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Savant Capital Management



"We Stand In Your Shoes"

Definition: A fiduciary is a person or company that stands in a special relation of trust, confidence, or responsibility to others.

Fiduciary Standard of Care

- Put the client's interests first
- Act with utmost good faith
- Provide full and fair disclosure of all material facts
- Not mislead clients
- Expose all conflicts of interest



Suitability, a different standard, is applied to brokers which is far less stringent. Investments have to be suitable, but better options might exist.



A "Star Team" Approach

- 46 Advisory Team Members
- 12 Accredited Investment Fiduciary (AIF)
- 2 Accredited Investment Fiduciary Analyst® (AIFA®)
- 1 Accredited Portfolio Management AdvisorSM (APMA®)
- 1 Associate Professional of Talent Development (APTD)
- 1 Accredited Wealth Management Advisor® (AWMA®)
- 1 Behavioral Financial AdvisorTM (BFATM)
- 121 Bachelor of Science/Bachelor of Arts (BS/BA)
- 1 Certified BSA/AML Officer (CBAO)
- 1 Cisco Certified Network Associate Routing & Switching (CCNA R&S)
- 2 Certified Financial Divorce Analyst® (CDFA®)
- 1 Certified Estate Planner™ (CEP®)
- 1 Certified Exit Planning Advisor (CEPA)
- 6 Chartered Financial Analyst® (CFA®)
- 52 CERTIFIED FINANCIAL PLANNERTM professionals
- 1 Chartered Global Management Accountant (CGMA)
- 7 Chartered Financial Consultant (ChFC)
- 2 Certified Investment Management Analyst® (CIMA®)
- 3 Chartered Life Underwriter (CLU)
- 1 Certified Management Accountant (CMA)
- 1 Certified Medical Planner™ (CMP®)
- 13 Certified Public Accountant (CPA)
- 3 Certified Public Accountant/Personal Financial Specialist (CPA/PFS)
- 1 Certified Retirement Counselor (CRC)
- 6 Chartered Retirement Planning Counselor SM (CRPC)
- 13 Chartered Retirement Plans Specialist® (CRPS®)

- 1 Certified Specialist in Estate Planning ® (CSEP)
- 1 Certified Securities Operations Professional (CSOP)
- 1 Certified Specialist in Retirement PlanningSM (CSRP®)
- 3 Certified Trust and Financial Advisor (CTFA)
- 2 Enrolled Agent (EA)
- 1 Enrolled Retirement Plan Agent (ERPA)
- 19 Financial Paraplanner Qualified ProfessionalTM (FPQPTM)
- 1 GIAC Security Leadership
- 2 Investment Adviser Certified Compliance Professional (IACCP®)
- 5 Juris Doctor (JD)
- 2 Life Underwriter Training Council FellowSM (LUTCF®)
- 3 Master of Arts (MA)
- 5 Master of Accounting Science (MAS)
- 18 Master of Business Administration (MBA)
- 1 Doctor of Medicine (MD)
- 1 Master of Professional Accountancy (MPA)
- 1 Master Planner Advanced StudiesSM (MPAS[®])
- 3 Master of Science (MS)
- 1 Professional Certified Marketer (PCM®)
- 1 Doctor of Philosophy (PhD)
- 1 Professional in Human Resources (PHR)
- 1 Professional Plan Consultant (PPC®)
- 4 Qualified 401(k) Administrator (QKA)
- 2 Qualified Pension Administrator (QPA)
- 1 Qualified Plan Financial Consultant (QPFC)
- 1 Society for Human Resource Management Certified Professional (SHRM-CP)



Evidence-Based Investing

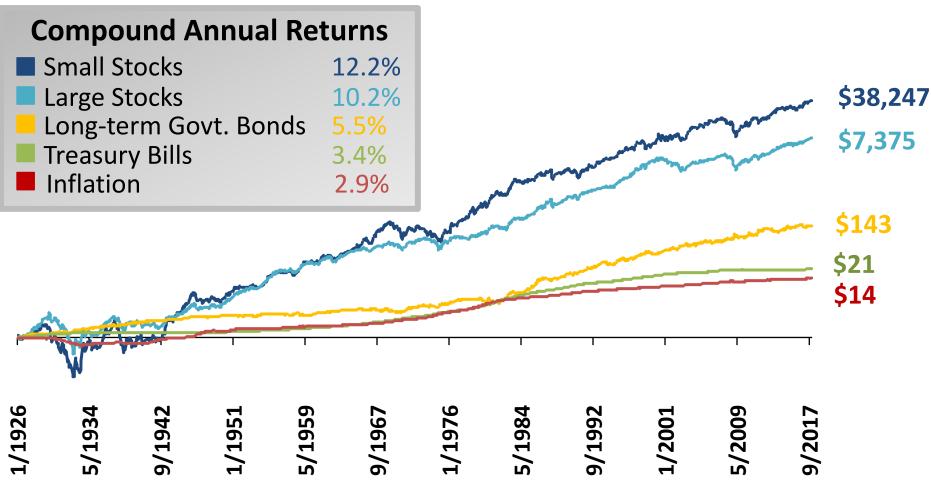
- 1. Asset allocation is important
- 2. Markets are efficient let markets work for you
- 3. Markets are not predictable
- 4. Active management doesn't work
- 5. Picking the best managers is hard
- 6. Costs and taxes matter





Stocks, Bonds, Bills, and Inflation

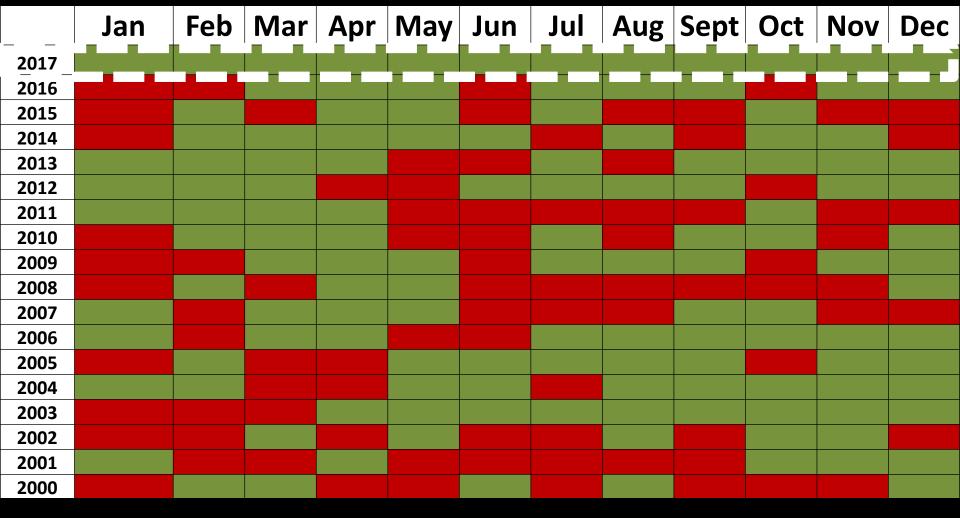
Growth of \$1 from 1926-2017



Source: Savant Analysis and Morningstar Direct



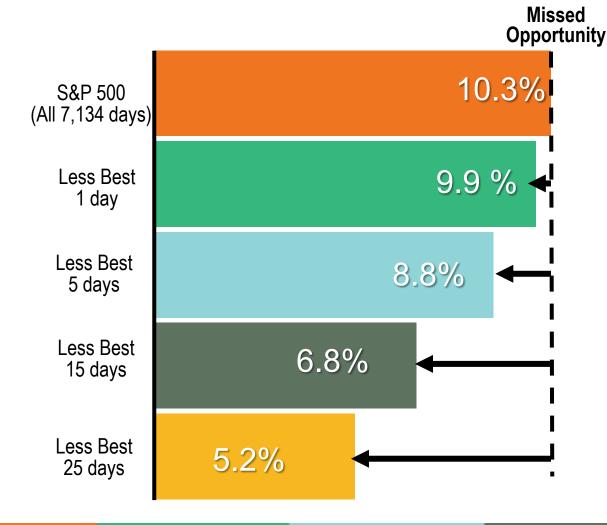
Global Stock Market Monthly Change (+/-)



2017 was the first time global stocks had gains every month!

