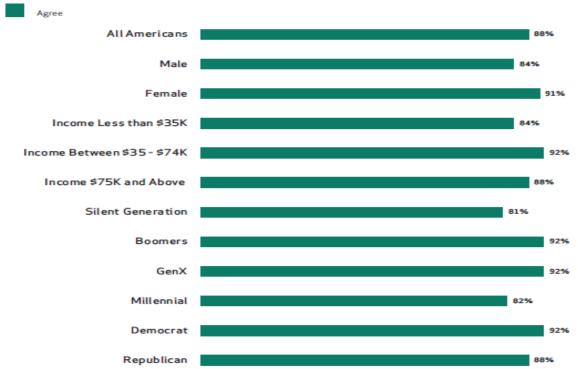
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Figure 8: Across the board, Americans overwhelmingly agree that the nation faces a retirement crisis.

To what extent do you agree or disagree that America is facing a retirement crisis.





#### Progress Towards Financial Goals

Saving for college education 2016 57% 2014 78% Income replacement if seriously ill or injured 2016 60% 2014 79% Saving enough for retirement 65% 2016 2014 81% Adequate life insurance to protect family 69% 2016 2014 83% Paying off or reducing household debt 2016 79% 2014 87%



- 2017 Best Cities for Successful Aging (Large)
  - 1. Provo / Orem, Utah
  - 4. Salt Lake City, Utah
- 2017 Best Cities for Successful Aging (Small)
  - 9. Logan, Utah
  - 95. St. George, Utah
- » Milken Institute, 2017 Best Cities for Successful Aging



### **Today's Topics**

- 1. Actuarial Status of the Systems
  - a. Investment Return Assumptions
  - b. Tier 2 Status
- 2. Administration of the Systems
  - a. Invest Productively
  - b. Administer Efficiently
  - c. Advise Wisely



### 1. Financial Status of the Systems



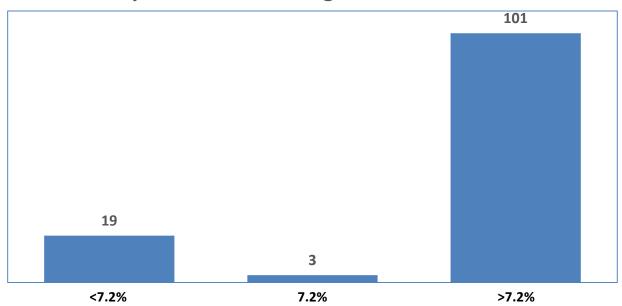
#### a. Investment Return Assumptions

Nearly three-fourths of state pension plans have reduced their investment return assumption since fiscal year 2010, resulting in a decline in the average return assumption from 7.91 percent to 7.52 percent.



#### a. Investment Return Assumptions

**URS Compared to Other Large State Pension Plans** 





#### a. Investment Return Assumptions

- The change in the investment return assumption increased the collective Net Pension Liability by \$734 million.
- The "Plan Fiduciary Net Position as a Percentage of the total Pension Liability" (old funded ratio) went from 85.7% to 83.8% (a 1.9% decrease).
- With the 2016 pension earnings, we expect the funded ratio be somewhere around 85% funded.



#### a. Investment Return Assumptions

#### <u>Will</u>

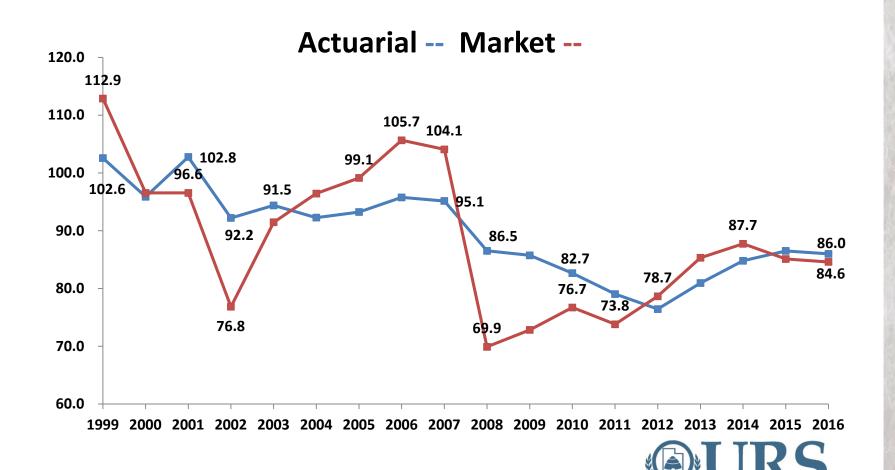
- Increase your proportionate share of the Net Pension Liability
- Decrease your proportionate share of the plan net position

