha			Annual	Present
Code	Type of Benefit	Number	Amount	Value
	REGULAR RETIREMENT			
SL	Straight Life	26,072	\$ 518,115,442	\$ 5,609,721,942
SL	Straight Life (accelerated)	0	19,738,001	45,121,814
A60	Life Annuity with 60 payments guaranteed	20,481	407,074,007	4,195,491,764
A60	Life Annuity with 60 payments guaranteed (accelerated)	0	13,637,432	31,944,096
A120	Life Annuity with 120 payments guaranteed	67	858,986	2,380,499
A180	Life Annuity with 180 payments guaranteed	38,718	738,456,336	8,012,447,238
A180	Life Annuity with 180 payments guaranteed (accelerated)	0	37,590,834	95,621,049
A180F	Life Annuity with 180 payments guaranteed (forced)	312	2,416,084	21,394,830
JOINT	Joint and 75% Survivor	22,206	556,923,410	6,550,580,908
JOINT	Joint and 75% Survivor (accelerated)	0	18,992,776	44,691,386
R25	Reduced 25% on First Death	14,029	383,436,888	3,892,806,446
R25	Reduced 25% on First Death (accelerated)	0	7,550,377	18,202,638
C100	100% Continued to Named Survivor	18,142	387,134,668	4,774,463,008
C100	100% Continued to Named Survivor (accelerated)	0	16,318,713	39,727,175
C180	100% Continued to Named Survivor with 180 payments guaranteed	49,052	1,163,819,861	15,517,084,712
C180	100% Continued to Named Survivor with 180 payments guaranteed (accelerated)	0	71,661,897	182,318,623
LOL	Life with Optional Length Guaranteed	42	788,964	5,020,442
LOLF	Life with Optional Length Guaranteed (Forced)	3	39,317	147,099
AC24	Annuity Certain with 24 Payments	3	268,555	336,662
AC60	Annuity Certain with 60 Payments	5	512,799	1,343,804
AC120	Annuity Certain with 120 Payments	12	1,327,947	5,486,263
AC180	Annuity Certain between 24 and 180 Payments	11	2,197,774	9,117,855
C50	50% Continued to One Beneficiary	39	499,258	1,717,541
C50W180	50% Continued to One Beneficiary with 180 Months guaranteed	3	23,254	65,610
C75WSS	75% Continued to One Beneficiary and Social Security Integrated	50	1,088,748	5,160,017
R25W120	Reduced 25% on Death of Annuitant or Named Survivor with 120 Months guaranteed	2	19,174	49,755
A60WSS	Life with 60 Months Guaranteed and Social Security Integrated	60	341,608	1,055,664
A180WSS	Life with 180 Months Guaranteed and Social Security Integrated	60	1,232,078	4,005,447
PF6213	Police and Firemen s.62.13 *	59	1,925,738	7,066,146
SLNSD	Straight Life - Named Survivor Deceased	683	17,982,292	179,051,741
	Total Regular	190,111	\$4,371,973,218	\$49,253,622,174

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### CORE ANNUITIES BEING PAID TABULATED BY TYPE OF ANNUITY AND OPTION

Alpha Code	Type of Benefit	Number		Annual Amount		Present Value
	DIS ABILITY REFIREMENT					
SL	Straight Life	735	\$	18,692,829	\$	184,012,037
A 60	Life Annuity with 60 payments guaranteed	401	φ	9,914,662	Ψ	93,244,642
A180	Life Annuity with 180 payments guaranteed	1.069		25,033,743		259,383,536
JOINT	Joint and 75% Survivor	512		10,971,009		120,891,110
R25	Reduced 25% on First Death	211		4,556,826		48,524,320
C100	100% Continued to Named Survivor	1,222		21,182,926		233,969,350
C180	100% Continued to Named Survivor with 180 payments guaranteed	2,003		40,729,207		527,820,653
	Disability with Spouse or Minor/Dependent Child	2,003		512,486		3,916,284
	Disability with Spouse of Minor/Dependent Child	23		39.773		292,373
PF6213	Police and Firemen s.62.13 *	14		246,940		976,032
SLNSD	Straight Life - Named Survivor Deceased	6		167,238		1,718,722
	Total Disability	6,198	\$	132,047,639	\$	1,474,749,059
	DEATH-IN-SERVICE BENEFITS					
SL	Straight Life	248	\$	3,336,496	\$	36,034,251
SL	Straight Life (accelerated)	0		110,877		276,028
A60	Life Annuity with 60 payments guaranteed	135		2,182,447		23,406,197
A60	Life Annuity with 60 payments guaranteed (accelerated)	0		64,433		287,708
A180	Life Annuity with 180 payments guaranteed	920		12,391,358		149,117,785
A180	Life Annuity with 180 payments guaranteed (accelerated)	0		704,245		2,135,395
C180	100% Continued to Named Survivor with 180 payments guaranteed	2		10,575		156,240
LOL	Life with Optional Length Guaranteed	8		183,101		1,301,615
A60WSS	Life with 60 Months Guaranteed and Social Security Integrated	23		27,733		113,131
PF6213	Police and Firemen s.62.13 *	2		59,427		240,752
	Total Death-in-Service	1,338	\$	19,070,692	\$	213,069,102
	GRAND TOTAL	197,647	\$4	,523,091,549	\$5	0,941,440,335

In cases where an individual is receiving more than one annuity, the person only appears once in the above number counts, but the corresponding annual amounts can show up in several different places, depending on the option elected for the different annuities. This can result in, for example, a number count of zero (or a very low number count) combined with a significant annual dollar amount in the above table.

#### \*Additional Information for Police and Firemen 62.13 Annuities

	<u>Regular Retirement</u>		Regular Retirement Disability Retirement			Death-in-Service Retirement			
_	Original	Dividends	Total	Original	Dividends	Total	Original	Dividends	Total
<b>Benefit Amount</b>	\$ 535,113	\$1,390,625	\$1,925,738	\$ 56,986	\$189,954	\$246,940	\$ 14,477	\$ 44,950	\$ 59,427
Present Value	1,994,642	5,071,504	7,066,146	225,237	750,795	976,032	58,637	182,115	240,752

CORE ANNUITIES BEING PAID TABULATED BY ATTAINED AGES

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\* Certain Only category consists of continuations of 5, 10 and 15-year certain and life annuities to beneficiaries of deceased annuitants.

