Finance Committee Meeting

April 20, 2026

Summer 2026

Capital Projects

Summer 2026 Capital Projects

Building/Dept.	Project	Budget Projection	Costs	Pricing Status	Vendor	Funding Source
High School	UV Light for Pool Replacement	$81,400	**$49,500**	**Final**	Black's Water Conditioning	GF Assigned Fund Balance For Capital Projects
Oak Flat	Replace Water Heaters (with On-Demand)	$55,000	**$51,485**	**Final**	Lobar Assoc.	GF Assigned Fund Balance For Capital Projects
Middle School & Mount Rock	Brick Repointing	$250,000	**$233,095**	**Final**	Structural Restoration	GF Assigned Fund Balance For Capital Projects
Oak Flat	Commons, Gym Sound system	$40,000	**$15,811**	**Final**	AV Solutions	GF Assigned Fund Balance For Capital Projects
Middle School	MS Auditorium Light Relays/Control Board	$25,000	**$21,776**	**Final**	AV Solutions	GF Assigned Fund Balance For Capital Projects
District Admin. Office	Update Cat6 Cabling	$125,000	**$69,500**	**Final**	Kirbtech	GF Assigned Fund Balance For Capital Projects
IT/District-wide	Security Camera Replacements	$50,000	**$50,000**	**Not to exceed**	TBD	GF Assigned Fund Balance For Capital Projects
	Sub-Total	**$626,400**	**$491,168**			
Athletics	Stadium Press Box Upgrade/Replacement on Home Side - Box, Delivery, & Installation	$405,000	$168,934.38 + TBD $	**TBD**		GF Assigned Fund Balance For Capital Projects
Oak Flat	Adaptive Playground	$175,000-$200,000	$246,911 - $292,329	**Quote**	TBD	GF Assigned Fund Balance For Capital Projects
	Sub-Total	**$580,000 - $605,000**	**$415,845 - $461,263 +TBD $**			
Transportation	Tablets and Installation of Route & Stop Assist. & Parent My Ride App		$53,249	**Quote**	Traversa	GF Assigned Fund Balance For Capital Projects
MS/DO	Boiler Project		TBD		TBD	GF Assigned Fund Balance For Capital Projects
High School	TV Studio Remodel		TBD		TBD	GF Assigned Fund Balance For Capital Projects
Elementary	Elementary Chromebooks - 1 or 2 grade levels		$130,000 - $260,000		TBD	GF Assigned Fund Balance For Capital Projects
Mount Rock & Oak Flat	**Intercom Speaker Replacements**	**$80,000**	**$80,000**	**Estimate**	**TBD**	**2025/2026 PCCD Safety & Security Grant**
	Sub-Total	**$1,286,400 - $1,311,400**	**$1,090,262 - $1,265,680 + TBD $**			

Set Aside in GF Assigned Fund Balance for Capital Projects	**$**	**1,744,205**

2026-2027

Budget Update

2024-2025 Fiscal Year End Review

2024-2025 Fiscal Year End Results		
Revenues	$	66,530,905.00
Interest Earnings	$	(799,143.45)
State Funding for Cyber Charter Reimb.	$	(362,688.00)
State Funding for Adequacy Supplement	$	(270,878.50)
Earned Income Tax	$	(253,403.60)
Interim Real Estate Tax	$	(162,895.93)
Realty Transfer Tax	$	(193,353.83)
Total Revenues Removing Unanticipated Gains/One-Time Wins	**$**	**64,488,541.69**

		Recommended Variance of Expenses	
		1%	2%
Expenses	**64,403,424.00**		
Unrealized Surplus/(Deficit)	**85,117.69**	**644,034.24**	**1,288,068.48**

2024-2025 Budget	
Revenues	64,912,917.00
Expenses	65,419,807.00
Projected Deficit	**(506,890.00)**

5 Year Projection

Scenario 1						
		26/27	27/28	28/29	29/30	30/31
Revenue	Estimated 2% increase per year	$66,602,411.00	$67,252,914.00	$67,916,533.00	$68,593,463.00	$69,283,900.00
Expenses	Estimated 3.3% increase per year	$67,110,743.00	$69,325,397.52	$71,613,135.64	$73,976,369.11	$76,417,589.29
Yearly Deficit		($508,332.00)	($2,072,483.52)	($3,696,602.64)	($5,382,906.11)	($7,133,689.29)
Compound Deficit			($2,580,815.52)	($6,277,418.16)	($11,660,324.27)	($18,794,013.56)
Fund Balance (Savings) Account Balance as of 06/30/2025	$17,386,214.00	$16,877,882.00	$14,805,398.48	$11,108,795.84	$5,725,889.73	($1,407,799.56)
Act 1 Tax Limitation -BSSD Adjusted Act 1 Index **Estimate**		$1,370,891	$1,301,202	$1,387,139	$1,443,908	$1,429,814

Scenario 2						
		26/27	27/28	28/29	29/30	30/31
Revenue	Estimated 2% increase in 26/27 and to index every year after	$66,602,411.00	$67,903,613.00	$69,290,752.00	$70,734,660.00	$72,164,474.00
Expenses	Estimated 3.3% increase per year	$67,110,743.00	$69,325,397.52	$71,613,135.64	$73,976,369.11	$76,417,589.29
Yearly Deficit		($508,332.00)	($1,421,784.52)	($2,322,383.64)	($3,241,709.11)	($4,253,115.29)
Compound Deficit			($1,930,116.52)	($4,252,500.16)	($7,494,209.27)	($11,747,324.56)
Fund Balance (Savings) Account Balance as of 06/30/2025	$17,386,214.00	$16,877,882.00	$15,456,097.48	$13,133,713.84	$9,892,004.73	$5,638,889.44
Act 1 Tax Limitation -BSSD Adjusted Act 1 Index **Estimate**		$1,370,891	$1,301,202	$1,387,139	$1,443,908	$1,429,814

Fund Balance

Changes from 2024 to 2025

The general fund balance saw an increase from $21,621,056 as of June 30, 2024, to $22,067,417 as of June 30, 2025, in total fund balance. Non-spendable fund balance increased due to the health insurance claims remaining favorable during the 2024-25 fiscal year.

