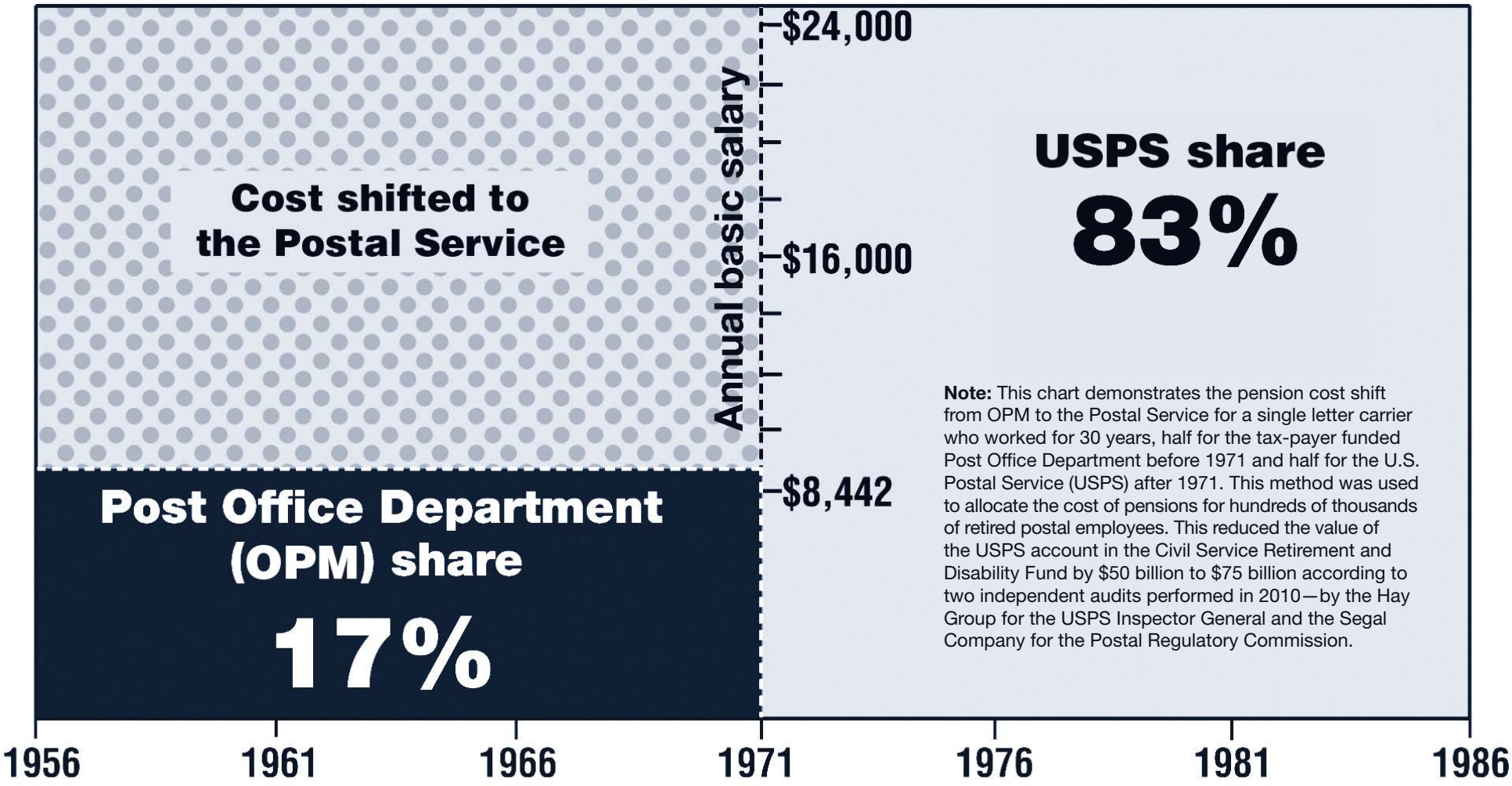
Forcing the USPS to pay more than its Fair Share of CSRS Pension Costs: How the OPM Defines "50-50"

Example: A Retired Letter Carrier with 30 years of Service



Note: This chart demonstrates the pension cost shift from OPM to the Postal Service for a single letter carrier who worked for 30 years, half for the tax-payer funded Post Office Department before 1971 and half for the U.S. Postal Service (USPS) after 1971. This method was used to allocate the cost of pensions for hundreds of thousands of retired postal employees. This reduced the value of the USPS account in the Civil Service Retirement and Disability Fund by $50 billion to $75 billion according to two independent audits performed in 2010—by the Hay Group for the USPS Inspector General and the Segal Company for the Postal Regulatory Commission.