

PERSI Total Return Fund

Public Employee Retirement System of Idaho

Fund Objective

The purpose of the investment of fund assets is to provide funds to meet the obligations of PERSI while incurring the appropriate amount of risk consistent with attaining that goal. The Board will invest the assets of the fund so as to meet the projected obligations of the System, and will reduce risk through diversification of the assets of the fund.

Investment Focus

A diversified portfolio with a mix of active and passive management, fixed income and equities, real estate and private equity, and an array of management styles.

Quick Facts

Assets¹
\$9.1 Billion

Ticker Symbol
N/A (not publicly traded)

Inception
July 1, 1965



The Public Employee Retirement System of Idaho (PERSI) manages more than \$9.1 billion dollars¹ in assets, providing retirement and disability benefits for nearly 124,000 members and beneficiaries. Collectively, the assets of the system constitute the PERSI Total Return Fund. The PERSI fund has been unitized, making it possible for members to invest in the fund as participants in the PERSI Choice Plan 401(k). In fact, the PERSI Total Return Fund is the default option for the PERSI Choice Plan, meaning any contributions made to a participant's Choice Plan will be invested in the PERSI Total Return Fund unless the participant has affirmatively elected other investment alternatives. This document is intended as a summary description of the PERSI Total Return Fund. More detailed information is available in PERSI's latest Annual Financial Report.²

Daily Unit Value

The value of the PERSI Total Return Fund is determined each business day by the custodian using procedures approved by PERSI.³ This value is divided by the number of units or shares to determine a daily unit value, similar to the process used by mutual funds. If a material misstatement of a unit value occurs, the unit price will be restated and appropriate adjustments will be made to participant accounts. Some of the assets in the PERSI Total Return Fund are not revalued on a daily basis because the change in their value is generally determined on a periodic basis using industry-accepted standards such as, for example, real estate appraisals. These include private real estate holdings and private equity investments. The value of these assets are included in the daily unit value based on the latest available valuation, usually quarterly. More detailed information about PERSI's real estate and private equity holdings is available in PERSI's latest Annual Financial Report.

Asset Allocation and Management

PERSI is governed by a Retirement Board⁴ consisting of five (5) members appointed by the Governor. With the assistance of a Chief Investment Officer⁵ appointed by the Board, and other outside consultants selected by or under the supervision of the Board, the Board determines how the assets of the fund should be allocated among various asset classes, and selects investment managers. More detail on these processes is available in the Board's Statement of Investment Policy.⁶

Virtually all of the fund's assets are managed by outside managers, all experienced in their particular asset class. The following table lists current managers by asset type.

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Top Sector US Equity Holdings

(by allocation)

Financial Services	21.7%
Technology	13.8%
Health Care	12.3%
Producer Durables	11.0%
Consumer Disc.	10.6%
Utilities	8.6%
Consumer Staples	7.6%
Energy	7.5%
Materials & Processing	6.5%

Top Stock Holdings

Microsoft
Goldman Sachs
IBM
Exxon Mobil
Johnson & Johnson
Proctor & Gamble
Walmart
AT&T
Coca Cola
Pfizer

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¹ All data as of June 30, 2009.

² Copies of PERSI's latest Annual Financial Report are available at no cost from PERSI, or may be accessed on PERSI's Web site: www.persi.idaho.gov.

³ Copies of these procedures are available at no cost from PERSI, or may be accessed on PERSI's Web site: www.persi.idaho.gov

⁴ Members of the Retirement Board are: Jody B. Olson, Chairman; Jeff Cilek, William Deal, Joy Fisher, and J. Kirk Sullivan.

⁵ PERSI's Chief Investment Officer is Robert M. Maynard.

⁶ The Board's Statement of Investment Policy is included in the Annual Financial Report.

U.S. Eq. Large /All Cap Mellon S&P 500 Peregrine Tukman Small Cap Mellon Midcap Mellon R2000 Donald Smith Mtn. Pacific TCW Dom	Global Eq. Barings Bernstein Brandes Cap Guardian Zesiger	Other Eq. Real Estate Adelante (Public REITs) Koll-PER Olympic IDA Prudential Private Equity Individual Limited Partnerships	International Eq. Developed Mellon EAFE Mondrian Emerging Markets Bernstein Genesis Currency Hedge Pareto Partners	Fixed Income Passive SSgA Gov/Credit Core Western Global Barings Mortgages Clearwater DBF ID Mtgs. DBF MBS TIPS SSgA Western
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The table below shows both actual and target allocations.

Asset Class	Strategic Normal	Strategic Ranges	Allocation Year Ended June 30, 2009
U.S. Equity	55%	50% - 65%	54.0%
International Equity	15%	10% - 20%	17.7%
Total Equities	70%	66% - 77%	71.7%
Fixed Income	30%	23% - 33%	28.2%
Cash	0%	0% - 5%	0.1%

More detailed information concerning allocations and managers is available in PERSI's latest Annual Financial Report.

