



Identifying an Alternative Compensation Comparator Group for Investment Management Staff

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Introduction

- CalPERS asked McLagan to help identify an alternative pay comparator group for investment management staff that would be used to:
 - 1. Define competitive pay levels.
 - 2. Serve as a basis for anchoring CalPERS salary ranges in the competitive market.
- Following up on the April 17th Committee meeting, this report provides:
 - For investment staff, a review of the current and alternative peer groups. This alternative group reflects the Committee's input and suggestions.
 - The alternative peer group's associated market salary and incentive opportunities.





Alternative Investment Staff Peer Group - Defined

Current Peer Group	Alternative Peer Group
 Current Peer Group All US and non-US public sector funds with \$75B+ AUM (weighted 50%) Large financial institutions focusing on banks and insurance companies (weighted 50%) 	 A combined group consisting of: Large and complex institutional investors (listed in Appendix 1): 6 US public funds 5 Canadian public funds 4 US corporate plan sponsors Private sector asset management organizations of comparable size (\$150B to \$350B AUM) that are key competitors for CalPERS staff, including:
	4 banks





Alternative Investment Staff Peer Group - Evaluated

	Current Peer Group		Alternative Peer Group			
Advantages	+	CalPERS has been able to attract and retain staff with the current comparator group, but often faces limited candidate pools and long recruiting periods. CalPERS is a public fund and should benchmark its pay levels versus other public funds. The 50% weighting satisfies this objective. A 50% private sector weighting acknowledges that CalPERS competes with a broad range of firms for talent (not just public funds).	 The institutional investor peers have missions similar to CalPERS and are considered leaders in pension/asset management. The private sector firms are primary competitors for CalPERS investment staff. Shouldn't CalPERS peer group reflect its staffing strategy? The private sector data is size-adjusted, eliminating much smaller and larger firms from CalPERS pay comparisons. 	r er		
Disadvantages	-	The Policy manual is vague with regard to peer group selection (i.e., "large" banks and insurance companies; which non-US public funds). CalPERS is larger and more complex than all other US public funds. Are those funds relevant? CalPERS top performers would not likely leave for another public fund. CalPERS mainly recruits from the private sector (not other public funds).	 Many of the institutional peers: Lack CalPERS operating complexity (e.g., \$250B AUM, of which \$160B (64%)) is interna managed). Do not manage money internally. Many of the private sector peers: Are not mission driven. Have different employment propositions. 	lly		





Alternative Investment Staff Peer Group – Pay Level Analysis

- McLagan completed an analysis comparing CalPERS pay with the alternative investment staff peer group.
- Our analysis focused on:
 - Base salary
 - Total cash compensation (salary + bonus)
 - Total compensation (salary + bonus + long-term incentives for the peer group and, for CalPERS*, the value of the DB benefit and post-retirement health benefit).
- Focusing on the aggregate pay of the 46** CalPERS incumbents included in this analysis, we found that CalPERS:
 - Salaries are competitive, approximating the median of the alternative peer group.
 - Actual cash compensation levels (for the 2012 performance year) were low, falling 17% below the competitive 25th percentile.
 - Total cash compensation opportunities, including bonuses paid out at maximum, are conservative.
 - Total compensation opportunities are also low, falling into the low quartile.

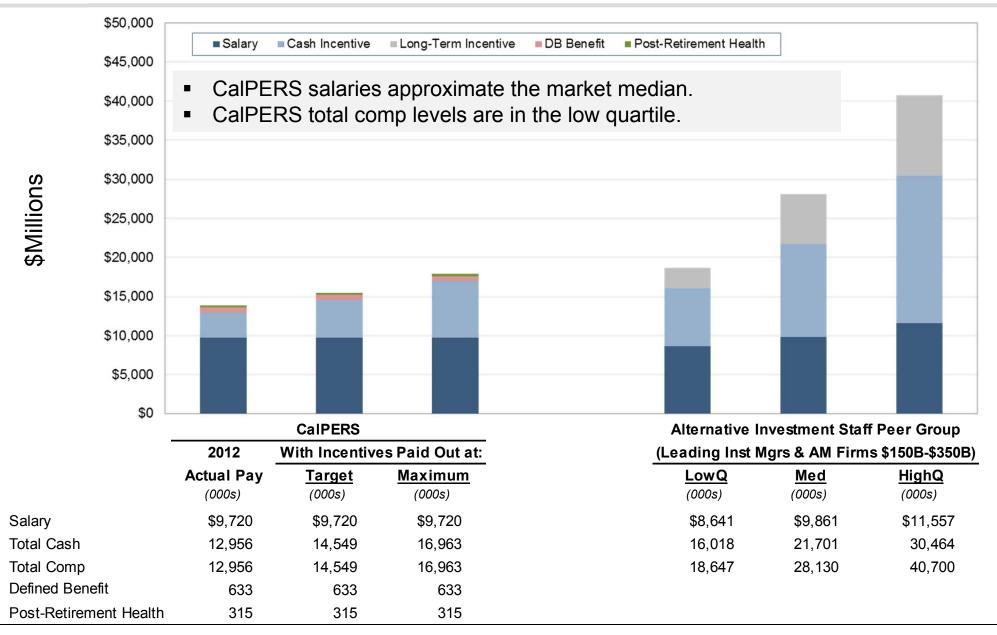
^{**} Investment staff included in the analysis have both (a) actual and policy data reported for the incumbent; and (b) market quartile data available for the applicable role (i.e., 25th, 50th and 75th percentiles).





