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# Police and Fire Retirement System of Wichita, Kansas

Actuarial Valuation as of December 31, 2015



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April 11, 2016

The Board of Trustees Police and Fire Retirement System of Wichita, Kansas City Hall, 12<sup>th</sup> Floor 455 N. Main Street Wichita, KS 67202

Dear Members of the Board:

In accordance with your request, we have completed an actuarial valuation of the Police and Fire Retirement System of Wichita, Kansas as of December 31, 2015. The major findings of the valuation are contained in this report, including the employer contribution rate for fiscal year 2017. The plan provisions and the actuarial assumptions and methods are the same as the prior valuation.

In preparing this report, we relied, without audit, on information (some oral and some in writing) supplied by the System's staff. This information includes, but is not limited to, plan provisions, member data, and financial information. We found this information to be reasonably consistent and comparable with information for the last valuation. The valuation results depend on the integrity of the data provided. If any of this information is inaccurate or incomplete, our valuation results may be different and our calculations may need to be revised.

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; increases or decreases expected as part of the natural operation of the methodology used for these measurements (such as the end of an amortization period or additional cost or contribution requirements based on the System's funded status); and changes in plan provisions or applicable law. Due to the limited scope of our assignment, we did not perform an analysis of the potential range of future measurements.

Actuarial computations presented in this report are for purposes of determining the actuarial contribution rates for funding the System. The calculations in the enclosed report have been made on a basis consistent with our understanding of the System's funding requirements and goals. Determinations for purposes other than meeting these requirements may be significantly different from the results contained in this report. Accordingly, additional determinations may be needed for other purposes. For example, actuarial computations for purposes of fulfilling financial accounting requirements for the System under Governmental Accounting Standard No. 67 are provided in a separate report.

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The consultants who worked on this assignment are pension actuaries. CMC's advice is not intended to be a substitute for qualified legal or accounting counsel.

This is to certify that the independent consulting actuaries are members of the American Academy of Actuaries and have experience in performing valuations for public retirement plans, that the valuation was prepared in accordance with principles of practice prescribed by the Actuarial Standards Board, and that the actuarial calculations were performed by qualified actuaries in accordance with accepted actuarial procedures, based on the current provisions of the retirement plan and on actuarial assumptions that are internally consistent and reasonably based on the actual experience of the System. The Board of Trustees has the final decision regarding the appropriateness of the assumptions and adopted them as indicated in Appendix C.

We respectfully submit the following report and look forward to discussing it with you.

Sincerely,

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This report presents the results of the December 31, 2015 actuarial valuation of the Police and Fire Retirement System of Wichita, Kansas (WPF). The primary purposes of performing a valuation are to:

- estimate the liabilities for the benefits provided by the System;
- determine the employer contribution rate required to fund the System on an actuarial basis;
- disclose certain asset and liability measures as of the valuation date;
- monitor any deviation between actual plan experience and experience projected by the actuarial assumptions, so that recommendations for assumption changes can be made when appropriate; and
- analyze and report on any significant trends in contributions, assets and liabilities over the past several years.

There were no changes to the actuarial assumptions and methods or the benefit provisions from the last valuation.

The System had an unfunded actuarial liability of \$31.0 million in the December 31, 2014 valuation, which has increased to \$35.0 million in the December 31, 2015 valuation. A detailed analysis of the change in the unfunded actuarial liability from December 31, 2014 to December 31, 2015 is shown on page 3. The actuarial valuation results provide a "snapshot" view of the System's financial condition on December 31, 2015. The valuation results reflect net unfavorable experience for the past plan year as demonstrated by an unfunded actuarial liability that was higher than expected based on the actuarial assumptions used in the December 31, 2014 actuarial valuation. Unfavorable experience on the actuarial value of assets resulted in an actuarial loss of \$9.1 million and experience on liabilities resulted in a gain of \$3.3 million for a net actuarial loss of \$5.8 million.

The System uses an asset smoothing method in the valuation process. As a result, the System's funded status and the actuarial contribution rate are based on the actuarial (smoothed) value of assets – not the market value. The investment return on the market value of assets during 2015 was -0.1%, which was significantly less than the 7.75% assumption. As a result of the deferred (unrecognized) asset gains, the rate of return on the actuarial value of assets was 6.2%. The actuarial (smoothed) value of assets is greater than the market value by \$27.2 million as of December 31, 2015. Actual returns over the next few years will determine if, and how, the \$27.2 million of deferred investment loss will be recognized. For example, a return of around 13% on the market value of assets in 2016 would eliminate the deferred investment losses and result in no gain or loss on investment experience for the year.

In the following pages, changes in the assets, liabilities, and contributions of the System over the last year are discussed in more detail.

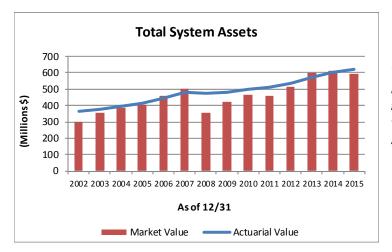
#### **ASSETS**

As of December 31, 2015, the System had total assets of \$592.9 million when measured on a market value basis. This was a decrease of \$18.2 million from the December 31, 2014 figure of \$611.1 million. The market value of assets is not used directly in the calculation of the City's contribution rate. An asset valuation method, which smoothes the effect of market fluctuations, is used to determine the value of assets used in the valuation, called the "actuarial value of assets". The actuarial value of assets is equal to the expected value (calculated using the actuarial assumed rate of 7.75%) plus 25% of the difference between the actual market value and the expected value. See Table 3 for a detailed development of the actuarial value of assets. The rate of return on the actuarial value of assets was 6.2%. Due to deferred investment experience, the actuarial value of assets exceeds the market value by \$27.2 million.

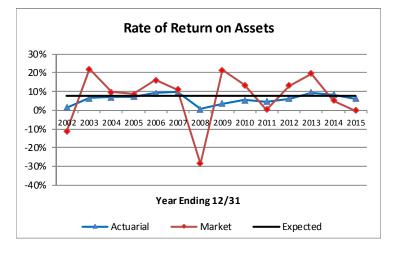
The components of the change in the market and actuarial value of assets for the System (in millions) are set forth below:

	Market Value (\$M)	Actuarial Value (\$M)
Assets, December 31, 2014	\$611.1	\$600.9
- City and Member Contributions	18.6	18.6
- Benefit Payments and Refunds	(36.1)	(36.1)
- Investment Income (net of expenses)	(0.7)	36.7
Assets, December 31, 2015	\$592.9	\$620.1

The unrecognized investment loss represents about 5% of the market value of assets. Unless offset by future investment gains or other favorable experience, the recognition of the \$27.2 million deferred loss is expected to have a negative impact on the future funded ratio and actuarial contribution requirement. If the deferred loss was recognized immediately in the actuarial value of assets, the funded percentage would decrease from 95% to 91% and the actuarially determined contribution rate for the City would increase from 19.2% to 22.1% of payroll.



The actuarial value of assets has both been greater than and less than the market value of assets during this period, which is expected when using a smoothing method.



The rate of return on the actuarial value of assets has been less volatile than the market value return, which is the main reason for using an asset smoothing method.



#### **LIABILITIES**

The actuarial liability is that portion of the present value of future benefits that will not be paid by future employer normal costs or member contributions. The difference between this liability and asset values at the same date is referred to as the unfunded actuarial liability (UAL), or (surplus) if the asset value exceeds the actuarial liability. The unfunded actuarial liability will be reduced if the employer's contributions exceed the employer's normal cost for the year, after allowing for interest earned on the previous balance of the unfunded actuarial liability. Benefit improvements, experience gains and losses, and changes in actuarial assumptions and procedures will also impact the total actuarial liability and the unfunded portion thereof.

The Actuarial Liability and Unfunded Actuarial Liability for the System as of December 31, 2015 are:

Actuarial Liability	\$655,135,667
Actuarial Value of Assets	620,148,816
Unfunded Actuarial Liability/(Surplus)	\$ 34,986,851

Between December 31, 2014 and December 31, 2015, the change in the unfunded actuarial liability for the System was as follows (in millions):

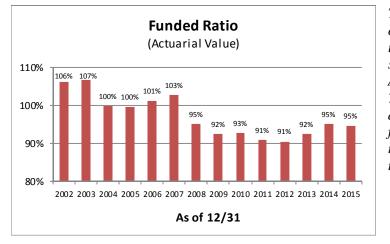
Change in Unfunded Actuarial Liability	( <b>\$M</b> )
UAL, December 31, 2014	\$31.0
• Expected change in UAL	0.1
Contributions more than the actuarial rate	0.0
Investment experience	9.1
Liability experience	(3.3)
Other experience	(1.9)
Change in actuarial assumptions	0.0
UAL, December 31, 2015	\$35.0

The experience loss for the 2015 plan year of \$5.8 million reflects the combined impact of an actuarial loss of \$9.1 million on System assets (actuarial value) and an actuarial gain of \$3.3 million on System liabilities.

Analysis of the unfunded actuarial liability strictly as a dollar amount can be misleading. Another way to evaluate the unfunded actuarial liability and the progress made in its funding is to track the funded status, the ratio of the actuarial value of assets to the actuarial liability. This information for recent years is shown below (in millions). Longer term historical information is shown in the graph following the chart.

	12/31/2011	12/31/2012	12/31/2013	12/31/2014	12/31/2015
Actuarial Liability (\$M)	\$562.5	\$589.1	\$617.7	\$631.9	\$655.1
Actuarial Value of Assets (\$M)	510.9	533.4	571.3	600.9	620.1
Funded Ratio (Actuarial Value)	90.8%	90.5%	92.5%	95.1%	94.7%
Funded Ratio (Market Value)	81.9%	86.8%	96.9%	96.7%	90.5%





The funded ratio has generally declined over this period due to various reasons including assumption changes and more significantly, investment experience. Absent investment returns above the 7.75% assumption in future years, the deferred loss will be recognized and the funded ratio will decrease moving toward the market value percentage shown in the table above.

As mentioned earlier in this report, due to the asset smoothing method there is currently a \$27.2 million difference between the actuarial value and the market value of assets. To the extent there is not favorable investment experience to offset the deferred loss, it will be recognized in future years and the System's funded status will decrease. The System's funded status will continue to be heavily dependent on future investment experience.

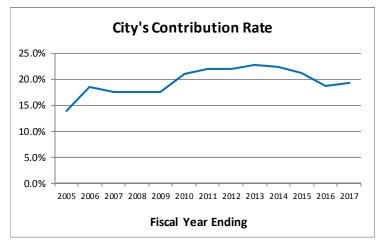
#### **CONTRIBUTION RATES**

Generally, contributions to the System consist of:

- A "normal cost" for the portion of projected liabilities allocated to service of members during the year following the valuation date by the actuarial cost method, and
- An "unfunded actuarial liability or (surplus) contribution" for the excess of the portion of projected liabilities allocated to service to date over the actuarial value of assets.

