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January 2016

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A newsletter for PERSI employers



PERSI Membership and Impact on Idaho Economy

Each fall, PERSI reviews and compiles membership data, using actuarial and statistical studies, as well as research provided by the National Institute on Retirement Security. Here is a great, quick resource for you and your employees. Feel free to share it with your employees, and anyone else who may benefit from knowing the value your Public Employee Retirement System of Idaho brings to the people of Idaho!



- **Number of Retirees: 42,657**
- **Annual Retiree Payroll: \$751.4 million**
 - \$672.3 million paid to retirees with Idaho addresses (89.5%)
- **Average Monthly Benefit: \$1473**
- **Average Years of Service: 18.9**
- **Average Age at Retirement: 61.3**
 - Teachers: 60.8
 - General Members: 62.2
 - Public Safety Officers 56.4

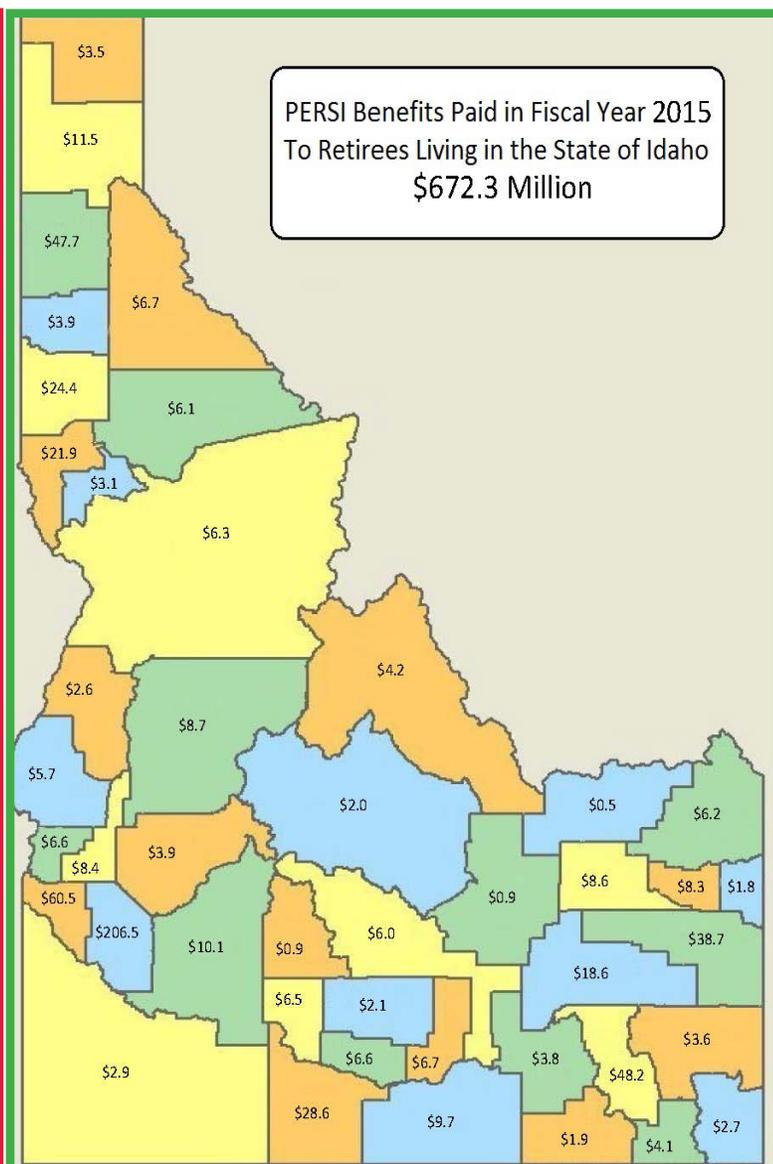
Active Members

- **Number of Active Members: 67,008**
- **Average Member Salary: \$41,143**
- **Average Years of Service: 10.4**
- **Average Age: 46.5**

