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MORE GAIN SIX-FIGURE PENSIONS IN 2013

Another 259 retired New York government employees qualified for starting pensions of \$100,000 or more in 2013, according to New York State and Local Retirement System (NYSLRS) data posted today at **SeeThroughNY.net**, the Empire Center's government transparency website.

The total number of NYLSRS retirees with six-figure pensions has more than doubled in the past five years, reaching 2,700 as of the end of 2013. The majority of the largest annual pensions are owed to members of the Police and Fire Retirement System (PFRS) the data show. Seven of the top 10 new pension allowances in 2013 went to retired employees of the Port Authority of New York and New Jersey, including members of the Employee Retirement System (ERS) and PFRS.

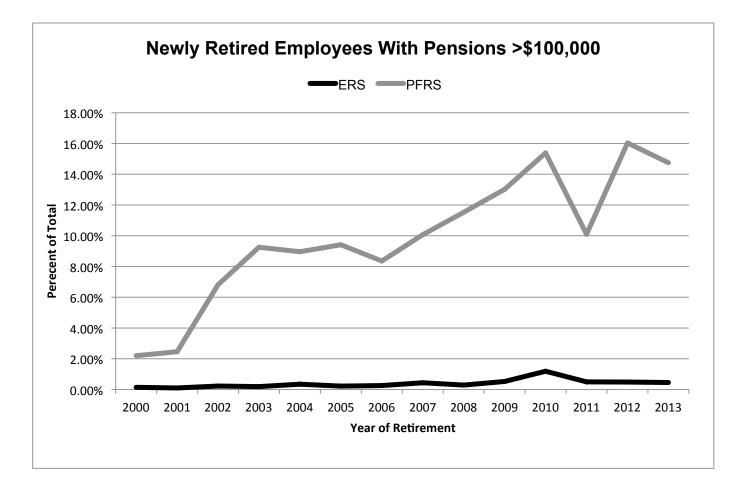
Pension benefits for the 385,947 total retired NYSLRS members in the SeeThroughNY database through fiscal 2014 came to nearly \$9.3 billion – up 4.5 percent from the \$8.9 billion total paid in fiscal 2013, according to the latest data.

The PFRS and ERS systems cover most employees of the state government, public authorities, counties, cities, towns and villages outside New York City, whose employees belong to separate municipal pension plans. The state systems also cover school district employees outside the city other than professionals belonging to the New York State Teachers' Retirement System.

Attached are tables listing the top 100 pensioners and average pensions by retirement year. As shown, the average number of new retirees with pensions of \$100,000 or more peaked in 2010, which largely reflected a wave of early retirements among highly paid PFRS member in downstate suburbs.

SeeThroughNY was launched in 2008 as a project of the Empire Center for Public Policy Inc., a non-partisan, non-profit policy research organization based in Albany. Users of SeeThroughNY can search the pension database by name, pension system, last known employer, year, and benefit amount.

SeeThroughNY also includes searchable databases of all state and local government payrolls in New York; legislative expenditures by type, purpose and member; teacher and superintendents' contracts. It also features tools for searching and comparing local government spending and taxes, and for searching details of the state budget.



The percent of newly retired police officers and firefighters with six-figure pensions has risen sharply since 2000, as shown in this chart based on the searchable database of pensions at SeeThroughNY.net. Among employees who retired in 2013, pensions exceeding \$100,000 were collected by almost 15 percent of Police and Fire Retirement System (PFRS) members, a total of 173 individuals. Just under 0.5 percent of Employee Retirement System (ERS) retirees, or 86 individuals in 2013, qualified for six-figure benefits.

