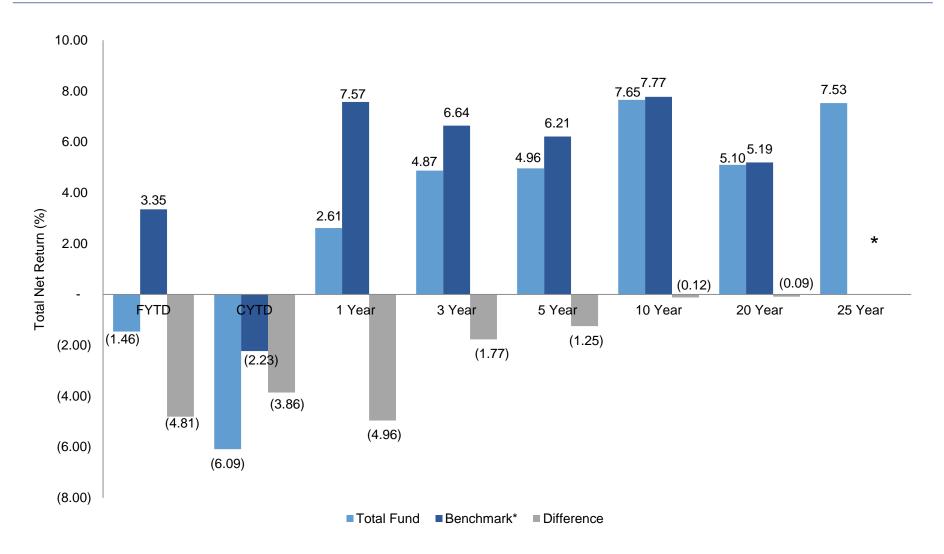
NJ DIVISION OF INVESTMENT

Director's Report

State Investment Council July 22, 2020

"The mission of the New Jersey Division of Investment is to achieve the best possible return at an acceptable level of risk using the highest fiduciary standards."

Pension Fund Net Returns⁽¹⁾ for Periods Ending May 31, 2020



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^{*} Benchmark return not available for 25-Year period

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Capital Markets Update

7	Fiscal Year 2020	Calendar YTD	Fiscal YTD	2/19/20	3/23/20	Three Years	Five Years
U		thru 6/30/20	thru 2/19/20	thru 3/23/20	thru 6/30/20	(Annualized)	(Annualized)
Global Equity Index							
MSCI ALL Country World Index	2.11	-6.25	11.90	-33.64	37.50	6.13	6.45
US Equity Indices							
Russell 3000	6.52	-3.48	15.99	-34.96	41.19	10.02	10.01
Russell 1000	7.47	-2.81	16.50	-34.58	41.00	10.62	10.45
Russell 2000	-6.65	-12.99	8.96	-40.67	44.39	1.98	4.26
Russell Growth	21.94	8.98	21.94	-31.89	46.82	18.19	15.21
Russell Value	-9.44	-16.75	9.86	-38.48	33.98	1.39	4.39
Non-US Equity Indices							
MSCI EAFE	-5.13	-11.34	6.16	-32.68	32.74	0.81	2.05
MSCI Emerging Markets	-3.39	-9.78	6.10	-31.17	32.28	1.90	2.86
Fixed Income & Credit Indices							
Bloomberg Barclays U.S. Aggregate	8.74	6.14	4.50	-0.94	5.05	5.32	4.30
Bloomberg Barclays U.S. Treasury	10.45	8.71	3.92	5.40	0.84	5.57	4.07
Bloomberg Barclays U.S. Credit	9.07	4.82	6.82	-11.12	14.89	6.13	5.54
Bloomberg Barclays U.S. Credit (A or better)	9.92	6.46	5.80	-7.08	11.81	6.08	5.32
Bloomberg Barclays U.S. Credit (BBB)	8.19	3.02	8.00	-15.79	18.96	6.21	5.81
Bloomberg Barclays U.S. High Yield	0.03	-3.80	5.27	-20.76	19.92	3.33	4.78
S&P/LSTA Leveraged Loan Index	-1.99	-4.61	3.46	-20.62	19.35	2.07	2.89
Wells Fargo BDC Index	-22.39	-27.74	10.04	-56.97	63.90	-6.23	0.22
Real Estate Index							
Bloomberg U.S. REIT Index	-7.36	-13.71	13.43	-41.21	38.91	2.88	6.46

