

Retirement Landscape

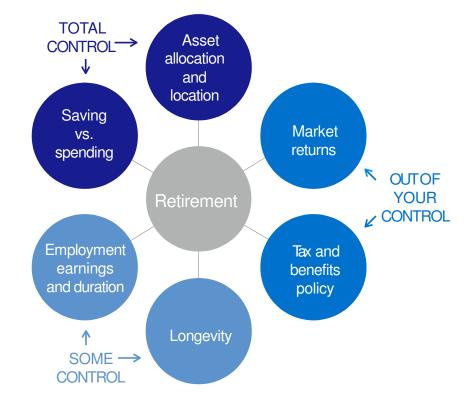


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### The Retirement Equation

A sound retirement plan

Make the most of the things that you can control but be sure to evaluate factors that are somewhat or completely out of your control within your comprehensive retirement plan.

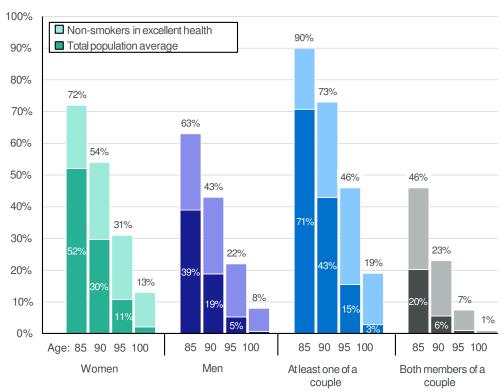




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### Life Expectancy Probabilities

If you're age 65 today, the probability of living to a specific age or beyond



## Plan for longevity

Average life expectancy is a mid-point not an end-point. You may need to plan on the probability of living much longer – perhaps 35 years in retirement – particularly if you are a non-smoker in excellent health.

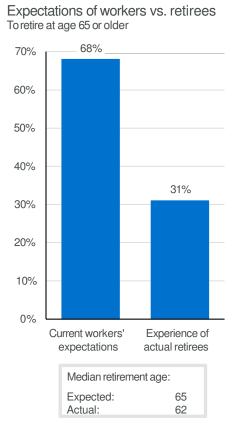
Investing a portion of your portfolio for growth is important to maintain your purchasing power over time.

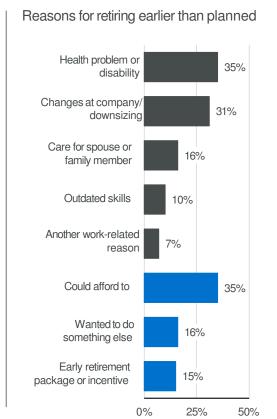


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## **Retirement Landscape**

## Managing Expectations of Ability to Work





### Early Retirement

You may not have complete control over when you retire, so you should consider having a back-up plan including:

- Disability insurance
- Saving for financial freedom and the ability to weather changing circumstances



<sup>5</sup> Source: Employee Benefit Research Institute, Greenwald Research: 2023 Retirement Confidence Survey. Individuals may have given more than one answer. Latest available data as of December 31, 2023.

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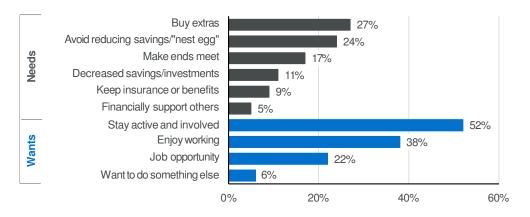
### Prepare to Retire on Your Own Terms

For households that started retirement age 60-69:









What does retirement mean to you?

Being well prepared for retirement means work will be optional.

Source (top chart): J.P. Morgan Asset Management, based on internal select data from JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A. and its affiliates (collectively "Chase") including select Chase check, credit and debit card and electronic payment transactions from January 1,2013 to November 30, 2022. Information that would have allowed identification of specific customers was removed prior to the analysis. Households age 60-69 with income for at least 12 consecutive months prior to retirement, 12 consecutive months after retirement and the month of retirement. Additional information on J.P. Morgan Asset Management's data privacy standards available at <a href="https://am.jpmorgan.com/us/en/asset-management/mod/insights/fretirement-insights/gtr-privdisc/">https://am.jpmorgan.com/us/en/asset-management/mod/insights/fretirement-insights/gtr-privdisc/</a>.





## Poll Question #1

## **Social Security**

Claiming Social Security benefits at which age maximizes total wealth:

- A. 62
- B. Full Retirement Age (67 for those born in 1960 and later)
- C. 70
- D. It Depends



# Poll Question #1 Social Security

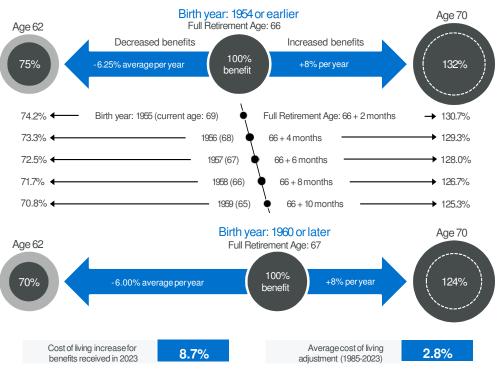
And the answer is:



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### Social Security Timing Trade-Offs

Benefits differ by birth year and claim age Full Retirement Age (FRA) = 100% benefit



#### Understand the trade-offs

Deciding when to claim benefits will have a permanent impact on the benefit you receive. Claiming before your full retirement age can significantly reduce your benefit, while delaying increases it.

