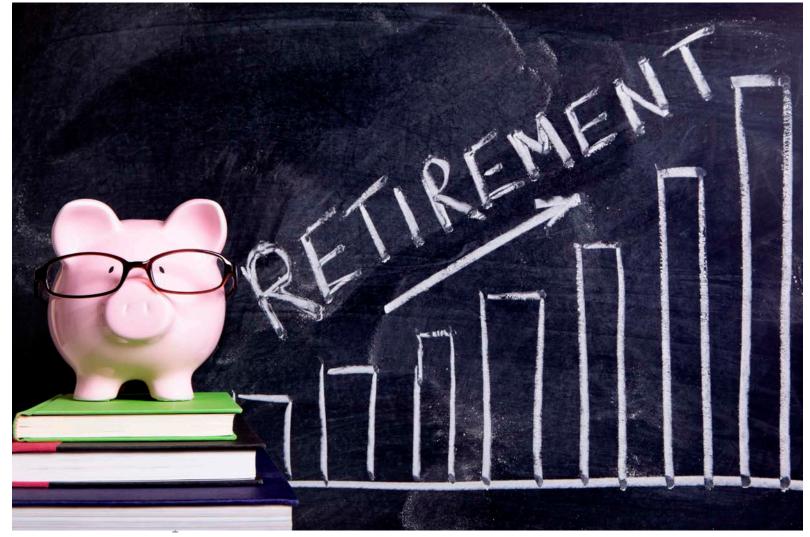
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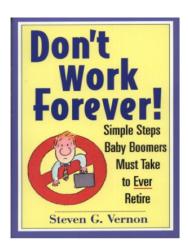


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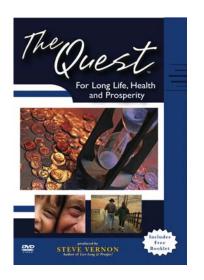


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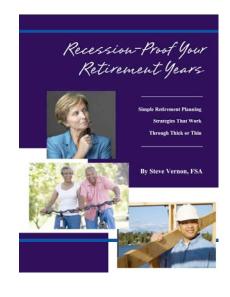
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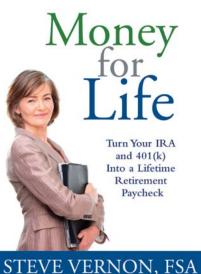
2007



2009-2014

Savvy guidance for some of the most crucial financial decisions you'll ever face.

— IONATHAN PETERSON, author of Social Security for Diamoirs



Author of Recession-Proof Your Retirement Years

RETIREMENT GAME-CHANGERS Strategies for a Healthy, Financially Secure, and Fulfilling Long Life

2018

Don't Go Broke Retirement

A SIMPLE PLAN TO BUILD

2020

LIFETIME RETIREMENT INCOME



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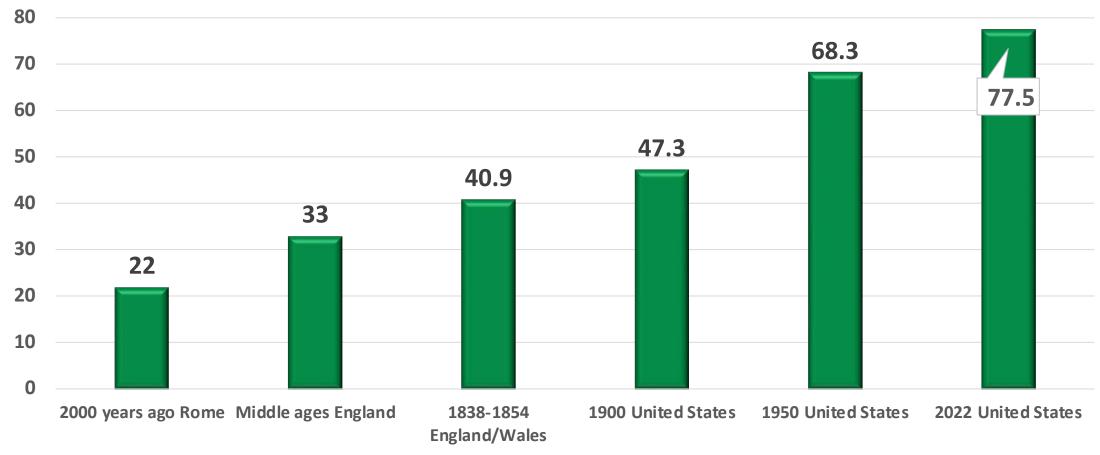
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### Longer Lives One of Humankind's Greatest Achievements!

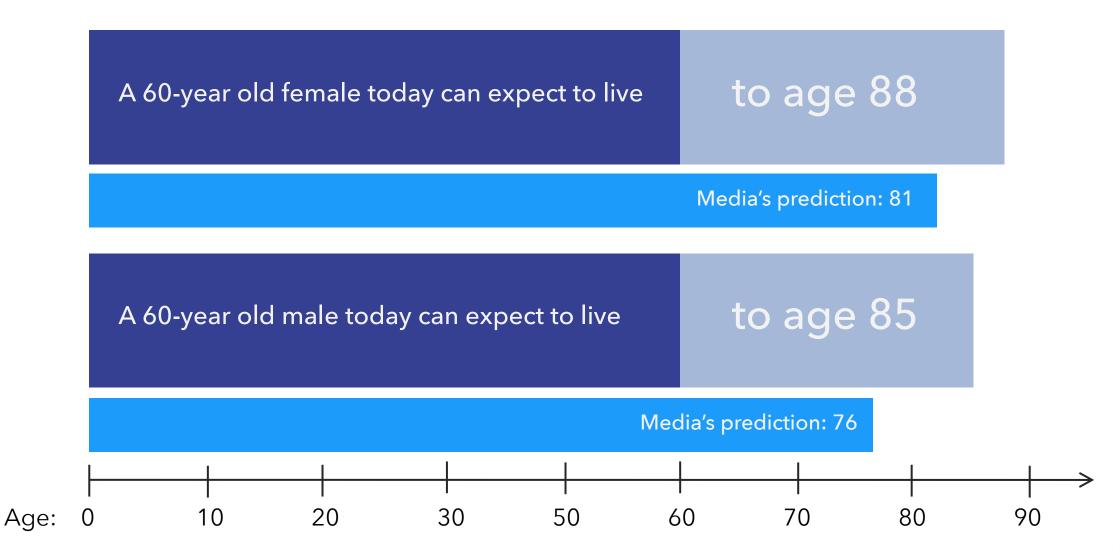


#### Life expectancy at birth

Sources: Dublin, L.I., and Lotka, A.J. *Length of Life,* and National Center for Health Statistics. "Health, United States, 2018."



