

2025 STRATEGIC PARTNERSHIP PLAN

Wisconsin Deferred Compensation Program (WDC) and Empower

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RPAs (7)	Retirement Plan Advisor	Provide advice, education and service to WDC participants	Various	Various locations in WI

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We serve our customers

Our culture

Customer obsessed

We do the right thing

Accountable

We own it

Growth mindset

We lead

Constantly improving

We simplify

Inclusive

We collaborate

Relationship evolution

Design & service accomplishments

- Online enrollment
- % contributions
- Fund changes
- WDC re-brand
- Fund changes
- Participant fee change
- · Virtual model
- SECURE Act CARES Act
- Fund changes

- WRS Pension Estimate
- Retention services
- Point-in-time advice
- · Financial planning
- Fund changes

- New participant Return of experience
- LIS Updates
- · Custom app
- Chat feature
- Steppingstones to Retirement
- Online RMD experience
- **Employer emails** with Plan **Enrollment Code** (3x/yr)
- Bi-weekly NEO webinars
- Enrollment postcard

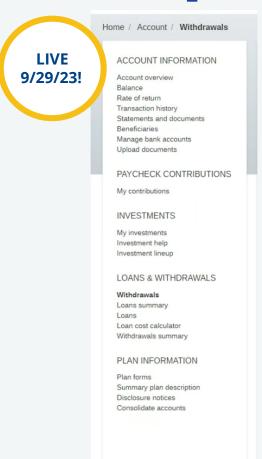
2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
Organizationa	l events					
	 New online scheduler 	 Regulation Best Interest 	• Prudential	Contract renewal	 Best Interest Profile 	• Advice 2.0
		Personal Capital	 Natural Voice Recognition 	Custom app skin		
		Mass Mutual	RFP Win	 New participant experience 		

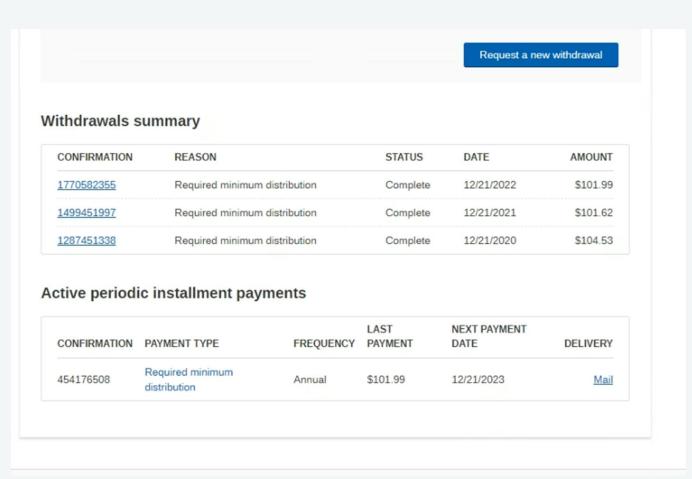


2024 Strategic Partnership Plan (SPP) Accomplishments



Online Required Minimum Distribution (RMD) Experience



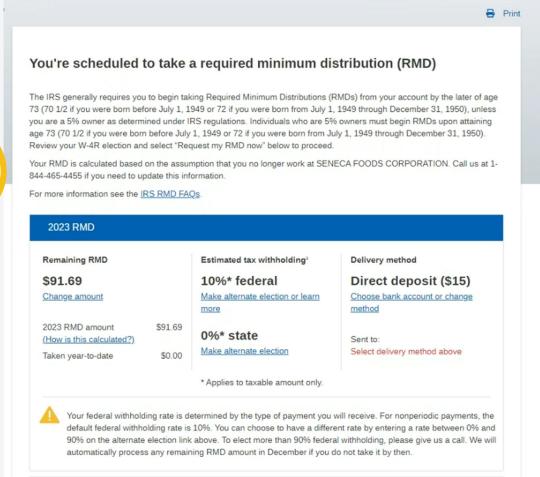


Online Required Minimum Distribution (RMD) Experience

9/29/23!

Send me status updates by

It is a requirement by the IRS to view the W-4R federal tax withholding document.



View or edit W-4R tax withholding

Forms vs online

- Affidavit of Heirship
- Beneficiary Designation
- In-Kind Withdrawal
- Beneficiary Account Withdrawal Request
- Catch-Up Form
- Personal Information Change Request
- Alternate Payee Distribution
- Hardship Withdrawal Request SECURE 2.0
- Enrollment Application
- In-Service Withdrawal Request
- In-Plan Roth Rollover Request Form Dec '24 (phased rollout)
- Required Minimum Distribution Request Q4 '23
- Installment Payments
- Purchase of Service Credits Transfer Request Q4 '24
- Public Safety Distribution Form
- Transfer/Rollover Contribution Form
- Separation From Employment Withdrawal Request



Average Not In Good Order (NIGO) Forms (YTD 2024) 30%

> Average **WDC** NIGO Forms (YTD 2024) 4%



2024 WDC Communications

Activity	Objective	Timing	Audience	Results
News and Updates Blurb: Plan and Trust Document Changes	Inform participants of Plan and Trust document changes	January 2024	All participants	Complete
Retirement Readiness Review TV Monitor Slide	Promote Retirement Readiness Reviews at Hill Farms building	February 2024	Active participants	Complete
Social Media Posts	Provide ETF with WDC material to post on Twitter and LinkedIn	March 2024	ETF followers on X and LinkedIn	21 topics provided with images Pre-tax and Roth topic has highest engagement (643 impressions/31 clicks)
WRS Newsletter articles	Provide ETF with educational newsletter articles for active and retiree newsletter	March 2024	Active employees and retirees	Complete
Steppingstones Campaign (Spring)	Educate participants on how SSA, WRS and WDC fit together	April 2024	All participants	1,270 registered; 616 attended 4.63/5 overall satisfaction rate
Enrollment Postcard	Increase enrollment in WDC	April 2024	Eligible employees not currently enrolled ages 25-55 who have a vested balance	Postcard mailed to 84k eligible employees 4/24/24; 92 QR scans
DB Feed FAQ Flier	Update and post DB FAQ Flier on Things to know (TTK) webpage	April 2024	All participants	Complete