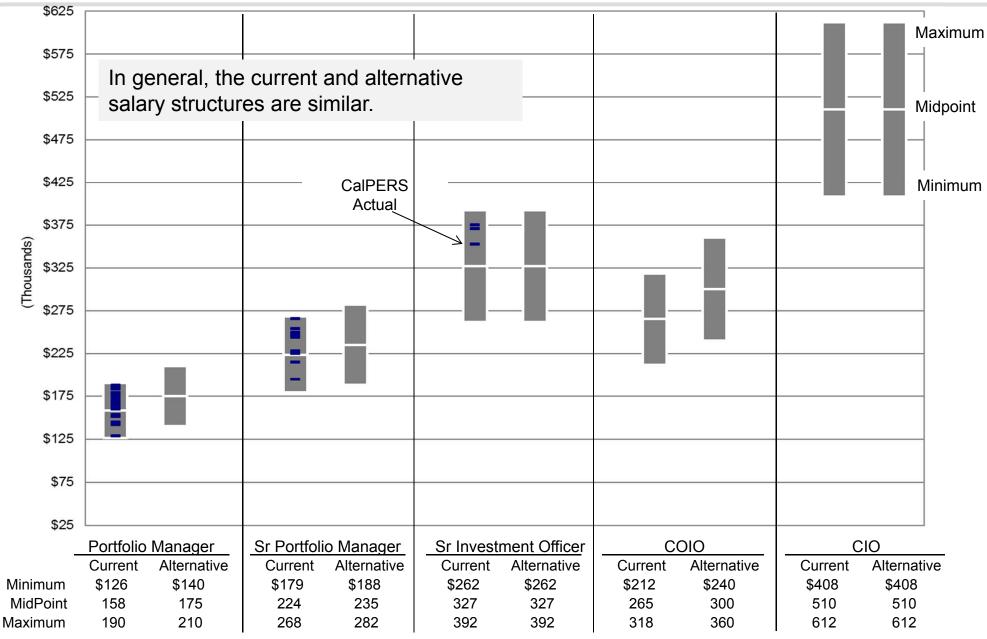
^{*}Although not monetarily quantifiable, CalPERS also provides incumbents with (a) civil service rights - providing staff with greater employment security; and (b) the prestige, access and learning opportunities associated with working at CalPERS.

Alternative Investment Staff Peer Group – Pay Level Analysis: Aggregate Spend (46 incumbents)



Note: Based on 46 CalPERS incumbents for which (a) actual and policy data is reported for the incumbent; and (b) market quartile data is available for the role (i.e., 25th, 50th and 75th percentiles). Defined benefit value provided by CalPERS; Post-retirement health values are from the *State of California Retiree Health Benefits Program, as* compiled by, Gabriel Roeder Smith & Company.

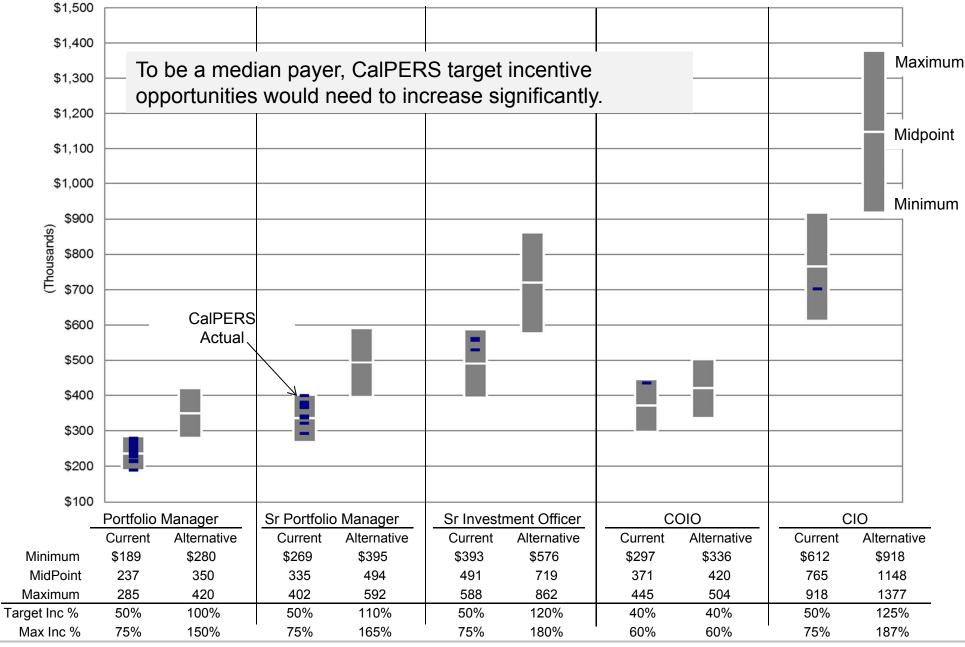
Alternative Investment Staff Peer Group – Salary Structure for Investment Staff (at median)