#### FOCUS ON REMAINING LIFE EXPECTANCY





#### **LONGEVITY IN THE NEWS**

#### DISPARITIES

By S. Jay Olshansky, Toni Antonucci, Lisa Berkman, Robert H. Binstock, Axel Boersch-Supan, John T. Cacioppo, Bruce A. Carnes, Laura L. Carstensen, Linda P. Fried, Dana P. Goldman, James Jackson, Martin Kohli, John Rother, Yuhui Zheng, and John Rowe

## Differences In Life Expectancy Due To Race And Educational Differences Are Widening, And Many May Not Catch Up

THE GROWING GAP IN
LIFE EXPECTANCY BY INCOME

IMPLICATIONS FOR FEDERAL PROGRAMS
AND POLICY RESPONSES

Committee on the Long-Run Macroeconomic Effects of the Aging U.S. Population-Phase II

Committee on Population

Division of Behavioral and Social Sciences and Education

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#### Special Communication

The Association Between Income and Life Expectancy in the United States, 2001-2014

Raj Chetty, PhD; Michael Stepner, BA; Sarah Abraham, BA; Shelby Lin, MPhil; Benjamin Scuderi, BA; Nicholas Turner, PhD; Augustin Bergeron, MA; David Cutler, PhD

Editorials

IN OLD AGE, AND THE GROWING
GAP IN LONGEVITY BETWEEN
RICH AND POOR

Barry Bosworth & Gary Burtless, The Brookings Institution

Kan Zhang, George Washington University





None of the men in my family lived past age 75.





My neighbor's 97-yearold aunt ran out of money and had to move in with her. The aunt didn't think she'd live that long.





My mother died of cancer at age 54. Enjoy it while you can. You just never know how long you'll live.





What's more important to your health and longevity?

- 1. Your genes
- 2. Your lifestyle decisions

"For all but the most strongly determined genetic diseases ... MacArthur Studies show that the environment and lifestyle have a powerful impact on the likelihood of actually developing the disorder. This is wonderful news for individuals with strong family histories of some cancers, heart disease, hypertension, rheumatoid arthritis, and many other conditions. We now know that diet, exercise, and even medications may delay, or completely eliminate, the emergence of the disease."

 From Successful Aging, by John W. Rowe, MD and Robert L. Kahn, PhD



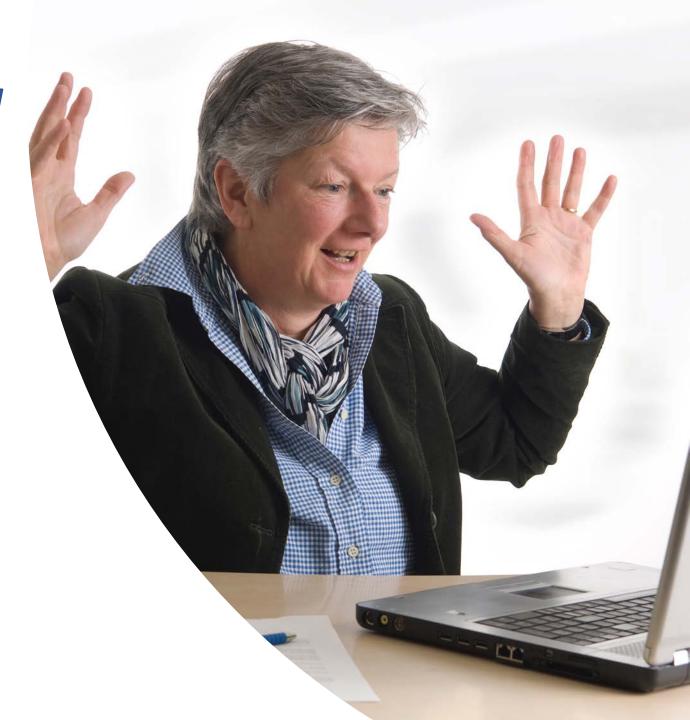
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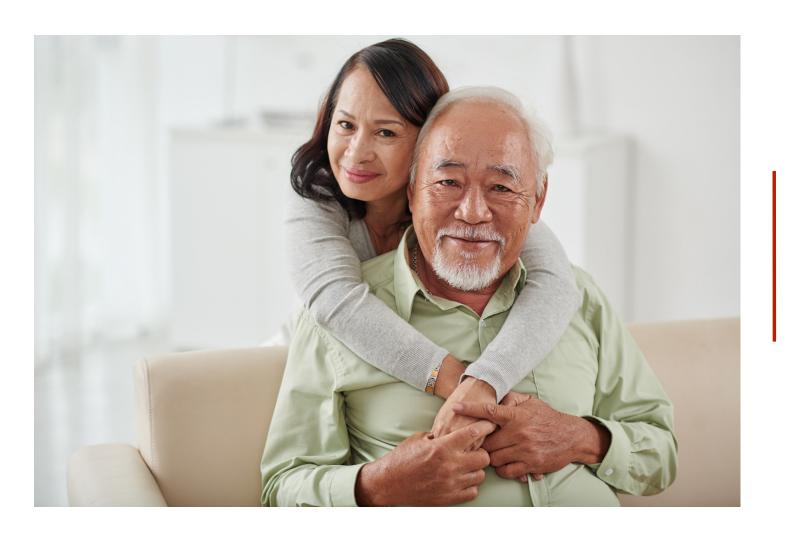
#### Some good websites:

- www.longevityillustrator.org/
- www.livingto100.com
- www.bluezones.com

Life expectancy at birth is the *wrong* life expectancy for planning your retirement!

