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## Highlights



## How participants saved in 2023

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## Account balances rebounded after 2022 losses

Strong markets in 2023 helped average account balances regain some losses experienced in 2022. The average account balance increased $14 \%$ to $\$ 115 \mathrm{~K}$ in 2023, the second-highest average over the past 10 years but below the $\$ 124 \mathrm{~K}$ high reached in 2021.

Gains were especially strong among participants age 20-29, who experienced an average increase of $27 \%$ from 2022 to 2023.


## Average account balance:

Year-over-year change

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2021+8^{\%} \mid 2022-18^{\%} \quad 2023+14 \%
$$

Account change by age segment


## Participation dropped (but auto-services helped)

Overall plan participation decreased from $66 \%$ in 2022 to $63 \%$ in 2023-a 10-year low partially caused by a small increase in the number of participants who opted out of auto-enrollment. Participation dropped across age groups, especially among younger participants, who may be focusing on other financial goals (e.g., paying down debt, buying a house). Overall, participation remains significantly higher in plans with auto-enrollment.

## Participation rate by age (participant-weighted)

- 2021 - 2022 - 2023



## Better outcomes with auto-services



Adoption of auto-services continues to increase as these services produce results for plans.

Plan adoption trends (2022 to 2023)
$+3.9^{\%}+1.8 \%$
Auto-enrollment
Auto-increase
How they're working:

36\%
Participation in plans without auto-enroll


Auto-increase with opt-in method*


Participation in plans with auto-enroll

Auto-increase with opt-out method*

The opt-in method requires participants to elect auto-increase, while the opt-out method automatically enrolls participants in auto-increase.

## Participants kept saving through inflation concerns

Following soaring inflation in 2022, the average deferral rate among plan participants at T. Rowe Price continued to hold steady at $8.4 \%$ from 2022 to 2023 and was higher than the national average of $7.8 \%$.*
U.S. inflation rate vs. deferral rate by month
—U.S. Inflation Rate T. Rowe Price Deferral Rate


## Average deferral rate trends



## Roth on the rise

Plans continue to adopt the Roth contribution option-and more participants are making Roth contributions.

Percentage of plans that offer Roth:
$03 \%$
2021
8 \% $\%$
2022
$93 \%$
2023

Percentage of participants who use Roth:
$12^{\%}$
2021
$13 \%$
2022
14\%
2023

[^0]
## Savings trends for preretirees

In 2023, the average age of terminated participants over 59 increased in nearly every industry. While participants age 50-69 saved the most on average, catch-up contribution usage declined in 2023 following 10 years of steady gains. Overall, many workers are retiring later.


Average age of terminated participants who remain in the plan after age 59


## Does employer match influence retention?

Data show that offering an employer match could help improve retention rates.

Termination percentage by plans with and without match

- No Match Offered
$\square$ Percent Match Offered



## Employer match trends

The likelihood of a plan offering a match was higher in plans with more employees
$72 \%$
$86 \%$
1K-5K employees
90\%
$>5 \mathrm{~K}$ employees

The most popular match formula changed in 2023

up to first 3\%
up to the next 2\%

Most plans stop matching at 6\% of a participant's contribution
\% is the most common maximum for employer match across match formulas

## How participants invested in 2023

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## Target date continues to dominate portfolios

The assets in participant accounts were invested in a target date product more than any other investment type in 2023. The allocation to money market/stable value investments decreased from 2022 as participants moved money to stocks and target date products most likely in reaction to improved market performance.

## Asset allocation



98\%
of plans at T. Rowe Price offered target date investments in 2023

Ten-year change in target date balances


- Entire Balance in Target Date Products
- No Balance in Target Date Products
- Partial Balance in Target Date Products

[^1]
## Little change with fund exchange activity

The volume of exchanges has remained relatively stable since 2018. Even with the highest period of volatility in 2020 , just $2.5 \%$ of participants made a fund exchange.

## Exchanges vs. S\&P 500 closing



## Are participants exchanging target date investments?

Participants with $100 \%$ of assets invested in target date investments continue to have the lowest average exchange rate compared with participants who with $0 \%$ or a portion of assets invested in a target date product. Among the small percentage of target date investors who switched between target date investments in 2023, $62 \%$ moved money to an investment with a later target date. The majority of participants age 60-69 moved to a later target date, while those age 20-29 moved to an earlier target date.
less likely to make an exchange when $100 \%$ invested in a target date

Little change with exchange activity

| Percentage of participants who made an exchange |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
|  | 2022 |  |  | 2023 |  |  |  |  |
|  | Q1 | Q2 | Q3 | Q4 | Q1 | Q2 | Q3 | Q4 |
| Active participants with 100\% <br> invested in a target date product | $0.4 \%$ | $0.2 \%$ | $0.2 \%$ | $0.2 \%$ | $0.2 \%$ | $0.2 \%$ | $0.2 \%$ | $0.2 \%$ |
| Active participants with 0\% <br> invested in a target date product | $7.3 \%$ | $6.4 \%$ | $5.1 \%$ | $4.6 \%$ | $5.4 \%$ | $4.9 \%$ | $5.0 \%$ | $5.4 \%$ |
| Active participants partially <br> invested in a target date product | $3.3 \%$ | $2.5 \%$ | $2.0 \%$ | $1.7 \%$ | $2.2 \%$ | $2.1 \%$ | $2.2 \%$ | $2.9 \%$ |

## Exchanges between target date years*



## How participants accessed savings in 2023

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## Loan usage increased-but defaults dropped

More participants had an outstanding loan balance in 2023. Although loan rates increased, loan defaults declined for the third year in a row.

Percentage of loans defaulted by year


## 2023 loan trends

Plan adoption


Participant usage


Average new loan amount


1 percentage point
$\$ 9,953$ in 2023 compared with \$9,837 in 2022

## Withdrawals increased slightly

Participants withdrew higher amounts and took more distributions in 2023 than in 2022, although average distribution amounts remained below the five-year high in 2021. There was a sizable increase in participants over age 65 who took multiple distributions, which could indicate that more retirees are taking distributions for retirement income.

## Average distributions



## Share of participants with multiple distributions

——Share of participants under 65 years old taking multiple distributions in a year
$\longrightarrow$ Share of participants over 65 years old taking multiple distributions in a year

increase in distributions made by participants age 65-69

Older participants are taking distributions later
In 2023, SECURE 2.0 increased the age for beginning required minimum distributions (RMDs) from 72 to 73 . As a result, the number of participants age 72 who took a distribution decreased significantly in 2023.

Distributions by age


## Change in distributions 2022 to 2023


4.2 \%
all other age groups

## Where is demand for hardship withdrawals highest?

Hardship withdrawals increased across all age groups from 2022 to 2023, which could highlight the need for financial wellness support. Participants in their 50s experienced a $22 \%$ increase in both their average hardship amount and quantity.

## Average hardships taken by age and year



## Volume up, amounts down

Over the past three years, the average hardship withdrawal amount decreased even as the average number of distributions increased slightly

## \$8,523

1.2 hardships
1.3 hardships

## How participants engaged in 2023

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## Education about investing topped the list

Participants engaged with educational resources related to investing more than any other topic throughout 2023. Interest in financial wellness content also increased.

## Education Library usage

$■$ Financial Wellness ■Investing ■My Account ■Retirement Planning $\square$ Saving for Retirement


## Barriers to saving

Participants self-reported their top barriers to saving through the Financial Wellness Assessment:


## Usage was highest for loan and distribution calculators

The Distribution Decision and Loan calculators experienced the highest usage in 2023, continuing a trend from 2021.

## Calculator usage

- Loan Calculator
- Contribution Maximizer Calculator Distribution Decision Calculato - Social Security Calculator

Paycheck Impact Calculator
Roth Comparison Calculator
$\square$ Roth Comparison Calculator


## Are "balance checkers" engaging more?

The majority of participants focus on checking their account balance. Personalized messaging and individualized calls to action on the homepage are helping drive deeper engagement.

## Website balance checkers




## How engagement drives results

Personalized and data-rich experiences such as SmartVideo motivate participants to act.

Who increased deferral rates?
$10^{\%}$
of SmartVideo viewers

Who enrolled in contribution auto-increases?
3.7\%
of SmartVideo viewers
4.6\%
of non-viewers

How you can help


## How you can help

There are opportunities for plan sponsors, retirement professionals, and providers to work together to help address the barriers that disrupt saving.

## Questions

## Conversation starters

## Could a student loan match help increase participation among younger participants?

Is it time to add Roth?

