



IS YOUR PENSION PLAN FUNDING ELON MUSK?

The largest Initial Public Offering (IPO) in history took place on the NASDAQ Exchange last month, with the sale of SpaceX's shares making Elon Musk the world's first trillionaire. As Consumer Federation of America's [tech and finance experts have pointed out](#), that means your retirement savings, directly or indirectly, might be funding Musk's dangerous AI experiments.

Maybe you're worried about your retirement savings losing value because these investments are risky. Or maybe you just don't want your money used to fund these ventures. If your retirement money is in a pension fund and not a 401(k), you might not know how to see where exactly your money is being invested. This guide will show you how to do just that.

Public vs Private Pensions

The first step is to figure out if you're in a public or private pension fund. If you work for the government in any capacity – say as a firefighter, police officer, or teacher – your retirement is probably in a public pension fund. CalPERS (California Public Employees Retirement System) and the New York City Retirement System are two (very big) examples. If you're a unionized private sector worker, like for a construction firm or grocery chain, your retirement is very likely in a private pension plan. One of the largest of these is the Western Conference of Teamsters Pension Trust. Both public and private pension funds take contributions made by workers right now, invest them in different things, and those investment returns are used to pay out retirees right now while saving for the future. Most pensions are required to report these investments to the federal government annually. So if your pension is invested in SpaceX or Elon Musk, the good news is that we can find out!

Do Your Own Research

For Public Pension Plan Participants & Retirees:

Many large public pensions, [like CalPERS](#), offer detailed financial information on their own. Even if they don't, they likely have to file public disclosures with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

Public filings at the SEC are available through a database called EDGAR. – Electronic Data Gathering, Analysis and Reporting. [You can search all the filings on EDGAR on the SEC's website.](#)

For Union Members and Private Pension Plan Participants & Retirees:

Many private pensions don't file Form 13F with the SEC. But almost all of them are required to file a very similar disclosure – Form 5500 – with the Department of Labor.

Their version of EDGAR is called EFAST. You can access EFAST to [search for Form 5500 Disclosures here](#).

These videos will guide you through the process. If you find a text guide with screenshots more accessible, scroll to the bottom.

[Public Pension Screen Recording](#)

[Private Pension Screen Recording](#)

What Can I Do If My Pensions Does Fund Musk Companies?

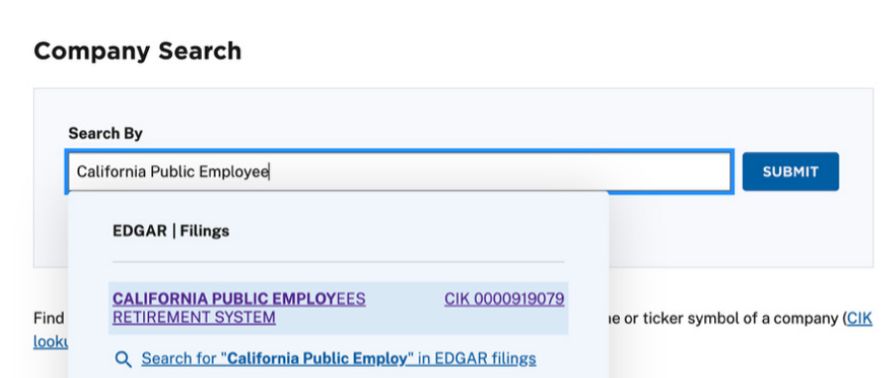
Contact your pension staff! Public pensions typically have a board that is accountable to plan participants and retirees. Find a [Consumer Federation of America member](#) in your state who may already be engaged on this issue. For a private pension, talk to your union representative about your fund's investment policies.

Remember – it's your money! It's your right to demand that your hard earned retirement savings not enrich a tech billionaire who has already destroyed so many jobs and public services.

Step-By-Step Text Guide

For Public Pension Plan Participants & Retirees:

Public Pensions file their disclosures on a public database called EDGAR that you can find on the [SEC's website](#). Start by putting your pension's name in the "Company Search" field and clicking "SUBMIT."



