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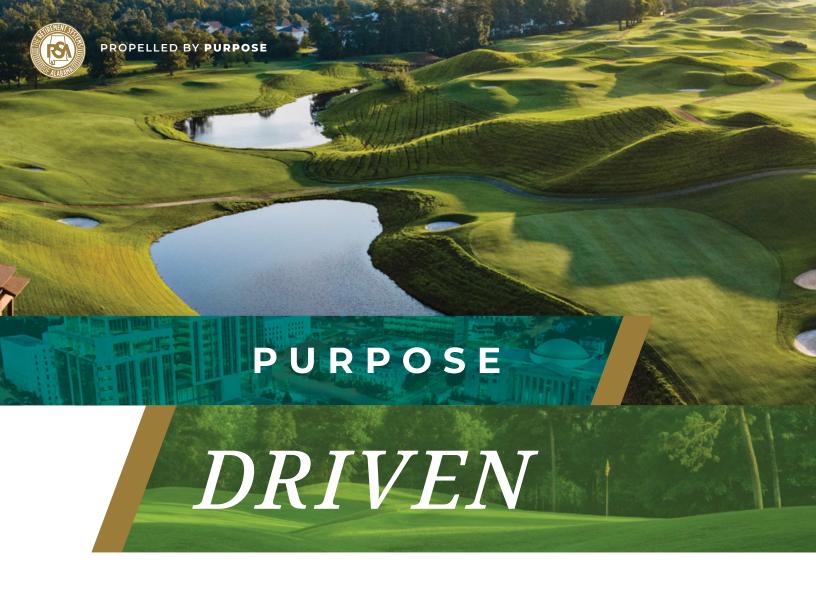
**24** FUNDS managed / \$56 BILLION in assets

Pictured on Cover, left to right from top to bottom

RSA architectural branding; RTJ Golf Trail at Ross Bridge; Honor Court at the RSA Dexter Avenue Building; RSA Headquarters; Montgomery skyline featuring the RSA Tower; Renaissance Birmingham Ross Bridge Golf Resort & Spa; RSA Centennial Hill Building rendering; The Grand Hotel Golf Resort & Spa, Autograph Collection

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As we look back on 2024, the RSA takes great pride in the many projects and improvements we've contributed to over the past year. Driven by purpose, we are dedicated to playing a crucial role in the development of several key buildings across Alabama. These structures impact various facets of our state, bolstering our economic systems.

Our commitment goes beyond financial gains; we are deeply motivated to invest in ways that shape the future for our members and the generations to come. Our passion lies in transforming lives and enhancing Alabama, which helps to guide our decisions.



top RTJ Golf Trail at Capitol Hill bottom left to right RSA Dexter Avenue Datacenter; RTJ Golf Trail at Highland Oaks; Alabama Center for Commerce; National Village

Every day, we strive to make investments that not only maximize our investment return and serve the interests of our members, but also significantly impact how Alabama can attract people to our state and expand opportunities for its residents.





LETTER FROM

# DR. BRONNER

The Boards of Control and the Retirement Systems of Alabama (RSA) staff are pleased to present the 48th Annual Report for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2024.

The RSA currently manages 24 funds with aggregate assets of approximately \$56.1 billion. For fiscal year 2024, the Teachers' Retirement System (TRS) assets totaled \$31.9 billion, the Employees' Retirement System (ERS) assets totaled \$16.5 billion, and the Judicial Retirement Fund (JRF) assets totaled \$371.8 million. The annualized return was 21.10% for the TRS, 21.21% for the ERS, and 22.21% for the JRF. Our peer group ranking (State Street Public Funds Universe greater than \$1 billion) for last fiscal year was in the top 20th percentile on a dollar-weighted basis. The five-year rankings were slightly below the median, while the ten-year rankings were slightly above the median.

Fiscal year 2024 again confounded the skeptics on both the economic and asset return front. When the new year started, the odds from market pundits were a 65% chance a recession would unfold in the next 12 months. The driving force behind the forecast was that the Federal Reserve had its foot on the gas pedal since early 2022, raising the Fed Funds rate over 5% in a period of 15 months. History would suggest that a rapid rate hike of this nature typically ends poorly. As the year unfolded, we did see inflation come off the boil and labor markets loosened to an extent but still remained firm enough to support continued spend by consumers. As of now, the rate hiking cycle is finally over with the Federal Open Market

Committee (FOMC) cutting the Fed Funds rate 1/2% at the September meeting. The inverted yield curve that has persisted for nearly two years finally uninverted, but only marginally so.

We have just completed the presidential election, with a somewhat surprising Republican sweep. Some of the biggest changes coming will likely be increasing tariffs as well as changes in immigration policies. Both of these changes have the financial markets debating whether we will see a resurgence in inflation. There is also likely to be a cut in the corporate tax rate under the new administration. It will be interesting to see how all these policy changes interact, but in all likelihood we see the Federal deficit issue still taking a backseat to other issues deemed more important.

The geopolitical environment has arguably gotten worse over the last year. The Russia/Ukraine war continues unabated, and the Middle East skirmish has now blossomed into a full-blown conflict. We are not sure how it could be resolved, as Israel seems to be running its own course and ignoring diplomatic outreach to bring the conflict to an end. As for China, they have been dealing with their own internal problems. They have been in a relative economic funk, with much higher-than-average unemployment and a housing bear market. The



Chinese government seems to have finally gotten the message as they have ramped up fiscal spending to try and jumpstart the economic quagmire they are currently experiencing.

Looking back at last year, all the asset classes in the portfolios had positive returns. U.S. large capitalization stocks were the best performer by a wide margin, with the megacap companies contributing outsized gains. We did see improving breadth throughout the year, as mid- and smallcap indices did quite well. After leading the pack last year, international equities had a good followthrough year, even though several European countries have been flirting with recessions. We did continue to pare back our overweighting in stocks into strength, with the goal of getting the weighting back to target in the foreseeable future.

The fixed-income portion of the portfolio did well with a total return in the low double digits. We have been reallocating some of our equity portfolio into fixed income as interest rates have moved higher over the past couple of years. This has been a welcomed relief from the lower-forlonger environment that we lived in seemingly since the Great Recession. Real estate had a more subdued year after vastly outperforming last year. Operationally, everything did well, and profits were up nicely, but we do not employ leverage on the properties, so we tend to lag for a while in market rebounds.

The Robert Trent Jones Golf Trail continued to excel as an investment, boasting over 685,000 rounds in 2024. The Trail opened in 1992, and this year surpassed the 14.5 million round mark! On an annual basis, the Trail welcomes golfers and tourists from all 50 states and more than 30 countries. The Trail continues to be recognized for the quality

of its golf courses, as Golfweek ranked 7 of the Trail's courses in its top 10 courses you can play in Alabama for 2024.

The RSA-owned hotels and resorts also produced record results in fiscal 2024, which garnered several properties "Best in Class" awards and acknowledgment from Marriott Corporation. The Grand Hotel Golf Resort & Spa, Autograph Collection led the way, finishing #2 out of 153 Autograph properties in guest service excellence. The Montgomery Marriott Prattville Hotel & Conference Center at Capitol Hill, Renaissance Mobile Riverview Plaza Hotel, Renaissance Birmingham Ross Bridge Golf Resort & Spa, and Auburn Marriott Opelika Resort & Spa at Grand National each finished in the top 5% of their perspective categories. The Battle House Renaissance Mobile Hotel & Spa and the Marriott Shoals Hotel & Spa each finished in the top 10% of their perspective brands in guest service excellence, as well.

The staff will continue to purchase and develop investments that will facilitate the mission of the RSA: To serve the interests of our members by preserving the excellent benefits and soundness of the Systems while providing these at the least expense to the state of Alabama and all Alabama taxpayers. With the continued cooperative efforts of the Boards of Control, the RSA staff, and the Alabama Legislature, this goal will be achieved.

> David G. Bronner CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

The AlabamaGermany Partnership (AGP), a statewide non-profit organization to ensure German investment in Alabama, hosted its 26th Annual Celebration Dinner in February 2024. The AGP recognized the RSA with the Rainer Bauer Award for its key role in recruiting Mercedes-Benz to Alabama.





A rendering of the **RSA Centennial Hill Building**. This new Class A office building and associated parking facilities will benefit the surrounding areas with streetscape improvements and increased foot traffic.

# ALABAMA DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE

As part of the RSA's early diversification strategy, we committed to investing in real estate in addition to other asset classes.

Our aim is not only to maximize our investment returns but also to positively impact Alabama residents and members of the RSA. We've found that our investments are not only financially sound, but enhance quality of life, with funds from these investments staying within Alabama.

A prime example of this is the RSA Centennial Hill Building, which will house the Alabama Department of Revenue. This 260,000-square-foot office building, located on the last remaining parcel from the original St. Margaret's Hospital property in downtown Montgomery, also includes a 450-space parking deck.

Inside, visitors will find Class A office space, consistent with other high-quality RSA developments. By consolidating most of their operations into this single location, the Alabama Department of Revenue will operate more efficiently. Additionally, the building's design and features are intended to attract and retain employees. The exterior boasts elements the RSA is known for, including sculptures that connect the building to the local history and the community.

The property is structured with a long-term lease to the Alabama Department of Revenue, while the RSA retains ownership of the real estate.



## LAUNCHING AN AEROSPACE HUB

At the RSA, we continue to drive revenue with smart real estate and economic development investments that bring real benefits to our members and our state. With the purpose of moving Alabama forward, in January 2024, we sold our nearly mile-long, 2.27 million square foot Shoals industrial facility for \$190 million to Rocket Shoals LLC, an affiliate of AE Industrial (AEI) Partners. This private investment firm, of which we are an investor, maintains \$6.2 billion of assets including 130+ investments in aerospace, national security, and industrial services.



The RSA's Shoals Industrial Facility was sold in early 2024 and will be reinvented as an "aerospace center of excellence" by new owners Rocket Shoals LLC.

Benefiting from its deep industry knowledge, AEI has plans to convert the massive plant situated on 638 acres into an aerospace, space, and defense production hub for military and commercial clients. AEI is purposefully working to establish North Alabama as an aerospace corridor. The corridor from The Shoals extending east to Huntsville is already home to a growing cohort of aerospace engineers and technology professionals. Huntsville's Redstone Arsenal houses the Army's missile defense and aviation programs and NASA's Marshall Space Flight Center. Moving forward, our goal is to find new ways to invest in projects that ensure our state remains on the forefront of tomorrow's technology.



The Alabama Board of Pardons and Paroles, the three-member board that decides whether to grant paroles and pardons along with its support staff, moved into the **RSA Criminal Justice Center** in late 2023.





#### **ALABAMA BUREAU OF PARDONS AND PAROLES**

In late November 2023, we completed the renovation of the Alabama Bureau of Pardons and Paroles building. The operations and administration teams quickly moved in and began their long-term lease with the RSA. One of the most significant changes was the incorporation of design features that maximized the ceiling height, addressing the limitations of the previous design.

With over a year of operation, the renovated space has proven essential in providing secure and efficient facilities for its occupants. This project stands out as one of the most meaningful of the recent past, as it has contributed to promoting and enhancing public safety.