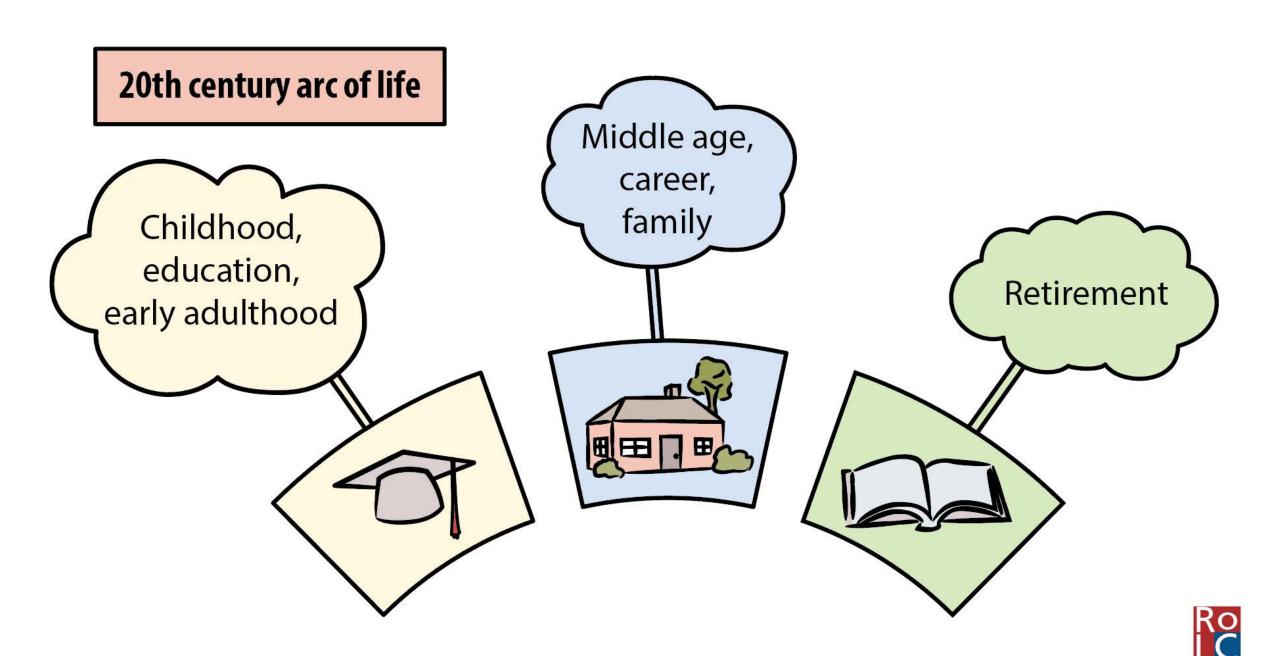


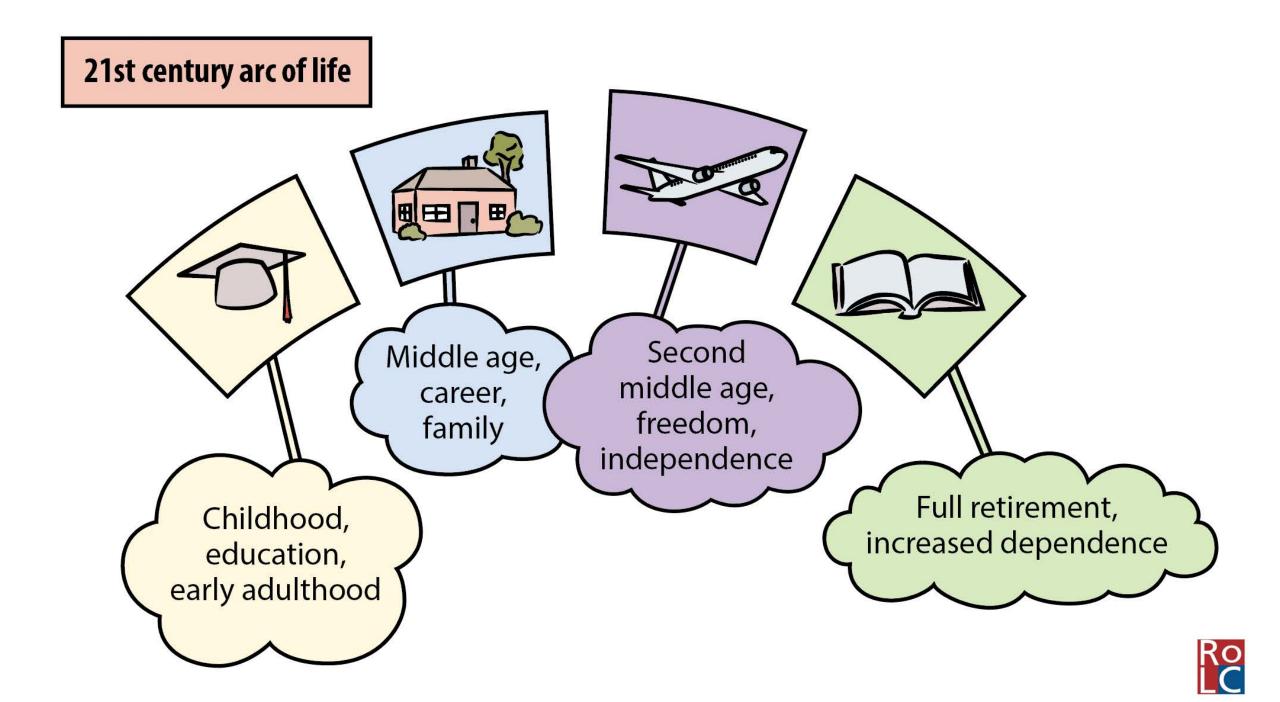




If we knew we would live this long, we would have planned better.

