



Users Manual

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Nest Egg Software User's Guide

Introduction

Nest Egg Software is a revolutionary retirement and income planning software application that allows you to effectively divide your retirement assets into growth and income “Baskets.” This allows for short-term stability as well as long-term growth to your savings, or “Nest Eggs” which become your income producing assets upon retirement.

Basically you allocate your investments; cash in savings, stocks, mutual funds, 401K, and IRA's into 4 different baskets of money. Your conservative investments go in Basket 1, the more aggressive, longer term investments in Basket 4. The logic is simple; in general if the more aggressive investments have a longer time to mature, it reduces your overall retirement risk. Moderate risk investments go in Baskets 2 and 3.

This easy-to-use application uses full-color illustrations to demonstrate your ability to fulfill your desired retirement income goals.

Before you get started you need to pull together all your asset statements. Go grab your year-end or quarterly statements that you have for your retirement assests or if you have internet access for your accounts (Schwab, Fidelity, etc.) you can get the information from your on line accounts. What you are looking to accomplish here, is to build a simple list of your retirement assets and the corresponding account values.

If you pull together the above data ahead of time, you can have the data entered and Nest Egg Software up and running in about 15 minutes.

It only takes 15 minutes to see your future.

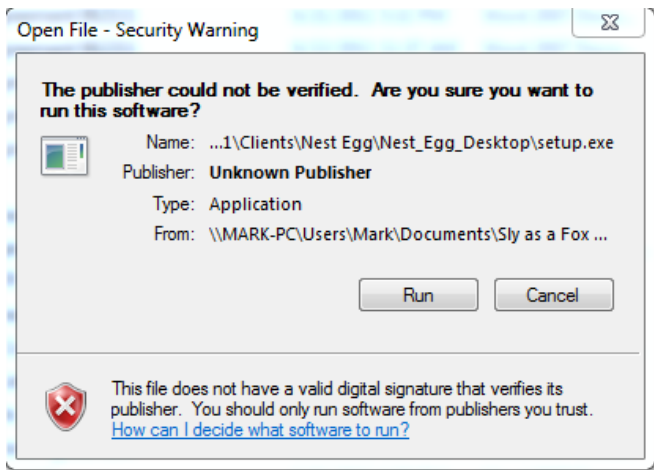
You will not be entering any of the actual account numbers or personal information, so don't worry. All you need to do is pull a list together of your various accounts, the name of the account, who owns it and of course the most important part, the current dollar amount or value of that account.

Nest Egg Software is a global software solution. Although the software uses a \$ symbol in places next to the value, any world-wide currency can used for Nest Egg Software as long as standard numerical characters are used.

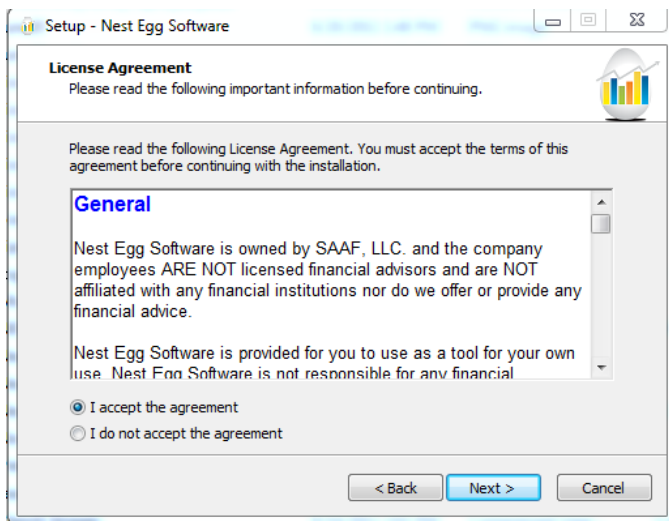
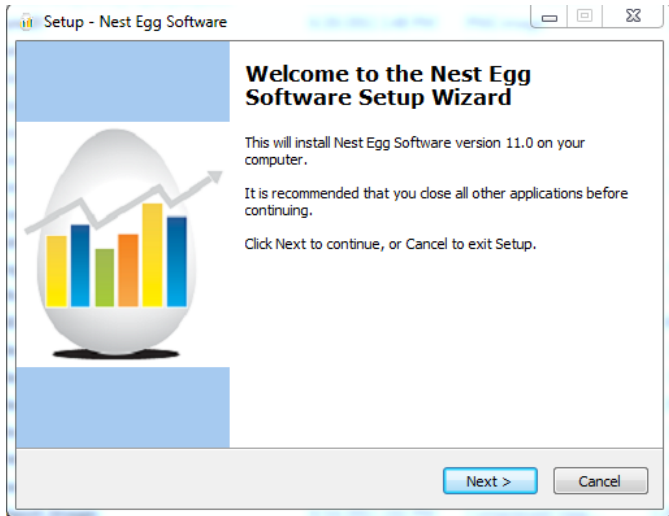
Installation

You will need to install the software through the setup.exe or a link to it. You will see several instruction screens to install the software, giving you choices to install desktop shortcuts, etc.

The first screen you may see, depending on your operating system and your settings, is the “certificate security warning” which is common for software companies who have not acquired the certificate ratings. This is perfectly normal and safe. It only means our company has not yet been certified by VeriSign, etc. just yet. The Nest Egg Software has been thoroughly tested and is safe to install on your computer. Simply click on the “Run” button and continue.



You will then see a Setup Wizard. Simply progress through the steps to install the software. You may see other screens as well which should be self-explanatory.

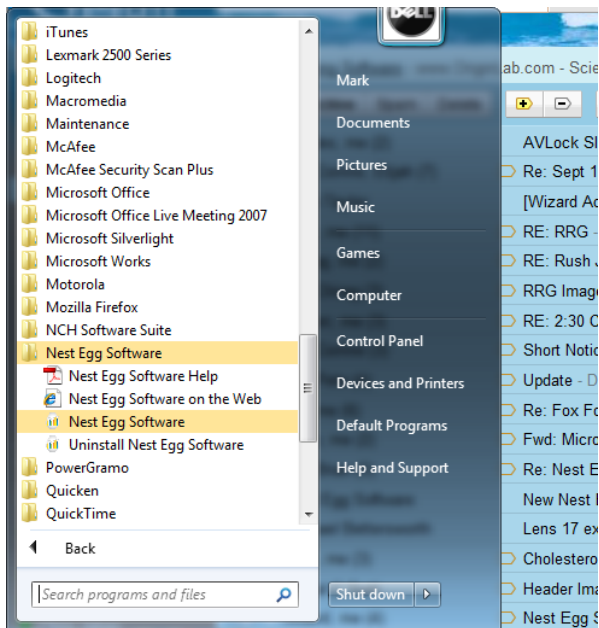


Be sure to read the License agreement carefully.

If you have installed the software using the default settings, you will see the Nest Egg Software shortcut on your desktop, as seen below.