The new office space enables the Alabama Bureau of Pardons and Paroles to effectively pursue its mission of rehabilitating adult offenders in our state.

With this renovation completed, the RSA's Criminal Justice Center complex in downtown Montgomery is now fully leased.



A rendering of the new **Alabama State House**, currently under construction, to be leased to the Alabama Legislature under a contract that will earn the RSA 8% on its investment.

# THE NEW ALABAMA STATE HOUSE

Built in 1963, the current Alabama State House has long served as the home for various state agencies, including the Alabama Legislature. However, the building had become outdated and inadequate for the needs of the Legislature, with significant repairs and upgrades required due to its age and heavy use.

Our goal in developing a new Alabama State House is to provide a modern facility that better represents the branches of state government that directly impact our citizens. The new State House will feature a parking deck, attractive green spaces, and enhancements for public safety and security, improved public access, operational efficiency, and energy conservation.

Our involvement in the construction and leasing of this new State House continues a 30-year tradition of investing in office buildings that deliver both fiscal efficiency and operational effectiveness for state government. Given the high cost of repairing and expanding the existing structure, building a new State House was the most responsible financial choice. With our resources and extensive development experience, the RSA was a natural partner for the Legislature in this endeavor, adding another successful project to our portfolio of municipal office buildings.

### **Investments in Alabama**

ACON Alabama Energy Investors\* / Tuscaloosa

ADEM Laboratory\* / Montgomery

Alabama Cruise Terminal\* / Mobile

Alabama River Group, Inc.\* / Monroeville

Alabama River Chip Mill\* / Monroeville

Alabama River Recycling\*/Monroeville

Alabama State Bar Building\* / Montgomery

Barton AL Property\* / Florence

Bell Microproducts\* / Montgomery

CIBA-GEIGY Chemical Company\* / Mobile

Circle S Industries\* / Selma

Colony at the Grand / Point Clear, Real Estate and Condo Development

CNHI, LLC / Montgomery

Conventional Mortgages\* / Alabama Loans, Residential Funding, MGIC, FBS-were the servicers

Danberry at Inverness\* / Birmingham

Daniel Senior Living, LLC\* / Assisted Living Facilities in Huntsville and Birmingham

Dole Foods\* / Birmingham

Dominion Senior Living of West Mobile\* / Mobile

Drummond Company\*/Birmingham

Dynamit Nobel Chemical Company\* / Mobile

Embassy Suites\* / Montgomery

Fairway Outdoor Advertising\* / Statewide

First Alabama Bancshares\* / Birmingham

GKN Aerospace\* / Tallassee

Gordon Persons Building\*/Montgomery

Gulf Coast Exploration & Science Theatre\* / Mobile

IDB Southwire Med. Volt Cable Company\*/Heflin

IPSCO Saskatchewan, Inc.\* / Mobile

Kay-Fries, Inc.\* / Theodore

Kvaerner Oilfields Products\* / Mobile

Mercedes Benz U.S.\* / Tuscaloosa

National Village / Auburn / Opelika

Navistar Diesel of Alabama, LLC\* / Huntsville

Navistar Big Bore Diesels, LLC\* / Huntsville

\*Fully Paid +Includes Parking Deck Office Buildings and Parking Decks:

- Alabama Center for Commerce+ / Montgomery
- Alabama Community College System / Montgomery
- RSA Criminal Justice Center+ / Montgomery
- RSA Dexter Avenue Building (Datacenter)+ / Montgomery
- RSA Headquarters+ / Montgomery
- RSA Plaza+ / Montgomery
- RSA Tower Complex (Includes the RSA Tower, RSA Activity Center, Helen Hunt Early Learning Center, and RSA Pavilion)+ / Montgomery
- RSA Union+ / Montgomery
- Royal Street Parking Deck+ / Mobile
- RSA Battle House Tower+ / Mobile
- RSA 2 North Royal / Mobile
- RSA Trustmark Building+ / Mobile
- RSA Van Antwerp Building / Mobile

PCH Hotels & Resorts / Alabama Real Estate Holdings Management Company / Statewide

Perdido Beach Hilton\* / Gulf Beach Hotel

Point Clear Partners, LLC\* / Point Clear, Real Estate and Condo Development

PPG Industries\* / Huntsville

Raycom Media\* / Montgomery

Robert Trent Jones Golf Trail / Golf Courses, Statewide

Rohr\* / (IDB City of Foley)

RSA Resort Hotel Properties / Statewide

Signal International\* / Mobile

SiO2 Materials Science / Auburn

Springhill Medical Center\* / Mobile

**SunBelt Golf Corporation Management** 

Company / Statewide

The Explore Center, Inc.\* / Mobile

The Shops of Grand River / Leeds

USB-IDB United Technology\* / Huntsville

US Steel\* / Fairfield

Walmart Distribution Center\* / Cullman

Williamson Commerce Center\* / Anniston

Wise Metals\* / Florence

World Marine\* / Mobile



# A Legacy of Protecting Our Members' Interests

# LEGAL

In fiscal year 2024, the RSA Legal Division handled a wide variety of matters involving the many areas of law that pertain to the RSA's operations, including pension law, fiduciary and trust law, constitutional law, health law, securities law, contract law, construction and real estate law, tax law, and employment law.

The RSA legal staff provides legal advice and assistance daily on issues that arise during the course of business. These issues include benefits and administrative operations, contract negotiation and interpretation, and application and implementation of state and federal statutory and regulatory requirements. The RSA legal staff also works to address issues that arise in relation to the RSA's real estate holdings and other investments. providing legal advice on general operational issues, investment projects, and ongoing court cases.

Litigation is a mainstay of the RSA legal staff's responsibilities. The legal staff has appeared in court to defend the RSA's and its members' interests in cases involving constitutional, statutory, and administrative issues. Cases litigated during 2024 have involved practice areas including benefits law, constitutional law, real estate law, and administrative law. The legal staff has also pursued litigation challenging property determinations that affect the RSA's real estate operations.

Legal staff further supported the RSA in drafting, negotiating, and reviewing contracts essential to RSA's operations. The legal staff successfully protected members' interests in negotiating several significant contracts, including a significant agreement for pharmaceutical benefit management services for PEEHIP.

The RSA legal staff continues to offer guidance and representation for PEEHIP in a wide range of matters, including transactions with service providers and plan compliance with governing laws and regulations. Such provisions range from federal court decisions to the Affordable Care Act and other federal laws that protect the privacy and security of PEEHIP members' health information.

The legal staff also provided support to RSA-1, the Section 457 deferred compensation plan administered by RSA staff. The legal staff assisted RSA-1 in administering the plan, complying with appropriate IRS and other applicable rules and regulations, and resolving legal questions involving plan participants. Notably, the legal staff has provided support and guidance to RSA-1 in its completion and implementation of a new IT system with added features to further benefit members.

The RSA legal staff stands ready to assist the RSA in meeting all new challenges that arise for public pensions and health insurance programs to maintain and enhance the RSA's service to its members.

## **LEGISLATIVE**

The 2024 Regular Legislative Session ended on May 9, 2024. As it has always done, the Legislature ensured that the Teachers' Retirement System and the Employees' Retirement System were fully funded at the actuarially set rates.

There were several efforts by the Legislature to address the need for retiree benefit increases, but none were ultimately successful. The Alabama Retired State Employees' Association advocated for legislation to create a new process for granting and funding retiree benefit increases. The House included retirees in the gaming bill that passed the House, but ultimately failed in the Senate. The Senate attempted but failed to amend the statutes governing the retiree trust funds for state and education retirees to allow direct appropriations from the budgets.

No bills were filed this session to continue improvements to Tier II benefits for all state and education employees despite a recommendation to return to Tier I for all state employees from the Governor's Study Group on Efficiency in State Government. Past legislation has chipped away at this issue by allowing conversion of sick leave to retirement credit for TRS Tier II members and providing 30-year retirement with an early retirement penalty for TRS and ERS Tier II members.

The Legislature passed legislation to provide hazardous duty service credit to emergency medical services personnel. This applies only to personnel that are employed by local governments, are eligible to participate in ERS, and are certified as emergency medical services technicians or paramedics by the State Board of Health.

The other RSA-related bills that passed this session included a local constitutional amendment to allow mayors in Jackson County to participate in the ERS (Act 2024-253), a bill removing compensation caps for retirees serving in certain elected positions (Act 2024-279), a bill amending the forfeiture of pension law (Act 2024-289), and a bill changing the process for restitution garnishments of pensions (Act 2024-408).

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In 2024, the RSA served a total of

# 399,681

Active & Retired Members from the TRS, ERS, & JRF

**58**%

#### ACTIVE

TRS 141,920 ERS 89,557 JRF 387

**TOTAL 231,864** 

**42**%

#### RETIRED

TRS 108,782 ERS 58,571 JRF 464 TOTAL 167,817

# **Total**

TRS 250,702 ERS 148,128 JRF 851

**TOTAL** 399,681

### Membership Activity

#### **NEW MEMBERS**

TRS ERS JRF TOTAL 13,595 11,305 6 24,906

#### **WITHDRAWN MEMBERS**

TRS ERS JRF **TOTAL** 4,250 5,260 0 **9,510** 

#### **SERVICE RETIREMENTS**

TRS ERS JRF TOTAL 4,450 2,478 5 6,933

#### **DISABILITY RETIREMENTS**

 TRS
 ERS
 JRF
 TOTAL

 156
 125
 1
 282

#### **NEW BENEFICIARIES**

TRS ERS JRF **TOTAL**609 408 14 **1,031** 

### Members Remaining in Alabama After Retirement







# **Members & Benefits Paid by County**

Northwest ————				
COUNTY	ACTIVE	RETIRED	BENEFITS	
LAUDERDALE	3,799	2,749	\$ 67.4	
LIMESTONE	4,415	2,471	62.9	
COLBERT	2,635	2,120	50.6	
FRANKLIN	1,468	968	22.2	
LAWRENCE	1,151	857	18.6	
MORGAN	4,813	3,700	89.0	
MARION	1,357	909	20.9	
WINSTON	1,109	735	16.3	
CULLMAN	3,653	2,665	64.2	
LAMAR	652	448	9.2	
FAYETTE	894	568	12.7	
WALKER	2.765	2.130	47.1	

Northeast ———				
COUNTY	ACTIVE	RETIRED	BENEFITS	
MADISON	14,219	8,839	\$ 236.1	
JACKSON	2,376	1,685	38.1	
MARSHALL	4,030	2,669	64.5	
DEKALB	2,923	1,731	39.1	
BLOUNT	1,864	1,294	29.2	
ETOWAH	4,595	3,515	83.6	
CHEROKEE	746	590	13.8	
ST. CLAIR	3,633	2,233	56.1	
CALHOUN	5,685	3,679	84.4	
CLEBURNE	526	301	6.5	

Central ·			
COUNTY	ACTIVE	RETIRED	BENEFITS
JEFFERSON	27,780	18,733	\$ 504.8
SHELBY	10,427	5,822	165.6
TALLADEGA	3,348	2,669	57.9
BIBB	910	639	14.6
CHILTON	2,007	1,353	30.2
COOSA	489	407	9.3
PERRY	460	339	7.4
DALLAS	1,799	1,390	30.8
AUTAUGA	3,553	2,193	55.0
ELMORE	6,234	4,249	107.6
LOWNDES	502	436	9.0
MONTGOMERY	13,842	9,756	252.5

