

Nonqualified deferred compensation plans

Pre-tax savings pumps up your growth potential

Assuming you didn't have to spend the money somewhere else, would you rather start with a \$100 investment or a \$75 investment?

That's an easy one. All other things being equal, that \$100 investment would grow more quickly than \$75.

And that's just one of the ways a nonqualified deferred compensation plan increases your savings power. Because you're setting aside money before taxes come out – and the earnings on those dollars compound on a tax-deferred basis – more of your money is working for you.

With a taxable investment, such as stocks or bonds, you've already paid taxes on the money you're investing. It's like you're working with \$75 instead of \$100. In a nonqualified plan, 100 percent of every dollar and any credited earnings grow tax-deferred.

The example below shows you what we mean. The advantage of pre-tax savings increases dramatically the longer you let your balance grow. Also, by strategically timing when you pay taxes, you may find that you're able to lower your tax bracket in your retirement years.

Compare pre- and post-tax account growth

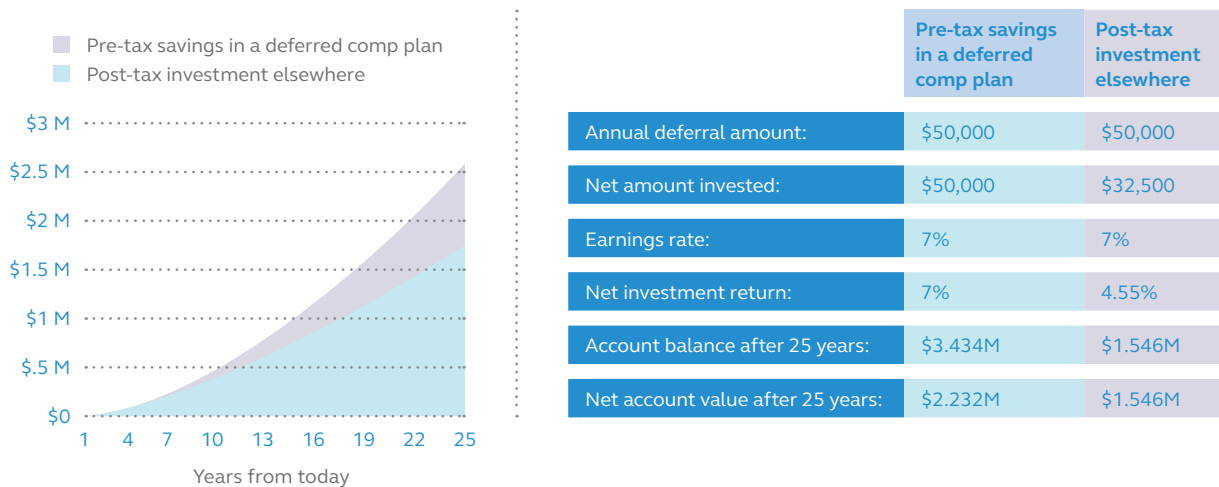


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