General Fund Balance					
Balance at June 30, 2024	$ 4,458,113	$ 4,059,916	$12,549,027	$ 554,000	$21,621,056

	Unassigned	Nonspendable	Assigned	Committed	Total
General Fund Balance	$ 5,008,817	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ 5,008,817
Employee Health Insurance	-	4,681,203	-	-	4,681,203
Susbsequent year budgeted used of fund balance	-	-	1,555,795	-	1,555,795
PSERS	-	-	650,000	554,000	1,204,000
Healthcare	-	-	1,000,000	-	1,000,000
Technology	-	-	2,300,000	-	2,300,000
Healthcare Requirements	-	-	392,137	-	392,137
Projects	-	-	1,744,205	-	1,744,205
Special Education	-	-	1,000,000	-	1,000,000
SIS/FIS Software	-	-	200,000	-	200,000
Safety/Security/SRO	-	-	500,000	-	500,000
Student Services	-	-	500,000	-	500,000
Transportation	-	-	500,000	-	500,000
Emergency and education needs	-	-	1,481,260	-	1,481,260
Balance at June 30, 2025	$ 5,008,817	$ 4,681,203	$11,823,397	$ 554,000	$22,067,417

2026-2027 Real Estate Tax Increase Scenarios

Scenario	Millage Rate	Millage Rate % Increase	% of Act 1 Index	R/E Tax Revenue	R/E Tax Revenue $ Increase	Assessed Value
No tax increase	**16.2873**	**0%**	**0%**	**$ 30,606,089**		**2,060,607,200**
	16.4123	0.77%	18%	$ 30,850,786	$ 244,697	2,060,607,200
	16.4624	**1.07%**	**25%**	**$ 30,948,861**	**$ 342,772**	**2,060,607,200**
	16.5373	1.54%	36%	$ 31,095,483	$ 489,394	2,060,607,200
	16.6173	2.02%	47%	$ 31,252,089	$ 646,000	2,060,607,200
	16.6374	**2.15%**	**50%**	**$ 31,291,436**	**$ 685,347**	**2,060,607,200**
	16.6542	2.25%	52%	$ 31,324,323	$ 718,234	2,060,607,200
	16.6962	2.50%	58%	$ 31,406,542	$ 800,453	2,060,607,200
	16.7366	2.75%	64%	$ 31,485,628	$ 879,539	2,060,607,200
	16.7873	3.07%	71%	$ 31,584,877	$ 978,788	2,060,607,200
	16.8175	**3.25%**	**75%**	**$ 31,643,997**	**$ 1,037,908**	**2,060,607,200**
	16.8585	3.50%	81%	$ 31,724,256	$ 1,118,167	2,060,607,200
	16.8999	3.75%	87%	$ 31,805,301	$ 1,199,212	2,060,607,200
	16.9573	4.11%	96%	$ 31,917,666	$ 1,311,577	2,060,607,200
To Index	**16.9876**	**4.30%**	**100%**	**$ 31,976,980**	**$ 1,370,891**	**2,060,607,200**

Note: BSSD 2026-27 Adjusted Act 1 Index is 4.30%

Outcome of Real Estate Tax Increase Scenarios on Taxpayers

Millage Rates			Median Assessed Value 2024/25			
2025/26- Actual Rate	16.2873					
2026/27 - 0.0% Tax Increase	16.2873					
Assessed Values	**100,000**	**150,000**	**181,500**	**250,000**	**350,000**	**500,000**
2026/27 - 0% Tax Increase - Millage Rate 16.2873						
2025/26- Actual Rate	$ 1,628.73	$ 2,443.10	$ 2,956.14	$ 4,071.83	$ 5,700.56	$ 8,143.65
2026/27 - 0.0% Tax Increase	$ 1,628.73	$ 2,443.10	$ 2,956.14	$ 4,071.83	$ 5,700.56	$ 8,143.65
2025/26 - 0.0% Tax Increase- Annual Cost	**$ -**	**$ -**	**$ -**	**$ -**	**$ -**	**$ -**
2026/27 - 1.07% Tax Increase - Millage Rate 16.4624						
2026/27 - 1.07% Tax Increase	$ 1,646.24	$ 2,469.36	$ 2,987.93	$ 4,115.60	$ 5,761.84	$ 8,231.20
2026/27 - 1.07% Tax Increase- Annual Cost	**$ 17.51**	**$ 26.26**	**$ 31.78**	**$ 43.78**	**$ 61.28**	**$ 87.55**
2026/27 - 2.15% Tax Increase - Millage Rate 16.6374						
2026/27 - 2.15% Tax Increase	$ 1,663.74	$ 2,495.61	$ 3,019.69	$ 4,159.35	$ 5,823.09	$ 8,318.70
2026/27 - 2.15% Tax Increase - Annual Cost	**$ 35.01**	**$ 52.52**	**$ 63.54**	**$ 87.53**	**$ 122.54**	**$ 175.05**
2026/27 - 3.25% Tax Increase - Millage Rate 16.8175						
2026/27 - 3.25% Tax Increase	$ 1,681.75	$ 2,522.63	$ 3,052.38	$ 4,204.38	$ 5,886.13	$ 8,408.75
2026/27 - 3.25% Tax Increase - Annual Cost	**$ 53.02**	**$ 79.53**	**$ 96.23**	**$ 132.55**	**$ 185.57**	**$ 265.10**
2025/26 - 3.5% Tax Increase - Millage Rate 16.8585						
2025/26 - 3.5% Tax Increase	$ 1,685.85	$ 2,528.78	$ 3,059.82	$ 4,214.63	$ 5,900.48	$ 8,429.25
2026/27 - 3.5% Tax Increase - Annual Cost	**$ 57.12**	**$ 85.68**	**$ 103.67**	**$ 142.80**	**$ 199.92**	**$ 285.60**
2026/27 - 4.3% Tax Increase - Millage Rate 16.9876						
2026/27 - 4.3% Tax Increase	$ 1,698.76	$ 2,548.14	$ 3,083.25	$ 4,246.90	$ 5,945.66	$ 8,493.80
2026/27 - 4.3% Tax Increase - Annual Cost	**$ 70.03**	**$ 105.05**	**$ 127.10**	**$ 175.08**	**$ 245.11**	**$ 350.15**

