

Future Income Planner

Gain Future Financial Clarity



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What does your future income look like?

Help bring your retirement income into focus by understanding how much you'll need. Use this worksheet to help get an accurate sense of how prepared you are for the future and guide conversations with your financial professional.

How much income will you have?

Source	Monthly Income	Insights, Tips, and Helpful Hints	
Social Security	\$	Estimate anticipated Social Security benefits at: www.ssa.gov/retire/estimator.html	
Employer-Sponsored Pension	\$	All contributions are supplied by the employer, who will base the monthly benefit on employee income and years of service.	
Other Guaranteed Income	\$	The average income of a household with at least one person age 65 and older is \$50,290.1 Consider supplementing your income with a fixed or income annuity for more guaranteed lifetime income.	
Monthly Income Total	\$	Add everything together and put the total in the Income vs. Expenses section at the top of page 04.	

How much do you spend?

Category	Туре	Monthly Cost	Insights, Tips, and Helpful Hints	
Housing	Mortgage/Rent	\$	Did You Know? Retirees typically spend 27% less a year because they're no longer saving toward retirement and have often paid off mortgages and other debts. ²	
	Fees (HOA, parking, etc.)	\$		
	Taxes	\$		
	Homeowners/Renters Insurance	\$		
	Maintenance and Repairs	\$		
Utilities	Electric/Gas	\$	Tip: Have recent utility bills and a	
	Water/Sewer	\$	credit card statement handy for easy and accurate reference.	
	Internet	\$		
	Cell/Home Phone	\$		
	Cable/Satellite	\$		
	Other	\$		
Food	Groceries	\$	Did You Know? The average monthly	
	Dining Out	\$	cost of food in 2023 was \$832. This includes eating out and at home. ³	
Transportation	Car Loan/Lease Payment	\$	Tip: Divide by 12 to determine how an annual expense, like vehicle tax, breaks down monthly. Consider tune-ups, oil changes, and bigger fixes for Maintenance and Repairs.	
	Vehicle Tax	\$		
	Car Insurance	\$		
	Gas	\$		
	Maintenance and Repairs	\$	and repairo.	
	Public Transportation	\$		
Health Care	Health Insurance	\$	Did You Know? A couple who retired in 2024, both age 65, will spend an	
	Medicare	\$	 estimated \$330,000 on health care throughout retirement.⁴ Tip: In 2025, most people will pay a monthly Medicare premium of \$185. However, you may pay more if your adjusted gross income exceeds a 	
	Office Visit Co-Pays	\$		
	Prescriptions/OTC Drugs	\$	specified amount. ⁵ Medical Supplies can include	
	Medical Supplies	\$	walking aids, wound care, and blood pressure monitors.	
	Uncovered Expenses	\$	Deductibles and other out-of-pocket medical costs go in Uncovered Expenses.	

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Other Insurances	Life Insurance Premium	\$	Tip: Check your policy statements.	
	Long-Term Care Premium	\$	 Many insurance premiums are paid annually or semi-annually. 	
Personal	Clothing and Accessories	\$	Toiletries can include shampoo,	
Care	Toiletries	\$	makeup, and toothpaste.Services can include a haircut,	
	Services	\$	manicure, and non-medical massage.	
Recreation	Entertainment	\$	The fun stuff – like movies, sporting events, and show tickets – goes in Entertainment.	
	Vacations	\$		
	Hobbies	\$	Include transportation costs, hotel stays, and food expenses for Vacations .	
	Memberships	\$	What you do with free time can add up.	
	Other	\$	 Consider golf clubs, art supplies, and photography equipment for Hobbies. 	
			Private clubs, gyms, and other associations go in Memberships .	
Gifts	Cash and Presents	\$	Holiday presents and birthday	
	Charitable Donations	\$	gifts for loved ones go in Cash and Presents.	
			Tip: Donations to 501(c)(3) organizations are tax deductible.	
Pet Care	Food and Supplies	\$	Don't forget about services like dog	
	Veterinary and Medical	\$	 walking and preventive medical costs or pet insurance premiums. 	
	Grooming and Boarding	\$		
Debt Payments	Outstanding Loans	\$	Consider any credit card debt and personal, student, home equity, or small business loans. (Mortgage and car payment covered on previous page.)	
	Other	\$		
Taxes	Income Tax	\$	Did You Know? Your taxes will change in retirement. Speak with your tax professional about how Social Security and taxes on retirement account withdrawals are different.	
	Other	\$		
Monthly Expenses Total		\$	Add everything together and put the total in the Income vs. Expenses section at the top of page 04.	

Do you have what you need?

Income vs. Expenses



How much have you saved?

Asset	Source	Value	Insights, Tips, and Helpful Hints
Savings		\$	Did You Know? If you received a \$3,000 monthly income payment in the year 2000, you'd need \$5,603.95
CD and Money Market Accounts		\$	a month to match the buying power in 2025.6
Mutual Funds		\$	
Stocks and Bonds		\$	
IRAs and Qualified Plans		\$	
Business/Property		\$	
Investments Total		\$	

Now that you have a clearer picture of your income needs for retirement, use this worksheet to talk with your financial professional about your goals.

For more tools and information, visit www.brighthousefinancial.com.

¹ Income of Today's Older Adults. Pension Rights Center, October 23, 2023.

² Annual expenditure means, shares, standard errors, and relative standard errors, Consumer Expenditure Surveys, 2022. U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, September 2023.

³ Consumer expenditures in 2023. U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, December 2024.

⁴ How to plan for rising health care costs. Fidelity Investments, August 12, 2024.

⁵ Costs. Medicare.gov, as of May 2025.

⁶ CPI Inflation Calculator. U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, as of May 2025.

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