

The new math of distribution planning

Greater returns are required during distribution to break even

How much return would you need if your portfolio experienced a:



Figures are hypothetical and for illustrative purposes only and are not based on a particular investment. Assumes an initial investment made on January 1, 2001 through December 31, 2024.

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The sequence of returns can dramatically impact outcomes

Withdrawals can cause a portfolio to have lower, even negative annual returns



Chronological order*

Reverse order annualized return: 9.43%. Chronological order annualized return: 5.58%. Past results are not predictive of results in future periods. Returns based on a hypothetical \$500,000 initial investment in the S&P 500 Index, assuming monthly withdrawals totaling \$20,000 – 4% of the initial investment – the first year and increasing 3% each year thereafter.

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Source: Capital Group, S&P Dow Jones Indices LLC. Returns shown in reverse order are hypothetical and are shown for illustrative purposes only.

*Chronological order returns start from a point where the market declined initially but rose towards the end of the period and that the reverse order starts with the rising returns and ends with the market decline.

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