## Can we help reduce hardship withdrawals by helping participants save for emergencies?



- Many providers, including T. Rowe Price, have student loan match programs in place already that uphold SECURE 2.0 guidance
- Participant usage continues to grow
- SECURE 2.0 will require plans to offer Roth or eliminate catch-up contributions beginning in 2026
- SECURE 2.0 offers two potential options to help participants with financial emergencies
- Out-of-plan solutions, such as T. Rowe Price's Waysaver app, can help participants save for emergencies while avoiding ERISA complexities
- There may be opportunities to expand resources for preretirees and retirees about making the transition from saving to spending
- New income-producing investments and managed payout accounts could help retain retiree assets in the plan


## Detailed data

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## Percentage of plans that have adopted auto-enrollment and auto-increase

$\longrightarrow$ Percent of Plans Offering Auto-increase
—Percent of Plans Offering Auto-enrollment


| 20142015 | 2017 |  | 2018 | 2019 | 2020 |  | 2021 | 2022 |  | 2023 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 2014 | 2015 | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 | 2020 | 2021 | 2022 | 2023 |
| Percent of Plans Offering Auto-increase | 70\% | 69\% | 72\% | 76\% | 79\% | 80\% | 81\% | 84\% | 85\% | 87\% |
| Percent of Plans Offering Auto-enrollment | 51\% | 51\% | 55\% | 57\% | 60\% | 62\% | 62\% | 64\% | 66\% | 68\% |

## Auto-enrollment adoption and default rate



|  | $\mathbf{2 0 1 4}$ | $\mathbf{2 0 1 5}$ | $\mathbf{2 0 1 6}$ | $\mathbf{2 0 1 7}$ | $\mathbf{2 0 1 8}$ | $\mathbf{2 0 1 9}$ | $\mathbf{2 0 2 0}$ | $\mathbf{2 0 2 1}$ | $\mathbf{2 0 2 2}$ | $\mathbf{2 0 2 3}$ |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $<3 \%$ | $8 \%$ | $8 \%$ | $7 \%$ | $7 \%$ | $6 \%$ | $6 \%$ | $6 \%$ | $6 \%$ | $5 \%$ | $5 \%$ |
| $3 \%$ | $43 \%$ | $38 \%$ | $34 \%$ | $32 \%$ | $30 \%$ | $32 \%$ | $30 \%$ | $28 \%$ | $27 \%$ | $26 \%$ |
| $4 \%$ | $15 \%$ | $13 \%$ | $15 \%$ | $15 \%$ | $14 \%$ | $12 \%$ | $14 \%$ | $14 \%$ | $15 \%$ | $16 \%$ |
| $5 \%$ | $10 \%$ | $11 \%$ | $11 \%$ | $13 \%$ | $12 \%$ | $13 \%$ | $14 \%$ | $16 \%$ | $16 \%$ | $15 \%$ |
| $6 \%+$ | $24 \%$ | $30 \%$ | $33 \%$ | $34 \%$ | $37 \%$ | $37 \%$ | $36 \%$ | $36 \%$ | $39 \%$ | $38 \%$ |

## Year-over-year change in auto-enrollment default deferral rates



## Auto-enrollment default deferral rate enrollment percentage with percent of participants increasing or decreasing default



## Default auto-increase rate



|  | $\mathbf{2 0 1 4}$ | $\mathbf{2 0 1 5}$ | $\mathbf{2 0 1 6}$ | $\mathbf{2 0 1 7}$ | $\mathbf{2 0 1 8}$ | $\mathbf{2 0 1 9}$ | $\mathbf{2 0 2 0}$ | $\mathbf{2 0 2 1}$ | $\mathbf{2 0 2 2}$ | $\mathbf{2 0 2 3}$ |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $1 \%$ | $70 \%$ | $74 \%$ | $75 \%$ | $78 \%$ | $82 \%$ | $83 \%$ | $83 \%$ | $84 \%$ | $85 \%$ | $87 \%$ |
| $2 \%$ | $30 \%$ | $26 \%$ | $25 \%$ | $21 \%$ | $18 \%$ | $17 \%$ | $17 \%$ | $16 \%$ | $14 \%$ | $13 \%$ |
| $3 \%$ | $0 \%$ | $0 \%$ | $0 \%$ | $0.4 \%$ | $0.4 \%$ | $0.4 \%$ | $0.4 \%$ | $0.4 \%$ | $0.4 \%$ | $0.3 \%$ |

## Default investment options

■ Target Date Product


2016

■ Other Investment*


|  | $\mathbf{2 0 1 4}$ | $\mathbf{2 0 1 5}$ | $\mathbf{2 0 1 6}$ | $\mathbf{2 0 1 7}$ | $\mathbf{2 0 1 8}$ | $\mathbf{2 0 1 9}$ | $\mathbf{2 0 2 0}$ | $\mathbf{2 0 2 1}$ | $\mathbf{2 0 2 2}$ | $\mathbf{2 0 2 3}$ |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Target Date Product | $96 \%$ | $96 \%$ | $96 \%$ | $96 \%$ | $98 \%$ | $98 \%$ | $98 \%$ | $98 \%$ | $99 \%$ | $99 \%$ |
| Other Investment* | $4 \%$ | $4 \%$ | $4 \%$ | $4 \%$ | $2 \%$ | $2 \%$ | $2 \%$ | $2 \%$ | $1 \%$ | $1 \%$ |

*Other investments could include balanced, money market, or stable value funds. Results for auto-enrollment and auto-increase are based on those plans that offer the features. Numbers are rounded and may not equal 100\%.

## Participation in other automated services

|  | $\mathbf{2 0 1 4}$ | $\mathbf{2 0 1 5}$ | $\mathbf{2 0 1 6}$ | $\mathbf{2 0 1 7}$ | $\mathbf{2 0 1 8}$ | $\mathbf{2 0 1 9}$ | $\mathbf{2 0 2 0}$ | $\mathbf{2 0 2 1}$ | $\mathbf{2 0 2 2}$ | $\mathbf{2 0 2 3}$ |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Auto-reenrollment |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Plan Participation | $8 \%$ | $10 \%$ | $12 \%$ | $13 \%$ | $14 \%$ | $14 \%$ | $14 \%$ | $14 \%$ | $14 \%$ | $14 \%$ |
| Success Rate | $78 \%$ | $78 \%$ | $78 \%$ | $78 \%$ | $78 \%$ | $78 \%$ | $77 \%$ | $78 \%$ | $79 \%$ | $79 \%$ |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Auto-restart |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Plan Participation | $44 \%$ | $52 \%$ | $57 \%$ | $60 \%$ | $64 \%$ | $60 \%$ | $56 \%$ | $55 \%$ | $52 \%$ | $48 \%$ |
| Success Rate | $56 \%$ | $57 \%$ | $61 \%$ | $55 \%$ | $53 \%$ | $53 \%$ | $65 \%$ | $\mathrm{~N} / \mathrm{A}^{*}$ | $\mathrm{~N} / \mathrm{A}^{*}$ | $\mathrm{~N} / \mathrm{A}^{*}$ |

[^2]The success rate is used to define how successful the one-time event was in maintaining participation when offering the service to employees. The success rate is the count of participants who actually completed the service process divided by the count of participants who enrolled through the service process.

## Auto-increase election methods

■Auto-increase Plans Using Opt-Out Method ■Auto-increase Plans Using Opt-In Method


## Participation adoption rate based on auto-increase adoption method

- Opt-Out Adoption Method Used - Opt-In Adoption Method Used



## Participation rate

## Participant Weighted



Plan Weighted


## Participation rate-auto-enrollment vs. non-auto-enrollment

— Auto-enrollment Plans—Participant Weighted
Non-auto-enrollment Plans-Participant Weighted

- All-Participant Weighted


| Auto-enrollment <br> Plans—Participant Weighted | $\mathbf{2 0 1 3}$ | $\mathbf{2 0 1 4}$ | $\mathbf{2 0 1 5}$ | $\mathbf{2 0 1 6}$ | $\mathbf{2 0 1 7}$ | $\mathbf{2 0 1 8}$ | $\mathbf{2 0 1 9}$ | $\mathbf{2 0 2 0}$ | $\mathbf{2 0 2 1}$ | $\mathbf{2 0 2 2}$ |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Non-auto-enrollment <br> Plans—Participant Weighted | $52 \%$ | $88 \%$ | $88 \%$ | $87 \%$ | $86 \%$ | $85 \%$ | $86 \%$ | $85 \%$ | $86 \%$ | $83 \%$ |
| All—Participant Weighted | $68 \%$ | $68 \%$ | $67 \%$ | $68 \%$ | $67 \%$ | $66 \%$ | $66 \%$ | $67 \%$ | $68 \%$ | $66 \%$ |