Contribution rates are computed with the objective of developing costs that are level as a percentage of covered payroll. The contribution rate for fiscal year 2017 is based on the December 31, 2015 actuarial valuation results.

As of December 31, 2015, the actuarial liability exceeds the actuarial value of assets so an unfunded actuarial liability (UAL) exists. When amortized over a rolling 20-year period, the resulting contribution is 3.6% of pay. The City's contribution rate is the sum of employer normal cost rate and the UAL amortization contribution. This valuation indicates the City's contribution should be 19.2% of pay (15.6% employer normal cost rate plus 3.6% UAL contribution).



After increasing from 2010 through 2013, the City's contribution rate has stabilized in the last few years. The City's contribution rate is 18.8% and 19.2% for the fiscal years ending 12/31/2016 and 12/31/2017, respectively.

A summary of the City's historical contribution rate for the System is shown below:

#### **COMMENTS**

The System does not use the actual market value of assets in developing the actuarial contribution rate, but utilizes an asset valuation method to smooth out the peaks and valleys in investment returns from year to year. Under the asset valuation method, the actuarial value of assets is determined as 75% of the expected value (using the actuarial assumed rate of return) and 25% of the actual market value. The net return on the market value of assets for 2015 was -0.1%. However, due to deferred assets gains the return on the actuarial value of assets was 6.2%. Because the return on the actuarial value of assets is less than the 7.75% assumed rate, the System experienced an actuarial loss on assets of \$9.1 million. This loss and the actuarial gain on liabilities of \$3.3 million resulted in a net actuarial loss of \$5.8 million.

The deferred investment loss (market value less actuarial value of assets) is \$27.2 million as of December 31, 2015. Absent investment gains in future years, the deferred investment loss of \$27.2 million will eventually be reflected in the actuarial value of assets in future years. While the use of an asset smoothing method is a common procedure for public retirement systems, it is important to identify the potential impact of the deferred investment experience. This is accomplished by comparing the key valuation results from the December 31, 2015 actuarial valuation using both the actuarial and market value of assets (see table on next page).



	Using Actuarial Value of Assets	Using Market Value of Assets
Actuarial Liability	\$655,135,667	\$655,135,667
Asset Value	620,148,816	592,883,226
Unfunded Actuarial Liability	34,986,851	62,252,441
Funded Ratio	94.7%	90.5%
Normal Cost Rate	22.6%	22.6%
UAL Contribution Rate	<u>3.6%</u>	<u>6.5%</u>
Total Contribution Rate	26.2%	29.1%
Employee Contribution Rate	<u>(7.0%)</u>	<u>(7.0%)</u>
Employer Contribution Rate	19.2%	22.1%

The actuarial loss resulting from experience in 2015 was the main driver in increasing the City's contribution rate from 18.8% in the December 31, 2014 valuation to 19.2% in this valuation. The actuarial contribution rate to be paid by the City has been, and will continue to be, heavily impacted by investment returns from year to year. Despite the use of an asset smoothing method, actual returns that are significantly different from the 7.75% assumption tend to create some level of volatility in the City's contribution rate.



# SUMMARY OF PRINCIPAL RESULTS

1. PARTICIPANT DATA	12/31/2015 Valuation	12/31/2014 Valuation	% <u>Change</u>
Number of:			
Active Members			
Police	594	613	(3.1%)
Fire	456	455	0.2%
Total	1,050	1,068	(1.7%)
Retired Members and Beneficiaries	989	971	1.9%
Inactive Vested Members	37	31	19.4%
Total Members	2,076	2,070	0.3%
Annual Projected Payroll			
Police	\$ 40,413,807	\$ 40,422,736	(0.0%)
Fire	27,901,085	27,260,378	2.4%
Total	\$ 68,314,892	\$ 67,683,114	0.9%
Annual Retirement Payments for			
Retired Members and Beneficiaries	\$ 30,774,324	\$ 29,165,652	5.5%
2. ASSETS AND LIABILITIES			
Total Actuarial Liability	\$ 655,135,667	\$ 631,904,401	3.7%
Market Value of Assets	592,883,226	611,087,051	(3.0%)
Actuarial Value of Assets	620,148,816	600,860,146	3.2%
Unfunded Actuarial Liability/(Surplus)	\$ 34,986,851	\$ 31,044,255	12.7%
Funded Ratio	94.7%	95.1%	(0.4%)
3. EMPLOYER CONTRIBUTION RATES AS A PERCENT OF PAYROLL			
Normal Cost	22.6%	22.5%	0.4%
Member Financed	(7.0%)	(7.0%)	0.0%
Employer Normal Cost	15.6%	15.5%	0.6%
Amortization of Unfunded Actuarial			
Liability or (Surplus)	3.6%	3.3%	9.1%
Employer Contribution Rate	19.2%	18.8%	2.1%



This report presents the actuarial valuation of the Police and Fire Retirement System of Wichita, Kansas (WPF) as of December 31, 2015. This valuation was prepared at the request of the System's Board of Trustees. The report is based on plan provisions, actuarial assumptions and actuarial methods that are unchanged from last year.

Please pay particular attention to our cover letter, where the guidelines employed in the preparation of this report are outlined. We also comment on the sources and reliability of both the data and the actuarial assumptions upon which our findings are based. Those comments are the basis for our certification that this report is complete and accurate to the best of our knowledge and belief.

A summary of the findings resulting from this valuation is presented in the previous section. Section III describes the assets and investment experience of the System. Sections IV and V describe how the obligations of the System are to be met under the actuarial cost method in use. Section VI includes additional information regarding the System's funding history.

This report includes several appendices:

- Appendix A Schedules of valuation data classified by various categories of members.
- Appendix B A summary of the current benefit structure, as determined by the provisions of governing law on the valuation date.
- Appendix C A summary of the actuarial methods and assumptions used to estimate liabilities and determine contribution rates.
- Appendix D A glossary of actuarial terms.



In many respects, an actuarial valuation can be thought of as an inventory process. The inventory is taken as of the actuarial valuation date, which for this valuation is December 31, 2015. On that date, the assets available for the payment of benefits are appraised. The assets are compared with the liabilities of the System. The actuarial process then leads to a method of determining the contributions needed by members and the employer in the future to balance the System assets and liabilities.

#### MARKET VALUE OF ASSETS

The current market value represents the "snapshot" or "cash-out" value of System assets as of the valuation date. In addition, the market value of assets provides a basis for measuring investment performance from time to time. On December 31, 2015, the market value of assets for the System was \$593 million. Table 1 is a comparison, at market values, of System assets as of December 31, 2015, and December 31, 2014, in total and by investment category. Table 2 summarizes the change in the market value of assets from December 31, 2014 to December 31, 2015.

#### ACTUARIAL VALUE OF ASSETS

Neither the market value of assets, representing a "cash-out" value of System assets, nor the book values of assets, representing the cost of investments, may be the best measure of the System's ongoing ability to meet its obligations.

To arrive at a suitable value for the actuarial valuation, a technique for determining the actuarial value of assets is used which dampens swings in the market value while still indirectly recognizing market values. This methodology, first adopted for the December 31, 2002 valuation, smoothes market experience by recognizing 25% of the difference between the expected value (based on the actuarial assumption) and the actual market value. Table 3 shows the development of the actuarial value of assets (AVA) as of December 31, 2015.



## Analysis of Net Assets at Market Value

	As of December 31, 2015				As o December		
		mount <u>Aillions)</u>	% of <u>Total</u>		mount <u>Aillions)</u>	% of <u>Total</u>	
Cash and Equivalents	\$	0.4	0.1	%	\$ 0.5	0.1	%
Government Securities		33.3	5.6		41.4	6.8	
Corporate Debt		49.6	8.4		47.7	7.8	
Mortgage Backed Securities		35.5	6.0		40.3	6.6	
Global Fixed Income		25.2	4.3		0.0	0.0	
Pooled Funds		159.3	31.1		163.7	26.8	
Domestic Equity		181.5	30.6		225.7	36.9	
International Equity		54.2	9.1		52.4	8.6	
Real Estate		34.9	5.9		33.4	5.5	
Timber		21.1	3.6		12.3	2.0	
Securities Lending Collateral Pool		46.8	7.9		38.1	6.2	
Other		0.0	0.0		0.0	0.0	
Receivables		24.5	4.1		8.1	1.3	
Liabilities		(73.4)	(12.4)		(52.5)	(8.6)	
Total	\$	592.9	100.0	%	\$ 611.1	100.0	%



## Summary of Changes in Net Assets During Year Ended December 31, 2015

(Market Value)

1. Market Value of Assets as of December 31, 2014	\$ 611,087,051
2. Adjustment to Tie to Audited Financial Statements	\$ 4,005
3. Contributions:	
a. Members	\$ 4,603,331
b. City	13,964,379
c. Total	\$ 18,567,710
4. Investment Income:	
a. Interest and Dividends	\$ 13,277,548
b. Net Appreciation (Depreciation) in Fair Value	(10,499,610)
c. Commission Recapture	13,088
d. Net Securities Lending Income	157,908
e. Investment Expenses	(3,150,461)
f. Net Investment Income (Loss)	\$ (201,527)
5. Expenditures:	
a. Refunds of Member Contributions	\$ 448,180
b. Benefits Paid:	
(1) Pension and Death Benefits	30,092,151
(2) BackDROP Payments	5,550,489
c. Administrative Expenses	483,193
d. Total	\$ 36,574,013
6. Net Change $[3(c) + 4(f) - 5(d)]$	\$ (18,207,830)
7. Market Value of Assets as of December 31, 2015 $[(1) + (2) + (6)]$	\$ 592,883,226



## Development of Actuarial Value of Assets as of December 31, 2015

1. Actuarial Value of Assets as of December 31, 2014	\$	600,860,146
2. Actual Contributions/Disbursements		
<ul><li>a. Contributions</li><li>b. Benefit Payments and Refunds</li><li>c. Net</li></ul>	\$ \$	18,567,710 (36,090,820) (17,523,110)
<ol> <li>Expected Value of Assets as of December 31, 2015</li> <li>[(1) * 1.0775] + [2(c) * (1.0775)<sup>.5</sup>]</li> </ol>	\$	629,237,346
4. Market Value of Assets as of December 31, 2015	\$	592,883,226
5. Difference Between Actual and Expected Values	\$	(36,354,120)
<ul><li>6. Initial Actuarial Value of Assets</li><li>(3) + [(5) * 0.25]</li></ul>	\$	620,148,816
7. Corridor for Actuarial Value of Assets		
<ul><li>a. 80% of Market Value of Assets</li><li>b. 120% of Market Value of Assets</li></ul>	\$	474,306,581 711,459,871
8. Actuarial Value of Assets as of December 31, 2015	\$	620,148,816
9. Actuarial Value of Assets Divided by Market Value of Assets		104.6%
10. Market Value of Assets Minus Actuarial Value of Assets	\$	(27,265,590)



In the previous section, an actuarial valuation was compared with an inventory process, and an analysis was given of the inventory of assets of the System as of the valuation date, December 31, 2015. In this section, the discussion will focus on the commitments of the System, which are referred to as its liabilities.

