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## STATE OF NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

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EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2017	EXPIRATION DATE: 06/30/2018	SUPERSEDES: 17-09-OMB
SUBJECT: "EMPLOYEE BENEFIT" REIMBURSEMENT RATES		
ATTENTION: AGENCY FISCAL AND PERSONNEL OFFICERS		
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The Office of Management and Budget has negotiated with the United States Department of Health and Human Services a composite fringe benefit rate of 43.0 percent of base salaries for the year ending June 30, 2018. The rate is applicable to personnel who are members of the Public Employees' Retirement System (PERS), Teachers' Pension and Annuity Fund (TPAF), Teachers' Alternate Benefit Plan (TABP), Defined Contribution Retirement Program (DCRP), and all employees who are not members of a pension plan, but are covered for health benefits. A fringe benefit rate of 55.8 percent has been negotiated for the Police and Firemen. These negotiated rates are to be used for all Non-State funded sources.

The State Police fringe benefit rate is 48.7 percent for Non-State funded programs. The PERS fringe benefit rate of 43.0 percent should be used for all State Police federally funded programs.

Actual charges to Federal, Dedicated, and Non-State funded programs will be reflected on the base salaries. **NOTE:** Salaries exclude overtime pay and part-time employees that are not members of a pension plan or not covered for health benefits.

Effective July 1, 2017, the rates shall be used by all State agencies including the State's senior public colleges and universities for estimating and computing actual charges for fringe benefit costs related to Federal, Dedicated, and Non-State programs. Rates previously established are obsolete.

<u>Object Account</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>PERS etc.</u>	<u>Police and Firemen</u>	<u>State Police</u>
19	Pension Costs	13.5	32.3	32.7
19	Health Benefits (Including Prescription Drug and Dental Programs)	27.9	20.8	15.3
19	Workers' Compensation	1.1	2.4	0.6
19	Unemployment Insurance Temporary Disability	0.1	0.0	0.0
19	Insurance	0.2	0.2	0.0
19	Unused Sick Leave	0.2	0.1	0.1
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>43.0</b>	<b>55.8</b>	<b>48.7</b>

In addition to these fringe benefit rates, the employer's share of FICA/Medicare taxes will be charged to Federal, Dedicated, and Non-State funded programs at the rate imposed by the Federal Government applied to the specified taxable wage base. The rate for the Calendar Year 2017 was 6.20 percent of the first \$127,200 of the gross wages for the Social Security portion, and 1.45 percent of gross wages (no ceiling) for the Medicare portion. The rate for Calendar Year 2018 is 6.20 percent of the first \$128,700 of the gross wages for the Social Security portion, and 1.45 percent of gross wages (no ceiling) for the Medicare portion.

<u>Object Account</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>PERS etc.</u>	<u>Police and Firemen</u>	<u>State Police</u>
19	FICA	6.20	6.20	--
19	Medicare	<u>1.45</u>	<u>1.45</u>	<u>1.45</u>
	TOTAL	<u>7.65</u>	<u>7.65</u>	<u>1.45</u>



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