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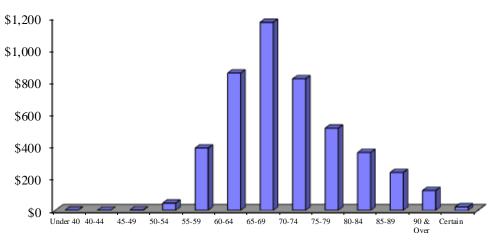
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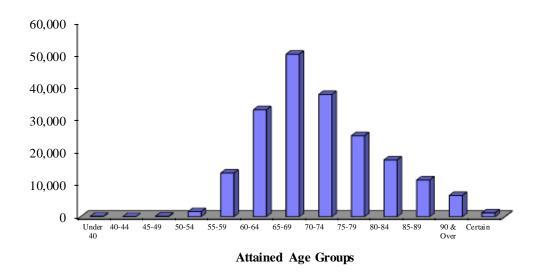
Attained age



Annual \$ Millions

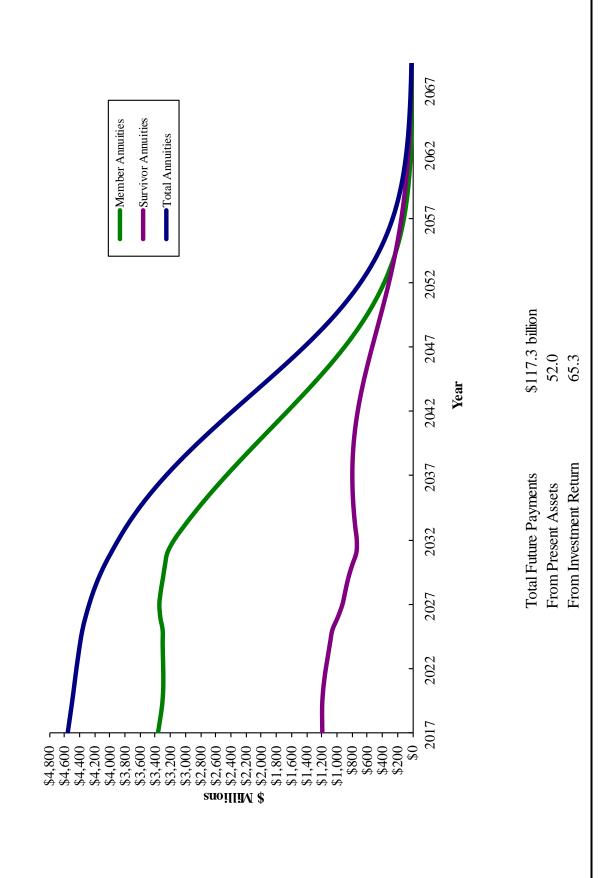






\* Includes regular and disability retirees and survivor beneficiaries. The "certain" category includes annuities paid for a fixed period which is not dependent upon the age of the recipient.

PROJECTED FUTURE CORE ANNUITY PAYMENTS ON BEHALF OF PRESENT RETIRED LIVES INCLUDING PRESENT DIVIDENDS



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## **SECTION D** VARIABLE ANNUITIES

### VARIABLE ANNUITY DIVISION DEVELOPMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

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	Assets	Liabilities	Ratio
Ending Balance December 31, 2015	\$3,704.8	\$3,910.1	0.947
Closing Adjustments	1.5	0.0	
Variable Terminations	(63.9)	(63.9)	
2016 Adjustment: -5%	0.0	(191.1)	
Beginning Balance January 1, 2016	3,642.4	3,655.1	0.997
Increases			
Reserve Transfers	174.1	174.1	
Regular Interest	177.9	177.9	
Additional Earnings	166.8	0.0	
Addition for Experience Study/Mortality Reserve	0.0	19.6	
Other	0.0	0.0	
Total Increases	518.8	371.6	
Decreases			
Annuities & Lump Sums	369.2	369.2	
Credit Re-establishments	0.0	0.0	
Subtraction for Experience Study/Mortality Reserve	0.0	0.0	
Other	0.0	12.4	
Total Decreases	369.2	381.6	
Ending Balance December 31, 2016	\$3,792.0	\$3,645.1	1.040

Amounts to be transferred from the Employer Reserve and the Employee Reserve to the Annuity Reserve to cover liabilities for new annuities are computed as the first step in the annual actuarial valuation. The actuarial present value at time of retirement of variable annuities reported as new since the last actuarial valuation is \$160,539,190. Adjustments to prior transfers, relating to estimated annuities for which final computations have now been made, totaled \$13,587,664. Reserve transfers were distributed as follows:

Group	Regular Transfer	Adjustment to Prior Transfer	Total Transfer
General	\$142,206,777	\$11,298,992	\$153,505,769
Protective with Social Security	12,369,082	1,165,591	13,534,673
Protective without Social Security	1,914,979	103,013	2,017,992
Executive & Elected	4,048,352	1,020,068	5,068,420
Totals	\$160,539,190	\$13,587,664	\$174,126,854

Accordingly, we recommend that \$174,126,854 be transferred to the Variable Annuity Reserve. The results in this report assume that this transfer has been made.

Variable Annuity Reserves, \$3,792.0 million, were more than the actuarial present value of variable annuities, \$3,645.1 million, by \$146.9 million as of December 31, 2016 or 4.0% of the Actuarial Present Value (APV) of variable annuity payments. In accordance with Section 40.28(2) of the Wisconsin statutes (see page 29), variable annuities will be increased by 4.0% effective April 1, 2017. The primary sources of the 4.0% are as follows:

	% of APV
1. SWIB net of fee investment return	10.6%
2. Adjustment to published effective rate	(0.6)%
3. Published effective earnings rate	10.0%
4. Adjustment to relate earnings to average variable	
annuity fund balance	(0.3)%
5. Earnings rate based on average balance	9.7%
6. Expected change before adjustments: 1.097/1.05-1	4.5%
7. Adjustment to relate average asset to ending liability	0.1%
8. Carryover from last year due to timing of distribution,	
accounting adjustments and truncation	(0.3)%
9. Experience study/mortality reserve adjustment	(0.5)%
11. Experience and other effects	0.2%
12. Statutory adjustment: (truncate to whole percent)	0.0%
13. Variable annuity change: (6)+(7)+(8)+(9)+(10)+(11)+(12)	4.0%

Please see pages 30 and 31 for a description of the items on this page.