-3.87

-10.39

-14.64

-19.02

-42.92

-59.37

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68.88

Source: Bloomberg

Real Assets & Commodities Indices
Bloomberg Commodities Index

Bloomberg Energy Subindex

Alerian MLP Index

-18.43

-45.74

-41.43

-19.67

-46.29

-35.71

Asset Allocation and Net Returns by Asset Class (May 31, 2020)

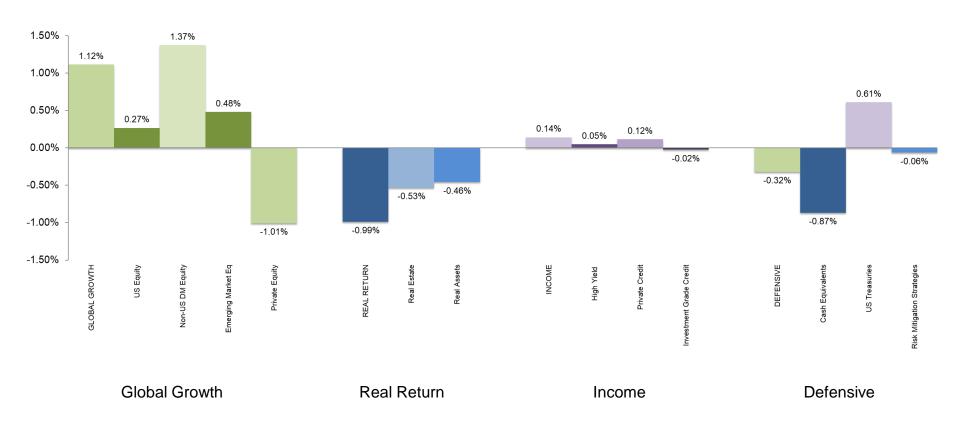
		ASSET ALLOCATION				PERFORMANCE (for periods ending May 31, 2020) ⁽¹⁾							
Asset Class		As of May 31, 2020			FYTD		Calendar YTD		Trailing Twelve Months		Trailing Three Years		
	Mkt Value	Actual (%)	Target (%)	Difference	NJ	Bench	NJ	Bench	NJ	Bench	NJ	Bench	
GLOBAL GROWTH													
US Equity	20,551	27.75%	28.00%	-0.25%	3.55%	4.56%	-5.61%	-5.58%	10.94%	11.98%	8.37%	9.66%	
Non-US Dev Market Eq	8,868	11.98%	12.50%	-0.52%	-7.12%	-8.59%	-13.42%	-14.41%	-1.83%	-3.19%	0.59%	-0.26%	
Emerging Market Eq	4,579	6.18%	6.50%	-0.32%	-11.02%	-9.71%	-17.02%	-15.77%	-5.58%	-4.02%	-1.11%	-0.03%	
Private Equity	8,356	11.28%	12.00%	-0.72%	-1.88%	10.02%	-1.49%	5.43%	2.03%	15.35%	10.04%	15.83%	
Equity-Oriented HFs	48	0.06%	0.00%	0.06%	-11.59%	-7.07%	-3.87%	-11.84%	-13.04%	-10.09%	-3.95%	-1.82%	
TOTAL GLOBAL GROWTH	42,403	57.26%	59.00%	-1.74%	-1.48%	2.07%	-7.93%	-5.61%	4.59%	8.48%	5.80%	7.84%	
REAL RETURN													
Real Assets	1,601	2.16%	2.50%	-0.34%	-23.66%	-3.02%	-22.32%	-0.45%	-24.30%	-1.06%	-5.20%	1.97%	
Real Estate	4,758	6.43%	7.50%	-1.07%	-4.78%	3.15%	-8.65%	1.27%	-2.36%	4.39%	6.17%	6.13%	
TOTAL REAL RETURN	6,359	8.59%	10.00%	-1.41%	-10.42%	1.46%	-12.53%	0.84%	-9.16%	2.96%	2.71%	5.02%	
INCOME													
Investment Grade Credit	6,765	9.14%	10.00%	-0.86%	9.04%	8.47%	5.76%	5.06%	11.27%	10.53%	5.96%	5.70%	
High Yield	1,026	1.39%	2.00%	-0.61%	-1.82%	-0.95%	-5.67%	-4.74%	0.41%	1.31%	2.46%	3.04%	
Private Credit	5,407	7.30%	6.00%	1.30%	-9.15%	-2.06%	-9.84%	-6.53%	-7.87%	-3.14%	2.35%	2.88%	
TOTAL INCOME	13,197	17.82%	18.00%	-0.18%	-0.04%	3.51%	-2.04%	0.22%	1.61%	5.37%	3.89%	4.65%	
DEFENSIVE													
Cash Equivalents	5,676	7.66%	5.00%	2.66%	1.88%	1.62%	0.56%	0.58%	2.17%	1.84%	2.29%	1.79%	
U.S. Government	3,525	4.76%	5.00%	-0.24%	10.56%	10.34%	8.83%	8.61%	11.47%	11.36%	5.23%	5.48%	
Risk Mitigation Strategies	2,411	3.26%	3.00%	0.26%	0.28%	4.46%	-1.33%	1.83%	1.63%	4.94%	3.19%	4.88%	
TOTAL DEFENSIVE	11,612	15.68%	13.00%	2.68%	4.05%	5.35%	2.56%	3.93%	4.82%	5.84%	3.39%	3.33%	
<u>OTHER</u>													
OPPORTUNISTIC PE	463	0.63%			4.14%	10.02%	3.35%	5.43%	6.07%	15.35%	4.08%	15.83%	
OTHER	18	0.02%											
TOTAL FUND (2)	74,053	100.00%			-1.46%	3.35%	-6.09%	-2.23%	2.61%	7.57%	4.87%	6.64%	

