



Medicare Premium Payment Program of the California State Teachers' Retirement System

June 30, 2019 Actuarial Valuation

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Re: **Medicare Premium Payment Program Actuarial Valuation as of June 30, 2019**

Dear Members of the Board:

At your request, we have performed an actuarial valuation of the Medicare Premium Payment (MPP) Program of the California State Teachers' Retirement System as of June 30, 2019. Details about the actuarial valuation are contained in the following report. This report reflects the benefit provisions as of the valuation date and Medicare premium amounts effective for the 2020 calendar year. Note that prior to June 30, 2018, the MPP Program funding valuation was performed every two years. We are now performing the valuation annually in order to meet the timing requirements of GASB 74/75, as the funding valuation is used as the basis for the GASB 74/75 valuation.

Actuarial Certification

To the best of our knowledge and belief, this report is complete and accurate and contains sufficient information to fully and fairly disclose the funded condition of the Medicare Premium Payment Program as of June 30, 2019.

In preparing this report, we relied, without audit, on information (some oral and some in writing) supplied by CalSTRS staff. This information includes, but is not limited to, statutory provisions, employee data, and financial information. In our examination of these data, we have found them to be reasonably consistent and comparable with data used for other purposes. The valuation results depend on the integrity of this information. If any of this information is inaccurate or incomplete our results may be different and our calculations may need to be revised.

All costs, liabilities, rates of interest, and other factors for CalSTRS have been determined on the basis of actuarial assumptions and methods which are individually reasonable (taking into account the experience of CalSTRS and reasonable expectations) and which, in combination, offer a reasonable estimate of anticipated experience affecting the CalSTRS MPP Program. Further, in our opinion, each actuarial assumption used is reasonably related to the experience of CalSTRS and to reasonable expectations which, in combination, represent a reasonable estimate of anticipated experience.

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Actuarial computations presented in this report are for purposes of assessing the funding of the CalSTRS Medicare Premium Payment Program. The calculations in the enclosed report have been made on a basis consistent with our understanding of CalSTRS' funding. Determinations for other purposes, such as financial reporting in accordance with GASB standards, may be significantly different from the results contained in this report. Accordingly, additional determinations may be needed for other purposes.

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On the basis of the foregoing, we hereby certify that, to the best of our knowledge and belief, this report is complete and accurate and has been prepared in accordance with generally recognized and accepted actuarial principles and practices, including the relevant Actuarial Standards of Practice. We are members of the American Academy of Actuaries and meet the Qualification Standards of the American Academy of Actuaries to render the actuarial opinion contained herein.

We would like to express our appreciation to the CalSTRS staff who gave substantial assistance in supplying the data on which this report is based. We respectfully submit the following report and we look forward to discussing it with you.

Sincerely,

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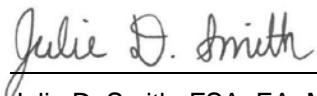
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1. Summary of the Findings

The primary purpose of the actuarial valuation is to analyze the sufficiency of the current assets and allocated contributions to meet the current and future obligations of the Medicare Premium Payment (MPP) Program. By using the actuarial methods and assumptions adopted by the Teachers' Retirement Board, this actuarial valuation provides the best estimate of the long-term financing of the MPP Program.

It should be noted that this valuation only analyzes the funding of the MPP Program. A separate report has been previously provided that addresses the financial reporting of the CalSTRS MPP Program under GASB 74/75.

The key findings of this actuarial funding valuation are as follows:

Funding Sufficiency

We find that as of June 30, 2019 the current MPP Program assets, along with MPP-allocated funding from future employer contributions that would otherwise have been credited to the Defined Benefit (DB) Program, are sufficient to finance the future MPP Program obligations of \$288.2 million for both Part A premiums and Part B penalties. The Teachers' Health Benefit Fund (THBF) does not have sufficient assets to fund this obligation; however, additional employer contributions have been allocated to fully fund the MPP Program obligations for total resources of \$288.2 million. Our valuation assumes that the value of these contributions is available to fund the MPP Program benefits.

If these allocated contributions were not included in this valuation, the THBF by itself would not be sufficient to fund the expected MPP Program obligation. These results are consistent with our 2018 funding valuation for the MPP Program.

Under current board policy, the obligation for funding the MPP Program, which is included as a liability for the DB Program, is equal to the MPP Program actuarial obligation less the value of any assets already in the THBF.