2024 WDC Communications

Activity	Objective	Timing	Audience	Results
2024 Annual Participant Satisfaction Survey	Rating satisfaction with Empower and WDC services	May 2024	All participants	Email sent 5/7, reminder email sent 5/28 1,195 respondents 15% survey response rate
Fraud Prevention/Email Capture Campaign	Educate participants about cybersecurity and protecting their accounts	June 2024	Active and terminated participants with a balance	729 account registrations
Employer Newsletter/Webinars	Provide operational and plan updates to employers	June 2024	Participating Employers	251 registrations; 115 employers attended the webinar
Employer Survey Email and Reminder Email	Rating satisfaction with Empower and WDC services	June/July 2024	Participating Employers	6/11 email: open rate: 29% Click rate: 18% 7/18 reminder email: open rate 31% Click rate: 21%
Employer Survey	Rating satisfaction with Empower and WDC services	July 2024	Participating Employers	141 respondents 85% satisfied/very satisfied
At Risk Campaign	Increase Retirement Readiness Reviews, promote advice and staying in the plan	August 2024	All participants	Email sent on 9/3 to 15,271 Open rate: 51% Click rate: 3% 47 clicks to schedule a meeting 3% video engagement

2024 WDC Communications

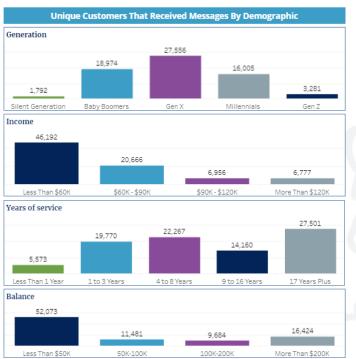
Activity	Objective	Timing	Audience	Results
Managed Account Free Look Campaign	Promote the 90-day free look	September – November 2024	Participants not enrolled in Managed Accounts	In progress
News and Updates Blurb: RMD Update	Inform participants that there are changes to RMD processing	September 2024	All participants	Complete
News and Updates Blurb: Investment Performance	Inform participants that the detailed investment performance information is no longer on statements		All participants	Complete
National Retirement Security Month Campaign	Enroll, Meet with a RPA, promote tools and resources	October 2024	All participants	In progress
Steppingstones Campaign (Fall)	Promote educational webinar created for WDC participants focused on Social Security, the WDC and WRS		All participants	Pending results

Empower Communications Engine (ECE) Results

Total unique individuals who received a message: 67,363

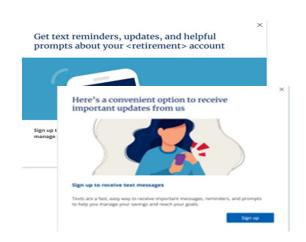
Engagement and Response Metrics*				
Unique Email Open Rate	52.38%			
Unique Email Click Rate	3.01%			
Inbound Call %	1.66%			
Login %	34.51%			
Primary Response Rate	1.54%			
Secondary Response Rate 0.04%				
PLA Click Rate 1.28%				

^{*}YTD through 9/17/24

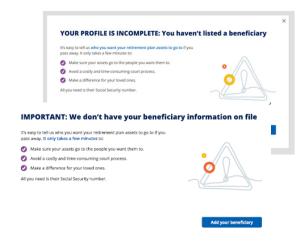


New ECEs

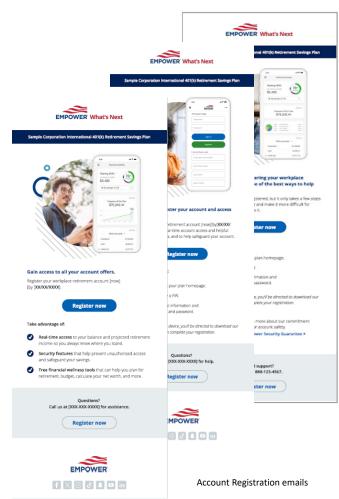
- Account Registration
- Beneficiary pop-up
- Text messaging coming soon!
- Financial Wellness tools coming soon!



Plan messages



Beneficiary pop-ups



Financial Planning Scorecard

YTD as of July 31, 2024

Introduction

26
Individuals inquiring about Financial Planning services

Financial Planning Enrollments

Total individuals who enrolled in full Financial Planning

Total Conversations

89
Total number of conversations with a Financial Planner

Topical Conversations

Individuals who held a Topical Planning conversation with a Financial Planner

Reviews

31

Follow-up conversations and updates to a previously delivered Financial Plan

Discovery

13*

Individuals who have provided information to create a Financial Plan

Delivery

9

Number of plans completed and presented to client

^{*3} plans in progress that have not yet reached discovery phase

Investment Advice



People may be looking for financial direction in all the wrong places



73%

would be attracted to another employer that cares more about financial wellness¹

47%

earning \$100K+ are stressed about finances¹

57%

wish they had gotten advice sooner²

NEARLY

1/2

say debt is negatively impacting their ability to save for retirement²

Helping you and your employees get the MOST out of the WDC

Education and advice for all employees

Certified professionals with deep financial planning experience

- Roadmap for household
- Pension strategies
- Insurance needs

Tax and estate planning

 Prioritizing all financial goals (e.g., home, college, retirement)

