

The “Know Approach” to retirement income.

1. Know your risks.
2. Know your needs.
3. Know your options.
4. Know where to turn.

4 steps to a little more retirement clarity.

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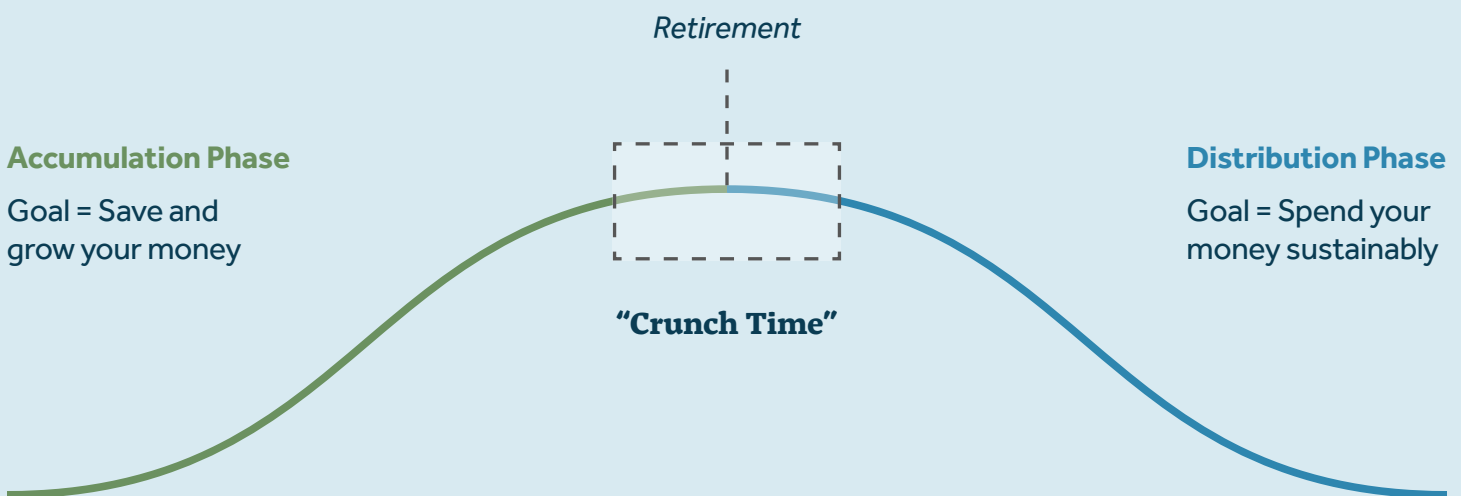


Turning your savings into retirement income.

For many people, the concept of saving for retirement is straightforward: save a portion of your money consistently and grow it over time. This part of retirement planning is called the **Accumulation Phase**.

When you are ready to retire, the money you’ve saved acts as the foundation for the lifestyle you want in retirement. Spending your savings in a sustainable way is one of the most important factors affecting retirement success. We call this the **Distribution Phase**.

Your retirement money over time.



Why “Crunch Time” matters.

There is no “one-size-fits-all” approach to retirement planning. You bring your own set of unique wants and needs. If there is a common thread, however, it’s the importance of taking action in those crucial years before and after retirement.

That’s because many financial pitfalls in retirement are entirely out of your control—and harder to fix the longer you wait. Retirement solutions that give you more control can have a huge impact on the success of your retirement strategy.

Step 1. Know your risks.