Markets Are Unpredictable

Missing a few days due to market timing can make a big difference.



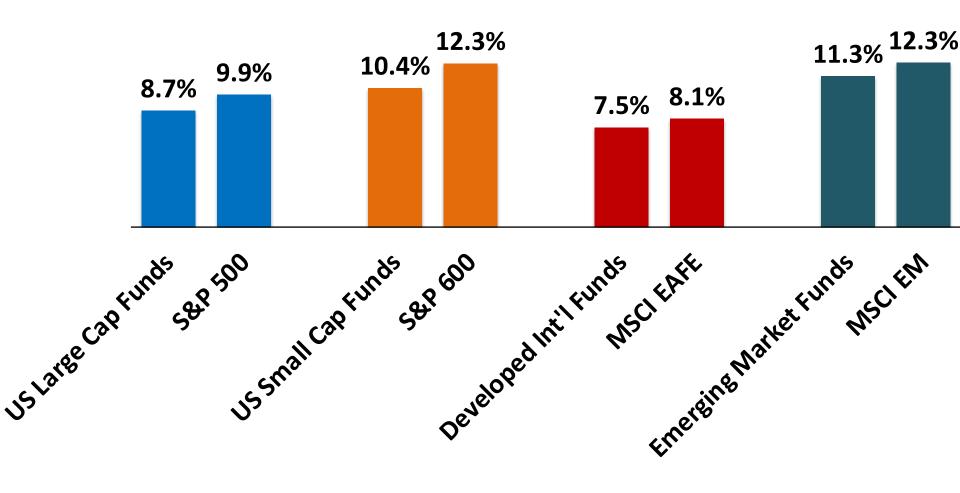






Active Management Doesn't Work

Average mutual fund returns fail to beat market index returns.

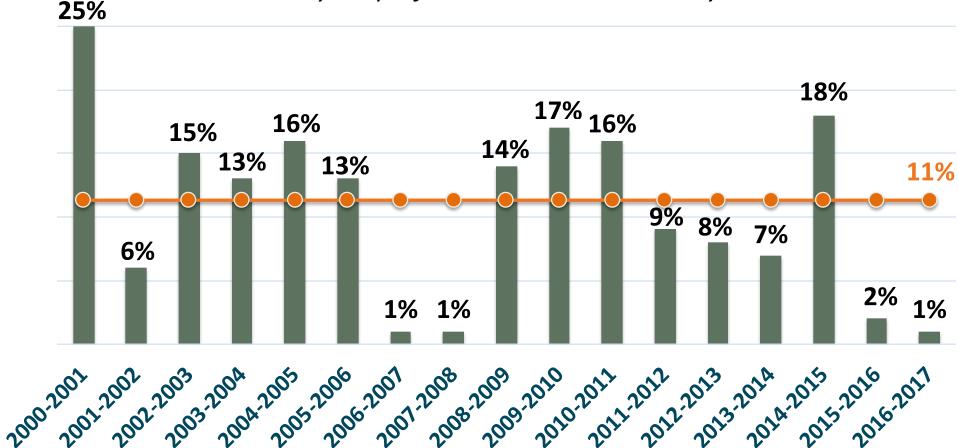


Source: Morningstar Direct. Mutual fund averages reflect Morningstar category averages. Annualized returns for 15 years ending 12/31/17.



Picking the Best Manager is Hard

Percent represents number of funds that remained in the top 100 in calendar year performance in consecutive years.



Source: Savant Analysis and Morningstar Direct. Reflects domestic growth funds.



Annual Returns for Key Indices Ranked in Order of Performance (1998–2017)