Table 4 contains an analysis of the actuarial present value of all future benefits (PVFB) for contributing members, inactive members, retirees and their beneficiaries.

The liabilities summarized in Table 4 include the actuarial present value of all future benefits expected to be paid with respect to each member. For an active member, this value includes the measurement of both benefits already earned and future benefits to be earned. For all members, active and retired, the value extends over benefits earnable and payable for the rest of their lives and for the lives of the surviving beneficiaries.

All liabilities reflect the benefit provisions in place as of December 31, 2015.

#### ACTUARIAL LIABILITY

A fundamental principle in financing the liabilities of a prefunded retirement program is that the cost of its benefits should be related to the period in which benefits are earned, rather than to the period of benefit distribution. An actuarial cost method is a mathematical technique that allocates the present value of future benefits into annual costs. In order to do this allocation, it is necessary for the funding method to "breakdown" the present value of future benefits into two components:

- 1. That which is attributable to the past and
- 2. That which is attributable to the future.

Actuarial terminology calls the part attributable to the past the "past service liability" or the "actuarial liability". The portion allocated to the future is known as the present value of future normal costs, with the specific piece of it allocated to the current year being called the "normal cost". Table 5 contains the calculation of actuarial liability to the System. The Entry Age Normal actuarial cost method is used to develop the actuarial liability.



## Present Value of Future Benefits (PVFB) as of December 31, 2015

	Plans		
	A and B	<u>Plan C</u>	<u>Total</u>
1. Active Employees			
a. Retirement Benefit	\$ 4,850,268	\$ 369,381,848	\$ 374,232,116
b. Pre-Retirement Death Benefit	0	4,626,886	4,626,886
c. Withdrawal Benefit	0	8,470,244	8,470,244
d. Disability Benefit	0	45,978,558	45,978,558
e. Total	\$ 4,850,268	\$ 428,457,536	\$ 433,307,804
2. Inactive Vested Members	\$ 0	\$ 9,055,417	\$ 9,055,417
3. Inactive Nonvested Members	\$ 0	\$ 6,076	\$ 6,076
4. In Pay Members			
a. Retirees	\$ 145,765,586	\$ 124,087,539	\$ 269,853,125
b. Disabled Members	15,379,101	38,700,880	54,079,981
c. Beneficiaries	24,780,496	7,168,029	31,948,525
d. Total	\$ 185,925,183	\$ 169,956,448	\$ 355,881,631
5. Total Present Value of Future Benefits 1(e) + 2 + 3 + 4(d)	\$ 190,775,451	\$ 607,475,477	\$ 798,250,928



#### Actuarial Liability as of December 31, 2015

	Plans		
	A and B	<u>Plan C</u>	<u>Total</u>
1. Active Employees			
a. Present Value of Future Benefits	\$ 4,850,268	\$ 428,457,536	\$ 433,307,804
b. Present Value of Future Normal Costs	0	143,115,261	143,115,261
c. Actuarial Liability 1(a) - 1(b)	\$ 4,850,268	\$ 285,342,275	\$ 290,192,543
2. Inactive Vested Members	\$ 0	\$ 9,055,417	\$ 9,055,417
3. Inactive Nonvested Members	\$ 0	\$ 6,076	\$ 6,076
4. In Pay Members			
a. Retirees	\$ 145,765,586	\$ 124,087,539	\$ 269,853,125
b. Disabled Members	15,379,101	38,700,880	54,079,981
c. Beneficiaries	24,780,496	7,168,029	31,948,525
d. Total	\$ 185,925,183	\$ 169,956,448	\$ 355,881,631
5. Total Actuarial Liability 1(c) + 2 + 3 + 4(d)	\$ 190,775,451	\$ 464,360,216	\$ 655,135,667



The previous two sections were devoted to a discussion of the assets and liabilities of the System. A comparison of Tables 3 and 4 indicates that current assets fall short of meeting the present value of future benefits (total liability). This is expected in all but a completely closed plan, where no further contributions are anticipated. In an active system, there will almost always be a difference between the actuarial value of assets and total liabilities. This deficiency has to be made up by future contributions and investment returns. An actuarial valuation sets out a schedule of future contributions that will deal with this deficiency in an orderly fashion.

The method used to determine the incidence of the contributions in various years is called the actuarial cost method. Under an actuarial cost method, the contributions required to meet the difference between current assets and current liabilities are allocated each year between two elements: (1) the normal cost rate and (2) the unfunded actuarial liability contribution rate.

The term "fully funded" is often applied to a system in which contributions at the normal cost rate are sufficient to pay for the benefits of existing employees as well as for those of new employees. More often than not, systems are not fully funded, either because of past benefit improvements that have not been completely funded or because of actuarial deficiencies that have occurred because experience has not been as favorable as anticipated. Under these circumstances, an unfunded actuarial liability (UAL) exists. Likewise, when the actuarial value of assets is greater than the actuarial liability, a surplus exists.

#### **DESCRIPTION OF CONTRIBUTION RATE COMPONENTS**

The Entry Age Normal (EAN) actuarial cost method is used for the valuation. Under this method, the normal cost for each year from entry age to assumed exit age is a constant percentage of the member's year by year projected compensation. The portion of the present value of future benefits not provided by the present value of future normal costs is the actuarial liability. The unfunded actuarial liability/(surplus) represents the difference between the actuarial liability and the actuarial value of assets as of the valuation date. The unfunded actuarial liability is calculated each year and reflects experience gains/(losses).

In general, contributions are computed in accordance with a level percent-of-payroll funding objective. The contribution rates based on this December 31, 2015 actuarial valuation will be used to determine employer contribution rates to the Police and Fire Retirement System of Wichita, Kansas for fiscal year 2017. In this context, the term "contribution rate" means the percentage, which is applied to a particular active member payroll to determine the actual employer contribution amount (i.e., in dollars) for the group.

As of December 31, 2015, the valuation assets were less than the actuarial liability so an unfunded actuarial liability exists. State statutes require any unfunded actuarial liability/(surplus) in municipal police and fire retirement systems to be amortized over a rolling 20-year period. The amortization of the UAL results in an employer contribution that is more than the employer normal cost rate.

#### **CONTRIBUTION RATE SUMMARY**

In Table 7, the amortization payment related to the unfunded actuarial liability/(surplus), as of December 31, 2015, is developed. Table 8 develops the normal cost rate for the System. The derivation of the total contribution rate for the City is shown in Table 9. Table 10 shows the historical summary of the City's contribution rates. Table 11 develops the experience gain/(loss) for the year ended December 31, 2015.

The rates shown in this report are based on the actuarial assumptions and cost methods described in Appendix C.



## Derivation of Unfunded Actuarial Liability Contribution Rate

1. Actuarial Accrued Liability	\$ 655,135,667
2. Actuarial Value of Assets	\$ 620,148,816
3. Unfunded Actuarial Liability/(Surplus)	\$ 34,986,851
4. Payment (Adjusted to Mid-Year) to Amortize Unfunded Actuarial Liability/(Surplus)	
Over 20 Years*	\$ 2,490,055
5. Total Projected Payroll for the Year	\$ 68,314,892
6. Amortization Payment as a Percent of Payroll	3.6%

\* The UAL is amortized as a level percent of payroll over a rolling 20-year period.



## **Derivation of Normal Cost Rate**

Normal Cost for Year End December 31, 2015	
Service Pensions	\$ 10,462,337
Disability Pensions	2,765,414
Survivor Pensions	299,586
Termination Benefits	651,919
Total Normal Cost	\$ 14,179,256
Expected Payroll in 2016 for Current Actives	\$ 62,678,111
Total Normal Cost Rate for Year	22.6%



#### **Employer Contribution Rates** for Fiscal Year Commencing in 2017

	Contribu Requirement as a	
Normal Cost	-	·
Service pensions	16.7	%
Disability pensions	4.4	%
Survivor pensions	0.5	%
Termination pensions	1.0	%
Total Normal Cost	22.6	%
Unfunded Actuarial Liability		
Retired members and beneficiaries <sup>(1)</sup>	0.0	%
Active and former members <sup>(2)</sup>	3.6	%
Total UAL Contribution	3.6	%
Total Contribution Requirement		
Member Financed Portion <sup>(3)</sup>	7.0	%
City Financed Portion	19.2	%
Total	26.2	%

(1) Actuarial liability for retired members and beneficiaries was fully funded as of December 31, 2015

<sup>(2)</sup> The excess of the actuarial liability over actuarial value of assets is amortized as a level percent of active member payroll over a rolling 20-year period.

 $^{(3)}$  The weighted average of member contribution rates: 8.0% for Plan A and 7.0% for Plan C.



#### Historical Summary of City Contribution Rates

Contribution rates are computed in accordance with a level percent of payroll funding objective. As of December 31, 2015, the actuarial value of assets is less than actuarial liabilities resulting in an unfunded actuarial liability (UAL). The UAL is amortized over a rolling 20-year period.

		City Contributions				
		as Percents	of Active Member			
		Pensio	onable Payroll			
Valuation	Fiscal	Funding	Amortization			
Date	<u>Year</u>	<b>Objective</b>	(Credit)/Payment			
11/30/1992	1994	23.3%	0.0%			
11/30/1993	1995	22.7	0.0			
11/30/1994	1996	22.6	0.0			
12/31/1995	1997	$18.3^{(1)}$	0.0			
12/31/1996	1998	17.5	0.0			
12/31/1997	1999	15.2 - 15.9	(0.7)			
12/31/1998	2000	12.3 - 15.9	(3.6)			
12/31/1999 <sup>(2)</sup>	2001	9.6 - 16.8	(7.2)			
12/31/2000	2002	8.2 - 16.8	(8.7)			
12/31/2001	2003	10.0 - 16.8	(6.8)			
12/31/2002	2004	14.0 - 17.0	(3.0)			
12/31/2003	2005	13.6 - 17.0	(3.4)			
12/31/2004 <sup>(3)</sup>	2006	18.4	0.1			
12/31/2005	2007	17.5	0.2			
12/31/2006	2008	16.8 - 17.5	(0.7)			
12/31/2007	2009	16.0 - 17.5	(1.5)			
12/31/2008	2010	20.8	2.7			
12/31/2009 <sup>(4)</sup>	2011	22.0	4.3			
12/31/2010	2012	22.0	4.2			
12/31/2011	2013	22.8	5.6			
12/31/2012	2014	22.4	5.9			
12/31/2013	2015	21.3	4.8			
$12/31/2014^{(4)}$	2016	18.8	3.3			
12/31/2015	2017	19.2	3.6			

<sup>(1)</sup> *Reflects allocation of assets to fully fund retired life liabilities.* 

<sup>(2)</sup> Includes benefit provision and assumption changes and 1% decrease in member contribution rate.