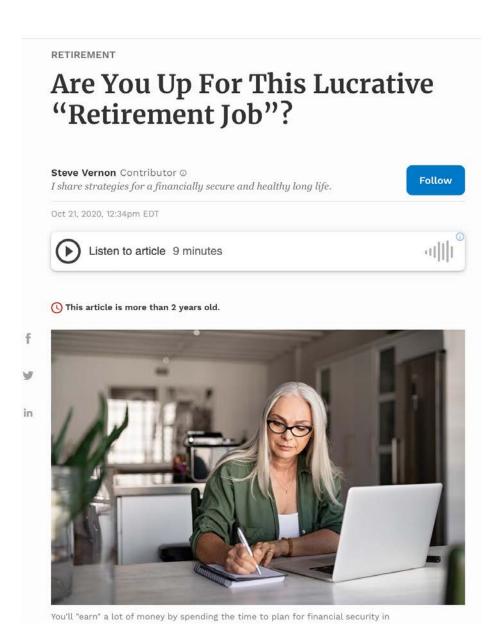








Would you accept a retirement job paying \$500 to \$1,000 per hour?







### 20th century definition

"Permanent holiday"





### 20<sup>th</sup> century definition

"Not working"



### 21st century definition

as you can"







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## Most Important Financial Decisions The Top 5

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### **Top 10 Financial Decisions**

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- 6. Whether to deploy home equity
- 7. Protect against long-term care expenses
- Protect against financial fraud and abuse
- Provide for your spouse/partner after you're gone
- 10. Plan your financial legacy



# Manage the common-sense formula





Critical Decisions:
Deploying Savings in
Retirement to
Generate Income

- Methods
  - Social Security bridge strategy
  - Invest and draw down (systematic withdrawals),
  - buy annuity, or
  - combination?
- Asset allocation



# Best Practice Drawdown Plan

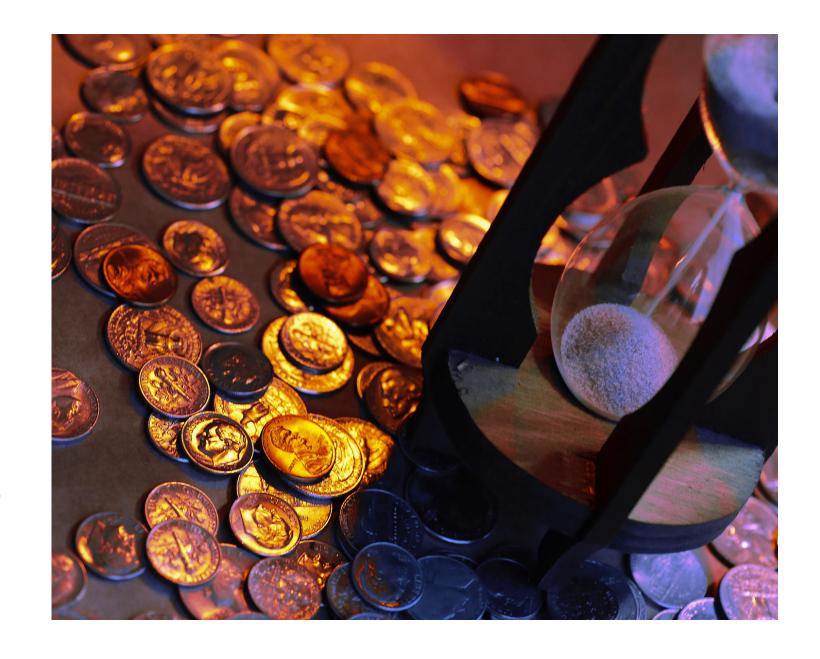
- Adjust annual withdrawal to reflect investment performance
- Recommended method: Apply payout rate to remaining assets each year





#### **Payout rates**

- Investment income only
- Conservative: 3% of remaining assets
- IRS required minimum distribution (life expectancy method)
- Middle of road: 4% to 5%
- Aggressive: 6% or higher





#### **Meet Mark and Judith**

- Both age 60
- Both work, household income: \$200,000/year
- Retirement savings: \$1,000,000
- Can they retire at 62, 65, or 70?





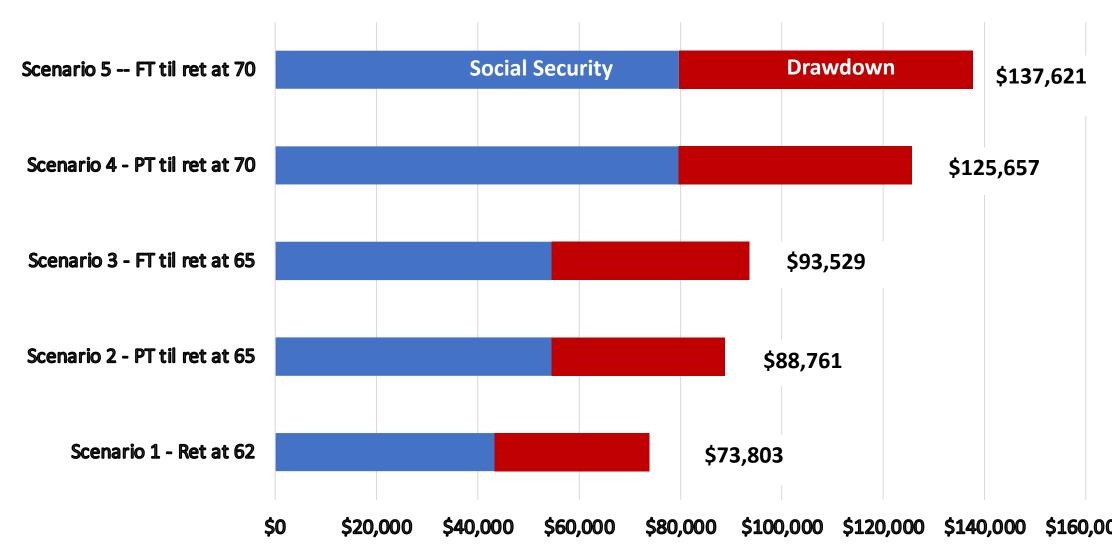
## Baseline Retirement Scenarios for Mark and Judith

- 1. Work FT to age 62, immediately start SS and drawdown
- 2. Work PT from age 60 to 65, then start SS and drawdown
- 3. Work FT from age 60 to 65, then start SS and drawdown
- 4. Work PT from age 60 to 70, then start SS and drawdown
- 5. Work full-time from age 60 to 70, then start SS and drawdown

Baseline strategy to generate income from savings: withdrawal payout rates using methodology from IRS required minimum distribution



