#### INVESTING

IN TIMES OF UNCERTAINTY



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1987: Black Monday

1990: Iraq Invades Kuwait

1991: Japan Asset Bubble Bursts

1992: Pound Sterling Crashes

1994: Treasury Bond Losses

1997: Asian Financial Crisis

1998: Russia Debt Default

2000: Dot-Com Bubble Bursts

2001: 9/11 Terrorist Attacks

2002: Accounting Scandals

2007: U.S. Housing Bubble Bursts

2008: Financial Crisis

2010: European Sovereign Debt Crisis

2010: "Flash" Crash

2011: U.S. Sovereign Debt Downgrade

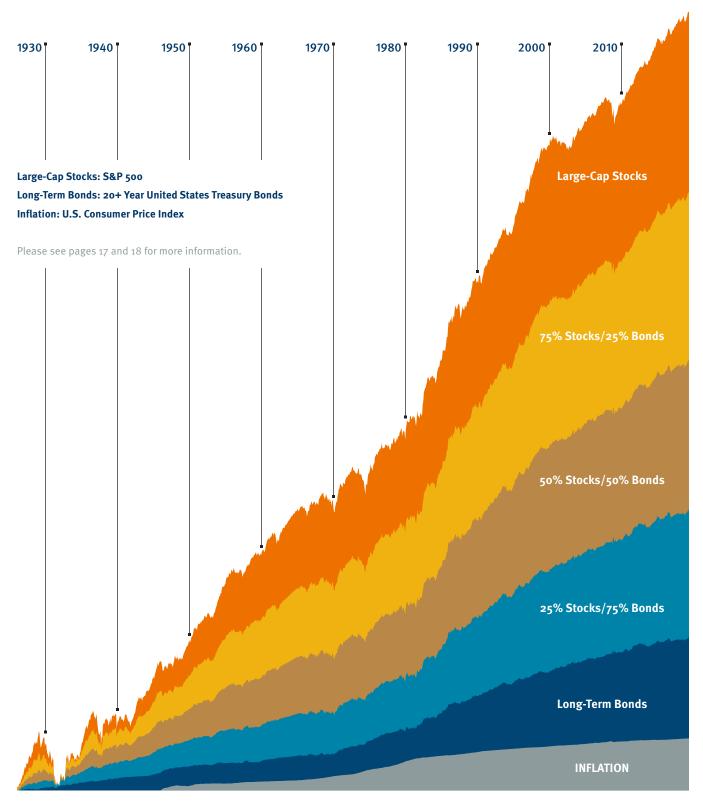
2015: China Market Crash

2018: Global Growth Worries

2020: Coronavirus Pandemic



### Why Invest?



Building and preserving wealth over time means
beating inflation. Time in the market and compounding
is a powerful combination. A balanced approach can
be an effective strategy for staying invested during
rough markets.

## Avoid Costly Emotions

#### Dalbar Quantitative Analysis 2020 Study.

Growth of \$100,000 hypothetical starting investment for 20 years (2000-2020).



Fixed Income Investor Equity Investor

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Emotions can be costly. Investors

who hold on to their investments

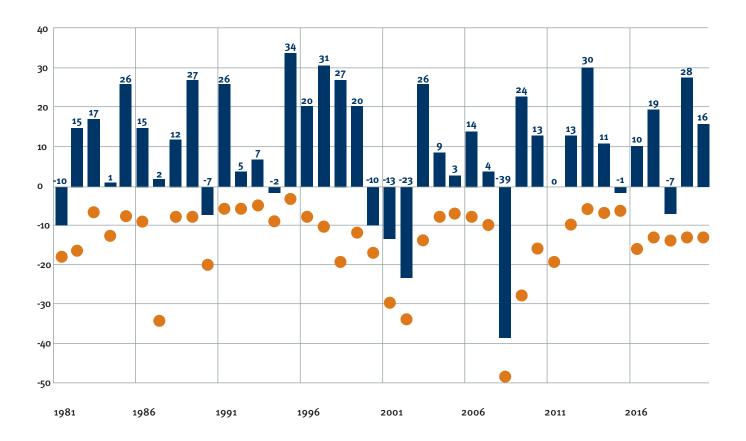
tend to be more successful than those

who move in and out of the market.