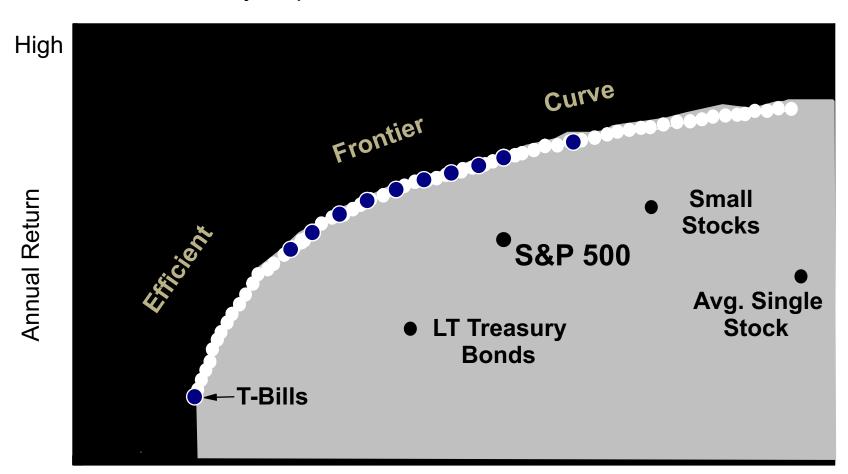
1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
S&P 500	MSCI	Russell	Russell	Bloomberg	MSCI	MSCI	MSCI	MSCI	MSCI	Bloomberg	MSCI	Russell	Bloomberg	MSCI	Russell	S&P 500	S&P 500	Russell	MSCI
Growth	Emerging	2000 Value	2000 Value	Barclays	Emerging	Emerging	Emerging	Emerging	Emerging	Barclays	Emerging	2000	Barclays	Emerging	2000	Growth	Growth	2000 Value	Emerging
	Markets			Agg	Markets	Markets	Markets	Markets	Markets	Agg	Markets	Growth	Agg	Markets	Growth				Markets
42.16%	66.84%	22.83%	14.02%	10.26%	55.82%	25.55%	34.00%	32.17%	39.38%	5.24%	78.51%	29.09%	7.84%	18.23%	43.30%	14.89%	5.52%	31.74%	37.28%
S&P 500	Russell	Bloomberg	Bloombera	Bloomberg	Russell	Russell	MSCI	MSCI	MSCI	Bloomberg	Bloomberg	Russell	Bloomberg	Russell	Russell	S&P 500	S&P 500	Russell	S&P 500
5a. 555	2000	Barclays	Barclays	Barclays	2000	2000 Value	World ex	World ex	World ex	Barclays	Barclays	2000	Barclays	2000 Value	2000	Ju. 333		2000	Growth
	Growth	Agg	Agg	High Yield	Growth		USA	USA	USA	High Yield	High Yield		High Yield						
28.58%	43.09%	11.63%	8.43%	-1.37%	48.54%	22.25%	14.47%	25.71%	12.44%	-26.16%	58.21%	26.85%	4.98%	18.05%	38.82%	13.69%	1.38%	21.31%	27.44%
MSCI	S&P 500	S&P 500	Bloomberg	MSCI	Russell	MSCI	S&P 500	Russell	S&P 500	Russell	Russell	Russell	S&P 500	S&P 500	Russell	S&P 500	Bloomberg	S&P 500	MSCI
World ex	Growth	Value	Barclays	Emerging	2000	World ex	Value	2000 Value	Growth	2000 Value	2000	2000 Value	Growth	Value	2000 Value	Value	Barclays	Value	World ex
USA	Cionai	value	High Yield	Markets	2000	USA	value	2000 Value	Cionai	2000 Value	Growth	2000 value	Ciomai	Value	2000 Value	value	Agg	value	USA
18.77%	28.24%	6.08%	5.28%	-6.16%	47.25%	20.38%	5.82%	23.48%	9.13%	-28.92%	34.47%	24.50%	4.65%	17.68%	34.52%	12.36%	0.55%	17.40%	24.21%
S&P 500	MSCI	Russell	Russell	Russell	Russell	Russell	S&P 500	S&P 500	Russell	Russell	MSCI	MSCI	S&P 500	MSCI	S&P 500	Bloomberg	Russell	Bloomberg	Russell
Value	World ex	2000	2000	2000 Value	2000 Value	2000	3&F 500	Value	2000	2000	World ex	Emerging	3&F 300	World ex	Growth	Barclays	2000	Barclays	2000
value	USA	2000	2000	2000 Value	2000 value	2000		value	Growth	2000	USA	Markets		USA	Ciowai	Agg	Growth	High Yield	Growth
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14.68%	27.92%	-3.02%	2.49%	-11.43%	46.03%	18.33%	4.91%	20.81%	7.05%	-33.79%	33.67%		2.11%	16.41%	32.75%		-1.38%		22.17%
Bloomberg	Russell	Bloomberg	MSCI	MSCI	MSCI	S&P 500	Russell	Russell	Bloomberg	S&P 500	S&P 500	Bloomberg	S&P 500	Russell	S&P 500	Russell	MSCI	S&P 500	S&P 500
Barclays	2000	Barclays	Emerging	World ex	World ex	Value	2000 Value	2000	Barclays	Growth	Growth	Barclays	Value	2000		2000	World ex		
Agg		High Yield	Markets	USA	USA				Agg			High Yield				Growth	USA		
8.67%	21.26%	-5.86%	-2.61%	-15.80%	39.42%	15.71%	4.71%	18.37%	6.97%	-34.92%	31.57%	15.12%	-0.48%	16.35%	32.39%	5.60%	-3.04%	11.96%	21.83%
Bloomberg	S&P 500	S&P 500	Russell	Russell	S&P 500	Russell	Russell	S&P 500	S&P 500	S&P 500	Russell	S&P 500	Russell	S&P 500	S&P 500	Russell	S&P 500	Russell	S&P 500
Barclays			2000	2000	Value	2000	2000				2000	Value	2000		Value	2000	Value	2000	Value
High Yield			Growth			Growth							Growth					Growth	
1.87%	21.04%	-9.11%	-9.23%	-20.48%	31.79%	14.31%	4.55%	15.79%	5.49%	-37.00%	27.17%	15.10%	-2.91%	16.00%	31.99%	4.89%	-3.13%	11.32%	15.36%
Russell	S&P 500	MSCI	S&P 500	S&P 500	Bloomberg	Bloomberg	Russell		S&P 500	Russell	S&P 500	S&P 500	Russell	Bloomberg	MSCI	Russell	Russell	MSCI	Russell
2000	Value	World ex	Value	Value	Barclays	Barclays	2000	2000	Value	2000			2000	Barclays	World ex	2000 Value	2000	Emerging	2000
Growth		USA			High Yield	High Yield	Growth	Growth		Growth				High Yield	USA			Markets	
1.23%	12.73%	-13.37%	-11.71%	-20.85%	28.97%	11.13%	4.15%	13.35%	1.99%	-38.54%	26.47%	15.06%	-4.18%	15.81%	21.02%	4.22%	-4.41%	11.19%	14.65%
Russell	Bloomberg	S&P 500	Bloomberg	Bloomberg	S&P 500	S&P 500	S&P 500	Russell	S&P 500	Bloomberg	Bloomberg	Bloomberg	S&P 500	Russell					
2000	Barclays	Growth					Growth	Barclays	Barclays	Value	Value	Growth	2000 Value	Growth	Barclays	Barclays	Barclays	Growth	2000 Value
	High Yield							High Yield	High Yield						High Yield	High Yield	High Yield		
-2.55%	2.39%	-22.08%	-11.89%	-22.10%	28.68%	10.88%	4.00%	11.85%	1.87%	-39.22%	21.17%	15.05%	-5.50%	14.61%	7.44%	2.45%	-4.47%	6.89%	7.84%
Russell	Bloomberg		S&P 500	S&P 500	S&P 500	S&P 500	Bloomberg	S&P 500	Russell	MSCI	Russell	MSCI	MSCI	Russell	Bloomberg	MSCI	Russell	MSCI	Bloomberg
2000 Value	Barclays		Growth	Growth	Growth	Growth	Barclays	Growth	2000	World ex	2000 Value	World ex	World ex	2000	Barclays	Emerging	2000 Value	World ex	Barclays
	Agg	Growth					High Yield			USA		USA	USA	Growth	Agg	Markets		USA	High Yield
-6.45%	-0.83%	-22.43%	-12.73%	-23.59%	25.66%	6.13%	2.74%	11.01%	-1.57%	-43.56%	20.58%	8.95%	-12.21%	14.59%	-2.02%	-2.19%	-7.47%	2.75%	7.50%
MSCI	Russell	MSCI	MSCI	Russell	Bloomberg	Bloomberg	Bloomberg	Bloomberg	Russell	MSCI	Bloomberg	Bloomberg	MSCI	Bloomberg	MSCI	MSCI	MSCI	Bloomberg	Bloomberg
Emerging	2000 Value	Emerging	World ex	2000	Barclays	Barclays	Barclays	Barclays	2000 Value	Emerging	Barclays	Barclays	Emerging	Barclays	Emerging	World ex	Emerging	Barclays	Barclays
Markets		Markets	USA	Growth	Agg	Agg	Agg	Agg		Markets	Agg	Agg	Markets	Agg	Markets	USA	Markets	Agg	Agg
-25.34%	-1.49%	-30.71%	-21.40%	-30.26%	4.10%	4.34%	2.43%	4.33%	-9.78%	-53.33%	5.93%	6.54%	-18.42%	4.21%	-2.60%	-4.32%	-14.92%	2.65%	3.54%

Source: callan.org, The Callan Periodic Table of Investment Returns. DISCLOSURES??



An Efficient Portfolio

If you find all of the corridors of Free Return, your portfolio becomes... efficient!



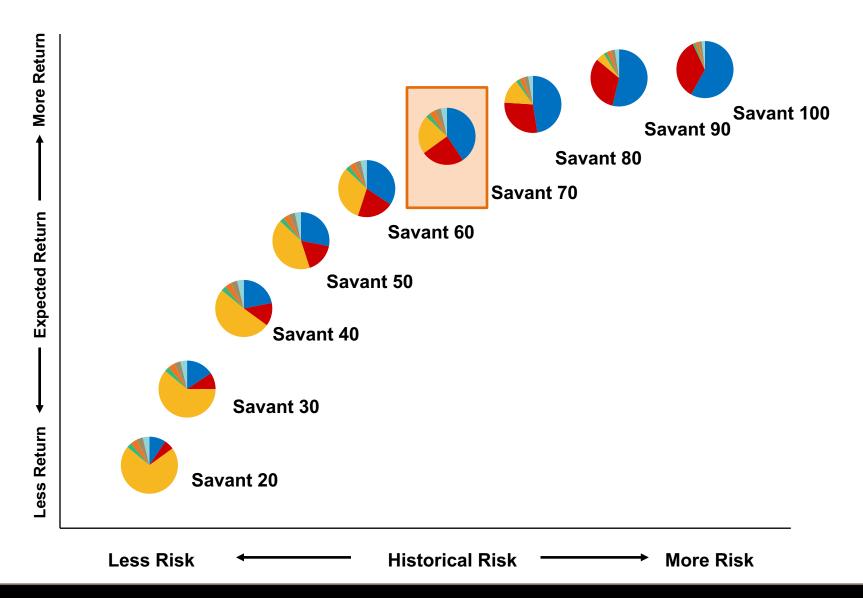
Low

Risk (Standard Deviation)