Advisory solutions customized for individuals

- Retirement Readiness Review¹
- Personalized, professional account management
- · Ongoing portfolio adjustments
- Online, fiduciary advice

- Income distribution strategies
- Guaranteed income strategies
- Advanced financial planning resources
- Integrated dashboard



Education and advice at no additional cost

- In-person and virtual 1:1 meetings
- Group enrollment/education meetings
- Point-in-time advice²
 (e.g., savings rate and fund selection)
- Asset-consolidation service
- Award-winning website/app
- Financial wellness advisors
- Customer Care Center



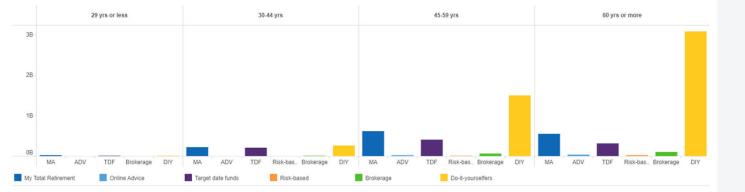
¹ The Retirement Readiness Review is provided by an Empower representative registered with Empower Advisory Group, LLC and may provide investment counseling and/or recommendations at no additional cost to participants. There is no guarantee provided by any party that use of the review will result in a profit.

² Point-in-time advice provided by an Empower representative may include savings, investment allocation, distribution, and rollover advice, including advice on consolidating outside retirement accounts. FOR PLAN SPONSOR OR FINANCIAL PROFESSIONAL USE ONLY. RO2888843-0523

Investment strategies by age range

Investment strategies by balance (\$)

As of July 31, 2024



Summary by strategy

65% Do-it-yourselfers

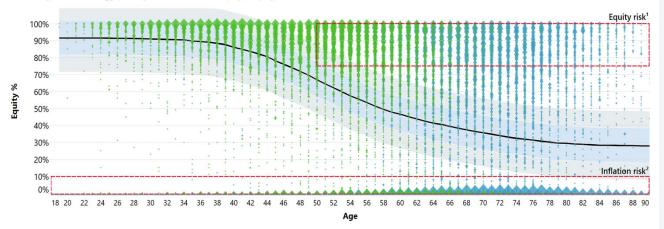
19% My Total Retirement

13%
Target Date
Funds

DIY investors still need help

Participant total equity exposure compared to the equity allocation of a representative target date glide path

L► Do-it-yourself strategy participants with a balance, by employment status



Equity exposure insights	Active participants	Separated from service participants	All participants
Within 10% of glide path	28.0%	11.0%	18.6%
Within 20% of glide path	49.3%	22.1%	34.2%
Participants with equity risk	4,449	7,004	11,453
Participants with inflation risk	827	3,065	3,892

Age 50+ near retiree summary

20,930Total participants

\$2BTotal assets

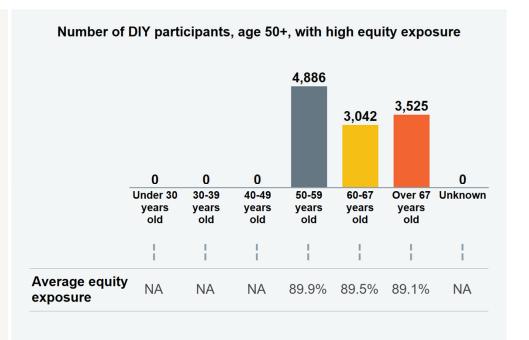
\$115,830 Average balance

Do-it-yourself (DIY) participants with high equity exposure

As of 7/31/2024

Pre-retirees and retirees that are age 50 or over





Do-it-yourself (DIY) participants with low equity exposure

As of 7/31/2024



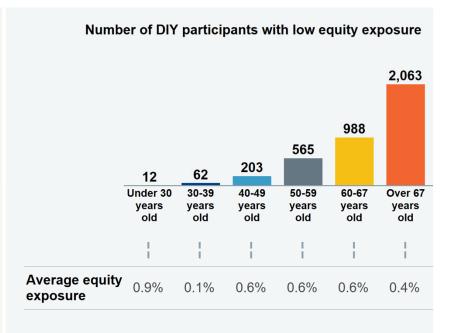


Overall insights

of those participants have
10% OR LESS
of their balance
exposed to equities
(3,894 participants)

This is
-0.4%
lower than the percent of participants on 12/31/2023

Do-it-yourself participants may be too removed from the market. While having too much exposure to equities can be detrimental to participant outcomes, the inverse can also be true. Participants under-exposed to equities can miss out on potential investment returns that can bolster their account balance growth.



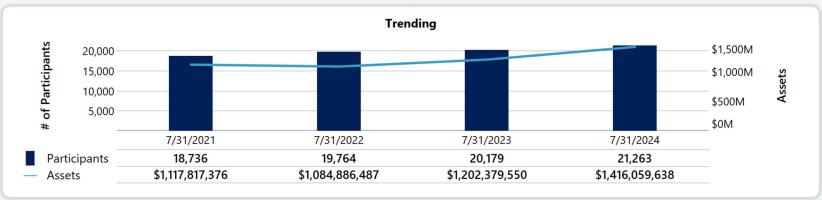
Advisory Services – WDC Snapshot

As of 7/31/2024

Utilization of My Total Retirement



	Growth rates	
Double in out	7/31/2021 - 7/31/2024	13.5%
Participants	Year-over-year average	4.3%
A1-	7/31/2021 - 7/31/2024	26.7%
Assets	Year-over-year average	8.6%



More than just asset allocation Personalization and advice may help provide better outcomes



Personalized investment strategy leveraging multiple inputs from age, outside savings, investments, spousal information, etc.