<sup>(3)</sup> *Reflects assumption changes and elimination of surplus assets.* 

<sup>(4)</sup> Reflects assumption changes.



## **Derivation of System Experience Gain/(Loss)**

# **Liabilities**

1. Actuarial liability as of December 31, 2014	\$ 631,904,401
2. Normal cost as of December 31, 2014	13,903,573
3. Interest at 7.75% on (1) and (2) to December 31, 2015	50,050,118
4. Benefit payments during 2015	(36,090,820)
5. Interest on benefit payments	(1,372,425)
6. Expected actuarial liability as of December 31, 2015	\$ 658,394,847
(1) + (2) + (3) + (4) + (5)	
7. Actuarial liability as of December 31, 2015	\$ 655,135,667
Assets	
8. Actuarial value of assets as of January 1, 2015	\$ 600,860,146
9. Contributions during 2015	18,567,710
10. Benefit payments during 2015	(36,090,820)
11. Interest on items (8), (9) and (10)	45,900,310
12. Expected actuarial value of assets as of December 31, 2015 (8) + (9) + (10) + (11)	\$ 629,237,346
13. Actual actuarial value of assets as of December 31, 2015	\$ 620,148,816
<u>Gain / (Loss)</u>	
14. Expected unfunded actuarial liability	
(6) - (12)	\$ 29,157,501
15. Actual unfunded actuarial liability	
(7) - (13)	\$ 34,986,851
16. Actuarial Gain / (Loss)	
(14) - (15)	\$ (5,829,350)
17. Actuarial Gain / (Loss) on Actuarial Assets	
(13) - (12)	\$ (9,088,530)
18. Actuarial Gain / (Loss) on Actuarial Liability	
(6) - (7)	\$ 3,259,180



The actuarial liability is a measure intended to help the reader assess (i) a retirement system's funded status on an on-going concern basis, and (ii) progress being made toward accumulating the assets needed to pay benefits as due. Allocation of the actuarial present value of projected benefits between past and future service was based on service using the Entry Age Normal actuarial cost method. Assumptions, including projected pay increases, were the same as used to determine the System's level percent of payroll annual required contribution between entry age and assumed exit age. Entry age was established by subtracting credited service from current age on the valuation date.

The Entry Age Normal actuarial liability was determined as part of an actuarial valuation of the System as of December 31, 2015. Significant actuarial assumptions used in determining the actuarial liability include:

- (a) A rate of return on the investment of present and future assets of 7.75% per year compounded annually,
- (b) Projected salary increases of 4.00% per year compounded annually, (3.25% attributable to inflation, and 0.75% attributable to productivity),
- (c) Additional projected salary increases of 1.00% to 2.75% per year attributable to seniority/merit, and
- (d) The assumption that benefits will increase 2.00% per year of retirement, non-compounded commencing 36 months after retirement.

Actuarial Liability:

Active members	\$290,192,543
Retired members and beneficiaries currently receiving benefits	355,881,631
Nonvested terminated members due a refund	6,076
Vested terminated members not yet receiving benefits	9,055,417
Total Actuarial Liability	\$655,135,667
Actuarial Value of Assets (market value was \$592,883,226)	\$620,148,816
Unfunded Actuarial Liability	\$ 34,986,851

During the year ended December 31, 2015, the System experienced a net increase of \$23 million in the actuarial liability.



#### **Schedule of Funding Progress**

Actuarial Valuation Date	Actuarial Value of Assets (a)	Actuarial Liability (AL) (b)	Unfunded AL (UAL) (b)-(a)	Funded Ratio (a)/(b)	Active Member Covered Payroll (c)	UAL as a Percentage of Active Member Covered Payroll [(b)-(a)]/(c)
11/30/1992 11/30/1993 11/30/1994 12/31/1995 <sup>(1)</sup>	\$165,132 180,457 192,668	\$198,656 208,966 220,596 221,272	\$33,524 28,509 27,928 17,941	83.1 % 86.4 87.3 92.2	\$25,000 26,008 27,819 20,740	134.1 % 109.6 100.4 60.3
12/31/1996	213,431 237,554	231,372 247,408	9,854	96.0	29,749 33,366	29.5
12/31/1997	262,815	258,706	(4,109)	101.6	35,502	(11.6)
12/31/1998	295,625	274,900	(20,725)	107.5	36,566	(56.7)
12/31/1999 <sup>(1)</sup>	330,072	291,633	(38,439)	113.2	37,969	(101.2)
12/31/2000	354,044	308,894	(45,150)	114.6	38,613	(116.9)
12/31/2001	362,493	325,335	(37,158)	111.4	42,286	(87.9)
12/31/2002	361,687	340,524	(21,163)	106.2	45,696	(46.3)
12/31/2003	374,171	350,444	(23,727)	106.8	45,876	(51.7)
12/31/2004 <sup>(1)</sup>	392,485	393,387	902	99.8	50,414	1.8
12/31/2005	412,823	414,027	1,204	99.7	52,207	2.3
12/31/2006	444,498	439,179	(5,319)	101.2	53,530	(9.9)
12/31/2007	480,820	468,115	(12,705)	102.7	57,310	(22.2)  40.2  62.5 (2)
12/31/2008	472,345	496,561	24,216	95.1	60,282	
12/31/2009 <sup>(1)</sup>	480,556	519,934	39,378	92.4	63,055 <sup>(2)</sup>	
12/31/2010	497,926	536,908	38,982	92.7	63,077	61.8
12/31/2011	510,946	562,488	51,542	90.8	62,759	82.1
12/31/2012	533,381	589,074	55,693	90.5	64,150	86.8
12/31/2013	571,262	617,748	46,486	92.5	65,306	71.2
12/31/2014 <sup>(1)</sup>	600,860	631,904	31,044	95.1	64,572	48.1
12/31/2015	620,149	655,136	34,987	94.7	65,560	53.4

Dollar amounts are in thousands.

Note: Years prior to 12/31/2012 were provided by prior actuary.

(1) After changes in benefits and/or actuarial assumptions and/or actuarial cost methods.

<sup>(2)</sup> These amounts have been revised from the \$63,479,000 and 62.0% amounts reported in the December 31, 2009 actuarial valuation report.

Analysis of the dollar amounts of actuarial value of assets, actuarial liability, or unfunded actuarial liability in isolation can be misleading. Expressing the actuarial value of assets as a percentage of the actuarial liability provides one indication of the System's funded status on an on-going concern basis. Analysis of this percentage over time indicates whether the System is becoming financially stronger or weaker. Generally, the greater this percentage, the stronger the System's funding. The unfunded actuarial liability and annual covered payroll are both affected by inflation. Expressing the unfunded actuarial liability as a percentage of covered payroll approximately adjusts for the effects of inflation and aids analysis of the progress being made in accumulating sufficient assets to pay benefits when due. Generally, the smaller this percentage, the stronger the System's funding.



	Actuarial	Annual	
Fiscal	Valuation	Required	Percent
Year	Date	Contribution	Contributed
1997	12/31/1995	\$6,343,027	100 %
1998	12/31/1996	6,427,744	100
1999	12/31/1997	6,043,455	100
2000	12/31/1998	5,540,575	100
2001	12/31/1999	4,796,863	100
2002	12/31/2000	4,746,504	100
2003	12/31/2001	5,043,505	100
2004	12/31/2002	6,925,467	100
2005	12/31/2003	7,308,916	100
2006	12/31/2004	9,849,536	100
2007	12/31/2005	10,029,253	100
2008	12/31/2006	10,549,401	100
2009	12/31/2007	11,034,552	100
2010	12/31/2008	13,119,984	100
2011	12/31/2009	13,806,880	100
2012	12/31/2010	14,113,014	100
2013	12/31/2011	14,889,714	100
2014	12/31/2012	14,464,181	100
2015	12/31/2013	13,964,379	100

## Schedule of Employer Contributions

Note: Years prior to 2012 were provided by prior actuary.

#### Summary of Actuarial Methods and Assumptions

Valuation Date	December 31, 2015
Actuarial Cost Method	Entry Age Normal
Amortization Method	Level percent of payroll, open
Remaining Amortization Period	20 years
Asset Valuation Method	Expected Value + 25% of (Market – Expected Values)
Actuarial Assumptions: Investment Rate of Return* Projected Salary Increases* *Includes Inflation at	7.75% 5.00% to 6.75% 3.25%
Cost-of-Living Adjustment Provisions	2.00% non-compounding commencing 36 months after retirement



# **Solvency Test**

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	Agg	gregate Actuarial Lia	bility For				
Valuation <u>Date</u>	(1) Active Member <u>Contributions</u>	(2) Retirants and <u>Beneficiaries*</u>	(3) Active Members (Employer <u>Financed Portion)</u>	Reported Valuation <u>Assets</u>	(1)	Portion of Actuarial Liabilities <u>vered by Reported As</u> (2)	<u>sets</u> (3)
12/31/1995	\$19,597,012	\$132,215,980	\$79,559,050	\$213,431,416	100.0 %	100.0 %	77.4 %
12/31/1996	20,807,624	141,902,560	84,497,686	237,553,602	100.0	100.0	88.6
12/31/1997	22,518,199	146,068,362	90,119,236	262,814,796	100.0	100.0	104.6
12/31/1998	23,845,658	157,021,415	94,033,395	295,624,986	100.0	100.0	122.0
12/31/1999	24,759,118	170,478,501	96,395,412	330,071,866	100.0	100.0	139.9
12/31/2000	27,152,206	183,463,718	98,277,967	354,044,311	100.0	100.0	145.9
12/31/2001	27,694,761	183,034,623	114,605,637	362,493,060	100.0	100.0	132.4
12/31/2002	34,440,696	182,063,498	124,019,921	361,687,109	100.0	100.0	117.1
12/31/2003	37,027,041	186,930,565	126,486,746	374,170,781	100.0	100.0	118.8
12/31/2004	40,959,525	201,051,248	151,375,876	392,484,697	100.0	100.0	99.4
12/31/2005	44,057,922	210,560,068	159,408,592	412,822,760	100.0	100.0	99.2
12/31/2006	48,361,719	216,449,174	174,368,239	444,497,827	100.0	100.0	103.1
12/31/2007	53,686,866	230,893,426	183,634,348	480,820,001	100.0	100.0	106.9
12/31/2008	58,050,319	238,590,747	199,920,080	472,345,191	100.0	100.0	87.9
12/31/2009	60,326,408	257,298,665	202,309,181	480,555,562	100.0	100.0	80.5
12/31/2010	63,515,814	270,693,677	202,698,947	497,925,786	100.0	100.0	80.8
12/31/2011	66,390,179	293,730,691	202,367,017	510,946,217	100.0	100.0	74.5
12/31/2012	70,527,705	305,985,839	212,559,831	533,380,618	100.0	100.0	73.8
12/31/2013	74,238,693	325,096,785	218,412,805	571,261,929	100.0	100.0	78.7
12/31/2014	74,684,418	348,915,979	208,304,004	600,860,146	100.0	100.0	85.1
12/31/2015	77,222,492	364,943,124	212,970,051	620,148,816	100.0	100.0	83.6

\*Includes vested and nonvested terminated members

During the twelve months ended December 31, 2015, the Police and Fire Retirement System of Wichita, Kansas generated a net actuarial loss of \$5.8 million. This amount is 0.9% of the actuarial liability at the beginning of the year.