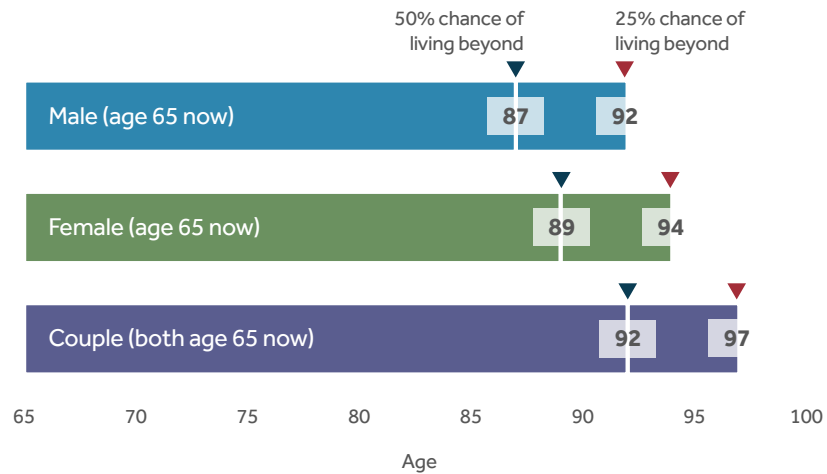
Step 1 in gaining more retirement clarity is acknowledging the unique financial risks that retirees face. These challenges can become severe if you are not aware of their ability to derail your plans or if you do not have solutions in place to manage them.

Risk:

Longevity

Only in retirement does a long, healthy life cause problems. That's because your savings might need to last 30 or more years. And the longer you live, the more likely the other retirement risks will have an impact on your lifestyle.

Life expectancy if you're already 65...



Source: Society of Actuaries 2012 Basic Mortality Table.

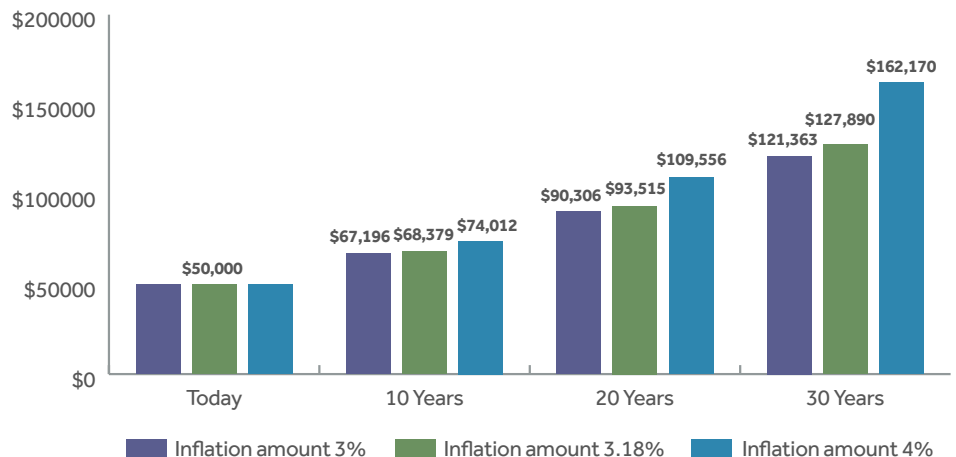
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Risk:

Inflation

Prices tend to go up over time. In retirement, rising expenses can mean dipping further into savings beyond what's comfortable.

Cost of \$50,000 expense over time...