## Expect Market Declines

S&P 500 Yearly Price Declines and Full-Year Change (%)

■ Annual market returns ● Largest market decline for calendar year



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Periodic market declines are a

normal part of investing but can

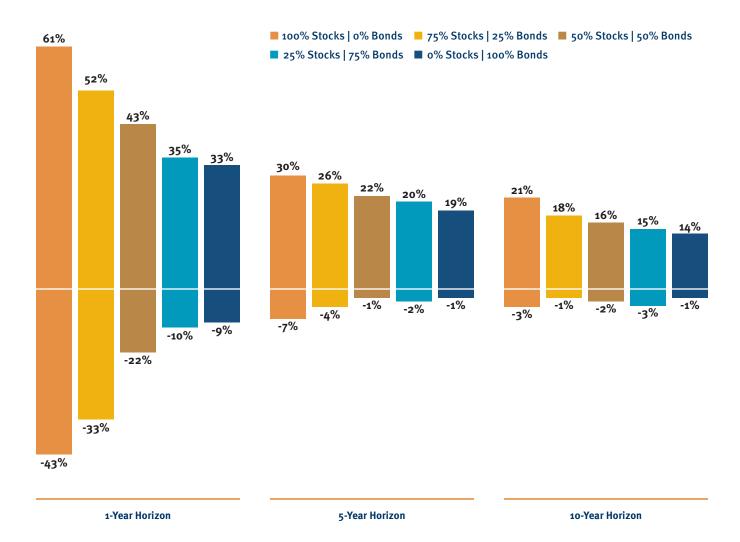
seem frightening when they do

happen. During those times, it is

easy to become shortsighted, which

can lead to bad decision making.

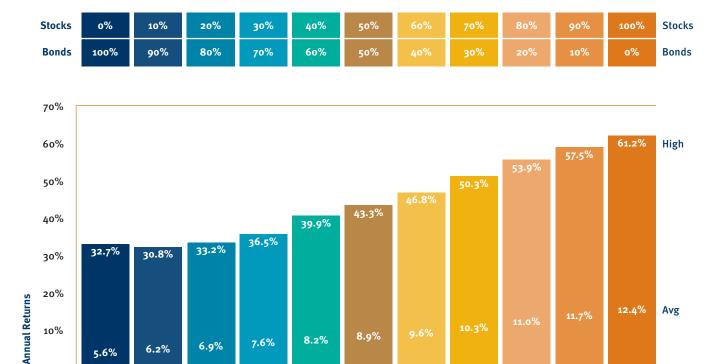
# Volatility Fades with Time



Source: Washington Crossing Advisors, LLC, Bloomberg, Duff & Phelps, Standard & Poor's. All Stock, Balanced, and All Bond Portfolio Returns (1946-2019). Stocks represented by S&P 500 total return. Bond returns are intermediate U.S. Treasury bond total returns. Returns represent various blends of stock and bond total returns, rebalanced monthly. For illustrative purposes only. Actual results may vary. Indices are unmanaged, do not reflect fees and expenses, and are not available for direct investment. Assumes reinvestment of gains and dividends. Past performance is not a guarantee of future returns.

History has shown that volatility
tends to fade over time. Moreover,
one of the best ways to adjust
portfolio volatility is by choosing
a mix of assets that suits you.

### The Right Mix



Example Returns by Asset Mix (1946-2019). Source: Bloomberg, Washington Crossing Advisors, LLC. For illustrative purposes only. Actual results may vary. Indices are unmanaged, do not reflect fees and expenses, and are not available for direct investment. Assumes reinvestment of gains and dividends. Past performance is not a guarantee of future returns.

Low

-43.3%

Inflation: Consumer Price Index (CPI) 3.5%. Bonds: Bloomberg Barclays U.S. Intermediate Treasury Total Return Index. Stocks: S&P 500.

Please see pages 17 and 18 for more information.

-7.1%

-8.5%

-7.7%

-12.2%

-17.0%

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-10%

-20%

-30%

-40%

-50%

There is a trade-off between year-

to-year swings in portfolios and long-

PICKING THE RIGHT MIX OF ASSETS

CAN GO A LONG WAY TOWARD THE

GOAL OF MAXIMIZING LONG-RUN

RETURN WITHOUT TAKING ON

EXCESSIVE SHORT-TERM RISK.

run return. This chart shows how

stock-heavy portfolios tend to have

higher returns over time, but with

greater swings from year-to-year than

bond-heavy portfolios. Bond-heavy

portfolios tend to have lower, but

more consistent returns than stock-

heavy returns.

