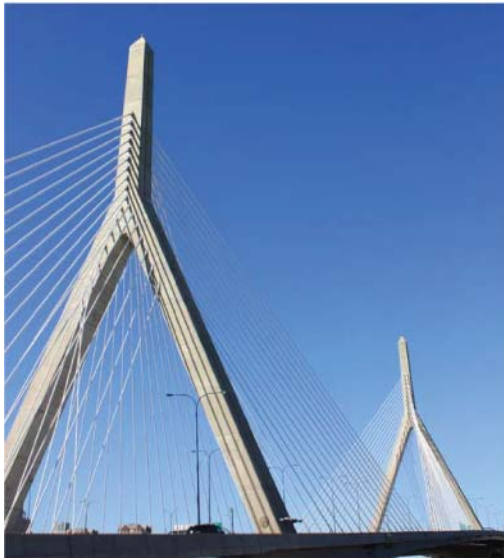




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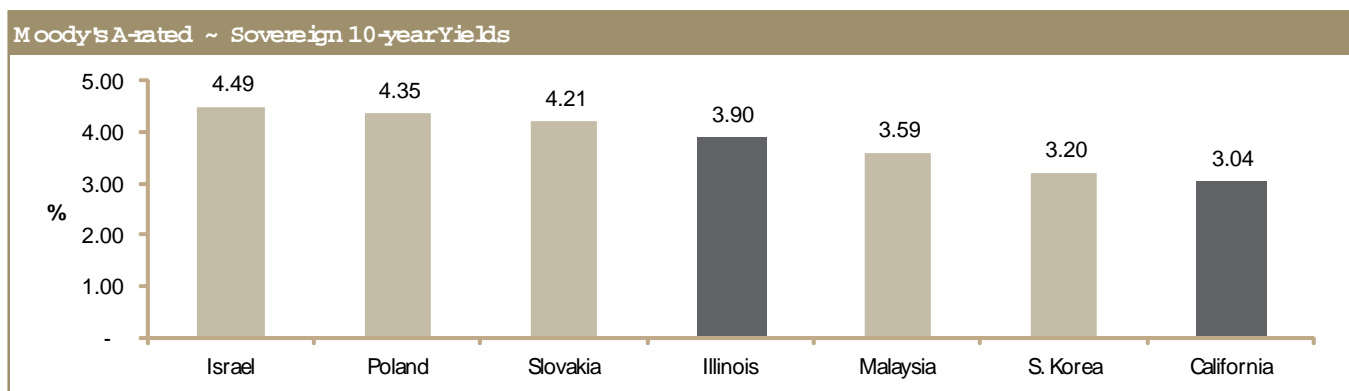
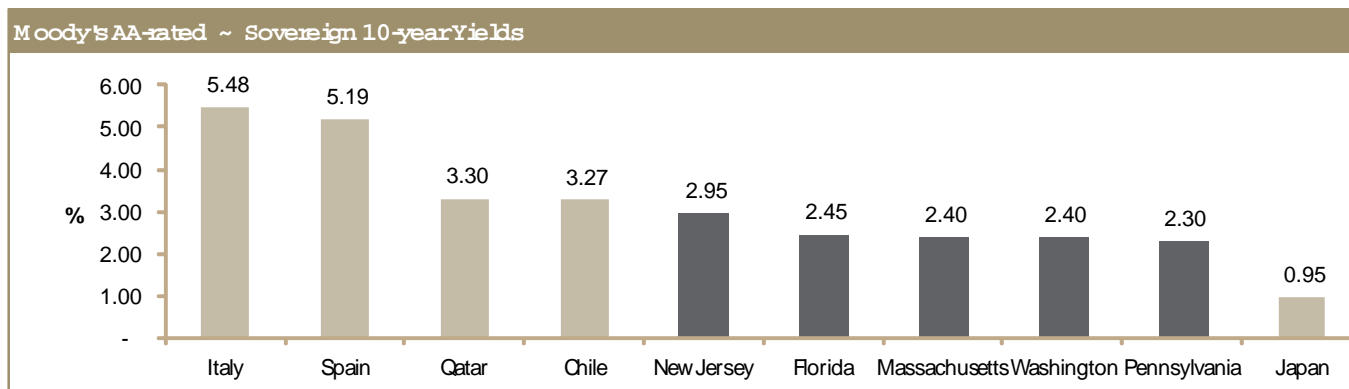
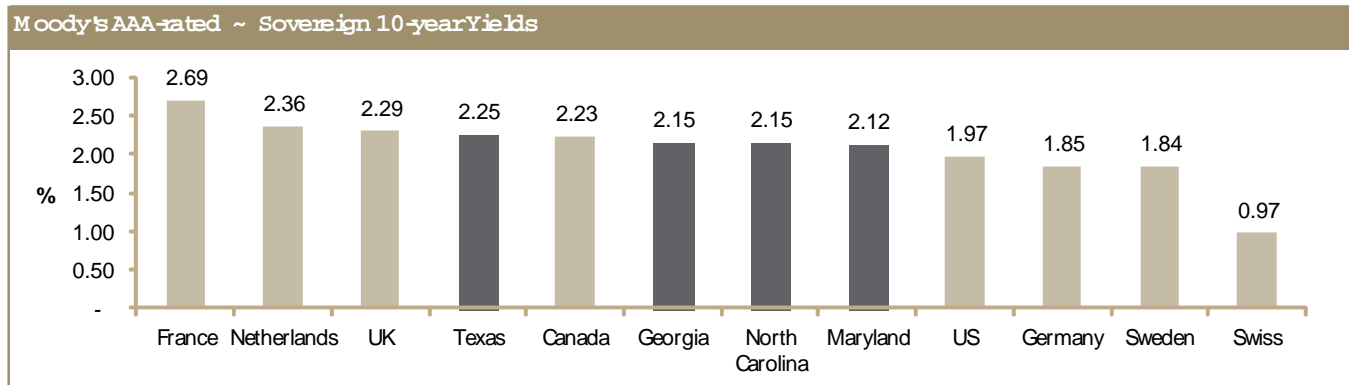
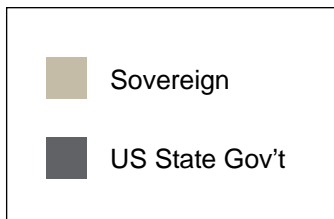
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Sovereign Debt Yield Comparison



