

My Roth IRA

Go to foundationsU.com and click on the investing calculator tool. Always use an interest rate of 8%. After investigating possible earning strategies, create a bar graph for scenarios 2 & 3, with 3 bars each: 1) Personal Contribution, 2) Interest Earned, & 3) Total Investment Value.

Scenario 1 – You begin saving/investing right now. You plan to save \$100 a month for 40 years, from age 18 to 58. How much will you have saved in 40 years?

Contribution \$ _____ Interest Earned \$ _____
Investment Value \$ _____

Scenario 2 – You invest \$250 a month for fifteen years, from age 20 to 35. Then kids & family commitments don't leave any room in the budget for saving, but you let the money ride without adding any more. How much will you have saved in 40 years?

Contribution \$ _____ Interest Earned \$ _____
Investment Value \$ _____

Scenario 3 – You don't begin to save & invest until after you've had fun, and decided to settle down and get a good job. You save \$500 a month for 20 years, from age 45 to 65. How much will you have after the 20 years?

Contribution \$ _____ Interest Earned \$ _____
Investment Value \$ _____

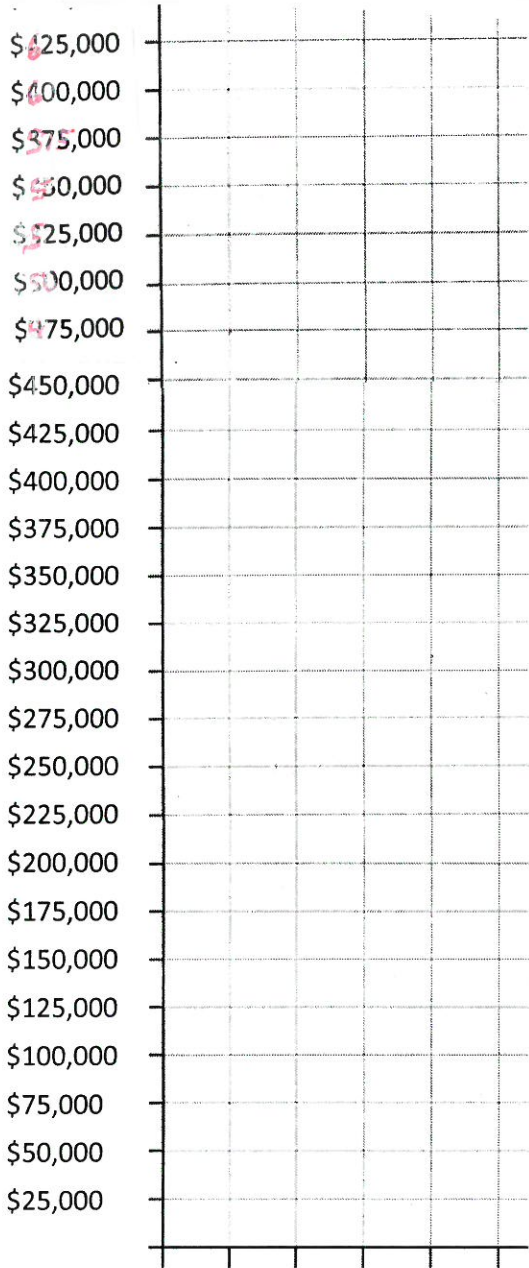
Scenario 4 – You save \$50 a month for 7 years, from age 18 to 25. After graduating college and starting a new job, you begin contributing \$200 a month for 15 years, from age 25 to 40. At age 40 you are able to boost your contributions to \$400 a month for 20 years, from age 40 to 60. How much will you have when you retire at age 60? (Hint, each time you increase your contributions, start a new calculation using your previous savings total as the starting amount – but you also need to calculate the entire length of time for each, and then find the sum for the grand total.)

Contribution \$ _____ Interest Earned \$ _____
Investment Value \$ _____

Scenario 5 - You choice. You save \$ _____ per month, for _____ years. Saved from age _____ to _____ (_____ years total). Age at retirement (between 58 and 65 years) - _____. Total length of investment - _____ years.

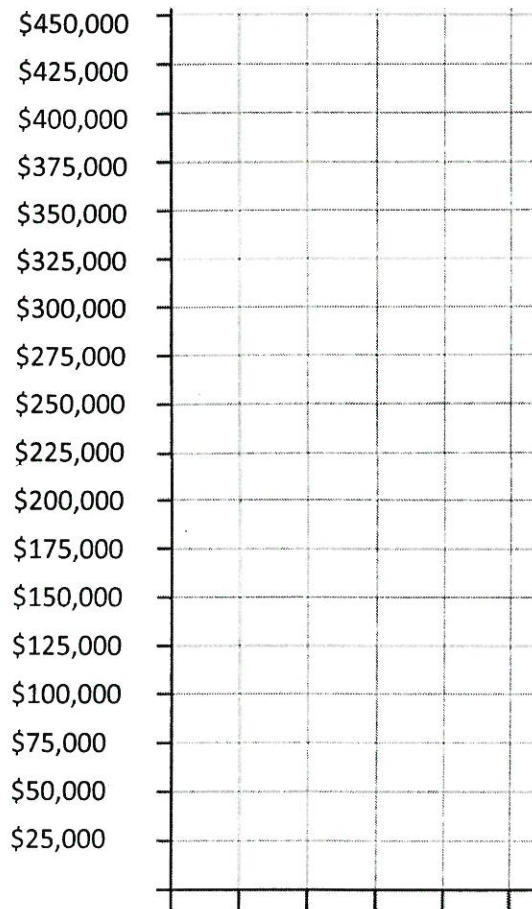
Contribution \$ _____ Interest Earned \$ _____
Investment Value \$ _____

#2



- Contribution \$ _____
- Interest Earned \$ _____
- Investment Value \$ _____

#3



- Contribution \$ _____
- Interest Earned \$ _____
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