#### Will not

- Increase retirement contributions (except one employer)
- Require you to increase budgets

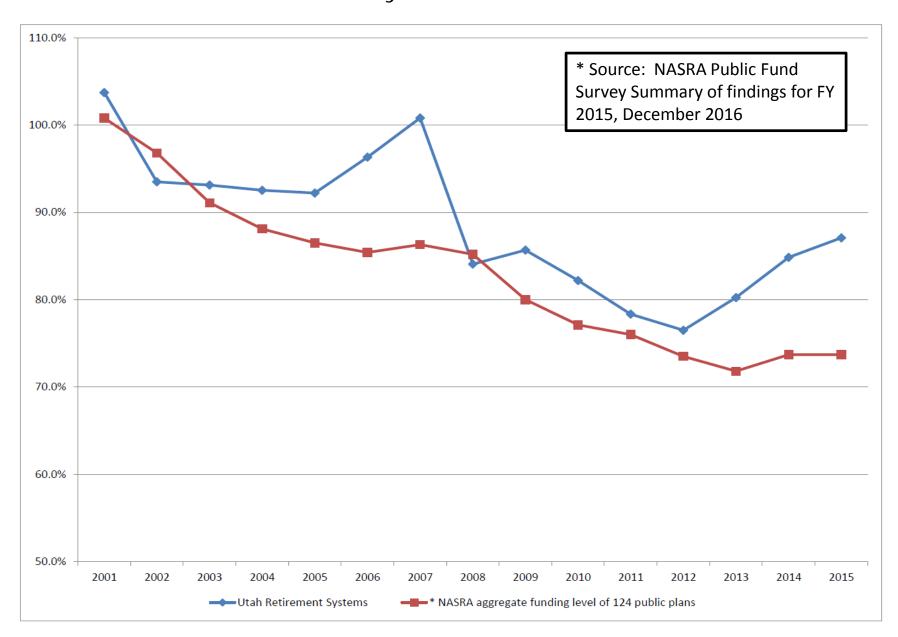


#### Noncontributory Funded Status



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# How URS compares to the aggregate public pensions fiscal year 2001 - 2015



#### b. Tier 2 Status

#### **Tier 2 Elections of Active Employees**

Hired After July 1, 2011 | 33,009 Active Employees | as of Jan. 1, 2017

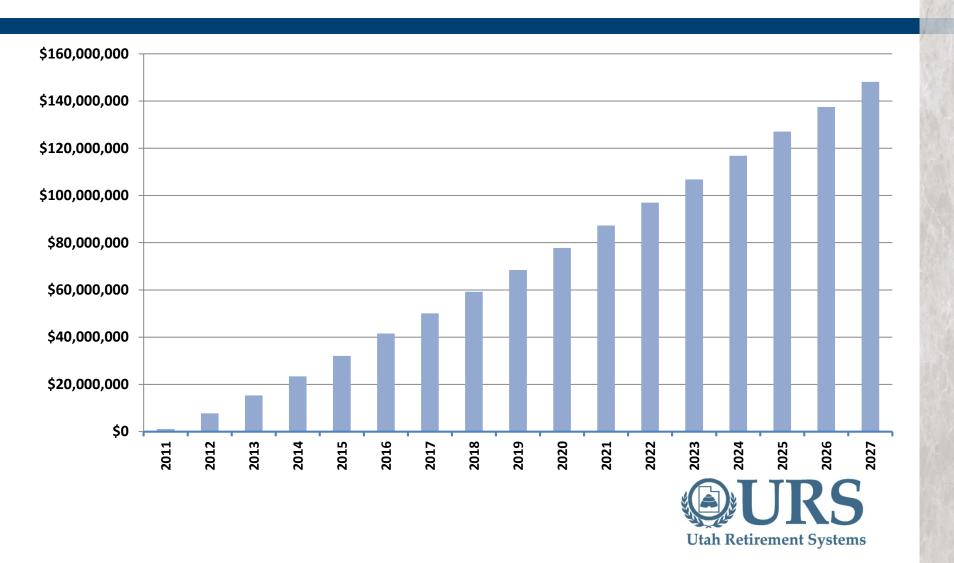
	Count	Percentage
Hybrid Retirement System	19,759	78.6%
DC-only Plan	5,391	21.4%
Still within first year and can choose	7,855	



