

Make It Last

Retirees are living longer, healthier, more active lives. Your retirement could last well over 20 years. The possibility of a long retirement means you'll probably need a significant amount of savings to guard against the risk of outliving your assets.

The future of Social Security is uncertain. Even if you do receive Social Security retirement benefits, it's likely that they'll only provide a portion of your income. The balance of your retirement income probably will come from your retirement savings plan and, possibly, other assets.

Your lifestyle during retirement will affect how long your assets last. If you live a simple, frugal life, you may be able to stretch out your savings. But, if your dream is to live the "good life" during retirement, consider taking additional steps now to build your savings. Saving as much as possible as soon as possible in your plan can help you accumulate the funds you'll need in the future.

How Long Will Assets Last?

		Number of Years Before Assets Are Depleted					
Percentage Withdrawn Annually	5%	42	*	*	*	*	*
	6%	29	37	*	*	*	*
	7%	22	26	34	*	*	*
	8%	18	21	24	31	*	*
	9%	15	17	19	23	29	*
	10%	14	15	16	18	21	27
	11%	12	13	14	15	17	20
	12%	11	12	12	13	15	17
	13%	10	10	11	12	13	14
		4%	5%	6%	7%	8%	9%
Average Annual Return on Remaining Assets							

* Indicates that assets will not be depleted based on withdrawal percentage and annual return.

This chart is for illustrative purposes only. Actual earnings would vary from year to year. Your investment results will be different. Source: NPI

