	BENEFITS	ASSETS	
Actuarial present value of benefit obligation:			
Accumulated benefit obligation includes vested benefits of $127,258 and $27,874 in 1996 and $127,847 and $28,527 in 1995	$ 127,834	$ 27,938	$
Projected benefit obligation for service rendered to date	133,095	28,259	
Less: plan assets at fair value	(202,211)	-	
Projected benefit obligation in excess of (less than) plan assets	(69,116)	28,259	
Unrecognized transition asset (obligation)	62	-	
Unrecognized prior service benefit (cost)	219	(541)	
Unrecognized net (loss) gain	6,080	404	
Adjustment for minimum liability	-	198	
Net pension (asset) liability	$ (62,755)	$ 28,320	$

Pension liabilities are included in accrued expenses and other liabilities.

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The weighted-average discount rate used in determining the actuarial present value of the projected benefit obligation was 7 1/4% m 1996 and 7 1/4%-7 1/2% in 1995 The rate of increase in future compensation levels reflected in such determination was 4 1/2% in 1996 and 4%-5% in 1995. The assumed long-term rate of return on assets was 8-9% for 1996, 6 1/2%-9% for 1995 and 7%-8 1/4% for 1994 The Company's funding policy is to contribute annually an amount necessary to satisfy the Internal Revenue Service's minimum funding standards.

Pension (income) expense includes the following components for the years ended December 31, 1996, 1995 and 1994 respectively.

		(in thousands)	
	1996	1995	1994
Service cost-benefits earned during the period	$ 1,047	$ 800	$ 893
Interest cost on projected benefit obligation	12,525	7,416	2,194
Actual return on plan assets	(31,945)	(20,732)	(827)
Net amortization and deferrals	14,548	11,594	(685)