Low Beta of Municipals

CORRELATION MATRIX ~ 10-YEARS ENDING 8/31/11

	BARCLAYS MUNI INDEX	BARCLAYS STATE GO INDEX	BARCLAYS TREASURY INDEX	BARCLAYS CORPORATE INDEX	M L GLOBAL SOVEREIGN MARKET PLUS	S&P 500
BARCLAYS MUNI INDEX	1.00					
BARCLAYS STATE GO INDEX	0.98	1.00				
BARCLAYS TREASURY INDEX	0.47	0.51	1.00			
BARCLAYS CORPORATE INDEX	0.64	0.63	0.55	1.00		
M L GLOBAL SOVEREIGN MARKET PLUS	0.47	0.51	0.12	0.53	1.00	
S&P 500	-0.01	-0.05	-0.34	0.24	-0.31	1.00

Source: Barclays Capital, Merrill Lynch, Bloomberg

Sovereign Debt Comparison

- Sovereign Contagion

Municipal Tax Backed**	Non-US Sovereign***
Debt is self amortizing	Rollover risk
Issued for capital purposes and usually voter approved	Funds ongoing operations
Responsibilities are limited and more finite (schools, hospitals, airports, etc)	Broad scope of liabilities (military, social security, health care, etc.)
Lower debt burden	Highly leveraged
Good tax compliance	Some tax avoidance