			Pension	Benefit	All	Pensioner	S		
Retirement	All			ERS			PFRS		
Year	Average	Count	Total	Average	Count	Total	Average	Count	Total
2000	\$23,282	13,612	\$316,916,068	\$20,970	12,566	\$263,506,727	\$51,061	1,046	\$53,409,341.04
2001	\$22,544	10,942	\$246,675,305	\$20,101	10,047	\$201,956,089	\$49,966	895	\$44,719,216.08
2002	\$27,252	20,622	\$561,990,523	\$25,553	19,463	\$497,342,099	\$55,779	1,159	\$64,648,423.56
2003	\$26,550	15,426	\$409,556,732	\$23,981	14,237	\$341,417,703	\$57,308	1,189	\$68,139,029.04
2004	\$23,687	14,663	\$347,316,297	\$20,893	13,525	\$282,573,314	\$56,892	1,138	\$64,742,982.60
2005	\$23,977	16,433	\$394,014,985	\$21,680	15,339	\$332,552,460	\$56,181	1,094	\$61,462,525.32
2006	\$24,663	16,492	\$406,749,893	\$22,415	15,379	\$344,718,667	\$55,733	1,113	\$62,031,225.72
2007	\$27,783	18,237	\$506,680,217	\$25,702	17,125	\$440,146,281	\$59,833	1,112	\$66,533,936.52
2008	\$27,429	16,611	\$455,625,903	\$24,996	15,518	\$387,887,850	\$61,974	1,093	\$67,738,052.28
2009	\$28,333	18,316	\$518,950,602	\$26,197	17,256	\$452,057,816	\$63,106	1,060	\$66,892,785.24
2010	\$33,818	29,003	\$980,820,614	\$32,424	27,794	\$901,181,410	\$65,872	1,209	\$79,639,203.60
2011	\$28,037	18,963	\$531,660,346	\$25,849	17,794	\$459,962,323	\$61,333	1,169	\$71,698,022.88
2012	\$27,860	18,985	\$528,930,240	\$24,929	17,719	\$441,711,332	\$68,893	1,266	\$87,218,908.20
2013	\$28,201	19,997	\$563,930,364	\$25,851	18,824	\$486,617,049	\$65,911	1,173	\$77,313,315.72

	Pei	nsion	Benefit	Pensio	ners \$	\$100,000 A	nd High	ner	
Retirement	All			ERS			PFRS		
Year	Average	Count	Total	Average	Count	Total	Average	Count	Total
2000	\$110,190	41	\$4,517,805	\$114,681	18	\$2,064,256	\$106,676	23	\$2,453,548.92
2001	\$107,740	32	\$3,447,694	\$110,405	10	\$1,104,050	\$106,529	22	\$2,343,644.64
2002	\$110,098	123	\$13,542,053	\$113,553	44	\$4,996,348	\$108,173	79	\$8,545,705.08
2003	\$119,830	137	\$16,416,722	\$111,173	27	\$3,001,684	\$121,955	110	\$13,415,038.08
2004	\$114,333	149	\$17,035,633	\$118,058	47	\$5,548,743	\$112,617	102	\$11,486,890.68
2005	\$116,399	137	\$15,946,675	\$116,959	34	\$3,976,592	\$116,214	103	\$11,970,082.80
2006	\$117,041	133	\$15,566,417	\$112,649	40	\$4,505,941	\$118,930	93	\$11,060,475.60
2007	\$117,929	187	\$22,052,633	\$115,786	75	\$8,683,925	\$119,363	112	\$13,368,707.52
2008	\$121,213	171	\$20,727,411	\$118,018	45	\$5,310,824	\$122,354	126	\$15,416,586.48
2009	\$119,190	228	\$27,175,317	\$112,312	90	\$10,108,115	\$123,675	138	\$17,067,202.68
2010	\$117,493	517	\$60,743,841	\$115,203	331	\$38,132,253	\$121,568	186	\$22,611,588.00
2011	\$116,519	206	\$24,002,815	\$114,006	88	\$10,032,570	\$118,392	118	\$13,970,245.56
2012	\$118,649	289	\$34,289,520	\$119,225	86	\$10,253,317	\$118,405	203	\$24,036,203.52
2013	\$117,557	259	\$30,447,214	\$115,556	86	\$9,937,831	\$118,551	173	\$20,509,382.16

