

Freedom vs. Security Trade-off Analyzer

Analyze trade-offs between economic freedom and security in different systems

Scenario: Career and Financial Planning

You're 25 years old with a college degree in marketing. Compare your career options, income potential, safety nets, and retirement projections in different economic systems.

High Freedom, Low Security

CAREER

12 companies hiring, salary \$45K-\$75K, negotiate up to \$72K

ADVANCEMENT

Performance-based, top 20% earn \$150K+ in 10 years

ENTREPRENEURSHIP

\$10K startup, potential \$200K+ earnings

SAFETY NET

6 months unemployment only, must self-insure

HEALTHCARE

\$6,000-\$15,000 annually (self-pay)

Low Freedom, High Security

CAREER

Assigned to state bureau, \$800/month fixed

ADVANCEMENT

Seniority-based, max \$1,200/month after 30 years

ENTREPRENEURSHIP

Illegal - private agencies prohibited

SAFETY NET

Comprehensive - guaranteed employment, housing, food

HEALTHCARE

Free (low quality, long waits)

Moderate Freedom & Security

CAREER

7 companies hiring, salary \$50K-\$85K, negotiate to \$68K

ADVANCEMENT

Performance + protections, top 20% earn \$120K+ in 10 years

ENTREPRENEURSHIP

\$5K-\$20K startup, LLC protection

SAFETY NET

6-12 months unemployment, Medicaid, Social Security

HEALTHCARE

\$3,000-\$12,000 (employer/individual/Medicaid)

Financial Projections (Age 25-65)

HIGH FREEDOM

If Average:

\$800K savings

If Top Performer:	\$2.5M+ savings
If Struggle:	\$100K savings
Std Deviation:	HIGH

LOW FREEDOM

Everyone:	\$600/mo pension
If Top Performer:	\$600/mo pension
If Struggle:	\$600/mo pension
Std Deviation:	VERY LOW

MODERATE (USA)

If Average:	\$500K + \$1.8K/mo SS
If Top Performer:	\$1.5M + \$2.5K/mo SS
If Struggle:	Min savings + \$1.5K/mo SS
Std Deviation:	MODERATE

Your Personal Trade-off Preference

Maximum Freedom

Maximum Security



50% Freedom / 50% Security

Analysis Questions

1. Which system would you choose at age 25? At age 55?

At 25, I would choose... At 55, I would prefer...

2. If you're confident in your abilities, which system rewards you most?

Select your answer...



3. If you're risk-averse or have health issues, which system protects you best?

Select your answer...



4. How do personality, skills, and life circumstances affect this trade-off?

Consider factors like risk tolerance, health conditions, family responsibilities, career confidence...