### TRANSFERS TO ANNUITY RESERVE TO FINANCE VARIABLE ANNUITIES APPROVED IN 2016 TABULATED BY TYPE OF ANNUITY AND OPTION

Alpha				Annual		Present
Code	Type of Benefit	Number		Amount		Value
	REGULAR RETIREMENT					
SL	Straight Life	249	\$	1,441,604	\$	18,752,487
SL	Straight Life (accelerated)	0		206,572		765,506
A60	Life Annuity with 60 payments guaranteed	158		955,198		12,635,471
A60	Life Annuity with 60 payments guaranteed (accelerated)	0		137,772		538,860
A180	Life Annuity with 180 payments guaranteed	388		2,120,748		29,905,182
A180	Life Annuity with 180 payments guaranteed (accelerated)	0		392,096		1,591,682
OINT	Joint and 75% Survivor	195		1,150,177		17,277,477
JOINT	Joint and 75% Survivor (accelerated)	0		244,637		868,308
R25	Reduced 25% on First Death	94		669,165		9,516,097
R25	Reduced 25% on First Death (accelerated)	0		83,412		355,016
C100	100% Continued to Named Survivor	171		883,849		13,542,718
C100	100% Continued to Named Survivor (accelerated)	0		147,996		536,208
C180	100% Continued to Named Survivor with 180 payments guaranteed	612		3,092,550		48,244,831
C180	100% Continued to Named Survivor with 180 payments guaranteed (accelerated)	0		834,935		3,381,890
AC24	Annuity Certain with 24 Payments	0		0		C
AC60	Annuity Certain with 60 Payments	0		6,677		29,116
AC120	Annuity Certain with 120 Payments	0		10,963		85,945
AC180	Annuity Certain between 24 and 180 Payments	0		7,659		52,427
	Total Regular	1,867	\$	12,386,010	\$	158,079,221
	Average Age at Retirement	60.2 Years				
	DISABILITY RETIREMENT					
SL	Straight Life	3	\$	14,760	\$	196,614
A60	Life Annuity with 60 payments guaranteed	1		6,372		89,412
A180	Life Annuity with 180 payments guaranteed	2		7,690		109,690
JOINT	Joint and 75% Survivor	1		6,840		93,300
C100	100% Continued to Named Survivor	2		18,185		277,275
C180	100% Continued to Named Survivor with 180 payments guaranteed	12		47,785		770,496
	Total Disability	21	\$	101,632	\$	1,536,787
	Average Age at Retirement	55.4 Years				
	DEATH-IN-SERVICE BENEFITS					
SL	Straight Life	3	\$	7,514	\$	105,853
SL	Straight Life (accelerated)	0	*	4,964	*	14,796
A180	Life Annuity with 180 payments guaranteed	11		52,403		761,034
A180	Life Annuity with 180 payments guaranteed (accelerated)	0		3,833		41,499
	Total Death-in-Service	14	\$	68,714	\$	923,182
	Average Age at Retirement	53.1 Years	Ŧ	55,711	¥	,20,102
	GRAND TOTAL	1,902	\$	12,556,356	\$	160,539,190

### VARIABLE ANNUITIES BEING PAID TABULATED BY TYPE OF ANNUITY AND OPTION

Alpha			Annual	Present
Code	Type of Benefit	Number	Amount	Value
~~	REGULAR RETIREMENT	1		
SL	Straight Life	4,899	\$ 39,734,249	\$ 370,413,492
SL	Straight Life (accelerated)	0	719,391	1,750,961
A60	Life Annuity with 60 payments guaranteed	3,727	30,336,611	274,639,286
A60	Life Annuity with 60 payments guaranteed (accelerated)	0	440,223	1,127,632
A120	Life Annuity with 120 payments guaranteed	15	85,168	261,074
A180	Life Annuity with 180 payments guaranteed	7,702	58,967,075	571,574,772
A180	Life Annuity with 180 payments guaranteed (accelerated)	0	1,512,959	3,964,345
A180F	Life Annuity with 180 payments guaranteed (forced)	32	246,106	1,828,699
JOINT	Joint and 75% Survivor	4,936	49,768,557	523,529,805
JOINT	Joint and 75% Survivor (accelerated)	0	768,897	1,795,483
R25	Reduced 25% on First Death	3,599	48,573,366	420,907,515
R25	Reduced 25% on First Death (accelerated)	0	314,736	826,967
C100	100% Continued to Named Survivor	3,680	33,101,252	348,794,281
C100	100% Continued to Named Survivor (accelerated)	0	609,702	1,350,995
C180	100% Continued to Named Survivor with 180 payments guaranteed	10,239	85,215,210	1,017,961,405
C180	100% Continued to Named Survivor with 180 payments guaranteed (accelerated)	0	2,492,018	6,707,651
LOL	Life with Optional Length Guaranteed	4	54,996	193,527
AC24	Annuity Certain with 24 Payments	1	3,547	2,498
AC60	Annuity Certain with 60 Payments	0	65,541	176,301
AC120	Annuity Certain with 120 Payments	1	81,601	371,748
AC180	Annuity Certain between 24 and 180 Payments	0	468,171	2,179,934
C50	50% Continued to One Beneficiary	21	188,640	624,611
C50W180	50% Continued to One Beneficiary with 180 Months guaranteed	3	24,406	72,723
C75WSS	75% Continued to One Beneficiary and Social Security Integrated	19	141,084	722,375
R25W120	Reduced 25% on Death of Annuitant or Named Survivor with 120 Months guaranteed	2	12,214	33,866
A60WSS	Life with 60 Months Guaranteed and Social Security Integrated	19	62,158	206,576
A180WSS	Life with 180 Months Guaranteed and Social Security Integrated	10	58,160	191,553
SLNSD		131	1,486,795	12,937,469
	Total Regular	39,040	\$355,532,833	\$3,565,147,544

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### VARIABLE ANNUITIES BEING PAID TABULATED BY TYPE OF ANNUITY AND OPTION