** Average maturity Barclays Municipal Index: 14 years
Source: Barclays

*** Average maturity sovereign debt
France: 7 years
Germany: 6 years
Greece 7: years
Spain: 7 years

Source; April 2010, IMF staff estimates

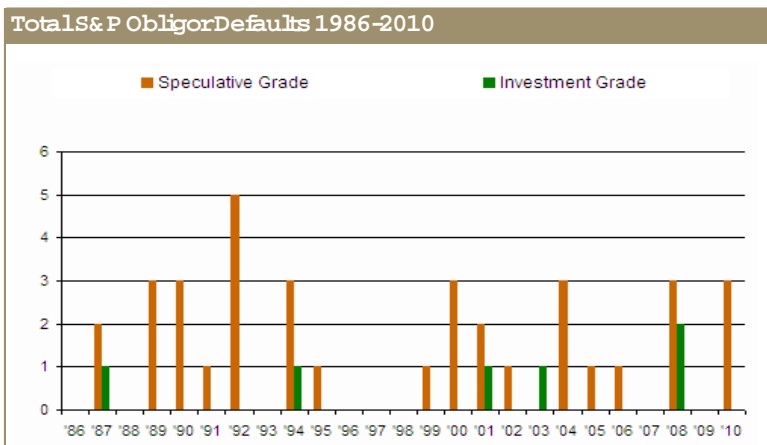
Historically Low Default History

Low Default Rate

Cumulative 15-Year Default Rates 1981-2010		
Rating	Municipals	Corporates
Aaa	0.00%	1.37%
Aa	0.06%	1.39%
A	0.10%	3.30%
Baa	0.39%	8.39%
Investment Grade	0.15%	4.46%
Speculative Grade	6.75%	31.63%

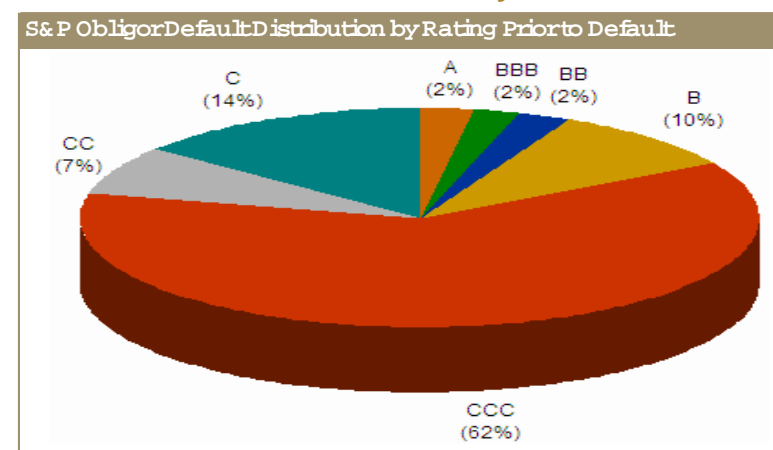
Source: Standard & Poors Municipal data from 1986-2010;
Corporate 1981-2010

