# How Much is Enough?



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## How Much Will Retirement Cost You?

Some hope for the best rather than plan for the best. But with professional advice, retirement is just the beginning.

#### How much do you need?

Start with a ballpark calculation of your retirement needs. One rough rule of thumb is that you can retire comfortably on about 75% of your pre-retirement income. Another is that every \$100,000 invested may provide a sustainable \$5,000 per annum in income **(if the minimum return is 5%)**. This, of course, is dependent on the amount of income generated from the underlying assets that the \$100,000 is invested in.

According to the Association of Superannuation Funds of Australia (ASFA), for a comfortable lifestyle, a single person would require \$43,601pa and \$61,522pa for couples. While these figures may change over time, they allow a ballpark idea of how much you may need in retirement.

The average super balance of men aged 60 to 64 is \$270,710 and for women of the same age, the average is only \$157,050.

Because Australian women live several years longer on average and may take time away from work for pregnancy or childcare, they need significantly more savings to sustain an equally comfortable retirement.



#### Sources:

ASFA Superannuation Statistics May 2019. 2. Australian Bureau of Statistics Retirement and Retirement Intentions, July 2016 to June 2017 3. ASFA Retirement Standard 2019



#### The average super balance for at age of 60 to 64



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### Will you fall short?

If you are an employee, your employer will contribute 9.5%pa into your super fund. A salary of say \$100,000pa will provide net contributions of about \$8,075pa (after superannuation contributions tax of 15%). If you are an employer, you too will benefit from paying yourself super. Assuming that all funds are in super and no other assets are considered, projections indicate that a person wishing to retire comfortably at the age of 63 would need approximately \$800,000 without relying on additional Government payments\*.

#### How to close the gap?

There is a wide spectrum of solutions to close a super savings gap. If you would like to find out more about how you may dramatically increase your superannuation nest egg using tax-effective Investment strategies, take advantage of our complimentary initial consultation with a Modoras Adviser. From maximising your super contribution cap to salary sacrificing and contribution splitting (just to name a few) treat yourself to peace of mind knowing you are on track to bridge your super savings gap.

#### The good news is, the sooner you start... the more you may have!

\*Calculations assume all funds are in Super and no other assets are considered. Projections assume no income from Government payments and projections are calculated based on life expectancy of age 84.

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