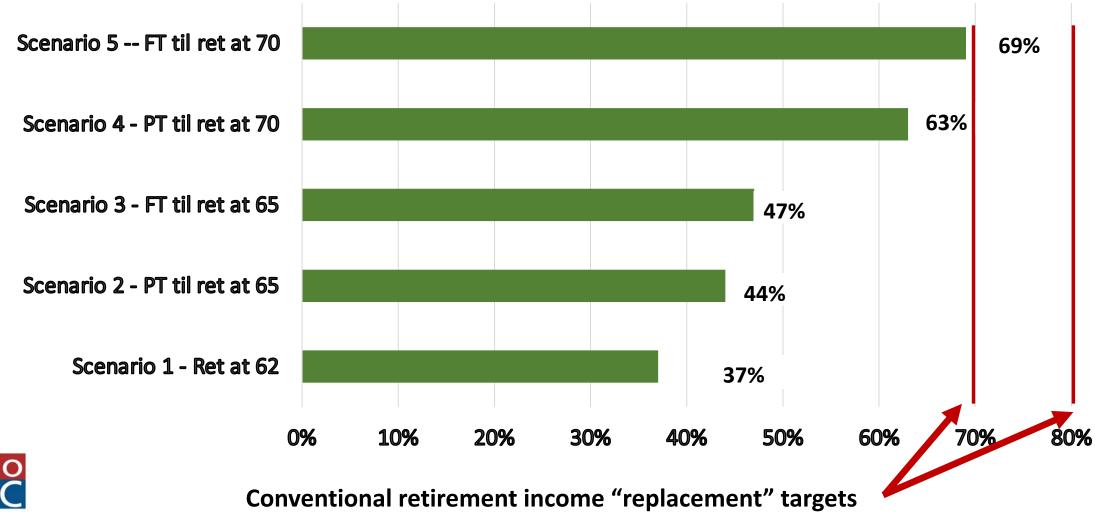
### Comparing Baseline Scenarios: When to Retire? Mark and Judith's Total Annual Retirement Income





#### **Work Longer or Reduce Spending in Retirement?** Mark and Judith's Replacement Ratios

**Combined Social Security and Draw from Savings** 





#### Levers

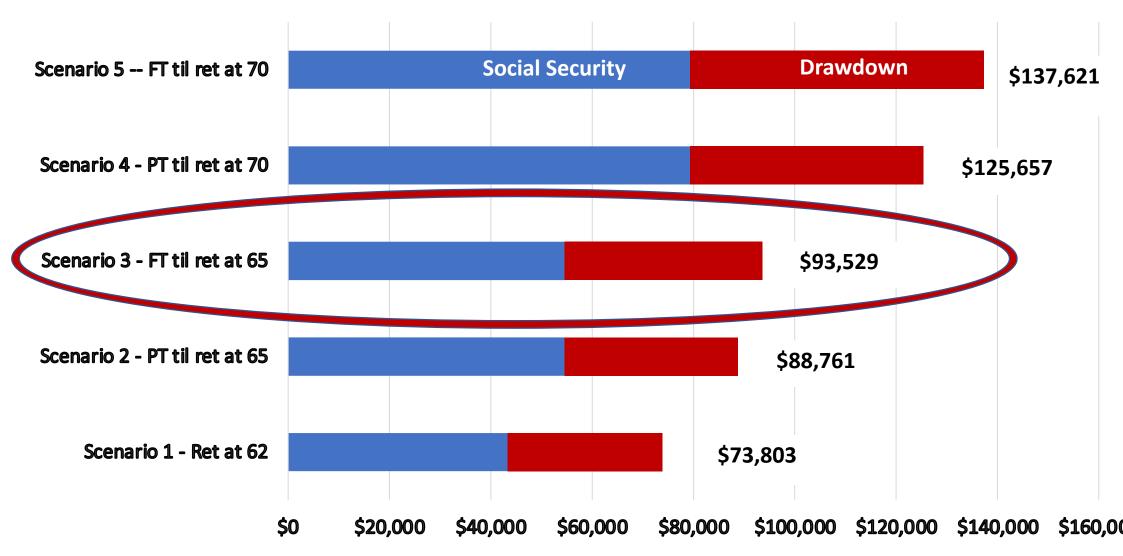
- Work longer
- Reduce spending
- Explore alternative strategies to increase retirement income

Deploy home equity





### Comparing Baseline Scenarios: When to Retire? Mark and Judith's Total Annual Retirement Income



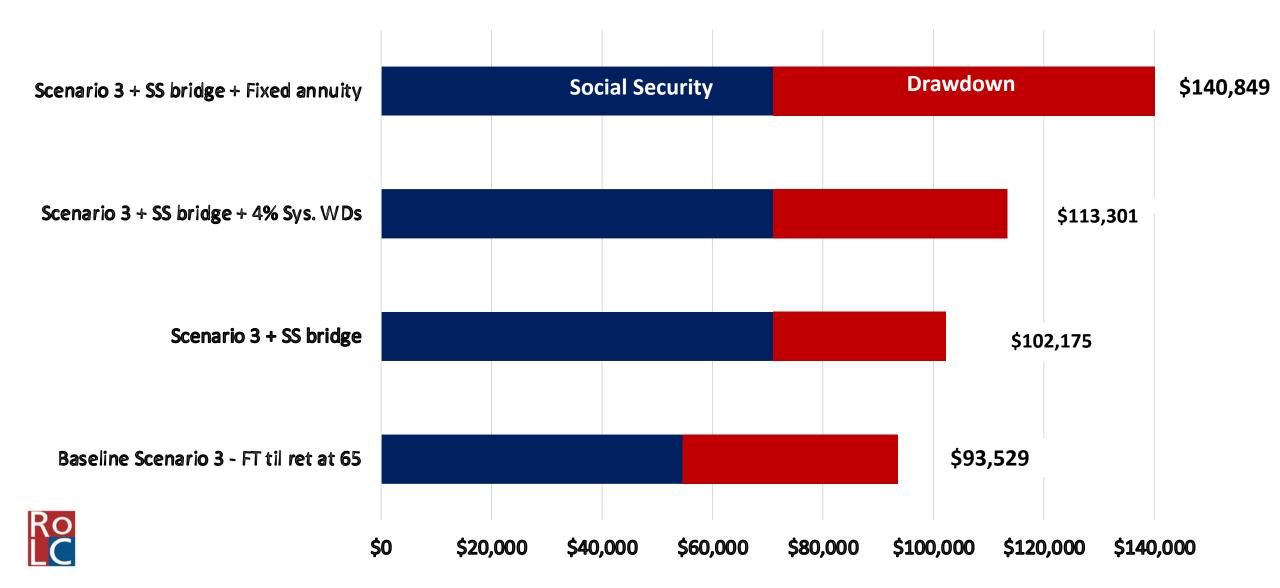
# Example of alternative strategies to increase retirement income for retirement at age 65