Small Number of Defaults



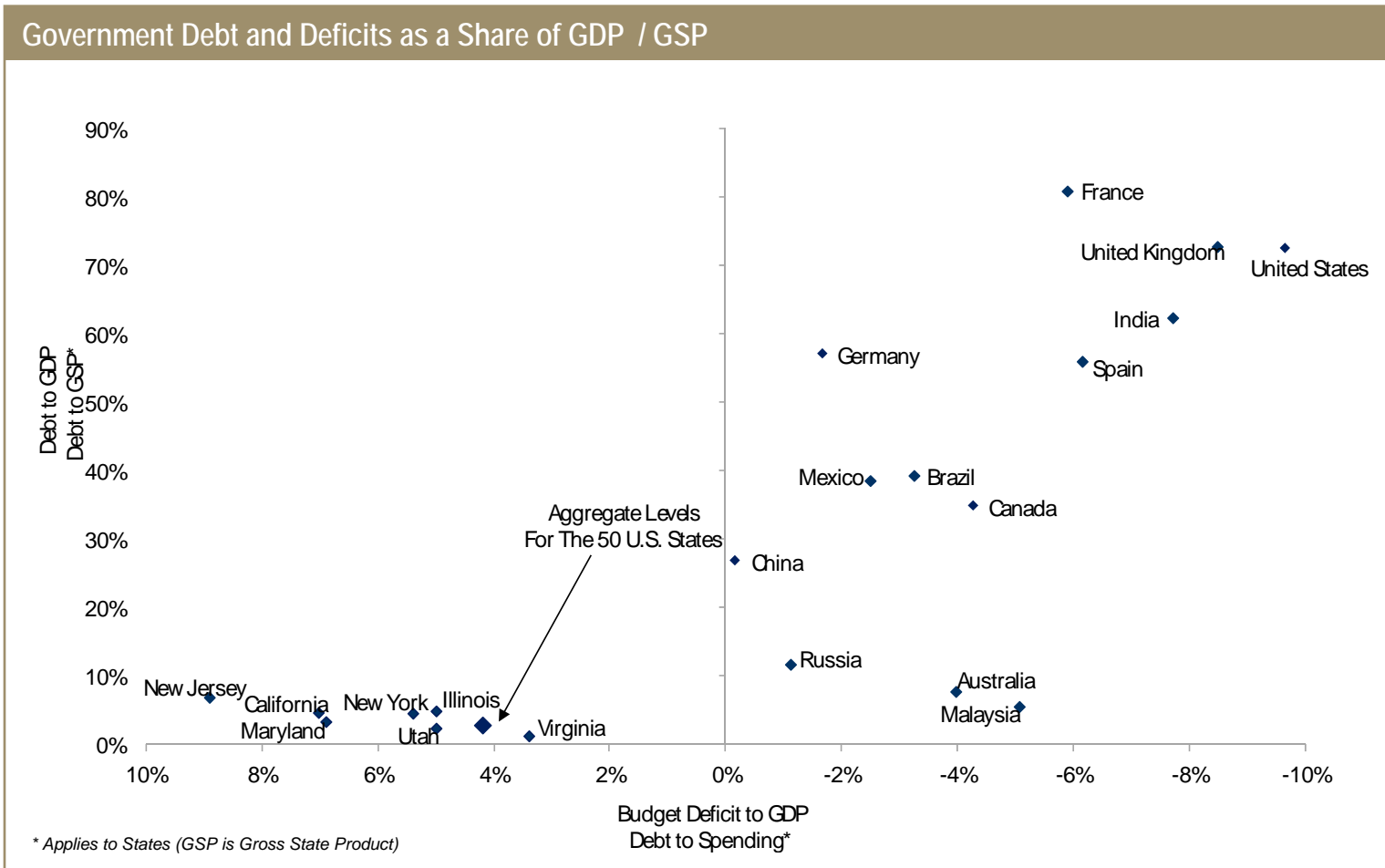
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Investment Grade Issuers Rarely Default 1986-2011