## Segmented auto-enrollment participation rates by generation

- 2021-2022 - 2023



## Segmented auto-enrollment participation rates by age

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-2021 - 2022 - 2023
```



| Age Range | $\mathbf{2 0 2 1}$ | $\mathbf{2 0 2 2}$ | $\mathbf{2 0 2 3}$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| $<20$ | $62 \%$ | $64 \%$ | $40 \%$ |
| $20-29$ | $80 \%$ | $82 \%$ | $75 \%$ |
| $30-39$ | $87 \%$ | $87 \%$ | $86 \%$ |
| $40-49$ | $88 \%$ | $89 \%$ | $88 \%$ |
| $50-59$ | $89 \%$ | $89 \%$ | $89 \%$ |
| $60-64$ | $89 \%$ | $90 \%$ | $90 \%$ |
| $65-69$ | $86 \%$ | $87 \%$ | $87 \%$ |
| $70+$ | $76 \%$ | $77 \%$ | $77 \%$ |

## Participation rate by age-auto-enrollment vs. non-auto-enrollment plans



## Participation rate (participant weighted) by age

$$
■ 2021 \quad ■ 2022 \quad ■ 2023
$$


<20







| Age Range | $\mathbf{2 0 2 1}$ | $\mathbf{2 0 2 2}$ | $\mathbf{2 0 2 3}$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| $<20$ | $34 \%$ | $31 \%$ | $\mathbf{2 5 \%}$ |
| $20-29$ | $55 \%$ | $53 \%$ | $49 \%$ |
| $30-39$ | $71 \%$ | $69 \%$ | $66 \%$ |
| $40-49$ | $74 \%$ | $73 \%$ | $72 \%$ |
| $50-59$ | $77 \%$ | $76 \%$ | $75 \%$ |
| $60-64$ | $77 \%$ | $77 \%$ | $76 \%$ |
| $65-69$ | $72 \%$ | $71 \%$ | $71 \%$ |
| $70+$ | $56 \%$ | $56 \%$ | $55 \%$ |
| Total | $\mathbf{6 8 \%}$ | $\mathbf{6 6 \%}$ | $\mathbf{6 3 \%}$ |

## Participation rate breakdown by plan assets



## Participation rates breakdown by plan participant count

Plan Weighted
—Plan Weighted

- Total Plan Weighted


| Participant <br> Size Range | Plan Weighted | Participant <br> Weighted |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| $<1 \mathrm{~K}$ | $79 \%$ | $73 \%$ |
| $1 \mathrm{~K}-5 \mathrm{~K}$ | $82 \%$ | $64 \%$ |
| $>5 \mathrm{~K}$ | $76 \%$ | $62 \%$ |
| Total | $\mathbf{7 9 \%}$ | $\mathbf{6 3 \%}$ |

Participant Weighted
Participant Weighted - Total Participant Weighted


## Average account balance



Year-Over-Year Change in Account Balance


Percentage of plans with match by number of participants


## Percentage of plans with match formulas by assets



## Percentage of plans with match formulas by industry



## Employer match type



1\%
55\%
24\%
19\%
$1 \% \quad 52 \%$
$2 \%$
28\%
19\%
*"Has Groups" refers to plans that have multiple match formulas for different groups of employees. For example, union versus nonunion or full time versus part time.

## Employer match types by number of participants



| Match Types | $<\mathbf{1 K}$ | 1K-5K | $\mathbf{> 5 K}$ |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Fixed Dollar | $1 \%$ | $1 \%$ | - |
| Fixed Percent | $58 \%$ | $51 \%$ | $34 \%$ |
| *Has Groups | $19 \%$ | $32 \%$ | $46 \%$ |
| Tiered | $21 \%$ | $16 \%$ | $20 \%$ |

*"Has Groups" refers to plans that have multiple match formulas for different groups of employees. For example, union versus nonunion or full time versus part time.

## Employer match type by asset size


*"Has Groups" refers to plans that have multiple match formulas for different groups of employees. For example, union versus nonunion or full time versus part time.

## Top match formulas



## Top match ceilings*



| Match Ceiling | $\mathbf{2 0 2 1}$ | $\mathbf{2 0 2 2}$ | $\mathbf{2 0 2 3}$ |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\$ 1,500$ | $1 \%$ | $1 \%$ | $1 \%$ |
| $\$ 150$ | $1 \%$ | $1 \%$ | $1 \%$ |
| $\$ 100$ | $3 \%$ | $3 \%$ | $3 \%$ |
| $10 \%$ | $3 \%$ | $3 \%$ | $3 \%$ |
| $8 \%$ | $5 \%$ | $4 \%$ | $4 \%$ |
| $7 \%$ | $2 \%$ | $2 \%$ | $2 \%$ |
| $6 \%$ | $43 \%$ | $41 \%$ | $42 \%$ |
| $5 \%$ | $24 \%$ | $25 \%$ | $24 \%$ |
| $4 \%$ | $14 \%$ | $16 \%$ | $17 \%$ |
| $3 \%$ | $3 \%$ | $3 \%$ | $2 \%$ |

*Match ceiling is the amount that a participant needs to contribute to take full advantage of the company match.

## Top match effective rates*



| Effective Match Rate | $\mathbf{2 0 2 1}$ | $\mathbf{2 0 2 2}$ | $\mathbf{2 0 2 3}$ |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $1.5 \%$ | $3 \%$ | $3 \%$ | $3 \%$ |
| $2 \%$ | $3 \%$ | $2 \%$ | $2 \%$ |
| $2.5 \%$ | $2 \%$ | $2 \%$ | $2 \%$ |
| $3 \%$ | $21 \%$ | $20 \%$ | $20 \%$ |
| $3.5 \%$ | $6 \%$ | $5 \%$ | $6 \%$ |
| $4 \%$ | $34 \%$ | $37 \%$ | $39 \%$ |
| $4.5 \%$ | $8 \%$ | $8 \%$ | $7 \%$ |
| $5 \%$ | $11 \%$ | $12 \%$ | $11 \%$ |
| $6 \%$ | $9 \%$ | $9 \%$ | $10 \%$ |
| $8 \%$ | $1 \%$ | $1 \%$ | $1 \%$ |

*The match effective rate is identified by multiplying the percentage that is matched by the amount of the match. Example: A plan that matches $100 \%$ of contributions up to $6 \%$ has an effective rate of $6 \%$, while a plan that matches $50 \%$ of contributions up to $6 \%$ has an effective rate of $3 \%$.

## Plan usage of frequencies for match execution



| Frequency | $\mathbf{2 0 2 1}$ | $\mathbf{2 0 2 2}$ | $\mathbf{2 0 2 3}$ |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Per Pay Period | $56 \%$ | $54 \%$ | $53 \%$ |
| Other | $20 \%$ | $24 \%$ | $28 \%$ |
| Biweekly | $8 \%$ | $8 \%$ | $7 \%$ |
| Annually | $5 \%$ | $5 \%$ | $4 \%$ |
| Weekly | $2 \%$ | $2 \%$ | $2 \%$ |
| Quarterly | $2 \%$ | $2 \%$ | $2 \%$ |
| Semimonthly | $3 \%$ | $2 \%$ | $2 \%$ |
| Unknown | $3 \%$ | $2 \%$ | $2 \%$ |
| Monthly | $1 \%$ | $1 \%$ | $1 \%$ |

## Participants' changes to default deferral rate



|  | $\mathbf{2 0 2 1}$ | $\mathbf{2 0 2 2}$ | $\mathbf{2 0 2 3}$ |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Decreased Default Rate | $7 \%$ | $10 \%$ | $9 \%$ |
| Retained Default Rate | $51 \%$ | $54 \%$ | $53 \%$ |
| Increased Default Rate | $42 \%$ | $37 \%$ | $39 \%$ |

## Plan sponsor adjustments to default deferral rates

- Retained Default Rate


2022

- Decreased Default Rate

2023


## Average pretax deferral rate by age



## Percentage of participants at each deferral amount



|  | $\mathbf{2 0 2 1}$ | $\mathbf{2 0 2 2}$ | $\mathbf{2 0 2 3}$ |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $0 \%$ | $34 \%$ | $36 \%$ | $36 \%$ |
| $1 \%-2 \%$ | $2 \%$ | $3 \%$ | $3 \%$ |
| $2 \%-3 \%$ | $2 \%$ | $2 \%$ | $2 \%$ |
| $3 \%-4 \%$ | $6 \%$ | $6 \%$ | $5 \%$ |
| $4 \%-5 \%$ | $6 \%$ | $7 \%$ | $5 \%$ |
| $5 \%-6 \%$ | $9 \%$ | $9 \%$ | $10 \%$ |
| $6 \%-7 \%$ | $11 \%$ | $11 \%$ | $11 \%$ |
| $7 \%-8 \%$ | $4 \%$ | $4 \%$ | $4 \%$ |
| $8 \%-9 \%$ | $4 \%$ | $3 \%$ | $4 \%$ |
| $9 \%-10 \%$ | $3 \%$ | $2 \%$ | $2 \%$ |
| $10 \%-15 \%$ | $11 \%$ | $11 \%$ | $11 \%$ |
| $15 \%+$ | $8 \%$ | $7 \%$ | $7 \%$ |

## Percentage of participants with catch-up contributions



| 2014 | 2015 | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 | 2020 | 2021 | 2022 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |


|  | $\mathbf{2 0 1 4}$ | $\mathbf{2 0 1 5}$ | $\mathbf{2 0 1 6}$ | $\mathbf{2 0 1 7}$ | $\mathbf{2 0 1 8}$ | $\mathbf{2 0 1 9}$ | $\mathbf{2 0 2 0}$ | $\mathbf{2 0 2 1}$ | $\mathbf{2 0 2 2}$ | $\mathbf{2 0 2 3}$ |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| \% of Participants With Catch-Up Contributions | $11.5 \%$ | $11.6 \%$ | $11.7 \%$ | $12.2 \%$ | $12.6 \%$ | $13.4 \%$ | $14.3 \%$ | $15.8 \%$ | $16.0 \%$ | $14.7 \%$ |

## Catch-up contributions by age

- 2021 - 2022 - 2023



## Percentage of plans offering Roth contributions



## Percentage of participants making Roth contributions



Data based on participants whose plans offer Roth contributions.

## Percentage of participants making Roth contributions by age



## Average account balances by age

$-2021-2023-$-Avg.


## Average employee pretax deferrals

■ Plan Weighted


