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Backgrounder

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MLAs \$1: Taxpayers \$4

Pension Calculation Chart

| Name | Political Party | Years to 2013 ² | Best 3 Year Avg, Salary to 2013 ³ | Estimated Pension Benefit in 2013 ⁴ | Total Estimated Pension Value to age 80 ⁵ |
|---------------------------------|-----------------|----------------------------|--|--|--|
| Abbott, Hon. George | LIB | 17 | \$147,000 | \$87,465 | \$1,542,820 |
| Austin, Robin ¹ | NDP | 8 | \$112,700 | \$31,556 | \$556,625 |
| Bains, Harry ¹ | NDP | 8 | \$98,000 | \$27,440 | \$484,022 |
| Barisoff, Hon. Bill | LIB | 17 | \$147,000 | \$87,465 | \$1,542,820 |
| Bell, Hon. Pat | LIB | 12 | \$147,000 | \$61,740 | \$1,089,049 |
| Bennett, Bill | LIB | 12 | \$98,000 | \$41,160 | \$726,033 |
| Black, Iain ¹ | LIB | 8 | \$112,700 | \$31,556 | \$556,625 |
| Bloy, Harry | LIB | 12 | \$117,600 | \$49,392 | \$871,240 |
| Bond, Hon. Shirley ¹ | LIB | 12 | \$147,000 | \$61,740 | \$1,089,049 |
| Brar, Jagrup ¹ | NDP | 9 | \$98,000 | \$30,870 | \$544,525 |
| Campbell, Hon. Gordon | LIB | 19 | \$186,200 | \$123,823 | \$2,184,149 |
| Cantelon, Ron ¹ | LIB | 8 | \$107,800 | \$30,184 | \$532,424 |
| Chong, Hon. Ida ¹ | LIB | 17 | \$147,000 | \$87,465 | \$1,542,820 |
| Chouhan, Raj ¹ | NDP | 8 | \$98,000 | \$27,440 | \$484,022 |
| Christensen, Hon. Tom | LIB | 12 | \$147,000 | \$61,740 | \$1,089,049 |
| Chudnovsky, David ¹ | NDP | 8 | \$98,000 | \$27,440 | \$484,022 |
| Coell, Hon. Murray | LIB | 17 | \$147,000 | \$87,465 | \$1,542,820 |
| Coleman, Hon. Rich | LIB | 17 | \$147,000 | \$87,465 | \$1,542,820 |
| Conroy, Katrine ¹ | NDP | 8 | \$117,600 | \$32,928 | \$580,826 |
| Coons, Gary ¹ | NDP | 8 | \$98,000 | \$27,440 | \$484,022 |

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| Cubberley, David ¹ | NDP | 8 | \$98,000 | \$27,440 | \$484,022 |
| de Jong, Hon. Michael | LIB | 19 | \$147,000 | \$97,755 | \$1,724,328 |
| Dix, Adrian ¹ | NDP | 8 | \$98,000 | \$27,440 | \$484,022 |
| Evans, Corky | NDP | 18 | \$98,000 | \$61,740 | \$1,089,049 |
| Falcon, Hon. Kevin ¹ | LIB | 12 | \$147,000 | \$61,740 | \$1,089,049 |
| Farnworth, Mike | NDP | 18 | \$117,600 | \$74,088 | \$1,306,859 |
| Fleming, Rob | NDP | 8 | \$112,700 | \$31,556 | \$556,625 |
| Fraser, Scott ¹ | NDP | 8 | \$98,000 | \$27,440 | \$484,022 |
| Gentner, Guy | NDP | 8 | \$107,800 | \$30,184 | \$300,322 |
| Hagen, Hon. Stan | LIB | 16 | \$147,000 | \$82,320 | \$624,230 |
| Hammell, Sue | NDP | 18 | \$132,300 | \$83,349 | \$1,140,242 |
| Hansen, Hon. Colin | LIB | 17 | \$147,000 | \$87,465 | \$1,542,820 |
| Hawes, Randy | LIB | 12 | \$117,600 | \$49,392 | \$804,764 |
| Hawkins, Sindi | LIB | 17 | \$132,300 | \$78,719 | \$1,388,538 |
| Hayer, Dave S. | LIB | 12 | \$98,000 | \$41,160 | \$726,033 |
| Hogg, Hon. Gordon | LIB | 16 | \$132,300 | \$74,088 | \$1,013,548 |
| Horgan, John ¹ | NDP | 8 | \$98,000 | \$27,440 | \$484,022 |
| Horning, Al ¹ | LIB | 8 | \$98,000 | \$27,440 | \$410,885 |
| Ilich, Hon. Olga ¹ | LIB | 8 | \$147,000 | \$41,160 | \$726,033 |
| James, Carole | NDP | 8 | \$147,000 | \$41,160 | \$726,033 |
| Jarvis, Daniel | LIB | 22 | \$98,000 | \$68,600 | \$141,343 |
| Karagianis, Maurine ¹ | NDP | 8 | \$98,000 | \$27,440 | \$484,022 |
| Krog, Leonard | NDP | 8 | \$107,800 | \$30,184 | \$532,424 |
| Krueger, Hon. Kevin ¹ | LIB | 17 | \$132,300 | \$78,719 | \$1,388,538 |
| Kwan, Jenny Wai Ching | NDP | 17 | \$98,000 | \$58,310 | \$1,028,547 |
| Lali, Harry | NDP | 18 | \$107,800 | \$67,914 | \$1,197,954 |
| Lee, Richard T. | LIB | 12 | \$98,000 | \$41,160 | \$726,033 |
| Lekstrom, Blair | LIB | 12 | \$98,000 | \$41,160 | \$726,033 |
| Les, Hon. John | LIB | 12 | \$147,000 | \$61,740 | \$1,089,049 |
| Macdonald, Norm ¹ | NDP | 8 | \$98,000 | \$27,440 | \$484,022 |
| MacKay, Dennis | LIB | 12 | \$98,000 | \$41,160 | \$409,531 |
| Mayencourt, Lorne | LIB | 12 | \$98,000 | \$41,160 | \$726,033 |
| McIntyre, Joan ¹ | LIB | 8 | \$107,800 | \$30,184 | \$532,424 |
| Neufeld, Hon. Richard | LIB | 22 | \$147,000 | \$102,900 | \$1,277,204 |