West —			
COUNTY	ACTIVE	RETIRED	BENEFITS
PICKENS	846	668	\$ 13.3
TUSCALOOSA	12,874	7,755	199.5
GREENE	402	393	7.1
HALE	1,028	688	14.8
SUMTER	734	488	10.8
MARENGO	993	713	16.4
CHOCTAW	359	352	6.9
WILCOX	636	449	8.6

East —			
COUNTY	ACTIVE	RETIRED	BENEFITS
CLAY	635	530	\$ 11.7
RANDOLPH	832	735	15.2
TALLAPOOSA	1,871	1,615	42.3
CHAMBERS	1,323	886	18.5
LEE	10,737	5,662	172.0
MACON	955	822	17.6
RUSSELL	1,460	870	17.0
BULLOCK	496	396	8.3

Southwest —			
COUNTY	ACTIVE	RETIRED	BENEFITS
WASHINGTON	627	645	\$ 13.2
CLARKE	1,186	906	19.1
MONROE	830	662	14.4
CONECUH	587	420	8.7
BUTLER	879	692	15.7
MOBILE	15,824	12,573	275.7
BALDWIN	10,188	7,137	180.1
ESCAMBIA	1,547	1,207	27.0

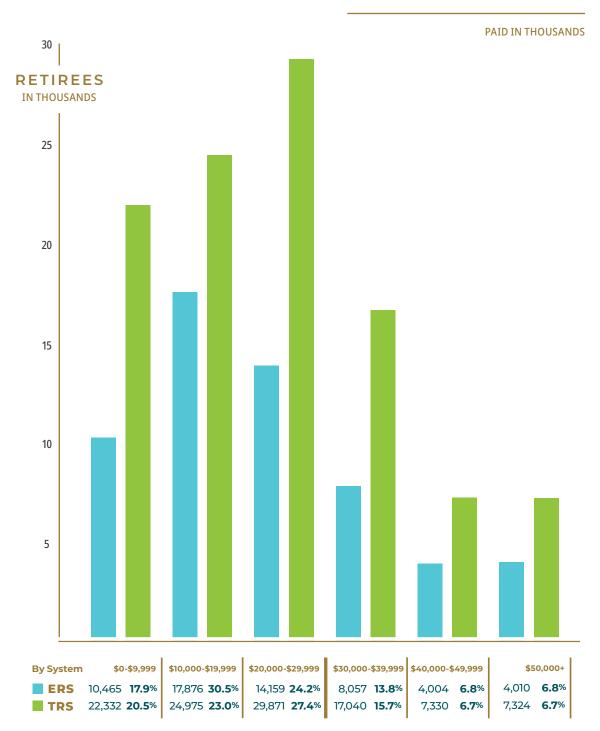
Southea	st —		
COUNTY	ACTIVE	RETIRED	BENEFITS
CRENSHAW	811	600	\$ 14.3
PIKE	2,173	1,464	38.1
BARBOUR	938	796	16.6
COVINGTON	1,748	1,278	28.8
COFFEE	2,223	1,454	33.9
DALE	1,841	1,230	26.7
HENRY	975	684	15.2
GENEVA	1,196	732	15.6
HOUSTON	3,946	2,813	68.0

# \$4\_12024 Total Benefits Paid BILLION

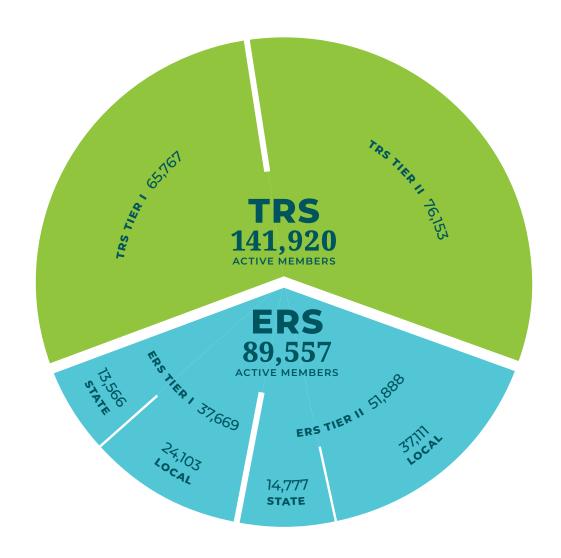




# **Annual Benefits**







# **Comparison of Tier I and Tier II Members**

IN THE COMBINED SYSTEMS IN 2022, 2023, AND 2024



**TIER I MEMBERS** 116,552 \ 52%

**TIER II MEMBERS** 106,431 \ 48%



**TIER I MEMBERS** 110,635 \ 48%

**TIER II MEMBERS** 118,495 \ 52%



**TIER I MEMBERS** 103,436 \ 45%

**TIER II MEMBERS** 128,041 \ 55%

# 2024 FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

# **Invested Assets by System**



\$371.8
MILLION
JRF

\$16.5
BILLION
ERS

\$31.9
BILLION
TRS



# \$11.5 Total Revenue BILLION

**EMPLOYEE CONTRIBUTIONS** 

\$993.2 MILLION / 8.66%

**EMPLOYER CONTRIBUTIONS** 

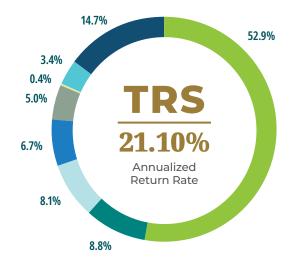
\$1.8 billion / 15.32%

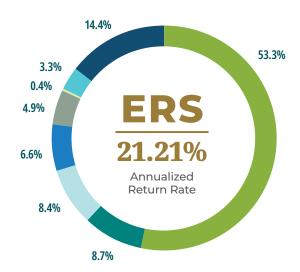
INVESTMENT INCOME

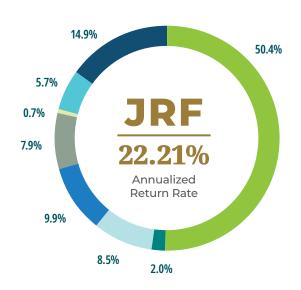
\$8.7 BILLION / 76.01%

OTHER INCOME

\$1.0 million / .01%







# **Asset Allocation**

Asset allocation is a strategic long-term decision in the pension investment management process. The RSA is dedicated to preserving the sound financial position it has established over the years through a diversified investment program. The objective of the RSA is to allocate investments in the most effective way that reflects policy standards while maximizing returns.

ALL PERCENTAGES AS OF SEPTEMBER 30, 2024.

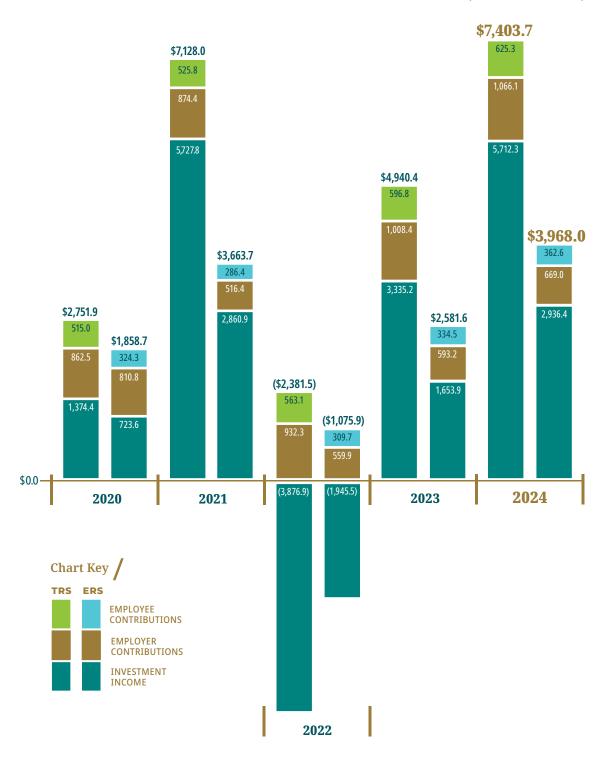
## Chart Key

- **COMMON & PREFERRED** STOCK DOMESTIC
- **REAL ESTATE**
- MONEY MARKET **SECURITIES**
- **FIXED BONDS DOMESTIC**
- U.S. GOVERNMENT **GUARANTEED BONDS**
- U.S. AGENCY **SECURITIES**
- MORTGAGE-BACKED **SECURITIES**
- COMMON & PREFERRED STOCK INTERNATIONAL



# 5-Year Highlights

(DOLLARS IN MILLIONS)





#### MANAGED IN-HOUSE, KEEPING COSTS LOW COMPARED TO OTHER STATE PENSION SYSTEMS

TOTAL INV	/ESTED ASSETS	TOTAL INVE	STED ASSETS
Teachers' Retirement System	\$ 31,882,251	Public Education Employees' Health Insurance Fund	\$ 371,346
Employees' Retirement System	16,482,052		
Judicial Retirement Fund	371,797	Alabama Retired Education Employees' Health Care Trust	2,367,877
Alabama Cultural Resources Preservation Trust Fund	20,120	Public Employees' Individual Retirement	
Alabama Firefighters Annuity and Benefit Fund	1,049	Account Fund	58,257
Division of Wildlife and Freshwater Fisheries	30,329	Alabama Marine Resources Endowment Trust Fund	3,440
Alabama Nongame Wildlife Endowment Trust	19	Alabama Trust Fund	413,641
Alabama Underground and Aboveground Storage Tank Trust Fund	19,654	Alabama Treasury Fund	425,538
		Charlotte Thorn Trust Fund	16,053
Clerks' and Registers' Supernumerary Fund	11,555	County Municipal Truck Fund	100 015
Alabama Senior Services Trust Fund	64,295	County Municipal Trust Fund	160,615
Alabama State Employees' Health Insurance Fund	77,723	Alabama State Employees' Retired Health Care Trust Fund	304,768
Local Government Health Insurance Fund	141,731	State Docks Pension Plans	24,434
PEIRAF-Deferred Compensation Plan (RSA-1)	2,851,538	Marion Military Institute Foundation	12,576

# Total Invested Assets Under Management \$ 56,112,658

AS OF SEPTEMBER 30, 2024 (DOLLARS IN THOUSANDS)



#### **PURPOSE** / The Teachers' Retirement System of Alabama (TRS)

provides retirement allowances and other specified benefits for qualified persons employed by statesupported educational institutions.