	50 Highe	est Annual Pensio	n Benefit	s - 2013	B Retirees	5
Rank	Name	Last Known Employer	Annual	System	Retirement	Membership
1	Poor Super M	Port Authority of NV 8 NJ	Benefit	ERS	Date 7/11/13	Date 12/8/75
	Baer, Susan M	Port Authority of NY & NJ	\$196,405 \$194,548			
2	Mulligan, Henry	Suffolk County	\$184,548	PFRS	7/6/13	8/8/72
3	Fabiano, Michael G	Port Authority of NY & NJ	\$181,234	ERS	7/6/13	6/30/76
4	Dougherty, John D	Manhattan Psychiatric Center	\$174,527	ERS	5/1/13	8/19/75
5	Murphy, John F	Port Authority of NY & NJ	\$172,494	PFRS	3/23/13	1/22/79
6	•	Port Authority of NY & NJ	\$160,346	ERS	6/15/13	7/10/78
7	O'Doherty, Niall F	Port Authority of NY & NJ	\$157,268	PFRS	4/13/13	9/28/87
8	Ryan, Patrick J	Port Authority of NY & NJ	\$157,170	PFRS	1/25/13	10/20/80
9	Toomey, Michael J	Port Authority of NY & NJ	\$152,646	PFRS	10/31/13	10/20/80
10	Mcgarvey, John J	Suffolk County	\$149,214	PFRS	7/7/13	4/24/72
11	Pietropaolo, Joseph J	City of Yonkers	\$147,470	PFRS	8/16/13	8/2/82
12	Armacida, Philip	City of Yonkers	\$146,431	PFRS	8/1/13	6/12/80
13	Hannon, Lorraine A	Nassau County	\$146,117	PFRS	12/31/13	4/29/83
14	Marino, Joseph J	Nassau County	\$143,539	PFRS	7/26/13	25724
15	Re, Carl F	Nassau County	\$143,326	PFRS	5/8/13	5/31/85
16	Minnerly, James E	City of Yonkers	\$143,143	PFRS	1/4/13	7/12/85
17	White, Joseph T	Nassau County	\$143,056	PFRS	7/26/13	6/15/73
18	Delo, Charles T	Town of Clarkstown	\$141,393	PFRS	3/30/13	9/2/74
19	Mchale, James P	Nassau County	\$141,229	PFRS	7/30/13	9/19/75
20	Patil, Pushpa S	Central NY Psychiatric Center	\$140,663	ERS	6/8/13	8/6/85
21	Mandato, John	City of Glen Cove	\$140,078	PFRS	3/31/13	4/7/86
22	Rhoads, James P	Suffolk County	\$140,030	PFRS	9/16/13	9/11/72
23	Gatta, George, Jr	Suffolk County	\$139,882	ERS	2/19/13	1/30/78
24	Mcgurn, Thomas P	Westchester County	\$139,845	PFRS	6/3/13	5/8/72
25	Dunn, Kyran V	City of Yonkers	\$139,619	PFRS	7/18/13	10/23/81
26	Kantor, Gregory R	City of Yonkers	\$139,197	PFRS	6/7/13	11/7/83
27	Dorner, George J	Port Authority of NY & NJ	\$138,692	PFRS	6/23/13	1/14/74
28	Grogan, Joseph S	Suffolk County	\$138,247	PFRS	4/29/13	2/13/89
29	Sawula, Andrew M	Nassau County	\$138,135	PFRS	7/27/13	10/23/87
30	Cain, Kevin T	Suffolk County	\$138,043	PFRS	7/13/13	11/9/66
31	Mercurio, Michael A	City of Yonkers	\$136,075	PFRS	4/27/13	11/18/82
32	D'Alessandro, Arthur J	Nassau County	\$135,950	PFRS	11/30/13	6/15/73
33	Williams, Betty J	Nyc Judges	\$135,902	ERS	12/30/13	4/3/67
34	Geiss, Edward P	City of Yonkers	\$135,108	PFRS	9/18/13	3/30/79
35	Feinberg, Sandra L	Middle Country Public Library	\$134,646	ERS	4/27/13	9/13/71
36	Sheridan, Dennis T	Hewlett-Woodmere UFSD	\$134,627	ERS	6/30/13	10/30/72
37	Morgan, Michael D	SUNY Central Administration	\$134,460	ERS	7/31/13	11/1/73
38	Scialo, John R	City of Yonkers	\$133,991	PFRS	12/21/13	7/3/79
39	Williams, Matthew J	City of Yonkers	\$133,377	PFRS	8/21/13	11/7/83
40	Papaleo, Louis M	City of Yonkers	\$132,618	PFRS	9/14/13	2/23/90
41	Gallo, John	Nassau County	\$131,971	ERS	6/28/13	10/29/69
42	Cordara, James A	Nassau County	\$131,968	PFRS	10/4/13	8/7/87
43	Muller, Robert M	Suffolk County	\$131,771	PFRS	1/2/13	10/26/70
44	Danese, Elizabeth A	Port Authority of NY & NJ	\$131,668	PFRS	7/21/13	4/7/80
45	Silverman, Norman C	Metropolitan Trans Authority	\$131,643	ERS	10/24/13	6/5/72
46	Regan, Thomas J, Jr	Nassau County	\$131,295	PFRS	4/19/13	1/13/84
47	Eller, Stuart D	Suffolk County	\$130,860	PFRS	2/23/13	7/2/70
48	Cantwell, Larry	Village of East Hampton	\$130,737	ERS	8/1/13	1/15/76
49	Mc Cloy, Norman E	Nassau County	\$130,399	PFRS	7/26/13	7/7/72
-3	Flynn, Jean M	Nassau County	\$130,399	PFRS	8/22/13	10/14/77