Personalized investment advice including Retirement Readiness Reviews1



Ongoing monitoring and management of the account to help stay on track



Spend-down strategy designed to help maximize income in retirement

- 1 The Retirement Readiness Review is provided by an Empower representative registered with Empower Financial Services, Inc. and may provide recommendations at no additional cost to participants. There is no guarantee provided by any party that use of the review will result in a profit.
- ² Empowering America's Financial Journey, 2023
- ³ Empower Advisory Group data as of March 31, 2023
- ⁴ Empowering America's Financial Journey, 2022

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Why does it matter enterprise-wide statistics

Of people believe having help to create a personalized plan is valuable²

Are confident that managed accounts will help them achieve their financial goals3

78%

Of people are more confident about their retirement readiness when working with an advisor4

Managed account users have higher savings rates than target date fund

⁵ All engagement data is as of September 30, 2022, for eligible and contributing participants with a balance. Advice includes managed account users, and financial wellness includes visits to financial wellness pages on participant website. Engagement is defined as at least one interaction in a 12-month period between October 1, 2021, and September 30, 2022, through participant website, mobile apps (Android™ or iOS®), or call center.

What's New at Empower



Empowering what's next in workplace retirement plans







#1 recommended retirement provider by financial professionals¹

Provider of choice for more than **83,000 qualified, nonqualified, and pension plans**²

Entrusted with over **\$1.6 trillion** in retirement savings of over **18 million individuals**²

Fastest-growing retirement provider in America³

^{1 2023} PLANADVISER Retirement Plan Adviser Survey as of February 2024.

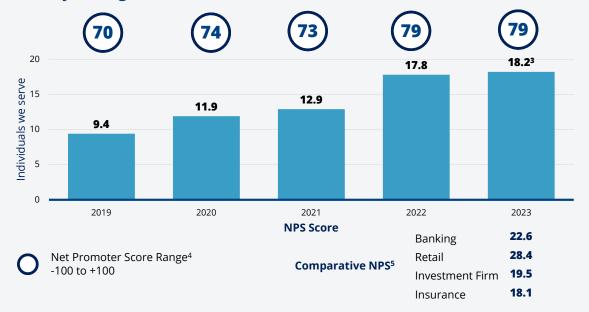
² Empower data as of March 31, 2024. See end disclosures for more information.

³ Participant growth data from 2023 PLANSPONSOR DC Recordkeeping Survey (data as of December 31, 2022), and 2013 PLANSPONSOR DC Recordkeeping Survey (data as of December 31, 2012) for historical calculations.

World-class¹ plan sponsor support

We continue to improve customer experience while growing 3x faster than the industry average²

We succeed because we know what matters to government plans:



99% client retention rate⁶

9.1/10
ease of doing business score⁴

1 Net Promoter Score (NPS) measures customer experience. According to Bain & Co., the creator of the NPS, NPS above 20 is considered favorable, above 50 is excellent, and above 70 is world-class. NPS survey data as of May 1, 2023.

2 2023 PLANSPONSOR DC Recordkeeping Survey (data as of December 31, 2022), and 2013 PLANSPONSOR DC Recordkeeping Survey (data as of December 31, 2012) for historical calculations.

3 Empower data as of June 30, 2023.

4 All information from the NPS survey data for government plans which have been on a single recordkeeping system for at least one year, provided as of May 1, 2023.

5 Qualtrics XM Institute Q3 2022 U.S. Consumer Benchmark Study.

6 Empower data for government clients as of December 31, 2023.

9.5/10

client service team4

Exceptional transaction quality

Transaction Type	Accuracy
Money Out	99.99%*
Money In	99.99%*
Participant Maintenance	99.99%*
Resolution	99.99%*

Payroll Services	Quality
Payroll Setup Quality	99.94%*
Processing Satisfaction	9.61 out of 10*

Recordkeeping Administration

For the fifth year in a row, we've processed transactions with 99.99% accuracy, or better, in all processing categories. This translates to only 12 errors for every 1 million participants.*

Customer Care Center

We strive for participant satisfaction and speed to service with every call. On average, participants have rated their overall call satisfaction as 4.35 out of a possible 5 (4.35/5).*

^{*} Empower data as of March 31, 2023 FOR PLAN SPONSOR OR FINANCIAL PROFESSIONAL USE ONLY.

We built a recordkeeping system you can rely on

- SOC 2 type 2 annual reports
- Responsive and adaptable to evolving needs
- Scale and flexibility that leverage cloud technology
- 🔇 🛮 Immediate transaction updates and reporting
- Integrated recordkeeping and trust data
- Easy access to data and reporting

For more information regarding account security, including Empower Security Guarantee, visit **empower.com** and, from the list of additional links at the bottom of the page, click *Security center*.

Cybersecurity threats and data breaches are a top concern

Empower's proven commitment to your security now and in the future.



We will restore account losses that occur through no fault of the participant.

An award-winning experience

that is continually being enhanced

"Best of both budgeting and investment management"

CNBC, April, 2024¹

"Best financial overview"

Newsweek, May, 20242

"Best in Class online mobile planning tools, Best in Class financial wellness offering"

