## **ACTION PLANNER SERIES**



# Start planning for retirement income

# → Assess your income needs

With the help of your financial professional, determine how much money you're going to need each year. Take a look at your essential lifestyle expenses and your discretionary lifestyle expenses.

Begin by calculating your current expenses and then adjust them based on your desired lifestyle in retirement.

Essential lifestyle expenses	Annual cost			
Housing mortgage payments, rent, insurance, property tax	\$			
<b>Utilities</b> gas, water, electricity, telephone, cable	\$			
Food/groceries/meals	\$			
Transportation car payments, gas, car insurance, maintenance	\$			
Personal clothing, haircuts, dry cleaning, toiletries	\$			
Healthcare/Medicare premiums supplemental medical insurance, prescriptions and other out-of-pocket expenses	\$			
Life, disability and long-term care insurance	\$			
Income taxes federal, state	\$			
Other	\$			
Annual essential lifestyle expenses	\$			

Discretionary lifestyle expenses	Annual cost			
Entertainment movies, theater, sporting events and restaurants	\$			
Travel & recreation hotels, airfare and RV/boat expenses	\$			
Memberships golf, health club and yoga	\$			
Gifts and donations	\$			
Other	\$			
Annual discretionary lifestyle expenses	\$			
Annual essential lifestyle expenses	\$			
Annual discretionary lifestyle expenses	\$			
<b>Total annual expenses</b> Essential lifestyle + Discretionary lifestyle	\$			

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# Determine your annual protected income

Once you have obtained the needed estimates for Social Security and a pension, if applicable, you can determine your annual income from guaranteed sources.

Guaranteed sources of retirement income	Annual income
Social Security	\$
Pensions	\$
Annuities (if you own one)*	\$
Other	\$
Total annual guaranteed income	\$

# → See if you're facing an income gap

First determine if you have enough guaranteed income to cover your annual essential lifestyle expenses. This is a priority for many retirees.



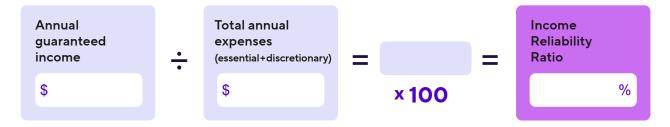
Of course, you may want some or all of your discretionary lifestyle expenses to also be covered with protected income. So next, examine your total annual expenses (that is, your essential lifestyle expenses PLUS your discretionary lifestyle expenses) to see if you're facing an overall income gap.





#### Calculate your Income Reliability Ratio

Another factor you may want to consider is your Income Reliability Ratio. Your Income Reliability Ratio can help you assess where you stand in terms of your retirement income security. If your Income Reliability Ratio is low, you may want to consider how challenges such as a market decline or living longer than expected could impact your long-term retirement income strategy.



### Your Income Reliability Ratio

Indicate with a check mark on the chart below where your Income Reliability Ratio currently falls.

Lower retirement income security	0%	10%	20%	30%	40%	50%	60%	70%	80%	90%	100%	Higher
												retirement income security

If your Income Reliability Ratio is further to

the left, consider if you're comfortable with your retirement income being funded from your current savings and investments, or other non-guaranteed sources, such as a part-time job or rental income. This type of income may be less predictable due to market volatility, changes in interest rates or other factors, and may result in lower retirement income security.

If your Income Reliability Ratio is further to the right, you have the assurance of knowing that a greater portion of your total annual expenses in retirement will be covered with income that's guaranteed for a higher level of retirement income security.



### Review your situation with your financial professional

Your financial professional can help you further assess where you stand with respect to your retirement income needs and current income sources—and help you determine a retirement income strategy that makes sense for you.

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