High



The Efficient Frontier





Investment Selection Process

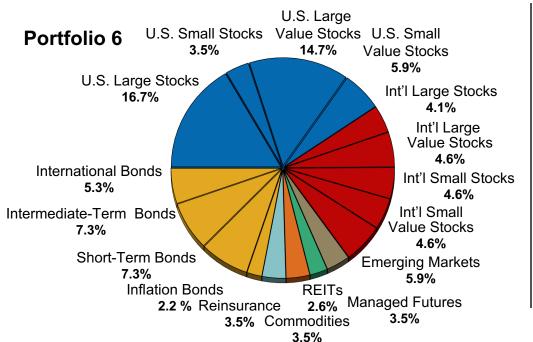
Follow formal investment selection process

- In-depth review for "best in class."
- Screen universe of all funds.
- All funds must meet the following criteria:

Low Cost (Institutional Shares)	Low Turnover	Highly Liquid	Transparent Structure (Fund/ETF)	Pure Asset Class	Reputable Firm	Sufficient Track Record & Assets
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Building Better Portfolios

The Basic Portfolio / Defensive Bonds / International Stocks / Small Stocks / Value Stocks + Alternatives (Passively Invested)



Net Benefit	.1 70/	-0.9%	+3.9%
Portfolio 6	11.1	9.9	3.2
Portfolio 5	10.8	10.2	2.5
Portfolio 4	10.3	10.4	1.9
Portfolio 3	9.5	10.3	0.8
Portfolio 2	9.6	10.8	-0.6
Portfolio 1	9.4	10.8	-0.7
	Return (%)	Deviation (%)	Return (%)
1973-2017	Annual	Annual Standard	Worst 10 Year

- Portfolio 1 Basic portfolio of U.S. large cap stocks, longer-maturity bonds and cash (Tbills).
- **Portfolio 2** Implement defensive bond strategy with short- and intermediate-maturity, inflation, and international bonds.
- **Portfolio 3** Invest globally by adding international developed and emerging market stocks.
- **Portfolio 4** Own some small cap stocks in the U.S. and international allocations.
- **Portfolio 5** Tilt toward value stocks in the U.S. and international allocations.

Portfolio 6 Incorporate alternative investments: REITs, commodities, reinsurance and managed futures

Source: Savant Analysis and Morningstar Direct. *Totals may appear slightly off due to rounding



Broad Global Diversification

16 distinct asset classes

25+ different funds*



Over 20,000 total stock positions

Over 27,000 total bond positions



Annual Returns for Key Indices Ranked in Order of Performance (1998–2017)

1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
S&P 500	MSCI	Russell	Russell	Bloomberg	MSCI	MSCI	MSCI	MSCI	MSCI	Bloomberg	MSCI	Russell	Bloomberg	MSCI	Russell	S&P 500	S&P 500	Russell	MSCI
Growth	Emerging	2000 Value	2000 Value	Barclays	Emerging	Emerging	Emerging	Emerging	Emerging	Barclays	Emerging	2000	Barclays	Emerging	2000	Growth	Growth	2000 Value	Emerging
	Markets			Agg	Markets	Markets	Markets	Markets	Markets	Agg	Markets	Growth	Agg	Markets	Growth				Markets
42.16%	66.84%	22.83%	14.02%	10.26%	55.82%	25.55%	34.00%	32.17%	39.38%	5.24%	78.51%	29.09%	7.84%	18.23%	43.30%	14.89%	5.52%	31.74%	37.28%
S&P 500	Russell	Bloomberg	Bloombera	Bloomberg	Russell	Russell	MSCI	MSCI	MSCI	Bloomberg	Bloomberg	Russell	Bloomberg	Russell	Russell	S&P 500	S&P 500	Russell	S&P 500
5a. 555	2000	Barclays	Barclays	Barclays	2000	2000 Value	World ex	World ex	World ex	Barclays	Barclays	2000	Barclays	2000 Value	2000	Ju. 333		2000	Growth
	Growth	Agg	Agg	High Yield	Growth		USA	USA	USA	High Yield	High Yield		High Yield						
28.58%	43.09%	11.63%	8.43%	-1.37%	48.54%	22.25%	14.47%	25.71%	12.44%	-26.16%	58.21%	26.85%	4.98%	18.05%	38.82%	13.69%	1.38%	21.31%	27.44%
MSCI	S&P 500	S&P 500	Bloomberg	MSCI	Russell	MSCI	S&P 500	Russell	S&P 500	Russell	Russell	Russell	S&P 500	S&P 500	Russell	S&P 500	Bloomberg	S&P 500	MSCI
World ex	Growth	Value	Barclays	Emerging	2000	World ex	Value	2000 Value	Growth	2000 Value	2000	2000 Value	Growth	Value	2000 Value	Value	Barclays	Value	World ex
USA	Cionai	value	High Yield	Markets	2000	USA	value	2000 Value	Cionai	2000 Value	Growth	2000 value	Ciomai	Value	2000 Value	value	Agg	value	USA
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S&P 500	MSCI	Russell	Russell	Russell	Russell	Russell	S&P 500	S&P 500	Russell	Russell	MSCI	MSCI	S&P 500	MSCI	S&P 500	Bloomberg	Russell	Bloomberg	Russell
Value	World ex	2000	2000	2000 Value	2000 Value	2000	3&F 500	Value	2000	2000	World ex	Emerging	3&F 300	World ex	Growth	Barclays	2000	Barclays	2000
value	USA	2000	2000	2000 Value	2000 value	2000		value	Growth	2000	USA	Markets		USA	Ciowai	Agg	Growth	High Yield	Growth
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14.68%	27.92%	-3.02%	2.49%	-11.43%	46.03%	18.33%	4.91%	20.81%	7.05%	-33.79%	33.67%		2.11%	16.41%	32.75%		-1.38%		22.17%
Bloomberg	Russell	Bloomberg	MSCI	MSCI	MSCI	S&P 500	Russell	Russell	Bloomberg	S&P 500	S&P 500	Bloomberg	S&P 500	Russell	S&P 500	Russell	MSCI	S&P 500	S&P 500
Barclays	2000	Barclays	Emerging	World ex	World ex	Value	2000 Value	2000	Barclays	Growth	Growth	Barclays	Value	2000		2000	World ex		
Agg		High Yield	Markets	USA	USA				Agg			High Yield				Growth	USA		
8.67%	21.26%	-5.86%	-2.61%	-15.80%	39.42%	15.71%	4.71%	18.37%	6.97%	-34.92%	31.57%	15.12%	-0.48%	16.35%	32.39%	5.60%	-3.04%	11.96%	21.83%
Bloomberg	S&P 500	S&P 500	Russell	Russell	S&P 500	Russell	Russell	S&P 500	S&P 500	S&P 500	Russell	S&P 500	Russell	S&P 500	S&P 500	Russell	S&P 500	Russell	S&P 500
Barclays			2000	2000	Value	2000	2000				2000	Value	2000		Value	2000	Value	2000	Value
High Yield			Growth			Growth							Growth					Growth	
1.87%	21.04%	-9.11%	-9.23%	-20.48%	31.79%	14.31%	4.55%	15.79%	5.49%	-37.00%	27.17%	15.10%	-2.91%	16.00%	31.99%	4.89%	-3.13%	11.32%	15.36%
Russell	S&P 500	MSCI	S&P 500	S&P 500	Bloomberg	Bloomberg	Russell		S&P 500	Russell	S&P 500	S&P 500	Russell	Bloomberg	MSCI	Russell	Russell	MSCI	Russell
2000	Value	World ex	Value	Value	Barclays	Barclays	2000	2000	Value	2000			2000	Barclays	World ex	2000 Value	2000	Emerging	2000
Growth		USA			High Yield	High Yield	Growth	Growth		Growth				High Yield	USA			Markets	
1.23%	12.73%	-13.37%	-11.71%	-20.85%	28.97%	11.13%	4.15%	13.35%	1.99%	-38.54%	26.47%	15.06%	-4.18%	15.81%	21.02%	4.22%	-4.41%	11.19%	14.65%
Russell	Bloomberg	S&P 500	Bloomberg	Bloomberg	S&P 500	S&P 500	S&P 500	Russell	S&P 500	Bloomberg	Bloomberg	Bloomberg	S&P 500	Russell					
2000	Barclays	Growth					Growth	Barclays	Barclays	Value	Value	Growth	2000 Value	Growth	Barclays	Barclays	Barclays	Growth	2000 Value
	High Yield							High Yield	High Yield						High Yield	High Yield	High Yield		
-2.55%	2.39%	-22.08%	-11.89%	-22.10%	28.68%	10.88%	4.00%	11.85%	1.87%	-39.22%	21.17%	15.05%	-5.50%	14.61%	7.44%	2.45%	-4.47%	6.89%	7.84%
Russell	Bloomberg		S&P 500	S&P 500	S&P 500	S&P 500	Bloomberg	S&P 500	Russell	MSCI	Russell	MSCI	MSCI	Russell	Bloomberg	MSCI	Russell	MSCI	Bloomberg
2000 Value	Barclays		Growth	Growth	Growth	Growth	Barclays	Growth	2000	World ex	2000 Value	World ex	World ex	2000	Barclays	Emerging	2000 Value	World ex	Barclays
	Agg	Growth					High Yield			USA		USA	USA	Growth	Agg	Markets		USA	High Yield
-6.45%	-0.83%	-22.43%	-12.73%	-23.59%	25.66%	6.13%	2.74%	11.01%	-1.57%	-43.56%	20.58%	8.95%	-12.21%	14.59%	-2.02%	-2.19%	-7.47%	2.75%	7.50%
MSCI	Russell	MSCI	MSCI	Russell	Bloomberg	Bloomberg	Bloomberg	Bloomberg	Russell	MSCI	Bloomberg	Bloomberg	MSCI	Bloomberg	MSCI	MSCI	MSCI	Bloomberg	Bloomberg
Emerging	2000 Value	Emerging	World ex	2000	Barclays	Barclays	Barclays	Barclays	2000 Value	Emerging	Barclays	Barclays	Emerging	Barclays	Emerging	World ex	Emerging	Barclays	Barclays
Markets		Markets	USA	Growth	Agg	Agg	Agg	Agg		Markets	Agg	Agg	Markets	Agg	Markets	USA	Markets	Agg	Agg
-25.34%	-1.49%	-30.71%	-21.40%	-30.26%	4.10%	4.34%	2.43%	4.33%	-9.78%	-53.33%	5.93%	6.54%	-18.42%	4.21%	-2.60%	-4.32%	-14.92%	2.65%	3.54%