As well as in your Program start menu. Inside the start menu you can launch the software, uninstall it, access this User's manual, and access the web site www.NestEggSoftware.com to find helpful videos, FAQ's, and our financial blog.



All version of the software have a fully functioning free 30 day trial period. The trail version is the Advisor Version will all of the features. YOU will see a “Buy Now” button and you can purchase the software at any time after you install it.

You installation of Nest Egg Software is now complete. You are ready to start using the software.

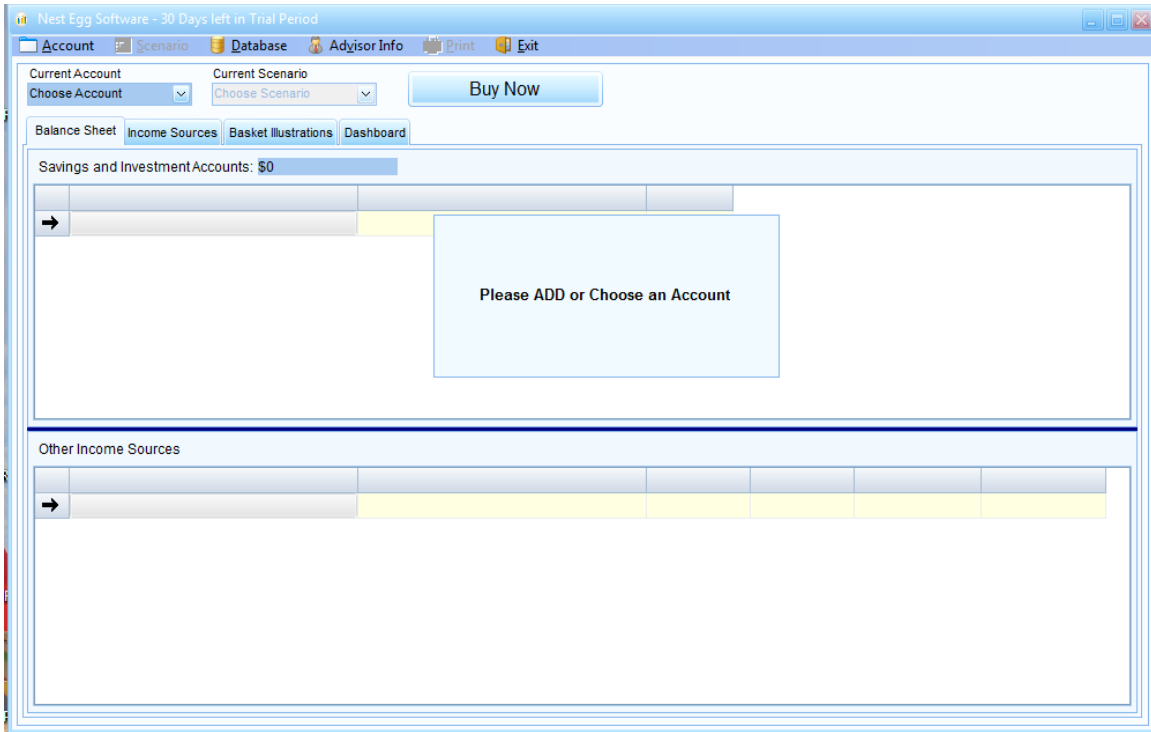
Account Setup

If you have not done so already, you need to gather up all you retirement investment accounts and their current values. Just simply grab your statements or go get the numbers from your on-line account access and simple jot them down on a piece of paper.

Once you launch the software the 1st thing you will see is the “Balance Sheet”. Before you start putting numbers in the balance sheet, if this is the 1st time using this software, you need to do a few set up steps first.

You need to “add” an account using the drop down menu in the upper left-hand corner.

For the Consumer version of the software you are only allowed to create 1 account. For the Advisor version of the software you can have as many accounts as you like, one for each client. With multiple accounts, as you add them you will notice they show up in the drop down menu in alphabetical order.



The next step is to fill out the "New Account" screen. Use the Tab button on your computer's keyboard to scroll through each entry or simply click on the field to edit. It has an entry for Account Owner and Account Owner's Spouse. The Spouse is simply there so you can enter your spouse's information especially if his/her assets are part of your retirement plan. The Account information will be saved under the Account Owner's Name.

The only data that “must” be filled out is the account owner’s first and last name. The rest of the data is just for record keeping purposes and is optional. However, the data here is used in the creation of the title page of your printed report (discussed later) so it is a good idea to fill out all of the data.

You must “Save” the new account record before you can enter any data into the meetings section.

When you reach the Meeting Dates section, enter the dates in which your client met with you either by telephone or face-to-face for the Advisor version of the application. For the Consumer version, you can simply enter the date when you reviewed and updated your account, with new asset numbers, etc. This information is provided for recordkeeping purposes only. It will not affect data used to populate the Basket or Dashboard illustrations.

Scenarios

Again if you have not set up a scenario, you must do that now before you fill out the balance sheet. Simple “Add” a scenario from the scenario button next to the account button in the same way you created and account owner.

The only input required here is to give the scenario a name. You also have a notes and comments section to keep notes about anything you want associated with this particular scenario.

With both the Consumer and Advisor version you can have as many scenarios as you like. Each scenario is specific to the account name selected.

Why would you want multiple scenarios? Well you may have several different retirement options you want to compare: what if I don't use my savings account and buy a boat with it instead? What if I assume I sell the house? What about a scenario that is conservative? One that is aggressive?

This is the power of Nest Egg Software. You can have as many scenarios as you like. You can even save the scenario title with the date you created it. As you will see in the balance sheet you have the option to have as many meeting dates as you like, with updated numbers for each date, which can serve the same purpose.

Balance Sheet

The balance sheet is where you input your retirement planning assets. The Balance sheet is divided in to two sections. The top section is your "savings and investment accounts". This is where you put things like your bank savings, 401K, stocks and bonds.

The lower section is "other income sources" and can be any number of things, but typically you would enter things like pension plans and social security.

To enter data into any field, simply double click on the field. To add a new field, you can double click in either of the two balance sheet areas and a new account record will be created.

Nest Egg Software - 30 Days left in Trial Period

Account Scenario Database Advisor Info Print Exit

Current Account: Fudd, Elmer Current Scenario: Elmer's Retirement Plan Buy Now

Balance Sheet Income Sources Basket Illustrations Dashboard

Savings and Investment Accounts: \$570,000

Description	Owner	8/18/2011
Elmer's Bank Savings	Elmer Fudd	\$50,000
→ Elmer's 401K	Elmer Fudd	\$200,000
Edith's 401K	Edith Fudd	\$220,000
Rabbit Hole Stock	Joint	\$100,000

Other Income Sources

Description	Owner	Beginning Year	Ending Year	Inflation Rate %	Annual Amount
Elmer's Hunter's Pension	Elmer Fudd	2028	2100	3.00	\$15,000
Edith's Social Security	Edith Fudd	2030	2100	3.00	\$18,000
→ Elmer's Social Security	Elmer Fudd	2028	2011	3.00	\$16,000

You can also right click and you will find several options to do the same functions:

- Add and delete account records
- Add, delete, and edit review dates
- And “Titles On”

If you have added many review dates to a single scenario, you will see that a horizontal scroll bar allows you to move about the data. For convenience, if you chose “Titles On” this locks the “Description” and “Owner” columns in place so you can scroll left to right and see how the asset values have changed from meeting date to meeting date.