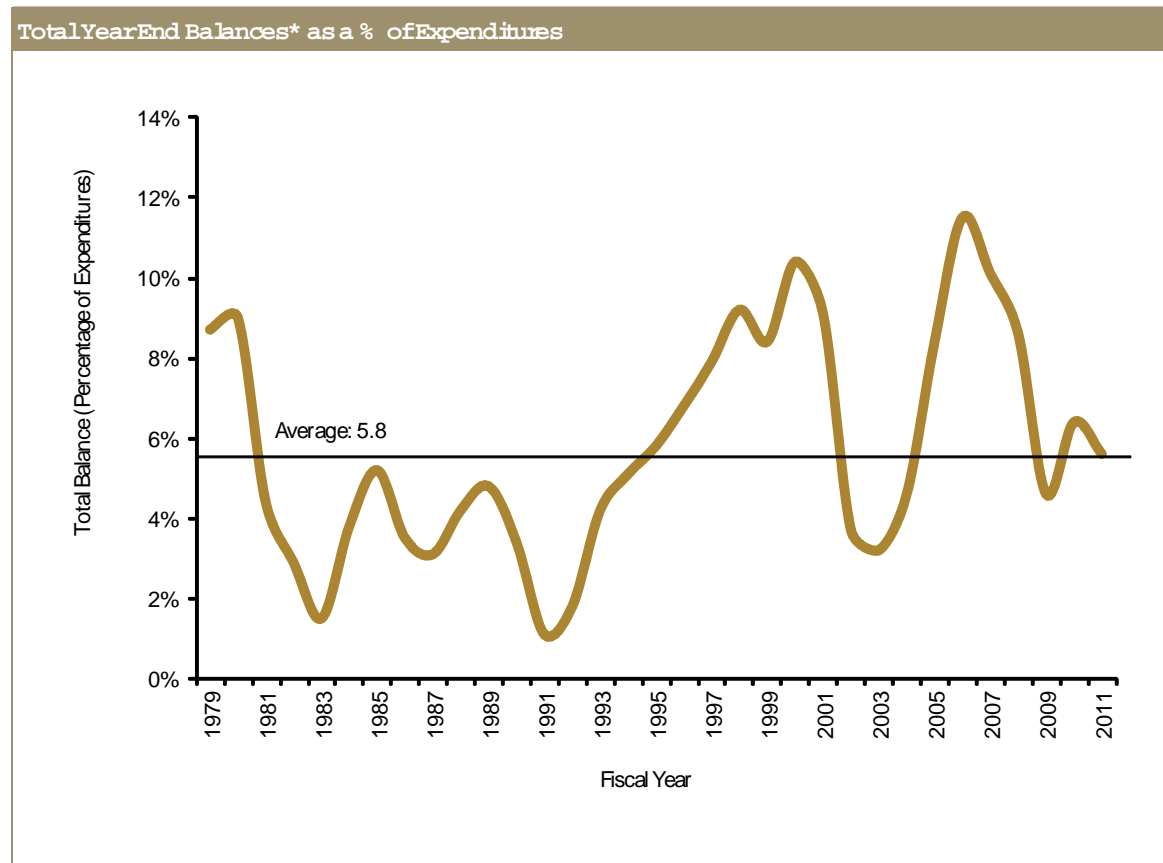
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Global Debt Dynamics



Source: International Monetary Fund, Standard and Poor's, September 2011

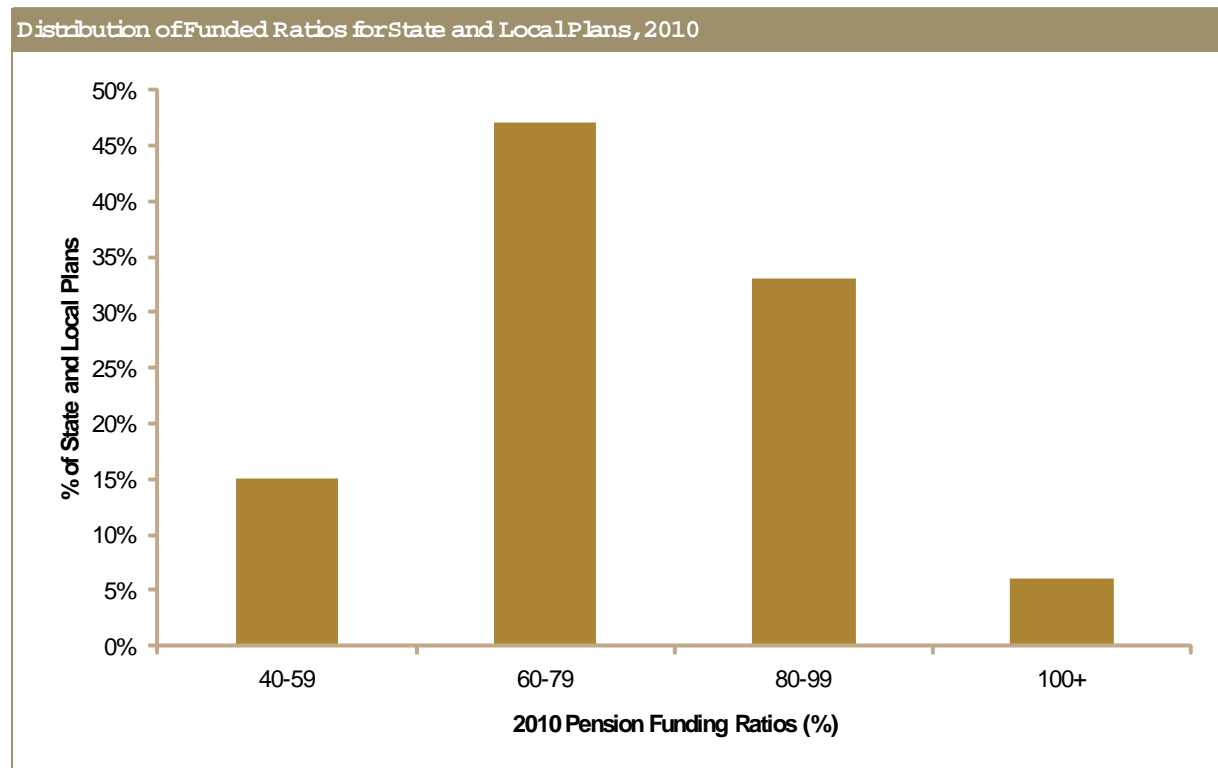
...good financial flexibility...