■ Participant Weighted


## Average employee Roth deferrals



## Average employee combined deferrals



## Asset allocation

- 2021 - 2022 - 2023


*Other assets include loan and settlement amounts. Numbers may not total $100 \%$ due to rounding.


## Asset allocation by age



[^3] Numbers may not total $100 \%$ due to rounding.

## Asset allocation by industry



|  | Stock | Target Date | Self-Directed Brokerage | Bonds | Company Stocks | Money Market/ Stable Value | Multi-class | Other Assets* |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Leisure and Hospitality | 32\% | 55\% | 1\% | 3\% | 0\% | 7\% | 1\% | 1\% |
| Finance and Insurance | 42\% | 42\% | 0\% | 4\% | 2\% | 8\% | 1\% | 1\% |
| Health Care and Social Assistance | 42\% | 39\% | 4\% | 6\% | 0\% | 6\% | 1\% | 1\% |
| Information | 48\% | 37\% | 1\% | 5\% | 1\% | 7\% | 1\% | 1\% |
| Manufacturing | 30\% | 55\% | 1\% | 3\% | 1\% | 8\% | 1\% | 1\% |
| Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services | 39\% | 47\% | 2\% | 4\% | 0\% | 6\% | 0\% | 1\% |
| Retail Trade | 18\% | 36\% | 0\% | 2\% | 37\% | 5\% | 0\% | 2\% |
| Transportation and Warehousing | 31\% | 51\% | 0\% | 3\% | 6\% | 8\% | 0\% | 2\% |
| Utilities | 35\% | 38\% | 2\% | 3\% | 12\% | 8\% | 0\% | 1\% |
| Total | 33\% | 45\% | 1\% | 3\% | 9\% | 7\% | 1\% | 1\% |

*Other assets include loan and settlement amounts

## Asset allocation by plan size



|  | Stocks | Target Date | Self-Directed Brokerage | Bonds | Company Stocks | Money Market/ Stable Value | Multi-class | Other Assets* |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| <1K participants | 38\% | 46\% | 2\% | 4\% | 0\% | 9\% | 1\% | 1\% |
| 1K-5K participants | 37\% | 48\% | 1\% | 4\% | 1\% | 7\% | 1\% | 1\% |
| >5K participants | 30\% | 44\% | 1\% | 3\% | 13\% | 7\% | 0\% | 1\% |
| <\$5M | 32\% | 53\% | 2\% | 2\% | 0\% | 8\% | 1\% | 2\% |
| \$5M-\$50M | 32\% | 53\% | 1\% | 4\% | 0\% | 8\% | 1\% | 1\% |
| \$50M-\$200M | 35\% | 51\% | 1\% | 4\% | 0\% | 8\% | 1\% | 1\% |
| \$200M-\$1B | 36\% | 49\% | 1\% | 4\% | 1\% | 7\% | 1\% | 1\% |
| \$1B+ | 31\% | 42\% | 1\% | 3\% | 14\% | 7\% | 0\% | 1\% |
| Total | 33\% | 45\% | 1\% | 3\% | 9\% | 7\% | 1\% | 1\% |

*Other assets include loan and settlement amounts.

## Percentage of plans offering target date products


\% of Plans

|  |  |
| :--- | :---: |
| 2014 | $91 \%$ |
| 2015 | $93 \%$ |
| 2016 | $93 \%$ |
| 2017 | $94 \%$ |
| 2018 | $95 \%$ |
| 2019 | $96 \%$ |
| 2020 | $96 \%$ |
| 2021 | $97 \%$ |
| 2022 | $97 \%$ |
| 2023 | $98 \%$ |

## Percentage of assets in a target date product by age

- 2021 - 2022 - 2023



## Target date product investment comparison-percentage of participants

- Entire Balance in Target Date Products
- Partial Balance in Target Date Products
- No Balance in Target Date Products


Numbers may not total $100 \%$ due to rounding

## Average number of funds

■ Plan Level (Fund Options Offered)

- Participant Level (Fund Options Held Without Target Date Funds)
- Participant Level (Fund Options Held With Target Date Funds)


Numbers may not total $100 \%$ due to rounding

## Types of investment options offered by participant count

|  | Plans < 1K Participants \% | Plans 1K-5K Participants \% | Plans >5K Participants \% | 2023 T. Rowe Price Total \% |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Category |  |  |  |  |
| Asset Allocation |  |  |  |  |
| Aggressive Allocation | 1\% | 0\% | - | 0\% |
| Conservative Allocation | 2\% | 1\% | 4\% | 2\% |
| Global Allocation | 7\% | 7\% | 5\% | 7\% |
| Moderate Allocation | 37\% | 36\% | 23\% | 35\% |
| Moderately Aggressive Allocation | 5\% | 2\% | 4\% | 4\% |
| Moderately Conservative Allocation | 39\% | 32\% | 29\% | 36\% |
| Multistrategy | 0\% | - | 1\% | 0\% |
| Tactical Allocation | 2\% | 0\% | 4\% | 2\% |
| Target-Date 2000-2010 | 85\% | 87\% | 80\% | 85\% |
| Target-Date 2015 | 86\% | 87\% | 80\% | 86\% |
| Target-Date 2020 | 96\% | 98\% | 98\% | 97\% |
| Target-Date 2025 | 95\% | 98\% | 99\% | 97\% |
| Target-Date 2030 | 97\% | 99\% | 99\% | 98\% |
| Target-Date 2035 | 95\% | 98\% | 99\% | 97\% |
| Target-Date 2040 | 97\% | 99\% | 99\% | 98\% |
| Target-Date 2045 | 95\% | 98\% | 99\% | 97\% |
| Target-Date 2050 | 96\% | 99\% | 99\% | 97\% |
| Target-Date 2055 | 95\% | 98\% | 99\% | 97\% |
| Target-Date 2060 | 95\% | 98\% | 99\% | 96\% |
| Target-Date 2065+ | 91\% | 97\% | 96\% | 93\% |
| Target-Date Retirement | 8\% | 12\% | 18\% | 11\% |

## Types of investment options offered by participant count (cont.)

|  | Plans <1K Participants \% | Plans 1K-5K Participants \% | Plans $>5 \mathrm{~K}$ Participants \% | 2023 T. Rowe Price Total \% |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Category |  |  |  |  |
| International Equity |  |  |  |  |
| China Region | - | - | 1\% | 0\% |
| Diversified Emerging Mkts | 43\% | 42\% | 20\% | 39\% |
| Europe Stock | 0\% | 1\% | 1\% | 1\% |
| Foreign Large Blend | 80\% | 89\% | 87\% | 83\% |
| Foreign Large Growth | 68\% | 72\% | 63\% | 69\% |
| Foreign Large Value | 19\% | 19\% | 5\% | 17\% |
| Foreign Small/Mid Blend | 3\% | 3\% | 2\% | 3\% |
| Foreign Small/Mid Growth | 11\% | 8\% | 5\% | 9\% |
| Global Large-Stock Blend | 3\% | 3\% | 2\% | 3\% |
| Global Large-Stock Growth | 7\% | 6\% | 7\% | 7\% |
| Global Large-Stock Value | 1\% | 1\% | 1\% | 1\% |
| Global Real Estate | 4\% | 6\% | 6\% | 5\% |
| Global Small/Mid Stock | 1\% | 1\% | - | 1\% |
| Japan Stock | 0\% | - | 1\% | 0\% |
| Latin America Stock | 1\% | 0\% | 1\% | 1\% |
| Miscellaneous Region | 0\% | - | 1\% | 0\% |
| Pacific/Asia ex-Japan Stk | 1\% | 2\% | 1\% | 1\% |

Note: Participant ranges define those plans where total participant counts fall within the specified ranges. Investment category labels were derived from recognized Morningstar categories.

## Types of investment options offered by participant count (cont.)

|  | Plans <1K Participants <br> $\%$ | Plans 1K-5K Participants <br> $\%$ | Plans > P Participants <br> $\%$ |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 2023 T. Rowe Price Total |  |  |  |
| $\%$ |  |  |  |

## Types of investment options offered by participant count (cont.)

|  | Plans < 1 K Participants \% | Plans 1K-5K Participants \% | Plans >5K Participants \% | 2023 T. Rowe Price Total \% |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Category |  |  |  |  |
| U.S. Equity |  |  |  |  |
| Communications | 1\% | 2\% | 5\% | 2\% |
| Consumer Defensive | - | - | 1\% | 0\% |
| Equity Energy | 0\% | - | - | 0\% |
| Equity Precious Metals | 1\% | - | - | 0\% |
| Financial | 0\% | 0\% | 1\% | 0\% |
| Health | 4\% | 2\% | 4\% | 3\% |
| Industrials | 0\% | - | 1\% | 0\% |
| Large Blend | 90\% | 88\% | 75\% | 88\% |
| Large Growth | 84\% | 80\% | 56\% | 79\% |
| Large Value | 85\% | 81\% | 65\% | 81\% |
| Mid-Cap Blend | 67\% | 76\% | 64\% | 70\% |
| Mid-Cap Growth | 75\% | 69\% | 48\% | 70\% |
| Mid-Cap Value | 65\% | 65\% | 40\% | 62\% |
| Natural Resources | 4\% | 6\% | 1\% | 4\% |
| Options Trading | 1\% | - | - | 0\% |
| Real Estate | 29\% | 25\% | 17\% | 27\% |
| Relative Value Arbitrage | 0\% | - | - | 0\% |
| Small Blend | 67\% | 66\% | 37\% | 63\% |
| Small Growth | 61\% | 60\% | 47\% | 59\% |
| Small Value | 54\% | 54\% | 37\% | 52\% |
| Technology | 11\% | 6\% | 6\% | 9\% |
| Utilities | 1\% | 0\% | - | 0\% |
| Stability |  |  |  |  |
| Money Market-Taxable | 97\% | 96\% | 89\% | 96\% |
| Prime Money Market | - | 2\% | 1\% | 1\% |
| Stable Value | 82\% | 89\% | 87\% | 85\% |

