Pension Debt Varies Across States
Unfunded pension liabilities as a share of state personal income, 2019

Source: Pew’s analysis based on data from the U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis and pension data collected from state comprehensive annual financial reports.

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Unfunded Pension Liabilities Grew More Than Debt, Unfunded Retiree Health Care Costs

Obligations as a share of 50-state personal income, 2007-20

*Standards for reporting unfunded pension liabilities by states changed in fiscal year 2014.

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