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Statistics on the number of federal, state, and local government civilian employees and their gross payrolls by functional category. Data are available online from 1992 and on.

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Financial activity of governments including revenues, expenditures, debt and assets. Data are available online from 1992 and on.

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- Financial statistics of public school systems, including data on revenues, expenditures, debt, and assets. Data are available online from 1992 and on.
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Financial statistics on state and local government employee retirement systems. Annual data are available online from 1993 and on. Quarterly data for the last five years are available online.

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Federal spending on selected programs:

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- Quarterly: [Federal Assistance Award Data System \(FAADS\)](#)
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Tax Statistics

Annual survey of state government tax revenue and quarterly survey of tax revenue for state & local governments. Annual data are available online from 1992 and on. Quarterly data are available online from 1993 and on.

- Annual: [State Government Tax Collections](#)
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Lists & Structure of Governments

Information about state & local governments, including the number of governments in the U.S.

- [2007 edition of Governments Integrated Directory](#)
- [Descriptions by state of how governments are organized \(PDF, 2.94MB\)](#)

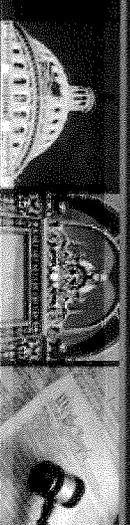
Special Topics

The Census Bureau also conducts surveys about special topics related to government activity for other federal agencies

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- [2006 State & Local Public Retirement Systems Survey Methodology \(28KB\)](#)
- [Government Finance & Employment Classification Manual](#)

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State & Local Government Public-Employee Retirement Systems

The annual survey of State & Local Government Public-Employee Retirement Systems provides revenues, expenditures, and membership information for public employee retirement systems. Data are shown for individual retirement systems as well as at the national, state, and local level. There were 2,560 public employee retirement systems in the sampling frame, of which 1,060 systems were selected for the sample.

The 2006 survey covered fiscal years that ended between July 1, 2007 and June 30, 2008 and does not reflect data for the entire calendar year of 2008. *2009*

2009 Press Release (PDF, 416KB)

2008 State & Local Government Retirement Systems

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1	National Summary of Public Retirement Systems	HTML TXT 6KB XLS 29KB
2	Revenues by State & Local Government	HTML TXT 23KB XLS 39KB
		HTML TXT 23KB XLS 40KB
3	Expenditures by State & Local Government	HTML TXT 17KB XLS 36KB
		HTML TXT 17KB XLS 37KB
4	Cash and Investments by State & Local Government	HTML TXT 15KB XLS 50KB
		HTML TXT 17KB XLS 37KB

NOTE: The EXCEL file above includes all four parts.

Announcements

The 2006 Annual Survey of State & Local Government Public-Employee Retirement Systems was released on March 25, 2010. This release also includes revisions to 2007.

Release Schedule

Summer 2011: Release of 2009 Annual Survey of State & Local Government Public-Employee Retirement Systems and selected revisions to prior year data

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(B) Coefficient of Variation for Membership	[HTML]	[XCI 9KB] [XLS 31KB]

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- Estimate Data File [XLS, 472KB] - Aggregates for the U.S. and by state of local government retirement systems and state retirement systems. (supporting documentation) [XLS, 35KB]
- Individual Unit File [TXT, 2,081KB] - Detailed financial item data for each public employee retirement system (fixed length, no delimiter) [\[file layout\]](#) [PDF, 50KB]
- Unit ID File [TXT, 197KB] - Name of each public employee retirement system (fixed length, no delimiter) [\[file layout\]](#) [PDF, 38KB]

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2010 Annual Survey Forms

Data are collected on different survey forms depending on the type of government and pension plan.

[F-11 \[PDF, 67KB\]](#) – Locally Administered Public Employee Retirement Systems

2009 Annual Survey Forms

Data are collected on different survey forms depending on the type of government and pension plan.

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2007

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2002

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Historical Annual Survey Forms

The content of the survey form has stayed consistent within the following years with the exception of dates and minor changes. In 2002, data collection changed from "Book Value" to "Market Value." Starting with the 2005 data collection, the survey form specified to report data for Defined Benefit pension plans only.