The Funded Status of a benefit plan is equal to the difference between its Actuarial Value of Assets and its Actuarial Obligation. Since the Actuarial Value of Assets is being set to match the Actuarial Obligation, the Funded Status of the MPP Program is 100.0%. Note that the THBF value is presented as a negative value due to the application of the CalSTRS GASB 68 and 75 obligations.

(\$ Millions)	2019 Valuation	2018 Valuation
Actuarial Obligation		
Part A Premiums	\$ 286.5	\$ 283.8
Part B Penalties	1.7	2.0
Actuarial Obligation	<u>\$ 288.2</u>	<u>\$ 285.8</u>
THBF Assets	<u>0.2</u>	<u>(1.5)</u>
Existing Unfunded Actuarial Obligation / (Surplus Funding)	\$ 288.0	\$ 287.3
Guaranteed Funding from future Employer Contributions	<u>288.0</u>	<u>287.3</u>
Effective Unfunded Actuarial Obligation / (Surplus Funding)	\$ 0.0	\$ 0.0

Assumptions

The board adopted the assumptions discussed in Section 5 and specified in Appendix B as part of this valuation at its January 2020 meeting. These assumptions have been updated from the assumptions that were used in the June 30, 2018 MPP Program valuation. See Section 5 of this report for details and analysis. All assumptions not specifically listed in Section 5 or Appendix B of this report are the same as those used in the June 30, 2019 DB Program funding valuation.

Changes Since the 2018 Valuation

Changes since the 2018 valuation of the MPP Program are as follows:

- The actual 2020 Medicare Part A monthly premium amount is \$458, which is greater than the projected 2020 amount of \$452 based on the prior valuation. This resulted in an increase in the actuarial obligation of approximately \$3.9 million.
- The medical trend assumption was revised for the current valuation. With the prior assumptions, the Part A premium trend was approximately equivalent to assuming a fixed 3.7% increase each year while the Part B premium trend was approximately equivalent to assuming a fixed 4.1% increase each year. With the current assumptions, the Part A premium trend is approximately equivalent to assuming a fixed 4.5% increase each year while the Part B premium trend was approximately equivalent to assuming a fixed 5.4% increase each year. The change in trend assumption increased the actuarial obligation by approximately \$11.9 million.
- The assets in the THBF are valued at Fair Market Value. Effective with the June 30, 2019 valuation, the valuation assets exclude line items for liabilities for "Net Pension and OPEB Obligation" for funding purposes. This resulted in a decrease in the existing unfunded actuarial obligation of approximately \$3.2 million.
- The Medicare Part A enrollment rates were revised for the 2019 valuation to reflect recent experience. The change in enrollment rates resulted in a reduction in the actuarial obligation of approximately \$1.7 million.

Impact of Alternative Assumptions

The ultimate cost of the MPP Program is highly dependent on actual experience in the future. To provide information regarding the sensitivity of the results to the assumptions, we have varied the interest rate assumption and the assumed participation levels in the MPP Program. The valuation results are based on the "Best Estimate" set of assumptions. The following results show a comparison with a more conservative (i.e., higher cost) set of assumptions (investment return assumption reduced by 1.0% and higher member participation).

(\$ Millions)	2019 Valuation	2018 Valuation
Actuarial Obligation		
Best Estimate	\$ 288.2	\$ 285.8
Higher Cost Assumptions	319.8	317.9

Participation Summary

A reconciliation of retirees receiving MPP Program Part A benefits as of June 30, 2018 and June 30, 2019 is shown below.

Members with a Part A Premium	Retired Members
As of June 30, 2018	5,907
Additions	46
Deaths/Departures	(272)
As of June 30, 2019	5,681

Further Information

Details of our findings are included in later sections of this report. The Appendices include supporting documentation on the benefit and eligibility provisions used to project future benefits, the actuarial methods and assumptions used to value the projected benefits, and the underlying census data provided by CalSTRS for this valuation.

A summary of the key results of this actuarial valuation is shown on the next page.

