

# Vanguard<sup>®</sup> Target Retirement 2030 Fund

#### **Investment Approach**

Simple fund of funds structure seeks to build appropriate asset allocation from preselected stock and bond portfolios.

The allocation between funds and asset classes automatically becomes more conservative over time.

The fund handles investment selection, asset allocation, and rebalancing through retirement.

100% of assets invested in index funds.

Note: Lower priced options may be available depending on your plan size.

## **Quarterly Commentary**

Major stock markets continued to advance in the first quarter of 2024, with a number of indexes reaching record highs. In the U.S., inflation readings came in higher than expected, but consumer spending remained strong and the economy showed continued vigor.

Global stocks returned just shy of 8% for the quarter, as measured by the FTSE Global All Cap Index. U.S. equities led the way, while those in emerging markets lagged but still finished in positive territory. Inflation readings stayed above target in many developed economies, but labor markets remained on solid footing. Given this backdrop, a number of major central banks, including the U.S. Federal Reserve, European Central Bank, and Bank of England, left interest rates unchanged.

With rate cuts looking less imminent, bond yields generally rose and prices declined. The yield of the bellwether 10-year U.S. Treasury note, for example, ended the quarter higher at 4.20%. The broad U.S. investment-grade bond market returned –0.72% (as measured by the Bloomberg U.S. Aggregate Float Adjusted Index).

For the quarter, returns of Vanguard Target Retirement Funds ranged from 2.09% for the Target Retirement Income Fund to 6.89% for the Target Retirement 2050 Fund. Those results reflected the performance of the underlying funds in which the Target Retirement Funds invest. Vanguard Total Bond Market II Index Fund Investor Shares returned –0.82%, Vanguard Total International Bond II Index Fund Institutional Shares 0.07%, Vanguard Short-Term Inflation-Protected Securities Index Fund Admiral Shares 0.85%, Vanguard Total International Stock Index Fund Investor Shares 4.29%, and Vanguard Total Stock Market Index Fund Institutional Plus Shares 10.01%.

For the 12 months ended March 31, 2024, returns of the Target Retirement Funds ranged from 8.47% for the Target Retirement Income Fund to 20.51% for the Target Retirement 2070 Fund.

## **People and Process**

Vanguard Target Retirement 2030 Fund uses an asset allocation strategy designed for investors planning to retire between 2028 and 2032. The fund seeks to provide growth of capital and current income consistent with its current target allocation by investing in a gradually more conservative mix of the following Vanguard funds: Total Stock Market Index Fund, Total Bond Market II Index Fund, Total International Stock Index Fund, Total International Bond II Index Fund, and Short-Term Inflation-Protected Securities Fund. The combination of funds produces a portfolio that is diversified by asset class and holdings.

Vanguard Target Retirement 2030 Fund is one of a series of Vanguard funds that use a targeted maturity approach as a simplified way to meet investors' different objectives, time horizons, and changing risk tolerances. As your retirement date approaches, the fund's allocation will grow more conservative and will begin to invest in the Vanguard Short-Term Inflation-Protected Securities Index Fund to provide a hedge against inflation while dampening the overall volatility of the portfolio. In this regard, the fund diversifies both stock and conventional bond exposure. Within seven years after 2030, the fund's asset allocation should resemble that of the Target Retirement Income Fund.

# **Vanguard Equity Index Group**

Launched in 1975, The Vanguard Group, Malvern, Pennsylvania, is among the world's largest equity and fixed income managers. As chief investment officer, Gregory Davis, CFA, oversees Vanguard's Equity Index, Investment Strategy, Quantitative Equity, and Fixed Income Groups. Rodney Comegys, Principal and global head of Vanguard's Equity Index Group, is responsible for all equity index funds. The Equity Index Group manages indexed equity portfolios covering U.S. and international markets. It has developed sophisticated portfolio construction methodologies and efficient trading strategies that seek to deliver returns that are highly correlated with target portfolio benchmarks. The group has advised Vanguard Target Retirement 2030 Fund since 2006.