PlanSponsor, 20243

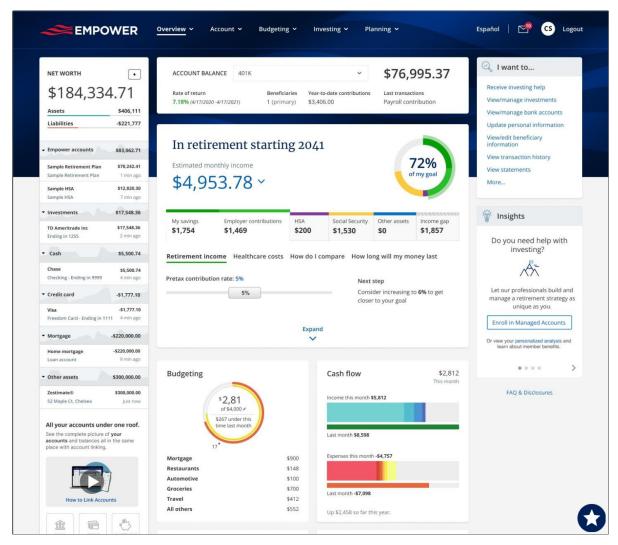
Average app rating 4.7 out of 5

Over 150,000 5-star app ratings⁴





- 1 CNBC, "Empower budgeting app review 2024", April 22, 2024
- 2 Newsweek May 1, 2024
- 3 2023 PLANSPONSOR Best in Class: DC Providers Survey, February 2024. 4 App Store® from Apple® ratings and reviews as of January 1, 2024. iPhone, iPad, Apple and App Store are trademarks of Apple Inc. Android, Google Play and the Google Play logo are trademarks of Google LLC.



The Currency™—empowering what's next in money, life, work and play

Weekly digital newsletter delivering what's current and relevant to daily life.

Tips for living in the now, while planning for the future.

Empowering real conversation on money matters.

Stay in the know



Capturing the attention of employees and the media

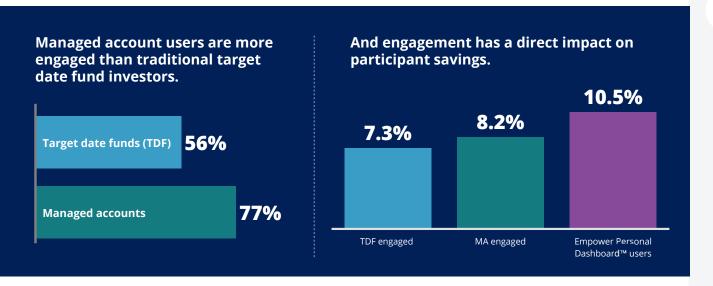
"Perks: The app and website offer a blog called *The Currency* where users can brush up on their financial knowledge and learn about industry insights."

~CNBC, Empower budgeting app review 2024. April 22, 2024.

Proprietary data and surveys, such as *Financial Happiness, Money Talks,* and *Who's the boss* featured in <u>MarketWatch</u>, <u>Forbes</u>, Yahoo!Finance, USA Today

ADVISORY SERVICES

Personalized strategies that drive better results



Empower recordkeeping data is as of September 30, 2023, for active participants with a balance, including corporate, not-for-profit, and government clients. Managed accounts include individuals enrolled in My Total Retirement™, Advisor Managed Accounts, or the Professional Management Program. Target date fund (TDF) investors defined as those who have 95% or more assets in up to two TDFs. Engagement is defined as at least one interaction in a 12-month period between October 1, 2022, and September 30, 2023, through participant website, mobile apps (Android™ or iOS®), or call center.

1 The income replacement statistic is based on Lifetime Income Scores data as of September 30, 2023, for participants who are 60+ in age across corporate, not-for-profit, and government plans that own target date funds (those who have 95% or more assets in up to two TDFs). Data includes participants with available salary data and LIS scores.

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A better endgame: Being prepared for retirement



Lifetime Income ScoresSM by strategy





Individuals closest to retirement are

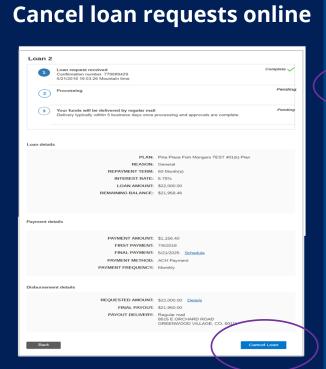
18% more likely
to meet their retirement income goal¹

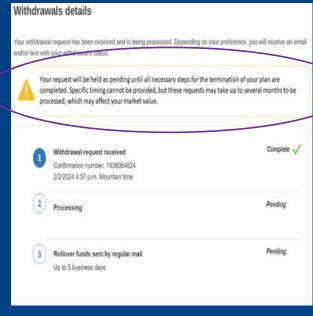
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Participant experience enhancements:

Making it easier for participants to manage their account



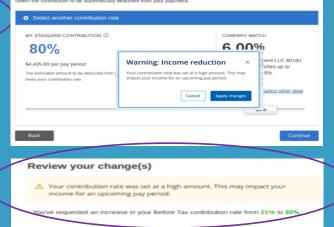




Requesting a withdrawal during plan termination

Additional checkpoint for large contribution changes

Standard Contribution



Salary deferral changes will be forwarded to your employer for processing. The actual salary d

Affected plan: Empower Retirement LLC 401(k) Savings Plan

Before Tax Contribution rate: 80% effective 3/22/2024

By clicking "Submit your change(s)," you authorize the payroll deductions as

Some features may not be available and are subject to change without notice.



Investing in reshaping financial services



A global fintech and financial services investment platform empowering visionary entrepreneurs



Power Corporation of Canada, the parent corporation of Empower, holds a controlling interest in Portage Ventures funds through subsidiaries. See powercorporation.com/en/companies/organization-chart/.