*Note:* Years prior to 12/31/2012 were provided by prior Actuary.



## MEMBER DATA RECONCILIATION

December 31, 2014 to December 31, 2015

The number of members included in the valuation, as summarized in the table below, is in accordance with the data submitted by the System for members of the valuation date.

	Active Participants		a	Retirees and Beneficiaries		Inactive Vested	
	Police	Fire	Police	Fire	Police	Fire	
Members as of 12/31/2014	613	455	476	495	25	6	2,070
New Members	+17	+15	+9	+6	0	0	+47
Transfers	-1	+1	0	0	0	0	0
Rehires	+1	0	0	0	-1	0	0
Terminations							
Refunded	-10	-3	0	0	0	0	-13
Refund Due	-3	0	0	0	+2	0	-1
Deferred Vested	-5	-1	0	0	+5	+1	0
Completion of payments to minor child	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Retirements							
Service	-16	-11	+17	+11	-1	0	0
Disability	-1	0	+1	0	0	0	0
Deaths							
Cashed Out	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
With Beneficiary	0	0	-7	-6	0	0	-13
Without Beneficiary	-1	0	-5	-8	0	0	-14
Data Adjustments	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Members as of 12/31/2015	594	456	491	498	30	7	2,076



# HISTORICAL ACTIVE DATA

as of December 31, 2015

	Νι	umber of Memb	oers				
Valuation Date	Plan A	Plan C-79	Total Members	Annual Covered Payroll (\$000's)	Average Annual Pay	% Increase In Average Annual Pay	
12/31/2005	62	988	1,050	\$52,207	\$49,721	4.90 %	
12/31/2006	59	1,021	1,080	53,530	49,565	(0.31)	
12/31/2007	57	1,035	1,092	57,310	52,482	5.89	
12/31/2008	47	1,029	1,076	60,282	56,024	6.75	
12/31/2009	32	1,068	1,100	63,055	57,323	2.32	
12/31/2010	21	1,068	1,089	63,077	57,922	1.04	
12/31/2011	14	1,074	1,088	62,759	57,683	(0.41)	
12/31/2012	11	1,073	1,084	64,150	59,179	2.59	
12/31/2013	9	1,076	1,085	65,306	60,190	1.71	
12/31/2014	8	1,060	1,068	64,572	60,461	0.45	
12/31/2015	5	1,045	1,050	65,560	62,439	3.27	

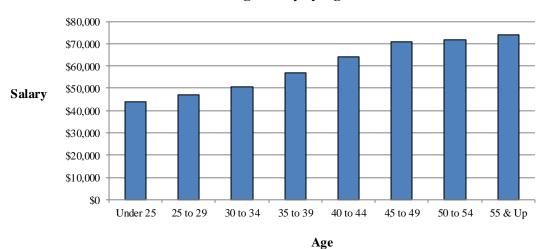


# SUMMARY OF ACTIVE MEMBERS as of December 31, 2015

#### Total

		Number		Valuation Salaries*				
Age	Police	Fire	Total	Police	Fire	Total		
Under 25	11	9	20	\$ 510,633	\$ 371,932	\$ 882,565		
25 to 29	61	44	105	2,981,904	1,947,708	4,929,612		
30 to 34	92	83	175	4,902,749	3,935,594	8,838,343		
35 to 39	87	85	172	5,296,644	4,490,459	9,787,103		
40 to 44	105	73	178	7,011,867	4,419,760	11,431,627		
45 to 49	129	70	199	9,418,425	4,679,867	14,098,292		
50 to 54	71	57	128	5,298,374	3,866,219	9,164,593		
55 & Up	38	35	73	2,781,141	2,636,741	5,417,882		
Total	594	456	1,050	\$38,201,737	\$26,348,280	\$64,550,017		

\* Actual salary as reported by System for year ending 12/31/2015



## Average Salary by Age

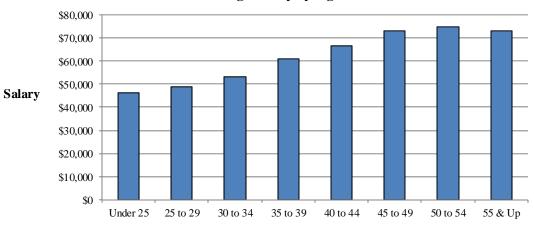


## SUMMARY OF ACTIVE MEMBERS as of December 31, 2015

#### Police

		Number		Valuation Salaries*				
Age	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total		
Under 25	8	3	11	\$ 367,716	\$ 142,917	\$ 510,633		
25 to 29	52	9	61	2,540,221	441,683	2,981,904		
30 to 34	81	11	92	4,308,920	593,829	4,902,749		
35 to 39	77	10	87	4,689,311	607,333	5,296,644		
40 to 44	89	16	105	5,980,928	1,030,939	7,011,867		
45 to 49	118	11	129	8,643,397	775,028	9,418,425		
50 to 54	67	4	71	5,000,308	298,066	5,298,374		
55 & Up	35	3	38	2,581,320	199,821	2,781,141		
Total	527	67	594	\$34,112,121	\$4,089,616	\$38,201,737		

\* Actual salary as reported by System for year ending 12/31/2015



Age



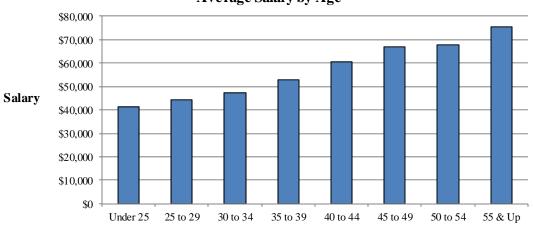


## SUMMARY OF ACTIVE MEMBERS as of December 31, 2015

Fire

		Number		Valuation Salaries*				
Age	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total		
Under 25	9	0	9	\$ 371,932	\$ 0	\$ 371,932		
25 to 29	42	2	44	1,865,068	82,640	1,947,708		
30 to 34	81	2	83	3,840,873	94,721	3,935,594		
35 to 39	84	1	85	4,429,861	60,598	4,490,459		
40 to 44	73	0	73	4,419,760	0	4,419,760		
45 to 49	69	1	70	4,619,908	59,959	4,679,867		
50 to 54	57	0	57	3,866,219	0	3,866,219		
55 & Up	34	1	35	2,529,293	107,448	2,636,741		
Total	449	7	456	\$25,942,914	\$405,366	\$26,348,280		

\* Actual salary as reported by System for year ending 12/31/2015





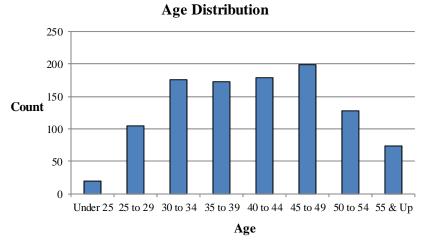
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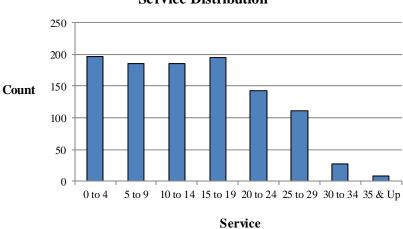


## DISTRIBUTION OF ACTIVE MEMBERS as of December 31, 2015

#### Total

Years of Service									
Age	0 to 4	5 to 9	10 to 14	15 to 19	20 to 24	25 to 29	30 to 34	35 & Up	Total
Under 25	20	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	20
25 to 29	85	20	0	0	0	0	0	0	105
30 to 34	61	92	22	0	0	0	0	0	175
35 to 39	22	48	90	12	0	0	0	0	172
40 to 44	8	15	55	86	14	0	0	0	178
45 to 49	0	6	11	72	84	26	0	0	199
50 to 54	1	2	4	18	36	58	9	0	128
55 & Up	0	2	3	7	8	27	18	8	73
Total	197	185	185	195	142	111	27	8	1,050





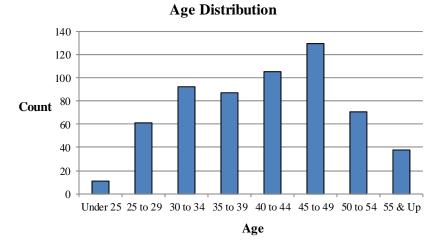




## DISTRIBUTION OF ACTIVE MEMBERS as of December 31, 2015

#### Police

Years of Service									
Age	0 to 4	5 to 9	10 to 14	15 to 19	20 to 24	25 to 29	30 to 34	35 & Up	Total
Under 25	11	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	11
25 to 29	52	9	0	0	0	0	0	0	61
30 to 34	32	51	9	0	0	0	0	0	92
35 to 39	11	19	47	10	0	0	0	0	87
40 to 44	6	6	31	57	5	0	0	0	105
45 to 49	0	1	8	45	63	12	0	0	129
50 to 54	1	2	2	9	19	36	2	0	71
55 & Up	0	2	2	3	4	16	9	2	38
Total	113	90	99	124	91	64	11	2	594