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Notes: Sum of components may not equal totals due to rounding. Certain asset class returns, including private equity, real assets, real estate, and private credit do not include up-to-date valuations and benchmark returns for these asset classes are presented on a lagged basis. This results in performance comparisons that may be less meaningful.

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Pension Fund Update: Change in Sector Allocation from April 30 – June 30, 2020



Strong public equity returns led to an increased allocation to Global Growth

Source: State Street

Real Estate Portfolio Review

Background

- Real Estate investments were initiated with the Alternative Investment Program in 2006, near the peak of the prior cycle.
- Fewer commitments were made during 2009-2012, limiting the Pension Fund's upside to benefit from some of the best performing vintage years.
- In 2013, the Division sold opportunistic and value-add funds that were considered to be non-strategic. Proceeds were reinvested in public REITs to maintain sector allocation. REITs comprise 20% of the current portfolio.
- The Division further restructured the portfolio by redeeming from open-end core funds to increase investments in higher yielding opportunistic and value-add funds.
- During earlier periods, certain large commitments were made to targeted funds which benefited from more favorable fee arrangements, but also resulted in a more concentrated portfolio.

Benchmark Considerations

- There is variance between the Division's real estate portfolio and the NCREIF Open-End Diversified Core Equity (ODCE) index.
- The Division's portfolio contains only 27% core funds.
- Non-US assets represent approximately 35% of the Division's portfolio while ODCE funds are limited to 5% non-US.
- ODCE funds are primarily comprised of 4 main property types (office, industrial, retail, and multifamily); in contrast, approximately 1/3 of the Division's portfolio is comprised of other property types.

The impact of the COVID-19 crisis

- The Real Estate portfolio remained net cash positive with distributions outpacing contributions for Q1 and Q2 2020.
- In the wake of the COVID-19 crisis several subsectors of the Pension Fund's real estate portfolio are experiencing some stress.
- The main drivers of value detraction are investments in retail and hotel properties. While the Division's portfolio is underweight retail, it is overweight the hotel sector.
- Overall portfolio detraction was concentrated in 10 of the Division's 55 investments.
- Approximately half of the active funds had write-downs of less than 10%.
- 11 funds generated no valuation movement or slight increases.

Next steps for the Real Estate portfolio

- Closely monitoring the existing portfolio, particularly hotel and retail assets.
- Continuing to diversify with assets that focus on long-term demographic and secular trends and reduce correlation with economic cycles; subsectors of interest include data centers, life science/research, medical office, industrial, and multifamily.
- Pursuing Separate Accounts where possible to obtain more favorable economic terms and governance.
- Pursuing opportunities that may capitalize on post-COVID market distress and dislocation.