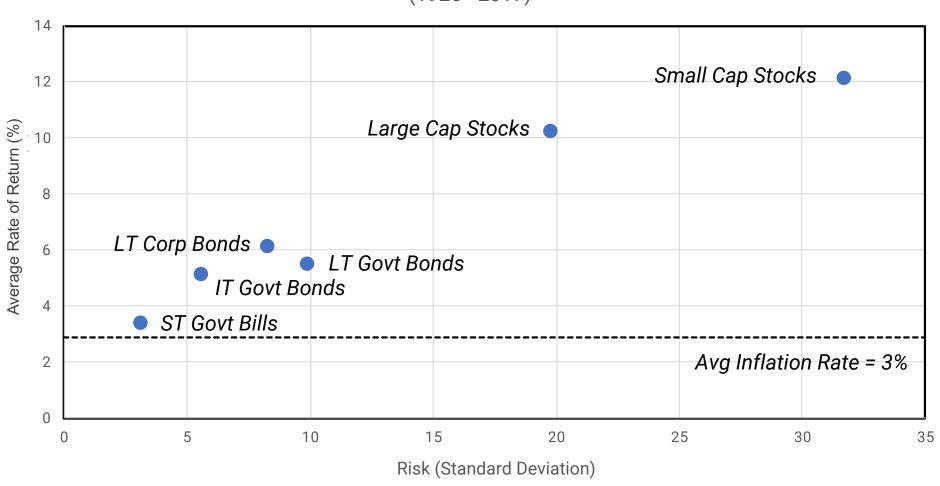


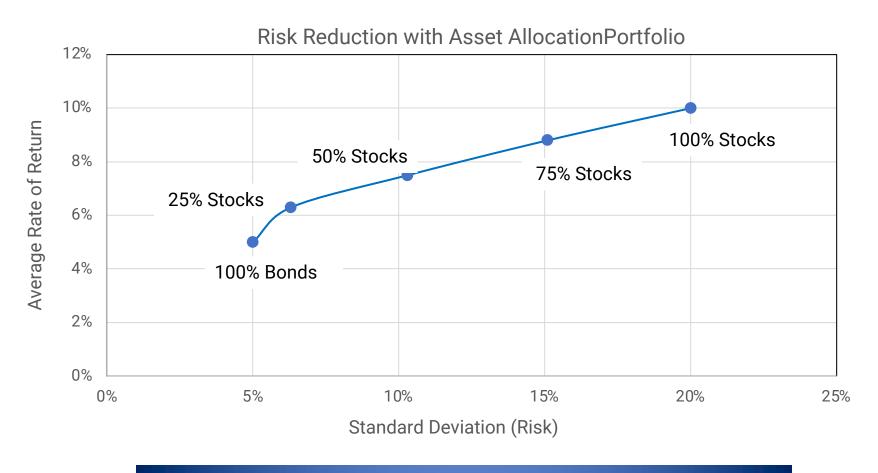
## Risk – Returns for Investment Types





## Risk Mitigation: The Portfolio Concept

#### Asset Allocation: identifying the % of each fund you want



Blending your assets can lead to large reduction in risk without much loss in return!

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Asset Allocation: investing in several types of funds minimizes variability (risk) and establishes the portfolio's anticipated rate of return.

The process involves answering 2 questions:

How many different asset classes do you want to own?

the more asset classes you own, the more complex your portfolio...

How much risk do you want to take?

long way to go: you can accept greater risk (higher returns) almost there: very little risk (lower returns)

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#### One Possible Investment Portfolio:

Total US Stock Market Fund: 60%

Total International Stock Fund: 30%

Total US Bond Fund: 7%

Total International Bond Fund: 3%

Total: 100%

Stocks: 90%

Bonds: 10%

Risk Level: High

Expected Return: 8-10% (or more)

#### Let's say you want to retire in 5 years...

You can't tolerate much risk because your time horizon isn't long enough to ride out any downward fluctuations.

#### One Possible Investment Portfolio:

Total US Stock Market Fund: 40%

Total International Stock Fund: 20%

Total US Bond Fund: 30%

Total International Bond Fund: 10%

Total: 100%

Stocks: 60%

Bonds: 40%

Risk Level: Moderate

Expected Return: 4-6%

#### Let's say you are already retired...

You can tolerate NO risk because you are now living off your investments.

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Total International Stock Fund: 10%

Total US Bond Fund: 40%

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Short-Term Treasury Bonds: 10%

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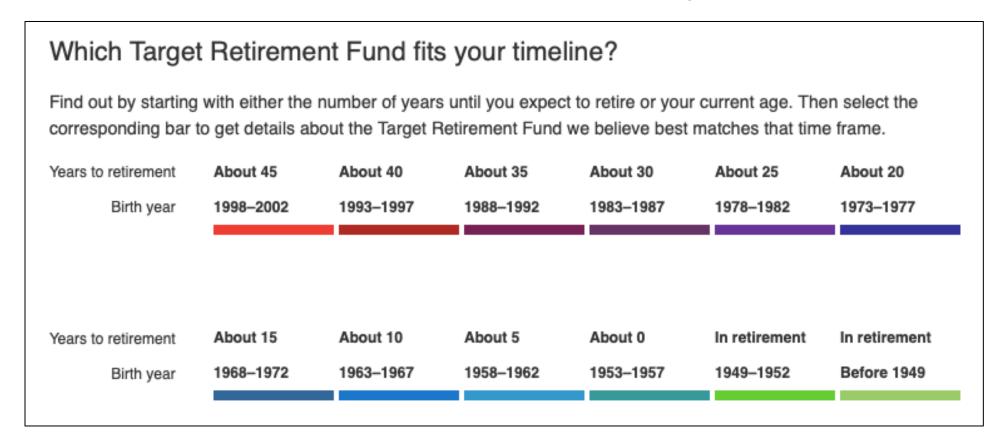
Stocks: 40%