Summary of Key Valuation Results

	2019 Valuation	2018 Valuation	Relative Change
1. Current MPP Program Membership			
A. Retirees with Part A Premium	5,681	5,907	(3.8)%
B. Retirees with Part B Penalty	493	549	(10.2)%
2. Monthly Medicare Premium Amount (for following calendar year)			
A. Part A	\$ 458.00	\$ 437.00	4.8%
B. Part B	144.60	135.50	6.7%
3. Average CalSTRS Payment for Participating Members (for following calendar year)			
A. Retirees with Part A Premium	\$ 417.09	\$ 399.30	4.5%
B. Retirees with Part B Penalty	68.78	65.53	5.0%
4. Actuarial Accrued Liability (\$ millions)			
A. Retirees with Part A Premium	\$ 286.5	\$ 283.8	1.0%
B. Retirees with Part B Penalty	1.7	2.0	(15.0)%
C. Total	\$ 288.2	\$ 285.8	0.8%
5. Actuarial Accrued Liability (\$ millions) - Alternate Measurement			
Total under Higher Cost Assumptions	\$ 319.8	\$ 317.9	0.6%
6. MPP Program Assets			
A. Market Value of THBF (\$millions)	\$ 0.24	\$ (1.54)	(115.6)%
B. Total Allocated MPPP Assets (\$ millions)	\$ 288.2	\$ 285.8	0.8%
7. Unfunded Actuarial Accrued Liability (4C - 6B) or (Surplus Funding) - \$ millions	\$ -	\$ -	-
8. Funding Sufficiency			
Are current allocated assets greater than or equal to the value of all expected payments?	Yes	Yes	

2. Actuarial Obligation

In this section, the discussion will focus on the commitments of CalSTRS for MPP Program benefits, which are referred to as its Actuarial Obligation.

Unlike the DB Program where new members join the plan, members eligible for the MPP Program are a closed group. Only those hired prior to April 1, 1986 who retired on or before June 30, 2012 are eligible. Another difference is that in the DB Program active members earn additional benefits based on service, whereas members who may join the MPP Program have a fixed benefit equal to the Part A premium that is not based on service.

Accordingly, the actuarial obligation for the MPP Program is equal to the value of all benefits expected to be paid in the future. This differs from the DB Program where a certain portion of the obligation is allocated to past service and the remainder is allocated to future service in the form of Normal Cost. Since there are no active members potentially eligible for this benefit, there is consequently no Normal Cost.

We first project all future MPP Program benefit payments for current retirees, including those who are not currently enrolled in the MPP Program but may join later. The level of premiums currently being paid is known, but assumptions are needed to estimate increases in the premium levels in future years, how long they will be paid and the probability that current retired members who are not currently receiving payments, will enroll in the MPP Program in the future. The summation of the discounted values of all of the projected benefit payments for all current members at the assumed rate of return is called the **Actuarial Present Value of Projected Benefits**. As discussed above, for the MPP Program the actuarial obligation is equal to this value.

Note that beginning with the June 30, 2012 valuation, active and deferred members were no longer eligible to enroll in the MPP Program in the future. Only members who were retired as of that date may be eligible to enroll if they have not done so already.

Details are shown below.

(\$ Millions)	2019 Valuation	2018 Valuation
Current Retirees	\$ 286.5	\$ 283.8
Inactive Deferred	N/A	N/A
Active Members	N/A	N/A
Present Value of Part A Premiums	\$ 286.5	\$ 283.8
Present Value of Part B Penalties	1.7	2.0
Total Present Value of MPP Program Benefits	\$ 288.2	\$ 285.8

Actuarial Gains and Losses

To determine the extent of actuarial gains or losses that occurred during the year, a comparison is made between the Actuarial Obligation on the valuation date and the expected Actuarial Obligation projected from the prior valuation date using the actuarial assumptions in effect when the previous valuation is performed.

The actuarial gains and losses since the last report are summarized in the following table:

(\$ Millions)	Actuarial (Gains) or Losses
Expected Actuarial Obligation	
Actuarial Obligation as of June 30, 2018	\$ 285.8
Expected increase due to interest	21.0
Expected decrease due to payments	(27.5)
Expected Actuarial Obligation	279.3
Actuarial (Gains) or Losses by Source	
Changes in Investment Return and Demographic Assumptions	-
Change in Premium/Penalty more than expected	3.9
Part A Enrollment less than expected	(1.4)
Change in Medical Trend Assumption	11.9
Change in Part A Enrollment Assumptions	(1.7)
All other sources	(3.8)
(Gain) or loss on the Actuarial Obligation	8.9
Actual Actuarial Obligation	
Actuarial Obligation as of June 30, 2019	288.2

Based on the 2018 valuation, the Actuarial Obligation was expected to decrease to \$279.3 million as of June 30, 2019. The actual Actuarial Obligation of \$288.2 million represents a net actuarial loss of \$8.9 million. This loss was mostly caused by change in medical trend assumptions.