AI can enhance the experience for your participants

Enhance 1:1 human interactions

- Natural language IVR saves
 ~60 seconds with pre authentication¹
- Enhanced fraud detection
- Live call assessments support agent coaching and quality



Provide more convenient service

- 24/7 Chatbot delivers instant response, specifically tailored to your needs
- Next Best Action (NBA) will expand to mobile/web for anytime/anywhere service³
- Automation supports routine tasks, enhancing service quality²



- Next Best Action (NBA) guides conversations²
- Analyze participants' financial data, creating and adjusting plans based on life changes³



- Security incident and event monitoring
- Call fraud detection
- Compliance: trade monitoring and customer due diligence



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¹ Empower data as of 3/31/2023

² Anticipated for the first half of 2025

³ Anticipated for the second half of 2025

Supporting plans for the long haul with a talented and engaged workforce



83% would recommend to a friend¹



Empower associates are **highly engaged** with 77% giving a favorable engagement ranking.³

- 1 Glassdoor rating as of June 10, 2024
- 2 2024 USA Today Top Workplace
- 3 2023 Perceptyx associate engagement survey.

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Our culture and values are the foundation of our success

Our culture

Customer obsessed

We do the right thing

Accountable

We own it

Growth mindset

We lead

Constantly improving

We simplify

Inclusive

We collaborate

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Engaging public employees in Wisconsin

Education by Empower

Driving ongoing engagement with topics on the minds of your employees



New content delivered monthly



Library of recorded presentations



Easy online scheduling







63%

of individuals take a positive action after attending a virtual education meeting, nearly 1.5 times higher than in-person meetings (43%)1

1 Empower data as of January 31, 2023.

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Can Lafford this? Will Luse this? Do I have space for it?

Unique customer-centric model seamlessly supports people's needs



1,500+ associates and FINRA-licensed professionals

- Work-from-home capabilities help retain top talent committed to service
- Service hubs enable in-person training
- Voice-recognition technology, associate emulator tool, and interactive voice response post-call survey
- Adjust for plan, market, and economic impacts
- Available for important life events
- Spanish-speaking representatives

Weekdays, 7 a.m. to 9 p.m. Central time Saturdays, 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Central time

Hours of operation

first call resolution



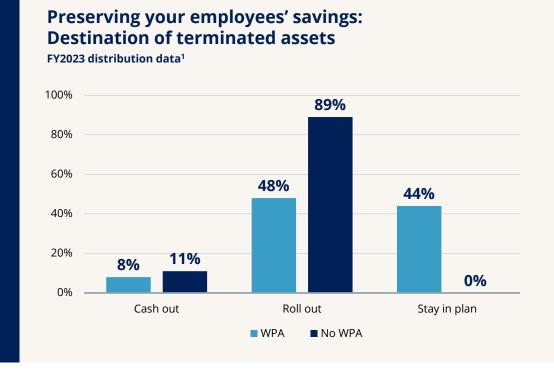
calls meeting/exceeding expectations

calls answered in <5 seconds in 2023

Thoughtful conversations to help every individual

Workplace Planning and Advice (WPA) provides fiduciary level support by:

- · Providing best-interest fiduciary advice
- · Reviewing their current financial situation
- Helping them improve their financial health
- Offering strategies for saving and investing
- Planning for retirement and other goals
- Consolidating their accounts



¹ Empower data based on all plans (corporate, government, Taft-Hartley, not-for-profit as of December 31, 2023.

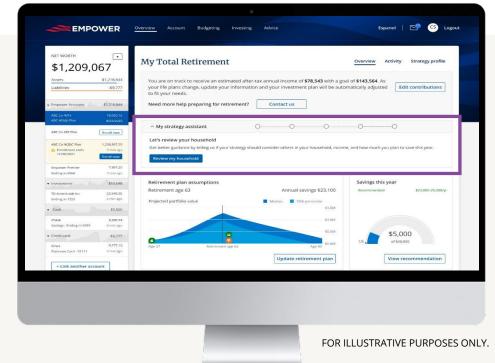
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Advisory services enhancement:

My strategy assistant

Widget **promoting profile customization** through guidance on gaps in user information.

- Five areas of focus:
 - Review your household
 - Social Security
 - Other retirement income
 - Other spending goals
 - Link accounts



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Empower Advisory Group (EAG) enhancements:

Driving ongoing engagement and personalization

Product Overview page	Webpage is now dynamic, allowing customized content based on product type: My Total Retirement TM (MTR) or Advisor Managed Accounts (AMA)
Introductory interview	Redesigned customer interview flow to encourage data capture and better personalize the member experience
Dynamic messaging	Company stock and self-directed brokerage (SDB) messaging will be limited to participants with these investment vehicles, providing more clarity
Online Advice experience	Redesigned enrollment experience to reduce confusion and accidental enrollments into managed accounts
Save to the match	New message encouraging participants to take full advantage of their match benefit

Empowering a flexible retirement income approach

7/0/0

of Americans say they are **more concerned** with guaranteed lifetime
income than maintaining wealth¹



Personalized

Determines allocation to a guaranteed solution based on individual's unique financial situation



Holistic

Includes outside and spousal/partner financial information in Empower advice recommendations

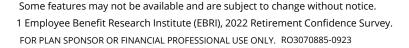


Advised

Leverages
professionally managed
strategies to deliver
appropriate guaranteed
income solutions







The Empower Communication Engine (ECE) drives participant engagement

Why do we see these results?



No prescheduled

calendars









Synchronized Unique messaging **Dynamic content** based on individual's communications based on situation and actions across email, mail, demographic and web, mobile, calls

Not just a single email push

intended action

Beyond superficial personalization

Simplified wording

with researchinspired language and design

> No industry jargon

Clear action

with a single-click guide to the next step

> No content without action

Participants receiving ECE messages engaged

frequently than individuals receiving traditional communications

Engagement defined as use of web, app, or calls during the defined period; measured for two 12-month periods, July to June 2022 and July to June 2023.

Solving for emergency savings needs

EMPOWER Personal Cash™—a flexible out-of-plan high-yield savings account¹

- Helping your workforce save for their goals, without adding fiduciary responsibility
- Integrated through individual's personal dashboard
- No account fees or minimum balance required
- Accepts paychecks via direct deposit
- Makes paying bills easy

1 Must be a U.S. citizen or resident alien, residing in the U.S., age 18 or older and not be subject to IRS backup withholdings to open an account.