Bonds: 60%

Risk Level: Low

Expected Return: 2-4%

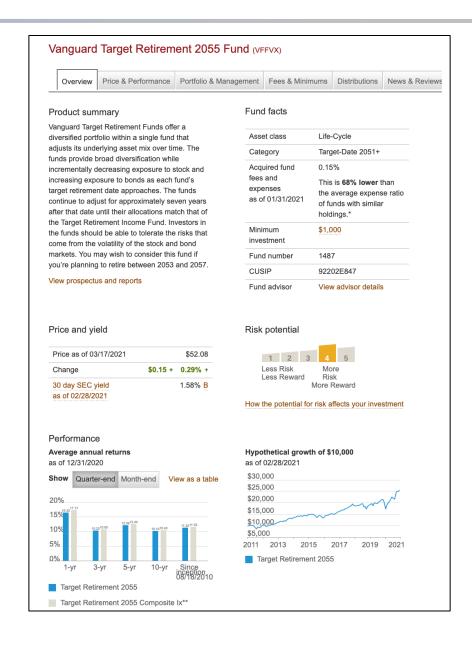
#### Do your homework, or let someone else do it for you...



Several fund companies now offer pre-set portfolios with specific risk-return profiles.

### Target Retirement 2055 Fund...

- Designed for investors in their 30s.
- Asset Allocation:
  - 90% Stock Funds
  - 10% Bond Funds
- Return since 2010: 11%
- "Moderate to High" Risk
- Low Expense Ratio: 0.15%



#### Target Retirement 2055 Fund...

#### Product summary

Vanguard Target Retirement Funds offer a diversified portfolio within a single fund that adjusts its underlying asset mix over time. The funds provide broad diversification while incrementally decreasing exposure to stock and increasing exposure to bonds as each fund's target retirement date approaches. The funds continue to adjust for approximately seven years after that date until their allocations match that of the Target Retirement Income Fund. Investors in the funds should be able to tolerate the risks that come from the volatility of the stock and bond markets. The 2055 fund invests in 4 Vanguard index funds, holding approximately 90% of assets in equities and 10% in bonds. You may wish to consider this fund if you're planning to retire between 2053 and 2057.

So this Target Retirement Fund will automatically rebalance the % of stock funds and bond funds over time.

#### Portfolio composition

#### Allocation to underlying funds

as of 02/28/2021

Ranking by percentage		
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Total		100.00%

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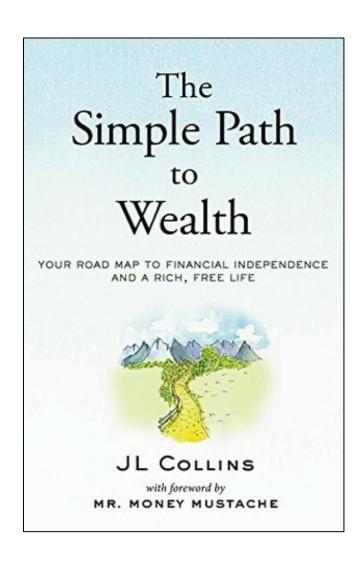
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#### Target Retirement 2025 Fund

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1	Vanguard Total Stock Market Index Fund Investor Shares	35.10%
2	Vanguard Total Bond Market II Index Fund Investor Shares**	28.40%
3	Vanguard Total International Stock Index Fund Investor Shares	23.70%
4	Vanguard Total International Bond Index Fund Investor Shares	12.00%
5	Vanguard Short-Term Inflation-Protected Securities Index Fund	0.80%

60% Stocks, 40% Bonds 10-Year Return: 7.3%

## Simplifying Your Investment Life



Collins is a real "Boglehead"...index fund investor w/ Vanguard

**Total Stock Market Stock Index Fund** 

**Total Bond Market Index Fund** 

That's it..."set it and forget it" strategy

You set your asset allocation whether you're in:

- Wealth Accumulation Mode (more stocks)
- Wealth Preservation Mode (fewer stocks, more bonds)

## Main Takeaways

- Asset Allocation is all about finding the right mix of stock and bond funds that suits your risk tolerance.
- The longer your time horizon, the greater the risk you can tolerate, meaning a portfolio more heavily weighted towards stocks.
- As you approach retirement, you wind down your stock allocation for more lower-risk bond funds.
- Fund companies are now providing a lot of help here effectively doing all this for you. (But you should still do your homework just to make sure...).

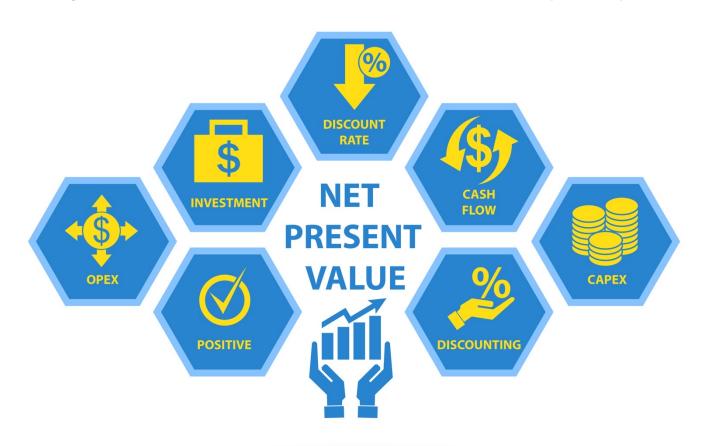
## Congratulations! You Made It!



### Next Time...

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