3. Funding

The **Unfunded Actuarial Obligation (UAO)** is the excess of the Actuarial Obligation over the Actuarial Value of Assets, which represents a liability that must be funded over time. The MPP Program has been essentially funded on a pay-as-you-go basis with a portion of contributions that would have otherwise been credited to the DB Program being diverted to the THBF to make MPP Program payments. Beginning in 2008, DB Program assets (technically the value of future contributions) in the amount of the MPP Program Actuarial Obligation (less any assets already in the THBF) are allocated for the purposes of paying the MPP Program benefits. The result is that the MPP Program does not have a UAO. Note that the THBF value is presented as a negative value in 2018 due to the application of the CalSTRS GASB 68 and 75 obligations. This is consistent with how CalSTRS reports the THBF value for accounting purposes.

The Funded Status is shown below.

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Guaranteed Funding from future Employer Contributions	288.0	287.3
Effective Unfunded Actuarial Obligation / (Surplus Funding)	\$ 0.0	\$ 0.0

Annual Cost

As noted above, the MPP Program has essentially been funded on a pay-as-you-go basis. Therefore, the annual cost from a funding perspective is equal to contributions to the MPP Program. For the 2018-2019 fiscal year, the actual cost was \$28.0 million. For the 2019-2020 fiscal year, the expected cost is \$27.7 million.

A 40-year projection of the MPP Program costs is shown in **Table 1**. Note that the projection is shown under two scenarios. The first is the "Best Estimate" scenario, which is based on the valuation assumption for participation in the MPP Program. The second is the "Higher Cost Assumptions" scenario, which reflects higher MPP Program participation rates and lower discount rates. Details of these participation assumptions can be found in Appendix B.

The graph below represents the Best Estimate payouts shown in Table 1.