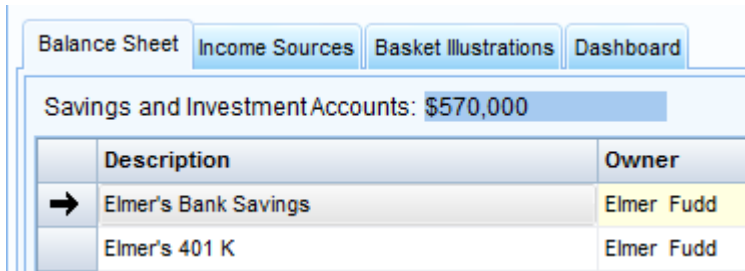
Important – Whenever you have multiple meeting dates in one scenario, the values in the most recent date, or furthest right hand column are the only values used in Basket and Dashboard illustrations.

As you mouse over various sections of the balance sheet you will notice several pop up notes. These are tips to help you learn and remind you what each section is for.

To delete an account record simply right-click on it and select delete.

Important – Every account record must have data input into it for the software to work properly. You cannot have a blank account record.

You will also see that the total value of your savings and investment accounts are added up for you automatically and displayed here:



Savings and Investment Accounts: \$570,000	
Description	Owner
→ Elmer's Bank Savings	Elmer Fudd
Elmer's 401 K	Elmer Fudd

This total value will be input automatically into the Basket Illustrations tab as well as the Dashboard tab.

You will notice that when you 1st open the balance sheet the default has 1 account in the “savings and investment accounts” section and one in the “other income sources” section.

If you do not have any assets to place in the “other income sources” simple leave it alone “as is” from the default. You will notice if you try to delete the sole default “other income sources” record it will not let you and is grayed out. This is to prevent you from inadvertently deleted the record and allows the database to function properly.

If you have double clicked and inadvertently added more account records than you need simple right-click and deleted those blank account records.

But again you must have data in each account record you create (less the default “other income” record just discussed).

Important – The data in the balance sheet does not use a “Save” button, the data is saved automatically for your convenience. So we suggest if you want to start playing around with numbers, but don’t want to lose your original numbers, save a copy of the scenario 1st then use that as your new scenario.

Of the 4 tabs: Balance Sheet, Income Sources, Basket Illustrations, and Dashboard, the “Balance Sheet” is the only tab where you enter data. The other 3 tabs are all generated from the data input into the balance sheet.

Once the balance sheet is created and you move to the basket illustrations, you will “allocate” your savings to each of the 4 baskets.

Income Sources

The income sources tab simply shows each of your income sources by year. Again you cannot enter or change any of the data in this tab; it is presented here for information and reference purposes only. Any changes you want to make to these numbers needs to be accomplished using the balance sheet.

Year	Elmer's Hunter's Pension:	Edith's Social Security: Edith	Elmer's Social Security: Elmer	Total
2011	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
2012	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
2013	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
2014	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
2015	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
2016	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
2017	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
2018	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
2019	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
2020	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
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2022	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
2023	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
2024	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
2025	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
2026	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
2027	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
2028	\$15,000	\$0	\$16,000	\$31,000
2029	\$15,450	\$0	\$16,480	\$31,930
2030	\$15,913	\$18,000	\$16,974	\$50,887
2031	\$16,390	\$18,540	\$17,483	\$52,413
2032	\$16,881	\$19,096	\$18,007	\$53,984
2033	\$17,387	\$19,668	\$18,547	\$55,602
2034	\$17,908	\$20,258	\$19,103	\$57,269

Basket Illustrations

“To invest successfully for a lifetime does not require a stratospheric IQ, unusual business insight or inside information. What’s needed is a sound intellectual framework for decisions and the ability to keep emotions from corroding that framework” – Warren Buffett

That is exactly what the Nest Egg Retirement Planning Software’s “Basket Strategy” is all about. We provide an intellectual framework for your nest egg to grow, and you don’t have to have the IQ of Warren Buffett. Also our retirement planning strategy is designed to take emotions out of the equation.

It works like this: The software and strategy have 4 different baskets for your assets to grow. Your assets need to be treated separately because “all money is not created equal.”

Your longer term assets are placed in baskets 3 and 4 which are “hands off” in the short term. These are your more aggressive investments and you leave them alone so they have time to grow providing more money in your retirement years. The strategy helps manage your emotions because you know you have a guaranteed income in early retirement from baskets 1 and 2, so there is no need to screw around with baskets 3 and 4 trying to “guess” the market.

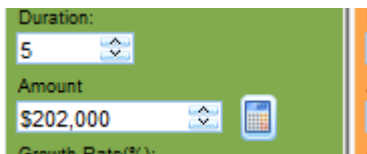
This section of the software along with the dashboard is the real power of Nest Egg Software. You have probably heard of “Laddering” and “Bucket” strategies where you separate your assets into different categories depending on:

Expected years of growth before liquidating
Level of risk

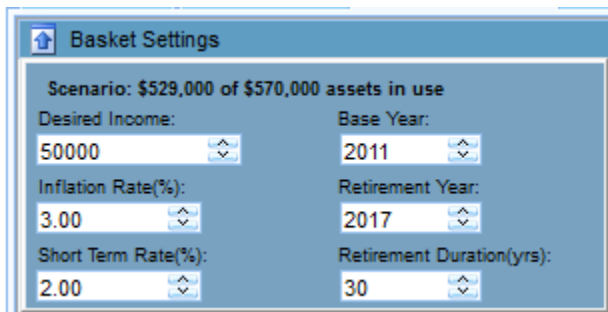
What you need to do is look at your balance sheet. Which assets should go into which baskets based on level of risk and number of years before you are going to spend that money.

When you 1st open the “Basket Illustrations” each of the 4 baskets will have a zero amount. You need to “fund” each of these baskets with the assets you have listed in your balance sheet.

Now Nest Egg Software has an awesome little tool to help you get started. By clicking the little calculator in each basket

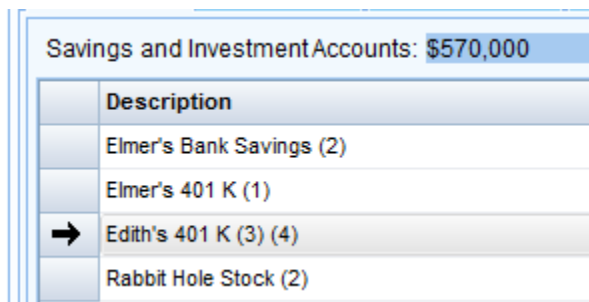


The software will automatically determine the “minimum” amount needed for that basket based on the variables you have selected in the “Basket Settings.” Below is a screen shot example of the Basket Settings.