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Locally Administered Public Employee Retirement Systems

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Historical Data

Data from the Census of Governments and Annual Survey of State and Local Government Public-Employee Retirement Systems are available for each year between 1993 and 2008. *2009*

1993 to 2008

For viewable and downloadable tables for prior years (1993-2008), please select a year

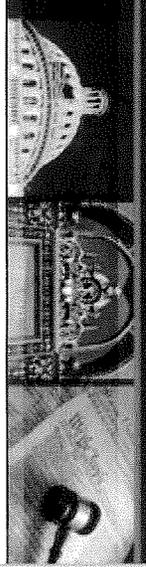
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Prior to 1993

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How the Data Are Collected: ~~2008~~ ²⁰⁰⁹ 2009

This section describes how the Census Bureau collected the ~~2008~~ ²⁰⁰⁹ State and Local Government Public-Employee Retirement Systems data and how the published data were generated. Select the appropriate topic below for information on the sampling frame, collection periods, collection methods, editing, imputation, sampling error, response rates and nonsampling error.

- [Population of Interest](#) - Description of sampling frame
- [Data Collection](#) - Collection period and methods
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- [Data Quality](#) - Response rates and nonsampling errors

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Population of Interest: 2008 2007

The survey coverage includes public employee retirement systems administered by state and local governments throughout the nation. Retirement systems were only included if they met the following two criteria: (1) they were sponsored by a recognized unit of government as defined by the Census Bureau and (2) their membership was comprised of public employees compensated with public funds.

The sampling frame is the 2007 Census of Local Governments file updated with births, deaths, and mergers since fiscal year 2007. There were 2,550 governments in the sampling frame, of which 1,067 governments were selected for the sample.

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Data Collection: 2008

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Dates of Collection: The following are important dates in the data collection process.

Data in these files are based on information obtained in the Census of Public-Employee Retirement Systems. Forms were mailed to the 222 state retirement systems public-employee retirement system universe. Staff contacted nonrespondents through a follow up mailout and follow up telephone calls. When systems returned their Comprehensive Annual Financial Report instead of completing the form, staff compiled the data using their report. We used Comprehensive Annual Financial Reports available on the Internet to compile data for nonrespondents. All respondents had the option of returning their survey form or reporting their data on the Census Bureau Retirement Web site. Approximately 35% of the state and local retirement respondents chose to submit their data using the website.

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Data Processing: 2008 2009

Editing: Editing is a process that ensures survey data are accurate, complete, and consistent. Efforts are made at all phases of collection, processing, and tabulation to minimize errors.

Although some edits are built into the Internet data collection instrument and the data entry programs, the majority of the edits are performed after the case has been loaded into the Census Bureau's database.

Edits consist primarily of two types: consistency and a ratio of the current year's reported value to the prior year's value.

The consistency edits check the logical relationships of data items reported on the form. For example, if a value exists for the number of retirees receiving benefits because of age or length of service then there must be a value reported for the amount paid.

The current year/prior year edits compare by item code the data reported for the current year with data reported for the prior year. If data falls out of acceptable tolerance levels, the item is flagged for review.

For both types of edits, the edit results are reviewed by analysts and adjusted when needed. When the analyst is unable to resolve or accept the edit failure, contact is made with the respondent to verify or correct the reported data.

Imputation: Not all respondents answer every item on the questionnaire. There are also questionnaires that are not returned despite efforts to gain a response. Imputation is the process of filling in missing or invalid data with reasonable values in order to have a complete data set.

For both State and Local governments, the imputations were based on either a prior year annual survey or the most recent Census of Governments. All but six missing variables (Z90, Z95 and four relatively new variables: Z13, Z14, Z15, and Z16) were imputed using one of the following methods: cell median or donor distribution of Z81, cell mean, or reported prior year or census year data which was multiplied by a growth factor. If the nonrespondent to Z90 and Z95 does not write in anything in the Other categories for Z90 and Z95, we impute those variables to be zero.

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Data Quality: 2008 2009

Data quality/nonsampling errors: Although every effort (as described in the Data Processing section) is made in all phases of collection, processing, and tabulation to minimize errors, the sample data are subject to nonsampling errors such as inability to obtain data for every variable from all units in the sample, inaccuracies in classification, response errors, misinterpretation of questions, mistakes in keying and coding, and coverage errors. These same errors may be evident in Census collections and may affect the Census of Governments data used to adjust the sample during the estimation phase and used in the imputation process.

The unit response rate to the 2008 Census of Public Employee-Retirement Systems was 94.4 percent. The response rate was calculated as the number of responses received divided by the number of parent governments that were determined to be out of scope.

The total quantity response rate to the 2008 Census of Public Employee-Retirement Systems was 99.5 percent. The total quantity response rate was calculated as the value of Total Holdings and Investments (281) reported divided by the estimated total value of Total Holdings and Investments of those units mailed minus those governments that were determined to be out of scope.

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