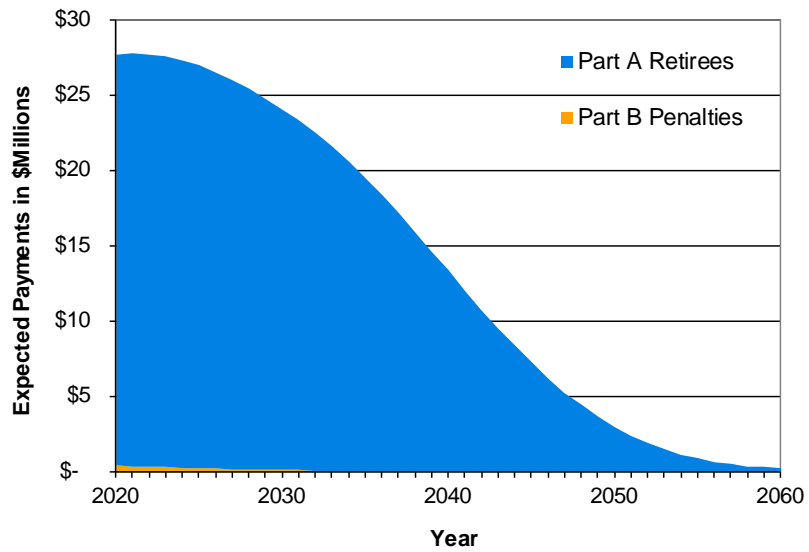


Table 1
Projected MPP Program Costs

Plan Year Ending June 30	Payouts (in \$Thousands)					
	Best Estimate Assumptions			Higher Cost Assumptions		
	Part A	Part B	Total	Part A	Part B	Total
2020	\$ 27,311	\$ 355	\$ 27,666	\$ 27,398	\$ 355	\$ 27,753
2021	27,402	312	27,714	27,584	312	27,896
2022	27,395	279	27,674	27,665	279	27,944
2023	27,275	246	27,521	27,622	246	27,868
2024	27,056	214	27,270	27,475	214	27,689
2025	26,753	183	26,936	27,242	183	27,425
2026	26,360	155	26,515	26,916	155	27,071
2027	25,875	129	26,004	26,494	129	26,623
2028	25,299	106	25,405	25,975	106	26,081
2029	24,627	86	24,713	25,355	86	25,441
2030	23,944	68	24,012	24,719	68	24,787
2031	23,243	53	23,296	24,062	53	24,115
2032	22,442	40	22,482	23,295	40	23,335
2033	21,542	30	21,572	22,419	30	22,449
2034	20,551	22	20,573	21,441	22	21,463
2035	19,476	16	19,492	20,370	16	20,386
2036	18,329	11	18,340	19,217	11	19,228
2037	17,122	8	17,130	17,994	8	18,002
2038	15,871	5	15,876	16,720	5	16,725
2039	14,591	3	14,594	15,410	3	15,413
2040	13,293	2	13,295	14,075	2	14,077
2041	11,997	1	11,998	12,737	1	12,738
2042	10,726	1	10,727	11,420	1	11,421
2043	9,495	-	9,495	10,140	-	10,140
2044	8,319	-	8,319	8,913	-	8,913
2045	7,210	-	7,210	7,750	-	7,750
2046	6,178	-	6,178	6,664	-	6,664
2047	5,231	-	5,231	5,664	-	5,664
2048	4,376	-	4,376	4,757	-	4,757
2049	3,615	-	3,615	3,946	-	3,946
2050	2,940	-	2,940	3,223	-	3,223
2051	2,352	-	2,352	2,591	-	2,591
2052	1,856	-	1,856	2,056	-	2,056
2053	1,445	-	1,445	1,610	-	1,610
2054	1,110	-	1,110	1,244	-	1,244
2055	841	-	841	949	-	949
2056	630	-	630	715	-	715
2057	466	-	466	533	-	533
2058	341	-	341	394	-	394
2059	248	-	248	289	-	289
2060	180	-	180	212	-	212
2061	131	-	131	156	-	156
2062	96	-	96	115	-	115
2063	72	-	72	87	-	87
2064	54	-	54	66	-	66
2065	43	-	43	52	-	52
2066	34	-	34	42	-	42
2067	28	-	28	35	-	35
2068	24	-	24	30	-	30
2069	21	-	21	26	-	26
2070	18	-	18	23	-	23

4. Accounting Information

GASB 74 applies to financial reporting for public OPEB plans, GASB 75 governs the specifics of accounting for public OPEB plan obligations for participating employers. These statements apply to the MPP Program. A separate report is prepared showing these results under these two statements. Therefore, no financial disclosure information is shown in this report.

5. Assumptions Used in MPP Program Valuation

The calculations presented in this report are based on the assumptions shown in Appendix B. The board adopted the assumptions as shown in Appendix B of this report for this (June 30, 2019) MPP Program valuation at its January 2020 meeting.

Economic

Table 2 contains a summary of economic and demographic assumptions for the June 30, 2019 MPP Program valuation and a comparison against the June 30, 2018 MPP Program valuation assumptions.

Note that the current valuation uses the 2020 Medicare Part A and Part B premiums as the basis for future premium calculations. Future premiums are assumed to increase with a medical trend that varies by year, as shown in the table below.

Years ⁽¹⁾	Trend Assumption	
	Assumed Annual Increase	
	Part A	Part B
2019 - 2028	4.3%	5.5%
2029 - 2038	5.0%	5.1%
2039 - 2048	4.9%	4.5%
2049 & Later	4.3%	4.4%

1. Trend rates indicate medical inflation in the specific valuation year and therefore affect the premiums for the following valuation year. For example, the projected 2020-2021 premium is the 2019-2020 premium increased by the assumed 2019-2020 trend rate.

The Part A trend is approximately equivalent to assuming a fixed 4.5% increase each year. The Part B trend is approximately equivalent to assuming a fixed 5.4% increase each year.

Enrollment

Table B.3 in Appendix B presents the participation (enrollment) assumptions for the best estimate scenario and the conservative (high cost) estimate scenario included in this valuation. The enrollment rates are based on actual enrollments divided by all pre-April 1, 1986 hires. For valuation purposes, it is assumed that all pre-April 1, 1986 hires are potentially eligible for the MPP Program.

Note the participation rates include a small margin for members who were not retired on June 30, 2012 but may elect in the future to backdate their retirement date under Education Code Section 24204 and potentially become eligible for benefits under the MPP Program.

Other Assumptions

Other assumptions include a 7.00% investment return assumption and the 2019 CalSTRS mortality assumptions, which are the same as the assumptions used in the June 30, 2019 DB Program funding valuation.

Financial reporting for the year ended June 30, 2020, GASB 74 and 75 apply to the MPP Program. Separate calculations will be done in the second half of 2020. It is our understanding that CalSTRS will use a discount rate based on the Bond Buyer 20-Bond GO Index.