- Baseline: Start Social Security when retire at age 65, use IRS RMD methodology to determine withdrawal rates (2.95% at age 65)
- Social Security bridge strategy (use savings to delay starting SS for Mark until age 70, still retire at age 65)
- SS bridge and use 4% withdrawal rate for remaining savings instead of 2.95%
- Buy a fixed annuity with remaining savings

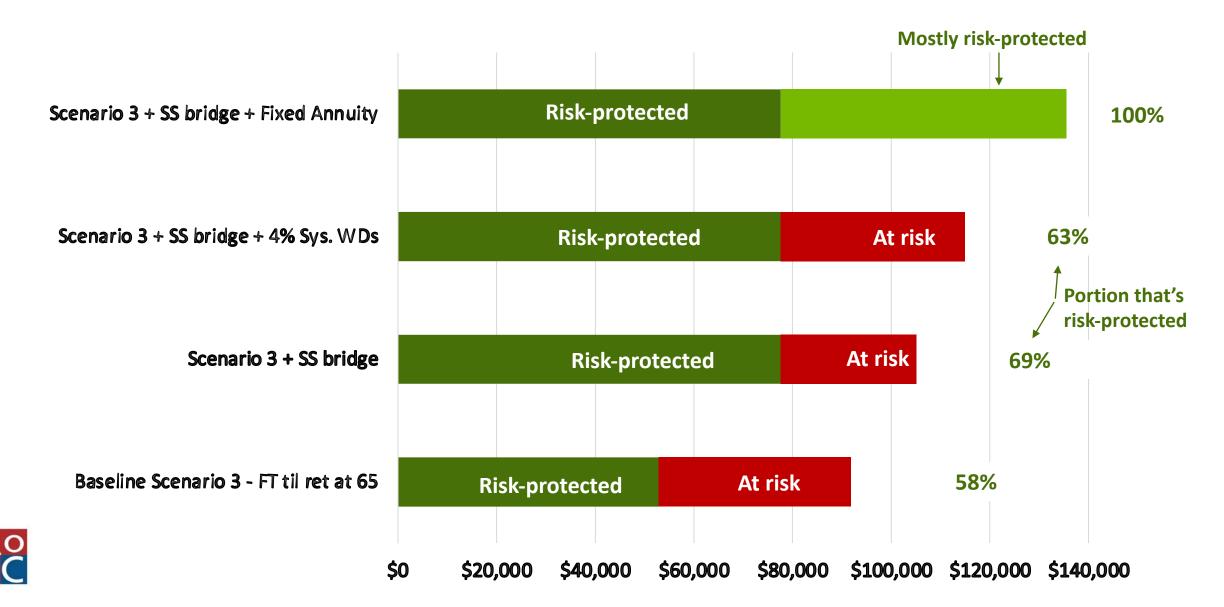


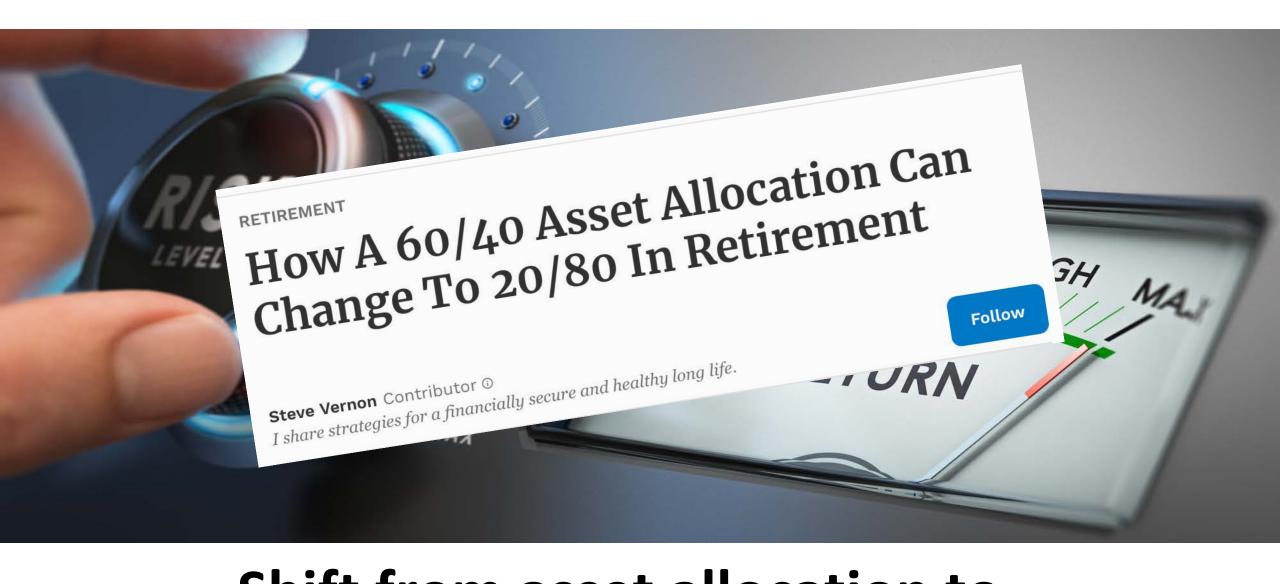


#### Alternative Strategies Can Increase Retirement Income...



#### ... And Increase Risk-Protected Income





Shift from asset allocation to retirement income allocation