**250,702** Total Members

141,920 Active / 108,782 Retired

1,665 Increased Membership



**221 Units** 

13 Universities

**139** K-12 Systems

13 Charter Schools

25 Postsecondary Institutions

31 State & Miscellaneous Agencies



#### TRS REVENUE SOURCES

#### (DOLLARS IN MILLIONS)

#### **PORTFOLIO AT FAIR VALUE**

(DOLLARS IN BILLIONS)



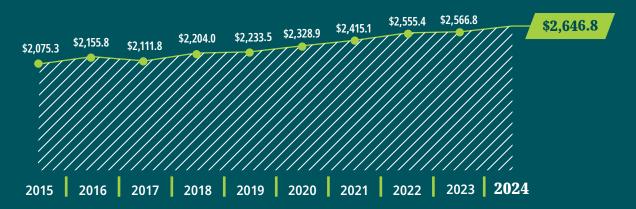


#### EMPLOYER RATE (% OF COVERED PAYROLL)



#### **TOTAL ANNUAL PAYMENTS**

(DOLLARS IN MILLIONS)



#### **AVERAGE MONTHLY BENEFITS**

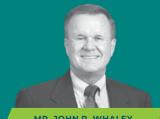
(IN ACTUAL DOLLARS)



#### PRERETIREMENT DEATH BENEFITS

(DOLLARS IN MILLIONS)





MR. JOHN R. WHALEY

DR. SUSAN WILLIAMS BROWN



HON. YOUNG BOOZER



MR. JASON DAVIDSON

TEACHER POSITION, CHAIR

POSTSECONDARY POSITION, VICE CHAIR

STATE TREASURER EX OFFICIO

SUPERINTENDENT POSITION



MS. AMY KNIGHT FOWLER



MRS. ANITA GIBSON



DR. THOMAS E. JONES



MRS. SUSAN LOCKRIDGE

SUPPORT PERSONNEL POSITION

RETIRED POSITION

PRINCIPAL POSITION

SUPPORT PERSONNEL POSITION





MS. AMANDA MILLER



MS. PEGGY MOBLEY



MR. BILL POOLE

STATE SUPERINTENDENT OF EDUCATION, EX OFFICIO

TEACHER POSITION

RETIRED POSITION

STATE FINANCE DIRECTOR EX OFFICIO



MS. KELLI D. SHOMAKER



MS. MARY BETH TATE



DR. WILLIAM A. WALSH

HIGHER EDUCATION POSITION

TEACHER POSITION

HIGHER EDUCATION POSITION



#### **TRS** STATEMENT OF FIDUCIARY **NET POSITION, UNAUDITED**

As of September 30, 2024, and 2023

(\$ IN THOUSANDS)

Assets	2024	2023
CASH	\$ 90,660	\$ 109,881
RECEIVABLES		
Employee Contributions	61,657	57,657
Employer Contributions	108,049	100,293
Transfers Receivable from the Employees' Retirement System	905	1,232
Investment Sales Receivable	392,560	_
Dividends and Interest	108,854	99,696
Miscellaneous Receivable	134	166
Total Receivables	672,159	259,044
INVESTMENTS, AT FAIR VALUE	į.	
Domestic Equity	16,865,875	14,135,337
Domestic Fixed Income	4,934,860	4,286,135
International Equities	4,687,526	4,018,172
Real Estate	2,816,380	2,768,447
Short-Term	2,577,610	2,232,430
Total Investments	31,882,251	27,440,521
Invested Securities Lending Collateral	1,256,953	1,423,034
Property and Equipment Less Accumulated Depreciation	78,581	83,316
Total Assets	33,980,604	29,315,796
Deferred Outflows of Resources		
Pensions Pensions	13,198	16,837
OPEB	2,154	1,767
Total Assets and Deferred Outflows of Resources	33,995,956	29,334,400
Liabilities		
Accounts Payable and Other Liabilities	10,293	10,887
Transfers Payable to the ERS	200	321
Investment Purchases Payable	190,620	
Net OPEB Liability	6,026	5,975
Net Pension Liability	40,122	38,435
Securities Lending Collateral	1,256,953	1,423,034
Total Liabilities	1,504,214	1,478,652
Deferred Inflows of Resources		
	1 /01	2 410
Pensions OPEB	1,491 3,255	<u>2,410</u> 5,102
	3,233	3,102
Total Liabilities and Deferred Inflows of Resources	1,508,960	1,486,164
NET POSITION RESTRICTED FOR PENSION BENEFITS	\$ 32,486,996	\$ 27,848,236

#### **TRS** STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN FIDUCIARY NET POSITION, UNAUDITED

For the Fiscal Years Ended September 30, 2024, and 2023 (\$ IN THOUSANDS)

Additions	2024	2023
Employee	\$ 616,300	\$ 588,284
Employer	1,066,094	1,008,365
Transfers from the Employees'		
Retirement System	9,036	8,526
Transfers from the Judicial Retirement Fund		23
Marketing & Advertising Revenue	670	503
Total Contributions	1,692,100	1,605,70
NVESTMENT INCOME		
FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES		
Net Increase in Fair Value of Investments	4,941,999	2,625,41
Interest and Dividends	774,463	714,40
Total Investment Income from Investing Activities	5,716,462	3,339,82
Less Investment Expenses, Net	11,580	11,69
Net Investment Income from Investing Activities	5,704,882	3,328,12
FROM SECURITIES LENDING ACTIVITY		
Securities Lending Income	67,857	63,74
Less Securities Lending Expenses		
Borrower Rebates	57,261	52,78
Management Fees	3,143	3,84
Total Securities Lending Expenses	60,404	56,62
Net Income from Securities Lending Activities	7,453	7,12
Total Net Investment Income	5,712,335	3,335,24
Total Additions	7,404,436	4,940,94
Deductions		2,566,77
Retirement Allowance Payments	2,646,769	2,300,77
Retirement Allowance Payments Return of Contributions and Death Benefits	2,646,769	
Return of Contributions and		65,14
Return of Contributions and Death Benefits  Transfers to the Employees'	74,618	65,14
Return of Contributions and Death Benefits Transfers to the Employees' Retirement System	74,618	65,14 6,82 25,69
Return of Contributions and Death Benefits  Transfers to the Employees' Retirement System  Administrative Expenses	74,618 6,265 29,117	65,14 6,82 25,69 9,14
Return of Contributions and Death Benefits  Transfers to the Employees' Retirement System  Administrative Expenses  Depreciation	74,618 6,265 29,117 8,905	65,14 6,82 25,69 9,14 <b>2,673,58</b>
Return of Contributions and Death Benefits  Transfers to the Employees' Retirement System  Administrative Expenses  Depreciation  Total Deductions	74,618 6,265 29,117 8,905 <b>2,765,674</b>	65,14 6,82 25,69 9,14 <b>2,673,58</b>
Return of Contributions and Death Benefits  Transfers to the Employees' Retirement System  Administrative Expenses  Depreciation  Total Deductions  Change in Net Position  NET POSITION RESTRICTED	74,618 6,265 29,117 8,905 <b>2,765,674</b>	65,14 6,82 25,69 9,14 2,673,58 2,267,36





#### PURPOSE / The Employees' Retirement System of Alabama (ERS)

provides retirement allowances and other specified benefits for qualified state employees, state police, and, on an elective basis, employees of cities, counties, towns, and quasi-public organizations.

**148,128** Total Members

89,557 Active **58,571** Retired

3,764 Increased Membership +



1,036
Counties
146 State Agencies
311 Cities
513 Other Public Entities

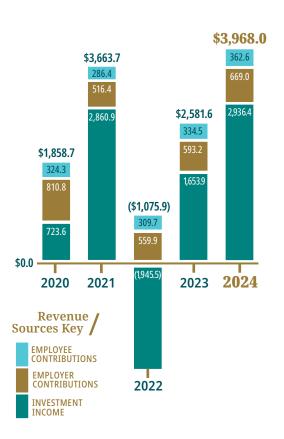


#### **ERS REVENUE SOURCES**

(DOLLARS IN MILLIONS)

#### **PORTFOLIO AT FAIR VALUE**

(DOLLARS IN BILLIONS)





#### **EMPLOYER RATE** (% OF COVERED PAYROLL)





#### **TOTAL ANNUAL PAYMENTS**

(DOLLARS IN MILLIONS)



#### **AVERAGE MONTHLY BENEFITS**

(IN ACTUAL DOLLARS)



#### PRERETIREMENT DEATH BENEFITS

(DOLLARS IN MILLIONS)





HON. KAY IVEY MR. JAMES FIBBE



MR. DAVID J. HARER



MR. EDWARD N. AUSTIN

GOVERNOR EX OFFICIO, CHAIR

RETIRED LOCAL EMPLOYEE POSITION, VICE CHAIR

**ACTIVE CITY EMPLOYEE** POSITION, VICE CHAIR PRO TEMPORE

GOVERNOR APPOINTEE



HON. YOUNG BOOZER



MS. CAROL BULLARD



CAPT. DAVID COLSTON



MR. MICHAEL GILLESPIE

STATE TREASURER EX OFFICIO

ACTIVE STATE EMPLOYEE POSITION

GOVERNOR APPOINTEE

ACTIVE OR RETIRED LOCAL EMPLOYEE POSITION



MR. NORRIS GREEN



MR. RICKY HARCROW



MS. LAURY MORGAN



MR. BILL POOLE

RETIRED STATE EMPLOYEE POSITION

ACTIVE COUNTY EMPLOYEE POSITION

STATE PERSONNEL DIRECTOR EX OFFICIO STATE FINANCE DIRECTOR EX OFFICIO



MS. TAMMY ROLLING



MS. LISA STATUM



MR. DERRICK T. TURNER, SR.

GOVERNOR APPOINTEE

ACTIVE OTHER LOCAL EMPLOYEE POSITION

ACTIVE STATE EMPLOYEE POSITION



#### **ERS** STATEMENT OF FIDUCIARY NET POSITION, UNAUDITED

As of September 30, 2024, and 2023

(\$ IN THOUSANDS)

Assets	2024	2023
CASH	\$ 45,100	\$ 45,322
RECEIVABLES		
Employee Contributions	18,677	18,021
Employer Contributions	38,784	34,767
Transfers Receivable from the Teachers' Retirement System	200	321
Investment Sales Receivable	62,418	
Dividends and Interest	54,790	51,152
Miscellaneous Receivable	177	240
Total Receivables	175,046	104,501
INVESTMENTS, AT FAIR VALUE		
Domestic Equity	8,789,649	7,229,295
Domestic Fixed Income	2,503,627	2,166,694
International Equities	2,365,664	2,024,607
Real Estate	1,439,903	1,398,673
Short-Term	1,383,209	1,155,797
Total Investments	16,482,052	13,975,066
Invested Securities Lending Collateral	669,290	662,065
Property and Equipment Less Accumulated Depreciation	35,560	37,843
Total Assets	17,407,048	14,824,797
Deferred Outflows of Resources		
Pensions	3,659	5,372
OPEB	627	632
Total Assets and Deferred Outflows of Resources	17,411,334	14,830,801
Liabilities		
Accounts Payable and Other Liabilities	4,756	5,201
Transfers Payable to the TRS	905	1,232
Deferred Revenue	2,500	_
Investment Purchases Payable	94,765	_
Net OPEB Liability	3,143	3,485
Net Pension Liability	20,752	21,349
Securities Lending Collateral	669,290	662,065
Total Liabilities	796,111	693,332
Deferred Inflows of Resources		
Pensions	749	615
OPEB	2,341	3,513
Total Liabilities and Deferred Inflows of Resources	799,201	697,460
NET POSITION RESTRICTED FOR PENSION BENEFITS	\$ 16,612,133	\$ 14,133,341