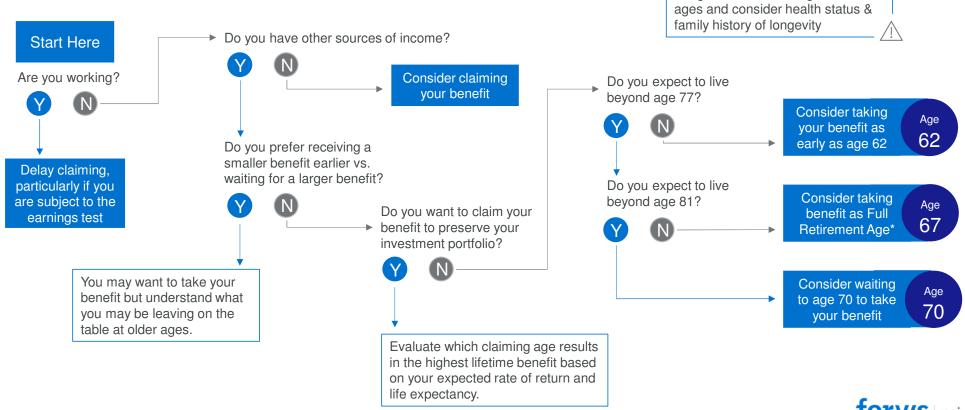
In 2017, full retirement age began transitioning from 66 to 67 by adding two months each year for six years. This makes claiming early even more of a benefit reduction.

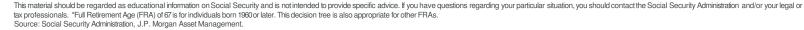
For illustrative purposes only. The Social Security Amendments Act of 1983 increased FRA from 65 to 67 over a 40-year period. The first phase of transition increased FRA from 65 to 66 for individuals turning 62 between 2000 and 2005. After an 11-year hiatus, the transition from 66 to 67 (2017-2022) is complete. This material should be regarded as educational information on Social Security and is not intended to provide specific advice. If you have questions regarding your particular situation, you should contact the Social Security Administration and/or your legal or tax professional.



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### Claiming Social Security: Decision Tree



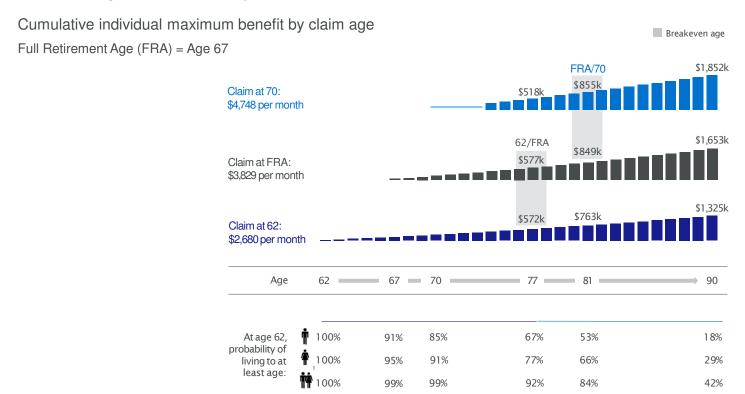




Weigh the odds of living to various

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### Maximizing Social Security Benefits: Maximum Earner



#### Planning opportunity

Delaying benefits means increased Social Security income later in life, but your portfolio may need to bridge the gap and provide income until delayed benefits are received.

<sup>1</sup> Couple assumes at least one lives to the specified age or beyond. Breakeven assumes the same individual, born in 1962, earns the maximum wage base each year (\$168,600 in 2024), retires at the end of age 61 and claims at 62 & 1 month, 67 and 70, respectively. Benefits are assumed to increase each year based on the Social Security Administration 2023 OASDI Trustee's Report intermediate estimates (annual benefit increase of 2.4% in 2025 and thereafter). Monthly amounts with the cost-of-living adjustments (not shown on the chart) are:





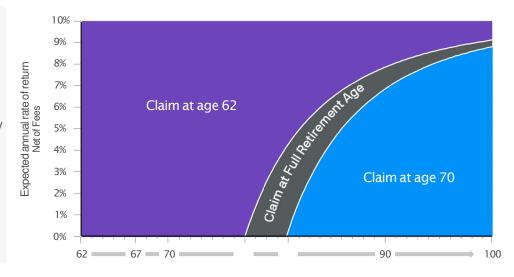
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### Social Security Benefit Claiming Considerations