Doing so should bring you to a page with all the different filings that your pension, in this case CalPERS, is required to file. We're interested in Form 13F-HR. Clicking the top of the "Filing Date" column will sort the filings by date, making it easier to find the most recent 13F-HR entry in the "Form Type" column.

The next bit can feel a bit tricky. Click on the small green "Filing" box next to the hyperlink in the "Form description" column. Doing so will take you to the filing detail page.

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13F-HR	Quarterly report filed by institutional managers, Holdings Filing	2025-11-14	2025-09-30
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13F-HR	Quarterly report filed by institutional managers, Holdings Filing	2025-05-13	2025-03-31
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13F-HR	Quarterly report filed by institutional managers, Holdings Filing	2024-08-14	2024-06-30

Form 13F-HR - Quarterly report filed by institutional managers, Holdings:
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The data is available in multiple different formats. The easiest file type for most people to use is the one ending in ".html," which will open a new tab or window in your web browser. Click on the "form13InfoTable.html" in the "Document" column. As expected, a new window should pop up with a list of your pension's investment holdings. You can use your browser's regular search functionalities such as "Ctrl+F" to search for stock holdings by company names like SpaceX or Tesla (don't search for ticker symbols).


You can also search for investments in ETFs that might own these stocks as part of an index fund. To do so, use "Ctrl+F" and search for "index". In this case, we can see an investment in a Vanguard Index ETF. In the second column, we can see that ETF is based on the S&P 500. You can use a general internet search to find out what stocks are in the S&P 500 index, and therefore the stocks that are in the Vanguard Index Fund.

VAIL RESORTS INC	COM	91879Q109	8,205,294	63,944 SH	SOLE
VALARIS LTD	CL A	G9460G101	13,869,719	141,470 SH	SOLE
VALERO ENERGY CORP	COM	91913Y100	163,421,183	661,410 SH	SOLE
VALLEY NATL BANCORP	COM	919794107	11,943,295	972,581 SH	SOLE
VALMONT INDS INC	COM	920253101	15,683,123	39,250 SH	SOLE
VALVOLINE INC	COM	92047W101	5,623,246	166,961 SH	SOLE
VANGUARD INDEX FDS	S&P 500 ETF SHS	922908363	20,099,155,349	33,635,939 SH	SOLE
VAXCYTE INC	COM	92243G108	8,806,861	151,555 SH	SOLE
VEEVA SYS INC	CL A COM	922475108	37,210,409	211,832 SH	SOLE
VENTAS INC	COM	92276F100	88,824,202	1,086,136 SH	SOLE
VERALTO CORP	COM SHS	92338C103	36,149,721	408,841 SH	SOLE
VERISIGN INC	COM	92343E102	50,324,690	202,628 SH	SOLE
VERISK ANALYTICS INC	COM	92345Y106	59,767,835	314,982 SH	SOLE
VERIZON COMMUNICATIONS INC	COM	92343V104	723,736,111	14,417,054 SH	SOLE

For Union Members and Private Pension Plan Participants & Retirees:

Private pensions submit their disclosures to the Department of Labor on EFAST. You can access EFAST to [search for Form 5500 Disclosures here](#).

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Form 5500 Search

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This search tool allows you to search for Form 5500 series returns/reports filed since January 1, 2010. Posting on the web does not constitute acceptance of the filing by the U.S. Department of Labor, the Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation, or the Internal Revenue Service.

If your plan is part of a Defined Contribution Group (DCG) Reporting Arrangement, the search results will show the plan name listed on the Filings Form 5500 which is different than the plan name listed on the Schedule DCG. For more information on searching for a DCG filing, click the help page link above.

See the [CSV File Data Dictionary](#) and [Form 5500 Series Data Dictionary](#) for additional information regarding the data included in the downloads.

Use the box below to search for specific filings.

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Put your company or union pension name in the search box. We'll use the Western Conference of Teamsters for this example. Sort the filings by clicking on the "Received" column so you can see the most recent disclosure.