		100 Highest Annual Pe	ension B	enefits		
Rank	Name	Last Known Employer	Annual Benefit	System	Retirement Date	Membership Date
1	Philip, George M	NYS Teachers Retirement System	\$261,469	ERS	11/7/07	9/1/69
2	Pachter, Milton H	Port Authority of NY & NJ	\$250,874	ERS	1/13/12	5/27/56
3	Lisnitzer, Ivan M	SUNY Health Science Center at Brooklyn	\$245,497	ERS	11/23/12	6/19/69
4	Blanco, Aaron P	Port Authority of NY & NJ	\$233,065	ERS	11/13/10	9/27/71
5	Stolzenberg, Edward A	Westchester Health Care Corp	\$223,003	ERS	1/24/04	6/4/80
6	Lombardi, Francis J	Port Authority of NY & NJ	\$214,165	ERS	10/30/10	6/14/71
7	Noonan, Peter	Town of Clarkstown	\$206,399	PFRS	2/27/11	3/6/78
8	Drobny, John J	Port Authority of NY & NJ	\$200,333	ERS	12/7/12	6/2/69
9	Rustum, Youcef M	Roswell Park Cancer Institute	\$203,534	ERS	1/5/08	9/1/70
10	Delarosa, Josephine P	Nassau Health Care Corp	\$203,554	ERS	6/30/10	7/1/80
11	Echavarria, Louis A	•		PFRS		2/28/72
		Port Authority of NY & NJ	\$196,948		1/24/09	
12	Butcher, Ernesto L	Port Authority of NY & NJ	\$196,487	ERS	4/14/12	8/4/71
13	Baer, Susan M	Port Authority of NY & NJ	\$196,405	ERS	7/11/13	12/8/75
14	Balsam, Dvorah	Nassau Health Care Corp	\$192,280	ERS	12/30/05	7/1/72
15	Hiney, Robert A	NYS Power Authority	\$191,505	ERS	12/15/05	10/14/68
16	Klimberg, Stanley B	Long Island Power Authority	\$189,353	ERS	4/7/07	9/8/95
17	Southon, Priscilla J	New York Public Library	\$189,279	ERS	4/1/08	3/20/67
18	Vanni, Robert J	New York Public Library	\$189,088	ERS	6/22/11	5/19/86
19	Leo, Richard G	Hartsdale Fire Dist Commission	\$187,471	PFRS	10/2/11	6/23/78
20	Schoonmaker, Walter J	Hartsdale Fire Dist Commission	\$187,178	PFRS	10/2/09	8/1/59
21	Wood, Philip W	SUNY Central Administration	\$186,295	ERS	12/18/10	4/11/70
22	Conwell, Mary C	New York Public Library	\$185,839	ERS	8/21/04	8/22/66
23	Seymour, Joseph J	Port Authority of NY & NJ	\$184,586	ERS	10/23/04	12/1/67