Table 2
June 30, 2019 Actuarial Assumptions

	June 30, 2019 Valuation	June 30, 2018 Valuation
Retirement/Termination/Disability/Mortality	Same as DB Program valuation	Same as DB Program valuation
Enrollment Rates	See Table B-3	See 2018 MPPP Valuation Table B-3
Interest Rate		
- For funding	7.00%, same as DB Program Valuation	7.00%, same as DB Program Valuation
- For GASB reporting (for following year)	To be determined (Based on Bond Buyer 20-Bond GO Index)	3.87% (Based on Bond Buyer 20-Bond GO Index)
Part A Premiums		
- Initial premium	\$458 (CY 2020)	\$437 (CY 2019)
- Inflation (trend)	Varies by year equivalent to fixed 4.5%	Varies by year equivalent to fixed 3.7%
Part B Premiums		
- Initial premium ⁽¹⁾	\$144.60 (CY 2020)	\$135.50 (CY 2019)
- Inflation (trend)	Varies by year equivalent to fixed 5.4%	Varies by year equivalent to fixed 4.1%
Retirement/Termination/Disability/Mortality	Same as pension valuation	Same as pension valuation

1. CalSTRS pays the Part B penalty, which is a percentage of the Part B premium amount. Part B penalties used in the valuation are those supplied by CalSTRS after adjusting for the applicable trend rate.

Appendix A Provisions of Governing Law

All of the actuarial calculations contained in this report are based upon our understanding of the CalSTRS MPP Program as contained in Part 13.5 of the California Education Code. The provisions used in this valuation are summarized below for reference purposes.

Eligibility (Part A)

Member Eligibility Requirement: Satisfies either:

- 1) Retired or disabled prior to January 1, 2001;
Hired prior to April 1, 1986;
Age 65 or above;
Enrolled in Medicare Part A and Part B; and,
Not eligible for Part A without premium payment.

– OR –

- 2) Meet all of the above requirements, except retired or disabled before July 1, 2012;
District completed a Medicare Division election prior to retirement; and,
Active member less than 58 years of age at the time of the election.

Spouse Eligibility: Spouses of members are not eligible to participate in the program.

Eligibility (Part B)

Member Eligibility Requirement: Only those currently enrolled are eligible.

Benefits Paid

- Part A: Part A premium (\$458 per month in 2020). Reduced amount unless the member has covered employment, but less than 40 quarters.
- Part B: Part B premium (\$144.60 per month in 2020). Only the penalty is paid by CalSTRS.

Appendix B Actuarial Methods and Assumptions

This section of the report discloses the actuarial methods and assumptions used in this Actuarial Valuation. These methods and assumptions have been chosen based on recent experience of the MPP Program and on current expectations as to future economic conditions.

The assumptions are intended to estimate the future experience of the members of the MPP Program and of the MPP Program itself in areas that affect the projected benefit flow and anticipated investment earnings. Any variations in future experience from that expected from these assumptions will result in corresponding changes in estimated costs of the MPP Program's benefits.

Please refer to the 2020 Actuarial Experience Analysis for further information on the DB Program assumptions.

Actuarial Cost Method

The cost method used for the MPP Program valuation is the Entry Age Normal Cost Method. Since there are no active members eligible to receive future MPP Program benefits, the Normal Cost is \$0, and the actuarial obligation for the MPP Program is equal to the value of all benefits expected to be paid in the future. This obligation, less any assets currently residing in the Teachers' Health Benefit Fund (THBF), is included with the obligation of the DB Program. The assets in the THBF are valued at Fair Market Value but exclude line items for "Net Pension and OPEB Obligation" for funding purposes.

Asset Valuation Method

For funding purposes, the assets are valued as the allocated value of DB Program Assets. This figure is equal to the actuarial obligation of the MPP Program benefits.

Actuarial Assumptions

The Actuarial Standards Board has adopted Actuarial Standard of Practice No. 27, *Selection of Economic Assumptions for Measuring Pension Obligations*. This Standard provides guidance on selecting economic assumptions under defined benefit retirement programs such as the System. In our opinion, the economic assumptions have been developed in accordance with the Standard.

The Actuarial Standards Board has adopted Actuarial Standard of Practice No. 35, *Selection of Demographic and Other Noneconomic Assumptions for Measuring Pension Obligations*. This Standard provides guidance on selecting demographic assumptions under defined benefit retirement programs such as the System. In our opinion, the demographic assumptions have been developed in accordance with the Standard.

The demographic assumptions are listed in **Table B.1** and illustrated at selected ages in **Table B.2**.