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	Plan Name	Plan Year	EIN/PN	↓ Received	Sponsor	City, State	Participants	Assets
↓	WESTERN CONFERENCE OF TEAMSTERS LEGAL SERVICES TRUST FUND	2024	95-3543057 501	05/28/2026	WESTERN CONFERENCE OF TEAMSTERS LEGAL SERVICES TRUST FUND	STOCKTON, CA	50171	\$39,101,109
↓	WESTERN CONFERENCE OF TEAMSTERS SUPP BENEFIT PLAN	2024	95-3746907 001	01/15/2026	BOARD OF TRUSTEES, WESTERN CONFERENCE OF TEAMSTERS	PASADENA, CA	14441	\$78,160,127
↓	WESTERN CONFERENCE OF TEAMSTERS PENSION PLAN	2024	91-6145047 001	09/30/2025	WESTERN CONFERENCE OF TEAMSTERS PENSION TRUST FUND BOARD OF TRUSTEES	Seattle, WA	634861	\$56,410,515,700
↓	WESTERN CONFERENCE OF TEAMSTERS LEGAL SERVICES TRUST FUND	2023	95-3543057 501	06/27/2025	WESTERN CONFERENCE OF TEAMSTERS LEGAL SERVICES TRUST FUND	STOCKTON, CA	50064	\$41,165,923

It's important to look closely at this step! You might have noticed more than one similar-sounding fund. In our case it's the third entry – the Pension Plan – that we're looking for. Click on the the download button (the down arrow) to the left of the "Plan Name" to download a PDF with a LOT of information.

Form 5500 <small>Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service</small>	Annual Return/Report of Employee Benefit Plan <small>This form is required to be filed for employee benefit plans under sections 104 and 4065 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA) and sections 6057(b) and 6058(a) of the Internal Revenue Code (the Code).</small>	<small>OMB Nos. 1210-0110 1210-0089</small>
<small>Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration</small>	2024	
<small>Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation</small>	Complete all entries in accordance with the instructions to the Form 5500.	This Form is Open to Public Inspection
Part I Annual Report Identification Information		
For calendar plan year 2024 or fiscal plan year beginning 01/01/2024 and ending 12/31/2024		
A This return/report is for: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> a multiemployer plan <input type="checkbox"/> a multiple-employer plan (Filers checking this box must provide participating employer information in accordance with the form instructions.) <input type="checkbox"/> a single-employer plan <input type="checkbox"/> a DFE (specify) _____		
B This return/report is: <input type="checkbox"/> the first return/report <input type="checkbox"/> the final return/report <input type="checkbox"/> an amended return/report <input type="checkbox"/> a short plan year return/report (less than 12 months)		
C If the plan is a collectively-bargained plan, check here: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
D Check box if filing under: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form 5558 <input type="checkbox"/> automatic extension <input type="checkbox"/> the DFVC program <input type="checkbox"/> special extension (enter description) _____		
E If this is a retroactively adopted plan permitted by SECURE Act section 201, check here: <input type="checkbox"/>		
Part II Basic Plan Information —enter all requested information		
1a Name of plan WESTERN CONFERENCE OF TEAMSTERS PENSION PLAN	1b Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶ 001	1c Effective date of plan 04/15/1955
2a Plan sponsor's name (employer, if for a single-employer plan) Mailing address (include room, apt., suite no. and street, or P.O. Box) City or town, state or province, country, and ZIP or foreign postal code (if foreign, see instructions) WESTERN CONFERENCE OF TEAMSTERS PENSION TRUST FUND BOARD OF TRUSTEES 2323 EASTLAKE AVE E SEATTLE, WA 98102-3305	2b Employer Identification Number (EIN) 91-6145047	2c Plan Sponsor's telephone number 206-329-4900
	2d Business code (see instructions) 484120	

Much like Form 13F, you can use search functionality like "Ctrl+F" to find company names or index funds in order to figure out where exactly your money that you're saving for retirement is being invested.