24	Mulligan, Henry	Suffolk County	\$184,548	PFRS	7/6/13	8/8/72
25	Birdsall, Wayne F	Nassau County	\$184,319	PFRS	3/23/12	6/15/73
26	Gizzo, Gerardo	Westchester County	\$183,213	PFRS	5/7/10	5/4/87
27	Shaftan, Gerald W	Nassau Health Care Corp	\$182,538	ERS	10/17/02	7/1/56
28	Riordan, Sean P	City of Yonkers	\$181,555	PFRS	10/31/08	7/12/85
29	Fabiano, Michael G	Port Authority of NY & NJ	\$181,234	ERS	7/6/13	6/30/76
30	Brogan, Michael P	Port Authority of NY & NJ	\$180,977	PFRS	7/9/05	2/7/77
31	Mc Mahon, Patrick J	City of Yonkers	\$179,316	PFRS	1/23/09	4/23/73
32	Cummings, Bernard J	Town of Clarkstown	\$178,184	PFRS	1/4/14	6/20/70
33	Newbert, Robert M	Nassau County	\$177,402	PFRS	4/18/08	6/15/73
34	Curtis, Gerald T	City of Yonkers	\$175,856	PFRS	12/31/06	9/9/64
35	Miller, Frederick B	Westchester Health Care Corp	\$174,889	ERS	11/1/04	6/29/73
36	Dougherty, John D	Manhattan Psychiatric Center	\$174,527	ERS	5/1/13	8/19/75
37	Rahn, Elsa K	Nassau County	\$174,262	ERS	8/31/99	2/2/67
38	Corrigan, William J	Port Authority of NY & NJ	\$173,786	PFRS	5/10/03	7/26/71
39	Satti, Venkata S	Elmira Psychiatric Center	\$173,651	ERS	5/30/09	4/16/75
40	Barr, Harry K, III	Port Authority of NY & NJ	\$173,563	ERS	6/23/12	4/7/69
41	Metten, Steven T	Nassau County	\$172,564	PFRS	7/5/06	10/9/70
42	Murphy, John F	Port Authority of NY & NJ	\$172,494	PFRS	3/23/13	1/22/79
43	Freese, Kenneth J	Nassau Health Care Corp	\$172,271	ERS	8/31/02	7/26/76
44	Hayes, Michael T	Nassau County	\$171,618	PFRS	4/24/09	7/2/71
45	Turk, Robert M	Nassau County	\$171,515	PFRS	10/31/10	6/15/73
46	Fras, Ivan	Broome County	\$170,478	ERS	10/5/00	6/1/67
47	Minogue, Eileen	Northport East Northport Pub Lib	\$170,133	ERS	7/1/12	6/25/73
48	Mc Laughlin, James D	City of Yonkers	\$170,104	PFRS	5/27/11	9/20/79
49	Lacapra, Louis J	Port Authority of NY & NJ	\$169,823	ERS	7/7/12	6/10/63
50	Pelkofsky, Gerard V	Suffolk County	\$169,593	PFRS	2/29/12	10/25/71