Note: Participant ranges define those plans where total participant counts fall within the specified ranges. Investment category labels were derived from recognized Morningstar categories.

## Types of investment options offered by plan asset size

|  | Plans < $\$ 5 \mathrm{M}$ Assets \% | Plans \$5M-\$50M <br> Assets \% | Plans \$50M-\$200M <br> Assets \% | Plans \$200M-\$1B <br> Assets \% | Plans \$1B+ Assets \% | 2023 T. Rowe Price Total \% |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Category |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Fixed Income |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Bank Loan | - | 1\% | 1\% | - | 2\% | 1\% |
| Convertibles | - | - | - | 1\% | - | 0\% |
| Corporate Bond | 3\% | - | 1\% | - | 2\% | 1\% |
| Emerging Markets Bond | 3\% | 2\% | 1\% | 1\% | 2\% | 2\% |
| Emerging-Markets Local-Currency Bond | - | - | - | - | 2\% | 0\% |
| Global Bond | 3\% | 6\% | 5\% | 4\% | 7\% | 5\% |
| Global Bond-USD Hedged | 5\% | 5\% | 9\% | 9\% | 7\% | 7\% |
| High Yield Bond | 29\% | 16\% | 18\% | 12\% | 9\% | 16\% |
| Inflation-Protected Bond | 26\% | 27\% | 27\% | 32\% | 26\% | 28\% |
| Intermediate Core Bond | 47\% | 67\% | 74\% | 86\% | 67\% | 72\% |
| Intermediate Core-Plus Bond | 84\% | 73\% | 74\% | 80\% | 79\% | 76\% |
| Intermediate Government | 11\% | 9\% | 8\% | 2\% | 2\% | 7\% |
| Long Government | 3\% | 1\% | 0\% | 1\% | 2\% | 1\% |
| Long-Term Bond | - | - | - | - | 2\% | 0\% |
| Multisector Bond | 16\% | 26\% | 29\% | 22\% | 9\% | 25\% |
| Nontraditional Bond | - | 2\% | 0\% | 1\% | 2\% | 1\% |
| Short Government | 8\% | 3\% | 2\% | 2\% | - | 3\% |
| Short-Term Bond | 5\% | 12\% | 9\% | 6\% | 7\% | 9\% |
| Ultrashort Bond | - | 1\% | 1\% | - | 2\% | 1\% |

## Types of investment options offered by plan asset size (cont.)

|  | Plans <\$5M Assets \% | Plans \$5M-\$50M Assets \% | Plans \$50M-\$200M Assets \% | Plans \$200M-\$1B Assets \% | $\begin{gathered} \text { Plans \$1B+ } \\ \text { Assets } \\ \% \end{gathered}$ | 2023 T. Rowe Price Total \% |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Category |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Asset Allocation |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Aggressive Allocation | - | 1\% | 1\% | - | - | 0\% |
| Conservative Allocation | 3\% | 1\% | 2\% | 1\% | 7\% | 2\% |
| Global Allocation | 8\% | 7\% | 5\% | 9\% | 5\% | 7\% |
| Moderate Allocation | 39\% | 36\% | 37\% | 32\% | 23\% | 35\% |
| Moderately Aggressive Allocation | 8\% | 5\% | 4\% | 1\% | 2\% | 4\% |
| Moderately Conservative Allocation | 45\% | 42\% | 34\% | 26\% | 42\% | 36\% |
| Multistrategy | - | 1\% | - | - | 2\% | 0\% |
| Tactical Allocation | - | 1\% | 2\% | - | 7\% | 2\% |
| Target-Date 2000-2010 | 89\% | 82\% | 86\% | 86\% | 84\% | 85\% |
| Target-Date 2015 | 84\% | 84\% | 88\% | 86\% | 84\% | 86\% |
| Target-Date 2020 | 95\% | 95\% | 98\% | 97\% | 95\% | 97\% |
| Target-Date 2025 | 89\% | 97\% | 97\% | 98\% | 98\% | 97\% |
| Target-Date 2030 | 95\% | 97\% | 98\% | 99\% | 98\% | 98\% |
| Target-Date 2035 | 89\% | 97\% | 97\% | 98\% | 98\% | 97\% |
| Target-Date 2040 | 95\% | 97\% | 98\% | 99\% | 98\% | 98\% |
| Target-Date 2045 | 89\% | 97\% | 97\% | 98\% | 98\% | 97\% |
| Target-Date 2050 | 92\% | 96\% | 98\% | 99\% | 98\% | 97\% |
| Target-Date 2055 | 89\% | 96\% | 97\% | 98\% | 98\% | 97\% |
| Target-Date 2060 | 89\% | 94\% | 98\% | 98\% | 98\% | 96\% |
| Target-Date 2065+ | 82\% | 91\% | 94\% | 96\% | 98\% | 93\% |
| Target-Date Retirement | 5\% | 12\% | 9\% | 13\% | 14\% | 11\% |
| Commodities |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Commodities Broad Basket | 3\% | 3\% | 2\% | 3\% | - | 2\% |

## Types of investment options offered by plan asset size (cont.)

|  | Plans $<\$ 5 \mathrm{M}$ Assets \% | Plans \$5M-\$50M Assets \% | Plans \$50M-\$200M <br> Assets \% | Plans \$200M-\$1B Assets \% | Plans \$1B+ Assets \% | 2023 T. Rowe Price Total \% |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Category |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| U.S. Equity |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Communications | 3\% | 1\% | 2\% | 4\% | 5\% | 2\% |
| Consumer Defensive | - | - | - | - | 2\% | 0\% |
| Equity Energy | - | 1\% | - | - | - | 0\% |
| Equity Precious Metals | - | 1\% | 0\% | - | - | 0\% |
| Financial | 3\% | - | 0\% | - | 2\% | 0\% |
| Health | 5\% | 3\% | 4\% | 3\% | 5\% | 3\% |
| Industrials | - | 1\% | - | - | 2\% | 0\% |
| Large Blend | 95\% | 99\% | 99\% | 98\% | 79\% | 97\% |
| Large Growth | 89\% | 95\% | 96\% | 91\% | 79\% | 93\% |
| Large Value | 89\% | 93\% | 93\% | 86\% | 79\% | 90\% |
| Mid-Cap Blend | 61\% | 78\% | 76\% | 81\% | 63\% | 76\% |
| Mid-Cap Growth | 84\% | 78\% | 81\% | 79\% | 60\% | 79\% |
| Mid-Cap Value | 68\% | 63\% | 74\% | 63\% | 33\% | 65\% |
| Natural Resources | 5\% | 4\% | 5\% | 3\% | 2\% | 4\% |
| Options Trading | - | 1\% | - | - | - | 0\% |
| Real Estate | 16\% | 35\% | 33\% | 22\% | 12\% | 29\% |
| Relative Value Arbitrage | - | 1\% | - | - | - | 0\% |
| Small Blend | 68\% | 67\% | 70\% | 61\% | 49\% | 66\% |
| Small Growth | 79\% | 65\% | 61\% | 60\% | 44\% | 62\% |
| Small Value | 61\% | 58\% | 57\% | 55\% | 21\% | 55\% |
| Technology | 5\% | 9\% | 11\% | 7\% | 2\% | 9\% |
| Utilities | - | 1\% | 0\% | - | - | 0\% |

## Types of investment options offered by plan asset size (cont.)

|  | Plans $<\$ 5 \mathrm{M}$ Assets \% | Plans \$5M-\$50M Assets \% | Plans \$50M-\$200M Assets \% | Plans \$200M-\$1B Assets \% | Plans \$1B+ Assets \% | 2023 T. Rowe Price Total \% |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Category |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| International Equity |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| China Region | - | - | - | - | 2\% | 0\% |
| Diversified Emerging Markets | 57\% | 40\% | 45\% | 29\% | 15\% | 39\% |
| Europe Stock | 3\% | - | 0\% | 1\% | 2\% | 1\% |
| Foreign Large Blend | 54\% | 77\% | 77\% | 74\% | 63\% | 74\% |
| Foreign Large Growth | 59\% | 62\% | 62\% | 61\% | 44\% | 61\% |
| Foreign Large Value | 14\% | 14\% | 21\% | 17\% | 5\% | 17\% |
| Foreign Small/Mid Blend | - | 3\% | 2\% | 6\% | - | 3\% |
| Foreign Small/Mid Growth | 22\% | 8\% | 9\% | 11\% | 2\% | 9\% |
| Global Large-Stock Blend | 5\% | 3\% | 4\% | 2\% | 5\% | 3\% |
| Global Large-Stock Growth | 3\% | 10\% | 6\% | 5\% | 7\% | 7\% |
| Global Large-Stock Value | - | 2\% | 1\% | 1\% | 2\% | 1\% |
| Global Real Estate | - | 5\% | 4\% | 6\% | 7\% | 5\% |
| Global Small/Mid Stock | - | 1\% | 1\% | - | - | 1\% |
| Japan Stock | 3\% | - | - | - | 2\% | 0\% |
| Latin America Stock | 3\% | - | 1\% | - | 2\% | 1\% |
| Miscellaneous Region | - | - | 0\% | - | 2\% | 0\% |
| Pacific/Asia ex-Japan Stock | 3\% | - | 2\% | 2\% | 2\% | 1\% |
| Stability |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Money Market-Taxable | 92\% | 97\% | 97\% | 96\% | 80\% | 96\% |
| Prime Money Market | - | 1\% | 1\% | 1\% | 2\% | 1\% |
| Stable Value | 58\% | 80\% | 89\% | 89\% | 86\% | 85\% |

Where assets are invested by participant count

|  | Plans < 1 K Participants \% | Plans 1K-5K Participants \% | Plans $>5 \mathrm{~K}$ Participants \% | 2023 T. Rowe Price Total \% |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Category |  |  |  |  |
| Asset Allocation |  |  |  |  |
| Aggressive Allocation | 1\% | 0\% | - | 0\% |
| Conservative Allocation | 2\% | 1\% | 4\% | 2\% |
| Global Allocation | 5\% | 7\% | 5\% | 6\% |
| Moderate Allocation | 33\% | 35\% | 23\% | 33\% |
| Moderately Aggressive Allocation | 4\% | 2\% | 4\% | 3\% |