Table B.1
List of Major Valuation Assumptions

Economic Assumptions

- A. Investment Return Best Estimate = 7.00%
 (net of investment and administrative expenses) Higher Cost = 6.00%

- B. Medical Inflation

Years ⁽¹⁾	Trend Assumption	
	Assumed Annual Increase	
	Part A	Part B
2019 - 2028	4.3%	5.5%
2029 - 2038	5.0%	5.1%
2039 - 2048	4.9%	4.5%
2049 & Later	4.3%	4.4%

1. Trend rates indicate medical inflation in the specific valuation year and therefore affect the premiums for the following valuation year. For example, the projected 2020-2021 premium is the 2019-2020 premium increased by the assumed 2019-2020 trend rate.

- C. Price Inflation 2.75%

Demographic Assumptions

- A. Mortality⁽²⁾

Active	- Male	N/A	
	- Female	N/A	
Retired & Beneficiary	- Male	2019 CalSTRS Retired Male	Table B.2
	- Female	2019 CalSTRS Retired Female	Table B.2
Disabled	- Male	2019 CalSTRS Disabled Retiree Male	Table B.2
	- Female	2019 CalSTRS Disabled Retiree Female	Table B.2

(select rates in first 3 years for both Males and Females)

2. The mortality assumption uses a generational mortality approach with a base year of 2019. Projected improvement is based on 110% of the MP-2019 Ultimate Projection Scale. The combined base tables and projection scale specified contain a margin for expected future mortality improvement.

- B. Service Retirement N/A
 C. Disability Retirement N/A
 D. Withdrawal N/A
 E. Probability of Refund N/A
 F. MPP Program Enrollment Rates Experience Tables Table B.3

Table B.2
Mortality as of June 30, 2019

Age	Retired Members and Beneficiaries ⁽¹⁾		Disabled Members (After Year 3) ⁽¹⁾	
	Male	Female	Male	Female
50	0.235%	0.131%	1.807%	1.021%
55	0.346	0.206	2.102	1.277
60	0.464	0.274	2.383	1.507
65	0.659	0.413	2.774	1.800
70	1.056	0.681	3.440	2.337
75	1.894	1.252	4.536	3.326
80	3.475	2.401	6.279	4.926
85	6.682	4.788	9.122	7.319
90	12.893	9.746	13.840	10.820
95	22.038	18.269	20.697	16.019

Select minimum rates for disability:

First year of disability	4.0%	3.0%
Second year of disability	3.5	2.5
Third year of disability	3.0	2.0

1. The mortality assumption uses a generational mortality approach with a base year of 2019. Projected improvement is based on 110% of the MP-2019 Ultimate Projection Scale. The rates shown reflect mortality improvement through June 30, 2019. The projection scale does not apply to the select minimum rates.

Table B.3
Part A⁽¹⁾ Enrollment Rates

Assumption	Best Estimate	Higher Cost
% of Under 65 Retirees Enrolling (Retired on or After 2001) ⁽²⁾	2.00%	2.50%
% of Under 65 Retirees Enrolling (Retired Before 2001)	2.00%	2.50%
% of Over 65 Retirees Enrolling (for those not Currently Enrolled) at Age: ⁽³⁾		
65	0.20%	0.40%
66	0.02	0.04
67	0.02	0.04
68	0.02	0.04
69	0.02	0.04
70-84	0.02	0.03
85 & Above	0.00	0.00
% of Over 65 Retirees Enrolling (for those Already Enrolled)	100.0%	100.0%

1. Only current enrollees are assumed to receive Part B payments.
2. For under age 65 retirees, the enrollment percent applies upon reaching age 65. No enrollment is assumed after age 65 for retirees currently under age 65.
3. For over 65 retirees, the enrollment percent applies in each future year.

Appendix C Valuation Data

The participant data for this actuarial valuation was supplied by CalSTRS and accepted without audit. We have examined the data for reasonableness and consistency with prior valuations and periodic reports from the CalSTRS staff to the Teachers' Retirement Board.

In preparing this report, we relied upon the participant data furnished by CalSTRS. Although we did not audit this data, we compared the data for this and the prior valuation and tested for reasonableness. Based on these tests, we believe the data to be sufficiently accurate for the purposes of this valuation. Since the valuation results are dependent on the integrity of the data supplied, the results can be expected to differ if the underlying data is incomplete or missing. It should be noted that if any data or other information is inaccurate or incomplete, our calculations may need to be revised.

Tables C.1 through **C.2** summarize the census data used in this valuation.