Comparison of claim age based on an individual's expected rate of return and longevity Color represents the claim age with the highest expected lifetime benefits

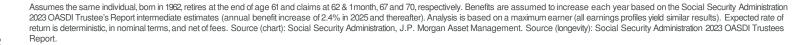
#### How to use:

- Go to the intersection of your expected rate of return and your expected longevity.
- The color at this intersection represents the Social Security claim age that maximizes total wealth (cumulative Social Security benefit and investment portfolio) given three claiming options: age 62, Full Retirement Age (age 67) and age 70.
- Example: For a woman with an expected consistent 5.5% rate of return (net of fees) and life expectancy of 88: consider claiming at age 70.



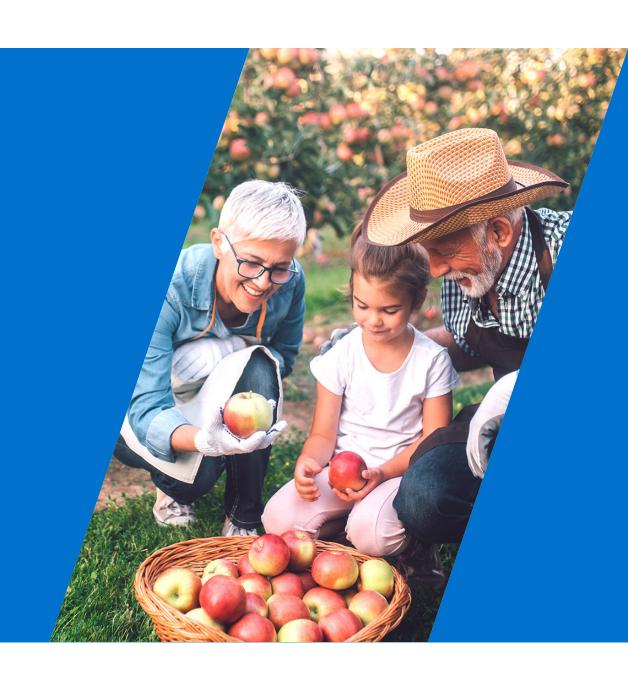
Consider portfolio returns and your life expectancy

The lower your expected long-term investment return and the longer your life expectancy, the more it pays to wait to take your benefit.





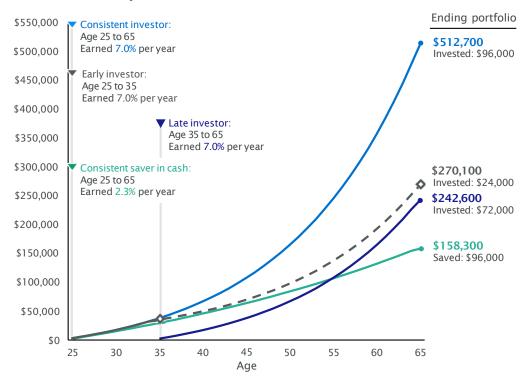
# Saving



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### Benefit of Saving and Investing Early

Account growth of \$200 invested/saved monthly



Starting early and investing are the keys to compound returns

The early and consistent investor has the best results.

The early investor who stops after 10 years does slightly better than the late investor who invests significantly more over a longer time.

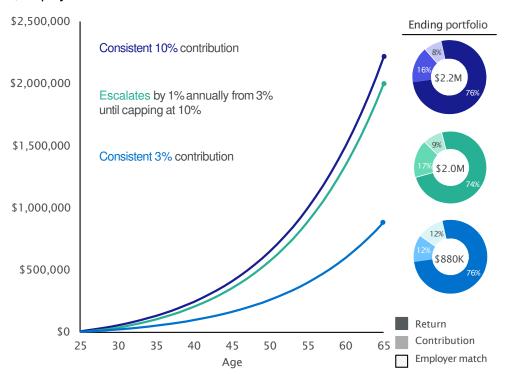
And the consistent saver who does not invest loses out on higher returns.



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#### The Benefits of Auto-Escalation

Account growth from contributions, employer match and investment returns



### Model assumptions

Start age: 25

Retirement age: 65

Starting salary: \$50,000

Wage growth: 2.5%

Assumed annual employer match: 100% of employee contribution up

to 5%

Investment return: 7.0%



## Poll Question #2

# **Retirement Savings By Account Type**

Which of the following account types is triple tax advantaged?