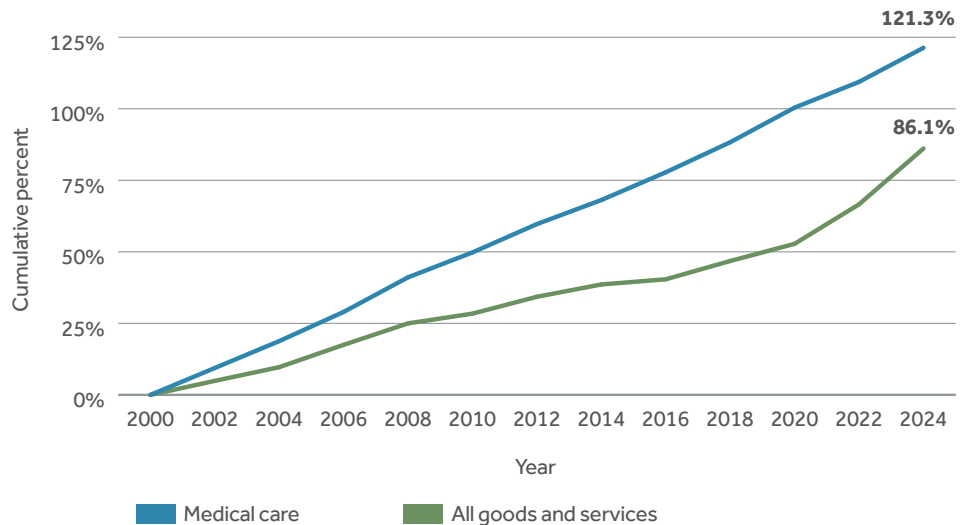
Source: officialdata.org/us/inflation, 1914–2024.

The hypothetical example is for illustrative purposes only and assumes annual retirement expenses of \$50,000 at the start of retirement.

Risk: Healthcare needs

With healthcare costs rising faster than overall inflation, retirees must navigate both the reality of living longer and the potential for increased medical spending.

Cumulative percent change in Consumer Price Index...



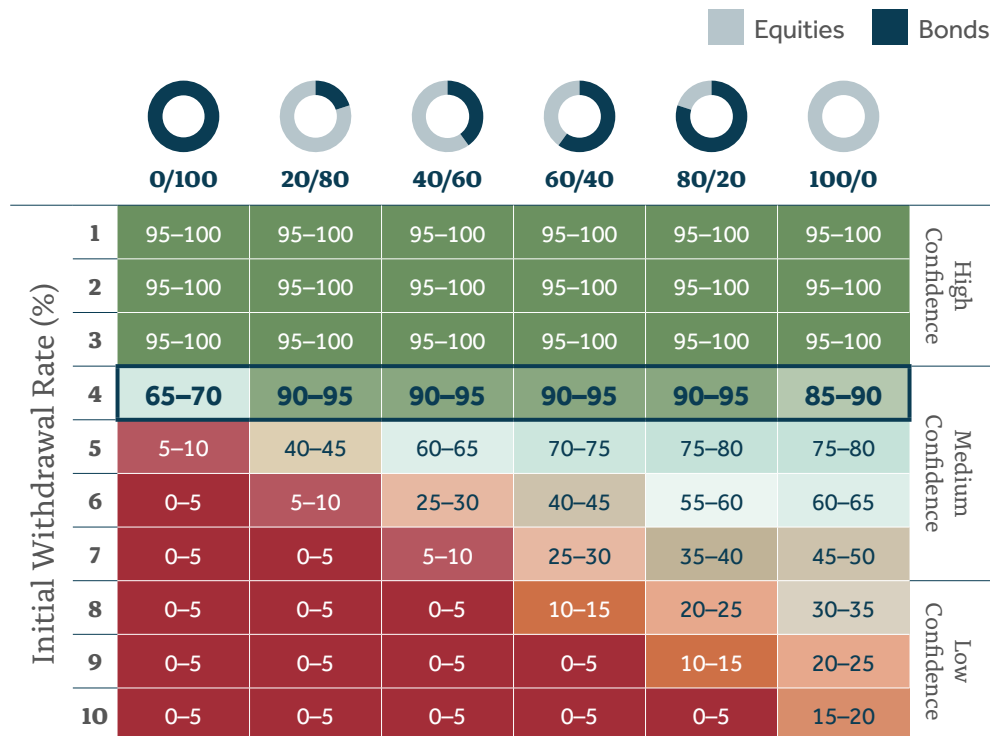
Source: KFF Analysis of Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) Consumer Price Index (CPI) data, June 2024.

Risk: Withdrawing too much

What's the likelihood a portfolio will last 30 years? This chart highlights the success rate of different portfolio allocations, withdrawal rates, and rates of return.