* Balances equal total fund balance, rainy day funds, and budgetary reserve funds

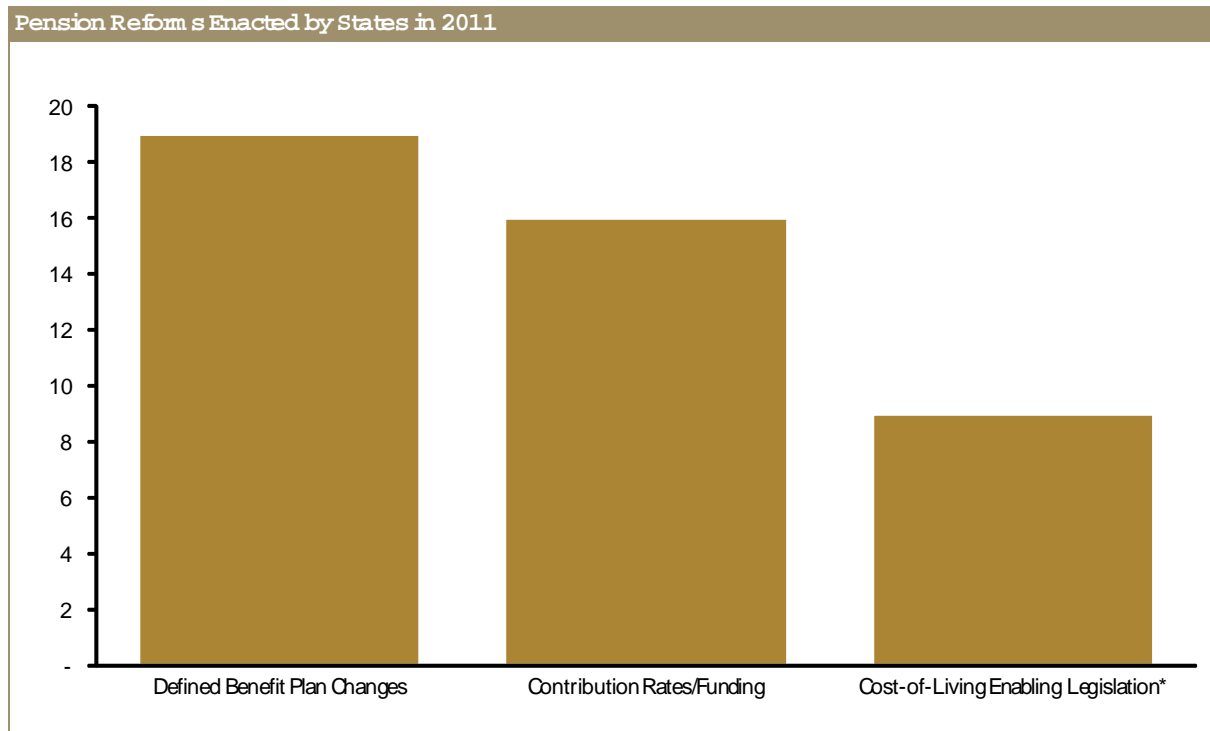
Source: National Association of State Budget Officers, December 2010 Fiscal Survey of States