Numeric	e Alpha				Annual	Present	
Code	Code	Type of Benefit	Number		Amount		Value
		DISABILITY RETIREMENT					
1	SL	Straight Life	128	\$	552,251	\$	4,767,932
3	A60	Life Annuity with 60 payments guaranteed	70		435,282		3,557,553
7	A180	Life Annuity with 180 payments guaranteed	239		1,005,147		9,520,557
10	JOINT	Joint and 75% Survivor	106		747,436		7,307,992
12	R25	Reduced 25% on First Death	44		245,847		2,182,537
14	C100	100% Continued to Named Survivor	235		1,202,141		11,449,288
16	C180	100% Continued to Named Survivor with 180 payments guaranteed	431		2,046,022		23,285,349
30	DWSMC	Disability with Spouse or Minor/Dependent Child	3		8,956		40,585
35	SLNSD	Straight Life - Named Survivor Deceased	0		0		0
		Total Disability	1,256	\$	6,243,082	\$	62,111,793
		DEATH-IN-SERVICE BENEFITS					
1	SL	Straight Life	68	\$	417,779	\$	4,194,030
2	SL	Straight Life (accelerated)	0		12,550		16,269
3	A60	Life Annuity with 60 payments guaranteed	32		212,975		1,653,081
4	A60	Life Annuity with 60 payments guaranteed (accelerated)	0		2,941		13,449
7	A180	Life Annuity with 180 payments guaranteed	242		1,175,859		11,715,533
8	A180	Life Annuity with 180 payments guaranteed (accelerated)	0		37,251		211,448
23	AC180	Annuity Certain between 24 and 180 Payments	0		0		0
28	A60WSS	Life with 60 Months Guaranteed and Social Security Integrated	9		7,447		31,185
		Total Death-in-Service	351	\$	1,866,802	\$	17,834,995
		GRAND TOTAL	40,647	\$ 3	363,642,717	\$	3,645,094,332

VARIABLE ANNUITIES BEING PAID TABULATED BY ATTAINED AGES

4,618 145,676 4,633,838 4,755 51,973 35,022,416 6,883 18,280 14,126,514 32,255,734 52,037,012 49,147,417 1,651,922 1,455,997 68,642,434 \$363,642,717 78,685,877 15,751,371 Annual Amount Totals Ś 8 0 6 20 17 48 429 2,615 253 3,014 6,803 1,275 0,077 4,584 3,477 7,591 421 40,647 No. 1,696138,638 211,411 2,645 3,092 8,968 17,863 33,864 193,099 242,593 274,233 132,622 120,390 64,429 43,431 56,397 \$1,866,802 321,431 Amount Annual **Death-in-Service** Ω c v  $\infty \infty$ 6 9 9 15 17 36 60 37 30 26 24 19 47 351 N0. 711,535 3,059 318,412 114,288 1,526 9,066 2,404 409,187 1,401,380 1,151,192 16,105 0 4,238 63,134 197,584 708,841 1,131,131 \$6,243,082 Amount Annual Disability S 186 102 56 1,256  $\omega$   $\omega$ 9 92 237 214 11 4 21 163 135 19 4 0 No. 0 0 0 246 31,706 57,268,710 34,571,382 5,516,693 1,587,493 1,224,549 3,578,689 31,353,794 76,963,066 4,561,336 \$355,532,833 39,111 50,611,587 48,224,471 Amount Annual Regular  $\boldsymbol{\circ}$ 0 0 0 320 2,815 4,419 39,040 12 6,519 9,803 7,368 3,349 2,535 1,237 411 247 4 N0. Certain Only\* Attained 95& Up Totals 85-89 Ages 45-49 50-54 55-59 60-64 62-69 70-74 75-79 20-24 25-29 30-34 35-39 40-44 80-84 90-94

\* Certain only category consists of continuations of 5, 10 and 15-year certain and life annuities to beneficiaries of deceased annuitants.

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Averages in Years Age at retirement

Attained age

## **SECTION E** COMPARATIVE STATEMENTS

### CORE ANNUITIES COMPARATIVE STATEMENT 1983 THROUGH 2016

			\$ Millions			Change i	n
Valuation		Annual	Fund	Actuarial		Annuities	
Date	Number	Annuities	Balance	Reserve	Ratio	Average Maximum	CPI*
1002	<b>77 77</b> 0	ф 1 <b>77 7</b>	¢ 1.020.2	ф. <b>1.72</b> 0.2	1.052	5.0.0/	2.0.0/
1983	57,770	\$ 177.7	\$ 1,830.3	\$ 1,738.3	1.053	5.0 %	3.8 %
1984	60,302	214.3	2,255.5	2,120.3	1.064	6.0 %	4.0 %
1985	62,953	257.6	2,758.2	2,561.0	1.077	7.2 %	3.8 %
1986	65,425	303.5	3,256.9	3,021.2	1.078	7.6 %	1.1 %
1987	67,688	366.9	3,833.7	3,594.6	1.067	6.7 %	4.4 %
1988	70,017	420.6	4,319.6	4,150.9	1.041	4.1 %	4.4 %
1989	73,232	488.7	5,487.4	4,928.1	1.113	11.3 %	4.6 %
1990	77,666	611.3	6,443.8	6,219.1	1.036	3.6 %	6.2 %
1991	79,465	660.4	7,137.8	6,711.3	1.063	6.3 %	3.0 %
1992	81,508	732.3	7,782.4	7,456.6	1.044	4.4 %	3.0 %
1993	83,836	801.7	8,608.2	8,205.3	1.049	4.9 %	2.7 %
1994	86,214	882.2	9,286.2	9,029.6	1.028	2.8 %	2.7 %
1995	88,998	955.8	10,351.7	9,804.1	1.056	5.6 %	2.6 %
1996	92,198	1,065.8	11,699.8	10,977.1	1.066	6.6 %	3.3 %
1997	95,128	1,188.4	13,185.1	12,240.4	1.077	7.7 %	1.7 %
1998	99,112	1,349.5	14,951.8	13,943.0	1.072	7.2 %	1.6 %
1999	102,817	1,513.8	16,857.8	15,687.2	1.075	17.1 % **	2.7 %
2000	107,425	1,867.0	20,517.8	19,405.3	1.057	5.7 %	3.4 %
2001	112,142	2,048.6	21,979.7	21,283.6	1.033	3.3 %	1.6 %
2002	116,289	2,226.6	23,142.4	23,202.9	0.997	0.0 %	2.4 %
2003	121,582	2,364.7	25,071.9	24,724.0	1.014	1.4 %	1.9 %
2004	126,211	2,500.3	26,920.0	26,232.2	1.026	2.6 %	3.3 %
2005	131,674	2,691.4	28,575.3	28,359.7	1.008	0.8 %	3.4 %
2006	137,117	2,843.6	31,180.5	30,273.9	1.030	3.0 %	2.6 %
2007	142,906	3,075.3	35,050.1	32,877.5	1.066	6.6 %	4.1 %
2008	144,033	3,399.3	35,798.1	36,551.5	0.979	(2.1)% (2.1)%	0.1 %
2009	150,671	3,449.3	36,655.8	37,072.7	0.989	(1.1)% $(1.3)%$	2.7 %
2010	155,775	3,532.4	37,798.4	38,148.5	0.991	(0.9)% $(1.2)%$	1.5 %
2011	167,453	3,842.0	40,411.5	42,078.3	0.960	(4.0)% $(7.0)%$	3.0 %
2011	173,655	3,806.3	40,591.6	41,852.4	0.970	(3.0)% $(9.6)%$	1.7 %
2012	180,056	3,800.7	44,273.2	42,300.5	1.047	4.7 % 4.7 %	1.5 %
2013	185,605	4,102.3	47,135.7	42,300.3	1.047	2.9 % 2.9 %	0.8 %
2014	191,795	4,102.5	49,147.0	48,897.5	1.025	0.5 % 0.5 %	0.3 %
2015	191,795	4,523.1	51,972.0	50,941.4	1.005	0.5 % 0.5 %   2.0 % 2.0 %	2.1 %
4-Year Avera	nge					3.9 %	2.7 %
0-Year Avera	-					0.5 %	1.8 %

\* CPI percentage increase determined by ratio of current year CPI-U67 December index over prior year December index.