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| Nuraney, John | LIB | 12 | \$98,000 | \$41,160 | \$173,038 |
| Oppal, Hon. Wally ¹ | LIB | 8 | \$147,000 | \$41,160 | \$726,033 |
| Penner, Hon. Barry | LIB | 17 | \$147,000 | \$87,465 | \$1,542,820 |
| Polak, Mary ¹ | LIB | 8 | \$98,000 | \$27,440 | \$484,022 |
| Puchmayr, Chuck ¹ | NDP | 8 | \$98,000 | \$27,440 | \$484,022 |
| Ralston, Bruce ¹ | NDP | 8 | \$98,000 | \$27,440 | \$484,022 |
| Reid, Hon. Linda | LIB | 22 | \$132,300 | \$92,610 | \$1,633,574 |
| Richmond, Hon. Claude | LIB | 17 | \$147,000 | \$87,465 | \$180,213 |
| Robertson, Gregor ¹ | NDP | 8 | \$98,000 | \$27,440 | \$484,022 |
| Roddick, Valerie | LIB | 14 | \$98,000 | \$48,020 | \$364,134 |
| Routley, Doug ¹ | NDP | 8 | \$98,000 | \$27,440 | \$484,022 |
| Rustad, John ¹ | LIB | 8 | \$112,700 | \$31,556 | \$556,625 |
| Sather, Michael ¹ | NDP | 8 | \$98,000 | \$27,440 | \$484,022 |
| Simons, Nicholas ¹ | NDP | 8 | \$98,000 | \$27,440 | \$484,022 |
| Simpson, Bob ¹ | NDP | 8 | \$98,000 | \$27,440 | \$484,022 |
| Simpson, Shane ¹ | NDP | 8 | \$98,000 | \$27,440 | \$484,022 |
| Sultan, Ralph | LIB | 12 | \$98,000 | \$41,160 | \$84,806 |
| Taylor, Hon. Carole | LIB | 8 | \$147,000 | \$41,160 | \$726,033 |
| Thorne, Diane ¹ | NDP | 8 | \$98,000 | \$27,440 | \$484,022 |
| Thorpe, Hon. Rick | LIB | 17 | \$147,000 | \$87,465 | \$1,542,820 |
| Trevena, Claire ¹ | NDP | 8 | \$98,000 | \$27,440 | \$484,022 |
| van Dongen, Hon. John | LIB | 18 | \$132,300 | \$83,349 | \$1,470,217 |
| Whittred, Katherine ¹ | LIB | 17 | \$112,700 | \$67,057 | \$667,193 |
| Wyse, Charlie ¹ | NDP | 8 | \$98,000 | \$27,440 | \$447,091 |
| Yap, John ¹ | LIB | 8 | \$98,000 | \$27,440 | \$484,022 |

Total pension liability
\$63,241,254⁶

Notes:

1. Estimated age of MLAs only, as actual age not publicly available.

2. Members years of service to 2013 assumes the purchase of pensionable years back to 1996 (if applicable) and re-election to 2013. Buy back of benefits to 1996 is valued at \$35 million. The Commission did not recommend the percentages to be paid by the Members and taxpayers.
3. Best 3 year average salary to 2013 assumes three years at Commission-recommended salary increases in current positions. These estimates do not take into account previous cabinet service by some NDP Members, as Commission is not clear on what cabinet salaries (past or current) would apply for calculation purposes.
4. Estimated pension benefit in 2013 is the best three-year average salary times years of service to 2013 times the 3.5% accrual rate.
5. Total estimated pension benefit to age 80 is the sum of the pension amount during the years an MLA will collect the pension benefit after reaching age 65, indexed by a modest 2% per year.
6. Does not include the value of the spousal benefit or any amount that former MLAs may be able to claim with a pension buy back.