There are trade-offs between security and flexibility. A lower withdrawal rate could result in a higher likelihood of the portfolio lasting, but with an unnecessary sacrifice to lifestyle or undue investment risk. On the flip side, if your withdrawal rate is too high, you run the risk of outliving your savings.

Likelihood portfolio will last 30 years...



Source: "Annuities Improve Outcomes." J.P. Morgan Asset Management, June 2024.

This chart was created using a Monte Carlo simulation and makes assumptions about earnings from stocks and bonds over time. Please note that it is based on past performance and future results can be different.

Risk: Sequence of returns

Believe it or not, even the sequence—or order—of your investment returns makes a big difference in retirement.

That's because most people are also making withdrawals from their investments to cover retirement expenses. Market drops during these early years, combined with your withdrawals, can create a "one-two punch" for your account balance, potentially requiring you to make significant changes to your plans.

Surprisingly, this phenomenon doesn't exist before you start taking withdrawals, and has less of an impact later on in retirement.

Let's look at two hypothetical scenarios and see how the sequence of returns effects each.

Sequence of returns risk isn't a factor during the **accumulation phase...**

Portfolio 1					Portfolio 2				
Actual S&P 500 Returns: 2000–2024 (Includes Dividends)					REVERSED Actual S&P 500 Returns: 2024–2000 (Includes Dividends)				
Year	Investment Return	Withdrawal	Starting Balance		Year	Investment Return	Withdrawal	Starting Balance	
\$1 Million					\$1 Million				
2000	1	-9.1%	\$0	\$909,000	2024	1	25.02%	\$0	\$1,250,200
2001	2	-11.89%	\$0	\$800,920	2023	2	26.29%	\$0	\$1,578,878
2002	3	-22.10%	\$0	\$623,917	2022	3	-18.11%	\$0	\$1,292,943
2003	4	28.68%	\$0	\$802,856	2021	4	28.71%	\$0	\$1,664,147
2004	5	10.88%	\$0	\$890,207	2020	5	18.40%	\$0	\$1,970,350
2005	6	4.91%	\$0	\$933,916	2019	6	31.49%	\$0	\$2,590,813
2006	7	15.79%	\$0	\$1,081,381	2018	7	-4.38%	\$0	\$2,477,335
2007	8	5.49%	\$0	\$1,140,749	2017	8	21.83%	\$0	\$3,018,138
2008	9	-37.00%	\$0	\$718,672	2016	9	11.96%	\$0	\$3,379,107
2009	10	26.46%	\$0	\$908,832	2015	10	1.38%	\$0	\$3,425,738
2010	11	15.06%	\$0	\$1,045,702	2014	11	13.69%	\$0	\$3,894,722
2011	12	2.11%	\$0	\$1,067,767	2013	12	32.39%	\$0	\$5,156,223
2012	13	16.00%	\$0	\$1,238,610	2012	13	16.00%	\$0	\$5,981,218
2013	14	32.39%	\$0	\$1,639,795	2011	14	2.11%	\$0	\$6,107,422
2014	15	13.69%	\$0	\$1,864,283	2010	15	15.06%	\$0	\$7,027,200
2015	16	1.38%	\$0	\$1,890,010	2009	16	26.46%	\$0	\$8,886,597
2016	17	11.96%	\$0	\$2,116,055	2008	17	-37.00%	\$0	\$5,598,556
2017	18	21.83%	\$0	\$2,577,990	2007	18	5.49%	\$0	\$5,905,917
2018	19	-4.38%	\$0	\$2,465,074	2006	19	15.79%	\$0	\$6,838,461
2019	20	31.49%	\$0	\$3,241,326	2005	20	4.91%	\$0	\$7,174,229
2020	21	18.40%	\$0	\$3,837,730	2004	21	10.88%	\$0	\$7,954,785
2021	22	28.71%	\$0	\$4,939,543	2003	22	28.68%	\$0	\$10,236,218
2022	23	-18.11%	\$0	\$4,044,991	2002	23	-22.10%	\$0	\$7,974,014
2023	24	26.29%	\$0	\$5,108,420	2001	24	-11.89%	\$0	\$7,025,903
2024	25	25.02%	\$0	\$6,386,546	2000	25	-9.1%	\$0	\$6,386,546
Average Return		Total Withdrawals	Ending Balance	Balance Difference	Average Return		Total Withdrawals	Ending Balance	
9.36%		\$0	\$6,386,546	\$0	9.36%		\$0	\$6,386,546	

