



HSC Pension Scheme

Summary of the 2020 assumptions used in the actuarial valuation as at 31 March 2020

This report is supplemental to the Advice on assumptions report dated 26 October 2023 and should be read in conjunction with that report. This report contains further details of the 'scheme-set' assumptions to be adopted for the actuarial valuation of the HSC Pension Scheme as at 31 March 2020, including sample rates and values. The assumptions adopted at the previous valuation as at 31 March 2016 are set out in our Advice on assumptions report for that valuation, located at the following <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/public-service-pensions-2016-actuarial-valuation-reports/public-service-pensions-2016-actuarial-valuation-reports>.

Mortality after retirement

| Baseline mortality | Standard table | Adjustment |
|-------------------------------|----------------|------------|
| Males | | |
| Retirements in normal health | S3NMA | 91% |
| Current ill-health pensioners | S3IMA | 134% |
| Future ill-health pensioners | S3IMA | 134% |
| Dependants | S3DMA | 82% |
| Females | | |
| Retirements in normal health | S3NFA | 103% |
| Current ill-health pensioners | S3IFA | 134% |
| Future ill-health pensioners | S3IFA | 134% |
| Dependants | S3DFA | 89% |

Commutation of pension for cash at retirement

| | 1995 section | 2008 section | 2015 scheme |
|--------------------------|------------------|--------------|-------------|
| Males and females | 10% (M)/ 12% (F) | 20% | 20% |



Retirement ages

Age retirement rates for 1995 section

| Age | Male rates | | | | | Female rates | | | | |
|-----|------------|------|--------|--------------|----------------------|--------------|------|--------|--------------|----------------------|
| | Non-manual | MHO | Manual | Practitioner | Special Class Nurses | Non-manual | MHO | Manual | Practitioner | Special Class Nurses |
| 50 | 0.01 | 0.03 | 0.02 | 0.01 | 0.02 | 0.01 | 0.03 | 0.01 | 0.00 | 0.01 |
| 51 | 0.01 | 0.02 | 0.01 | 0.01 | 0.02 | 0.01 | 0.02 | 0.01 | 0.00 | 0.01 |
| 52 | 0.01 | 0.02 | 0.02 | 0.01 | 0.02 | 0.01 | 0.02 | 0.01 | 0.00 | 0.01 |
| 53 | 0.01 | 0.02 | 0.02 | 0.01 | 0.02 | 0.01 | 0.02 | 0.01 | 0.00 | 0.01 |
| 54 | 0.02 | 0.13 | 0.02 | 0.02 | 0.05 | 0.01 | 0.11 | 0.01 | 0.01 | 0.05 |
| 55 | 0.04 | 0.50 | 0.05 | 0.06 | 0.30 | 0.05 | 0.48 | 0.03 | 0.05 | 0.35 |
| 56 | 0.04 | 0.24 | 0.05 | 0.05 | 0.13 | 0.04 | 0.22 | 0.02 | 0.05 | 0.15 |
| 57 | 0.05 | 0.27 | 0.06 | 0.10 | 0.16 | 0.05 | 0.20 | 0.04 | 0.07 | 0.16 |
| 58 | 0.08 | 0.25 | 0.06 | 0.16 | 0.21 | 0.06 | 0.23 | 0.04 | 0.14 | 0.18 |
| 59 | 0.12 | 0.29 | 0.09 | 0.28 | 0.16 | 0.10 | 0.26 | 0.07 | 0.21 | 0.20 |
| 60 | 0.33 | 0.33 | 0.25 | 0.63 | 0.42 | 0.30 | 0.35 | 0.19 | 0.69 | 0.39 |
| 61 | 0.19 | 0.27 | 0.14 | 0.32 | 0.31 | 0.24 | 0.30 | 0.23 | 0.27 | 0.35 |
| 62 | 0.20 | 0.34 | 0.17 | 0.25 | 0.24 | 0.31 | 0.38 | 0.31 | 0.35 | 0.40 |
| 63 | 0.22 | 0.28 | 0.17 | 0.25 | 0.29 | 0.27 | 0.35 | 0.23 | 0.23 | 0.34 |
| 64 | 0.32 | 0.72 | 0.37 | 0.28 | 0.76 | 0.30 | 0.69 | 0.25 | 0.29 | 0.62 |
| 65 | 0.51 | 1.00 | 0.59 | 0.47 | 1.00 | 0.39 | 1.00 | 0.35 | 0.57 | 1.00 |
| 66 | 0.30 | | 0.32 | 0.23 | | 0.27 | | 0.25 | 0.26 | |
| 67 | 0.28 | | 0.29 | 0.33 | | 0.28 | | 0.19 | 0.28 | |
| 68 | 1.00 | | 1.00 | 1.00 | | 1.00 | | 1.00 | 1.00 | |