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	10	00 Highest Annual	Pension Bene	fits (cor	n't.)	
Rank	Name	Last Known Employer	Annual Benefit	System	Retirement Date	Membership Date
51	Podolak, Michael J	Port Authority of NY & NJ	\$169,446	PFRS	3/22/03	3/10/71
52	Scully, Kevin E	City of Yonkers	\$167,228	PFRS	7/18/08	3/30/79
53	Doubraski, William E	Port Authority of NY & NJ	\$166,543	PFRS	1/19/03	1/29/73
54	Murphy, Michael R	Port Authority of NY & NJ	\$166,464	PFRS	7/6/03	7/9/73
55	Ellis, William E	Port Authority of NY & NJ	\$166,359	ERS	10/16/10	6/4/73
56	Kelly, Victoria C	Port Authority of NY & NJ	\$166,255	ERS	11/18/10	6/30/76
57	Hassett, Kevin	Port Authority of NY & NJ	\$166,252	PFRS	7/6/03	7/9/73
58	Duffy, Kenneth M	Nassau County	\$166,133	PFRS	2/15/08	2/9/73
59	Maricle, Karen M	Erie County Medical Cntr Corp	\$166,125	ERS	6/5/08	6/5/72
60	Rinaldi, William A	City of Yonkers	\$166,063	PFRS	11/28/10	3/30/79
61	Rienzie, John D	Port Authority of NY & NJ	\$165,624	PFRS	1/27/07	12/1/78
62	Colasonno, Robert T	Nassau County	\$165,569	PFRS	3/23/12	7/7/72
63	Green, Jeffrey S	Port Authority of NY & NJ	\$165,382	ERS	10/2/04	6/12/66
64	Rocco, Anthony W	Nassau County	\$165,304	PFRS	6/18/09	8/2/68
65	Barrett, Edward J	City of Yonkers	\$165,302	PFRS	2/5/10	3/30/79
66	Rhome, Alan I	Port Authority of NY & NJ	\$164,666	ERS	11/18/10	6/23/70
67	Conrad, Arnold R	Nassau Health Care Corp	\$164,457	ERS	7/24/10	7/1/78
68	Clemente, Carmine J	NYS Power Authority	\$163,724	ERS	6/26/07	6/16/62
69	Messe, Donald F	Nassau County		PFRS	11/1/10	6/15/73
		Town of Clarkstown	\$163,491	PFRS		4/17/72
70	Sherwood, William T, III		\$163,117		5/28/04	
71	Murphy, Daniel C	City of Yonkers	\$162,791	PFRS	1/12/06	5/14/73
72	Baci, Wayne W	Nassau County	\$162,751	PFRS	1/2/08	11/6/70
73	Purtill, Thomas M	Town of Clarkstown	\$162,614	PFRS	3/31/09	9/29/75
74	Essex, Thomas J	Nassau County	\$162,440	PFRS	10/27/10	3/11/69
75	Pufahl, Robert W	City of Yonkers	\$162,135	PFRS	1/12/07	5/19/67
76	Caputo, Jay S	Nassau County	\$162,062	PFRS	3/23/12	6/15/73
77	Deluca, Michael M	Nassau Health Care Corp	\$161,806	ERS	3/4/05	1/17/66
78	Baumann, Harry A	Town of Clarkstown	\$161,412	PFRS	6/29/12	5/16/69
79	Mulligan, Annemarie C	Port Authority of NY & NJ	\$160,346	ERS	6/15/13	7/10/78
80	Mclaughlin, Thomas B	Nassau County	\$160,028	PFRS	3/23/12	6/15/73
81	Muller, Richard J	Port Authority of NY & NJ	\$159,984	PFRS	1/4/03	1/5/70
82	Doherty, James J	Port Authority of NY & NJ	\$159,746	PFRS	3/1/03	7/9/73
83	Maniscalco, Raymond N	Port Authority of NY & NJ	\$159,496	PFRS	3/15/12	12/5/77
84	Pilholski, Robert A	City of Yonkers	\$159,307	PFRS	9/4/08	3/30/79
85	Winslow, Mark F	Port Authority of NY & NJ	\$159,130	PFRS	1/31/03	6/28/73
86	Doran, Thomas	Nassau County	\$159,098	PFRS	7/6/07	4/23/71
87	Borawski, Henry J	Port Authority of NY & NJ	\$158,877	PFRS	7/8/12	2/11/80
88	Brill, John D	Port Authority of NY & NJ	\$158,800	ERS	11/18/10	11/2/70
89	Danchuk, Peter	Port Authority of NY & NJ	\$158,491	PFRS	8/26/06	9/27/76
90	Segalini, Paul Dante	Port Authority of NY & NJ	\$158,292	ERS	6/30/07	2/4/63
91	Baker, Robert E	City of Yonkers	\$158,128	PFRS	6/30/06	9/30/77
92	Panza, Andrew J	Nassau County	\$157,808	ERS	5/31/12	7/26/88
93	Capalbo, Nicholas J	City of Yonkers	\$157,803	PFRS	11/26/10	3/30/79
94	Rinaldi, Peter L	Port Authority of NY & NJ	\$157,780	ERS	9/17/10	5/1/70
95	Le Clerc, Paul	New York Public Library	\$157,527	ERS	7/1/11	12/1/93
96	Barry, Dennis R	Nassau County	\$157,482	PFRS	7/5/08	6/15/73
97	O'Doherty, Niall F	Port Authority of NY & NJ	\$157,268	PFRS	4/13/13	9/28/87
98	Ryan, Patrick J	Port Authority of NY & NJ	\$157,170	PFRS	1/25/13	10/20/80
99	Mulligan, William H	Suffolk County	\$157,144	PFRS	1/7/08	8/7/67
100	Mc Donald, Stephen J	Nassau County	\$157,069	PFRS	7/31/07	1/17/69

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