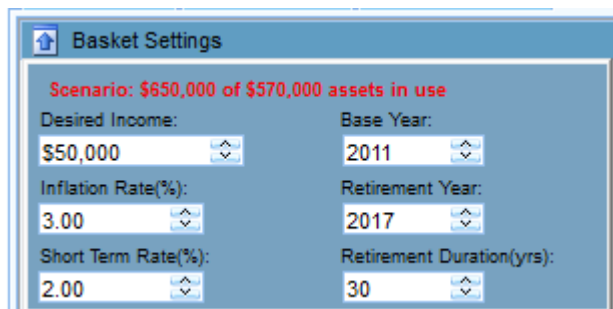
Next to this screen's Scenario heading, you will see a short line that reads “\$529,000 of \$570,000 assets in use”. In this scenario we have a total of \$570,000 of assets listed in our balance sheet and at present we have allocated \$529,000 of it to the 4 baskets.

You will find it helpful to go back to the balance sheet and identify which assets were used to fund which basket by simple placing a number in parenthesis next to the account record name. For example, if the calculator says you need \$200,000 for basket 1 you would have something like this:



Savings and Investment Accounts: \$570,000	
Description	
Elmer's Bank Savings (2)	
Elmer's 401 K (1)	
→ Edith's 401 K (3) (4)	
Rabbit Hole Stock (2)	

If you have allocated more monies to the baskets than you have in your balance sheet, you will get a warning and the numbers will turn red.



Basket Settings

Scenario: \$650,000 of \$570,000 assets in use

Desired Income:	Base Year:
\$50,000	2011
Inflation Rate(%):	Retirement Year:
3.00	2017
Short Term Rate(%):	Retirement Duration(yrs):
2.00	30

Next you will need to enter a few more items into the basket settings for your scenario: **Desired Income, Inflation Rate, Short-Term Rate, Base Year, Retirement Year and Retirement Duration.**

Desired Income: Desired Income is the amount of income you want to receive each year throughout retirement. Of course you probably want this to be more than you can afford, but the good news is that this one of the many variables you can adjust when looking at your options. Just start with a number that you think is reasonable for you to live on.

You will see that the amount you can receive is completely dependent upon how much investment assets have accrued and the inflation rate you determine appropriate. In other words, you may not have enough capital to justify the desired per annum income, which

is exactly why Nest Egg Software allows you to have an unlimited number of Scenarios to illustrate many different possibilities.

If you do not have enough money to justify your desired per annum income, Nest Egg Software has safeguards to make sure you put enough money into each Basket. If you have entered an amount that is too low, the basket will display bright red **OVERDRAWN** message will appear in the box. When this happens, you may take one of the following actions to correct it:

Basket 1	Basket 2
OVERDRAWN	
Duration: 6	Duration: 5
Amount: \$202,000	Amount: \$173,000
Growth Rate(%): 4.00	Growth Rate(%): 5.00

1. Increase the amount of money allocated to the overdrawn basket.
2. Push your retirement year back (i.e. change it from 2010 to 2012);
3. Increase the growth rate on the overdrawn Basket (i.e. change it from 4% to 6%); or,
4. Reduce the desired per annum income.

These are the main variables you can adjust to show you what your retirement future looks like under different assumptions.

This is the heart and the power of Nest Egg Software. Adjusting these variables allows you to answer questions like:

- When can I retire?
- How much more do I need to save before I do?
- If my various savings baskets grow 3%, 5%, or 8% over the next 10 or 20 years what impact does that have on my retirement date?
- How much annual income does each of these scenarios allow me to draw at retirement?
- What does the worst case scenario look like for me when I am 65?
- What about 85? What if I live to a 100?

- What is the realistic best case scenario?
- What is the worst case scenario?
- What needs to happen to ensure I never run out of money in my lifetime?

The growth rate for each basket is of course unknown. No one can predict the future, but one logical way is to look at the historical growth rates for each of your particular assets.

You may need to test each of these solutions in different Scenarios to illustrate the different results. You will then be able to compare the various scenarios or options to decide which solution best suits your retirement goals.

Inflation Rate: The Consumer Price Index is a good starting point in determining the Inflation Rate. However, you may also manipulate the rate to satisfy your specific needs. For example, if you would like to have more income now versus the future, you may reduce the inflation rate to accomplish this goal, while maintaining enough capital to last your lifetime. This is something you may have to do to make your overall plan work and never run out of money.

Short-Term Rate: The Short-Term Rate is the interest rate payable by financial institutions for short-term borrowing. This is the rate that any unspent money in a distribution duration is earning. It is basically your savings account or CD interest rate.

Base Year: Base Year is the current year in which the Scenario is based, or today's date.

Retirement Year: Retirement Year is the year in which you would like retire and begin withdrawals from the investment accounts to provide income.

Retirement Duration: Retirement Duration is the number of years you would like your money to last. Of course you would like to never run out of money in your life time. In the United States today, the average life expectancy for men is 75 and 80 for females, so that is a good start to use in your scenarios. Of course if you are in your 40's and 50's you may want to increase that age since every decade we seem to live longer as a society.

The Basket Illustrations and the Dashboard tab both have the same variables that can be changed to whatever you like. The 18 variables are the 6 variables in the blue basket settings and the 3 variables for each of the 4 baskets: Duration, Value, and Growth rate for each of the 4 baskets. (3 X 4 = 12).

The "Duration" for each basket is defined as the amount of years you will draw money from that basket in retirement.

Duration: **Duration** is the number of years a particular Basket will actively provide income for you. Nest Egg Software automatically provides a five year default. However, depending on the amount of assets you have to work with, you may increase or decrease this number. The Duration Rate, or years, in each Basket does not have to match. For example, Basket 1 could run for five, Basket 2 for seven, Basket 3 for four and Basket 4 for six years.

Amount: The next box you will need to populate on each of your Baskets is the **Amount** of money each Basket is responsible for disbursing. You decide how much money is allocated to each Basket. However, the total Amount must not exceed your total investment assets from the Balance Sheet. If you add additional money to a Basket not already accounted for in the balance sheet, that change must be made on the Balance Sheet.

Growth Rate: The final step in completing each Basket is determining the **Growth Rate**. Nest Egg Software provides 4% default Growth Rate for the first Basket, 5% for the second, 6% for the third and 7% for the fourth. Money in Basket #3 and #4 will have a few years to mature before it will be used, so it can withstand a more aggressive growth profile than the money you need in the immediate future or the first few years of retirement. A lower growth rate for the first two Baskets will safeguard those assets and insure that the money will be there when you need it.

