



Plan sponsors need to pay close attention to their pension liabilities, especially when investment markets are volatile.

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*"Read more about the Pension Benefit Guarantee Corporation's current financial status and predictions for the future."*

Richard Sych, FSA, FCA, MAAA  
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## The Financial Forecast of the Single-Employer and Multiemployer Insurance Programs.

The financial condition of PBGC's single-employer program, covering 30 million workers and retirees, is likely (but not certain) to improve. Meanwhile, the multiemployer insurance program, covering 10 million participants and their beneficiaries, is struggling. [Read more>](#)



*"An interesting article that dives deeper into the drivers and risks behind the market's 'about-face'."*

Kate Pizzi, ASA, MAAA  
Consultant  
Investment Advisory

## The Bears Have It Wrong: Wall Street Is Shifting Into Growth Mode.

The S&P 500 just set a new high for the first time in more than a year, and yet despite the prolonged period of stagnant performance, the bears are rather vocal, suggesting that the latest rally, fueled by a dovish Federal Reserve, warrants caution. [Read more>](#)



*"Read more about recent findings from an employee enrollment study."*

Ellen Kucenski, FSA, MAAA  
Consulting Actuary  
Actuarial and Benefits Consulting

## Paper or Web: Which Enrollment Process Should Employers Use?

Employers are not in touch with how their employees want to enroll in benefits, findings of a recent LIMRA survey



*"Insightful article regarding the pension plan funding and why it's important to consider a number of investment variables."*

Arthur Meizner, CFA, CAIA, CFP, AIF  
Director, Investment Consulting Service  
Investment Advisory

### Investing Strategies for Pensions in the Current Environment.

As to why the funded status of the average U.S. corporate pension plan has fallen 5% year to date, there are three key lessons that pension plan sponsors should heed, said Gordon Readey, fixed income product strategist at BlackRock, speaking during a webinar on "Navigating a Low-Rate, High-Volatility Environment." [Read more>](#)

### A look back in time...August 1956



Celebrating the past.  
Envisioning the future.

- Elvis Presley releases "Hound Dog" and "Don't Be Cruel"
- 22nd President Dwight Eisenhower and Vice President Richard Nixon renominated by Republican Convention
- "Marcia Brady" actress Maureen McCormick born on the 5th
- First non-stop transcontinental helicopter flight arrived in Washington, DC
- "Dracula" actor Bela Lugosi died at the age of 73
- The price of a postage stamp was \$.03
- The average income was \$4,454
- The S&P 500 closed at \$49.64, compared to approx. \$2,182.87 today

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