## Retirement Strategies

Just a few thoughts, not comprehensive, not financial advice

## Outline

- Plan early and time is on your side
- Flexibility and robustness, i.e., it's good to have options
- An estimate of Social Security benefits what if, spreadsheet
- Retire early, retire later spreadsheet
- Asset allocation and balancing your portfolio
- ROTH IRA and tax-free income


## Full Disclosure

- I just might own some or all of the investments discussed
- I retired early


## Just Got This Today

## Edward Dean BABIUCH

JULY 17, 1948 - SEPTEMBER 22, 2021
Edward Dean BABIUCH, age 73, of Cocoa, Florida passed away on Wednesday, September 22, 2021. Edward was born July 17, 1948.

- Ed, a friend of mine, a dragon slayer, was only 73
- We don't know what tomorrow has in store for us
- Your retirement is important, plan for it, enjoy it, live it!


## An Estimate of Social Security Benefits

- It's just a spreadsheet, all models are wrong, some models are useful
- George Box, Wikpedia
- The steps, not too bad...

1. Fetch your Earnings Record from https://ssa.gov
2. Apply effects of inflation, bring all dollars to 'today'
3. Sort to get the largest 35 years
4. Calculate your monthly average \& monthly benefit
5. Study scenarios of replacing $\$ 0$ years, retiring early-late, etc

- I'll first show the spread sheet, then show how to get the data


## Social Security Estimate Sheet

|  | A | B | C |
| :---: | ---: | ---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 | Work Year | Indexed Earnings | Year Rank |
| 2 | 2002 | $\$ 49,088.79$ | 1 |
| 3 | 1978 | $\$ 48,913.30$ | 2 |
| 4 | 1985 | $\$ 48,904.62$ | 3 |
| 5 | 1976 | $\$ 48,567.84$ | 4 |
| 6 | 1997 | $\$ 48,349.92$ | 5 |
| 7 | 1987 | $\$ 48,288.17$ | 6 |
| 8 | 1999 | $\$ 48,233.94$ | 7 |
| 9 | 2020 | $\$ 48,175.00$ | 8 |
| 10 | 1986 | $\$ 47,938.42$ | 9 |
| 11 | 2005 | $\$ 47,921.90$ | 10 |
| 12 | 1977 | $\$ 47,481.27$ | 11 |
| 13 | 2009 | $\$ 47,371.17$ | 12 |
| 14 | 2011 | $\$ 47,320.93$ | 13 |
| 15 | 2000 | $\$ 46,995.16$ | 14 |
| 16 | 1982 | $\$ 46,861.24$ | 15 |
| 17 | 1989 | $\$ 46,621.24$ | 16 |
| 18 | 1995 | $\$ 46,340.15$ | 17 |
| 19 | 2015 | $\$ 46,180.89$ | 18 |
| 20 | 2014 | $\$ 45,998.62$ | 19 |

## How to get your Earnings Record

## My Home Message Center Security Settings

Overview

## Social Security Statement

Estimated Benefits

## A Message from Social Security:

$\checkmark$ Your Social Security Statement..
Estimated Benefit at Full
Retirement age (67):
Last Reported Earnings
$\zeta$ View Estimated Benefits
(A) Print/ Save Your Full Statement

Get a copy of your Statement information in a convenient, print-friendly format.

## Disclaimer

## How to get Inflation Factors

## Automatic Increases

- https://www.ssa.gov/oact/cola/awifactors.html


## Indexing factors for eligibility year 2021

## September 26, 2021

When we compute a person's benefit, we use the national average wage indexing series to index that person's earnings. The factors shown below can be used to closely approximate the indexed earnings for workers

- born in 1959 (and thus becoming eligible in 2021), or
- who die or become disabled in 2021.


## Year of eligibility

Note: If you select a year after 2021, we will use average wage changes that were estimated under the intermediate assumptions in the latest Trustees Report.

Enter the
year of eligibility
for which you want indexing factors 2021
Submit request
Indexing factors
Factor

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13.5009658
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13.2378681
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12.6066062
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12.3048487
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8.7452136
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7.5836146
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7.1370512
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6.7365965
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6.2681603
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## Time Value Of Money - Retire Age 62

Retire at age 62

- At the end of one year, this person has $\$ 15,184$
- This amount compounds to \$31,935 after 2 years



## Retire Age 67



## The lines never cross

## With compounding, early retirement produces more income

Cumulative Retirement Age 62, 67, 70

- Blue age 62
- Red 67
- Green 70

The spreadsheet link


## S\&P 500

- The S\&P 500 Index originally began in 1926 as the "composite index" comprised of only 90 stocks.
- According to historical records, the average annual return since its inception in 1926 through 2018 is approximately 10\%-11\%
- hitps://www.investopedia.com/ask/answers/042415/what-average-annual-return-sp-500.asp


## Will the stock market ever crash?

- Yes, and lam counting on it
- When a market crashes, it is easier to spot the strong and weak stocks
- This is called a sensitivity analysis
- If you sell, and don't buy back in, you realize your loss
- If you sell and immediately buy stronger stocks or mutual funds, you get stronger




What you see in the mecia is Fear, Uncertainty \& Boubt ...and it's possibly true

## A Stock Market Crash_Is Comino. Here's What

by Maurie Backman | Published on Aug. 9, 2021


Your Key to Making Money!

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[^0]Harry Dent: Stock Market Crash Likely Within 3 Months

Michael Burry, Jeremy Grantham, and other top investors are predicting an epic market crash. Here are their gravest warnings so far.

## Portfolio Asset Allocation

Managing your portfolio and stress levels

- Evaluate your portfolio often enough to be strategic, but not so often that it drives you crazy
- Holding individual stocks is more stressful than holding mutual funds
- For me llook at a portfolio monthly and make updates 3 or 4 times per year
- I make a deep dive one time each year
- What markets are likely to do well? Which to avoid?
- Are there any major purchases or expenses to budget for?
- Plan ahead to have cash on hand


# Portfolio Balance Sheet 

|  |  | Value | \% Total | \% Target | Action | Transaction | New total | Executed |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| fdrxx | Cash | 13,863 | 17.1\% | 3.0\% | sell | 11,429 | 2,434 | x |
| fbgrx | Blue Chip Growth Fund | 16,449 | 20.3\% | 23.0\% | buy | 2,210 | 18,659 | 0 |
| fbsox | Select IT Services Portfolio | 16,110 | 19.9\% | 23.0\% | buy | 2,549 | 18,659 | 0 |
| fselx | Select Semiconductors Portfolio | 16,999 | 21.0\% | 23.0\% | buy | 1,660 | 18,659 | 0 |
| fsmex | Select Medical Technology and Devi | 17,704 | 21.8\% | 23.0\% | buy | 955 | 18,659 | 0 |
| gld | SPDR Gold Trust | - | 0.0\% | 5.0\% | buy | 4,056 | 4,056 | 0 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  | 81,125 | 100\% | 100.0\% |  |  | 81,125 |  |

1. Update values column
2. Revisit your \% Target goals
3. Execute buy/sell mark Executed

## The ROTHIRA

- Qualified withdrawals are tax-free
- Growth in the account is tax-free
- No Required Minimum Distributions

- Can withdraw principal portion at any age, without penalty
- Can withdraw all after age 59.5, without penalty
- The account hodder can leave 100\% of it to their heirs
- Simplify taxes, no need to track all those financial transactions
- Yearly contribution max (fully taxed dollars)
- age 49 and below is $\$ 6,000$, age 50 and above $\$ 7,000$


## Discussion


[^0]:    - Lorimer Wilson
    - August 15, 2021 - 1 Comment 12,0