Same average return and ending balances

Past performance of the markets is no guarantee of future results. Portfolio 2 is the reverse of actual historical market performance.

The S&P 500 Index is an unmanaged index consisting of 500 primarily large-capitalization stocks. Performance shown does not reflect the deduction of fees and expenses. It is not possible to invest in an index. This hypothetical example is for illustrative purposes only and is not intended to represent the performance of any particular investment. The average annual total return from 2000–2024 was 9.36%.

...but it's a big risk during the **distribution phase** because you're taking withdrawals.

Portfolio 1 Actual S&P 500 Returns: 2000–2024 (Includes Dividends)					Portfolio 2 REVERSED Actual S&P 500 Returns: 2024–2000 (Includes Dividends)				
Year	Investment Return	Withdrawal	Starting Balance		Year	Investment Return	Withdrawal	Starting Balance	
				\$1 Million					\$1 Million
2000	1	-9.1%	\$45,000	\$864,000	2024	1	25.02%	\$45,000	\$1,205,200
2001	2	-11.89%	\$45,450	\$715,820	2023	2	26.29%	\$45,450	\$1,476,597
2002	3	-22.10%	\$45,905	\$511,720	2022	3	-18.11%	\$45,905	\$1,163,281
2003	4	28.68%	\$46,364	\$612,117	2021	4	28.71%	\$46,364	\$1,450,895
2004	5	10.88%	\$46,827	\$631,888	2020	5	18.40%	\$46,827	\$1,671,033
2005	6	4.91%	\$47,295	\$615,619	2019	6	31.49%	\$47,295	\$2,149,946
2006	7	15.79%	\$47,768	\$665,056	2018	7	-4.38%	\$47,768	\$2,008,010
2007	8	5.49%	\$48,246	\$653,322	2017	8	21.83%	\$48,246	\$2,398,112
2008	9	-37.00%	\$48,729	\$362,864	2016	9	11.96%	\$48,729	\$2,636,198
2009	10	26.46%	\$49,216	\$409,662	2015	10	1.38%	\$49,216	\$2,623,361
2010	11	15.06%	\$49,708	\$421,649	2014	11	13.69%	\$49,708	\$2,932,791
2011	12	2.11%	\$50,205	\$380,341	2013	12	32.39%	\$50,205	\$3,832,517
2012	13	16.00%	\$50,707	\$390,489	2012	13	16.00%	\$50,707	\$4,395,013
2013	14	32.39%	\$51,214	\$465,754	2011	14	2.11%	\$51,214	\$4,436,534
2014	15	13.69%	\$51,726	\$477,789	2010	15	15.06%	\$51,726	\$5,052,949
2015	16	1.38%	\$52,244	\$432,139	2009	16	26.46%	\$52,244	\$6,337,716
2016	17	11.96%	\$52,766	\$431,057	2008	17	-37.00%	\$52,766	\$3,939,995
2017	18	21.83%	\$53,294	\$471,863	2007	18	5.49%	\$53,294	\$4,103,007
2018	19	-4.38%	\$53,827	\$397,369	2006	19	15.79%	\$53,827	\$4,697,045
2019	20	31.49%	\$54,365	\$468,135	2005	20	4.91%	\$54,365	\$4,873,305
2020	21	18.40%	\$54,909	\$499,363	2004	21	10.88%	\$54,909	\$5,348,612
2021	22	28.71%	\$55,458	\$587,273	2003	22	28.68%	\$55,458	\$6,827,137
2022	23	-18.11%	\$56,012	\$424,906	2002	23	-22.10%	\$56,012	\$5,262,327
2023	24	26.29%	\$56,572	\$480,041	2001	24	-11.89%	\$56,572	\$4,580,064
2024	25	25.02%	\$57,138	\$543,009	2000	25	-9.1%	\$57,138	\$4,106,140
Average Return		Total Withdrawals	Ending Balance	Balance Difference	Average Return		Total Withdrawals	Ending Balance	
9.36%		\$1,270,944	\$543,009	\$3,563,131	9.36%		\$1,270,944	\$4,106,140	