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		Annual Asset Class Returns														Annualized Return	Annualized Volatility
Asset Class	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2003 - 2017	2003 - 2017
Diversified 70-30	55.8	33.8	34.0	38.8	39.4	23.0	78.5	26.9	14.1	23.7	38.8	22.8	9.0	21.3	37.3	12.3	21.4
US Large Cap	52.9	28.8	22.1	32.1	16.2	8.0	41.5	23.4	7.8	20.4	32.4	15.8	4.3	12.0	34.0	12.3	19.2
US Small Cap	47.3	25.6	21.4	30.3	15.4	5.2	33.7	19.4	4.5	18.2	28.4	13.7	3.6	11.8	25.0	11.2	18.2
Int'l Large Cap	39.0	20.2	13.5	26.3	11.6	5.0	31.8	18.9	3.7	17.3	22.8	9.9	1.7	11.2	21.8	10.1	17.6
Int'l Small Cap	38.6	18.3	10.4	18.8	11.2	2.1	27.2	16.8	2.1	16.3	17.8	6.0	1.4	10.0	14.6	9.9	16.7
Emerging Markets	28.8	14.9	9.9	18.4	9.5	-1.1	26.5	15.1	1.7	16.0	10.8	5.9	0.7	6.9	14.3	8.7	16.4
Short-Term Bond	28.7	10.9	6.3	17.8	7.0	-28.2	24.7	13.8	1.6	12.7	7.5	5.1	0.6	6.6	8.6	8.1	13.3
Interm-Term Bond	23.9	9.1	5.6	15.8	6.8	-33.8	18.9	11.4	-3.0	10.3	2.8	4.9	0.5	5.5	3.5	7.4	10.5
TIPS	21.3	8.5	4.9	12.0	6.7	-35.6	13.5	7.8	-4.2	7.3	1.4	4.5	-0.8	4.8	3.3	6.6	9.8
International Bond	8.3	6.6	4.6	4.3	6.1	-37.0	10.0	6.5	-4.8	5.3	0.6	0.8	-1.4	4.2	2.0	4.5	6.2
Global REITs	7.2	5.2	2.8	4.3	5.5	-43.4	5.9	6.3	-12.1	4.2	-2.0	-2.2	-1.7	2.6	1.7	4.3	3.4
Commodities	4.1	4.3	2.4	3.1	5.1	-45.0	3.8	5.0	-13.3	1.3	-2.6	-3.1	-4.4	1.7	0.8	4.1	3.1
Managed Futures	2.8	4.2	1.8	2.1	-1.6	-46.6	2.3	3.4	-14.4	-1.1	-9.4	-4.9	-14.9	1.3	0.5	2.4	2.8
Reinsurance	2.0	1.3	1.6	0.5	-11.1	-53.3	0.9	2.8	-18.4	-8.0	-9.5	-17.0	-24.7	1.0	-2.3	-0.3	1.3
	As of 12/31/2017. Source: Morningstar Direct See End Note 1 for indices used.																

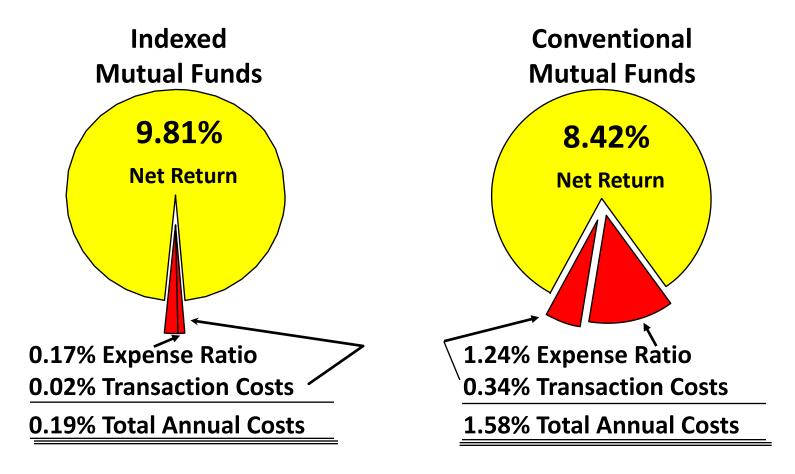
The Mutual Fund Expense Ratio Game

Security Name	Prospectus Gross Expense Ratio
American Funds Growth Fund of Amer A	.70
American Funds Growth Fund of Amer A LW	.70
American Funds Growth Fund of Amer B	1.46
American Funds Growth Fund of Amer C	1.50
American Funds Growth Fund of Amer F1	.71
American Funds Growth Fund of Amer F2	.44
American Funds Growth Fund of Amer R1	1.44
American Funds Growth Fund of Amer R2	1.40
American Funds Growth Fund of Amer R3	.98
American Funds Growth Fund of Amer R4	.68
American Funds Growth Fund of Amer R5	.39
American Funds Growth Fund of Amer R6	.34
American Funds Growth Fund of Amer 529 LW	.77
American Funds Growth Fund of Amer 529 A	.77
American Funds Growth Fund of Amer 529 B	1.56
American Funds Growth Fund of Amer 529 C	1.56
American Funds Growth Fund of Amer 529 E	1.02
American Funds Growth Fund of Amer 529 F	.56