2 https://www.empower.com/the-currency/money/research-financial-happiness

3 The Empower Personal Cash™ Annual Percentage Yield (APY) as of 8/1/23, is 4.70% APY (4.602% interest rate). The calculation for APY is rounded to the nearest basis point. Both the interest rate and APY are variable and subject to change at UMB's discretion at any time without notice.+.

4 FDIC insurance up to \$250,000 (including principal and interest) per depositor per program bank. The cash balance you place through the program is swept to one or more program banks, where it earns a variable rate of interest and is eligible for FDIC insurance. If the number of program banks changes, the aggregate amount of available FDIC insurance could be higher or lower. If you have deposits at a program bank, you should consider electing not to use that bank by following the opt-out instructions we provide. If you do so, the aggregate amount of FDIC insurance available to you will be lower. If you do not do so, your existing deposits and deposits through Empower Personal CashTM at that program bank will be combined for the purposes of FDIC coverage, which could result in some of your funds at that program bank being uninsured. You can find a list of the program banks here: docs.empower.com/PDF/p/cash/program-banks.pdf.

36%

could not handle an unforeseen expense over \$500 without a real worry.²

4.7%

current APY3

FDIC insured⁴ up to aggregate



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Empower Student Debt Solution powered by Candidly

60%

of student loan borrowers say debt negatively impacts mental health¹

Delivering robust tools and services to help employees crush student debt*

- Easy to access via the workplace website homepage
- Financing education with college planning articles and guides
- Budgeting help through the Empower Personal Dashboard™
- Loan options through private student loan marketplace
- Gamified student loan repayment with everyday purchases
- Employee matching contributions for qualified student loan repayments

81%

of Americans with student debt have made financial sacrifices²

The Empower Student Debt Solution is provided by Candidly, which is not affiliated with Empower Retirement, LLC or its affiliates.

¹ CNBC, "Student loan debt hurts the mental health of most borrowers, survey finds," January 2022.

² CNBC, Invest in you, Momentive poll, January 2022.

Website demonstration placeholder



Benchmarking



Executive summary

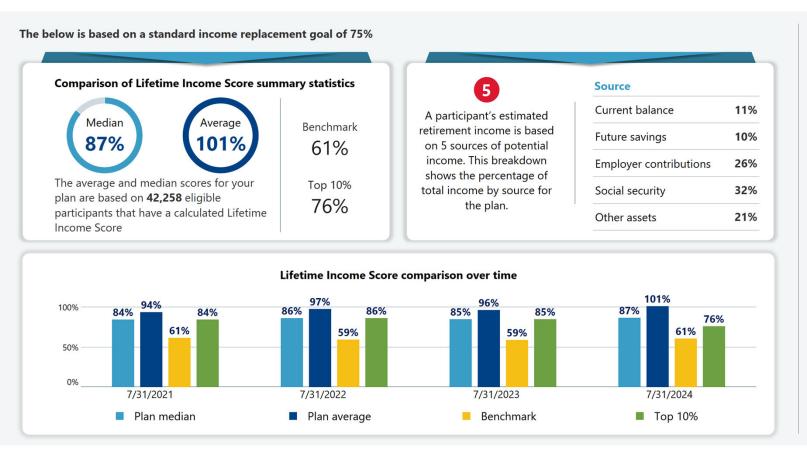




Overview

The assets and participant counts presented are effective as of period end. The assets do not reflect any adjustments, dividends, corrections, or similar that are processed after period end.

Lifetime Income Score (LIS)



Overview

This Lifetime Income Score summary is based on all actively employed and eligible individuals for which both a date of birth and a salary have been provided. A standard salary replacement goal is used for all the included individuals.

What we know about your population

As of 7/31/24

70,093
Participants with a balance

Approximately

60%

Employed

Approximately

40%

not employed

57,222 have email address on file

41,767 active participants have an online account

24,439 terminated participants have an online account

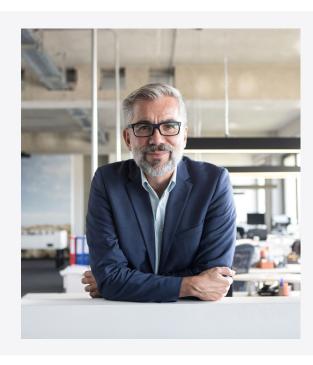
58,819 have beneficiary on file

5,565 have linked accounts (as of 8/5/24)

36,833 have made a contribution in the past 12 months

11,103 took a distribution from 8/1/23-7/31/24

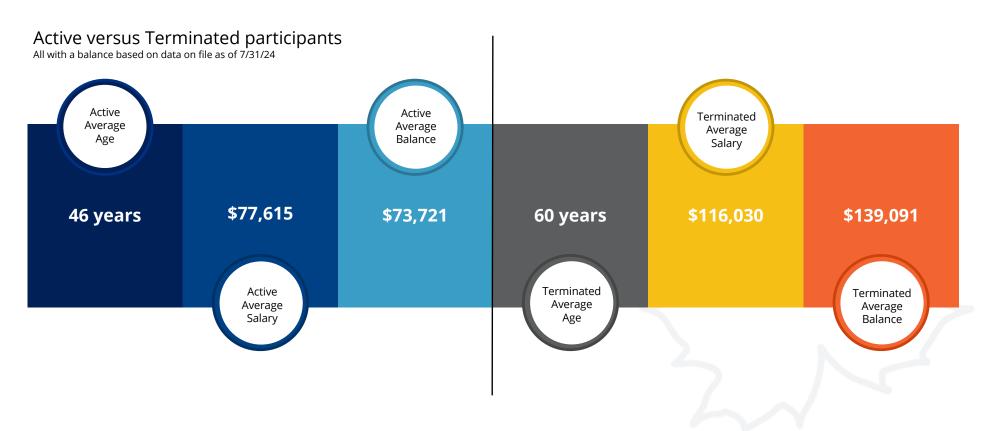
Who is a WDC participant?