2026-2027 Budget Summary Update

	2025/2026 Budget	2026/2027 Budget as of 3/23/26	2026/2027 Budget as of 4/20/26	Difference 2025/26 Budget vs. 2026/2027 Budget as of 4/20/26
Revenues (Includes admin. recommended 3.5% millage rate increase)	$ 64,601,136	$ 65,956,411	$ 67,074,578	$ 2,473,442
Expenses	$ 66,156,931	$ 66,990,902	$ 67,110,743	$ 953,812
Surplus/(Deficit)	**$ (1,555,795)**	**$ (1,034,491)**	**$ (36,165)**	

Additional Increases & Decreases to 2026/2027 Budget

Main Attributes:

Revenues

3.5% Millage Rate Increase	$ 1,118,167
Total Revenue - Main Attributes	**$ 1,118,167**

Expenses

Student Services	$ 73,500
External Cyber/Charter School Enrollment Increase - 3 Reg. Ed. Students	$ 46,341
Total Expense - Main Attributes	**$ 119,841**

Future Considerations

Falling Act 1 Index

No Anticipation of Large Assessment Growth

State Funding

Medical Cost Increases

Annual Salary & Wage Increase

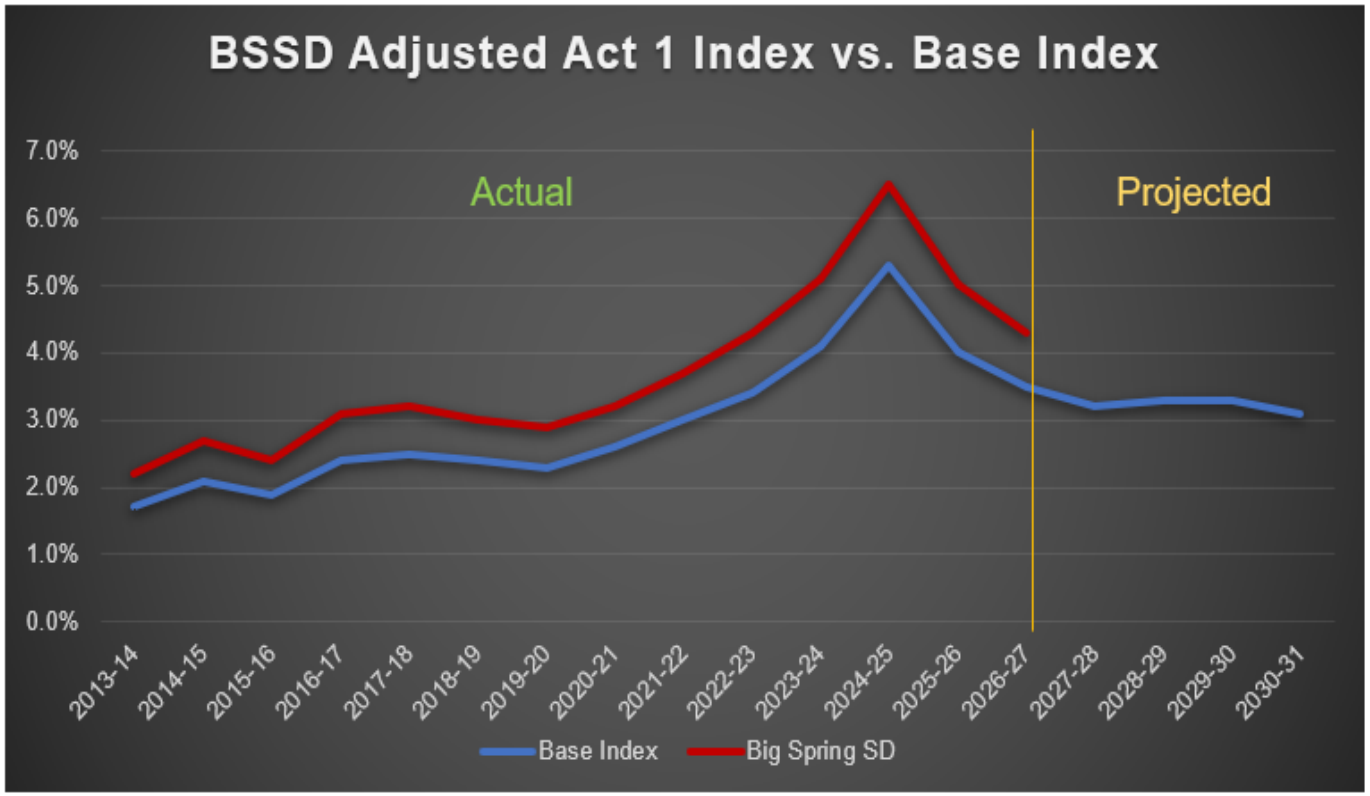
Retirement/Pension Increase

Student Transportation Fuel Escalation

Inflation

Projected Act 1 Index

	Actual														Projected			
Year	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25	2025-26	2026-27	2027-28	2028-29	2029-30	2030-31
Base Index	1.7%	2.1%	1.9%	2.4%	2.5%	2.4%	2.3%	2.6%	3.0%	3.4%	4.1%	5.3%	4.0%	3.5%	3.2%	3.3%	3.3%	3.1%
Big Spring SD	2.2%	2.7%	2.4%	3.1%	3.2%	3.0%	2.9%	3.2%	3.7%	4.3%	5.1%	6.5%	5.0%	4.3%				



Act 1 Index Forecast

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This annual update provides an outlook for the Act 1 Index. Act 1 of 2006 limits the increase to a school district's millage rate based on an index, with certain exceptions. The maximum percentage increase in a school district millage rate is equal to the base index or an adjusted index, depending upon the district's aid ratio. The table displays a recent history and IFO forecast of the base index and its components.

