

# Maximize today, increase tomorrow

5% annual income today. Up to 8% tomorrow!<sup>1</sup>

## Looking back at 56 years (1965–2020)

**10** years;  
income would  
have been a  
minimum of **5%**.

**42** years; income would have been  
**greater than 6%**.

Average annual  
income since 1965: **7%**

Year	10-Year Treasury	Treasury +2%
2020	0.89%	<b>5.0%</b>
2012	1.8%	<b>5.0%</b>
2016	1.8%	<b>5.0%</b>
2015	2.1%	<b>5.0%</b>
2019	2.1%	<b>5.0%</b>
2017	2.3%	<b>5.0%</b>
2013	2.4%	<b>5.0%</b>
2014	2.5%	<b>5.0%</b>
2011	2.8%	<b>5.0%</b>
2018	2.9%	<b>5.0%</b>

5% Annual income

Year	10-Year Treasury	Treasury +2%
2003	4.0%	<b>6.0%</b>
2004	4.3%	<b>6.3%</b>
1965	4.3%	<b>6.3%</b>
2005	4.3%	<b>6.3%</b>
2002	4.6%	<b>6.6%</b>
2010	3.2%	<b>5.2%</b>
2007	4.6%	<b>6.6%</b>
2009	3.3%	<b>5.3%</b>
2006	4.8%	<b>6.8%</b>
2008	3.7%	<b>5.7%</b>
1966	4.9%	<b>6.9%</b>

>5% Annual income

≥6% Annual income

≥7% Annual income

8% Annual income

Year	10-Year Treasury	Treasury +2%
2000	6.0%	<b>8.0%</b>
1971	6.2%	<b>8.0%</b>
1972	6.2%	<b>8.0%</b>
1997	6.4%	<b>8.0%</b>
1996	6.4%	<b>8.0%</b>
1995	6.6%	<b>8.0%</b>
1969	6.7%	<b>8.0%</b>
1973	6.9%	<b>8.0%</b>
1992	7.0%	<b>8.0%</b>
1994	7.1%	<b>8.0%</b>
1970	7.4%	<b>8.0%</b>
1977	7.4%	<b>8.0%</b>
1974	7.6%	<b>8.0%</b>
1976	7.6%	<b>8.0%</b>
1986	7.7%	<b>8.0%</b>
1991	7.9%	<b>8.0%</b>
1975	8.0%	<b>8.0%</b>
1987	8.4%	<b>8.0%</b>
1978	8.4%	<b>8.0%</b>
1989	8.5%	<b>8.0%</b>
1990	8.6%	<b>8.0%</b>
1988	8.9%	<b>8.0%</b>
1979	9.4%	<b>8.0%</b>
1985	10.6%	<b>8.0%</b>
1983	11.1%	<b>8.0%</b>
1980	11.4%	<b>8.0%</b>
1984	12.5%	<b>8.0%</b>
1982	13.0%	<b>8.0%</b>
1981	13.9%	<b>8.0%</b>
2001	5.0%	<b>7.0%</b>
1967	5.1%	<b>7.1%</b>
1998	5.3%	<b>7.3%</b>
1968	5.6%	<b>7.6%</b>
1999	5.7%	<b>7.7%</b>
1993	5.9%	<b>7.9%</b>

<sup>1</sup> Annual Roll-Up based on 10-Year Treasury +2%.

Generally, "income" refers to withdrawals from the GMIB.

This example is a hypothetical intended for illustrative purposes only and is not indicative of the actual performance of any particular product.

## Guaranteed Minimum Income Benefit (GMIB) Roll-Up Rates<sup>2</sup>

### Years 1-7:

Compounded

# 5%

(if deferring or taking income)

### Years 8+:

10-Year Treasury + 2%, between

# 5% and 8%

(Roll-Up Rates apply to the benefit base until the earlier of 20 years and age 95. Withdrawals continue to age 95.)<sup>2</sup>

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