Distribution of Funded Ratios for State & Local Plans, 2010



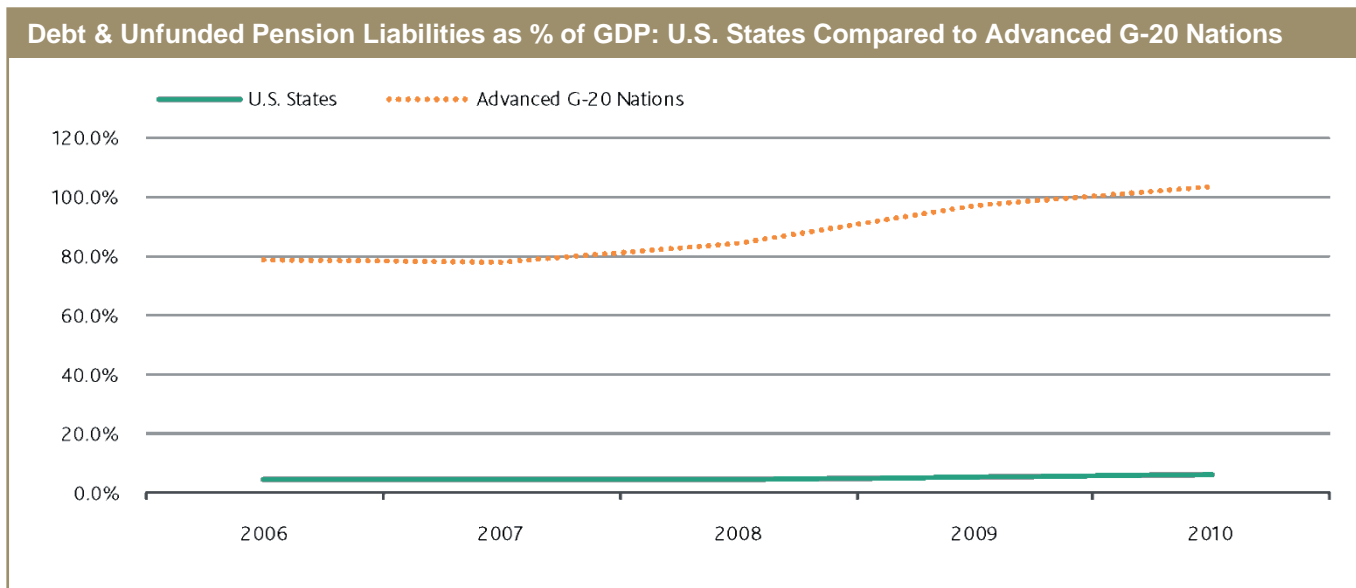
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Pension Reforms