Act 1 Index

	Actual				Forecast			
	19-24	24-25	25-26	26-27	27-28	28-29	29-30	30-31
Base Index	3.0%	5.3%	4.0%	3.5%	3.2%	3.3%	3.3%	3.1%
SAWW	3.3	5.6	3.7	3.4	3.5	3.7	3.5	3.3
ECI	2.6	4.9	4.3	3.5	2.9	3.0	3.2	2.9

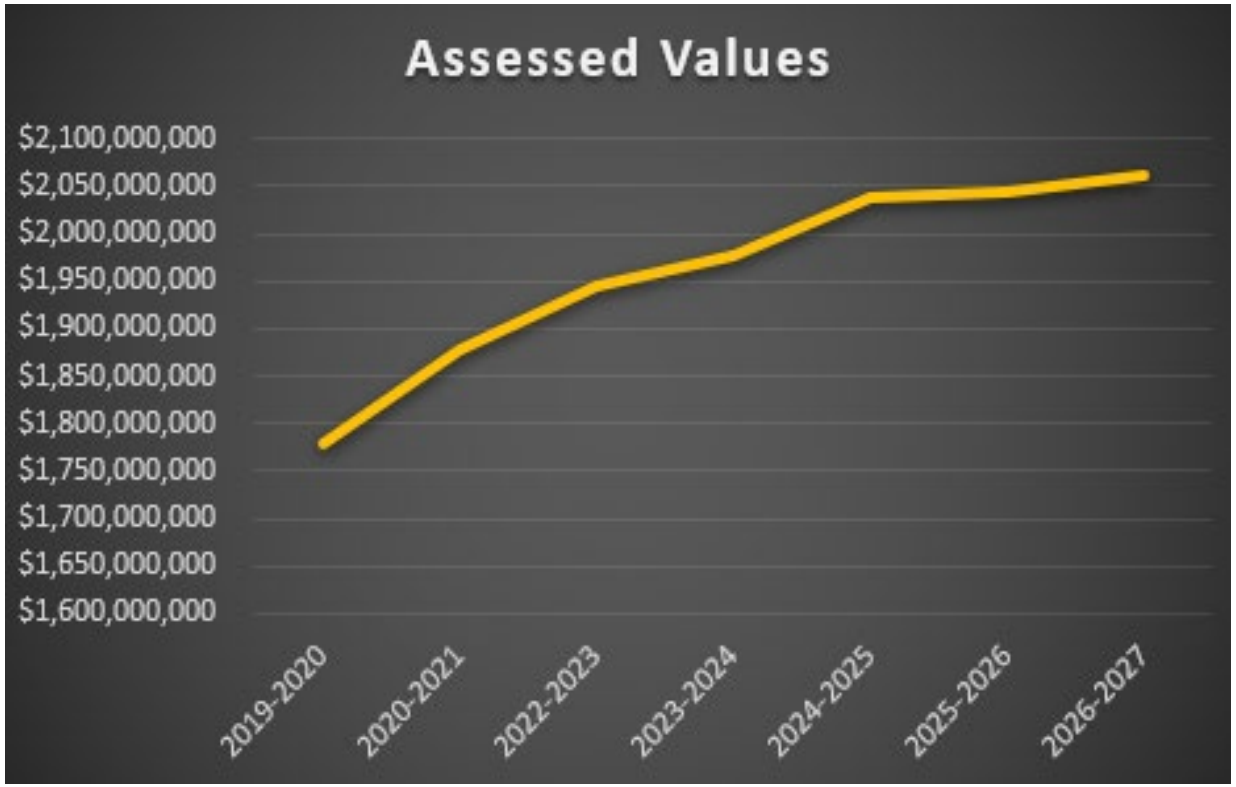
Note: SAWW is Pennsylvania statewide average weekly wage. ECI is national employment cost index for elementary/secondary school employees. The rate for 19-24 represents an average of the index from FY 2018-19 to FY 2023-24.

Source: Pennsylvania Department of Education through FY 2026-27, projected by the IFO after.

Source:
https://www.ifo.state.pa.us/download.cfm?file=Resources/Documents/Act_1_Index_Forecast_12_2025.pdf

Assessed Values

Fiscal Year	Assessed Values	Dollar Increase	% Increase
2026-2027	$2,060,607,200	$16,630,800	0.81%
2025-2026	$2,043,976,400	$4,601,300	0.23%
2024-2025	$2,039,375,100	$61,433,900	3.11%
2023-2024	$1,977,941,200	$31,972,900	1.64%
2022-2023	$1,945,968,300	$49,517,300	2.61%
2021-2022	$1,896,451,000	$19,384,960	1.03%
2020-2021	$1,877,066,040	$98,945,640	5.56%
2019-2020	$1,778,120,400		



Future of State Funding

COMMONWEALTH FOUNDATION | FACT SHEET

Pennsylvania's Structural Deficit

SUMMARY

- Pennsylvania's state budget is out of balance, currently operating at a $1.1 billion budget deficit.
- The state's Independent Fiscal Office (IFO) projects that Pennsylvania's annual budget deficit will rapidly expand in the next two years, reaching $3 billion in fiscal year (FY) 2025–26. At the present pace, Pennsylvania will exhaust the entirety of the General Fund balance during FY 2025–26.
- Pennsylvania's population is aging and out-migrating, which will only exacerbate the existing budgetary challenges.

https://www.commonwealthfoundation.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/01/Fact-Sheet-2024-Structural-Deficit.pdf