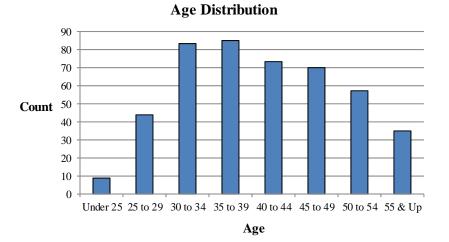


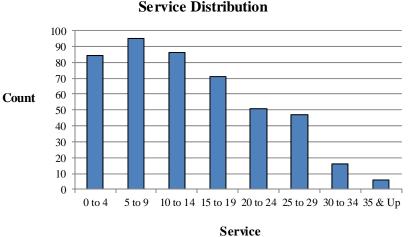


# **DISTRIBUTION OF ACTIVE MEMBERS** as of December 31, 2015

Fire

Years of Service									
Age	0 to 4	5 to 9	10 to 14	15 to 19	20 to 24	25 to 29	30 to 34	35 & Up	Total
Under 25	9	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	9
25 to 29	33	11	0	0	0	0	0	0	44
30 to 34	29	41	13	0	0	0	0	0	83
35 to 39	11	29	43	2	0	0	0	0	85
40 to 44	2	9	24	29	9	0	0	0	73
45 to 49	0	5	3	27	21	14	0	0	70
50 to 54	0	0	2	9	17	22	7	0	57
55 & Up	0	0	1	4	4	11	9	6	35
Total	84	95	86	71	51	47	16	6	456







Police and Fire Retirement System of Wichita, Kansas



# **BackDROP Experience for the 2015 Plan Year**

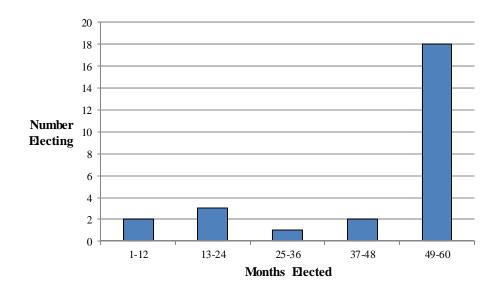
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Number Electing BackDROP

Distribution of BackDROP Election Period

Final Benefit as a Proportion of Final Average Pay							
Age	Under 55%	55%-60%	60%-65%	65%-70%	70%-75%	Total	
Under 55	2	2	1	1	1	7	
55-59	3	0	0	0	11	14	
60-64	1	0	0	1	2	4	
65 & Up	0	0	0	0	1	1	
Total	6	2	1	2	15	26	

#### Final Benefit as a Proportion of Final Average Pav





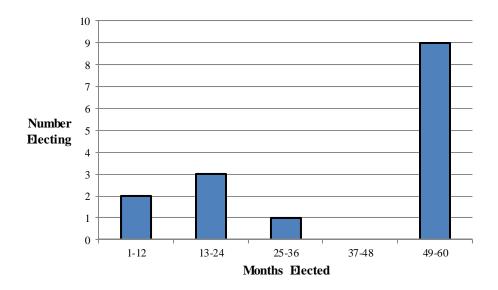
# **BackDROP Experience for the 2015 Plan Year**

Police

Number Electing BackDROP

Distribution of BackDROP Election Period

Final Benefit as a Proportion of Final Average Pay							
Age	Under 55%	55%-60%	60%-65%	65%-70%	70%-75%	Total	
Under 55	2	2	1	0	0	5	
55-59	0	0	0	0	7	7	
60-64	1	0	0	1	0	2	
65 & Up	0	0	0	0	1	1	
Total	3	2	1	1	8	15	



December 31, 2015 Actuarial Valuation



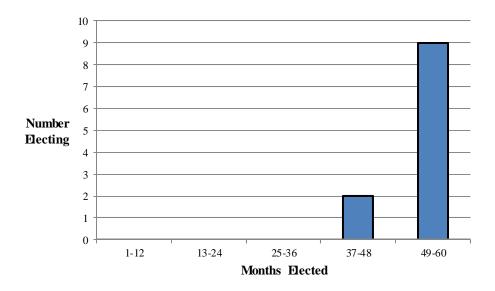
# **BackDROP Experience for the 2015 Plan Year**

Fire

Number Electing BackDROP

Distribution of BackDROP Election Period

Final Benefit as a Proportion of Final Average Pay							
Age	Under 55%	55%-60%	60%-65%	65%-70%	70%-75%	Total	
Under 55	0	0	0	1	1	2	
55-59	3	0	0	0	4	7	
60-64	0	0	0	0	2	2	
65 & Up	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Total	3	0	0	1	7	11	



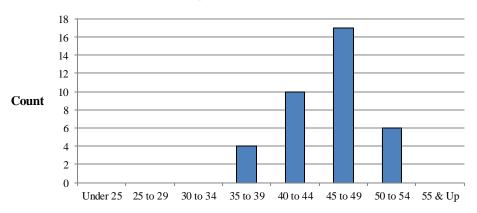


# SUMMARY OF INACTIVE VESTED MEMBERS as of December 31, 2015

		Number*		Current A	Annual Benefit at Re	etirement
Age	Police	Fire	Total	Police	Fire	Total
Under 25	0	0	0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0
25 to 29	0	0	0	0	0	0
30 to 34	0	0	0	0	0	0
35 to 39	2	2	4	60,950	73,190	134,140
40 to 44	9	1	10	275,084	22,178	297,262
45 to 49	14	3	17	516,053	82,715	598,768
50 to 54	5	1	6	142,031	24,340	166,371
55 & Up	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	30	7	37	\$994,118	\$202,423	\$1,196,541

Total – By Group

\* Includes 2 Inactive Vested members who have elected to receive a refund of contributions, but have not been paid yet.



#### Age Distribution

Age

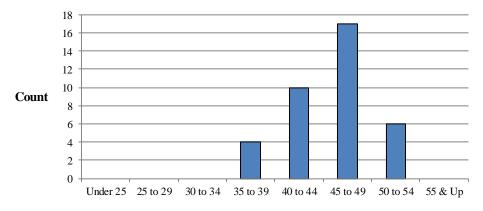


# SUMMARY OF INACTIVE VESTED MEMBERS as of December 31, 2015

		Number*		Current Annual Benefit at Retirement			
Age	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	
Under 25	0	0	0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	
25 to 29	0	0	0	0	0	0	
30 to 34	0	0	0	0	0	0	
35 to 39	3	1	4	104,580	29,560	134,140	
40 to 44	8	2	10	232,035	65,227	297,262	
45 to 49	15	2	17	516,459	82,309	598,768	
50 to 54	6	0	6	166,371	0	166,371	
55 & Up	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Total	32	5	37	\$1,019,445	\$177,096	\$1,196,541	

#### Total - By Gender

\* Includes 2 Inactive Vested members who have elected to receive a refund of contributions, but have not been paid yet.



#### Age Distribution

Age

# **DISTRIBUTION OF IN-PAY MEMBERS**

Amount of Monthly	Non- Service		Recalc. Service	a .	Service	<b>a</b> .	
Benefit	Disability	QDRO <sup>1</sup>	Disability	Service	Disability	Survivor	Total
\$ 0-500	0	2	0	5	0	4	11
500-1000	2	9	0	17	4	34	66
1000-1500	4	7	1	57	0	43	112
1500-2000	0	1	2	119	0	44	166
2000-2500	0	0	2	133	0	36	171
2500-3000	0	1	6	96	5	8	116
3000-3500	0	0	8	85	14	2	109
3500-4000	0	0	19	71	12	0	102
4000-4500	0	0	9	55	8	1	73
4500-5000	0	0	5	26	0	1	32
>5000	0	0	3	28	0	0	31
Total	6	20	55	692	43	173	989

as of December 31, 2015

<sup>1</sup> Qualified Domestic Relations Order



			R	emoved				
	Adde	ed to Rolls	from Rolls		<b>End of Year Rolls</b>		<b>Annual Pensions</b>	
								Percentage
Valuation		Annual		Annual		Annual	Average	Increase
Date	No.	Pensions <sup>1</sup>	No.	Pensions <sup>1</sup>	No.	Pensions <sup>1</sup>	Pension	(Decrease)
12/31/2005	24	\$704,201	21	\$213,529	835	\$17,829,449	\$21,302	4.0 %
12/31/2006	29	715,353	26	389,856	840	18,349,917	21,845	2.5
12/31/2007	21	548,513	28	452,202	833	18,777,464	22,542	3.2
12/31/2008	39	510,543	32	417,236	840	19,492,053	23,205	2.9
12/31/2009	57	1,959,741	24	398,908	873	21,357,569	24,465	5.4
12/31/2010	47	1,439,435	28	541,662	892	22,570,141	25,303	3.4
12/31/2011	48	1,615,338	29	525,289	911	24,030,607	26,378	4.2
12/31/2012	33	1,201,800	23	435,120	921	25,226,219	27,390	3.8
12/31/2013	48	1,938,485	17	380,985	952	27,143,376	28,512	4.1
12/31/2014	63	2,400,693	42	850,741	971	29,165,652	30,037	5.3
12/31/2015	44	1,652,860	26	494,625	989	30,774,324	31,117	3.6

# **RETIRANTS AND BENEFICIARIES ADDED TO AND REMOVED FROM ROLLS**

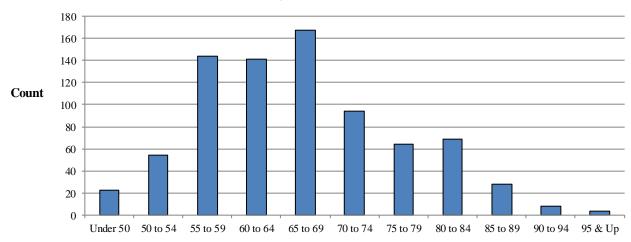
<sup>1</sup> Values are estimated based on annualized pension amounts.



