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Subject: Additional Supplemental Benefit Payments (13th Check), 1980-2024

The following provides a list of the additional benefit payments provided by the State Teachers Retirement System (STRS) under section 3307.671 (often referred to as the “13th Check”). Between 1980-2000, these amounts totaled \$711,380,000. According to the STRS actuary, these payments amount to a \$10 billion impact on assets.¹ STRS again began to provide these payments in 2024.

Fiscal Year	13 th Check Amount (\$)
1980	17,444,000
1981	21,747,000
1982	13,145,000
1983	19,436,000
1984	22,211,000
1985	25,289,000
1986	35,347,000
1987	41,298,000
1988	35,780,000
1989	36,885,000
1990	38,110,000
1991	28,815,000
1992	32,489,000
1993	33,586,000
1994	34,567,000
1995	41,750,000
1996	43,278,000
1997	44,876,000
1998	46,448,000
1999	48,493,000
2000	50,386,000
2024	\$306,000,000
Total	\$1,017,380,000

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¹ “Supplemental Benefit Overview,” September 20, 2024, STRS Board Meeting, pg. 3.