General Fund Revenue and Spending

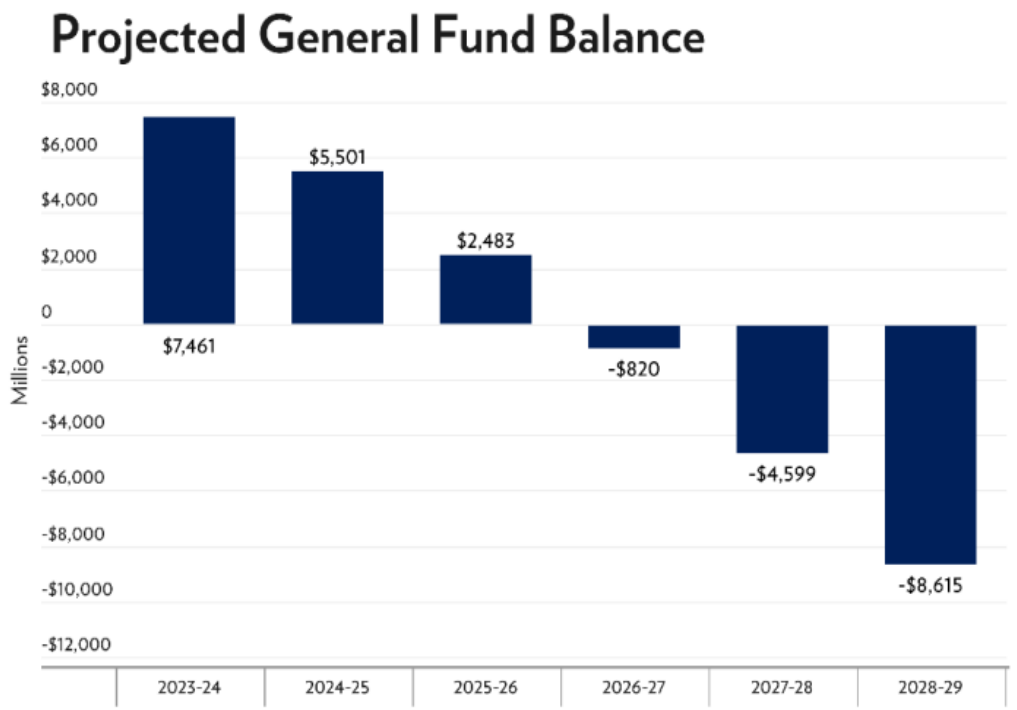
Fiscal Year	Net Revenue	Spending	Surplus-Deficit	Surplus Balances: Gen Fund	Surplus Balances: Rainy Day
19-20	$31.3	-$34.1	-$2.8	-$2.7	$0.3
20-21	39.4	-34.0	5.3	0.0	2.9
21-22	47.0	-39.4	7.6	5.5	5.0
22-23	44.2	-40.8	3.4	8.1	6.0
23-24	44.1	-44.9	-0.8	6.6	7.0
24-25	45.3	-47.8	-2.5	4.2	7.4
25-26	46.6	-50.5	-3.9	0.3	7.8
26-27	46.8	-53.5	-6.7	0.0	1.4
			structural deficit		
Average Annual Growth Rates					
14-19	3.9%	3.3%			
19-24	5.5%	6.1%			
24-26	2.8%	6.1%			

Note: Billions of dollars. FY 25-26 and FY 26-27 are estimates. FY 26-27 excludes all policy in the Executive Budget.

https://www.ifo.state.pa.us/download.cfm?file=Resources/Documents/EPLC_April_2026_Final.pdf