Anytime you change any of the 18 variables you can click on the calculator, if you choose to, to determine the new minimum amount necessary. In the image above, you can see the minimum amount required for each basket that the calculator has determined and populated each basket with that number.

The whole idea is you hope to place some of your longer term investments in basket 3 and 4 and hope over the long term they will have a better rate of return.

Of course past performance is no guarantee of future performance, *and all that jazz*, but by looking at the historical performance of each asset, it at least gives you a growth % to start with for each basket. Nest Egg Software default to the following growth rates;

- Basket 1 = 4%
- Basket 2 = 5%
- Basket 3 = 6%
- Basket 4 = 7%

Of course you can change these settings at anytime to more closely match the expected performance of your assets. Nest Egg allows you to change the growth rate of each basket as one of the variables. Again this is the power and flexibility of Nest Egg Software.

Bellow the Basket Illustration headers, you will find the “Basket Grid.”

The basket grid is updated automatically every time you change any of the 18 variables. We do all the heavy math for you!

This is a color coded display showing several things, primarily:

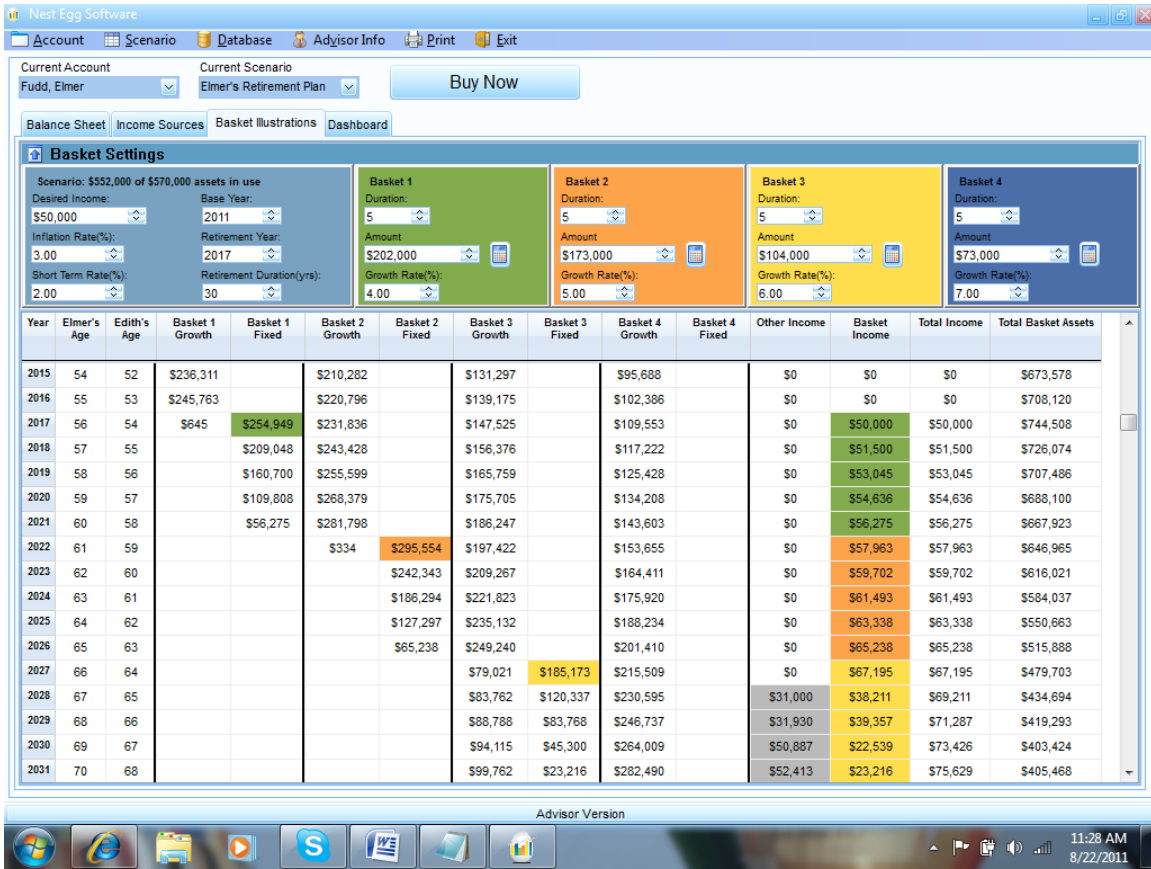
- Basket Growth value
- Basket Fixed value
- Other Income
- Basket Income
- Total Income
- Total Basket Assets

The “basket growth value” shows how your asset has grown based on the basket growth rate over time.

The “basket fixed value” shows the growth of the balance in the basket once you liquidate that asset. For example you may have some stock in the basket that you expect to grow at the basket growth rate. When you need that money for retirement income you would cash out that stock. But you are not going to spend all that money right away, because you have to live on it for 5 years (in this case).

So during the 5 years you are pulling from these monies you will likely have the balance in a short term growth product like a simple savings account. The fixed growth rate then determines the amount the remaining balance grows over this time frame. The fixed rate is the “short term” rate specified in the blue box.

“Other Income” is the income you receive in retirement that does not come from your baskets. Things like Social Security and pensions. These are the assets you listed in the bottom half of your balance sheet. So for example:



In this basket illustration, Elmer has decided to retire early in 2017 at the age of 56. Hunting has been good to him. He wants to draw \$50,000 a year in retirement with an expected 3% inflation rate. This inflation rate means he will have to increase his annual income of \$50,000 by 3% each year if he and Edith want to maintain the same spending power.

So in 2017 you can see that the “total income” is \$50,000 of which all of the money is funded from basket 1 to accomplish this. In this case the “basket income” is the whole \$50,000 of the “total” income.

It is not until 2028, when Elmer is 67 does his pension plan and retirement kick in to start funding his retirement income. So in the year 2028 to maintain their original spending power of \$50,000, they now need a retirement income of \$69,211.

Now that “other income”, the pension plan and social security account for \$31,000 of the income, only \$38,211 is taken out of the Basket 3 to reach the total requirement of \$69,211.

You can see the same color coded logic in each year of the grid that follows this same kind of strategy.

After a few years, the funds in Baskets 1 through 2 will eventually disappear for most people's strategy. However, since you have allocated the right amount of your assets to the last two baskets and have assumed appropriately higher growth rates, these last two Baskets will take you through your golden years.

Keep this in mind, the active Basket gives money and the passive Basket makes money. This is key to the Nest Egg Software Basket Strategy.

It's important to note that Baskets #1 and #2 are usually depleted after just one income duration; however Baskets #3 and #4 are used numerous times for income depending on the overall length of the retirement duration.

For example here is a good strategy to use: As you begin retirement you can pull retirement income from basket one until it is depleted. Then once basket 1 runs out, you now pull money from basket2 until it is depleted.