- A. Pre-tax 401(k)
- B. Roth 401(k)
- C. After tax 401(k)/non-deductible Traditional IRA
- D. HSA (Health Savings Account)



## Poll Question #2

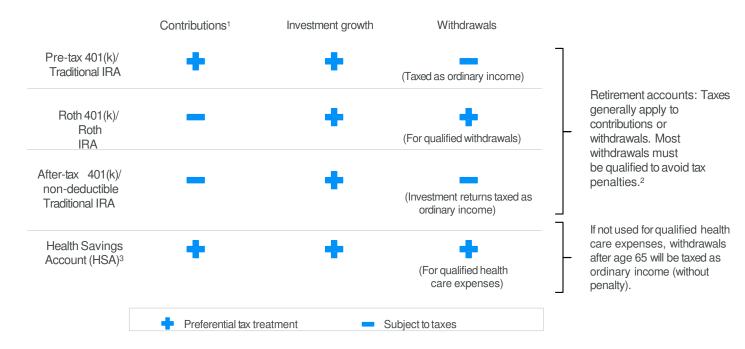
# **Retirement Savings By Account Type**

And the answer is:



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### Tax Implications for Retirement Savings by Account Type



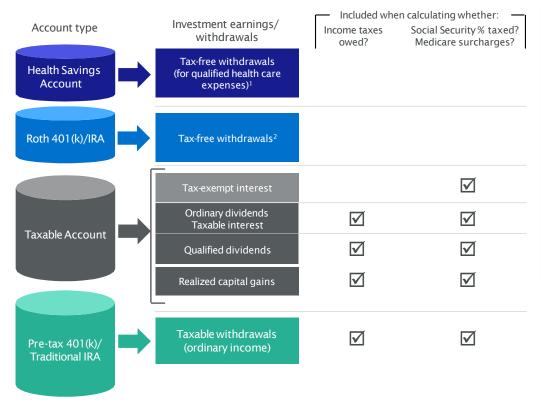
Federal taxes; states may differ. This is not intended to be individual tax advice. Consult your tax professional. ¹Income and other restrictions may apply to contributions. Tax penalties usually apply for early withdrawals. Qualified withdrawals are generally those taken over age 59½ qualification requirements for amounts converted to a Roth from a traditional account may differ; for some account types, such as Roth accounts, contributions that are withdrawn may be qualified. See IRS Publications 590 and 560 for more information. ²Withdrawals from after-tax 401 (k) and non-deductible IRAs must be taken on a pro-rata basis including contributions and earnings growth. For non-deductible IRAs must be aggregated when calculating the amount of pro-rata contributions and earnings growth. ³There are eligibility requirements. Qualified medical expenses include items such as prescriptions, teeth cleaning and eyeglasses and contacts for a medical reason. Cosmetic procedures, such as teeth whitening, and general health improvement, such as gym memberships and vitamins, are not qualified expenses. A 20% tax penalty applies on non-qualified distributions prior to age 65. After age 65, taxes must be paid on non-qualified distributions. See IRS Publication 502 for details.

Source: I.P. Moraan Asset Management.



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### **Diversified Sources of Retirement Funding**



Retirement funding sources are not created equal

Be aware of:

- Income taxes
- How much Social Security benefit is subject to tax
- Additional required Medicare premiums

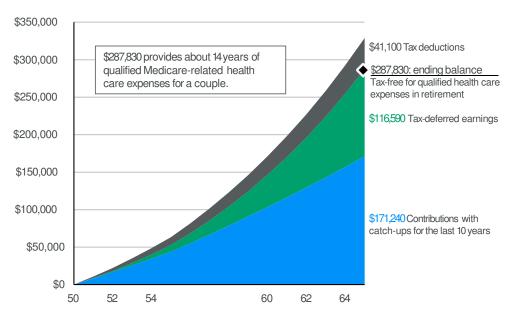
Qualified withdrawals from Roth or Health Savings Accounts can provide taxfree funding that will not result in reduction of government benefits.



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### Maximizing an HSA for Health Care Expenses

Health Savings Accounts (HSAs) are triple tax advantaged<sup>1</sup> Maximum family contribution with catch-ups, 7% return and 24% marginal tax rate



#### Make the most of it

Investing your HSA contributions for the long term and paying for current health care expenses out of other savings can be a very tax-efficient strategy if you are able to do so.

1Must have a qualifying high-deductible health plan to make contributions. Funds in the HSA may be withdrawn tax free for qualified medical expenses unless a credit or deduction for medical expenses is claimed. After age Insurance a qualifying high-deduction relatin plan to make contributions. Funds in the HSA may be withdrawn from any reason and taxed as ordinary income without penalty. Some health insurance premiums may be qualified expenses such as COBRA coverage, coverage while receiving state or federal unemployment compensation, Medicare Part B and D premiums and qualified long-term care (LTC) insurance premiums up to certain limits but excludes Medigap/Medicare supplement policies and most hybrid products that combine LTC with annutities and life insurance. See IRS Publications 969 and 502. This is not intended to be individual tax advice; consult a tax professional.

The above example is for illustrative purposes only and not indicative of any investment. 2024 family contribution limit of \$8,300 is adjusted for inflation of 2.5% for 15 years with catch-up contributions of \$1,000 per person starting at age 55 in 2029. Does not include account fees. Present value of illustrated HSA is \$197,300. Estimated savings from tax deductions at a 37% marginal rate are \$63,360. Assumes scash or income used for health care expenses is not withdrawn from an account with a tax liability. Assumes \$2,000 was held in a cash account and not earning a return. Individual 2024 contribution limit is \$4,150.