| Moderately Conservative Allocation | 30\% | 31\% | 29\% | 30\% |
| Multistrategy | 0\% | - | 1\% | 0\% |
| Tactical Allocation | 2\% | 0\% | 4\% | 2\% |
| Target-Date 2000-2010 | 66\% | 87\% | 80\% | 75\% |
| Target-Date 2015 | 71\% | 86\% | 80\% | 77\% |
| Target-Date 2020 | 90\% | 98\% | 98\% | 93\% |
| Target-Date 2025 | 93\% | 98\% | 99\% | 95\% |
| Target-Date 2030 | 95\% | 99\% | 99\% | 97\% |
| Target-Date 2035 | 94\% | 98\% | 99\% | 96\% |
| Target-Date 2040 | 94\% | 99\% | 99\% | 96\% |
| Target-Date 2045 | 93\% | 98\% | 99\% | 95\% |
| Target-Date 2050 | 93\% | 99\% | 99\% | 96\% |
| Target-Date 2055 | 91\% | 98\% | 99\% | 94\% |
| Target-Date 2060 | 89\% | 98\% | 99\% | 93\% |
| Target-Date 2065+ | 81\% | 97\% | 96\% | 88\% |
| Target-Date Retirement | 8\% | 12\% | 18\% | 10\% |

Note: Participant ranges define those plans where total participant counts fall within the specified ranges. Investment category labels were derived from recognized Morningstar categories.

Where assets are invested by participant count (cont.)

|  | Plans < 1 K Participants \% | Plans 1K-5K Participants \% | Plans $>5 \mathrm{~K}$ Participants \% | 2023 T. Rowe Price Total \% |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Category |  |  |  |  |
| International Equity |  |  |  |  |
| China Region | - | - | 1\% | 0\% |
| Diversified Emerging Mkts | 40\% | 41\% | 20\% | 38\% |
| Europe Stock | 0\% | 1\% | 1\% | 1\% |
| Foreign Large Blend | 76\% | 89\% | 87\% | 82\% |
| Foreign Large Growth | 64\% | 72\% | 63\% | 66\% |
| Foreign Large Value | 18\% | 19\% | 5\% | 17\% |
| Foreign Small/Mid Blend | 3\% | 3\% | 2\% | 3\% |
| Foreign Small/Mid Growth | 10\% | 8\% | 5\% | 9\% |
| Global Large-Stock Blend | 2\% | 3\% | 2\% | 3\% |
| Global Large-Stock Growth | 7\% | 6\% | 7\% | 7\% |
| Global Large-Stock Value | 1\% | 1\% | 1\% | 1\% |
| Global Real Estate | 4\% | 6\% | 6\% | 5\% |
| Global Small/Mid Stock | 1\% | 1\% | - | 1\% |
| Japan Stock | 0\% | - | 1\% | 0\% |
| Latin America Stock | 1\% | 0\% | 1\% | 1\% |
| Miscellaneous Region | 0\% | - | 1\% | 0\% |
| Pacific/Asia ex-Japan Stk | 1\% | 2\% | 1\% | 1\% |
| Commodities |  |  |  |  |
| Commodities Broad Basket | 3\% | 2\% | 1\% | 2\% |

Note: Participant ranges define those plans where total participant counts fall within the specified ranges. Investment category labels were derived from recognized Morningstar categories.

Where assets are invested by participant count (cont.)

|  | Plans < 1 K Participants \% | Plans $1 \mathrm{~K}-5 \mathrm{~K}$ Participants | Plans $>5 \mathrm{~K}$ Participants $\%$ | 2023 T. Rowe Price Total \% |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Category |  |  |  |  |
| Fixed Income |  |  |  |  |
| Bank Loan | 1\% | - | 1\% | 1\% |
| Convertibles | - | 0\% | - | 0\% |
| Corporate Bond | 1\% | - | 1\% | 1\% |
| Emerging Markets Bond | 1\% | 1\% | 2\% | 1\% |
| Emerging-Markets Local-Currency Bond | - | - | 1\% | 0\% |
| Global Bond | 4\% | 7\% | 2\% | 5\% |
| Global Bond-USD Hedged | 6\% | 9\% | 7\% | 7\% |
| High Yield Bond | 15\% | 17\% | 11\% | 15\% |
| Inflation-Protected Bond | 25\% | 29\% | 28\% | 27\% |
| Intermediate Core Bond | 63\% | 81\% | 76\% | 70\% |
| Intermediate Core-Plus Bond | 72\% | 76\% | 78\% | 74\% |
| Intermediate Government | 9\% | 4\% | 1\% | 7\% |
| Long Government | 1\% | 0\% | 2\% | 1\% |
| Long-Term Bond | - | - | 1\% | 0\% |
| Multisector Bond | 25\% | 25\% | 20\% | 24\% |
| Nontraditional Bond | 1\% | 1\% | 2\% | 1\% |
| Short Government | 3\% | 3\% | - | 3\% |
| Short-Term Bond | 9\% | 9\% | 5\% | 8\% |
| Ulitrashort Bond | 1\% | 0\% | 1\% | 1\% |

Note: Participant ranges define those plans where total participant counts fall within the specified ranges. Investment category labels were derived from recognized Morningstar categories.

## Where assets are invested by participant count (cont.)

|  | Plans < 1 K Participants \% | Plans 1K-5K Participants \% | Plans $>5 \mathrm{~K}$ Participants | 2023 T. Rowe Price Total \% |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Category |  |  |  |  |
| U.S. Equity |  |  |  |  |
| Communications | 1\% | 2\% | 5\% | 2\% |
| Consumer Defensive | - | - | 1\% | 0\% |
| Equity Energy | 0\% | - | - | 0\% |
| Equity Precious Metals | 1\% | - | - | 0\% |
| Financial | 0\% | 0\% | 1\% | 0\% |
| Health | 4\% | 2\% | 4\% | 3\% |
| Industrials | 0\% | - | 1\% | 0\% |
| Large Blend | 88\% | 88\% | 75\% | 87\% |
| Large Growth | 83\% | 80\% | 54\% | 79\% |
| Large Value | 81\% | 81\% | 65\% | 79\% |
| Mid-Cap Blend | 65\% | 76\% | 64\% | 68\% |
| Mid-Cap Growth | 73\% | 69\% | 48\% | 69\% |
| Mid-Cap Value | 61\% | 64\% | 39\% | 59\% |
| Natural Resources | 4\% | 6\% | 1\% | 4\% |
| Options Trading | 1\% | - | - | 0\% |
| Real Estate | 28\% | 25\% | 18\% | 26\% |
| Small Blend | 65\% | 66\% | 36\% | 61\% |
| Small Growth | 56\% | 59\% | 48\% | 56\% |
| Small Value | 48\% | 53\% | 38\% | 48\% |
| Technology | 11\% | 6\% | 6\% | 9\% |
| Utilities | 1\% | 0\% | - | 0\% |
| Stability |  |  |  |  |
| Money Market-Taxable | 96\% | 96\% | 90\% | 95\% |
| Prime Money Market | - | 2\% | 1\% | 1\% |
| Stable Value | 81\% | 89\% | 87\% | 84\% |

Note: Participant ranges define those plans where total participant counts fall within the specified ranges. Investment category labels were derived from recognized Morningstar categories.

Where assets are invested by plan asset size

|  | Plans < $\$ 5 \mathrm{M}$ Assets \% | Plans \$5M-\$50M Assets \% | Plans \$50M-\$200M Assets \% | Plans \$200M-\$1B Assets \% | Plans \$1B+ Assets \% | 2023 T. Rowe Price Total \% |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Category |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Asset Allocation |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Aggressive Allocation | - | 1\% | 1\% | - | - | 0\% |
| Conservative Allocation | - | 1\% | 2\% | 1\% | 7\% | 2\% |
| Global Allocation | 3\% | 6\% | 5\% | 9\% | 5\% | 6\% |
| Moderate Allocation | 24\% | 32\% | 37\% | 31\% | 23\% | 33\% |
| Moderately Aggressive Allocation | 3\% | 4\% | 4\% | 1\% | 2\% | 3\% |
| Moderately Conservative Allocation | 14\% | 30\% | 33\% | 26\% | 42\% | 30\% |
| Multistrategy | - | 1\% | - | - | 2\% | 0\% |
| Tactical Allocation | - | 1\% | 2\% | - | 7\% | 2\% |
| Target-Date 2000-2010 | 32\% | 59\% | 84\% | 86\% | 84\% | 75\% |
| Target-Date 2015 | 27\% | 65\% | 87\% | 86\% | 84\% | 77\% |
| Target-Date 2020 | 54\% | 91\% | 98\% | 97\% | 95\% | 93\% |
| Target-Date 2025 | 65\% | 97\% | 97\% | 98\% | 98\% | 95\% |
| Target-Date 2030 | 81\% | 96\% | 98\% | 99\% | 98\% | 97\% |
| Target-Date 2035 | 76\% | 96\% | 97\% | 98\% | 98\% | 96\% |
| Target-Date 2040 | 73\% | 96\% | 98\% | 99\% | 98\% | 96\% |
| Target-Date 2045 | 70\% | 95\% | 97\% | 98\% | 98\% | 95\% |
| Target-Date 2050 | 70\% | 94\% | 98\% | 99\% | 98\% | 96\% |
| Target-Date 2055 | 62\% | 93\% | 97\% | 98\% | 98\% | 94\% |
| Target-Date 2060 | 54\% | 89\% | 98\% | 98\% | 98\% | 93\% |
| Target-Date 2065+ | 43\% | 82\% | 93\% | 96\% | 98\% | 88\% |
| Target-Date Retirement | 3\% | 12\% | 8\% | 13\% | 14\% | 10\% |

Where assets are invested by plan asset size (cont.)

|  | Plans < $\$ 5 \mathrm{M}$ Assets \% | Plans \$5M-\$50M Assets \% | Plans \$50M-\$200M <br> Assets \% | Plans \$200M-\$1B Assets \% | Plans \$1B+ Assets \% | 2023 T. Rowe Price Total \% |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Category |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| International Equity |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| China Region | - | - | - | - | 2\% | 0\% |