#### **ERS** STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN FIDUCIARY NET POSITION, UNAUDITED

For the Fiscal Years Ended September 30, 2024, and 2023

(\$ IN THOUSANDS)

Additions	2024	2023
CONTRIBUTIONS		
Employee	\$ 356,314	\$ 327,631
Employer	669,034	593,211
Transfers from the Teachers' Retirement System	6,265	6,825
Marketing & Advertising Revenue	330	248
Total Contributions	1,031,943	927,915
NVESTMENT INCOME		
FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES		
Net Increase in Fair Value of Investments	2,534,930	1,283,045
Interest and Dividends	401,483	370,837
Total Investment Income from Investing Activities	2,936,413	1,653,882
Less Investment Expenses, Net	3,617	3,611
Net Investment Income		
from Investing Activities	2,932,796	1,650,271
FROM SECURITIES LENDING ACTIVIT	TES	
Securities Lending Income	34,592	34,364
Less Securities Lending Expenses		
Borrower Rebates	29,509	28,834
Management Fees	1,508	1,907
Total Securities Lending Expenses	31,017	30,741
Net Income from Securities Lending Activities	3,575	3,623
Total Net Investment Income	2,936,371	1,653,894
Total Additions	3,968,314	2,581,809
Deductions		
Retirement Allowance Payments	1 401 610	1 266 601
Return of Contributions and	1,401,619	1,366,602
Death Benefits	59,285	55,427
Unit Withdrawals	892	
Transfers to the Teachers' Retirement System	9,036	8,526
Transfers to the Judicial Retirement Fund	276	249
Administrative Expenses	14,891	13,285
Depreciation	3,523	3,538
Total Deductions	1,489,522	1,447,627
hange in Net Position	2,478,792	1,134,182
NET POSITION RESTRICTED FOR PENSION BENEFITS		
FOR PENSION BENEFITS	14,133 341	12,999,150
	14,133,341 \$16,612,133	12,999,159



# 2024 HIGHLIGHTS

#### PURPOSE / The Judicial Retirement Fund of Alabama (JRF)

provides retirement allowances and other specified benefits for supreme court justices, court of appeals judges, circuit court judges, district court judges, circuit clerks, district attorneys, and probate judges. Responsibility for the management and administration of the JRF is vested in the ERS Board of Control.

851 Total Members
387 Active 464 Retired

Decreased Membership



#### **JRF REVENUE SOURCES**

(DOLLARS IN MILLIONS)

#### \$97.3 5.2 \$86.3 4.3 \$69.4 5.0 69.6 63.7 \$45.5 4.2 42.8 (\$26.5)4.7 23.2 \$0.0 2023 2024 2020 2021 Revenue / Sources Key /

2022

EMPLOYEE CONTRIBUTIONS **EMPLOYER** CONTRIBUTIONS

INVESTMENT

#### **PORTFOLIO AT FAIR VALUE**

(DOLLARS IN MILLIONS)



#### EMPLOYER RATE (% OF COVERED PAYROLL)



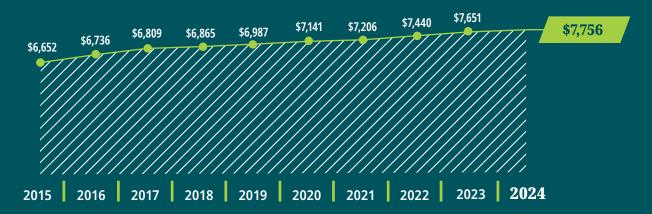
#### **TOTAL ANNUAL PAYMENTS**

(DOLLARS IN MILLIONS)



#### **AVERAGE MONTHLY BENEFITS**

(IN ACTUAL DOLLARS)





#### JRF STATEMENT OF FIDUCIARY NET POSITION, UNAUDITED

As of September 30, 2024, and 2023

(\$ IN THOUSANDS)

Assets	2024	2023
CASH	\$ 4,053	\$ 4,056
RECEIVABLES		
Employee Contributions	201	202
Employer Contributions	823	790
Investment Sales Receivable	4,492	
Dividends and Interest	1,370	1,328
Miscellaneous Receivable	_	230
Total Receivables	6,886	2,550
INVESTMENTS, AT FAIR VALUE		
Domestic Equity	187,508	155,019
Domestic Fixed Income	90,076	81,356
International Equities	55,198	49,075
Real Estate	7,573	6,744
Short-Term	31,442	25,286
Total Investments	371,797	317,480
Invested Securities Lending Collateral	4,224	10,737
Total Assets	386,960	334,823
Deferred Outflows of Resources		
Pensions Pensions	158	246
OPEB	7	7
Total Assets and Deferred Outflows of Resources	387,125	335,076
Liabilities		
Accounts Payable and Other Liabilities	152	122
Investment Purchases Payable	4,905	_
Net OPEB Liability	30	32
Net Pension Liability	622	628
Securities Lending Collateral	4,224	10,737
Total Liabilities	9,933	11,519
Deferred Inflows of Resources		
Pensions	8	3
OPEB	17	28
Total Liabilities and Deferred Inflows of Resources	9,958	11,550
NET POSITION RESTRICTED FOR PENSION BENEFITS	\$ 377,167	\$ 323,526

#### **JRF** STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN FIDUCIARY NET POSITION, UNAUDITED

For the Fiscal Years Ended September 30, 2024, and 2023

(\$ IN THOUSANDS)

Additions	2024	2023
CONTRIBUTIONS		
Employee	\$ 4,973	\$ 4,770
Employer	22,504	21,609
Transfers from the Employees' Retirement System	276	249
Total Contributions	27,753	26,628
INVESTMENT INCOME		
FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES		
Net Increase in Fair Value of Investments	60,573	34,443
Interest and Dividends	8,921	8,312
Total Investment Income from Investing Activities	69,494	42,755
FROM SECURITIES LENDING ACTIVITI	ES	
Securities Lending Income	371	380
Less Securities Lending Expenses		
Borrower Rebates	276	281
Management Fees	28	34
Total Securities Lending Expenses	304	315
Net Income from Securities Lending Activities	67	65
Total Net Investment Income	69,561	42,820
Total Additions	97,314	69,448
Deductions		
Retirement Allowance Payments	42,934	42,580
Return of Contributions and Death Benefits	179	341
Transfers to the Teachers' Retirement System		23
Administrative Expenses	559	527
Total Deductions	43,672	43,471
Change in Net Position	53,642	25,977
NET POSITION RESTRICTED FOR PENSION BENEFITS		
Beginning of Year	323,525	297,549
End of Year	\$ 377,167	\$ 323,526





PURPOSE / The Public Education Employees' Health Insurance Plan (PEEHIP) was established in 1983 to provide quality healthcare insurance benefits for the health and well-being of our members.

373,629 Members Dependents Served

**1,023** Increase over 2023

(\$ IN THOUSANDS)

2024



\$1,461,394

### **Total Claims Expense Active and Retired**

2020 - \$1,312,870 2021 - \$1,454,319 2022 - \$1,380,471 2023 - \$1,443,495



#### **PEEHIP** STATEMENT OF NET POSITION, UNAUDITED

As of September 30, 2024, and 2023

(\$ IN THOUSANDS)

Assets	2024	2023
CURRENT		
Cash	\$ 11,959	\$ 7,236
Premiums Receivable	4,517	4,441
Rebates Receivable	39,129	38,115
Miscellaneous Receivable	11,950	9,894
Interest Receivable	480	755
Deposit with Claims-Paying Agent	18,865	1,674
Total Current Assets	86,900	62,115
NONCURRENT		
Investments, at Fair Value	371,346	385,912
Total Assets	458,246	448,027
Deferred Outflows of Resources		
Pensions	2,791	3,714
OPEB	315	180
Total Deferred Outflows of Resources	3,106	3,894
Total Assets and Deferred Outflows of Resources	461,352	451,921
Liabilities CURRENT Accounts Payable	1,417	1,205
Due to Other Governments	492	452
Compensated Absences, Current	19	<del></del>
Reported Claims Payable	51,673	61,940
Claims Incurred But Not Reported	104,831	92,646
Deferred Revenue	12,622	7,980
Total Current Liabilities	171,054	164,240
NONCURRENT		
Compensated Absences	479	450
Net Pension Liability	5,350	4,936
Net OPEB Liability	975	934
Total Noncurrent Liabilities	6,804	6,320
Total Liabilities	177,858	170,560
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESO	OURCES	
Pensions	2,355	3,190
OPEB	789	1,182
Total Deferred Inflows of Resources	3,144	4,372
Total Liabilities and Deferred Inflows of Resources	181,002	174,932
Net Position	280,350	276,989
TOTAL LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS		
OF RESOURCES, AND NET POSITION	\$ 461,352	\$ 451,921

#### **PEEHIP STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENSES, &** CHANGES IN FUND NET POSITION, UNAUDITED

For the Fiscal Years Ended September 30, 2024, and 2023 (\$ IN THOUSANDS)

Operating	20	<b>24</b>	4	<b>2023</b>
Revenues				
Premiums	\$ 1,18	3,601	\$	1,143,410
Transfers from Internal Service Fund		3,500		40,000
Transfers from Education Trust Fund—Supplemental Appropriation				59,179
Total Operating Revenues	1,18	7,101	•	1,242,589
Operating				
Expenses				
Claims	1,20	01,416		1,163,103
Fees and Assessments		495		456
Administrative		4,305		3,494
<b>Total Operating Expenses</b>	1,20	6,216		1,167,053
Operating (Loss)/Income	(19	9,115)		75,536
nvestment				
Revenues				
AC V CII U CO				
Interest Income	2	21,032		15,144
		21,032 1,444	_	15,144 880
Interest Income Net Increase in Fair Value		,	_	,
Interest Income Net Increase in Fair Value of Investments	2	1,444	_	880
Interest Income  Net Increase in Fair Value of Investments  Total Investment Revenues	2	1,444 <b>2,476</b>	_	880 <b>16,024</b>
Interest Income  Net Increase in Fair Value of Investments  Total Investment Revenues Change in Net Position	2	1,444 <b>2,476</b>	_	880 <b>16,024</b>



# **Care Trust**

#### THE ALABAMA RETIRED EDUCATION EMPLOYEES' HEALTH CARE

Health / THE ALABAMA RETIRED EDUCATION EMPLOYEES THEALTH S.

TRUST is an irrevocable trust created by the Legislature in 2007 to begin funding post-employment healthcare benefits for retired education employees and their dependents in advance to address and ultimately offset the state's accrued liabilities for such benefits.