Source: IRS.gov: Medicare.gov: J.P. Morgan Asset Management.

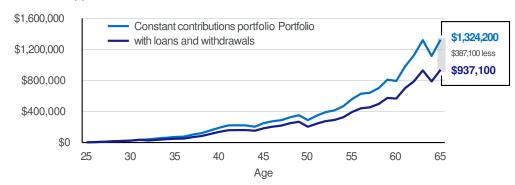


# **Spending**

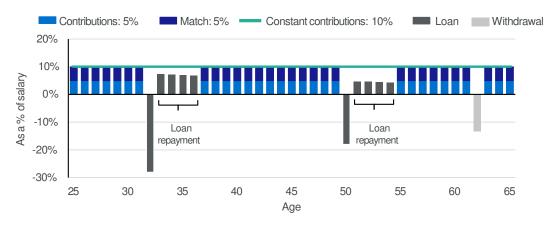


#### The Toxic Effect of Loans and Withdrawals

#### Growth of 401(k) investment



#### Assumed cash flows: 401(k) contributions, loans and withdrawals



### Mitigate the effects of loans

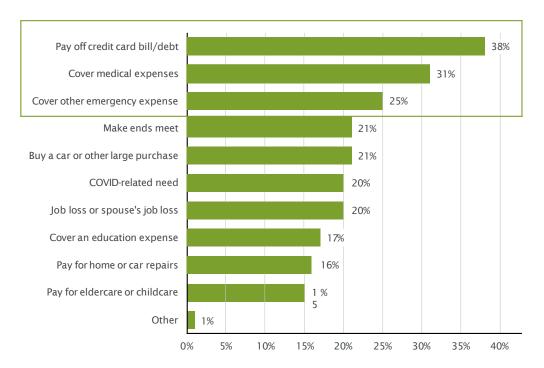
If taking a loan from your 401(k) is unavoidable, try to mitigate the impact by continuing contributions while repaying the loan. It is especially important to ensure you continue to receive an employer match, if available.

Source: J.P. Morgan Asset Management. For illustrative purposes only. Hypothetical portfolio is assumed to be invested 60% in the S&P 500 and 40% in the Bloomberg Capital U.S. Aggregate Index from 1982-32023. Starting salary of \$50,000 increases by 2.5% each year. Loan and withdrawal amounts are assumed to be \$10.000. Loan interest rate is assumed to be 7.5% and is paid off over 4 years.



### Reasons for 401(k) Plan Loans and Withdrawals

Reasons workers took a plan loan or withdrawal in the last 12 months 2023 Retirement Confidence Survey



Build emergency savings and contribute to health savings accounts to help you avoid a 401(k) loan.

This can help keep you on track for retirement.



## Poll Question #3

## **Spending**

As a percentage of their spending, older households (age 75+) spend more on these two categories than younger households (ages 35-44):

A: Health care and gifts/charity

B: Transportation and food

C: Housing and healthcare

D: Housing and food



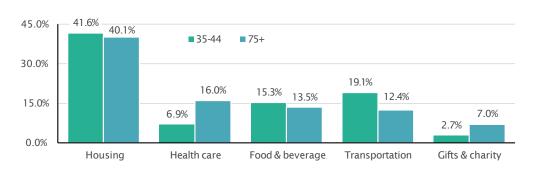
# Poll Question #3 **Spending**

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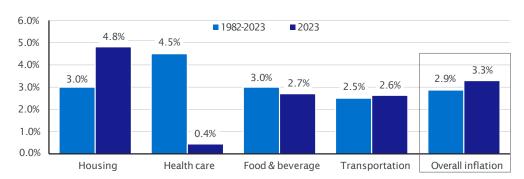


## Spending and Inflation

#### Average annual spending by age and category 2017-2022



#### Annual average inflation by spending category



#### Take a long-term view

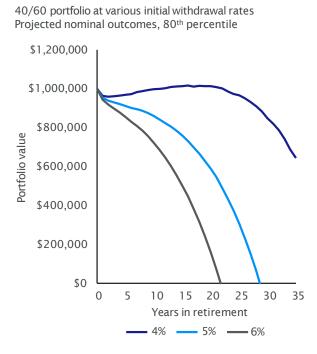
Households may benefit from a long-term view of inflation and how spending may change over time.

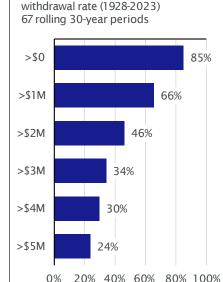
As a percentage of their spending, older households purchase more health care and gifts, but less on food and transportation.

The spending categories shown are 89% of spending for households age 75+.