Internal Fund Expenses Reduce Net Returns

Assumes 10.0% gross annual return



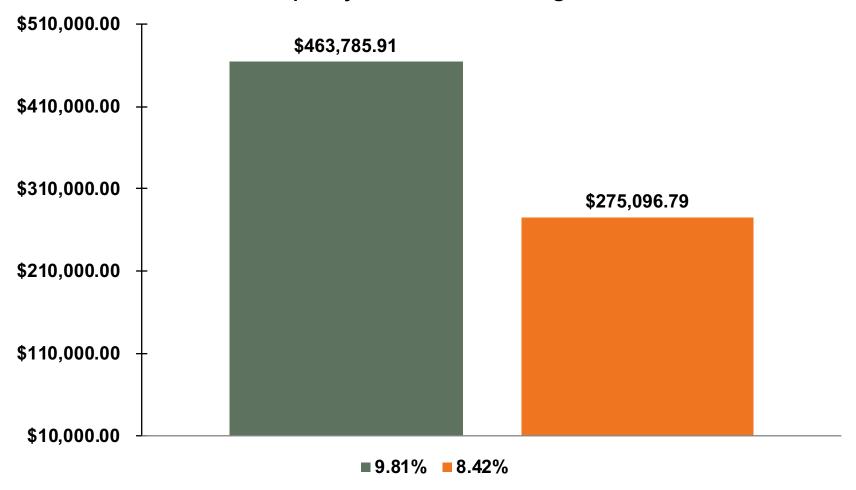
Assumes trading costs = .50% per year per 100% portfolio turnover.

Conventional funds reflect average of all U.S. equity funds investor share classes (excluding index funds) as of 12/31/13. Indexed funds reflect the Vanguard Total Stock Market Index (Investor Class). Data from Morningstar Direct.



Growth of \$10,000 Since 1973

An additional 1.41% per year makes a big difference in wealth!





Net Expense Ratio Comparison

Asset Class	Average Net Expense Ratio	Current Savant Fund Expense Ratio	Savant 60 Allocation
Commodities	1.38%	0.85%	5.0%
Emerging Markets	1.59%	0.68%	5.1%
International Large Cap	1.32%	0.07%	2.9%
International Large Value	1.35%	0.25%	3.8%
International Small/Mid Cap	1.47%	0.54%	3.3%
International Small/Mid Value	1.44%	0.69%	3.3%
Global Real Estate	1.42%	0.32%	2.1%
Inflation Adjusted Bonds	0.82%	0.26%	9.3%
Fixed Income - Intermediate	0.89%	0.09%	11.1%
US Large Cap	1.14%	0.02%	15.9%
US Large Value	1.16%	0.11%	13.1%
Fixed Income - Short Term	0.86%	0.07%	11.0%
US Small Cap	1.29%	0.52%	3.1%
US Small Value	1.39%	0.08%	5.4%
Fixed Income - International	1.07%	0.31%	5.6%

*Data Source: Morningstar Direct

As of 2/13/2015

- Savant Uses Institutional (or other favorable) share classes, which have lower expenses.
- In most cases, we are able to allocate larger pieces of the portfolio to funds with the lowest expense ratios
- Asset classes with higher expense ratios provide exposure to low correlation funds, providing better diversification, or to areas of the market with higher expected returns.
 - On average, Savant funds are **75.2%** less expensive than their openended mutual fund category average (as tracked by Morningstar).



Asset Allocation Summary Report

Model: Allocation Model 70-30Q

Class Name	Target	Actual	Difference
Cash and Equivalents	0.00%	0.37%	-0.37%
U.S. Large Cap	15.00%	14.83%	0.17%
U.S. Large Value	13.70%	13.82%	-0.12%
U.S. Small Cap	8.00%	8.07%	-0.07%
U.S. Small Value	9.10%	9.09%	0.01%
International Large Cap	3.10%	3.15%	-0.05%
International Large Value	4.20%	4.32%	-0.12%
International Small Company	3.60%	3.71%	-0.11%
International Small Value	3.70%	3.89%	-0.19%
International Emerging Markets	5.00%	4.88%	0.12%
Fixed Income – Intermediate	10.10%	9.76%	0.34%
Fixed Income – Short-Term	10.10%	9.79%	0.31%
Fixed Income – Inflation-Adjusted	6.80%	6.63%	0.17%
Real Estate – Domestic	3.00%	3.49%	-0.49%
Real Estate – International	1.60%	1.19%	0.41%
Commodities	3.00%	3.00%	0.00%
	100.00%	100.00%	

Information provided is for illustrative purposes only.



Asset Location in Different Types of Accounts

Roth IRA

Assets grow tax-free with no tax at withdrawal

Ideal Asset Characteristics:

High Ordinary IncomeHighest Expected GrowthHigh Distributions

Examples:

Small Value StocksEmerging Market Stocks



Traditional IRA

Assets grow tax-deferred with withdrawals taxed at ordinary income rates

Ideal Asset Characteristics:

High Ordinary IncomeLowest Expected GrowthHigh Distributions

Examples:

Bonds

•REITs

Taxable

Both Income and Capital gains taxed

Ideal Asset Characteristics:

 Low Ordinary Income
 High Growth OK (Taxed at Capital Gains Rates)

Examples:

U.S. Large StocksMunicipal Bonds







The Callan Periodic Table of Investment Returns

Annual Returns for Key Indices Ranked in Order of Performance (1998–2017)

