

2008 Individual Retirement Unit File (2008 indiv_unit_reported_data.txt)

The individual retirement unit file is a 35-character ASCII text file containing data reported or compiled for systems in the 2008 sample of Public Employee Retirement Systems.

The survey year and year of data will be 08 for all units in this file.

In this file, most dollar amounts are reported in thousands. This includes all of the data items EXCEPT for the payment numbers in the following variables: Z08, Z09, Z10, Z11, and Z12.

These elements are reported in whole dollars.

The record layout is below.

Item Field	Positions	Length
Unit ID (14 character ID number)		
State code (all 50 states and the District of Columbia in alpha sequence)	1-2	2
Type of government code: 0 = State 1 = County 2 = City 3 = Municipalities and Townships 4 = Special Districts 5 = Schools	3	1
County Code	4-6	3
Unit Identification Number	7-9	3
Supp Code	10-12	3
Sub Code	13-14	2
Line Item code	15-17	3
Amount (thousands)	18-29	12
Survey year	30-31	2
Year of Data	32-33	2
Source*	34-35	2

The filename convention is in the form of YYRET35NoImputes.txt where:

YY = the last two digits of the survey year

RET = the designation for the Retirement Survey

35 = designates the public use format, which is standard 35 characters for the finance surveys of the Census of Governments series.

* Source code explained in table below

Source Code Table

Source Code	Explanation
11	F-11 Locally Administered Public Employee Retirement System
12	F-12 State Administered Public Employee Retirement System
AD	Data added by analyst
AC	Data changed by analyst
AE	Data changed as result of automated edit
NR	Nonrespondent variable; "0" filled for 35 character file
71	Plugged with prior year data
90	Imputed data (units)