

Bulletin

Topic: 2026-2027 Employee & Employer Rates – STRS, PERS, Social Security, and Medicare

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To: Business Managers
Human Resources/Payroll Staff

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The following table details employee and employer rates for the 2026-2027 fiscal year or 2026 calendar year as applicable. Also included is the PeopleSoft, HCM, Benefit Plan for each as applicable.

System	Maximum Taxable Earnings	Employee	Employer	PeopleSoft, HCM, Benefit Plan
STRS Defined Benefit (DB) (Classic)	\$360,000.00 (Fiscal year for members after 07/01/1996)	10.25%	19.10%	STRS
STRS DB (PEPRA)	\$191,866.00 (Fiscal year) (PEPRA effective 01/01/2013)	10.205%	19.10%	PEPRAS
STRS Defined Benefit Supplemental (DBS) (Classic)		8.00%	8.25%	STRDBS
STRS Defined Benefit Supplemental (DBS) (PEPRA)		9.00%	8.25%	N/A
STRS DB Reduced Workload Program (Classic)		10.25%	19.10%	STRSRW

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STRS DB Reduced Workload Program (PEPRA)		10.205%	19.10%	STRSTW
STRS DB Elected Officer of Employee Organization		10.25%	19.10%	Pending
STRS Present Value Factor for Unused Excess Sick Leave Service Credit			.335	n/a
STRS Post Retirement Earnings Limit	\$59,565.00 (Fiscal year)			n/a
PERS (Classic)	\$360,000.00 (Calendar year for members after 07/01/1996)	7.00%	26.40%	PERS
PERS (PEPRA)	\$159,733.00 (Calendar year) (PEPRA effective 01/01/2013)	8.00%	26.40%	PEPRAP
Social Security (2026 Calendar year)	\$184,500.00	6.20%	6.20%	Job Data, FICA Status
Medicare (2026 Calendar year)	.01 – 199,999.99 Over 200,000.00 – No Limit (effective 01/01/2013)	1.45% 2.35%	1.45% (No Limit)	Job Data, FICA Status

The PERS and STRS rates are maintained in PeopleSoft, HCM, Retirement Plan Table. If you have questions, please contact Beth Valderrama at elizabeth.valderrama@sdcoe.net or (858) 295-6913 or Laura Benavides at laura.benavides@sdcoe.net or (858) 295-6932.

The Social Security & Medicare rates are maintained in PeopleSoft, HCM, Federal/State Tax Table. If you have questions, please contact Matt Gilroy at matthew.gilroy@sdcoe.net or (858) 295-6736.