1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
8&P 500	MSCI	Russell	Russell	Bloomberg	MSCI	MSCI	MSCI	MSCI	MSCI	Bloomberg		Russell	Bloomberg	MSCI	Russell	8&P 500	8&P 500	Russell	MSCI
Growth	Emerging	2000 Value	2000 Value	Barclays	Emerging	Emerging	Emerging	Emerging	Emerging	Barclays	Emerging	2000	Barclays	Emerging	2000	Growth	Growth	2000 Value	Emerging
	Markets			Agg	Markets	Markets	Markets	Markets	Markets	Agg	Markets	Growth	Agg	Markets	Growth				Markets
42.18%	88.84%	22.83%	14.02%	10.28%	66.82%	26.66%	34.00%	32.17%	38.38%	5.24%	78.61%	28.08%	7.84%	18.23%	43.30%	14.89%	6.62%	31.74%	37.28%
8&P 500	Russell	Bloomberg	Bloomberg	Bloomberg	Russell	Russell	MSCI	MSCI	MSCI	Bloomberg	Bloomberg	Russell	Bloomberg	Russell	Russell	3&P 500	8&P 500	Russell	8&P 500
	2000	Barclays	Barclays	Barclays	2000	2000 Value	World ex USA	World ex	World ex	Barclays	Barclays	2000	Barclays	2000 Value	2000			2000	Growth
28.68%	Growth 43.09%	Agg 11,83%	A00 8.43%	High Yield	Growth 48.54%	22.25%	14,47%	USA 25.71%	USA 12.44%	High Yield	High Yield 68.21%	28.85%	High Yield 4,98%	18.05%	38.82%	13.69%	1.38%	21,31%	27,44%
MSCI	88P 500			MSCI		MSCI	88P 500										Bloomberg	21.81% S&P 500	MSCI
World ex	Growth	8&P 500 Value	Bloomberg Barclays	Emerging	Russell 2000	World ex	Value	Russell 2000 Value	8&P 500 Growth	Russell 2000 Value	Russell 2000	Russell 2000 Value	S&P 500 Growth	S&P 500 Value	Russell 2000 Value	S&P 500 Value	Barclays	Value	World ex
USA	Grown	value	High Yield	Markets	2000	USA	Value	2000 value	Giowai	Zuuu value	Growth	2000 Value	Ciowai	value	2000 value	Value	Agg	Value	USA
18.77%	28.24%	8.08%	5.28%	-8.18%	47.25%	20.38%	6.82%	23,48%	9.13%	-28.82%	34,47%	24.60%	4.85%	17,68%	34.52%	12.38%	0.66%	17,40%	24,21%
88P 500	MSCI	Russell	Russell	Russell	Russell	Russell	8&P 500	8&P 500	Russell	Russell	MSCI	MSCI	8&P 500	MSCI	8&P 500	Bloomberg	Russell	Bloomberg	Russell
Value	World ex	2000	2000	2000 Value	2000 Value	2000		Value	2000	2000	World ex	Emerging		World ex	Growth	Barclays	2000	Barclays	2000
	USA								Growth			Markets		USA		Agg	Growth	High Yield	Growth
14.88%	27.82%	-3.02%	2.48%	-11.43%	48.03%	18.33%	4.91%	20.81%	7.05%	-33.78%	33.67%	18.88%	2.11%	18.41%	32.76%	5.97%	-1.38%	17.13%	22.17%
Bloomberg	Russell	Bloomberg	MSCI	MSCI	MSCI	8&P 500	Russell	Russell	Bloomberg	8&P 500	8&P 500	Bloomberg	8&P 500	Russell	8&P 500	Russell	MBCI	8&P 500	8&P 500
Barclays	2000	Barclays	Emerging	World ex	World ex	Value	2000 Value	2000	Barclays	Growth	Growth	Barclays	Value	2000		2000	World ex		
Agg		High Yield	Markets	USA	USA				Agg			High Yield				Growth	USA		
8.67%	21.28%	-6.88%	-2.61%	-15.80%	39.42%	16.71%	4.71%	18.37%	8.87%	-34.82%	31.67%	15.12%	-0.48%	18.35%	32.38%	5.80%	-3.04%	11.86%	21.83%
Bloomberg	8&P 500	8&P 500	Russell	Russell	8&P 500	Russell	Russell	8&P 500	8&P 500	8&P 500	Russell	8&P 500	Russell	8&P 500	8&P 500	Russell	8AP 500	Russell	8&P 500
Barclays High Yield			2000 Growth	2000	Value	2000 Growth	2000				2000	Value	2000 Growth		Value	2000	Value	2000 Growth	Value
1.87%	21.04%	-9.11%	.9 23%	-20,48%	31,79%	14.31%	4.55%	15,78%	5,48%	-37.00%	27.17%	16,10%	-2.91%	18,00%	31,99%	4.89%	-3,13%	11.32%	15,38%
Russell	88P 500	MSCI	S&P 500	SAP 500	Bloomberg	Bloomberg	Russell	Russell	8&P 500	Russell	88P 500	3&P 500	Russell	Bloomberg	MSCI	Russell	Russell	MSCI	Russell
2000	Value	World ex	Value	Value	Barclays	Barclays	2000	2000	Value	2000	041 300	041 200	2000	Barclays	World ex	2000 Value	2000	Emerging	2000
Growth		USA			High Yield	High Yield	Growth	Growth		Growth				High Yield	USA			Markets	
1.23%	12.73%	-13.37%	-11.71%	-20.86%	28.97%	11.13%	4.16%	13.36%	1.88%	-38.64%	28.47%	16.08%	-4.18%	16.81%	21.02%	4.22%	-4.41%	11.19%	14.86%
Russell	Bloomberg	8&P 500	8&P 500	8&P 500	8&P 500	8&P 500	8&P 500	Bloomberg	Bloomberg	8&P 500	88P 500	8&P 500	Russell	S&P 500	Bloomberg	Bloomberg	Bloomberg	8&P 500	Russell
2000	Barclays	Growth					Growth	Barclays	Barclays	Value	Value	Growth	2000 Value	Growth	Barclays	Barclays	Barclays	Growth	2000 Value
	High Yield							High Yield	High Yield						High Yield	High Yield	High Yield		
-2.66%	2.39%	-22.08%	-11.89%	-22.10%	28.68%	10.88%	4.00%	11.86%	1.87%	-38.22%	21.17%	16.06%	-6.60%	14.81%	7.44%	2.45%	-4.47%	8.89%	7.84%
Russell	Bloomberg	Russell	S&P 500	8&P 500	8&P 500	8&P 500	Bloomberg	8&P 500	Russell	MSCI	Russell	MSCI	MSCI	Russell	Bloomberg	MSCI	Russell	MSCI	Bloomberg
2000 Value	Barclays	2000	Growth	Growth	Growth	Growth	Barclays	Growth	2000	World ex	2000 Value	World ex	World ex	2000	Barclays	Emerging	2000 Value	World ex	Barclays
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-8.45%	-0.83%	-22.43%	-12.73%	-23.59%	26.88%	8.13%	2.74%	11.01%	-1.67%	-43.58%	20.58%	8.86%	-12.21%	14.69%	-2.02%	-2.19%	-7.47%	2.75%	
MSCI Emerging	Russell 2000 Value	MSCI Emerging	MSCI World ex	Russell 2000	Bloomberg Barclays	Bloomberg Barclays	Bloomberg Barclays	Bloomberg Barclays	Russell 2000 Value	MSCI Emerging	Bloomberg Barclays	Bloomberg Barclays	MSCI Emerging	Bloomberg Barclays	MSCI Emerging	MSCI World ex	MSCI Emeralna	Bloomberg Bardays	Bloomberg Barclays
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-26.34%	-1.49%	-30.71%	-21,40%	-30.28%	4.10%	4.34%	2.43%	4.33%	-9.78%	-63,33%	5.83%	8.64%	-18.42%	4.21%	-2.80%	-4.32%	-14.92%	2.85%	3.64%
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Savant Tax Tools

Savant customizes tax tool usage for each client to help minimize taxes.

- Low-cost / low-turnover funds
- Tax-managed funds
- Municipal bonds
- Tax engineering (asset location)
- Tax-loss harvesting
- Roth conversions
- Distribution planning
- Estate engineering
- Charitable strategies





Advisory Services Enhance Investment Returns

The positive impact upon investment returns can be quantified by the following aspects of advisory services.

Cost-effective implementation: By using low-cost funds, advisors can potentially add 45 basis points to investment returns

.45%

Portfolio rebalancing: Rebalancing portfolios on a routine basis can enhance returns by 35 basis points

.35%

- Behavioral coaching: By preventing clients from trying to time the market, clients can deliver 150 basis points of additional performance
- Asset location: By allocation different asset classes appropriately among taxable 75% and non-taxable accounts, advisors can deliver up to an additional 75 basis points

<u>Tax efficient spending</u>: By helping clients withdraw assets strategically from taxable & non-taxable assets, advisors can enhance returns by reducing taxes.

.75%

TOTAL= 3.80%





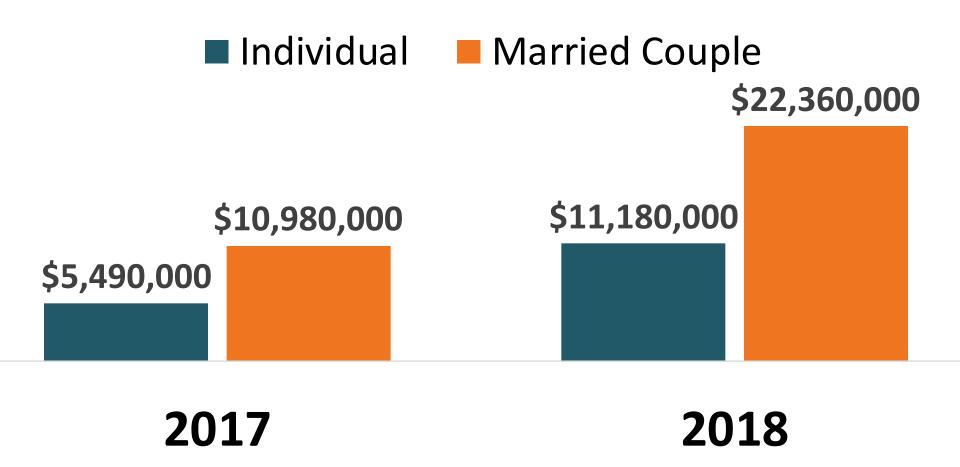
Estate Tax Revenue

- It is estimated that the Estate Tax produced \$14.6 Billion in revenue for the IRS in 2016 (\$5.45 Million Exemption).
- Revenue collection for 2016 was \$3.3 Trillion.
- This means that the Estate Tax only accounted for about .4% of IRS revenues that year.
 - Will the amounts be extended beyond their sunset date of 2025?
 - Extremely insignificant to the overall budget
 - But a very effective Red Herring topic