# SUMMARY OF RETIRED MEMBERS as of December 31, 2015

Total – By C	Broup
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		Number		Current Monthly Benefit at Retirement			
Age	Police	Fire	Total	Police	Fire	Total	
Under 50	20	3	23	\$ 70,287	\$ 9,645	\$ 79,932	
50 to 54	31	23	54	109,483	80,009	189,492	
55 to 59	76	68	144	308,407	236,039	544,446	
60 to 64	75	66	141	235,009	199,832	434,841	
65 to 69	68	99	167	190,636	285,020	475,656	
70 to 74	50	44	94	108,634	99,269	207,903	
75 to 79	32	32	64	72,054	64,316	136,370	
80 to 84	27	42	69	48,458	88,758	137,216	
85 to 89	12	16	28	17,043	26,632	43,675	
90 to 94	4	4	8	5,671	5,178	10,849	
95 & Up	3	1	4	6,308	900	7,208	
Total	398	398	796	\$1,171,990	\$1,095,598	\$2,267,588	





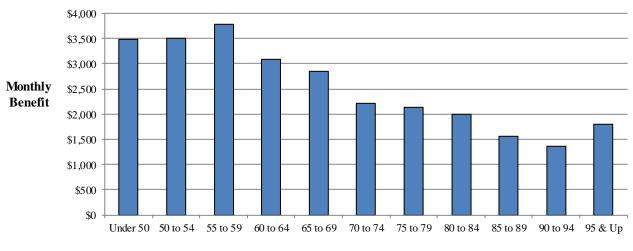




# SUMMARY OF RETIRED MEMBERS as of December 31, 2015

		Number		Current Monthly Benefit at Retirement			
Age	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	
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Under 50	12	11	23	\$ 40,377	\$ 39,555	\$ 79,932	
50 to 54	52	2	54	181,774	7,718	189,492	
55 to 59	135	9	144	508,471	35,975	544,446	
60 to 64	139	2	141	428,368	6,473	434,841	
65 to 69	165	2	167	471,565	4,091	475,656	
70 to 74	92	2	94	203,917	3,986	207,903	
75 to 79	60	4	64	129,540	6,830	136,370	
80 to 84	68	1	69	135,086	2,130	137,216	
85 to 89	28	0	28	43,675	0	43,675	
90 to 94	8	0	8	10,849	0	10,849	
95 & Up	4	0	4	7,208	0	7,208	
Total	763	33	796	\$2,160,830	\$106,758	\$2,267,588	

Total – By Gender



# Average Benefit

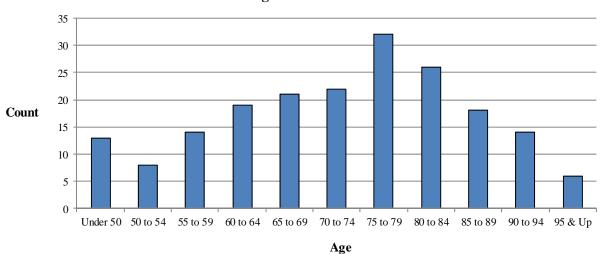
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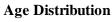


# SUMMARY OF BENEFICIARIES as of December 31, 2015

Total –	Bv	Group
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	Number			Current N	Ionthly Benefit at Re	etirement
Age	Police	Fire	Total	Police	Fire	Total
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Under 50	7	6	13	\$ 6,890	\$ 6,550	\$ 13,440
50 to 54	4	4	8	5,296	7,321	12,617
55 to 59	7	7	14	9,775	16,312	26,087
60 to 64	7	12	19	15,199	19,503	34,702
65 to 69	11	10	21	18,497	18,004	36,501
70 to 74	12	10	22	22,518	17,475	39,993
75 to 79	17	15	32	25,562	25,096	50,658
80 to 84	12	14	26	16,529	23,232	39,761
85 to 89	8	10	18	11,394	11,296	22,690
90 to 94	6	8	14	6,341	8,839	15,180
95 & Up	2	4	6	1,829	3,481	5,310
Total	93	100	193	\$139,830	\$157,109	\$296,939



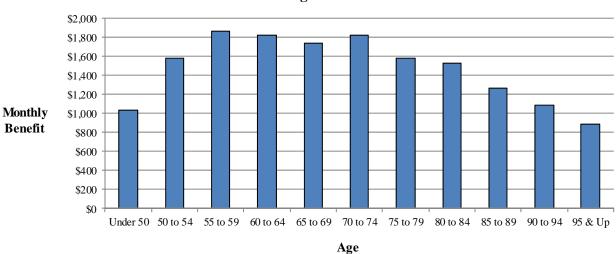




# SUMMARY OF BENEFICIARIES as of December 31, 2015

Number			Current Monthly Benefit at Retirement			
Age	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total
Under 50	4	9	13	\$2,084	\$ 11,356	\$ 13,440
50 to 54	0	8	8	0	12,617	12,617
55 to 59	0	14	14	0	26,087	26,087
60 to 64	0	19	19	0	34,702	34,702
65 to 69	1	20	21	2,345	34,156	36,501
70 to 74	0	22	22	0	39,993	39,993
75 to 79	0	32	32	0	50,658	50,658
80 to 84	0	26	26	0	39,761	39,761
85 to 89	0	18	18	0	22,690	22,690
90 to 94	0	14	14	0	15,180	15,180
95 & Up	0	6	6	0	5,310	5,310
Total	5	188	193	\$4,429	\$292,510	\$296,939

Total – By Gender







# **Summary of Benefit Provisions**

**Plan A** is applicable to members who entered the System between January 1, 1965 and December 31, 1978 and members who entered prior to January 1, 1965 and elected Plan A coverage.

**Plan B** is applicable to members who entered the System prior to January 1, 1965 and elected Plan B coverage.

Plan C is applicable to members entering the System after December 31, 1978.

#### SERVICE RETIREMENT

Eligibility – Plan A and Plan B: 20 years of service, regardless of age.

**Eligibility** – **Plan C:** 30 years of service, regardless of age; or 20 years of service at age 50; or 10 years of service, but less than 20 years at age 55.

**Amount of Pension – all plans:** Service times 2.5% of Final Average Salary to a maximum of 75% of Final Average Salary.

**Final Average Salary – all plans:** Average for the 3 consecutive years of service which produce the highest average and which are within the last 10 years of service.

#### **DEFERRED RETIREMENT (VESTED TERMINATION)**

**Eligibility** – all plans: 10 years of service; 20 years of service required to be eligible for survivor benefits.

**Amount of Pension – all plans:** 2.5% of Final Average Salary times years of service with payments deferred until age 55 (age 50 for Plan C members with 20 or more years of service). Vested deferred pensions for Plan C are adjusted during the deferral period based on changes in National Average Earnings, up to 5.5% annual adjustments (effective for post-1999 terminations).

#### SERVICE-CONNECTED DISABILITY

**Eligibility** – all plans: Permanent inability to perform the duties of position; no service requirement.

Amount of Pension – all plans: 75% of final salary rate if accident, 50% if disease.

**Miscellaneous Conditions** – **all plans:** Pension plus earnings from gainful employment cannot exceed current salary for rank held at time of disability. Pension recomputed at age 55 using service retirement formula, updated final average salary and service credit for period of disability.



#### NON-SERVICE DISABILITY

**Eligibility** – **all plans:** Permanent inability to perform duties of position; requires 7 years of service and under age 55.

**Amount of Pension – all plans:** 30% of Final Average Salary plus 1% of Final Average Salary times service over 7 years; maximum is 50% of Final Average Salary.

**Miscellaneous Conditions – all plans:** Pension plus earnings from gainful employment cannot exceed current salary for rank held at time of disability.

#### SERVICE-CONNECTED DEATH

Eligibility – all plans: Death resulting directly from service-connected causes; no service requirement.

**Amount of Pension – all plans:** Surviving spouse – 50% of final Salary plus 10% of final Salary for each child under age 18 to a maximum of 75% of final Salary; terminates upon remarriage prior to age 40 for pensions effective prior to January 1, 2000.

Children (no surviving spouse's pension payable) -20% of final Salary for each child under age 18 to a maximum of 60% of final Salary.

#### NON-SERVICE DEATH

Eligibility – Plan A and Plan C: Death after 3 years of service.

Eligibility – Plan B: Death after 20 years of service.

**Amount of Pension – Plan A and Plan C:** Surviving spouse – 35% of Final Average Salary plus 1% of Final Average Salary for each year of service over 3 to a maximum of 50% of Final Average Salary, plus 10% of Final Average Salary for each child under age 18 to an overall maximum of 66 2/3% of Final Average Salary; terminates upon remarriage prior to age 40 for pensions effective prior to January 1, 2000.

Children (no surviving spouse's pension payable) -15% of Final Average Salary for each child under age 18 to a maximum of 50% of Final Average Salary.

**Amount of Pension – Plan B:** Surviving spouse – 50% of final Salary.

Children (no surviving spouse's pension payable) – children under 18 share equally a benefit of 50% of final Salary.



#### DEATH AFTER RETIREMENT

**Eligibility** – **all plans:** Surviving spouse must have been married to retired employee for one year or more at time of death, if retired after January 1, 2000. If retired prior to January 1, 2000, must have been married to retired employee at retirement. Member must have retired with at least 20 years of service.

**Amount of Pension – Plan A and Plan C:** Surviving spouse – 35% of Final Average Salary plus 1% of Final Average Salary times Service over 3 years to a maximum of 50% of Final Average Salary, plus 10% of Final Average Salary for each child under 18 to an overall maximum of 66 2/3% of Final Average Salary. Post-retirement adjustments are granted from date of retirement to date of death. Terminates upon remarriage prior to age 40 for those retiring prior to January 1, 2000.

Children (no surviving spouse's pension payable) -15% of Final Average Salary for each child under age 18 to a maximum of 50% of Final Average Salary.

**Amount of Pension – Plan B:** Surviving spouse – 50% of final Salary.

Children (no surviving spouse's pension payable) – children under 18 share equally a benefit of 50% of final Salary.

#### NON-VESTED TERMINATION

Eligibility – all plans: Termination of employment and no pension is or will become payable.

Amount of Benefit – all plans: Refund of member's contributions plus 5% annual interest.

#### FUNERAL BENEFIT

Eligibility – Plan A and Plan C: Death of member who retired after November 21, 1973.

Eligibility – Plan B: Death of retired member

Amount of Benefit – Plan A and Plan C: \$750

**Amount of Benefit – Plan B:** \$100 if member retired on or prior to November 21, 1973; \$750 if member retired after November 21, 1973.

#### **POST-RETIREMENT ADJUSTMENTS OF PENSIONS**

Eligibility – all plans: Completion of 36 months of retirement.

Annual Amount – all plans: 2% of the original base amount of benefit (simple COLA).



#### BACKDROP (DEFERRED RETIREMENT OPTION PLAN)

**Eligibility:** Member must be eligible to retire under service retirement provisions at the effective date of the BackDROP.

**Amount:** Under the BackDROP, the member may elect a benefit based on a retirement date up to 60 months prior to the current date. The monthly benefit is computed based on service, Final Average Salary and benefit formula at the selected prior date. The DROP account available to the retiring member is the computed benefit multiplied by the number of months of BackDROP plus applicable post-retirement adjustments and 5% annual interest, compounded monthly. Members are eligible to elect a sixty month BackDROP beginning January 1, 2003.

#### **EMPLOYEE CONTRIBUTIONS**

Plan A: 8% of Salary Plan B: 6% of Salary Plan C: 7% of Salary

These member contribution rates include the 1% decrease effective in 1998 in recognition of the full funding of actuarial liabilities.