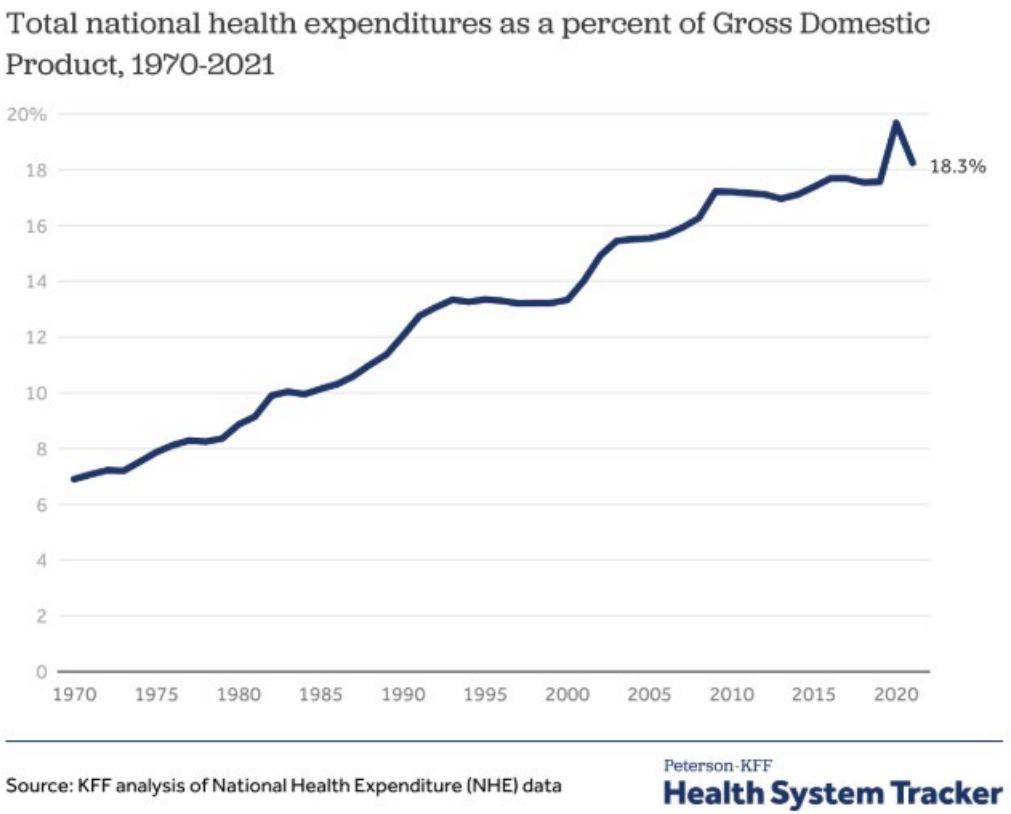
FISCAL CHALLENGES

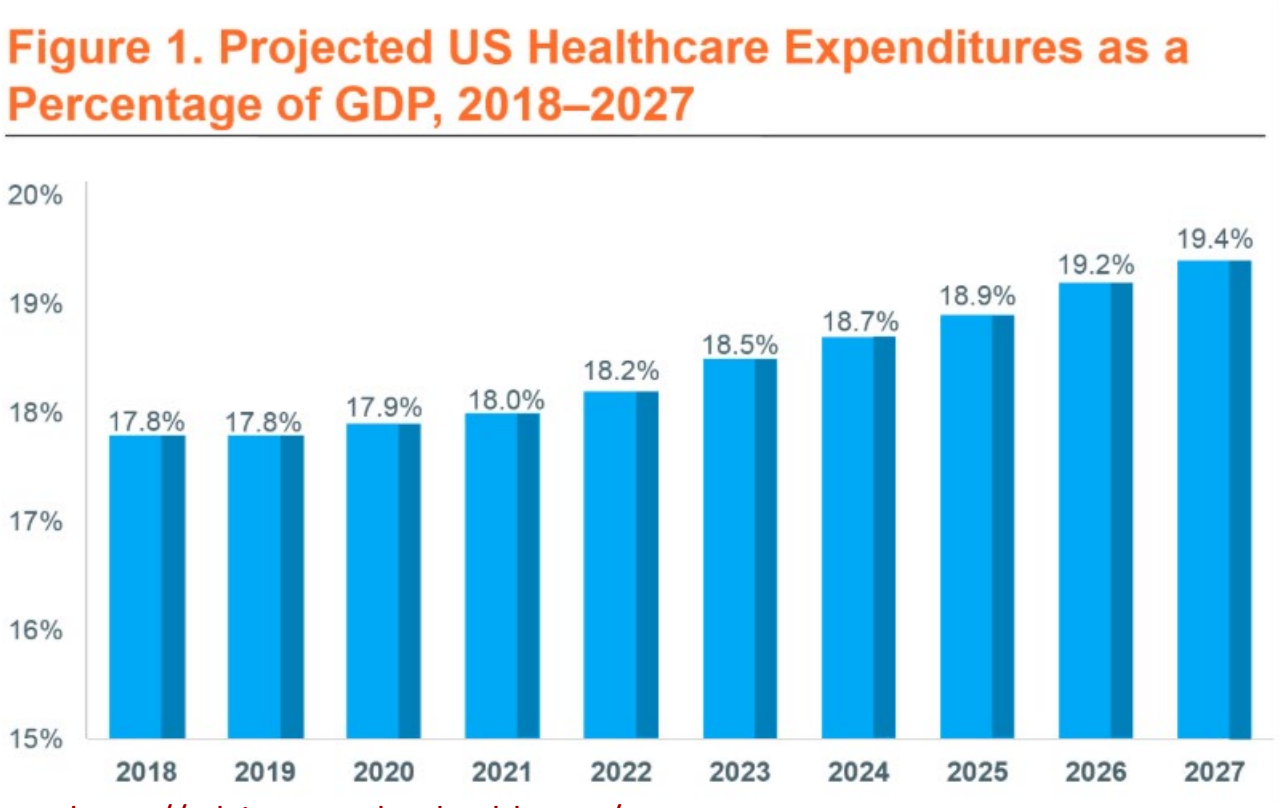
- In the current fiscal year, FY 2023–24, Pennsylvania is operating at a $1.1 billion budget deficit. The IFO projects the state's annual budget deficit will balloon to $3 billion over the next two years.
  - According to the same IFO projections, the expanding budget deficit will deplete the current General Fund balance ($7.4 billion) during FY 2025–26, at which point lawmakers will have to ***increase taxes or decrease expenditures***.



Source: Pennsylvania Independent Fiscal Office, "Five Year Economic and Budget Outlook," November 2023, http://www.ifo.state.pa.us/download.cfm?file=Resources/Documents/Five_Year_Outlook_2023.pdf

