



Wisconsin Retirement System

Retirement Estimates Requested

Retirement Applications Received

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Comparison: January 2010 and January 2011

January	Retirement Estimates	% Change	Retirement Applications	% Change
2010	1,805	—	636	—
2011	2,204	22%	693	9%

Calendar Year Comparisons 2004-2010

Retirement Estimate Requests

The table at right shows the number of **retirement estimates** received by the Department of Employee Trust Funds (ETF) each year from 2004 through 2010. Wisconsin Retirement System (WRS) members request an estimate of their benefits prior to filing an official retirement application. The figures shown are no indication of the actual number of WRS members that retired in a given year.

Year	Estimates	Average Per Month	% Change
2004	16,829	1,402	—
2005	17,032	1,419	1.2%
2006	17,716	1,476	4.0%
2007	16,957	1,413	- 4.3%
2008	16,883	1,407	- 0.4%
2009	18,836	1,570	11.6%
2010	20,777	1,731	10.3%

Retirement Applications Received

The table at right shows the number of **retirement applications** received by ETF each year from 2004 through 2010. When ready to officially retire, the employee starts the process by completing and sending a retirement application to the Department.

Year	Applications	Average Per Month	% Change
2004	10,037	836	—
2005	10,393	866	3.5%
2006	9,456	788	- 9.0%
2007	10,680	890	12.9%
2008	10,611	884	- 0.6%
2009	10,952	913	3.2%
2010	11,750	979	7.3%