Same average return, same withdrawals,
but vastly different ending balances

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[Click here to run your own custom sequence of returns scenario](#)



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Step 2. Know your needs.

Step 2 is all about you. When do you want to retire? How much Social Security are you expecting? What are your retirement income needs? Take a few minutes to add some detail about your retirement picture so we can better assess your options.

Start with some retirement basics.

Your details Name: Age: Preferred retirement age:	Partner's details Name: Age: Preferred retirement age:
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Current annual household income

Desired annual retirement income

A

Not sure what your Social Security benefit will be?

Current earnings	Annual benefit estimate at retirement		
	At age 70	At age 67	At age 62
\$50,000	\$26,556	\$20,784	\$13,836
\$100,000	\$42,540	\$33,048	\$21,672
\$176,100 (max taxable income)	\$55,644	\$43,848	\$29,556

Social Security Administration Benefit Calculator, as of 02/25/2025. Estimates vary by birth date and Full Retirement Age. Example based on person born in 1965 with different average earnings.

Let's get a fuller picture.

Guaranteed retirement income (annual)	Non-guaranteed savings and investments
Non-qualified	Non-qualified
Social Security 1:	Savings:
Social Security 2:	Investments:
Other:	Other:
Qualified	Qualified
Pension 1:	401(k):
Pension 2:	IRAs:
Other:	Other (SEP, 403(b), 457, etc.):
Total guaranteed retirement income B	Total savings and investments C

Do you have a retirement income shortfall?

A

minus

B

equals

D

Desired annual retirement income

-

Total guaranteed retirement income

=

Income shortfall/surplus

Let's look at
your options



Step 3. Know your options.

Step 3 helps you understand some common ways people use their savings and investments to create regular retirement income. Using the information you provided, let’s look at a few options to meet your income shortfall and determine how much of your savings can be used to cover it.

Systematic withdrawal option

Many retirees use a systematic withdrawal approach to meet their retirement income needs. Each year, they withdraw the same percentage (i.e., systematically) from their savings and investments (and adjust these withdrawals to account for inflation).

D

Income shortfall

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Withdrawal rate

=

E

Assets needed for income



QUICK TIPS:

- Enter “Withdrawal Rate” as a decimal (Ex: type .04 instead of 4%)
- Page 4 of this guide includes examples of withdrawal rates from which to choose

Let’s look at some
New York Life
solutions



New York Life "income now" option

New York Life offers several annuities that provide "pension-like" payouts to help you to maintain the lifestyle you've earned. You can use a portion of your savings and investments to buy one, and you can start collecting income as soon as next month.

D	Income shortfall	E	Assets needed for income



QUICK TIPS:

- Your New York Life financial professional will help pull these numbers for you by running a custom illustration

New York Life "income later" option

New York Life deferred income annuities let you create a "pension-like" income stream that you can depend on when you're finally ready to retire. You can use a portion of your savings and investments to buy one now and wait to turn it on. The longer you defer your payouts, the more guaranteed income you generate down the road.