The screenshot shows the Nest Egg Software interface. At the top, there are menu options: Account, Scenario, Database, Advisor Info, Print, and Exit. Below this, the current account is 'Fudd, Elmer' and the scenario is 'Elmer's Retirement Plan'. A 'Buy Now' button is visible. The main area is divided into 'Basket Settings' and a data table.

Basket Settings:

- Scenario: \$532,000 of \$570,000 assets in use
- Desired Income: \$47,500
- Base Year: 2011
- Inflation Rate(%): 3.00
- Retirement Year: 2017
- Short Term Rate(%): 2.00
- Retirement Duration(yrs): 30

Basket 1 (Green): Duration: 5, Amount: \$202,000, Growth Rate(%): 4.00

Basket 2 (Orange): Duration: 5, Amount: \$173,000, Growth Rate(%): 5.00

Basket 3 (Yellow): Duration: 5, Amount: \$104,000, Growth Rate(%): 6.00

Basket 4 (Blue): Duration: 5, Amount: \$73,000, Growth Rate(%): 7.00

Table Data:

Year	Elmer's Age	Edith's Age	Basket 1 Growth	Basket 1 Fixed	Basket 2 Growth	Basket 2 Fixed	Basket 3 Growth	Basket 3 Fixed	Basket 4 Growth	Basket 4 Fixed	Other Income	Basket Income	Total Income	Total Basket Assets
2027	66	64					\$96,142	\$168,052	\$215,509		\$0	\$63,837	\$63,837	\$479,703
2028	67	65					\$101,911	\$106,298	\$230,595		\$31,000	\$34,752	\$65,752	\$438,804
2029	68	66					\$108,026	\$72,977	\$246,737		\$31,930	\$35,795	\$67,725	\$427,740
2030	69	67					\$114,508	\$37,926	\$264,009		\$50,887	\$18,870	\$69,757	\$416,443
2031	70	68					\$121,378	\$19,437	\$282,490		\$52,413	\$19,437	\$71,850	\$423,305
2032	71	69					\$128,661		\$200,164	\$102,100	\$53,984	\$20,021	\$74,005	\$430,925
2033	72	70					\$136,381		\$214,175	\$83,719	\$55,602	\$20,623	\$76,225	\$434,275
2034	73	71					\$144,564		\$229,167	\$64,359	\$57,269	\$21,243	\$78,512	\$438,090
2035	74	72					\$153,238		\$245,209	\$43,978	\$58,986	\$21,881	\$80,867	\$442,425
2036	75	73					\$162,432		\$262,374	\$22,539	\$60,754	\$22,539	\$83,293	\$447,345
2037	76	74					\$53,777	\$118,401	\$280,740		\$62,574	\$23,218	\$85,792	\$452,918
2038	77	75					\$57,004	\$97,088	\$300,392		\$64,451	\$23,915	\$88,366	\$454,484
2039	78	76					\$60,424	\$74,636	\$321,419		\$66,382	\$24,635	\$91,017	\$456,479
2040	79	77					\$64,049	\$51,001	\$343,918		\$68,372	\$25,376	\$93,748	\$458,968
2041	80	78					\$67,892	\$26,138	\$367,992		\$70,422	\$26,138	\$96,560	\$462,022
2042	81	79					\$71,966		\$256,448	\$137,303	\$72,533	\$26,924	\$99,457	\$465,717
2043	82	80					\$76,284		\$274,399	\$112,586	\$74,707	\$27,734	\$102,441	\$463,269

When you draw money from basket 3 for a duration of 5 years you can see that you need to liquidate \$168,052 to fund the 5 years of income in Elmer's example. However you still have \$96,142 left in the basket which that remaining balance will continue to grow at the basket growth rate.

After 5 years you now start to draw money from basket 4, again for 5 years. While you are doing that the remaining \$96,142 has had 10 years to grow and is worth \$162,432 ten years later.

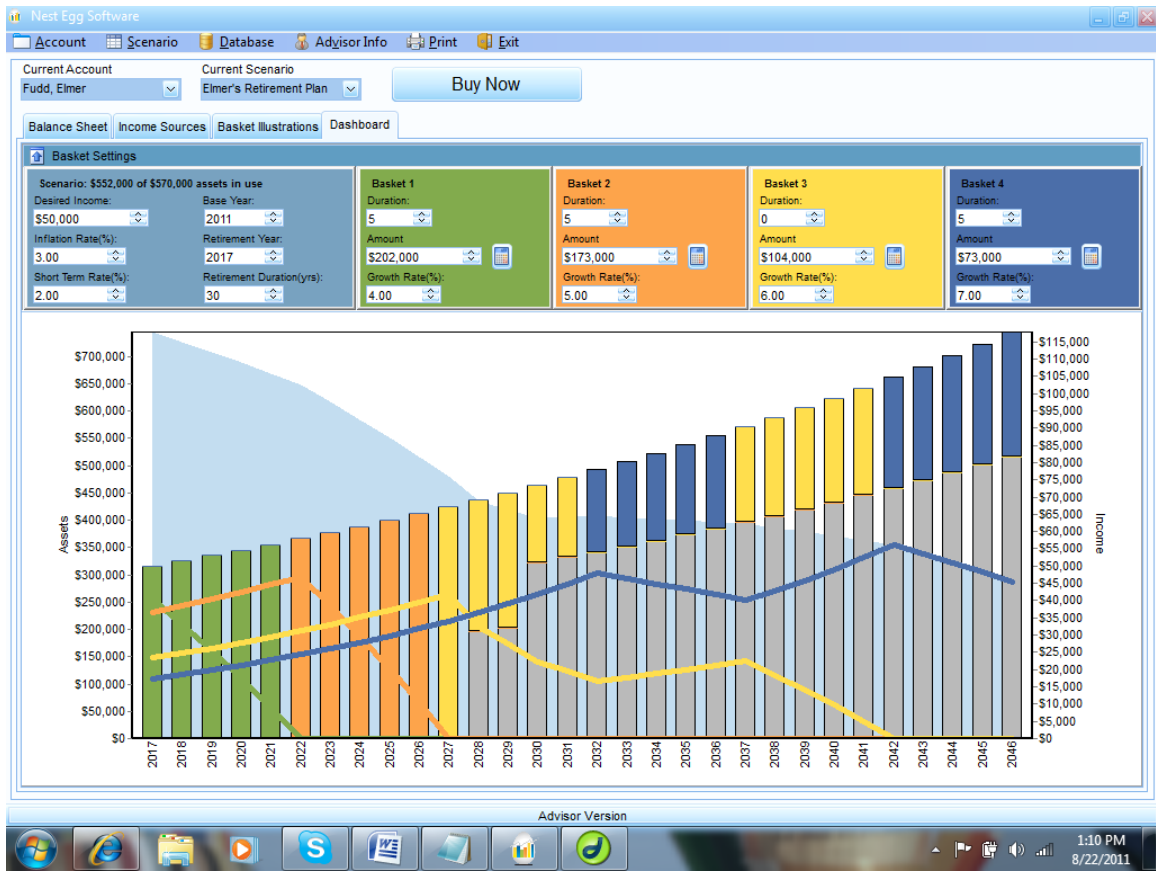
This is an excellent strategy: keep both baskets 3 and 4 alive and alternate between the 2 for retirement income. This way you don't have all your eggs in one basket and it adds versatility to your retirement plan.