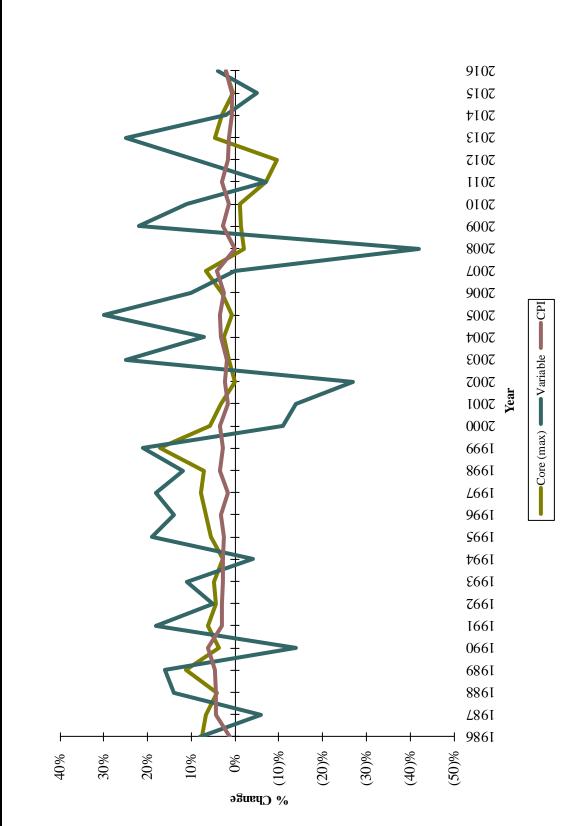
\*\* Including 10.6% Act 11 transfer.

In cases where there is a negative dividend, a maximum decrease is calculated to account for annuitants that are already at the floor and whose dividend cannot be reduced.

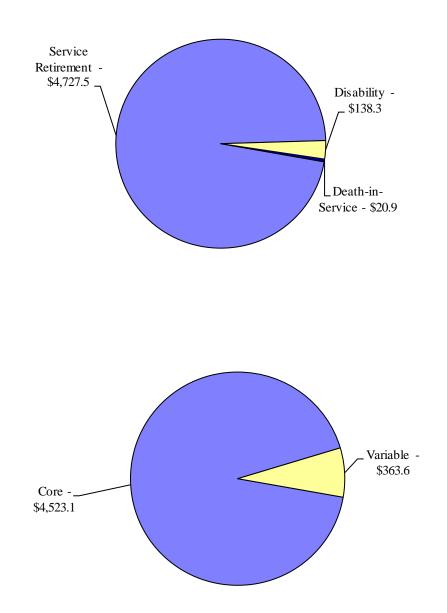
### VARIABLE ANNUITIES COMPARATIVE STATEMENT 1983 THROUGH 2016

			\$ Millions				
Valuation		Annual	Fund	Actuarial		Change	e in
Date	Number	Annuities	Balance	Reserve	Ratio	Annuities	CPI*
1983	13,598	\$ 25.9	\$ 289.4	\$ 245.0	1.181	18.0 %	3.8 %
1984	14,520	34.2	329.2	327.5	1.005	0.0 %	4.0 %
1985	15,529	38.0	463.1	366.6	1.263	26.0 %	3.8 %
1986	16,276	51.8	538.7	498.6	1.080	8.0 %	1.1 %
1987	17,084	60.4	548.8	584.2	0.939	(6.0)%	4.4 %
1988	17,779	61.4	682.6	594.0	1.149	14.0 %	4.4 %
1989	18,502	75.9	878.1	756.5	1.161	16.0 %	4.6 %
1990	19,922	101.0	868.6	1,013.4	0.857	(14.0)%	6.2 %
1991	20,538	91.5	1,101.3	929.7	1.184	18.0 %	3.0 %
1992	20,968	112.6	1,208.6	1,147.4	1.053	5.0 %	3.0 %
1993	21,623	123.7	1,407.9	1,268.6	1.110	11.0 %	2.7 %
1994	22,248	144.6	1,418.0	1,487.0	0.954	(4.0)%	2.7 %
1995	22,978	150.2	1,854.2	1,556.0	1.192	19.0 %	2.6 %
1996	23,725	189.8	2,264.9	1,976.7	1.146	14.0 %	3.3 %
1997	24,462	228.2	2,800.0	2,371.5	1.181	18.0 %	1.7 %
1998	25,424	289.5	3,400.5	3,035.5	1.120	12.0 %	1.6 %
1999	26,257	345.8	4,432.9	3,659.1	1.212	21.0 %	2.7 %
2000	27,321	445.3	4,211.4	4,749.3	0.887	(11.0)%	3.4 %
2001	28,314	424.4	3,901.8	4,547.4	0.858	(14.0)%	1.6 %
2002	28,662	374.0	2,899.3	3,999.1	0.726	(27.0)%	2.4 %
2003	29,496	273.3	3,635.9	2,892.2	1.257	25.0 %	1.9 %
2004	30,270	346.0	3,909.9	3,654.5	1.070	7.0 %	3.3 %
2005	31,499	376.5	4,092.7	3,970.7	1.031	3.0 %	3.4 %
2006	32,683	391.8	4,594.2	4,145.2	1.108	10.0 %	2.6 %
2007	33,880	432.6	4,625.0	4,563.7	1.013	0.0 %	4.1 %
2008	34,927	427.0	2,574.5	4,491.0	0.573	(42.0)%	0.1 %
2009	34,836	240.3	3,078.4	2,512.7	1.225	22.0 %	2.7 %
2010	35,866	288.4	3,340.6	3,005.4	1.111	11.0 %	1.5 %
2011	38,949	330.3	3,197.9	3,462.9	0.924	(7.0)%	3.0 %
2012	39,873	304.6	3,463.9	3,169.6	1.093	9.0 %	1.7 %
2013	40,317	324.5	4,187.3	3,347.0	1.251	25.0 %	1.5 %
2014	39,420	386.5	3,995.4	3,917.1	1.020	2.0 %	0.8 %
2015	40,152	387.8	3,704.8	3,910.1	0.947	(5.0)%	0.7 %
2016	40,647	363.6	3,792.0	3,645.1	1.040	4.0 %	2.1 %
4-Year Avera	age					4.3 %	2.7 %
0-Year Avera	age					0.0 %	1.8 %

\* CPI percentage increase determined by ratio of current year CPI-U67 December index over prior year December index.