Medical Trends

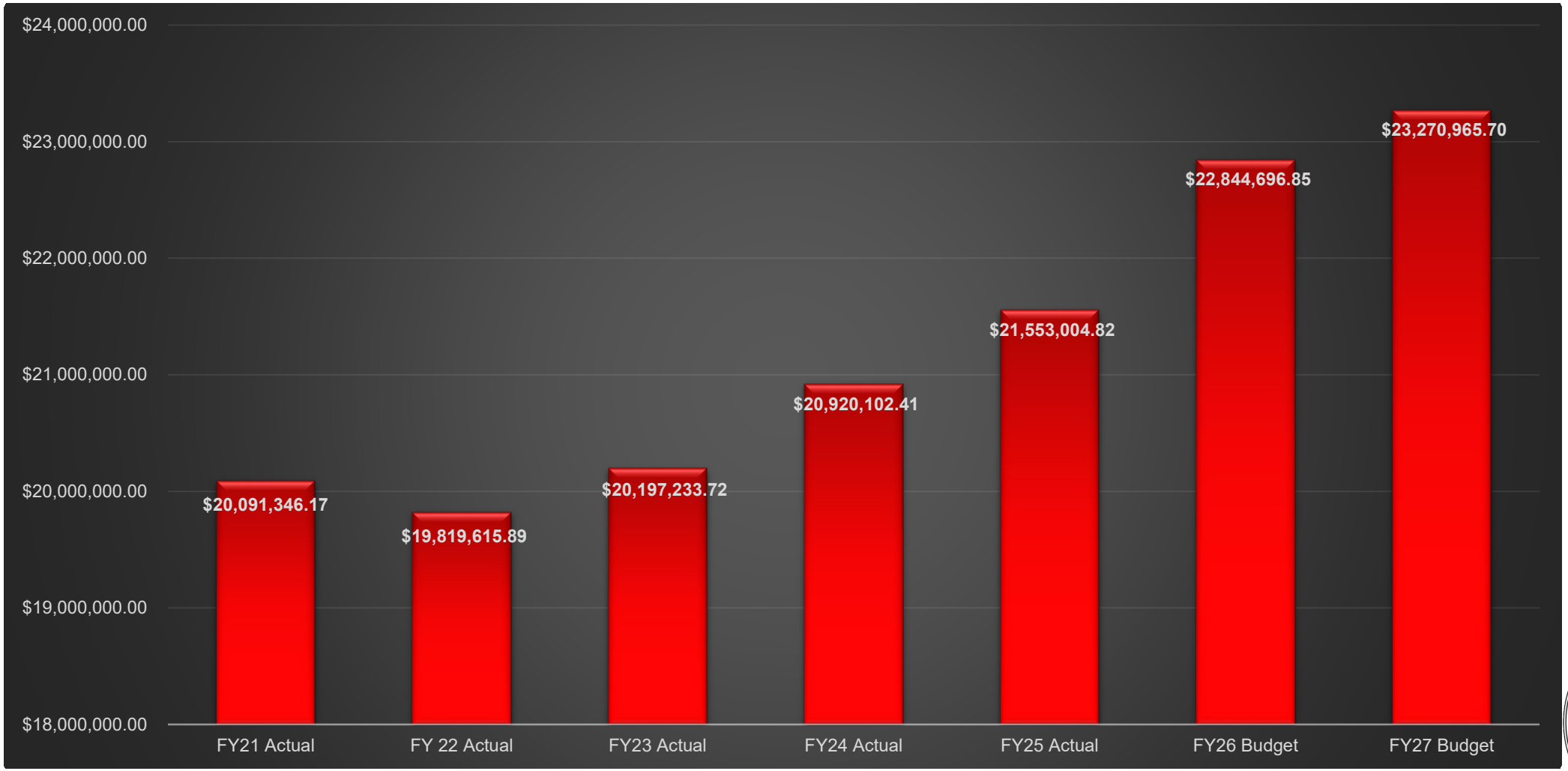




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BSSD Medical Percentage Increases						
FY21	FY22	FY23	FY24	FY25	FY26	FY25
5.75%	25.23%	0.00%	10.00%	5.00%	1.00%	1.00%