#### The Spend Safely in Retirement Strategy

### **Guaranteed retirement** paychecks for needs

### Variable retirement paychecks for wants



Social Security Pensions
Annuities



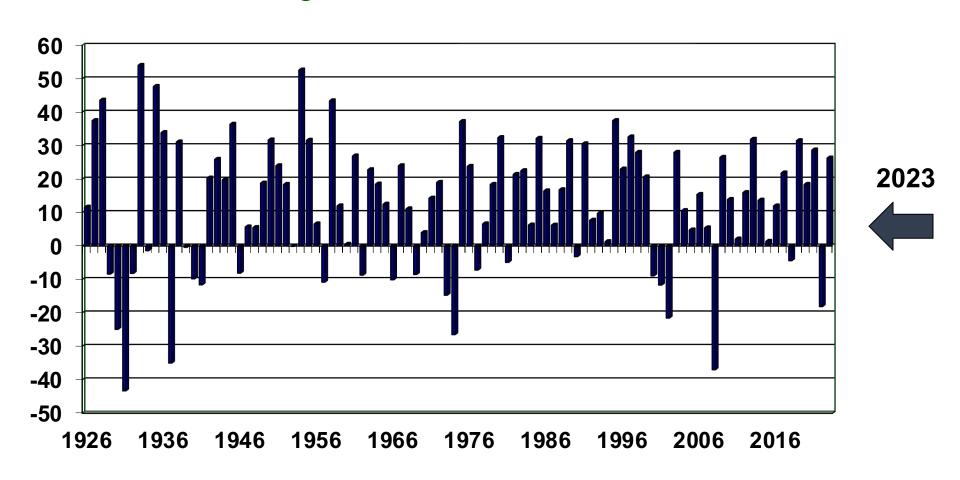
Invest and withdraw from savings Work



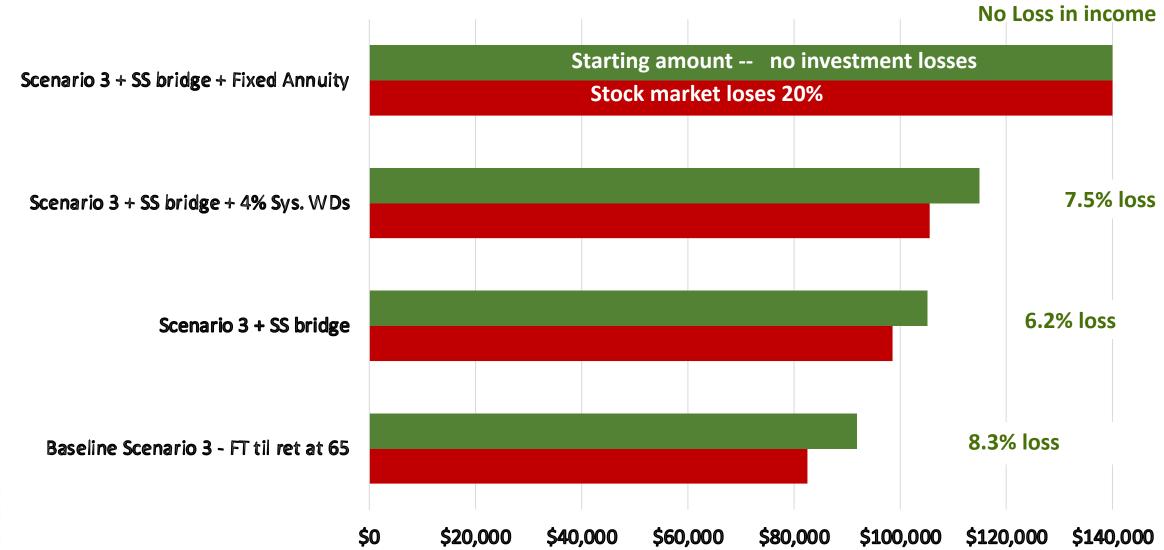
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## Stock Market 'Double-Double' Annual Stock Market Returns Since 1926

% return S&P 500 including dividends

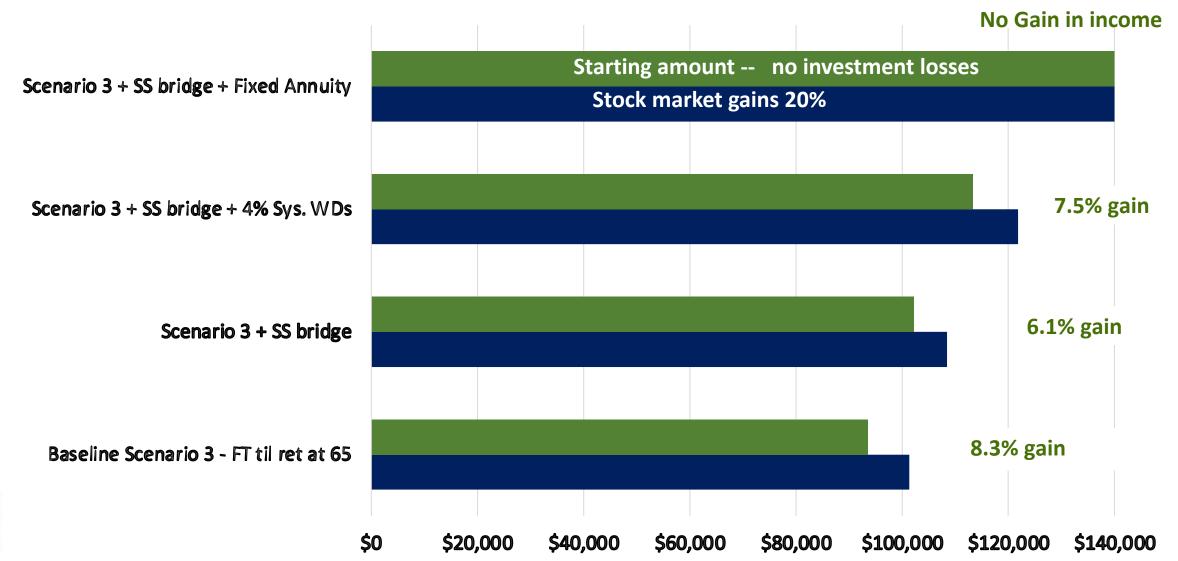


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## Personalizing the Strategy