Years until preferred retirement age	D	Income shortfall	E	Assets needed for income



QUICK TIPS:

- If your age and preferred retirement age are more than 13 months apart, please use this section
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What does your retirement income cost?

	E Assets Needed to Cover Income Shortfall
Systematic withdrawal option	
"Income now" option	
"Income later" option	

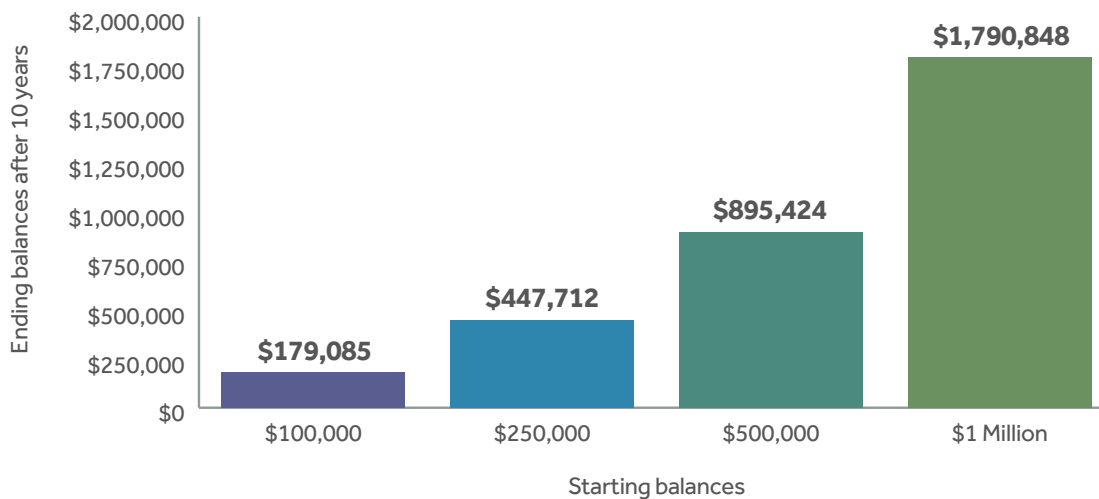
What about those savings and investments?

Based on your income needs, you'll need to use a portion of your savings and investments—those non-guaranteed assets you listed—to create a steady retirement income stream. Let's compare the cost of each income option and the effect on your account balances.

	C		E		
	Total savings and investments		Assets needed for income		Remaining balance
Systematic withdrawal option		—		=	
"Income now" option		—		=	
Income starting in years		—		=	

With your retirement income secure, keep your savings and investments working.

Hypothetical 6% compound growth of various account balances



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[Click here to run your own compound growth calculation](#)

Step 4. Know where to turn.

Whether you're just starting your journey or already enjoying retirement, there are many key milestones to prepare for. Many of these milestones involve federal benefits and require important decisions, but you don't have to go it alone.

Your New York Life financial professional can help you each step of the way. As a leader in the retirement industry, New York Life offers an array of retirement solutions to help build and secure what matters most.

Where are you on your retirement journey?

Key age milestones

50

Catch-up contributions can be made to IRAs and employer-sponsored retirement plans.

55

Withdrawals can be taken from your employer sponsored retirement plan without a 10% penalty.

59½

Penalty-free IRA distributions can be taken.

62

Eligible to receive a reduced Social Security benefit.

65

Eligible for Medicare.

66

Full retirement age for those born between 1943 and 1954.

67

Full retirement age for those born in 1960 or after.

70

Social Security benefits stop increasing for each year they are delayed.

73

Required minimum distributions must be taken from IRAs and 401(k)s.

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Exceptionally
Strong

(Highest of 16 ratings)
Fitch

Aaa
Exceptional

(Highest of 21 ratings)
Moody's

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Very Strong

(Highest of 22 ratings)
Standard and Poor's

Ready to take the next step
to create your own strategy
for retirement income?

Let's get started!

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