# **Investment Manager Biographies**

Michael R. Roach, CFA. Portfolio manager. Advised the fund since 2023. Worked in investment management since 2000. B.S., Bloomsburg University of Pennsylvania. M.S., Drexel University.

Walter Nejman. Portfolio manager. Advised the fund since 2013. Worked in investment management since 2008. B.A., Arcadia University. M.B.A., Villanova University.

Aurelie Denis, CFA. Portfolio manager. Advised the fund since 2023. Worked in investment management since 2017. B.S., Pennsylvania State University.

Roger Aliaga-Diaz, Ph.D., Principal. Portfolio manager, Investment Strategy Group. Advised the fund since 2023. Worked in investment management since 2010. B.A., Universidad Nacional de Córdoba. Ph.D., North Carolina State University.

#### **Total Returns**

	Expense		Year				
	Ratio	Quarter	to Date	1 Year	3 Years	5 Years	10 Years
Target Retirement 2030 Fund (6/7/2006)	0.08%	4.57%	4.57%	14.81%	3.35%	7.37%	6.88%
Target Retirement 2030 Composite Index	_	4.52	4.52	15.09	3.71	7.80	7.20

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Note: Target Retirement 2030 Composite Index: Derived by applying the fund's target asset allocation to the results of the following benchmarks: for international stocks of developed markets, the MSCI EAFE Index through December 15, 2010, the MSCI ACWI ex USA IMI Index through June 2, 2013, and the FTSE Global All Cap ex US Index thereafter; for emerging-market stocks, the Select Emerging Markets Index through August 23, 2006, the MSCI Emerging Markets Index through December 15, 2010, the MSCI ACWI ex USA IMI Index through June 2, 2013, and the FTSE Global All Cap ex US Index thereafter; for U.S. bonds, the Bloomberg U.S. Aggregate Bond Index through December 31, 2009, and the Bloomberg U.S. Aggregate Float Adjusted Index thereafter; for international bonds, the Bloomberg Global Aggregate ex-USD Float Adjusted RIC Capped Index Hedged beginning June 3, 2013; and for U.S. stocks, the MSCI US Broad Market Index through June 2, 2013, and the CRSP US Total Market Index thereafter. International stock benchmark returns are adjusted for withholding taxes.

# **Quarterly Returns**

							Year-End
Year	1st Quarter	2nd Quarter	3rd Quarter	4th Quarter	Target Retirement 2030 Fund	Target 2030 Composite Index	Assets (Millions)
2024	4.57%	-	-	_	_	_	\$92,795
2023	5.67	3.56%	-3.20%	9.53%	16.03%	16.26%	88,435
2022	-5.65	-11.67	-5.93	6.81	-16.27	-15.71	76,004
2021	2.49	5.25	-0.78	4.06	11.38	11.66	36,993
2020	-14.76	14.58	5.70	10.52	14.10	14.97	45,904
2019	9.54	3.41	0.89	5.95	21.07	21.34	41,571
2018	-0.56	0.78	3.09	-8.86	-5.86	-5.75	32,770
2017	5.10	3.29	3.88	4.21	17.52	17.66	32,830
2016	1.30	1.92	4.02	0.42	7.85	8.11	25,676
2015	2.31	-0.24	-6.31	3.49	-1.03	-0.79	22,562
2014	1.74	4.20	-1.19	2.32	7.17	7.51	23,824

# **Fund Facts**

0695
VTHRX
TgtRe2030
92202E888
\$92,795
6/7/2006
0.08%

# **Volatility Measures**

	R-Squared	Beta
Target Retirement 2030 Composite Ix	1.00	1.01
MSCI US Broad Market Index	0.93	0.69

# Fund Asset Allocation

Fund Asset Allocation	% of
	Total Net Assets
Stocks	62.0%
Bonds	37.1
Short-term reserves	0.9
Total	100.0 %

# **Allocation to Underlying Vanguard Funds**

Total	100.0%
Total International Bond II Index Fund	11.3
Total International Stock Index Fund	25.0
Total Bond Market II Index Fund	26.2
Total Stock Market Index Fund	37.5%
	% of Total Net Assets

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