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County / Jurisdiction	People Vested Into the System	Over 55 & Vested	How Many Retire Annually	Received a Pension to Date
Baltimore City	210 vested in the City retirement system	N/A	N/A	N/A
Baltimore County	88 with 10+ years	N/A	N/A	N/A
Caroline County	N/A	N/A	~1 per year	N/A
Dorchester County	N/A	N/A	~1 per year	N/A
Harford County	N/A	N/A	~1-2 per year (avg. over last 5 years)	N/A
Howard County	49 vested into the system with 5+ years	N/A	~1-2 per year	N/A
Montgomery County	26 with 10+ years	N/A	N/A	0
Prince George's County	105 with 10+ years in state retirement system	36	N/A	N/A
Wicomico County	N/A	N/A	0 in the last 5 years	N/A
Worcester County	N/A	N/A	0 since 2018	N/A

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- Counties have different standards for vesting and retirement eligibility, which affects retirement trends.
- Some jurisdictions allow retirement after 20 years of service, while others require 25 or 30 years.
- Some employees leave the profession before reaching age 55, meaning they may never draw a pension-- even if they accrued years of service.
- The bill's cost will be minimal: few 9-1-1 Specialists become vested in their pensions, and those who retire often relocate to states that do not tax pensions.