### **Estimated Total Tier 2 Annualized Savings**

Calendar		Cumulative		
Year	Savings	Savings		
2011	\$1,122,497	\$1,122,497		
2012	\$7,734,952	\$8,857,449		
2013	\$15,332,997	\$24,190,446		
2014	\$23,373,380	\$47,563,826		
2015	\$32,087,138	\$79,650,964		
2016	\$41,576,030	\$121,226,995		
2017	\$50,099,000*	\$171,325,995	*	
2018	\$59,241,000*	\$230,566,995	*	
2019	\$68,472,000*	\$299,038,995	*	
2020	\$77,811,000*	\$376,849,995	*	
2021	\$87,290,000*	\$464,139,995	*	
2022	\$96,950,000*	\$561,089,995	*	
2023	\$106,793,000*	\$667,882,995	*	
2024	\$116,803,000*	\$784,685,995	*	
2025	\$127,026,000*	\$911,711,995	*	<b>AIIDC</b>
2026	\$137,447,000*	\$1,049,158,995	*	<b>UKS</b>
2027	\$148,142,000*	\$1,197,300,995	*	<b>Utah Retirement Systems</b>
* Estimated				

#### **Estimated Total Tier 2 Annualized Savings**



### 2. Administration of the Systems

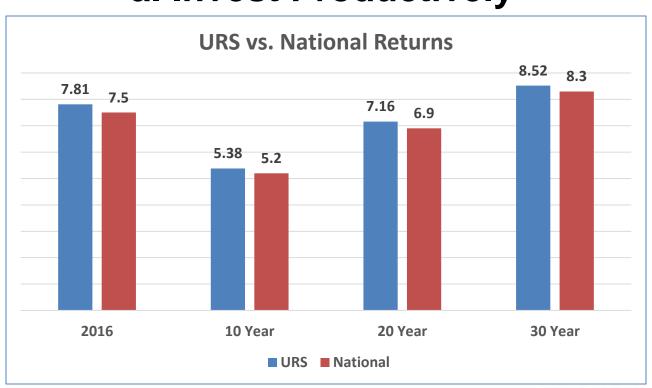


"The tasks of the pension fund organization are to invest productively, administer efficiently, and advise wisely."

Keith Ambachtsheer



#### a. Invest Productively





#### b. Administer Efficiently

Your total pension cost was \$68 per active member and annuitant. This was \$10 below the peer average cost of \$78.\*

\*URS Pension Administration Benchmarking Results, Fiscal Year 2015, CEM Benchmarking

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#### b. Administer Efficiently

Your cost increased 0.3% per annum from 2012 – 2015, whereas peer costs increased by 2.9% per annum on average.\*

\*URS Pension Administration Benchmarking Results, Fiscal Year 2015, CEM Benchmarking



#### b. Administer Efficiently

Your total service score was 78.5. This was slightly below the peer median of 79.2. Your peer group is a high service peer group.\*

\*URS Pension Administration Benchmarking Results, Fiscal Year 2015, CEM Benchmarking



#### b. Administer Efficiently

New Employee Management Center provides a powerful tool to manage employees in relation to URS, update eligible, ineligible, terminations etc.



#### b. Administer Efficiently

New Message Center within MyURS allows members to send and receive secure docs, ask questions or make comments online, giving employers another way to respond to employees.



#### b. Administer Efficiently

Released an online version of the "Employer's Guide" which provides greater search capability and statutory references.



#### b. Administer Efficiently

Expanded our series of topic specific monthly webinars by producing a series of short "How to" videos to assist employers in understanding how to work with URS.

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#### c. Advise Wisely

- Retirement Seminars
- Retirement Benefit Presentations
- Webinars
- Individual Retirement Planning Sessions



#### c. Advise Wisely

Pre-Retirement Seminars designed for those within 10 years of retirement and discusses the pension, 401(k), 457 IRAs, Social Security, and estate planning.



#### c. Advise Wisely

- Early to Mid-Career Retirement Seminars include all of the topics above plus 529 plans.
- In 2016, URS conducted 15 retirement seminars with 1,650 attendees.

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#### c. Advise Wisely

- Retirement Benefit Presentations are one hour sessions conducted on site at employers throughout the state and discuss Tier 1 and Tier 2 systems as well as savings plans.
- In 2016, URS conducted 705 presentations with 14,699 attendees.

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#### c. Advise Wisely

- New webinar designed to educate new employees on the difference between the Tier 2 Hybrid and DC only plans.
- Two webinars have been provided with 191 attendees.



#### c. Advise Wisely

- Individual Retirement Planning Sessions provide a comprehensive analysis of a member's income sources including Tier 1 or Tier 2 benefits, Social Security, and savings plans.
- Advisors develop specific recommendations to achieve member's retirement goals.
- In 2016, URS conducted 2,888 sessions and since inception in March of 2015 have advised 5,523 members.



# **Questions?**