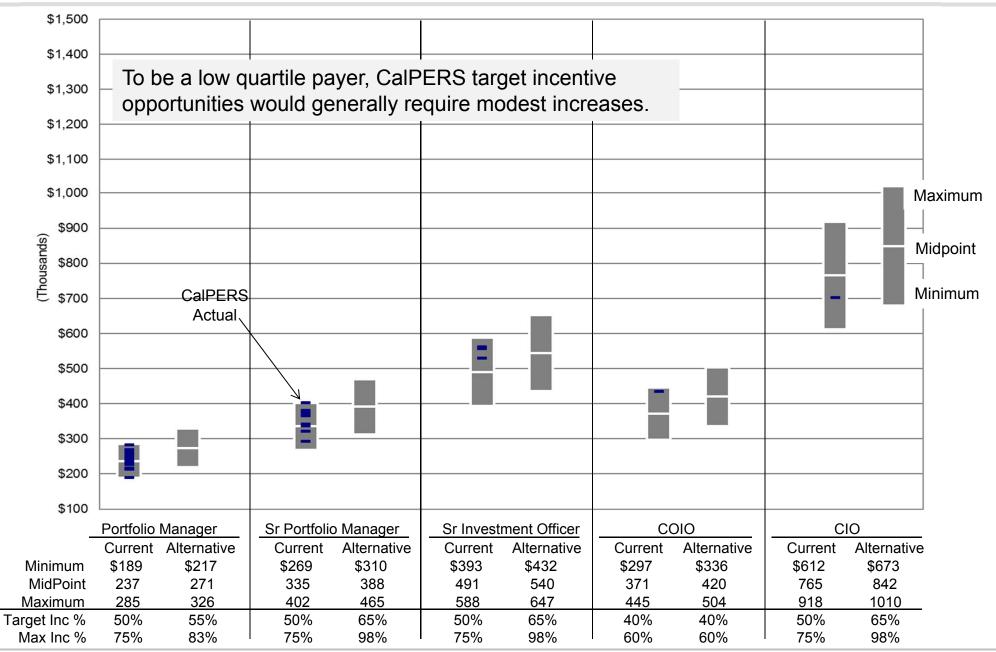
Alternative Total Cash/Incentive Structure for Investment Staff (with median salaries and median total cash)







Alternative Total Cash/Incentive Structure for Investment Staff (with median salaries and low quartile total cash)







Alternative Investment Staff Peer Group: Leading Institutional Investors

Leadin	g Institutional Managers (15	5)			
		12/31/11 AUM *		Internally Managed	# of Inv Staff
Canadian Pension Plan Investment Board	Canadian Pension Fund	\$160.3			
Caisse de depot et Placement de Quebec	Canadian Pension Fund	157.3			
California State Teachers' Retirement System	US Public Fund	144.8			
General Motors Asset Management	US Corp. Plan Sponsor	127.0			
GE Asset Management	US Corp. Plan Sponsor	121.0			
Ontario Teachers Pension Plan Board	Canadian Pension Fund	115.9			
Teacher Retirement System of Texas	US Public Fund	101.6			
State of Wisconsin Investment Board	US Public Fund	77.2			
Division of Investment Services, State of Georgia	US Public Fund	64.6			
State Teachers Retirement System of Ohio	US Public Fund	61.7			
Ontario Municipal Employees Retirement System	Canadian Pension Fund	54.4			
Virginia Retirement System	US Public Fund	51.0			
Healthcare of Ontario Pension Plan	Canadian Pension Fund	39.9			
Lockheed Martin Investment Management Company	US Corp. Plan Sponsor	28.0			
DuPont Capital Management	US Corp. Plan Sponsor	25.6			
	US Public Fund	6	40%		
	Canadian Pension Fund	5	33%		
	US Corp. Plan Sponsor	4	27%		
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	High Quartile	\$124.0		81%	180
	Median	77.2		53%	85
	Low Quartile	52.7		32%	62
California Public Employees' Retirement System		\$225.0		64%	194
CalPERS' Rank		1 of 16		5 of 12	5 of 16