| Diversified Emerging Mkts | 43\% | 38\% | 44\% | 31\% | 16\% | 38\% |
| Europe Stock | 3\% | - | 0\% | 1\% | 2\% | 1\% |
| Foreign Large Blend | 41\% | 80\% | 85\% | 88\% | 86\% | 82\% |
| Foreign Large Growth | 41\% | 65\% | 69\% | 73\% | 60\% | 66\% |
| Foreign Large Value | 8\% | 14\% | 21\% | 17\% | 7\% | 17\% |
| Foreign Small/Mid Blend | - | 3\% | 2\% | 6\% | - | 3\% |
| Foreign Small/Mid Growth | 14\% | 7\% | 9\% | 10\% | 5\% | 9\% |
| Global Large-Stock Blend | 3\% | 2\% | 3\% | 2\% | 5\% | 3\% |
| Global Large-Stock Growth | 3\% | 10\% | 6\% | 5\% | 9\% | 7\% |
| Global Large-Stock Value | - | 2\% | 1\% | 1\% | 2\% | 1\% |
| Global Real Estate | - | 4\% | 4\% | 6\% | 7\% | 5\% |
| Global Small/Mid Stock | - | 1\% | 1\% | - | - | 1\% |
| Japan Stock | 3\% | - | - | - | 2\% | 0\% |
| Latin America Stock | 3\% | - | 1\% | - | 2\% | 1\% |
| Miscellaneous Region | - | - | 0\% | - | 2\% | 0\% |
| Pacific/Asia ex-Japan Stk | 3\% | - | 2\% | 1\% | 2\% | 1\% |
| Commodities |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Commodities Broad Basket | - | 3\% | 2\% | 3\% | - | 2\% |

Where assets are invested by plan asset size (cont.)

|  | Plans < $\$ 5 \mathrm{M}$ Assets \% | Plans \$5M-\$50M Assets \% | Plans \$50M-\$200M Assets \% | Plans \$200M-\$1B Assets \% | Plans \$1B+ Assets \% |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Category |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Fixed Income |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Bank Loan | - | 1\% | 1\% | - | 2\% | 1\% |
| Convertibles | - | - | - | 1\% | - | 0\% |
| Corporate Bond | 3\% | - | 1\% | - | 2\% | 1\% |
| Emerging Markets Bond | 3\% | 1\% | 1\% | 1\% | 2\% | 1\% |
| Emerging-Markets Local-Currency Bond | - | - | - | - | 2\% | 0\% |
| Global Bond | 3\% | 6\% | 5\% | 4\% | 7\% | 5\% |
| Global Bond-USD Hedged | 3\% | 5\% | 8\% | 9\% | 7\% | 7\% |
| High Yield Bond | 16\% | 15\% | 18\% | 12\% | 9\% | 15\% |
| Inflation-Protected Bond | 14\% | 26\% | 26\% | 32\% | 26\% | 27\% |
| Intermediate Core Bond | 22\% | 65\% | 72\% | 85\% | 67\% | 70\% |
| Intermediate Core-Plus Bond | 57\% | 71\% | 74\% | 80\% | 79\% | 74\% |
| Intermediate Government | 8\% | 9\% | 8\% | 2\% | 2\% | 7\% |
| Long Government | 3\% | 1\% | 0\% | 1\% | 2\% | 1\% |
| Long-Term Bond | - | - | - | - | 2\% | 0\% |
| Multisector Bond | 11\% | 26\% | 29\% | 22\% | 9\% | 24\% |
| Nontraditional Bond | - | 2\% | 0\% | 1\% | 2\% | 1\% |
| Short Government | 8\% | 3\% | 2\% | 2\% | - | 3\% |
| Short-Term Bond | 3\% | 11\% | 9\% | 6\% | 7\% | 8\% |
| Ultrashort Bond | - | 1\% | 1\% | - | 2\% | 1\% |

Where assets are invested by plan asset size (cont.)

|  | Plans $<\$ 5 \mathrm{M}$ Assets \% | Plans \$5M-\$50M Assets \% | Plans \$50M-\$200M Assets \% | Plans \$200M-\$1B Assets \% | Plans \$1B+ Assets \% | 2023 T. Rowe Price Total \% |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Category |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| U.S. Equity |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Communications | 3\% | 1\% | 2\% | 4\% | 5\% | 2\% |
| Consumer Defensive | - | - | - | - | 2\% | 0\% |
| Equity Energy | - | 1\% | - | - | - | 0\% |
| Equity Precious Metals | - | 1\% | 0\% | - | - | 0\% |
| Financial | 3\% | - | 0\% | - | 2\% | 0\% |
| Health | 3\% | 3\% | 4\% | 3\% | 5\% | 3\% |
| Industrials | - | 1\% | - | - | 2\% | 0\% |
| Large Blend | 64\% | 94\% | 88\% | 86\% | 63\% | 87\% |
| Large Growth | 72\% | 84\% | 84\% | 76\% | 34\% | 79\% |
| Large Value | 56\% | 84\% | 82\% | 76\% | 66\% | 79\% |
| Mid-Cap Blend | 36\% | 73\% | 69\% | 73\% | 51\% | 68\% |
| Mid-Cap Growth | 61\% | 70\% | 75\% | 65\% | 39\% | 69\% |
| Mid-Cap Value | 44\% | 56\% | 70\% | 56\% | 27\% | 59\% |
| Natural Resources | 3\% | 4\% | 5\% | 3\% | 2\% | 4\% |
| Options Trading | - | 1\% | - | - | - | 0\% |
| Real Estate | 3\% | 33\% | 30\% | 19\% | 10\% | 26\% |
| Small Blend | 47\% | 64\% | 71\% | 54\% | 27\% | 61\% |
| Small Growth | 56\% | 59\% | 58\% | 53\% | 44\% | 56\% |
| Small Value | 31\% | 51\% | 52\% | 53\% | 20\% | 48\% |
| Technology | 6\% | 9\% | 11\% | 7\% | 2\% | 9\% |
| Utilities | - | 1\% | 0\% | - | - | 0\% |
| Stability |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Money Market-Taxable | 83\% | 97\% | 97\% | 97\% | 80\% | 95\% |
| Prime Money Market | - | 1\% | 1\% | 1\% | 2\% | 1\% |
| Stable Value | 46\% | 80\% | 89\% | 89\% | 86\% | 84\% |

Note: Participant ranges define those plans where total participant counts fall within the specified ranges. Investment category labels were derived from recognized Morningstar categories.

## Loans

|  | $\mathbf{2 0 1 4}$ | $\mathbf{2 0 1 5}$ | $\mathbf{2 0 1 6}$ | $\mathbf{2 0 1 7}$ | $\mathbf{2 0 1 8}$ | $\mathbf{2 0 1 9}$ | $\mathbf{2 0 2 0}$ | $\mathbf{2 0 2 1}$ | $\mathbf{2 0 2 2}$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Percentage of Plans That Permit <br> Loans | $87 \%$ | $87 \%$ | $87 \%$ | $87 \%$ | $89 \%$ | $89 \%$ | $90 \%$ | $90 \%$ | $91 \%$ |

Percentage of participants with active loans: single vs. multiple


Participants who have multiple active loans on the last day of the calendar year.

## Average participant loan balances by age



| Age Range | $\mathbf{2 0 2 1}$ | $\mathbf{2 0 2 2}$ | $\mathbf{2 0 2 3}$ |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $<20$ Years | $\$ 1,080$ | $\$ 1,103$ | $\$ 1,496$ |
| $20-29$ Years | $\$ 4,345$ | $\$ 4,281$ | $\$ 4,314$ |
| $30-39$ Years | $\$ 8,180$ | $\$ 8,248$ | $\$ 8,234$ |
| $40-49$ Years | $\$ 10,652$ | $\$ 10,897$ | $\$ 11,021$ |
| $50-59$ Years | $\$ 11,216$ | $\$ 11,553$ | $\$ 11,849$ |
| $60-64$ Years | $\$ 9,981$ | $\$ 10,177$ | $\$ 10,611$ |
| $65-69$ Years | $\$ 9,283$ | $\$ 9,331$ | $\$ 9,586$ |
| $70+$ Years | $\$ 8,278$ | $\$ 8,169$ | $\$ 8,742$ |
| Total | $\$ 9,663$ | $\$ 9,837$ | $\$ 9,953$ |

## Percentage of participants with outstanding loans by age



| Age Range | $\mathbf{2 0 2 1}$ | $\mathbf{2 0 2 2}$ | $\mathbf{2 0 2 3}$ |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $<20$ Years | $0 \%$ | $0 \%$ | $0 \%$ |
| $20-29$ Years | $7 \%$ | $7 \%$ | $8 \%$ |
| $30-39$ Years | $20 \%$ | $19 \%$ | $20 \%$ |
| $40-49$ Years | $26 \%$ | $25 \%$ | $27 \%$ |
| $50-59$ Years | $24 \%$ | $24 \%$ | $26 \%$ |
| $60-64$ Years | $17 \%$ | $16 \%$ | $17 \%$ |
| $65-69$ Years | $11 \%$ | $11 \%$ | $11 \%$ |
| $70+$ Years | $7 \%$ | $8 \%$ | $8 \%$ |
| Total | $\mathbf{1 9 \%}$ | $\mathbf{1 9 \%}$ | $\mathbf{2 0} \%$ |

The data set includes only plans that allow at least one loan.

## Maximum number of loans allowed





|  | $\mathbf{2 0 2 1}$ | $\mathbf{2 0 2 2}$ | $\mathbf{2 0 2 3}$ |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 Loan (Any Type*) | $60 \%$ | $59 \%$ | $59 \%$ |
| 2 Loans (Any Type*) | $36 \%$ | $37 \%$ | $36 \%$ |
| 3 Loans (Any Type*) | $2 \%$ | $3 \%$ | $2 \%$ |
| 4+ Loans (Any Type*) | $2 \%$ | $2 \%$ | $1 \%$ |
| Unlimited Loans (Any Type*) | $1 \%$ | $1 \%$ | $0 \%$ |

* Any type-plan may offer primary residence, standard, or both loan types. The data set includes only plans that allow at least one loan. Numbers may not total $100 \%$ due to rounding.


## Percentage of participants who have taken one or multiple loans within the past five years




Each year represents a five-year lookback of participants who have taken a loan within the past five years. The percentage of multiple loans includes participants who have initiated more than one loan within the period, regardless of the current status of the loan.