Employers

- **Number Participating: 766**
Schools 21% State 13% Cities 20%
Counties 5% Other 41%

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- 89.5% of benefits go to retirees living in Idaho, who purchase goods and services and pay taxes.
- Retiree purchases support more than 10,139 jobs, paying \$382.7 million in wages in Idaho.*
- Over \$1.4 billion in economic output & over \$192 million in taxes generated by retiree benefits.*
- Each dollar paid out generates \$1.76 in economic activity in Idaho.*
- Each dollar that goes into PERSI supports \$5.66 in total economic activity in the state.*

* National Institute on Retirement Security 2014 Pensionomics Report

LOTS OF NEW WORKSHOPS -- SIGN UP NOW!

At the beginning of last year, PERSI's traveling training team had a goal to offer in-person training opportunities for members in every county in Idaho, at least once by year's end. We are proud to report to you that they made it! In discussing last year's successes and this year's goals, one thing is clear -- 2016 is the year of doing it even better!

The refreshed and revamped member workshops, **Ready**, **Set**, and **Go!**, have been very popular, as has our new approach of offering group workshops on-site at interested employers' locations. Over the years, PERSI's workshops have gained a reputation for providing a top-notch "springboard" of knowledge to members nearing the ends of their careers and contemplating retirement. We still provide that knowledge in the new "**Go!**" workshop -- and have placed a new focus on helping our newer and younger members to better understand and appreciate their PERSI benefits with the "**Ready**" and "**Set**" workshops.

You can go the [Education Page](#) on our website to see brief descriptions of the **Ready**, **Set**, and **Go!** workshops as well as the employer locations already scheduled for the upcoming months. These workshops are open to members who may be in the area, but not necessarily work for the host employer.

READY - This live interactive, 1-hour workshop is for anyone just starting a career with a PERSI employer. It provides a general overview of what PERSI is, how new members can take charge of their long-term benefits now, the life-long value it represents to new-career PERSI members, and a live tour of the resources available on the PERSI website . Workshops are available at PERSI employer sites throughout the state of Idaho.

WORKSHOP	MONTH	WORKSHOP CITY • STREET ADDRESS (HOVER ICON FOR DETAILS)	WORKSHOP DATE & TIME		STATUS
READY	JANUARY	 Gooding • 308 5th Avenue W Gooding ID. 83330	1/14/16	1:00 PM - 2:00 PM	OPEN
READY	FEBRUARY	 Plummer • 880 C Street Plummer ID. 83851	2/10/16	1:00 PM - 2:00 PM	OPEN
READY	MARCH	 Pocatello • 3115 Poleline Road - Board Room Pocatello ID. 83201	3/10/16	4:30 PM - 5:30 PM	OPEN
READY	MARCH	 Twin Falls • 315 Falls Avenue Twin Falls ID. 83301	3/17/16	1:00 PM - 2:00 PM	OPEN
READY	JUNE	 Sandpoint • 1500 Highway 2 1st Floor Conference room Sandpoint ID. 83864	6/6/16	1:00 PM - 2:00 PM	OPEN

We really want our employers to take advantage of the training opportunities we offer, so we've posted a [county-by-county schedule](#) for the entire year. It shows where and when PERSI Trainers will be available to conduct 'on-site' workshops by employer request. If you would like to schedule a PERSI training for your staff at your location, just [send us an email](#) and we'll get you squared away.

<h1 style="margin: 0;">PERSI INVESTMENT REPORT</h1> *	
Month to Date Report	December 29, 2015
CURRENT VALUE OF THE FUND	\$ 14,558,716,022
FISCAL YEAR NET CHANGE IN ASSETS	\$ (356,771,757)
FISCAL YEAR TO DATE RETURNS	-1.4%
MONTH TO DATE RETURNS	-0.6%

*Each month, PERSI Chief Investment Officer, Bob Maynard presents his investment report to the PERSI Retirement Board, and posts it to the PERSI website. Click [here](#) to link to the full report.