#### Asset Allocation

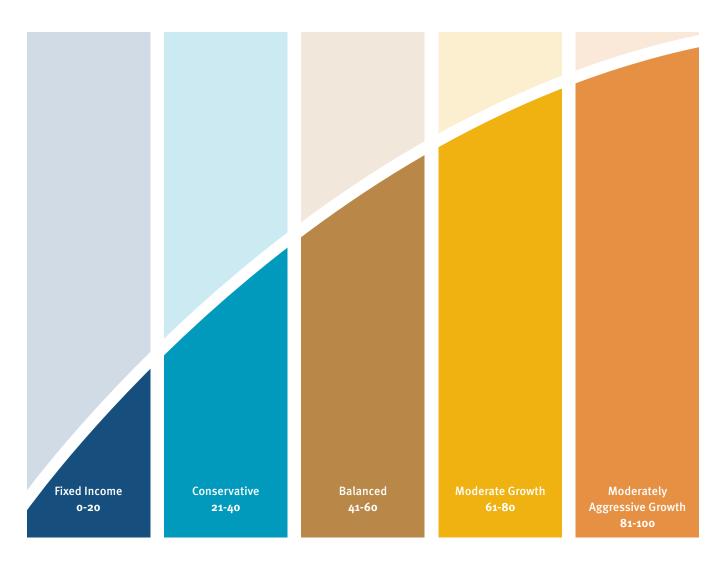
2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
Gold 17.7%	REITs 20.4%	U.S. Equity 29.8%	REITs 27.8%	U.S. Equity 2.1%	High Yield 14.2%	EM Equity 31.1%	Cash 1.4%	U.S. Equity 31.5%	Gold 24.8%
Fixed Income 7.6%	U.S. Equity 17.0%	DM Equity 18.3%	U.S. Equity 16.0%	REITs 1.1%	U.S. Equity 11.8%	DM Equity 27.2%	Fixed Income -0.2%	REITs 28.2%	U.S. Equity 18.4%
REITs 5.6%	DM Equity 16.8%	Asset Alloc 6.6%	Asset Alloc 6.8%	Fixed Income 1.0%	EM Equity 9.3%	U.S. Equity 21.8%	Gold -2.1%	DM Equity 22.3%	EM Equity 17.0%
High Yield 5.4%	High Yield 15.3%	High Yield 6.0%	Fixed Income 5.5%	Cash o.6%	Gold 7.6%	Gold 12.7%	High Yield -2.1%	EM Equity 18.2%	Asset Alloc 10.3%
Asset Alloc 3.0%	EM Equity 15.0%	REITs 2.4%	EM Equity 2.4%	Asset Alloc -0.3%	REITs 7.1%	Asset Alloc 12.7%	Asset Alloc -4.4%	Gold 17.9%	DM Equity 9.7%
U.S. Equity 2.2%	Asset Alloc 10.5%	Cash o.4%	High Yield 1.8%	DM Equity -2.5%	Asset Alloc 5.1%	REITs 10.8%	REITs -4.6%	Asset Alloc 16.7%	Fixed Income 7.5%
Cash 1.6%	Fixed Income 4.7%	EM Equity -1.7%	Cash o.6%	High Yield -4.2%	DM Equity 2.5%	High Yield 6.3%	U.S. Equity -5.4%	High Yield 14.1%	High Yield 4.7%
DM Equity -11.3%	Gold 2.7%	Fixed Income -1.9%	DM Equity -1.2%	Gold -10.8%	Fixed Income 2.0%	Fixed Income 3.8%	EM Equity -14.6%	Fixed Income 8.5%	Cash 3.2%
EM Equity -17.2%	Cash o.4%	Gold -27.4%	Gold -1.9%	EM Equity -12.9%	Cash o.7%	Cash o.5%	DM Equity -14.9%	Cash 3.4%	REITs -5.3%