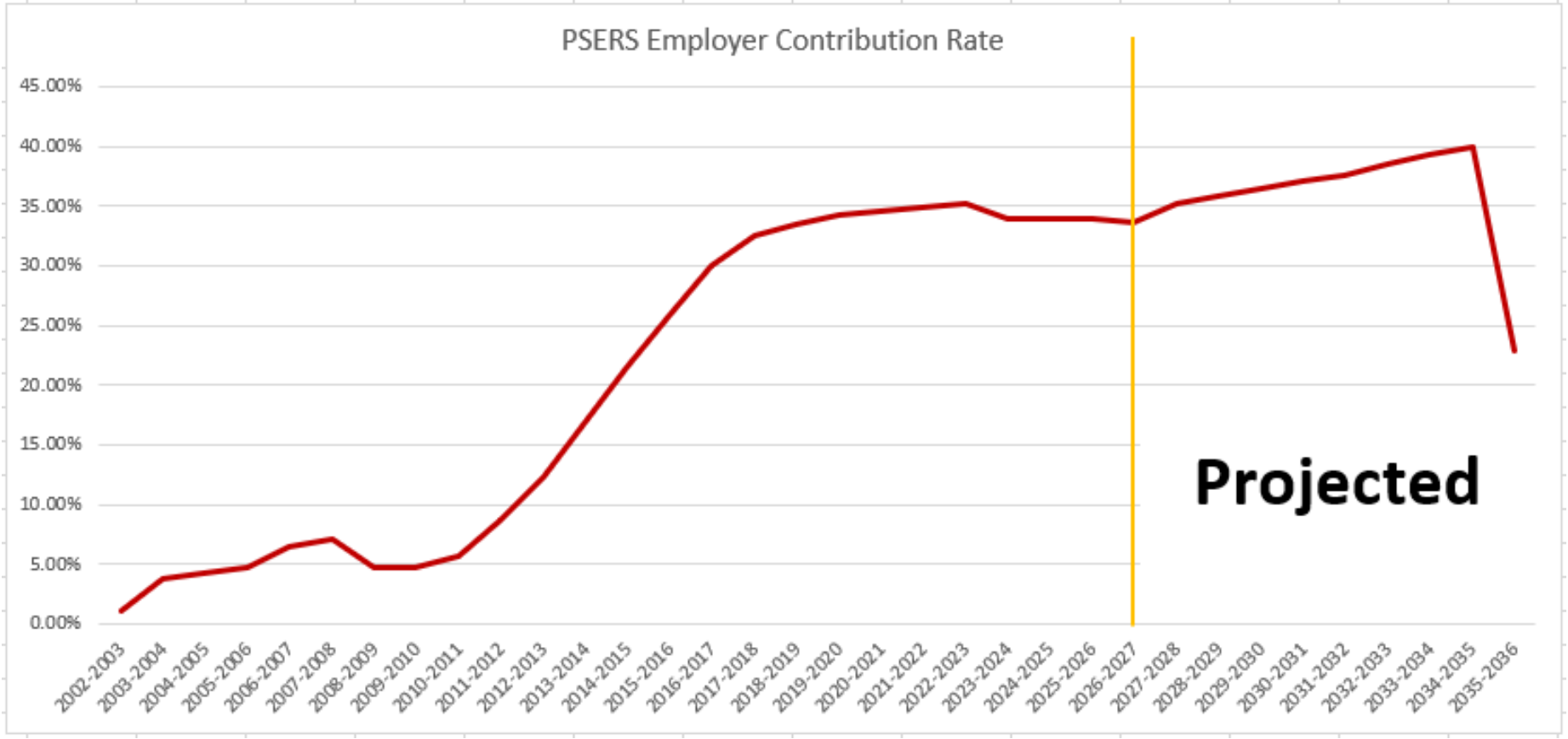
Historical Salary/Wage Trend



Future Retirement/Pension Increases

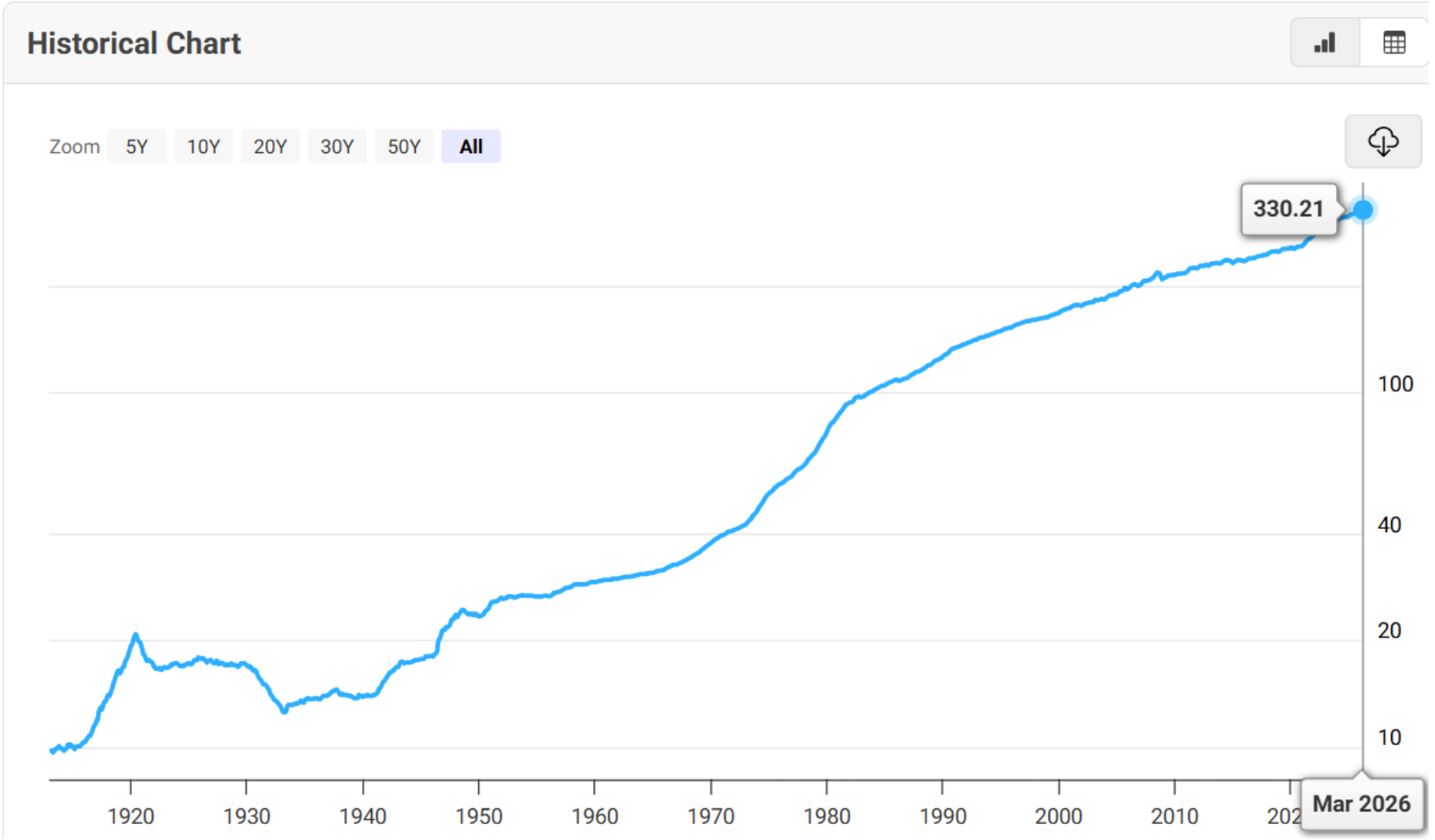
PSERS (Retirement)

- **2026-2027 Final Rate 33.59%**



Fiscal Year	Total Employer Contribution %	
2002-2003	1.15%	
2003-2004	3.77%	
2004-2005	4.23%	
2005-2006	4.69%	
2006-2007	6.46%	
2007-2008	7.13%	
2008-2009	4.76%	
2009-2010	4.78%	
2010-2011	5.64%	
2011-2012	8.65%	
2012-2013	12.36%	
2013-2014	16.93%	
2014-2015	21.40%	Actual
2015-2016	25.84%	
2016-2017	30.03%	
2017-2018	32.57%	
2018-2019	33.43%	
2019-2020	34.29%	
2020-2021	34.51%	
2021-2022	34.94%	
2022-2023	35.26%	
2023-2024	34.00%	
2024-2025	33.90%	
2025-2026	34.00%	
2026-2027	33.59%	
2027-2028	35.26%	Projected
2028-2029	35.85%	
2029-2030	36.49%	
2030-2031	37.10%	
2031-2032	37.59%	
2032-2033	38.51%	
2033-2034	39.27%	
2034-2035	39.94%	
2035-2036	22.84%	

Inflation



https://www.macrotrends.net/2497/historical-inflation-rate-by-year

2026-2027 Budget Timeline

FY 2027 Budget Schedule

Day	Date	Description
Monday	**5/4/2026**	**Adopt Proposed Final Budget**
Monday	5/18/2026	Finance Committee Meeting
Monday	6/8/2026	Finance Committee Meeting
Monday	**6/8/2026**	**Adopt Final Budget, Tax Rate and HS/FS Reduction**

Questions



Thank you!

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