- Travel fun bucket
- Mortgage payment bucket
- Working for awhile
- Adjustments for poor health
- Helping adult children or gifts to charity





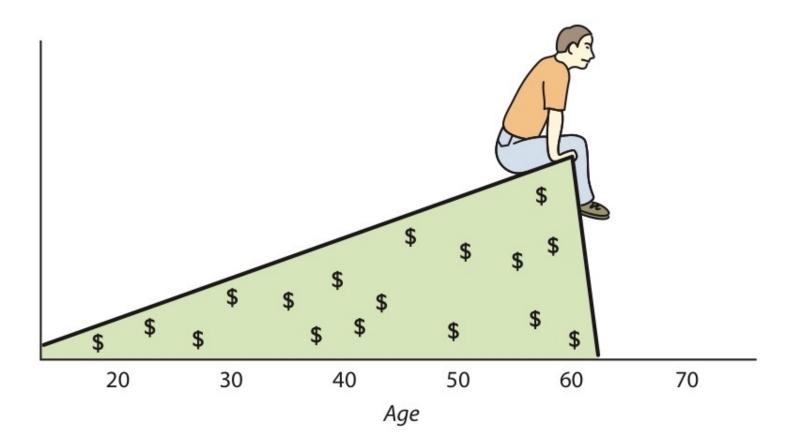
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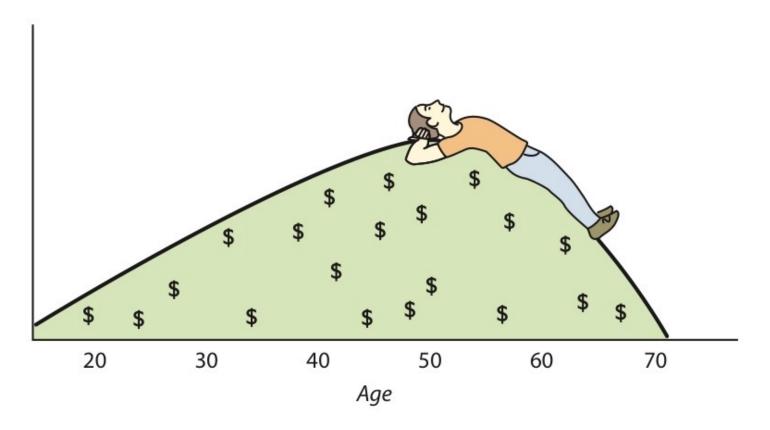


#### The 20th century career trajectory





The 21st century career trajectory





# Ways to continue earning

- Current job
- Bridge job
- Encore career
- Gigs
- Start a business







#### A guide for keeping your money safe as you age



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## Being in charge of your money tomorrow starts with planning today.

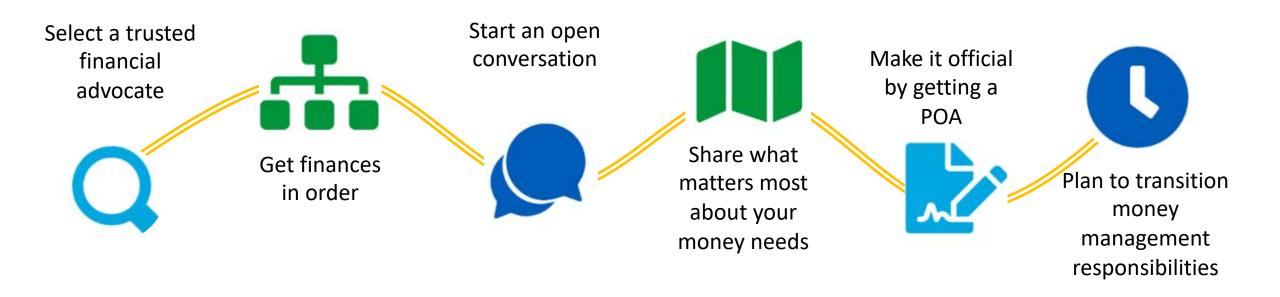








#### What does advance financial planning entail?



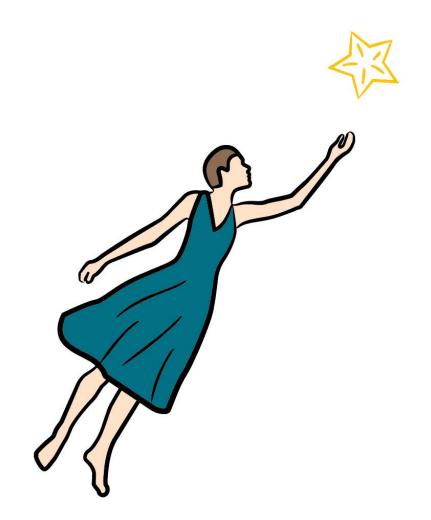


#### Build Your Life Portfolio





#### What's the Secret?





# Homework: What are the stories about retirement and longevity that you believe?



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#### Homework: Ask thoughtprovoking questions

- What would a successful retirement look like?
- What's on your bucket list?
- What would a good "average day" look like?
- What kind of retiree/senior/elder/ grandparent do you want to be?
- Who do you want to spend time with?
- What would be the ideal community?
- What house could best meet your needs?



# Homework: Ask more thoughtprovoking questions

- When do you want to retire?
- How will you decide?
- What could your living expenses look like?
- Do you have a plan to develop reliable sources of retirement income?
- Could you live in your current house when you become frail?
- Do you have a plan to manage your finances when you become frail?

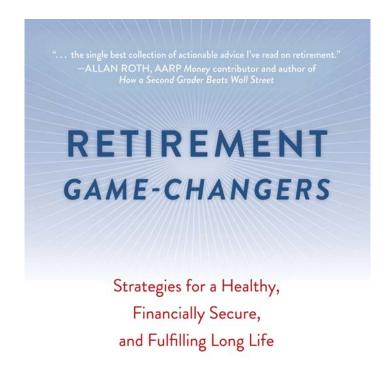
# Don't make these mistakes!

- Winging it
- Not understanding consequences of:
  - Retiring early
  - Starting Social Security early
- Not developing a careful draw-down and investment plan
- Overlooking the importance of lifestyle decisions





#### For More Information



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