### The 4% Rule: Projected Outcomes Vs. Historical Experience





Historical ending wealth at 4% initial

### Good in theory, poor in practice

The 4% rule is the maximum initial withdrawal percentage that has a high likelihood of not running out of money after 30 years. With current life expectancies, a 35-year view is more appropriate.

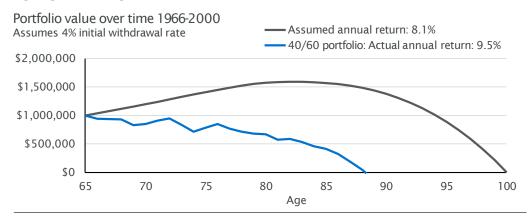
The outcomes are sensitive to forward-looking return assumptions and the rule is not guidance on how to efficiently use your wealth.

You may want to consider a dynamic approach that adjusts over time to more effectively use your retirement savings.

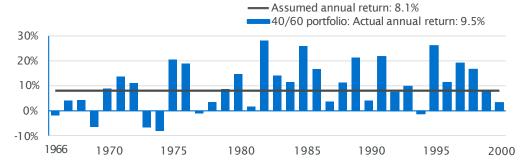
Source: These charts are for illustrative purposes only and must not be used, or relied upon, b make investment decisions. Portfolios are described as equity/bond percentages (e.g., a 40/60 portfolio is 40% equities and 60% bonds). Right chart: The portfolio returns for the historical analysis are calculated based on 40% S&P 500 Total Return and 60% Bloomberg U.S. Aggregate Total Return. Each portfolio's starting value is set at \$1,000,000. Withdrawals are increased annually by CPI (CPI NSA Index). Ending wealth at the end of each 30-year rolling period is in nominal terms. Left chart: The hypothetical portfolio assumes All Country World Equity and U.S. Aggregate Bonds. J.P. Morgan Asset Management's (JPMAM) model is based on proprietary Long-Term Capital Market Assumptions equilibrium returns. The resulting projections include only the benchmark return associated with the portfolio and do not include alpha expected returns are not meant to represent JPMAM performance. Given the complex risk/reward trade-offs involved, we advise clients to rely on judgment as well as quantitative optimization approaches in setting strategic allocations. References to future returns for either asset allocation strategies or asset classes are not promises or even estimates of actual returns a client portfolio may achieve.



### Dollar Cost Ravaging: Timing Risk of Withdrawals



#### Rate of return: actual vs. average 1966-2000



#### Sequence of return risk

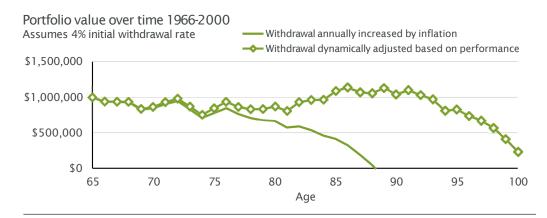
Withdrawing assets in a volatile market early in retirement can ravage a portfolio. Consider investment solutions that incorporate downside protection such as:

- Balanced risk and diversification at the beginning of retirement
- Annuities with guarantees and/or protection features
- Investments that use options strategies for defensive purposes

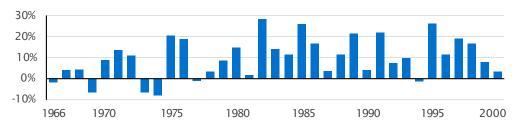


Assumptions (top chart): Retire at age 65 with \$1,000,000 and withdraw 4% of the initial portfolio value (\$40,000). Withdrawal amount increased by historical inflation (CPI-U) each year. Returns are based on a hypothetical portfolio, which is assumed to be invested 40% in the S&P 500 Total Return Index and 60% in the Bloomberg Capital U.S. Aggregate Index. The assumptions are presented for illustrative purposes only. They must not be used, or relied upon, to make investment decisions. There is no direct correlation between a hypothetical investment and the anticipated future return of an index. Past performance does not guarantee future results. Annual inflation (CPI-U) increased from 2.4% in 1966 to 7.35% in 1970. Source: J.P. Morgan Asset Management; U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics; Department of the Treasury.

### Mitigating Dollar Cost Ravaging: Dynamic Spending



#### Rate of return: 40% equity/60% bond portfolio 1966-2000



#### Be flexible

Spending the same amount in retirement grown by inflation regardless of how your portfolio is performing can result in an unsuccessful outcome.

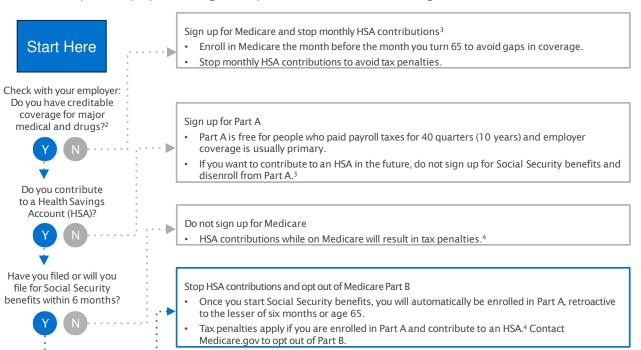
Consider adjusting your spending strategy based on market conditions to help make your money last and provide more total spending through your retirement years.