Table C.1
Summary of Statistical Information

	June 30, 2019	June 30, 2018
Number of Enrolled Members		
Retirees with Part A Premium	5,681	5,907
Retirees with Part B Penalty	493	549
Average CalSTRS Payment for Enrolled Members (for current calendar year)		
Retirees with Part A Premium	\$ 417.09	\$ 399.30
Retirees with Part B Penalty	68.78	65.53

Table C.2
Projected MPP Program Membership

Plan Yr Ending 6/30	Projected Participants					
	Part A			Part B		
	Current Status		Total	Current Status		Total
	Active	Retired		Active	Retired	
2020	-	5,458	5,458	-	439	439
2021	-	5,230	5,230	-	388	388
2022	-	4,982	4,982	-	339	339
2023	-	4,731	4,731	-	292	292
2024	-	4,477	4,477	-	249	249
2025	-	4,223	4,223	-	210	210
2026	-	3,969	3,969	-	174	174
2027	-	3,716	3,716	-	142	142
2028	-	3,465	3,465	-	114	114
2029	-	3,217	3,217	-	90	90
2030	-	2,973	2,973	-	70	70
2031	-	2,734	2,734	-	54	54
2032	-	2,500	2,500	-	40	40
2033	-	2,274	2,274	-	29	29
2034	-	2,056	2,056	-	21	21
2035	-	1,846	1,846	-	15	15
2036	-	1,646	1,646	-	10	10
2037	-	1,457	1,457	-	7	7
2038	-	1,280	1,280	-	4	4
2039	-	1,114	1,114	-	3	3
2040	-	962	962	-	2	2
2041	-	822	822	-	1	1
2042	-	696	696	-	1	1
2043	-	583	583	-	-	-
2044	-	483	483	-	-	-
2045	-	396	396	-	-	-
2046	-	321	321	-	-	-
2047	-	257	257	-	-	-
2048	-	203	203	-	-	-
2049	-	158	158	-	-	-
2050	-	121	121	-	-	-
2051	-	92	92	-	-	-
2052	-	69	69	-	-	-
2053	-	51	51	-	-	-
2054	-	37	37	-	-	-
2055	-	27	27	-	-	-
2056	-	19	19	-	-	-
2057	-	13	13	-	-	-
2058	-	9	9	-	-	-
2059	-	6	6	-	-	-
2060	-	4	4	-	-	-

Appendix D Glossary

The following definitions are largely excerpts from a list adopted by the major actuarial organizations in the United States. In some cases, the definitions have been modified for specific applicability to the CalSTRS MPP Program. Defined terms are capitalized throughout this Appendix.

Actuarial Assumptions

Assumptions as to the occurrence of future events affecting pension and medical costs, such as mortality, withdrawal, disablement, and retirement, changes in compensation, rates of investment earnings and asset appreciation or depreciation, and procedures used to determine other relevant items.

Actuarial Cost Method

A procedure for determining the Actuarial Present Value of pension and medical plan benefits and expenses and for developing an actuarially equivalent allocation of such value to time periods, usually in the form of a Normal Cost and an Actuarial Obligation.

Actuarial Equivalent

Of equal Actuarial Present Value, determined as of a given date with each value based on the same set of Actuarial Assumptions.

Actuarial Gain or Loss

A measure of the difference between actual experience and that expected based upon a set of Actuarial Assumptions during the period between two actuarial valuation dates, as determined in accordance with a particular Actuarial Cost Method.

Actuarial Obligation

That portion, as determined by a particular Actuarial Cost Method, of the Actuarial Present Value of medical plan benefits and expenses which is not provided for by future Normal Costs. Note that for purposes of the MPP Program valuation, the value of future Normal Cost is \$0.

Actuarial Present Value

The value of an amount or series of amounts payable or receivable at various times, determined as of a given date by the application of a particular set of Actuarial Assumptions.

Actuarial Surplus

The excess, if any, of the Actuarial Value of Assets over the Actuarial Obligation.

Actuarial Valuation

The determination, as of a Valuation Date, of the Normal Cost, Actuarial Obligation, Actuarial Value of Assets and related Actuarial Present Values for a pension or medical plan.

Actuarial Value of Assets

The value of cash, investments and other property belonging to a pension or medical plan, as used by the actuary for the purpose of an actuarial valuation. For the MPP Program valuation, the Actuarial Value of Assets is equal to the future MPP Program payments.

Normal Cost

The portion of the Actuarial Present Value of Projected Benefits which is allocated to a valuation year by the Actuarial Cost Method. Note that for purposes of the MPP Program valuation, the value of future Normal Cost is \$0.

Unfunded Actuarial Obligation

The excess, if any, of the Actuarial Obligation over the Actuarial Value of Assets.

Valuation Date

June 30, 2019.