



FIRST STATE SUPER MOVES TO NEXT LEVEL ALLOCATED PENSION AND TRANSITION TO RETIREMENT ALLOCATED PENSION

First State Super has for the first time introduced two allocated pension products, to meet both the strong demand from its membership, and the emerging trend to flexible retirement options.

First State Super's Transition to Retirement Allocated Pension (TRAP) is a non-commutable pension for members who have reached preservation age and wish to draw on their super before retiring permanently from the workforce – perhaps while working full or part-time, and continuing to contribute to their super.

When members finally retire, at or beyond preservation age, or reach age 65, the TRAP is automatically converted to a First State Super Allocated Pension, which means that benefits can be taken in a lump sum if required.

According to a recent Retirement Intentions survey carried out by NSW Premier's Department*, 27% of respondents (all aged 45 years or more) intend to retire from the public sector in less than five years.

The survey also reports that 'two thirds of those who intend to retire from the public sector in less than five years, intend to continue in some form of paid employment – suggesting that retirement timing may be open to influence.'

"Having had an insight into the retirement intentions of NSW public service employees, we felt the time was ripe to introduce appropriate allocated pension products to meet the needs of our members", said Michael Dwyer, Chief Executive of First State Super.

"Increasingly, people are seeking employment arrangements where they can gradually wind down towards retirement, as opposed to an abrupt change from full-time work to complete retirement."

"These two pensions are designed to take our members who have reached preservation age seamlessly and flexibly through this process, at whatever pace they choose," said Michael Dwyer.

In keeping with its not-for-profit status, the two First State Super pensions are low cost, high quality products. The two pension products have received the highest ratings from Chant West, SelectingSuper, and Super Ratings. As a Fund, First State Super recently won the inaugural Rainmaker SelectingSuper Fund of the Year in recognition of First State Super's quality products and services.

Neither of the two First State Super pensions attracts entry fees. Each pension offers ten investment options or strategies.

First State Super is the seventh largest super fund in Australia based on funds under management. It is the default fund for NSW Government employees and, since 1 July this year, is also the default superannuation fund for new employees who commence with the ACT Government.

More details of the First State Super Allocated Pension and TRAP can be found at www.firststatesuper.com.au

*Retirement Intentions Survey Report conducted by the NSW State Premiers Department.

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