### ANNUAL ANNUITIES BEING PAID BY TYPE \$ MILLIONS



### ANNUITIES BEING PAID TABULATED BY YEAR OF RETIREMENT (\$1,000s ANNUALLY)

Year		Core A	nnuities			Variable	Annuities		Avg. Total
Ret'd	No.	Initial	Increases	Total	No.	Initial	Increases	Total	Annuity
2016	9,560	\$ 248,063	\$ 0	\$ 248,063	1,831	\$ 11,562	\$ 0	\$ 11,562	\$30,465
2015	10,157	259,353	753	260,106	1,771	10,914	(546)	10,368	30,123
2014	9,170	217,814	4,525	222,339	1,732	9,956	(307)	9,649	28,277
2013	9,512	218,842	13,044	231,886	1,724	7,967	1,683	9,650	28,373
2012	9,489	216,429	17,811	234,240	1,761	6,850	2,193	9,043	28,911
2011	15,195	398,204	32,625	430,829	3,193	15,560	3,545	19,105	34,063
2010	8,318	195,198	16,033	211,231	1,658	6,238	2,263	8,501	29,702
2009	7,852	180,384	14,857	195,241	1,459	4,307	2,855	7,162	29,445
2008	8,509	197,912	16,246	214,158	1,781	11,271	(394)	10,877	27,057
2007	8,336	180,549	14,841	195,390	1,900	12,432	(438)	11,994	25,004
2006	8,071	165,061	13,570	178,631	1,757	12,056	734	12,790	23,782
2005	8,050	160,939	13,259	174,198	1,782	12,827	1,190	14,017	23,480
2004	7,233	136,226	11,223	147,449	1,651	11,973	2,026	13,999	22,402
2003	7,273	137,856	11,354	149,210	1,527	9,974	4,602	14,576	22,591
2002	6,848	124,616	10,264	134,880	1,351	13,427	905	14,332	21,933
2001	6,735	123,580	10,159	133,739	1,409	21,018	(1,728)	19,290	22,786
2000	6,712	120,539	10,010	130,549	1,191	23,790	(4,363)	19,427	22,458
1999	5,592	87,170	19,891	107,061	1,005	16,082	(194)	15,888	22,034
1998	5,435	79,687	24,682	104,369	1,032	14,629	1,560	16,189	22,276
1997 1006	4,550	64,943	26,276	91,219	869 805	10,364	3,165	13,529	23,133
1996 1995	4,425 3,917	61,445 52,655	30,902 30,925	92,347 83,580	895 779	9,294 6,633	4,522 5,117	13,816 11,750	24,128 24,494
1993 1994	3,531	52,655 44,880	30,923 29,071	83,380 73,951	801	6,597	4,624	11,730	24,494 24,300
1994 1993	3,132	44,880 37,866	29,071 26,871	64,737	697	4,922	4,024 4,360	9,282	24,300 23,785
1993 1992	2,612	29,772	23,604	53,376	589	3,859	4,500 3,789	9,282 7,648	23,783
1991	2,012	25,108	22,346	47,454	541	3,044	4,080	7,048	23,480
1990	3,638	42,126	40,668	82,794	895	5,522	5,586	11,108	26,149
1989	2,622	29,718	33,261	62,979	609	3,252	4,333	7,585	27,171
1988	1,819	16,093	20,588	36,681	452	1,865	3,096	4,961	23,096
1987	1,495	12,275	17,446	29,721	402	1,588	2,385	3,973	23,031
1986	1,283	10,218	16,627	26,845	366	1,323	2,250	3,573	24,065
1985	1,136	9,019	16,571	25,590	293	776	1,860	2,636	25,337
1984	779	5,566	11,234	16,800	243	660	1,585	2,245	24,829
1983	613	3,419	7,275	10,694	196	447	1,339	1,786	20,596
1982	441	1,852	4,494	6,346	130	218	793	1,011	16,797
1981	361	1,293	3,368	4,661	99	127	452	579	14,597
1980	236	813	2,177	2,990	72	86	393	479	14,761
1979	159	470	1,387	1,857	52	54	276	330	13,666
1978	129	349	1,037	1,386	33	23	128	151	11,911
1977	102	237	731	968	35	23	124	147	10,934
Prior	339	607	1,940	2,547	84	43	247	290	4,531
Total	197,647	\$3,899,146	\$623,946	\$4,523,092	40,647	\$293,553	\$70,090	\$363,643	\$24,725

### LIABILITIES AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2016 TABULATED BY YEAR OF RETIREMENT (\$1,000s ANNUALLY)