## Percentage of participants who have taken one or

 multiple loans within the past five years - by age

Each year represents a five-year lookback of participants who have taken a loan within the past five years. The percentage of multiple loans includes participants who have initiated more than one loan within the period, regardless of the current status of the loan.

## Percentage of participants who have taken one or

 multiple loans within the past five years - by industry

Percentage of participants with Percentage of participants with multiple loans taken within the a single loan within the past

|  | multiple loans taken within the <br> past five years | a single loan within the past <br> five years |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| Leisure and Hospitality | $28 \%$ | $72 \%$ |
| Finance and Insurance | $32 \%$ | $68 \%$ |
| Health Care and Social Assistance | $35 \%$ | $65 \%$ |
| Information | $25 \%$ | $75 \%$ |
| Manufacturing | $34 \%$ | $66 \%$ |
| Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services | $28 \%$ | $72 \%$ |
| Retail Trade | $30 \%$ | $70 \%$ |
| Transportation \& Warehousing | $31 \%$ | $69 \%$ |
| Utilities | $37 \%$ | $63 \%$ |

Each year represents a five-year lookback of participants who have taken a loan within the past five years. The percentage of multiple loans includes participants who have initiated more than one loan within the period, regardless of the current status of the loan.

## Participant distributions-direct rollovers vs. cash distributions

$■$ Percentage of Direct Rollovers ■Percentage of Cash Distributions


Cash distributions refer to all distributions paid as cash, including terminated participant withdrawals and lump-sum distributions, required minimum distributions, in-service withdrawals, hardship withdrawals, and installment payments

* Distributions are calculated based on data from January through October 2022.


## Participant distributions by age



Cash distributions refer to all distributions paid as cash, including terminated participant withdrawals and lump-sum distributions, required minimum distributions, in-service withdrawals, hardship withdrawals, and installment payments
2022 distributions are calculated based on data from January through October 2022

## Hardship withdrawals

|  | $\mathbf{2 0 1 4}$ | $\mathbf{2 0 1 5}$ | $\mathbf{2 0 1 6}$ | $\mathbf{2 0 1 7}$ | $\mathbf{2 0 1 8}$ | $\mathbf{2 0 1 9}$ | $\mathbf{2 0 2 0}$ | $\mathbf{2 0 2 1}$ | $\mathbf{2 0 2 2}$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Percentage of Participants Taking <br> Hardship Withdrawals | $1.6 \%$ | $1.4 \%$ | $1.4 \%$ | $1.4 \%$ | $\mathbf{1 . 3 \%}$ | $\mathbf{1 . 5 \%}$ | $0.8 \%$ | $0.9 \%$ | $1.3 \%$ |

## Methodology

Unless otherwise noted, all data included in this report are drawn from the following sources: Data are based on the large-market, full-service universeT. Rowe Price total-of T. Rowe Price Retirement Plan Services, Inc., retirement plans (401(k) and 457 plans), consisting of 667 plans and approximately 2 million participants

Auto-enrollment, auto-increase, and default deferral rate results are based on participants of large-market, full-service 401(k) and 457 plans who were automatically enrolled in their plan during 2023. Trend results are based on findings at the calendar year-end from 2014 to 2023.
Auto-reenrollment-An automatic reenrollment for participants who opted not to participate in their plan. This is run on demand and could occur about once a year.
Auto-restart-For participants who were contributing to their plan and have taken a hardship withdrawal. Once the suspension period is over, participants will have their contributions automatically restarted unless they opt out

Auto-rebalance-Provides participants with the tools they need to maintain a consistent investment strategy. If they are not investing $100 \%$ of their account in a diversified fund, auto-rebalance will automatically rebalance their account on a periodic basis (e.g., quarterly or annually)

Participation rates by age are participant weighted (total number of participants divided by the total number eligible to participate). Participant-weighted year-over-year participation rate averages are calculated by dividing the number of participants by the number eligible to participate. The plan-weighted year-over-year participation rate average is the sum of plan-level averages divided by the number of plans.

Results for participant age breakdowns are based on the number of participants who made Roth contributions during the calendar year periods ended December 31, 2014, through December 31, 2023. These data capture the number of eligible participants in plans that offer Roth contributions at each calendar year-end from December 31, 2014, through December 31, 2023.

## Methodology

The data are based on any participants who are eligible to make contributions during the period. Participation results are based on all contributions. Participation rates by age are participant weighted (total number of participants divided by the total number eligible to participate).

Employee and employer contributions are based on plans with contributions during the calendar years ended December 31, 2014, through December 31, 2023 Employer contributions include all types of employer money, such as matching contributions, discretionary contributions, and retirement contributions. Match percentages are the maximum percentage of participant contributions that a company will match. Company vesting percentages shown are an aggregated count of those plans and plan locations that have identifiable vesting schedules for reporting purposes.

Deferral results are based on employee pretax deferral percentages greater than
zero for eligible participants over various time periods from calendar years ended December 31, 2014, through December 31, 2023. Average deferral by age is participant weighted (total of all participant deferral percentages divided by the total number of participants with a deferral percentage).
Catch-up contribution results for participant age breakdowns are based on the number of participants who made catch-up contributions during the various calendar year periods ended December 31, 2014, through December 31, 2023. These data capture the number of eligible participants over age 50 in plans that offer catch-up contributions.

Roth qualified distribution-A qualified distribution is tax-free if taken at least five years after the year of your first Roth contribution AND you have reached age $591 / 2$, become totally disabled, or died. If your distribution is not qualified, any earnings from the Roth portion will be taxable in the year it is distributed. These rules apply to Roth distributions only from employer-sponsored plans. Additional plan distribution rules apply.

Loan availability and usage results are based on active participants with outstanding loan balances at calendar years ended December 31, 2014, through December 31, 2023. Participant loans are limited to plans that offer loans. Hardship withdrawal data represent all hardship withdrawals from qualified $401(\mathrm{k})$ and 457 plan types at calendar years ended December 31, 2014, through December 31, 2023.

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[^1]:    *Other includes loan and settlement amounts.

[^2]:    *No auto-restarts were initiated in 2021-2023.

[^3]:    *Other assets include loan and settlement amounts.