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### 65 and Working: Should I Sign Up for Medicare?

Assumes adequate employer coverage and qualification for Medicare at age 651



#### Avoid coverage gaps and penalties

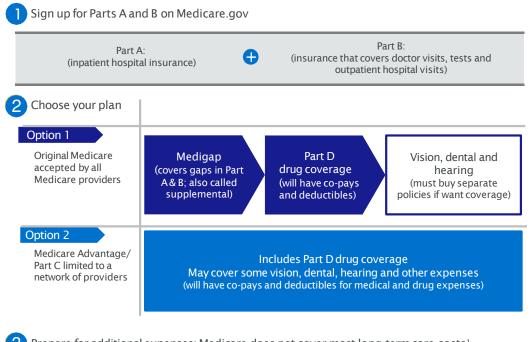
Creditable coverage is key. Late enrollment penalties will apply if you do not have creditable coverage and do not sign up during your enrollment window (3 months before to 3 months after your 65<sup>th</sup> birthday month).

COBRA coverage (a temporary extension of major medical employer coverage when work stops) is not creditable, although some extended prescription coverage may be creditable (ask for documentation).

¹Assumes Part Ais no cost (generally for people who paid payroll taxes for 40+ quarters or are married to a beneficiary who did so). Some individuals may choose to sign up for Part A and Part B earlier than shown if they want additional coverage. ²Ask your employer for documentation of creditable coverage for major medical and for drug coverage. Employer coverage for less than 20 people is usually not creditable and will end at age 65 or become secondary after Medicare has paid. ³To disenroll you must have an interview with the Social Security Administration and use Form CMS 1763. When you sign up for Part A again or sign up for Social Security, coverage may be retroactive for up to 6 months. You will be unable to disenroll if you are receiving Social Security. 4Total HSA contributions for the year in excess of the maximum contribution for the year divided by the number of make contributions will result in tax penalties (6% of the excess contribution each year). This is not intended to be individual tax advice; consult your tax professional. For more information, see <a href="https://www.mym.edicarematters.org/enrollment/am-i-eliqible">www.mym.edicarematters.org/enrollment/am-i-eliqible</a>, sponsored by the National Council on Aging. Source: IRS Publication 969, National Council on Aging and Medicare.gov websites as of December 31, 2023; J.P. Morgan Asset Management analysis.



### Three Steps for Medicare Coverage



#### Medicare details

Sign up for all parts of Medicare the month before the month you turn age 65 to avoid coverage gaps unless your employer has confirmed you have creditable coverage.

Re-evaluate your choices each year.

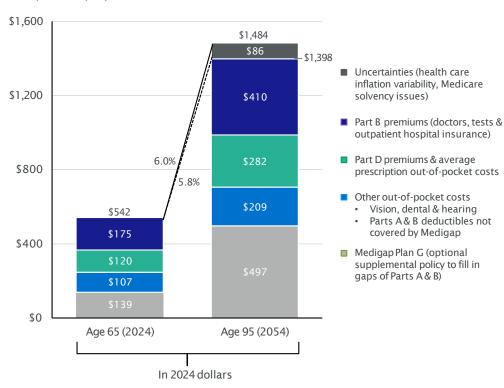
3 Prepare for additional expenses: Medicare does not cover most long-term care costs 1

For help, visit the Medicare Rights Center at www.medicarerights.org or your State Health Insurance Assistance Program (SHIP) at www.shiptacenter.org



### Rising Health Care Costs in Retirement

Original Medicare costs in retirement (in 2024 dollars) Monthly amount per person



#### A growing concern

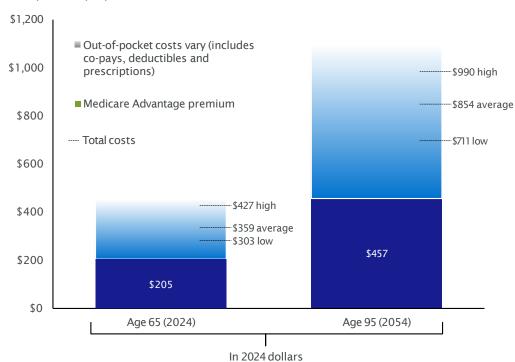
Annual expenses per person in 2024 are \$6,503.

Given variation in health care cost inflation from year to year, it may be prudent to assume an annual health care inflation rate of 6.0%, which may require growth as well as current income from your portfolio in retirement.