Year		Core Li	abilities			Variabl	e Liabilities		Total
Ret'd	No.	Initial	Increases	Total	No.	Initial	Increases	Total	Liabilities
2016	9,560	\$ 3,269,398	\$ 0	\$ 3,269,398	1,831	\$ 148,149	\$ 0	\$ 148,149	\$3,417,546
2015	10,157	3,371,473	9,800	3,381,273	1,771	139,641	(6,981)	132,660	3,513,933
2014	9,170	2,800,499	58,101	2,858,600	1,732	126,597	(3,905)	122,692	2,981,292
2013	9,512	2,770,520	165,135	2,935,655	1,724	100,403	21,217	121,620	3,057,275
2012	9,489	2,739,319	225,378	2,964,697	1,761	85,594	27,402	112,996	3,077,693
2011	15,195	5,117,904	419,201	5,537,105	3,193	197,527	44,998	242,526	5,779,631
2010	8,318	2,477,029	203,442	2,680,471	1,658	78,487	28,475	106,962	2,787,434
2009	7,852	2,323,140	191,374	2,514,514	1,459	53,641	35,557	89,198	2,603,712
2008	8,509	2,490,731	204,579	2,695,310	1,781	138,463	(4,875)	133,588	2,828,898
2007	8,336	2,256,111	185,413	2,441,524	1,900	151,839	(5,349)	146,489	2,588,013
2006	8,071	2,020,600	166,118	2,186,718	1,757	144,134	8,769	152,903	2,339,621
2005	8,050	1,918,956	158,040	2,076,996	1,782	149,373	13,862	163,236	2,240,232
2004	7,233	1,579,246	130,078	1,709,324	1,651	138,413	23,416	161,829	1,871,152
2003	7,273	1,553,594	127,912	1,681,506	1,527	112,180	51,763	163,943	1,845,449
2002	6,848	1,366,099	112,473	1,478,571	1,351	149,141	10,058	159,199	1,637,770
2001	6,735	1,319,671	108,463	1,428,134	1,409	221,572	(18,261)	203,310	1,631,444
2000	6,712	1,245,914	103,373	1,349,286	1,191	244,156	(44,775)	199,381	1,548,667
1999	5,592	864,447	196,297	1,060,745	1,005	156,046	(1,877)	154,169	1,214,914
1998 1997	5,435	755,979	233,648	989,627 810,852	1,032	134,845 91,358	14,375 27,898	149,220	1,138,848
1997 1996	4,550	584,142 529,915	235,712	819,853	869 895	91,338 76,858	27,898 37,387	119,255	939,109 909,702
1996 1995	4,425 3,917	529,915 430,443	265,542 252,133	795,457 682,576	895 779	70,838 51,961	37,387 40,088	114,245 92,050	909,702 774,625
1993 1994	3,531	430,443 347,156	232,133	571,702	801	49,546	40,088 34,731	92,030 84,278	655,980
1994	3,132	278,935	197,858	476,793	697	34,628	30,657	65,284	542,077
1992	2,612	206,086	163,709	369,796	589	25,554	25,091	50,645	420,441
1992	2,012	163,785	145,752	309,536	541	18,653	24,987	43,640	353,177
1990	3,638	270,759	261,499	532,258	895	34,600	35,011	69,611	601,869
1989	2,622	174,623	195,258	369,881	609	18,454	24,590	43,044	412,924
1988	1,819	86,739	111,158	197,897	452	9,743	16,166	25,909	223,805
1987	1,495	61,139	86,390	147,529	402	7,448	11,189	18,637	166,166
1986	1,283	47,454	77,771	125,225	366	6,160	10,469	16,628	141,853
1985	1,136	40,610	74,719	115,329	293	3,469	8,311	11,780	127,109
1984	779	22,986	46,669	69,654	243	2,680	6,440	9,120	78,774
1983	613	13,073	27,695	40,768	196	1,650	4,920	6,570	47,338
1982	441	7,204	17,393	24,597	130	751	2,729	3,481	28,078
1981	361	5,067	13,347	18,414	99	479	1,705	2,184	20,598
1980	236	2,984	7,997	10,981	72	275	1,272	1,548	12,529
1979	159	1,568	4,639	6,207	52	164	844	1,008	7,215
1978	129	1,181	3,540	4,721	33	81	453	534	5,256
1977	102	769	2,402	3,171	35	79	425	504	3,675
Prior	339	2,287	7,354	9,641	84	159	912	1,070	10,712
Total	197,647	\$45,519,536	\$5,421,904	\$50,941,440	40,647	\$3,104,949	\$540,146	\$3,645,095	\$54,586,534

COMPARISON OF ACTUAL TO EXPECTED DEATHS AMONG RETIRED LIVES	(NORMAL KETIREMENT ONLY)	DURING 2016
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ļ		Male Deaths		Ι	Female Deaths	S		<b>Total Deaths</b>	
Age	Actual	Expected	Exposure	Actual	Expected	Exposure	Actual	Expected	Exposure
20.27						-			-
+C-DC						I			1
35-39						1			1
40-44			5			6			11
45-49			18			LL			95
50-54	4	0	816			517	4	7	1,333
55-59	33	27	5,558	40	22	7,344	73	49	12,902
60-64	62	85	12,466	69	82	19,175	148	167	31,641
62-69	183	213	19,679	167	188	28,868	350	401	48,547
70-74	229	266	15,122	230	224	19,433	459	490	34,555
75-79	325	316	10,317	312	285	13,571	637	601	23,888
80-84	413	420	7,326	418	391	9,772	831	811	17,098
85-89	491	453	4,374	573	554	6,983	1,064	1,007	11,357
90-94	308	292	1,707	509	470	3,477	817	762	5,184
95-99	115	105	369	329	289	1,230	444	394	1,599
100 & Up	14	12	34	60	50	166	74	62	200
Totals	2,194	2,191	77,788	2,707	2,555	110,624	4,901	4,746	188,412
Average Ages	81.3	80.7	70.9	84.0	83.6	71.3	82.8	82.3	71.1

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## SECTION F APPENDIX

The interest rate used in the valuation was 5.0% a year, compounded yearly, as provided in Section 40.02 of the Wisconsin Statutes. Please note that we have assumed all current dividends to be payable in the future. To the extent that unfavorable investment performance reduces current dividends, liabilities would be lower than reported in this valuation. The mortality table used in the valuation was the Wisconsin 2015 Mortality Table, as adopted by the Board in connection with the 2012-2014 Experience Study. This table includes margin for future improvements in mortality by incorporating half of the MP-2015 fully generational scale. The impact of the new mortality tables is recognized equally over a three year period.

Sample Attained		alue of \$1 7 for Life		e Life cy (years)	Probability of Death Next Year		
Ages in 2016	Males	Females	Males	Females	Males	Females	
40	\$212.18	\$217.30	44.6	47.9	0.096%	0.059%	
45	203.58	209.85	39.6	42.8	0.126%	0.092%	
50	192.84	200.64	34.6	37.8	0.171%	0.137%	
55	179.99	189.45	29.8	32.9	0.399%	0.244%	
60	165.62	176.13	25.3	28.1	0.569%	0.350%	
65	148.39	159.99	20.8	23.5	0.867%	0.533%	
70	128.80	140.83	16.6	19.0	1.429%	0.903%	
75	107.08	119.17	12.8	14.8	2.430%	1.639%	
80	84.34	95.93	9.3	11.0	4.469%	3.069%	
85	63.12	72.84	6.5	7.8	8.345%	6.143%	

