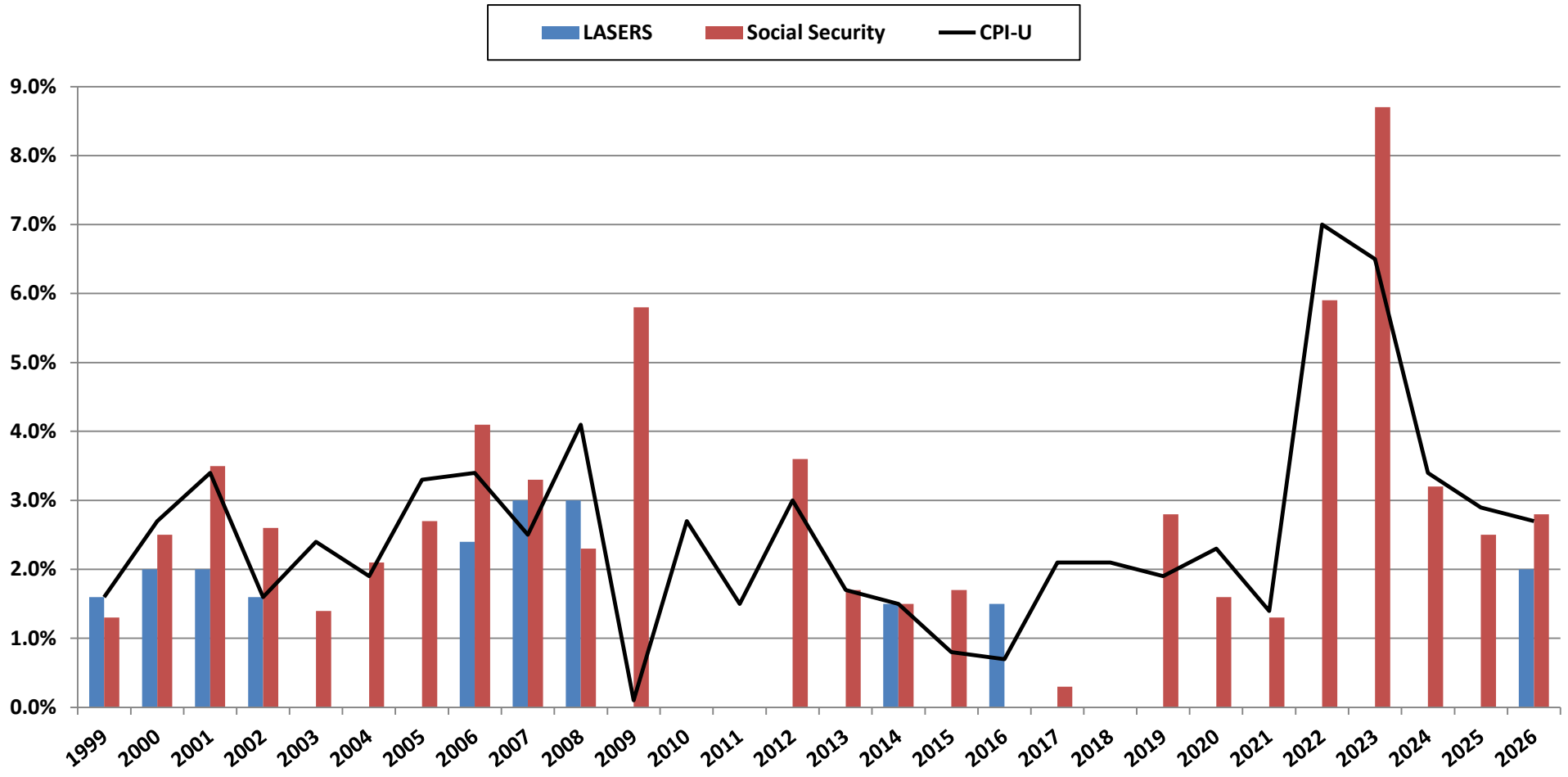
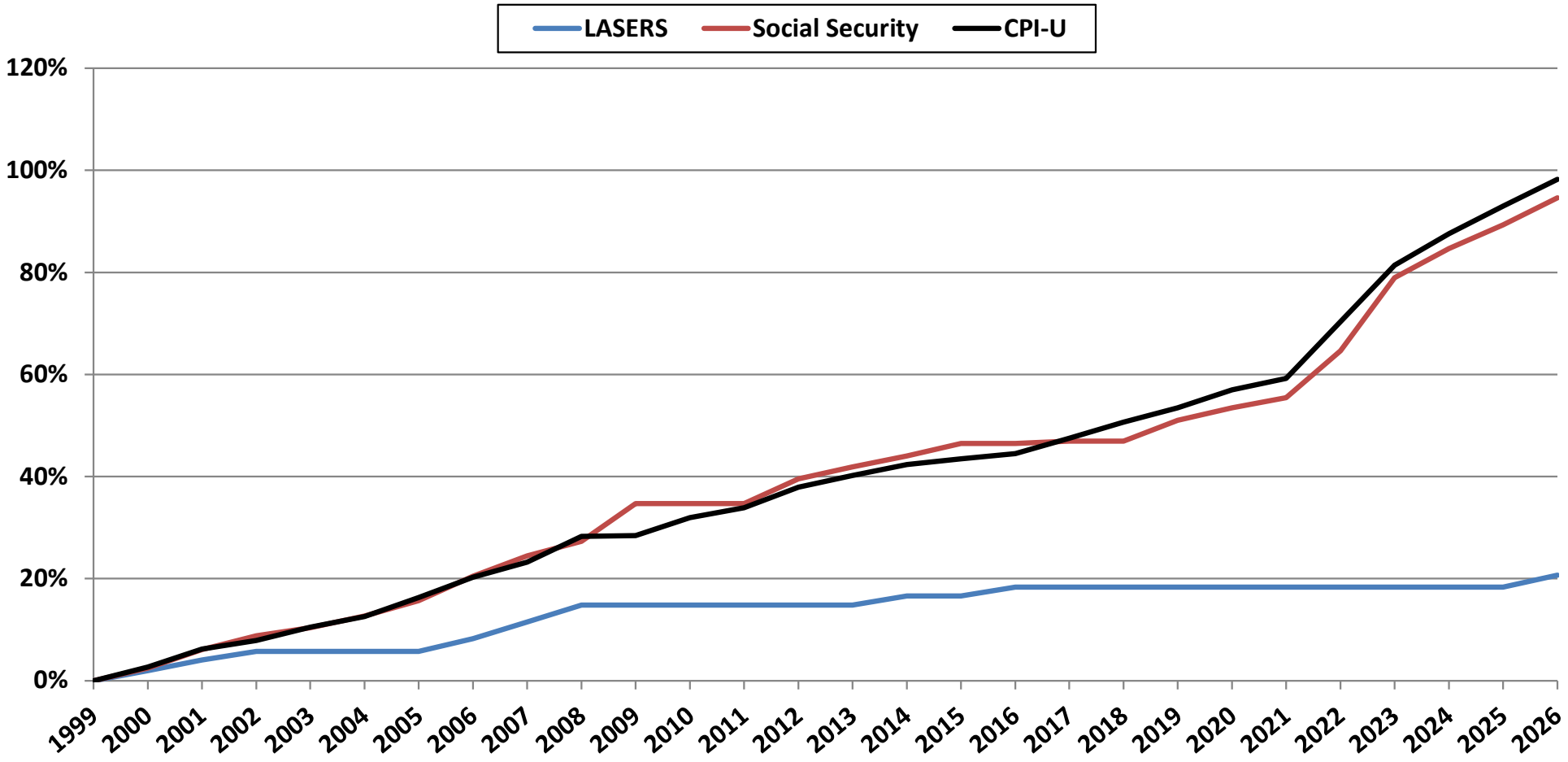
COLAs granted from 1999 - 2026

Compared to SSI and CPI-U

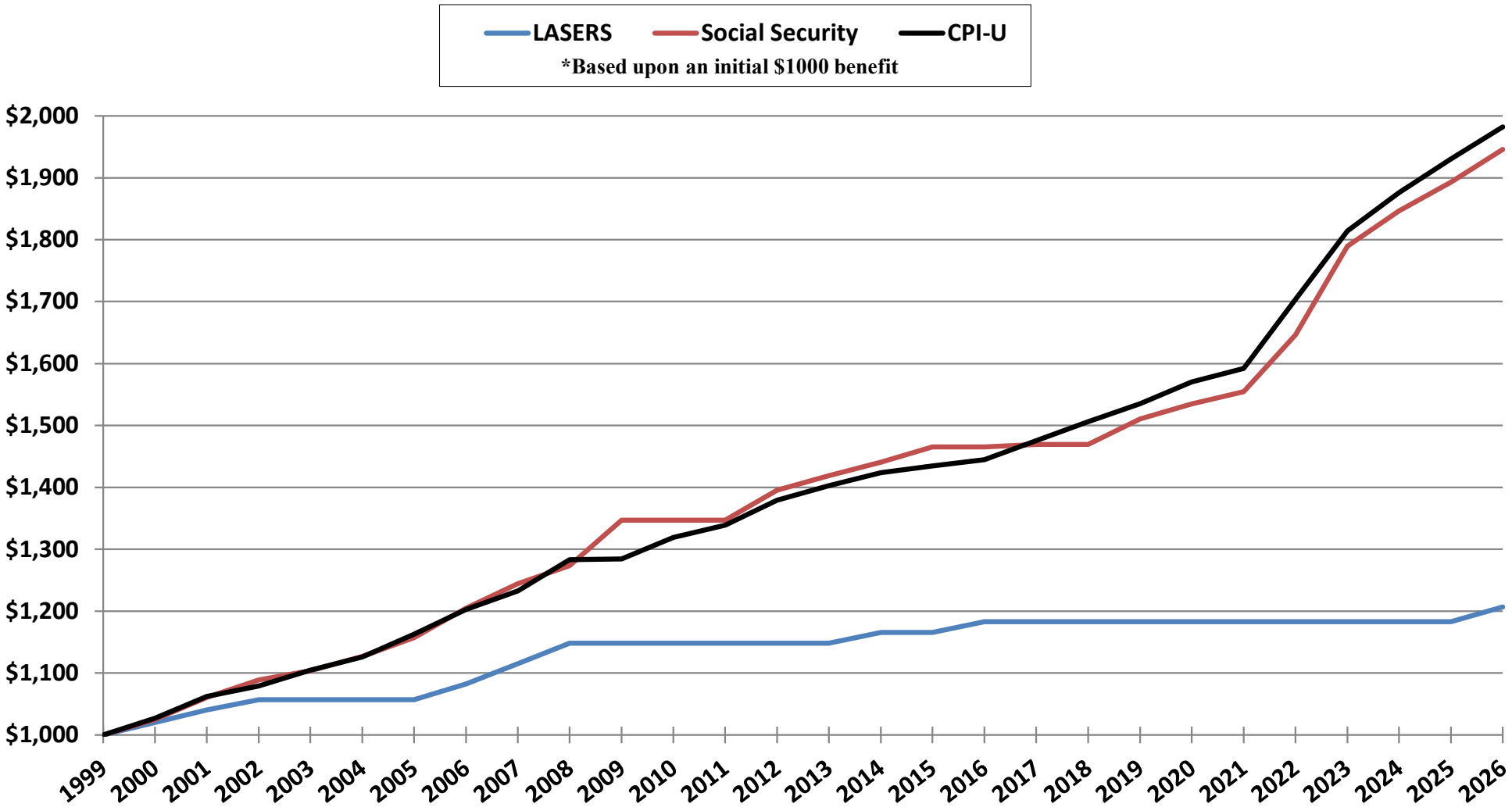


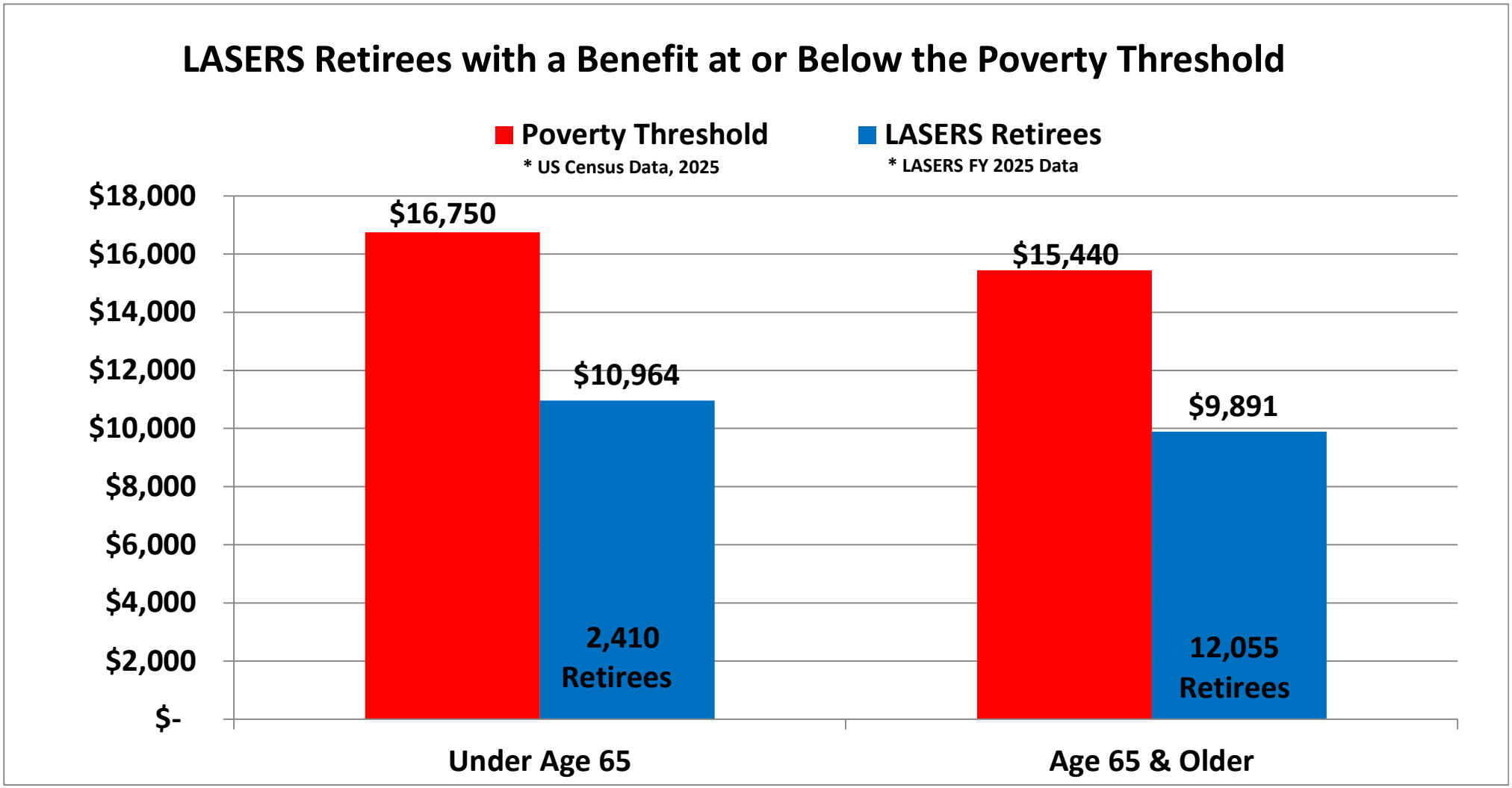
Note: 2010, 2011, 2016, and 2018 were the only years a COLA has not been granted for Social Security since 1975. In the 2022 Regular Legislative Section Act 656 authorized a one-time supplemental payment to over 45,000 eligible LASERS retirees and beneficiaries which was issued on August 15, 2022.

Overall Increase in LASERS COLAS
Compared to Social Security COLAs and CPI-U



Value of LASERS Benefit with COLAs Compared to Social Security Benefit with COLAs and CPI-U




LASERS Retirees with a Benefit at or Below the Poverty Threshold
Poverty Threshold
* US Census Data, 2025
LASERS Retirees
* LASERS FY 2025 Data
$18,000
$16,000
$14,000
$12,000
$10,000
$8,000
$6,000
$4,000
$2,000
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$16,750
$10,964
2,410 Retirees
$15,440
$9,891
12,055 Retirees
Under Age 65
Age 65 & Older