#### **HEALTH CARE TRUST STATEMENT OF** FIDUCIARY NET POSITION, UNAUDITED

As of September 30, 2024, and 2023

(\$ IN THOUSANDS)

Assets	2024	2023
RECEIVABLES		
Rebates Receivable	\$ 4,225	\$ 4,544
Miscellaneous Receivable	1,343	1,150
Interest and Dividends	5,715	5,588
Total Receivables	11,283	11,282
Deposit with Claims-Paying Agent	2,912	1,205
INVESTMENTS, AT FAIR VALU	E	
Commercial Paper	35,923	45,300
Money Market Funds	149,438	100,158
U.S. Government Guaranteed Bonds	152,869	139,687
U.S. Agency Securities	14,754	15,923
Mortgage-Backed Securities	113,594	98,166
Corporate Bonds	242,987	198,885
International Securities	298,823	244,737
Common Stocks	1,359,489	1,042,720
Preferred Stocks		3,529
Total Investments	2,367,877	1,889,105
Invested Securities Lending Collateral	86,717	84,908
Total Assets	2,468,789	1,986,500
Liabilities		
Securities Lending Collateral	86,717	84,908
Reported Claims Payable	5,710	7,243
Claims Incurred But Not Reported	18,829	16,506
Due to Other Governments	54	53
Total Liabilities	111,310	108,710
NET POSITION RESTRICTED FOR OTHER POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS	\$ 2,357,479	\$ 1,877,790

#### **HEALTH CARE TRUST STATEMENT OF** CHANGES IN FIDUCIARY NET POSITION, **UNAUDITED**

For the Fiscal Years Ended September 30, 2024, and 2023 (\$ IN THOUSANDS)

Additions	<b>2024</b>	<b>202</b> 3
CONTRIBUTIONS		
Employee Contributions	\$ 118,134	\$ 125,753
Employer Contributions	143,286	155,663
Employer Group Waiver Plan (EGWP)	270	293
Total Contributions	261,690	281,70
INVESTMENT INCOME		
FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES		
Net Increase in Fair Value of Investments	428,467	199,19
Interest and Dividends	49,959	44,07
Total Investment Income from Investing Activities	478,426	243,26
FROM SECURITIES LENDING ACTIVITIES		
Securities Lending Income	4,601	3,78
Less Securities Lending Expenses		3,70
Borrower Rebates	3,930	3,09
Management Fees	199	24
Total Securities Lending Expenses	4,129	3,33
Net Income from Securities Lending Activities	472	45
Total Net Investment Income	478,898	243,72
Total Additions	740,588	525,43
Deductions		
Benefits	259,978	280,39
Fees and Assessments	52	5
Administrative Expenses	869	92
Total Deductions	260,899	281,36
Change in Net Position	479,689	244,06
NET POSITION RESTRICTED FOOTHER POSTEMPLOYMENT BE		
Beginning of Year	1,877,790	1,633,72
End of Year	\$ 2,357,479	\$ 1,877,79





### PURPOSE / The RSA-1 Deferred Compensation Plan was established

in 1986 to allow members of the RSA and certain other eligible public employees to defer receipt of a percentage of their salary for retirement, thereby deferring payment of taxes on that income.

# \$2.9 Total Net Asset Value BILLION

\$1.6 / EQUITY
BILLION / INVESTMENT OPTION FUND

\$1.0 FIXED INCOME
INVESTMENT OPTION FUND

\$225.3 / STIF
INVESTMENT OPTION FUND



# **RSA-1 Rates of Returns by Fund Option**

12-MONTH PERIOD ENDING	TOTAL RETURN (IN %)	TOTAL NET ASSET VALUE (\$ IN MILLIONS)	PARTICIPATING MEMBERS
SEPTEMBER 30, 2020			
FIXED INCOME INVESTMENT OPTION	7.22	1,331.0	33,973
EQUITY INVESTMENT OPTION	15.07	957.6	24,778
STIF INVESTMENT OPTION	1.05	97.6	4,391
SEPTEMBER 30, 2021 —			
FIXED INCOME INVESTMENT OPTION	0.12	1,274.8	33,976
EQUITY INVESTMENT OPTION	30.12	1,238.6	26,064
STIF INVESTMENT OPTION	0.07	107.4	4,980
SEPTEMBER 30, 2022 —			
FIXED INCOME INVESTMENT OPTION	-12.75	1,014.0	33,440
EQUITY INVESTMENT OPTION	-15.43	1,002.8	27,042
STIF INVESTMENT OPTION	0.81	1,809.1	6,439
SEPTEMBER 30, 2023 —			
FIXED INCOME INVESTMENT OPTION	2.26	965.4	33,052
EQUITY INVESTMENT OPTION	21.61	1,210.9	27,794
STIF INVESTMENT OPTION	4.91	213.9	7,522
SEPTEMBER 30, 2024 ————			
FIXED INCOME INVESTMENT OPTION	11.33	1,008.5	33,061
EQUITY INVESTMENT OPTION	36.29	1,625.8	29,306
STIF INVESTMENT OPTION	5.63	225.3	8,501



#### RSA-1 OFFERS THREE FUND OPTIONS FOR ITS MEMBERS TO INVEST.

RSA-1 offers a fixed income fund, equity fund, and short-term investment fund. Each member chooses his or her own allocations.

# **RSA-1 Asset Allocation by Fund Option**

ALL NUMBERS AS OF SEPTEMBER 30, 2024, AND SEPTEMBER 30, 2023

	FIX		EQU			-TERM
	INCOM	INCOME FUND		FUND		ENT FUND
	2024	2023	2024	2023	2024	2023
MONEY MARKET	<b>2.3</b> %	1.8%	0.02%	0.1%	100.0%	100.0%
COMMON STOCK			99.98%	99.9%		
CORPORATE BONDS	<b>45.7</b> %	42.3%				
U.S. GOVERNMENT GUARANTEED	28.1%	31.4%				
COLLATERALIZED MORTGAGE OBLIGATIONS	16.8%	<b>15.6</b> %				
GNMA	3.6%	3.8%				
U.S. AGENCY SECURITIES	3.2%	3.5%				
PREFERRED STOCK	_	1.2%				
PRIVATE PLACEMENTS	0.3%	0.4%				

Beginning of Year

End of Year



#### **RSA-1** STATEMENT OF FIDUCIARY NET POSITION, UNAUDITED

As of September 30, 2024, and 2023

(IN ACTUAL DOLLARS)

Assets CASH	<b>2024</b> \$ -	<b>2023</b> \$ 500,334
RECEIVABLES		
Interest and Dividends Receivable	8,170,108	9,034,444
INVESTMENTS, AT FAIR VALU	E	
Money Market Funds	247,615,263	232,274,138
U.S. Treasuries	281,786,794	300,865,674
U.S. Agency Securities	31,911,840	32,992,438
GNMAs	35,852,047	36,580,465
CMOs	168,641,022	149,675,943
Corporate Bonds	457,897,037	405,624,877
Private Placements	3,064,986	3,474,119
Common and Preferred Stocks	1,624,768,556	1,219,684,944
Total Investments	2,851,537,545	2,381,172,598
Invested Securities Lending Collateral	51,437,039	50,981,666
Total Assets	2,911,144,692	2,441,689,042
Liabilities		
Securities Lending Collateral	51,437,039	50,981,666
Total Liabilities	51,437,039	50,981,666
NET POSITION RESTRICTED FOR DEFERRED COMPENSATION BENEFITS	\$2,859,707,653	\$2,390,707,376

#### **RSA-1** STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN FIDUCIARY NET POSITION, UNAUDITED

For the Fiscal Years Ended September 30, 2024, and 2023 (IN ACTUAL DOLLARS)

Additions  MEMBER CONTRIBUTIONS	<b>2024</b> \$ 74,744,086	<b>2023</b> \$76,754,777
INVESTMENT INCOME		
FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES		
Interest and Dividends	68,511,227	64,152,347
Net Increase in Fair Value of Investments	485,154,264	183,152,743
Total Investment Income from Investing Activities	553,665,491	247,305,090
FROM SECURITIES LENDING ACTIVITIE	ES	
Securities Lending Income	3,572,635	2,012,610
Less Securities Lending Expenses		
Borrower Rebates	2,911,251	1,463,980
Management Fees	196,425	185,888
Total Securities Lending Expenses	3,107,676	1,649,868
Net Income from Securities Lending Activities	464,959	362,742
Total Net Investment Income	554,130,450	247,667,832
Total Additions	628,874,536	324,422,609
Deductions		
Normal Distributions	159,874,259	139,647,174
Total Deductions	159,874,259	139,647,174
Change in Net Position	469,000,277	184,775,435
NET POSITION RESTRICTED FO COMPENSATION BENEFITS	R DEFERRED	

2,390,707,376

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# PEIRAF FUND OPTIONS

#### The Public Employees' Individual Retirement Account Fund (PEIRAF)

was established to allow public employees to receive the fullest benefits offered by the Economic Recovery Tax Act (ERTA) of 1981 as it relates to individual retirement accounts. Upon its creation in 1982, PEIRAF operated as a fixed-income portfolio. Funds were invested in fixed-income investments such as corporate bonds, U.S. agency obligations, government national mortgage association securities, and commercial paper.

The Tax Reform Act of 1986 prohibited contributions to deductible voluntary employee contribution plans, such as PEIRAF, for years after 1986. Accordingly, the PEIRAF Board of Control discontinued receiving contributions to this plan after December 31, 1986. However, the PEIRAF continues to reinvest the interest earnings of existing PEIRAF member accounts.

As of 2022, PEIRAF offers three fund options for its members to invest. PEIRAF offers a fixed income fund, equity fund, and short-term investment fund. Each member chooses his or her own allocations.



# **PEIRAF Asset Allocation by Fund Option**

ALL NUMBERS AS OF SEPTEMBER 30, 2024, AND SEPTEMBER 30, 2023

	FIXED INCOME FUND		EQUITY FUND		SHORT-TERM INVESTMENT FUND	
	2024	2023	2024	2023	2024	2023
MONEY MARKET	1.7%	<b>2.1</b> %	0.1%	<b>0.1</b> %	100.0%	100.0%
COMMON STOCK			99.9%	99.9%		
CORPORATE BONDS	46.7%	42.7%				
U.S. GOVERNMENT GUARANTEED	26.4%	31.1%				
COLLATERALIZED MORTGAGE OBLIGATIONS	<b>17.0</b> %	<b>15.7</b> %				
GNMA	4.7%	4.8%				
U.S. AGENCY SECURITIES	3.5%	3.6%				



#### **PEIRAF** STATEMENT OF FIDUCIARY **NET POSITION, UNAUDITED**

As of September 30, 2024, and 2023

(IN ACTUAL DOLLARS)

Assets INTEREST RECEIVABLE	<b>2024</b> \$ 365,202	<b>2023</b> \$ 409,422	
	\$ 303,202	¥ 409,422	
INVESTMENTS, AT FAIR VALUE			
Money Market and Mutual Funds	3,879,393	3,820,080	
U.S. Government Guaranteed Bonds	12,579,598	14,646,726	
U.S. Agency Securities	1,649,954	1,671,728	
GNMAs	2,234,020	2,279,591	
CMOs	8,126,484	7,408,120	
Corporate Bonds	22,260,802	20,132,418	
Common Stocks	7,527,213	5,021,062	
Total Investments	58,257,464	54,979,725	
Invested Securities			
Lending Collateral	7,193,309	7,089,892	
Total Assets	65,815,975	62,479,039	
Liabilities			
Securities Lending Collateral	7,193,309	7,089,892	
Total Liabilities	7,193,309	7,089,892	
NET POSITION RESTRICTED FOR PEIRAF BENEFITS	\$ 58,622,666	\$ 55,389,147	

#### **PEIRAF** STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN FIDUCIARY NET POSITION, UNAUDITED

For the Fiscal Years Ended September 30, 2024, and 2023 (IN ACTUAL DOLLARS)

Additions INVESTMENT INCOME	2024	2023
FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES		
Interest and Dividends	\$ 1,991,134	\$ 1,996,237
Net Increase in Fair Value of Investments	5,343,128	84,446
Total Investment Increase from Investing Activities	7,334,262	2,080,683
FROM SECURITIES LENDING ACTIVITIE	S	
Securities Lending Income	260,804	165,678
Less Securities Lending Expenses		
Borrower Rebates	222,180	117,428
Management Fees	11,491	16,064
Total Securities Lending Expenses	233,671	133,492
Net Income from Securities Lending Activities	27,133	32,186
Total Net Investment Income	7,361,395	2,112,869
Total Additions	7,361,395	2,112,869
<b>Deductions</b>		
Distributions	4,127,876	4,124,118
Total Deductions	4,127,876	4,124,118
Change in Net Position	3,233,519	(2,011,249)
NET POSITION RESTRICTED FOR PEIRAF BENEFITS		
Beginning of Year	55,389,147	57,400,396
End of Year	\$ 58,622,666	\$55,389,147

RETIREMENT SYSTEMS OF ALABAMA

# INVESTMENTS

2024 HIGHLIGHTS

PURPOSE / Building on a *LEGACY* of prudent investment management providing outstanding results with some of the lowest investment expenses in the industry.