### SINGLE LIFE RETIREMENT VALUES Wisconsin Projected Experience Table - 2016 with 5% Interest

The values shown above are for non-disabled participants. Sample values for disabled participants are as follows:

Sample Attained		Present Value of \$1 Monthly for Life		e Life cy (years)			
Ages in 2016	Males	Females	Males	Females	Males	Females	
40	\$198.68	\$207.47	37.2	41.4	0.146%	0.102%	
45	186.71	197.67	32.2	36.4	0.244%	0.154%	
50	172.91	185.79	27.5	31.6	0.484%	0.271%	
55	156.89	171.64	22.9	26.8	0.656%	0.401%	
60	138.23	154.74	18.6	22.2	1.156%	0.626%	
65	117.74	134.96	14.6	17.8	1.889%	1.081%	
70	95.51	112.80	11.0	13.7	3.274%	1.959%	
75	73.23	89.31	7.8	10.0	6.231%	3.696%	
80	53.78	66.82	5.4	7.0	11.477%	7.541%	
85	38.08	48.76	3.6	4.8	18.515%	13.013%	

### **CORE ANNUITIES - 40.27(2)**

"CORE ANNUITY RESERVE SURPLUS DISTRIBUTIONS. Surpluses in the core annuity reserve established under s. 40.04 (6) and (7) shall be distributed by the board if the distribution will result in at least a 0.5% increase in the amount of annuities in force, except as otherwise provided by the department by rule, on recommendation of the actuary, as follows:

(a) The distributions shall be expressed as percentage increases in the amount of the monthly annuity in force, including prior distributions of surpluses but not including any amount paid from funds other than the core annuity reserve fund, preceding the effective date of the distribution. For purposes of this subsection, annuities in force include any disability annuity suspended because the earnings limitation had been exceeded by that annuitant in that year.

(b) Prorated percentages based on the annuity effective date may be applied to annuities with effective dates during the calendar year preceding the effective date of the distribution, as provided by rule, but no other distinction may be made among the various types of annuities payable from the core annuity reserve.

(c) The distributions shall not be offset against any other benefit being received but shall be paid in full, nor shall any other benefit being received be reduced by the distributions. The annuity reserve surplus distributions authorized under this subsection may be revoked by the board in part or in total as to future payments upon recommendation of the actuary if a deficit occurs in the core annuity reserves and such deficit would result in a 0.5 percent or greater decrease in the amount of annuities in force, except as otherwise provided by the department by rule.

(d) Notwithstanding s 40.03 (2) (i), (7) (d), and (8) (d), the department may promulgate rules under this subsection without the approval of the teachers retirement board and the Wisconsin retirement board."

### VARIABLE ANNUITIES - 40.28(2)

"Whenever the balance in the variable annuity reserve, as of December 31 of any year, exceeds or is less than the then present value of all variable annuities in force, determined in accordance with the rate of interest and approved actuarial tables then in effect, by at least 2% of the present value of all variable annuities in force, the amount of each variable annuity payment shall be proportionately increased or decreased, disregarding fractional percentages, and effective on a date determined by rule, so as to reduce the variance between the balance of the variable annuity reserve and the present value of variable annuities to less than one percent."

#### 1. SWIB Net of fee Investment Return

State of Wisconsin Investment Board net earnings rate on the Core/Variable Fund.

#### 2. MRA Adjustment (Core)/Adjustment to Published Effective Rate (Variable)

Item 3 below minus Item 1 above. For core annuities, this is the MRA adjustment which takes into account five-year smoothing of gains and losses.

### 3. Published Effective Earnings Rate

The earnings rate published by DETF is funds' earnings credits expressed as a percentage of the beginning year balance adjusted for benefit payments and reserve transfers.

#### 4. Adjustment to Relate Earnings to Average Core/Variable Annuity Balance

Item 5 below minus Item 3 above.

#### 5. Earnings Rate Based on Average Balance

This is similar to the published earnings rate except that the rate is determined as a percentage of the average balance during the year instead of the adjusted beginning of year balance.

#### 6. Expected Dividend (Variable Change) before Adjustments

The relative difference in fund growth based on actual versus the 5% assumed earnings rates.

### 7. Adjustment to Relate Average Asset to Ending Liability

The final dividend/variable change is calculated based on the end of year assets divided by the end of year liabilities. Since the calculations in Items 5 and 6 are based on average (approximately mid-year) balances, this adjustment is needed so that the final rate will be based on the end of year liabilities.

# 8. Carryover from Last Year Due to Timing of Distribution and Accounting Adjustments (and Truncation for Variable Annuity)

The dividend or variable rate changes are made effective April 1 of each year. This adjustment takes into account the fact that the prior year dividend/variable increase was in effect for less than a full year as well as any accounting adjustments made to the asset value at the beginning of the year. This adjustment also carries over any truncated or rounded amounts from the prior year.

#### 9. Experience Study/Mortality Reserve Adjustment

A study is conducted for WRS every three years to analyze the assumptions that are made in the valuation versus the experience that actually occurred. If the results of the study show material changes in experience, WRS generally adopts a new set of assumptions. When assumptions are changed, this item displays the effect of the change on the dividend/variable rate. Although the mortality table now includes a projection for expected future improvements in mortality, each valuation phases into the full table incrementally over the three year experience study cycle. By increasing reserves gradually each year, instead of all at once every three years, the effect on dividends and variable increases will also be more gradual.

#### **10.** Experience and Other Effects

After making all other known adjustments, this is the remainder of all other experience. Changes here are primarily attributable to mortality experience and, generally to a lesser extent, on any data adjustments.

#### 11. Statutory Adjustment to Round/Truncate

By statute, the dividend rate is calculated to the nearest one-tenth of a percent. For the variable annuity change, the rate is truncated to a whole percent. This is the adjustment made from the calculated dividend/variable annuity rate change without rounding/truncation to the statutory rate.

### 12. Computed Average Dividend Rate/Variable Annuity Change

This is the end of year asset value divided by the end of year liability. It is reconciled to the published earnings rate (Item 3) by making the adjustments in Items 6 through 11.

### 13. Adjustment for Members Not Eligible for Negative Dividend

This is an adjustment that is sometimes made for Core Fund recipients to reflect that some members may not have any remaining dividends and hence are not subject to a further negative dividend.

#### 14. Final Maximum Computed Dividend Rate

When there is a negative dividend for the Core fund, this will affect people differently based upon year of retirement. In years when there is a negative dividend, this will be the largest negative dividend that will occur in the Core fund. If greater in absolute value than 0.5% of core annuities, Item 12 plus Item 13, otherwise 0%.