Age retirement rates for 2008 section

| Age | Male rates | | | Female rates | | |
|-----|-------------|--------|--------------|--------------|--------|--------------|
| | Non- Manual | Manual | Practitioner | Non- Manual | Manual | Practitioner |
| 55 | 0.02 | 0.02 | 0.02 | 0.02 | 0.02 | 0.02 |
| 56 | 0.02 | 0.02 | 0.02 | 0.02 | 0.02 | 0.02 |
| 57 | 0.02 | 0.02 | 0.02 | 0.02 | 0.02 | 0.02 |
| 58 | 0.02 | 0.02 | 0.02 | 0.02 | 0.02 | 0.02 |
| 59 | 0.03 | 0.03 | 0.03 | 0.03 | 0.03 | 0.03 |
| 60 | 0.04 | 0.04 | 0.04 | 0.04 | 0.04 | 0.04 |
| 61 | 0.05 | 0.05 | 0.05 | 0.05 | 0.05 | 0.05 |
| 62 | 0.06 | 0.06 | 0.06 | 0.06 | 0.06 | 0.06 |
| 63 | 0.07 | 0.07 | 0.07 | 0.07 | 0.07 | 0.07 |
| 64 | 0.08 | 0.08 | 0.08 | 0.08 | 0.08 | 0.08 |
| 65 | 0.94 | 0.90 | 0.87 | 0.92 | 0.94 | 0.87 |
| 66 | 0.55 | 0.70 | 0.32 | 0.45 | 0.50 | 0.40 |
| 67 | 0.50 | 0.55 | 0.32 | 0.40 | 0.50 | 0.40 |
| 68 | 0.50 | 0.50 | 0.32 | 0.35 | 0.50 | 0.40 |
| 69 | 0.55 | 0.40 | 0.32 | 0.35 | 0.50 | 0.40 |
| 70 | 1.00 | 1.00 | 1.00 | 1.00 | 1.00 | 1.00 |

Age retirement rates for 2015 Scheme

| | <i>All members (and applicable to all service)</i> |
|-----------------------|--|
| NPA* | 1 |
| NPA-1 | 0.08 |
| NPA-2 | 0.07 |
| NPA-3 | 0.06 |
| NPA-4 | 0.05 |
| NPA-5 | 0.04 |
| NPA-6 | 0.03 |
| NPA-7 | 0.02 |
| NPA-8 | 0.02 |
| NPA-9 | 0.02 |
| NPA-10 | 0.02 |
| NPA-11} | 0.01 |
| NPA-12} to min age 55 | 0.01 |
| NPA-13} | 0.01 |

* NPA in 2015 scheme in all cases

Retirements are assumed to occur on a member's birthday.

Rates of leaving service

No net withdrawals are assumed for practitioner or special class members in the 1995 section. The following table shows the rates (net of re-entry within 5 years) for all other members.

| Age | Duration of service | |
|------|---------------------|-------------|
| | 0-1 year | Over 1 year |
| ≤ 17 | 0.20 | 0.03 |
| 20 | 0.10 | 0.02 |
| 25 | 0.02 | 0.02 |
| 30 | 0.02 | 0.02 |
| 45+ | 0.02 | 0.02 |

Promotional pay increases

| Age | Males | Females |
|-----|--------------|--------------|
| | Index value* | Index value* |
| 20 | 74 | 77 |
| 25 | 100 | 100 |
| 30 | 126 | 125 |
| 35 | 153 | 140 |
| 40 | 177 | 146 |
| 45 | 191 | 152 |
| 50 | 199 | 157 |
| 55 | 201 | 161 |
| 60 | 202 | 164 |
| 65 | 202 | 164 |

*Relative to an index value of 100 at age 25

Rates of ill-health retirement

| Age | Males | Females |
|-----|--------|---------|
| 20 | 0.0002 | 0.0002 |
| 25 | 0.0003 | 0.0003 |
| 30 | 0.0004 | 0.0004 |
| 35 | 0.0008 | 0.0007 |
| 40 | 0.0012 | 0.0010 |
| 45 | 0.0026 | 0.0015 |
| 50 | 0.004 | 0.002 |
| 55 | 0.008 | 0.006 |
| 60 | 0.010 | 0.012 |
| 62 | 0.012 | 0.014 |
| 64 | 0.012 | 0.016 |
| 66 | 0.014 | 0.018 |
| 68 | 0 | 0 |

*Rates are zero if above the NPA of the relevant section

In all scheme sections, 75% of ill-health retirements are assumed to qualify for upper tier awards.

Mortality before retirement

| Age | Males | Females |
|-----|--------|---------|
| 20 | 0.0002 | 0.0002 |
| 25 | 0.0002 | 0.0002 |
| 30 | 0.0003 | 0.0002 |
| 35 | 0.0005 | 0.0003 |
| 40 | 0.0006 | 0.0003 |
| 45 | 0.0009 | 0.0005 |
| 50 | 0.0012 | 0.0008 |
| 55 | 0.0019 | 0.0011 |
| 60 | 0.0030 | 0.0017 |
| 65 | 0.0048 | 0.0025 |

Family statistics

Proportion married or partnered at death

| Age | Members leaving service before 31 March 2008 | | Members in service on or after 31 March 2008 | |
|-----|---|---------|---|---------|
| | Males | Females | Males | Females |
| 50 | 72% | 52% | 76% | 54% |
| 60 | 72% | 52% | 76% | 54% |
| 70 | 72% | 45% | 74% | 46% |
| 80 | 60% | 22% | 61% | 23% |
| 90 | 34% | 7% | 34% | 7% |

Other assumptions

Only a legal spouse of a member leaving before 31 March 2008 is eligible for a dependant's pension. Other dependants may be eligible to dependant's pension for members in service on or after 1 April 2008.

Dependants are assumed to be of the opposite gender as the member. Male members are assumed to be three years older than their partners and female members are assumed to be three years younger than their partners.

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