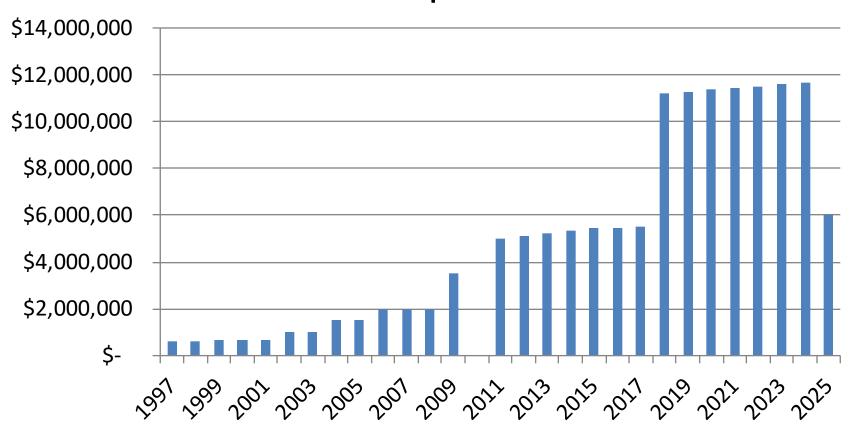
Estate Tax Exemption





Estate Tax Exemption: The Last 20 Years

Exemption







Does Estate Planning Matter Anymore with a \$22 Million Exemption???





YES!!!!!

- Estate Tax Planning will be a non-issue for the majority of your clients but it probably already was at the 2017 exemption amount.
- Estate Planning now shifts to non-estate tax issues
 - Stretching of benefits conduit trusts
 - Distribution Standards HEMS vs. Comfort vs. Total Return Trust
 - Choice of trustee
 - Asset protection
 - Guardianship of minor children
 - Family business succession
 - Planning for loved ones with special needs
- State level estate tax issues still exist





Asset Distribution Planning Vs. Tax Avoidance

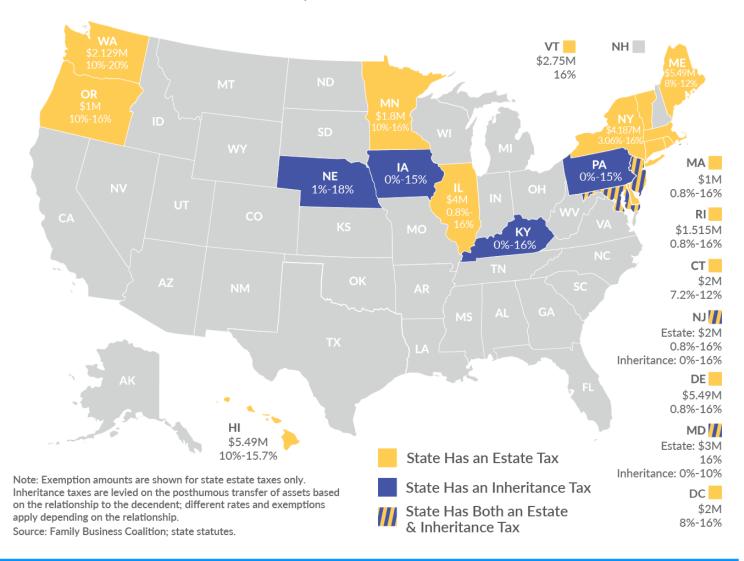
- Role of estate planning is evolving from that of an estate tax minimizer to an estate counselor.
- Strategies
 - ILITS
 - QPRTS
 - FLPs and Discounted Gifting
 - Grandchildren Irrevocable Trust
- The conversation has to change from will and tax planning to more profound and deeper discussions about spending, finance, goals, objectives and more.





Does Your State Have An Estate or Inheritance Tax?

State Estate & Inheritance Tax Rates & Exemptions in 2017



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New State Example

Illinois Individual with \$6 Million in Wealth

Illinois



\$460k to Taxes



\$5.54M to Kids

Florida



\$400k FL Condo to enjoy during life that passes to Kids

\$5.6M to Kids





80%+

The estimated number of people who will pay less in taxes due to...

lower tax rates and expanded brackets,

the larger standard deduction,

and the larger child tax credit.



Income Tax Brackets (Married Filing Jointly)

20	017	2018					
Taxable Income		37%	\$600,000				
\$470,700	39.6%						
\$416,700	35%	35%	\$400,000				
\$233,350		32%	\$315,000				
	33%	24%	\$165,000				
\$153,100	28%		4 = 33 , 333				
\$133,100	20/0	22%	\$77,400				
\$75,900	25%						
		12%	\$19,050				
\$18,650	15%		7-2,000				
	10%	10%	SAVANT				

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The Standard Deduction

Standard deduction nearly doubled

\$24,000 (MFJ) \$12,000 (single) +\$1,300/person 65+ Most taxpayers will be able to file with the standard deduction



Alternative Minimum Tax (AMT)

What is it? A separate tax computation intended to disallow certain taxpayers from escaping taxation by utilizing certain exclusions, deductions, and credits

It was **not indexed for inflation** when originally written into law

Intended to affect wealthy only, **but affects middle class**



AMT Exemptions & Phase-Outs

		2017	2018
Evometica	MFJ	\$84,500	\$109,400
Exemption	Single	\$54,300	\$70,300
Dhaca Out	MFJ	\$160,900	\$1,000,000
Phase-Out	Single	\$120,700	\$500,000

Amounts will be adjusted for inflation under the new tax law



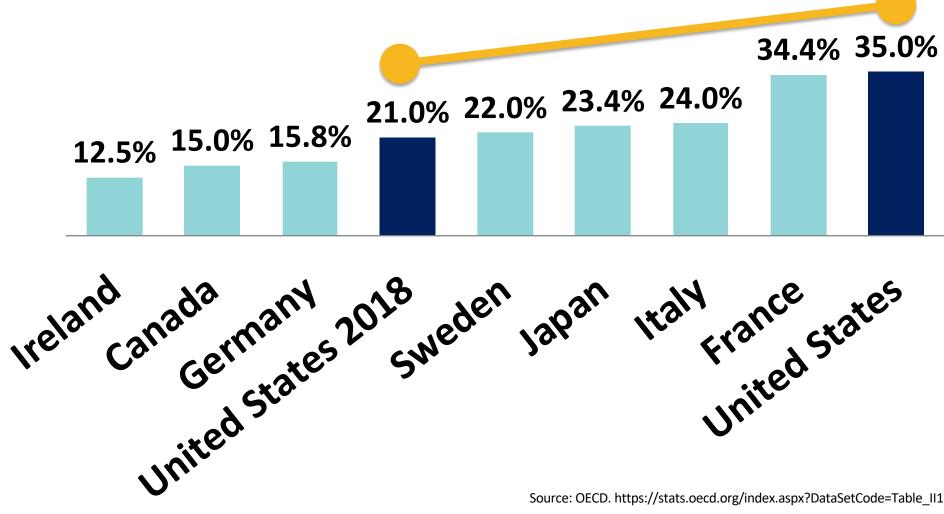


Reduction of the number of people who are now subject to **AMT**



Corporate Tax Rate Drop





Source: OECD. https://stats.oecd.org/index.aspx?DataSetCode=Table II1