Source: Bloomberg, Washington Crossing Advisors, LLC. Past performance is not a guarantee of future returns. Cash: ICE U.S. Treasury 1-3 Year Bond Index; Fixed Income: Bloomberg Barclays U.S. Aggregate Bond Index; High Yield: Markit iBoxx USD Liquid High Yield Index; U.S. Equity: S&P 500; DM Equity: FTSE Developed All Cap ex U.S. Index; EM Equity: FTSE Emerging Markets All Cap China A Inclusion Index; REITs: Dow Jones Select U.S. Real Estate Index; Gold: Gold Spot Price; Asset Alloc: Assumed Asset Allocation Weights: 1% Cash, 20% U.S. Stocks, 17% Foreign Developed Stocks, 3% Emerging Stocks, 50% Diversified Fixed Income, 3% REITs, 3% Gold, 3% High Yield. Assumes annual rebalancing, which may have tax consequences. You cannot invest directly in an index. Assumes reinvestment of gains and dividends. For illustrative purposes only. The above chart is not reflective of a Washington Crossing Advisors asset allocation portfolio. Actual results may vary.

Chasing the latest fad can be costly. One year's "hot performer" can easily become next year's laggard. A diversified portfolio across multiple asset classes has tended to deliver a more consistent result over time, which can help you stay the course. While diversification does not ensure a profit and may not protect against loss, it can play a key role in establishing a sound investment strategy and reducing risk.

### The Right Portfolio

BONDS > LESS RISK STOCKS > MORE RISK



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#### **RISK ASSESSMENT QUESTIONNAIRE**

Review each question and check the square next to the answer that is most applicable to you. After you complete the form, add up the numbers next to each answer for your risk assessment score. This score can assist in determining which investment portfolio may be right for you. Match your score with the corresponding column in the graph on page 14.

1.	To what extent do you agree or disagree with the following?  Maximizing returns is more important than protecting my investment.	b iı	What approximate loss in any one-year period would you be willing to accept before deciding to liquidate your investment?
	Strongly Agree (10) Agree (7.5) Neutral (5) Disagree (2.5) Strongly Disagree (0)		(25%) or greater loss (10) (15%) to (25%) loss (7.5) (10%) to (15%) loss (5) (5%) to (10%) loss (2.5) Minimal loss (0)
2.	To what extent do you agree or disagree with the following? I do not foresee any major expenses that would require significant principal withdrawals from this investment account in the next 5 years.	l iı	To what extent do you agree or disagree with the following? have had prior experience with and understand the investment risk related to stocks, bonds, mutual funds, and other investments.
	Strongly Agree (10) Agree (7.5) Neutral (5) Disagree (2.5) Strongly Disagree (0)		Strongly Agree (10) Agree (7.5) Neutral (5) Disagree (2.5) Strongly Disagree (0)
3.	What percentage of your total investable net worth (excluding primary residence) does this portfolio represent?		o what extent to you agree or disagree with the following?  My income is adequate and stable and my debt level is low.
	Less than 20% (10) 20% to 40% (7.5) 40% to 60% (5) 60% to 80% (2.5) 80% to 100% (0)		Strongly Agree (10) Agree (7.5) Neutral (5) Disagree (2.5) Strongly Disagree (0)
4.	On a long-term basis, what average annual rate of return best reflects your objective for "total return" on your portfolio?	а	What do you believe is an adequate time frame for evalu- ting portfolio returns?
	<ul> <li>More than 10% per year (10)</li> <li>8% to 10% per year (7.5)</li> <li>6% to 8% per year (5)</li> <li>4% to 6% per year (2.5)</li> <li>Less than 4% per year (0)</li> </ul>		More than 10 years (10)  5 to 10 years (7.5)  3 to 5 years (5)  1 to 3 years (2.5)  Less than 1 year (0)
5.	When do you expect this investment account to provide a regular source of income?	- 1	o what extent to you agree or disagree with the following? am willing to wait several years to recover from losses I ncur in an extended down market.
	☐ Greater than 20 years (10) ☐ 10 to 20 years (7.5) ☐ 5 to 10 years (5) ☐ 3 to 5 years (2.5) ☐ 3 years or less (0)		Strongly Agree (10) Agree (7.5) Neutral (5) Disagree (2.5) Strongly Disagree (0)

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