#### **CITY CONTRIBUTIONS**

Actuarially determined amounts sufficient to satisfy K.S.A. 1977 Suppl. 12-5002.

#### UNUSED SICK LEAVE

Each bi-weekly service credit of accumulated unused sick leave is converted to a service credit for the purpose of computing annual benefit amounts.



#### ACTUARIAL COST METHOD

The actuarial cost method is a procedure for allocating the actuarial present value of pension benefits and expenses to time periods. The method used for the valuation is known as the Entry Age Normal actuarial cost method, and has the following characteristics:

- (i) The annual normal costs for each individual active member are sufficient to accumulate the value of the member's pension at time of retirement.
- (ii) Each annual normal cost is a constant percentage of the member's year-by-year projected covered compensation.

The Entry Age Normal actuarial cost method allocates the actuarial present value of each member's projected benefits on a level basis over the member's assumed pensionable compensation rates between the entry age of the member and the assumed exit ages.

The portion of the actuarial present value allocated to the valuation year is called the normal cost. The portion of the actuarial present value not provided for by the actuarial present value of future normal costs is called actuarial liability. Deducting actuarial assets from the actuarial liability determines the unfunded actuarial liability or (surplus). The unfunded actuarial liability/(surplus) is financed as a level percent of member payroll over an open 20-year period.

#### **ACTUARIAL ASSUMPTIONS**

Retirement System contribution requirements and actuarial present values are calculated by applying experience assumptions to the benefit provisions and membership information of the Retirement System, using the actuarial cost method.

The principal areas of risk which require experience assumptions about future activities of the Retirement System are:

- (i) Long-term rates of investment return to be generated by the assets of the System
- (ii) Patterns of pay increases to members
- (iii) Rates of mortality among members, retirees and beneficiaries
- (iv) Rates of termination of employment of active members
- (v) Rates of disability among active members
- (vi) The age patterns of actual retirements



In making a valuation, the monetary effect of each assumption is calculated for as long as a present current member survives – a period of time which can be as long as a century.

Actual experience of the Retirement System will not coincide exactly with assumed experience. Each valuation provides a complete recalculation of assumed future experience and takes into account all past differences between assumed and actual experiences. The result is a continual series of adjustments (usually small) to the computed contribution rate.

From time to time, one or more of the assumptions are modified to reflect experience trends (but not random or temporary year-to-year fluctuations). A complete review of the actuarial assumptions was completed in 2014. The use of updated assumptions was first effective with the December 31, 2014 valuation.

**Investment Rate of Return** (net of administrative expenses): This assumption is 7.75% a year, compounded annually and consists of 3.25% long-term price inflation and a 4.50% real rate of return over price inflation. This assumption, used to equate the value of payments due at different points in time, was adopted by the Board and was first used for the December 31, 1980 valuation, although the allocation between inflation and real return has changed periodically, most recently in 2014.

Salary Increase Rates: These rates are used to project current salary amounts to those upon which a benefit will be based.

	Annual I	Rate of Salary Increase	for Sample Service D	urations
Years of Service	Inflation Component	Productivity Component	Merit and Longevity	Total
1	3.25%	0.75%	2.75%	6.75%
5	3.25	0.75	2.75	6.75
10	3.25	0.75	2.75	6.75
15	3.25	0.75	2.75	6.75
20	3.25	0.75	1.00	5.00
25	3.25	0.75	1.00	5.00
30	3.25	0.75	1.00	5.00

The assumption was first used for the December 31, 2014 valuation.

The salary increase assumptions are expected to produce 4.00% annual increases in active member payroll (the inflation and productivity base rate) given a constant active member group size. This is the same payroll growth assumption used to amortize the unfunded actuarial liability. The real rate of return over assumed wage growth is 3.75% per year.

Changes actually experienced in average pay and total payroll have been as follows:

			Year Ended			5 Year (Average) Compounded
	12/31/15	12/31/14	12/31/13	12/31/12	12/31/11	Annual Increase
Average Payroll	2.7%	(0.2%)	2.0%	(0.3%)	0.2%	0.9%
Total Payroll	0.9%	(1.7%)	2.1%	(0.7%)	0.1%	0.1%



Mortality Table: This assumption is used to measure the probabilities of members dying.

Healthy Retirees And Beneficiaries:	RP-2000 Healthy Annuitant Table for Males and Females
Disabled Retirees:	RP-2000 Disabled Table for Males and Females
Active Members:	RP-2000 Employee Table for Males and Females

The RP-2000 Tables are used with generational mortality.

Sample	Present Value of \$1 Monthly for Life			e Life cy (Years)
Ages <sup>(1)</sup>	Men	Women	Men	Women
50	\$138.63	\$141.98	32.3	34.6
55	132.05	135.41	27.6	29.7
60	122.80	127.04	23.0	25.1
65	111.13	116.91	18.5	20.7
70	97.31	104.80	14.5	16.7
75	81.63	90.90	10.9	13.0
80	65.36	75.76	7.9	9.8
85	49.97	60.20	5.6	7.1

(1) Reflects values from the basic table based on ages in 2000

This table was first used for the December 31, 2004 actuarial valuation.

**Rates of Retirement and BackDROP (Deferred Retirement Option Plan) Elections:** This assumption is used to measure the probability of eligible members retiring from active employment and applicable elections under the BackDROP program.

Percent Retiring within Year							
Р	lans A & B				Plan C		
				Less Than	30 YOS	<u>30 or Mo</u>	re YOS
Service of			Age of				
<u>Member</u>	Police	<u>Fire</u>	<u>Member</u>	Police	<u>Fire</u>	Police	<u>Fire</u>
28 or less	5%	5%	50	10%	10%	10%	20%
29	5	5	51	10	10	10	20
30	10	5	52	10	10	10	20
31	10	5	53	20	15	10	20
32	30	25	54	20	15	10	20
33	50	25	55	20	10	10	25
34	50	25	56	20	10	30	25
35	100	100	57	20	20	30	30
Over 35	100	100	58	20	15	30	50
			59	20	15	30	50
			60	100	100	100	100
			Over 60	100	100	100	100

These rates were first used for the December 31, 2014 valuation.



In addition, we assumed members who retire under service retirement provisions elect a BackDROP of up to 60 months which maximizes the actuarial value of the retirement benefit determined as of the retirement date. For the determination of actuarial value, the funding valuation assumptions are used.

**Rates of Separation from Active Membership:** This assumption measures the probabilities of a member terminating employment. The rates do not apply to members who are eligible to retire.

Years of	Percent Separatin	ng Within Year
Service	Police	Fire
0-4	5.50%	3.00%
5-7	3.00	3.00
8-13	3.00	2.00
14-15	1.00	2.00
16-22	1.00	0.00
Over 22	0.00	0.00

These rates were first used for the December 31, 2014 valuation.

**Forfeiture of Vested Benefits:** The assumption is that a percentage of the actuarial present value of vested termination benefits will be forfeited by a withdrawal of accumulated contributions.

Years of Service	Percent Forfeiting
10-14	75%
15-19	10
20 or more	0

This table were first used for the December 31, 2014 actuarial valuation.

Rates of Disability: This assumption measures the probabilities of a member becoming disabled.

Sample	% of Active Members Becoming Disabled During Next Year			
Ages	Police	Fire		
20	0.09%	0.07%		
25	0.15	0.12		
30	0.30	0.24		
35	0.49	0.39		
40	0.69	0.54		
45	0.88	0.70		
50	1.08	0.85		
55	1.28	0.91		

These rates were first used for the December 31, 2014 valuation.

Rates of Recovery from Disability: Assumed to be zero.



Administrative Expenses: Assumed to be paid from investment earnings.

Active Member Group Size: Assumed to remain constant.

**Vested Deferred Pensions:** Amounts for Plan C are assumed to increase during the deferral period at 4.0% per year, compounded annually. This assumption was changed with the December 31, 2009 valuation.

#### MISCELLANEOUS AND TECHNICAL ASSUMPTIONS

**Marriage Assumption:** 80% of non-retired participants are assumed to be married for purposes of death benefits. In each case, the male was assumed to be three years older than the female.

Service Related Death and Disability: All active member deaths and 75% of active member disablements are assumed to be service related.

**Decrement Timing:** Decrements of all types are assumed to occur mid-year.

**Eligibility Testing:** Eligibility for benefits is determined based upon the age nearest birthday and service nearest whole year at the start of the year in which the decrement is assumed to occur.

**Benefit Service:** Service calculated to the nearest month, as of the decrement date, is used to determine the amount of benefit payable.

Other: The termination of employment decrement does not operate during retirement eligibility.

**Miscellaneous Loading Factors:** The calculated normal retirement benefits were increased by 3% to account for the inclusion of unused sick leave in the calculation of Service. This assumption was first used for the December 31, 2014 valuation.



Actuarial Liability	The difference between the actuarial present value of system benefits and the actuarial present value of future normal costs. Also referred to as "accrued liability" or "actuarial liability".
Actuarial Assumptions	Estimates of future experience with respect to rates of mortality, disability, turnover, retirement, rate or rates of investment income and salary increases. Decrement assumptions (rates of mortality, disability, turnover and retirement) are generally based on past experience, often modified for projected changes in conditions. Economic assumptions (salary increases and investment income) consist of an underlying rate in an inflation-free environment plus a provision for a long-term average rate of inflation.
Accrued Service	Service credited under the system which was rendered before the date of the actuarial valuation.
Actuarial Equivalent	A single amount or series of amounts of equal actuarial value to another singe amount or series of amounts, computed on the basis of appropriate assumptions.
Actuarial Cost Method	A mathematical budgeting procedure for allocating the dollar amount of the actuarial present value of retirement system benefit between future normal cost and actuarial liability; sometimes referred to as the "actuarial funding method".
Experience Gain (Loss)	The difference between actual experience and actuarial assumptions anticipated experience during the period between two actuarial valuation dates.
Actuarial Present Value	The amount of funds currently required to provide a payment or series of payments in the future. It is determined by discounting future payments at predetermined rates of interest and by probabilities of payment.
Amortization	Paying off an interest-discounted amount with periodic payments of interest and principal, as opposed to paying off with lump sum payment.
Normal Cost	The actuarial present value of retirement system benefits allocated to the current year by the actuarial cost method.
Unfunded Actuarial Liability	The difference between actuarial liability and the valuation assets.
	Most retirement systems have unfunded actuarial liability. They arise each time new benefits are added and each time an actuarial loss is realized.
	The existence of unfunded actuarial liability is not in itself bad, anymore than a mortgage on a house is bad. Unfunded actuarial liability does not represent a debt that is payable today. What is important is the ability to amortize the unfunded actuarial liability and the trend in its amount.