Source: National Conference of State Legislatures, September 2011
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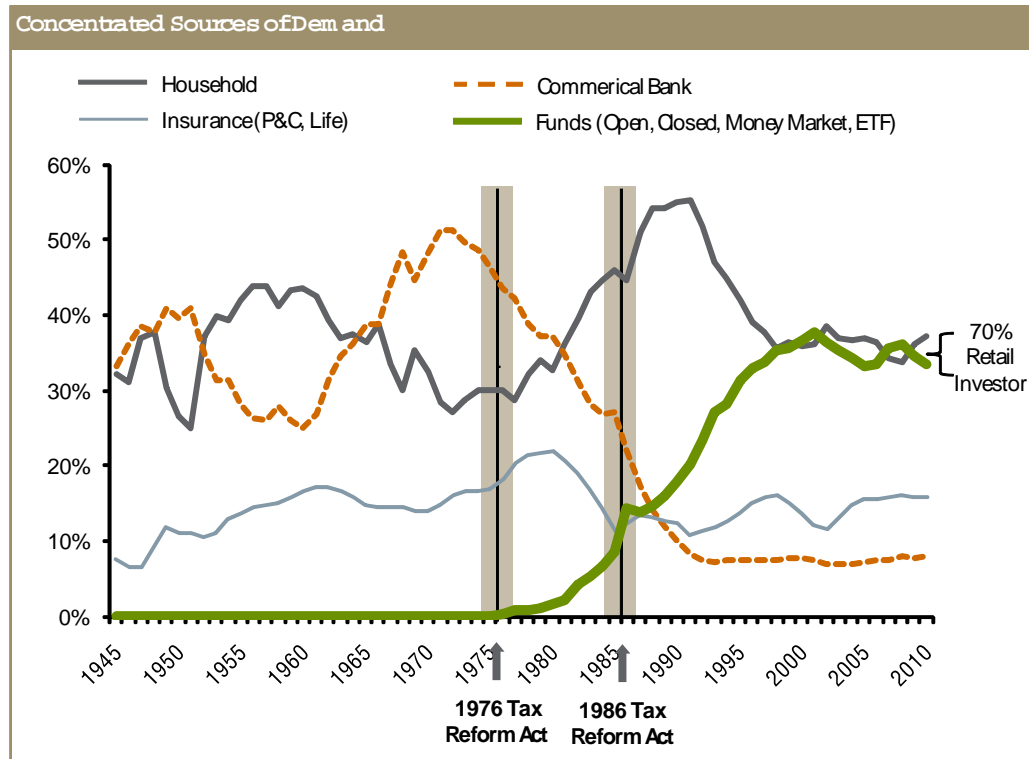
Source: Moody's Investors Service & International Monetary Fund, March 2011

Fragmented Issuance

Top 20 State Issuers				
State	Total Net Tax Supported Debt (\$000's)	Ratings		
		S&P	Moody's	Fitch
1 California	\$94,715,065	A-	A1	A-
2 New York	\$61,650,419	AA	Aa2	AA
3 New Jersey	\$34,407,665	AA-	Aa3	AA-
4 Massachusetts	\$31,243,217	AA+	Aa1	AA+
5 Illinois	\$30,847,532	A+	A1	A
6 Florida	\$21,472,900	AAA	Aa1	AAA
7 Connecticut	\$18,467,835	AA	Aa2	AA
8 Washington	\$17,712,354	AA+	Aa1	AA+
9 Texas	\$15,432,590	AA+	Aaa	AAA
10 Pennsylvania	\$13,578,800	AA	Aa1	AA+
11 Ohio	\$11,610,654	AA+	Aa1	AA+
12 Georgia	\$10,933,325	AAA	Aaa	AAA
13 Wisconsin	\$10,174,263	AA	Aa2	AA
14 Maryland	\$9,646,600	AAA	Aaa	AAA
15 Kentucky	\$8,510,617	A+*	Aa3*	AA-*
16 Virginia	\$8,413,741	AA+*	Aa1*	AA+*
17 Oregon	\$7,734,585	AA+	Aa1	AA+
18 Michigan	\$7,566,087	AA-	Aa2	AA-
19 North Carolina	\$7,398,875	AAA	Aaa	AAA
20 Minnesota	\$6,131,243	AA+	Aa1	AA+

*Appropriation only (No GO debt); Source: Moody's 2011 State Debt Medians Report June 2011

Limited Buyers



Source: Standish, Federal Reserve as of February 28, 2011

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