Nest Egg Software is the only retirement planning software available that has this feature as part of the software.

Dashboard

The last tab is called the **Dashboard** and it is a graphical display of the basket grid.

After you have created your Scenarios and Baskets, you can click the Dashboard to see a visual illustration showing all of the information you have entered into the system. The Dashboard contains all **Basket Settings**, which are transferred from the Basket Illustrations page. You may make changes to these Basket Settings. Any changes will automatically transfer to the Basket Illustrations screen and Nest Egg will repopulate the Basket graphs accordingly.



As you can see the bar charts are all color coded like the basket grid, where the color of the basket matches the bars and lines in the graph.

Please note that the dashboard has 2 Y-axis: “Assets” and “Income.”

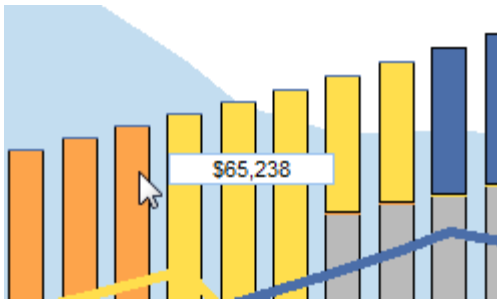
To read the income in any given year you look at the bar and read to the right Y-axis.

To read the value of any basket or the total assets in any given year, you read to the left Y-axis.

Each bar represent the amount of retirement income and the color indicates which basket that income is drawn from. You can also see the “other income” bar which is grey. This is again the pensions and social security. You can see the where the bars are stacked on top of each other which clearly shows the breakdown of income between the “other” and “basket income” need to match that years desired retirement income.

The colored lines on the dashboard show the value of that basket in any given year.

The blue shaded area shows the total assets value in any given year.



In addition to reading the values off of the Y axis, you can left-click anywhere on the graph; a bar, line, or blue area and a box will pop up with the exact value.

Control Icons

We have already covered the basics of setting up accounts and scenarios, but let's return to the control icons at the top of the software.



Under the Account Icon when you click on it you will see a drop down menu with the following options: “Add”, “Edit”, “Copy”, “Delete.”

You will see the same 4 choices in the drop down menu for the Scenario icon as well.

Each of these 4 options should be self-explanatory.

For the Consumer version of the software, you can only have one Account. For the Advisor version you can have as many accounts as you like. You will notice in the Advisor version that as you add names (clients) they will be listed alphabetically for your ease of use.

One item to note here is that you may want to copy a given account or scenarios before you start making a bunch of changes in case you need to return or remember your original data. The reason is Nest Egg Software saves all the changes automatically as well as the basket grid. So it is always a good practice to save a copy first before you start making major changes.

The database icon allows you to “save” your data to your hard drive for backup or to transport your data to another computer running Nest Egg Software.

These functions are called Export (Backup) and Import (Restore).

For example, for the Advisor version of the software you are allowed to run Nest Egg Software on 3 different computers using the same registration key. So let's say you are working on your clients portfolios at work then want to continue working on the airplane or at home, you can simply export the data and then import it into the Nest Egg Software on the other computer.

Also as you upgrade to future versions of Nest Egg Software, you will want to "Export" the data before the upgrade so that you can "Import" it all back in after the new version has been installed.

The advisor info screen is of course only useable in the Advisor version of the software.

Lets discuss the Advisor Account Details screen briefly.

The screenshot shows a window titled "Nest Egg Software - Advisor Account Details". The form contains the following fields and controls:

- Business Name:** Summit Capital
- First Name:** Steve Swensen
- Last Name:** (empty)
- Address1:** 123 Tree Street
- Address2:** (empty)
- City:** Layton
- State:** UT
- Postal Code:** (empty)
- Business Phone:** (801)725-2067
- Waiver:** The information contained herein is based upon sources believed to be true and accurate, but no guarantee is made to the completeness and accuracy of this information. Please consult statements provided by individual custodians or product sponsors for complete information. Past performance is not indicative of future results.
- Disclosure:** (empty)
- Logo:** (empty)
- Buttons:** Load Logo, Clear Logo, Save Record

As a Financial Advisor, the main reason you want to fill in this screen accurately and fully is the information is used to generate the title page of the printed report (discussed later).

Portions of the title page of the report are dynamically generated, which means you as the Financial Advisor gets to determine the information.

Report

Nest Egg Software includes a PDF writer function that allows you to print report either to your computer as a PDF or print on paper. This allows you to print out the report and take it with you. For the Advisor this can be an invaluable tool for client meetings.

The report includes all of the major functions of the software: a Title page, the balance sheet, the income sources, the basket illustration and basket grid and the dashboard graph.

The title page of the report is customizable and again adds great value especially for the Financial Advisor. The following fields of the report title page are customizable and are generated from the account and scenario information.

- Header Logo
- Report Title
- Prepared For
- Prepared By
- Waiver

The Header logo default is the Nest Egg Logo. As a Financial Advisor you can upload your own Logo and hence “brand” the report as you own. Simply upload you logo image through the Advisor Icon tab. Below is a image of the report title page.



The “Report Title” is populated from the name of the scenario. The “Prepared For” field is populated from the account owner’s information tab and the date the report was generated.

The “Prepared By” and notes column to the right are populated by the Advisor info tab and the “waiver” section of that form. The waiver section has the default text you see here and is easily changed.

Here is a screens shot of other pages in the report:

Balance Sheet for Elmer Fudd and Edith Fudd

Savings and Investment Accounts: \$570,000

Description	Owner	\$1/8/2011
Elmer's Bank Savings	Elmer Fudd	\$50,000
Elmer's 401 K	Elmer Fudd	\$200,000
Edith's 401 K	Edith Fudd	\$220,000
RabbitHole Stock	Joint	\$100,000