# 2024 AWARD-WINNING INVESTMENTS

The RSA is pleased to be a leading player in Alabama's hospitality industry and continues to work very hard to maintain multiple coveted industry recognitions. Over the years we have acquired, developed, and redeveloped hotel properties making them more efficient, more profitable, and more valuable.

# Grand Hotel Golf Resort & Spa,

**Autograph Collection** 

Set on 550 acres of stunning natural beauty at the mouth of Mobile Bay, the Grand is a modern sanctuary of golf, tennis, beach, pools, and spa—an enchanting destination filled with gracious Southern charm. Here, you'll find 405 luxurious rooms and suites, a 20,000 square-foot spa, nine dining and bar options, two 18-hole championship golf courses, ten tennis courts, two championship croquet lawns, 11 pickleball courts, and more than 41,000 square feet of meeting space. This year, the Grand continues its tradition of being recognized with national hospitality industry awards.

#### 2024 HOTEL OF THE YEAR

/Marriott Hotels

2024 #3 BEST WATERFRONT HOTEL

/USA Today

2024 #4 BEST HISTORIC HOTEL

/USA Today

2024 READERS' CHOICE

/ConventionSouth





## Renaissance Birmingham Ross Bridge **Golf Resort & Spa**

The Renaissance Birmingham Ross Bridge Golf Resort & Spa recently completed a major expansion of the resort's pool amenity and updated the existing facilities. A new adult pool, deck area, bar, and restrooms have been added. The resort created three new fire pits, seven cabanas, and a band shell for live music. Another great addition is a scenic trail that allows access to the cabanas and upper deck. This renovation increases the pool area's occupancy by 110 guests.

#### 2023 RENOVATION EXCELLENCE

Marriott International National Association (MINA) pictured on right

#### **2023 TOP 100 USA SPAS**

/Spas of America / awarded to The Spa at Ross Bridge

#### 2024 **20 BEST GOLF RESORTS IN THE SOUTH**

Southern Living



# Marriott Shoals Hotel & Spa

The Marriott Shoals Hotel & Spa has renovated and expanded its pool facilities, increasing the occupancy by 106 guests. The resort added a new adult deck area, along with a catering and food service facility. The Shoals also added two new fire pits and five cabanas. With the additions, the landscaping and furnishings are being updated and enhanced.

#### 2023 TOP 100 USA SPAS

/Spas of America / awarded to The Spa at the Shoals

# Renaissance Montgomery Hotel & Spa at the Convention Center

#### **2023 TOP 100 USA SPAS**

/Spas of America / awarded to The Spa at Montgomery

# Auburn Marriott Opelika Resort & Spa at Grand National

#### **2023 TOP 100 USA SPAS**

/Spas of America / awarded to The Spa at Grand National



# **PCH Hotels & Resorts**

The mission of the RSA's PCH Hotels & Resorts is to create success by operating superior hotels that enhance the guest experience, provide a great workplace for associates, and generate the best possible return for ownership.

#### **2023 BEST COMPANIES TO WORK FOR IN ALABAMA**

/Business Alabama magazine

2023 J. W. MARRIOTT, JR. **GUEST EXPERIENCE AWARD** 

/MINA & Full Service Owners Conference

### **Robert Trent Jones Golf Trail**

#### The Shoals

#### 2024 LEADING INDIVIDUAL **GOLF VISIT EXPERIENCE\***

59Club USA's Inaugural Service **Excellence Awards** 

\*Tied with Cascata Golf Club (CDN Golf Management)

#### **Capitol Hill**

**#2 BEST PUBLIC-ACCESS COURSES IN ALABAMA** 

/Golfweek / awarded to The Judge

**#5 BEST PUBLIC-ACCESS COURSES IN ALABAMA** 

/Golfweek / awarded to The Legislator

#### **Grand National**

**#3 BEST PUBLIC-ACCESS COURSES IN ALABAMA** 

/Golfweek / awarded to Lake Course

**#10 BEST PUBLIC-ACCESS COURSES IN ALABAMA** 

/Golfweek / awarded to Links Course

#### Ross Bridge

**#4 BEST PUBLIC-ACCESS COURSES IN ALABAMA** 

/Golfweek



#### Cambrian Ridge

**#6 BEST PUBLIC-ACCESS COURSES IN ALABAMA** 

/Golfweek / awarded to Sherling/Canyon

#### Magnolia Grove

**#9 BEST PUBLIC-ACCESS COURSES IN ALABAMA** 

/Golfweek / awarded to Falls Course

# **Fixed Income Activity**

Towards the end of the previous fiscal year, Fitch Ratings stripped the U.S. government of its AAA status, citing the "expected fiscal deterioration, growing general government debt burden, and the erosion of governance." Hawkish rhetoric at the September Federal Open Market Committee (FOMC) meeting pushed rates meaningfully higher, with the long end of the curve taking the brunt of the punishment. At the time, we stated that the market had positioned itself for a potential recession that never came to fruition. Fiscal year 2024 has played out fairly the same, with a few caveats along the way.

Treasury yields were on the move again at the beginning of the new fiscal year as elevated readings regarding inflation reinforced policymakers' need to keep short-term interest rates higher for longer. Consumer spending also showed surprising strength during this time as retail sales continued to eclipse expectations. Intermediate and long-term treasury yields crossed the 5% threshold, while investment grade and mortgage-backed spread levels widened. This march higher ended soon after as borrowing projections from the Treasury Department were lower than anticipated, and comments from Federal Reserve Chairman Jav Powell fueled investors' optimism that additional rate hikes were off the table. Thus began a sizable decline in government yields and a massive rally in risk assets to end the calendar year.

With policymakers holding rates steady for three consecutive meetings, financial markets were pricing in a total of six interest rate cuts in 2024, with the first arriving at the March FOMC meeting. However, a strong retail sales number for the month of December led to an abrupt selloff in risk assets. A few Fed officials also pushed back on the poised-to-cut narrative.

With the economy exceeding growth forecasts during the fourth quarter, the Chairman essentially threw cold water on a potential cut at the March meeting. That is understandable, given the continued strength in the labor market, growth in hourly earnings, and an unemployment rate still hovering below 4%. This, coupled with a few monthly consumer price increases, led to multiple bearish selloffs in the bond market during Spring 2024.

In early May, the FOMC maintained its target rate at 5.25-5.50% and announced its intention to

reduce the amount of balance sheet runoff within its treasury holdings. A slightly softer employment picture and an adjustment higher in the unemployment rate reduced the upward pressure on bond yields. Core CPI, which excludes food and energy costs, slowed to a 3.60% annual increase, its lowest reading in three years. The following weeks revealed conflicting data points on the state of the economy, while the underlying theme of lower inflation shifted the rate structure lower.

Volatility began to pick up as the fund headed into the final quarter of the fiscal year. Softerthan-expected data, highlighted by the monthly decline in the June CPI print, resulted in a dramatic bull steepening in the yield curve. Dovish signaling by Chairman Powell at the FOMC press conference on the last day of the month strengthened investors' confidence in a rate cut at its next meeting in September. A contraction in manufacturing data and a sizable payroll miss at the beginning of August sent rate expectations crashing. The solid labor market that the hawks have pointed to time and again had seemingly cracked. Front-end treasury yields plummeted over 25bps, with intermediate and long-end securities not far behind. The market began to price in approximately five interest rate cuts by the end of the calendar year. Risk assets, including corporate bonds, fared well during this time as the resilience of the consumer kept the economy on track.

By early September, the yield curve finally normalized after staying inverted for two years. Short-term treasury yields fell approximately 125bps since the beginning of the quarter. The number of policy moves expected by the middle of next year had steadily risen to ten. At its September meeting, the Fed delivered a 50bp cut to remove itself from restrictive territory while the inflation picture had become much clearer. **The fiscal year ended with a five-month rally in bonds, the best run within fixed income in over a decade.** 

For the fiscal year, the total annual returns for the public domestic fixed-income portfolios were 11.50% for the TRS, 11.47% for the ERS, and 11.43% for the JRF. The five-year annualized returns were 1.34% for the TRS, 1.32% for the ERS, and 1.32% for the JRF. The ten-year annualized returns were 2.52% for the TRS, 2.51% for the ERS, and 2.43% for the JRF.



# **Equity Activity**

Fiscal year 2024 followed the lead of the prior year, with market returns up across the board in all our asset classes. Despite coming into the year with broad expectations that prior Federal Reserve rate hikes would slow the economy, the much-hyped soft landing/no landing scenario for the economy won out. Despite the continued inverted yield curve, a wealth of geopolitical concerns, and a presidential election year that proved to be anything but cordial, the economy stayed the course. By the end of the fiscal year, corporate earnings, as measured by the S&P 500, look to be up about 8% compared to 2023. The offset to this is that valuation levels are not as attractive currently because we witnessed a big jump in market multiples. With a large part of gains coming from P/E expansion, the message is expectations going forward have moved higher. This means the bar has been reset, so the results needed to sustain the market move may prove more challenging.

Looking at the portfolio, we have continued to pare back our overweighting in large capitalization stocks. The past two years have seen an inordinate amount of returns coming from the mega-cap companies. Much of that can be attributed to the large spend around Artificial Intelligence as it has become the dominate theme in technology. We have benefited from our exposure over the past two years, but feel that maintaining the rapid growth experienced by the AI-centric companies will be hard to follow in the foreseeable future. Thus, we have continued to ratchet down our exposure. We did

see good breadth improvement as we moved

deeper into the year, with both mid- and small-cap stocks posting returns north of 25%. International equities fared about the same as mid- and small-cap, up around 25%. This is noteworthy, considering the economies of the larger weightings in the international equity portfolio have been teetering on the edge of a recession the last year.