### Variation in Medicare Advantage Costs

Estimated Medicare Advantage with Part D and out-of-pocket expenses Monthly amount per person



# Dramatic differences in costs depending on health

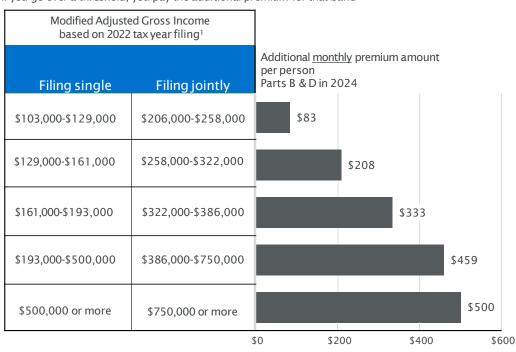
Be prepared to pay more for health care in the event you experience a health issue, which becomes more common as one ages.

- Be aware: Although Medicare Advantage plans have out-of-pocket caps, those limits do not include prescriptions.
- Consider maintaining an emergency reserve fund for high out-of-pocket cost periods.



### 2024 Monthly Medicare Surcharges

The surcharge amount is the same for all income levels within a band If you go over a threshold, you pay the additional premium for that band



### Surcharge details

There may be a bigger impact for singles and surviving spouses: Medicare surcharge thresholds for singles are half of the thresholds for couples.

#### Filing an appeal?

If you have stopped work or you have lower income due to circumstances outside of your control, you might be eligible for an appeal. See form SSA-44 for details: https://www.ssa.gov/forms/ssa-44-ext.pdf



## Poll Question #4

## **Long-Term Care Planning**

For women age 65+ using paid, long-term care, the average lifetime cost is:

A: \$156,000.00

B: \$75,000.00

C: \$278,000.00

D: \$208,000.00



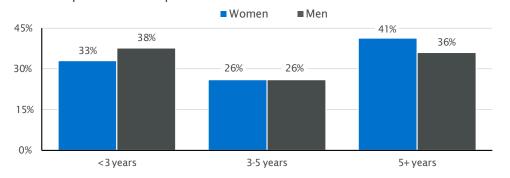
# Poll Question #4 Long-Term Care Planning

And the answer is:



### Long-Term Care Planning

#### Duration of paid care 65+ if paid care is used



#### Lifetime cost of care 65+ if paid care is used



#### Create a care plan

The monetary value of care from family and friends is roughly equal to paid care.1

Women are more likely to require care and need more years of paid care if paid care is used.

A care plan may help you:

- Avoid burdening others
- · Ensure your family understands your wishes
- · Have more control over your care



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Average value of unpaid care when unpaid care is used is \$208,800 for women and \$196,800 for men. Long-term care includes needing help with two or more activities of daily living such as eating, dressing, bathing, transferring and toileting or severe cognitive impairment. Average of cost is in 2020 dollars and includes all payors. Source: U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, APSE Brief, August 2022, Long-term Services and Supports for Older Americans, Risks and Financing, 2022.

### Long-Term Care Planning Options

Consider utilizing more than one option



Family & friends
Will you want to move closer?



Savings / expense reductions Some expenses such as travel may go down



#### Insurance

Options: traditional long-term care insurance, combination life and annuity products, life insurance for a surviving spouse and deferred annuities for income late in life



#### Life plan communities

Often starts with independent living and offers additional services or facilities when needed. More information: https://www.mylifesite.net/



#### Home equity

Second homes may be sold; the home equity in your primary residence may be used; credit availability and home value may fluctuate

#### Medicaid:

After exhausting other options

Rules to qualify vary by state but generally you must be low income with few assets to qualify<sup>1</sup>



#### Start planning early

- Is it feasible to buy less insurance coverage and combine it with other solutions?
- Health Savings Accounts (HSAs) may be used tax free for qualified expenses in retirement.<sup>2</sup>
- Prefer care at home? Consider how you will remain socially connected.



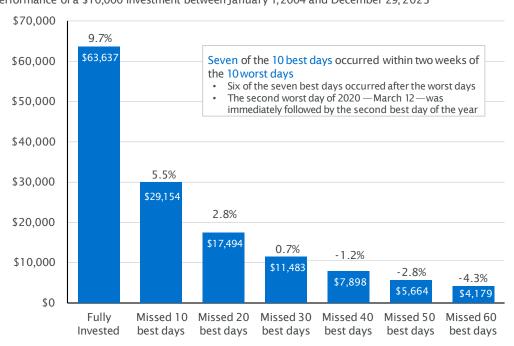
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### Impact of Being Out of the Market

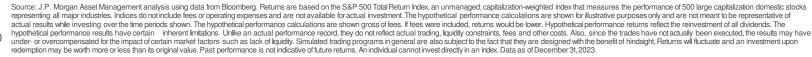
Returns of the S&P 500
Performance of a \$10,000 investment between January 1,2004 and December 29, 2023



### Plan to stay invested

Losses hurt more than gains feel good. Market lows can result in emotional decision making.

Taking "control" by selling out of the market after the worst days is likely to result in missing the best days that follow. Investing for the long term in a well-diversified portfolio can result in a better retirement outcome.





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