Other Income Sources: \$45,000

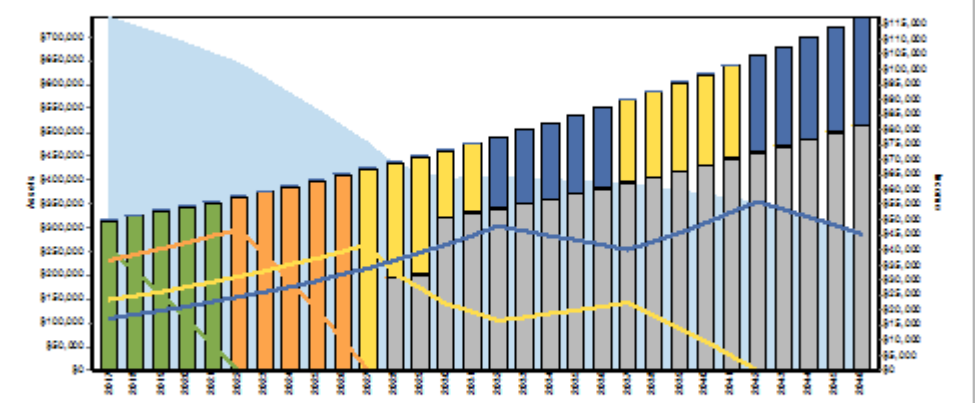
Description	Owner	Start Year	End Year	Inflation Rate %	Amount
Elmer's Hunter's P	Elmer Fudd	2028	2100	3.00	\$15,000
Edith's Social Sec	Edith Fudd	2030	2100	3.00	\$18,000
Elmer's Social Se	Elmer Fudd	2028	2100	3.00	\$12,000

Incomes Sources

	Elmer's Pension Joint	Edith's SS: Joint	Elmer's SS: Joint	Total
2011	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
2012	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
2013	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
2014	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
2015	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
2016	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
2017	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
2018	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
2019	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
2020	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
2021	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
2022	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
2023	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
2024	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
2025	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
2026	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
2027	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
2028	\$15,000	\$0	\$16,000	\$31,000
2029	\$15,450	\$0	\$16,450	\$31,930
2030	\$15,913	\$18,000	\$16,974	\$50,887
2031	\$16,390	\$18,540	\$17,483	\$52,413
2032	\$16,881	\$19,096	\$18,007	\$53,984
2033	\$17,387	\$19,668	\$18,547	\$55,602
2034	\$17,908	\$20,258	\$19,103	\$57,269
2035	\$18,445	\$20,865	\$19,676	\$58,986
2036	\$18,998	\$21,490	\$20,266	\$60,754
2037	\$19,567	\$22,134	\$20,873	\$62,574
2038	\$20,154	\$22,798	\$21,499	\$64,451
2039	\$20,758	\$23,481	\$22,143	\$66,382
2040	\$21,380	\$24,185	\$22,807	\$68,372
2041	\$22,021	\$24,910	\$23,491	\$70,422
2042	\$22,681	\$25,657	\$24,196	\$72,533
2043	\$23,361	\$26,426	\$24,920	\$74,707
2044	\$24,061	\$27,218	\$25,667	\$76,946
2045	\$24,782	\$28,034	\$26,437	\$79,253
2046	\$25,525	\$28,875	\$27,230	\$81,630
2047	\$26,290	\$29,741	\$28,046	\$84,077
2048	\$27,078	\$30,633	\$28,887	\$86,598
2049	\$27,890	\$31,551	\$29,753	\$89,194
2050	\$28,726	\$32,497	\$30,645	\$91,868

Benefit Illustration Desired Income: \$20,000 Inflation Rate: 3.00% Short-Term Rate: 2.00% Base Year: 2011 Retirement Year: 2017 Retirement Duration: 30
 Bucket 1 Amount: \$20,000 Duration: 2 Growth: 4.00%
 Bucket 2 Amount: \$75,000 Duration: 2 Growth: 2.00%
 Bucket 3 Amount: \$75,000 Duration: 2 Growth: 2.00%
 Bucket 4 Amount: \$75,000 Duration: 2 Growth: 7.00%

Year	Age	OP's	Bucket 1 Growth	Bucket 1 Pled	Bucket 2 Growth	Bucket 2 Pled	Bucket 3 Growth	Bucket 3 Pled	Bucket 4 Growth	Bucket 4 Pled	Other Income	Spouse Income	Total Income	Total Assets
2011	21	46	\$20,000		\$175,000		\$10,000		\$75,000		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$20,000
2012	21	46	\$21,000		\$181,950		\$10,200		\$76,110		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$20,000
2013	22	46	\$22,000		\$189,000		\$10,400		\$77,220		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$20,000
2014	23	46	\$23,000		\$196,150		\$10,600		\$78,330		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$20,000
2015	24	46	\$24,000		\$203,400		\$10,800		\$79,440		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$20,000
2016	25	46	\$25,000		\$210,750		\$11,000		\$80,550		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$20,000
2017	26	46	\$26,000		\$218,200		\$11,200		\$81,660		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$20,000
2018	27	46	\$27,000		\$225,750		\$11,400		\$82,770		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$20,000
2019	28	46	\$28,000		\$233,400		\$11,600		\$83,880		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$20,000
2020	29	46	\$29,000		\$241,150		\$11,800		\$85,000		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$20,000
2021	30	46	\$30,000		\$249,000		\$12,000		\$86,110		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$20,000
2022	31	46	\$31,000		\$256,950		\$12,200		\$87,220		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$20,000
2023	32	46	\$32,000		\$265,000		\$12,400		\$88,330		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$20,000
2024	33	46	\$33,000		\$273,150		\$12,600		\$89,440		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$20,000
2025	34	46	\$34,000		\$281,400		\$12,800		\$90,550		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$20,000
2026	35	46	\$35,000		\$289,750		\$13,000		\$91,660		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$20,000
2027	36	46	\$36,000		\$298,200		\$13,200		\$92,770		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$20,000
2028	37	46	\$37,000		\$306,750		\$13,400		\$93,880		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$20,000
2029	38	46	\$38,000		\$315,400		\$13,600		\$95,000		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$20,000
2030	39	46	\$39,000		\$324,150		\$13,800		\$96,110		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$20,000
2031	40	46	\$40,000		\$333,000		\$14,000		\$97,220		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$20,000
2032	41	46	\$41,000		\$341,950		\$14,200		\$98,330		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$20,000
2033	42	46	\$42,000		\$351,000		\$14,400		\$99,440		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$20,000
2034	43	46	\$43,000		\$360,150		\$14,600		\$100,550		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$20,000
2035	44	46	\$44,000		\$369,400		\$14,800		\$101,660		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$20,000
2036	45	46	\$45,000		\$378,750		\$15,000		\$102,770		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$20,000
2037	46	46	\$46,000		\$388,200		\$15,200		\$103,880		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$20,000
2038	47	46	\$47,000		\$397,750		\$15,400		\$105,000		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$20,000
2039	48	46	\$48,000		\$407,400		\$15,600		\$106,110		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$20,000
2040	49	46	\$49,000		\$417,150		\$15,800		\$107,220		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$20,000
2041	50	46	\$50,000		\$427,000		\$16,000		\$108,330		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$20,000
2042	51	46	\$51,000		\$436,950		\$16,200		\$109,440		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$20,000
2043	52	46	\$52,000		\$447,000		\$16,400		\$110,550		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$20,000
2044	53	46	\$53,000		\$457,150		\$16,600		\$111,660		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$20,000
2045	54	46	\$54,000		\$467,400		\$16,800		\$112,770		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$20,000



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