Looking forward, we expect more of the same from a fiscal policy standpoint. The history of fiscal spending by the Trump administration shows little regard for the large deficit the U.S. has incurred since the GFC and through the COVID period. We expect there will be heightened volatility as the administration rolls out their new fiscal policies and the markets readjust. We have been redeploying our equity sales into the core fixed-income portfolio, as well as building up cash in the event there is a pullback associated with any uncertainty around big policy changes that may be forthcoming.

For the year, the RSA domestic equity portfolios returned 31.83%, 32.22%, and 30.62% for the TRS, ERS, and JRF funds, respectively. International equity returns were fairly homogeneous in both the developed and emerging markets portfolios. Total international equity returns were 25.03% for the TRS, 25.04% for the ERS, and 24.94% for the JRF. The combined total returns for the overall equity portfolios were 30.18%, 30.48%, and 29.24% for the TRS, ERS, and JRF, respectively. Three-, five-, and ten-year annualized global equity returns were 8.99%, 12.81%, and 10.79% for the TRS, 9.12%, 12.88%, and 10.85% for the ERS, and 8.87%, 12.88%, and 10.88% for the JRF, respectively.



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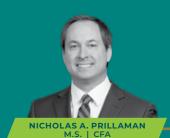
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### **Returns**

FOR THE PERIOD ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2024 (IN %)	NET ASSET VALUE	1 YEAR	3 YEARS	5 YEARS	10 YEARS
TOTAL PORTFOLIO					
TRS	\$32,009,959,513	21.10	6.00	9.05	8.00
ERS	16,515,243,613	21.21	5.97	9.00	8.07
JRF	373,023,221	22.21	6.05	9.17	8.07
TOTAL DOMESTIC EQUITY					
TRS	15,302,732,296	31.83	10.05	14.15	12.14
ERS	7,911,215,203	32.22	10.28	14.29	12.21
JRF	184,375,290	30.62	9.84	14.25	12.28
DOMESTIC EQUITY BENCHMARKS					
S&P 500		36.35	11.91	15.98	13.38
Mid Cap 400		26.79	7.47	11.78	10.32
Small Cap 600		25.86	3.99	10.21	10.05
TOTAL INTERNATIONAL EQUITY					
TRS	4,734,446,625	25.03	5.55	8.25	5.96
ERS	2,387,752,110	25.04	5.37	8.15	5.87
JRF	55,759,753	24.94	5.72	8.29	5.99
INTERNATIONAL EQUITY BENCHMARKS					
MSCI EAFE (NET)		24.77	5.48	8.20	5.71
MSCI Emerging Markets		26.05	0.40	5.75	4.02
STOXX Europe 600 Optimised Cyclicals		31.75	4.50	8.59	3.40
TOTAL FIXED INCOME AND ALTERNATIVES					
TRS	9,390,142,055	8.30	0.66	2.16	3.11
ERS	4,831,078,039	8.43	0.46	2.20	3.44
JRF	101,422,367	11.63	0.09	1.65	2.53
FIXED INCOME BENCHMARKS					
Bloomberg Aggregate		11.57	-1.39	0.33	1.84

# **Maturity Structure**

The management of maturities for the bond portfolio is an integral part of the RSA's objective of providing a stable cash flow to meet retirement benefit needs. The RSA has historically structured its purchases in longer-term securities with intermediate call protection or average lives in order to meet its retirement obligations.

#### MATURITY STRUCTURE (IN %)

	TRS				ERS			
Years to Maturity	2024	2023	2022	2024	2023	2022		
<1	6	6	7	6	6	7		
1 to 5	35	37	37	36	38	37		
6 to 10	18	20	20	18	20	20		
>10	41	36	35	40	35	35		
= or >30	0	1	1	0	1	1		

# **Quality Evaluation**

The RSA continued its long-standing policy of investing in high-quality, fixed-income products. Bond ratings, however, provide only a starting point in the evaluation of the relative investment qualities of a bond. Times have changed dramatically over the past decade, and few companies today have a rating of AAA to A. Many companies are now rated BAA or lower.

#### **QUALITY EVALUATION (IN %)**

		TRS			ERS			
Rating	2024	2023	2022	2024	2023	2022		
AAA*	57	58	52	57	58	52		
AA	1	1	1	1	1	1		
A	13	12	12	13	12	12		
BAA	18	19	23	18	19	23		
BA	1	1	1	1	1	1		
Not Rated	10	9	11	10	9	11		

<sup>\*</sup>TREASURY, AGENCY, AND AGENCY MBS SECURITIES



# **Broker Commissions Paid**

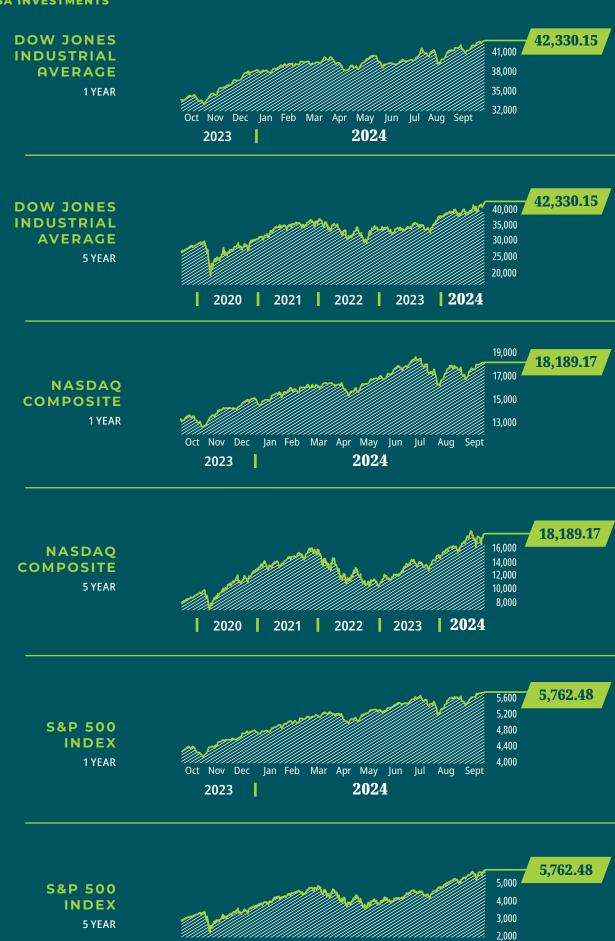
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COWEN		82
GOLDMAN SACHS	247	
INSTINET		
INTERNATIONAL STRATEGY AND INVESTMENT—ISI	271	
ISSUER DESIGNATED		435
JEFFERIES	33	
JP MORGAN CHASE	71	213
MARBLE WEALTH	50	
MORGAN STANLEY	534	184
NATIONAL BANK OF COMMERCE SECURITIES	80	
PIPER SANDLER	43	
RAYMOND JAMES & ASSOCIATES	175	
RENAISSANCE SECURITIES	213	
ROYAL BANK OF CANADA—RBC	148	154
SEAPORT	19	
SECURITIES CAPITAL	43	
STIFEL NICOLAUS	337	2
STRATEGAS	245	
TRUIST		25
UBS SECURITIES	68	
WELLS FARGO	402	237
WILLIAM BLAIR	90	

TOTAL \$4,484

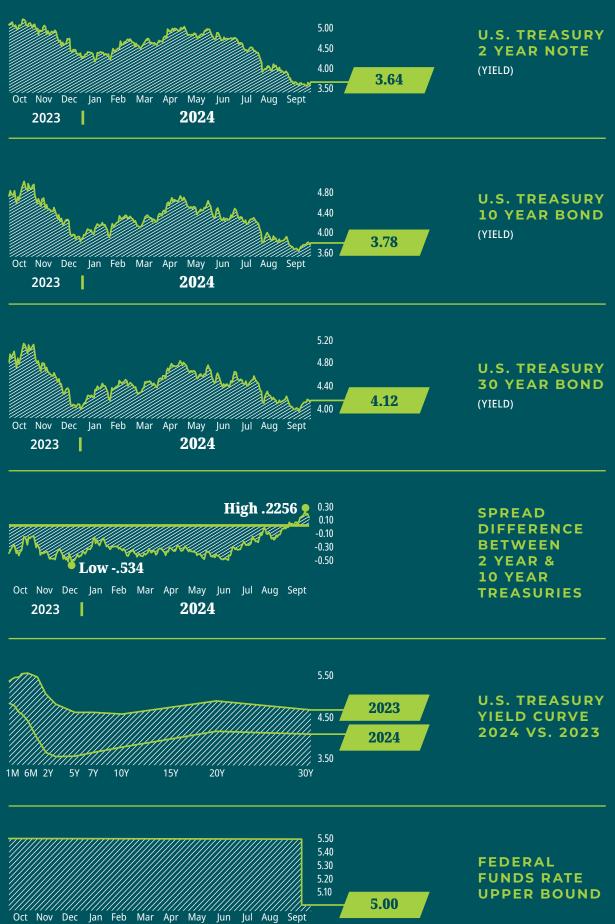
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2020 2021 2022 2023 **2024** 







#### **Member Services Contact Center**

Take advantage of Member Services' personalized assistance concerning your retirement and healthcare benefits by contacting the Member Services Contact Center at 877.517.0020 or 334.517.7000. You may also send an email to member.services@rsa-al.gov.

RSA-AL.GOV Please visit the Retirement Systems of Alabama website. All RSA members can register and easily view their address online, and add or update their phone number and email address. In addition, TRS, ERS, JRF, and RSA-1 members can view their account information online. PEEHIP members can also view their current PEEHIP coverages, change coverages, enroll in new coverages, and/or enroll or reenroll in flexible spending accounts during Open Enrollment.

#### To Visit Member Services

RSA HEADQUARTERS 201 SOUTH UNION STREET, MONTGOMERY, AL 36104

#### FROM THE NORTH

Follow I-65 South into Montgomery. Take the I-85 North exit to the right to Atlanta. Stay in the righthand lane and take the first exit on I-85, which is the Court Street exit. Stay on the service road until you reach Union Street. Turn left on Union Street. Continue on Union Street through two traffic lights. The RSA Headquarters is on the right before Adams Avenue. Members may park in the open lot in front of the parking deck.

#### FROM THE **EAST**

Follow I-85 South to downtown Montgomery and take the Union Street exit on the right. Take the first right on the service road onto Union Street. Continue on Union Street through one traffic light. The RSA Headquarters is on the right before Adams Avenue. Members may park in the open lot in front of the parking deck.

#### FROM THE WEST

Follow Highway 80 to I-65. Follow I-65 North to Montgomery, Approaching Montgomery, stay in the right-hand lane and exit onto I-85 North to Atlanta. Continue in the right-hand lane, then take the first exit, which is Court Street. Stay on the service road until you reach Union Street. Turn left on Union Street. Continue on Union Street through two traffic lights. The RSA Headquarters is on the right-hand side before Adams Avenue. Members may park in the open lot in front of the parking deck.

#### FROM THE **SOUTH**

Follow I-65 North to Montgomery. Approaching Montgomery, stay in the right-hand lane and exit onto I-85 North to Atlanta. Continue in the righthand lane, then take the first exit, which is Court Street. Stay on the service road until you reach Union Street. Turn left on Union Street. Continue on Union Street through two traffic lights. The RSA Headquarters is on the right before Adams Avenue. Members may park in the open lot in front of the parking deck.



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