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Who is a WDC participant?



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As of 12/31/2023

Benchmarking

				F
	98971-01	Empower ¹	Plansponsor ²	
Participation rate	83.1%	53.6%	84.0%	
Emails on file	81.1%	83.3%	NA	
Beneficiary on file	86.5%	82.0%	NA	

rticipation						
	12/31/2022	12/31/2023				
ligible participants	45,936	46,495				
otal accounts with a balance	68,861	69,534				
articipants contributing	38,242	38,635				
Participation rate	83.3%	83.1%				

				Lifetime Incom	ne Score [™] and savings rate
		98971-01	Empower ¹	Plansponsor ²	
Lifetime Income Score	Average	94.3%	65.2%	NA	
	Median	82.1%	59.9%	NA	Lifetime Income Score
Contribution rate	Average	9.1%	7.3%	9.1%	Account balance
	Median	5.4%	4.0%	7.4%	Before-tax contribution rate

	12/31/2022		12/31/2023	
	Average	Median	Average	Median
Lifetime Income Score	86.8%	79.1%	94.3%	82.1%
Account balance	\$87,408	\$27,752	\$99,303	\$32,229
Before-tax contribution rate	8.9%	5.0%	8.7%	5.0%
Roth contribution rate	7.1%	4.1%	7.0%	4.0%

Asset diversification							
		98971-01	Empower¹	Plansponsor ²		12/31/2022	12/31/2023
# of investments	Average	6.4	3.8	4.4	Do-it-yourself participants	29,817	28,745
	Median	4.0	2.5	3.0	Target-date strategy participants	18,166	19,120
Do-it-yourself participants		41.3%	46.6%	NA	Managed accounts participants	19,849	20,589

¹ Empower median results for plans in the benchmark population as of December 31, 2023. The benchmark population includes 457 plans with over \$500M in assets that are managed on the Empower platform.

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² PLANSPONSOR 2023 Defined Contribution Plan Industry Report - 457 Plans, median and average numbers reported. Data provided by ISS Media.

As of 12/31/2023

457 plans

Benchmark population plan types	\$5M - \$50M	>\$50M - \$200M	>\$200M - \$1B	>\$1B	All plans
457	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%

Plan design and features	\$5M - \$50M	>\$50M - \$200M	>\$200M - \$1B	>\$1B	All plans
Automatic enrollment	4.9%	11.3%	10.0%	6.3%	6.4%
Default contribution rate	3.0%	2.0%	NA	NA	3.0%
Automatic increase¹	40.9%	36.4%	NA	NA	41.0%
Automatic increase limit	8.0%	NA	NA	NA	7.5%
Elective match contributions	0.2%	1.0%	2.0%	6.3%	0.7%
Maximum match benefit	NA NA	NA	NA	NA	NA

Source: Empower median results for plans in the benchmark population that are managed on the Empower platform as of December 31, 2023. A minimum of 8 plans with a value greater than 0 are required for each benchmark.

¹ Based on the population of plans that have automatic enrollment.

As of 12/31/2023

457 plans

Plan design and features	\$5M - \$50M	>\$50M - \$200M	>\$200M - \$1B	>\$1B	All plans
Roth contributions allowed	77.4%	84.5%	80.0%	87.5%	79.0%
Participation rate	11.7%	12.9%	15.6%	10.1%	12.3%
Average contribution rate	5.5%	5.8%	5.7%	5.9%	5.6%
Loans allowed	54.3%	67.0%	68.0%	62.5%	57.7%
Maximum loans allowed	1	1	1	2	1

Investing	\$5M - \$50M	>\$50M - \$200M	>\$200M - \$1B	>\$1B	All plans
Managed account	57.4%	73.2%	56.0%	75.0%	60.3%
Utilization rate	11.7%	18.6%	16.2%	28.9%	13.0%
Brokerage account	12.0%	43.3%	72.0%	81.3%	23.6%
Utilization rate	1.1%	0.6%	0.5%	1.0%	0.9%
Point-in-time-advice	86.9%	74.2%	58.0%	43.8%	81.4%

Source: Empower median results for plans in the benchmark population that are managed on the Empower platform as of December 31, 2023. A minimum of 8 plans with a value greater than 0 are required for each benchmark.

As of 12/31/2023

Government-State

Benchmark population plan types	\$5M - \$50M	>\$50M - \$200M	>\$200M - \$1B	>\$1B	All plans
401(k)		33.3%		27.8%	12.5%
403(b)	11.1%		7.1%		5.4%
401(a)	44.4%	50.0%	35.7%	5.6%	30.4%
457	38.9%		57.1%	61.1%	46.4%
NQDC	5.6%				1.8%
Other		16.7%		5.6%	3.6%

Plan design and features	\$5M - \$50M	>\$50M - \$200M	>\$200M - \$1B	>\$1B	All plans
Automatic enrollment	0.0%	NA	21.4%	16.7%	12.5%
Default contribution rate	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Automatic increase ¹	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Automatic increase limit	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Elective match contributions	0.0%	NA	0.0%	0.0%	1.8%
Maximum match benefit	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA

Source: Empower median results for plans in the benchmark population that are managed on the Empower platform as of December 31, 2023. A minimum of 8 plans with a value greater than 0 are required for each benchmark.

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As of 12/31/2023

Government-State

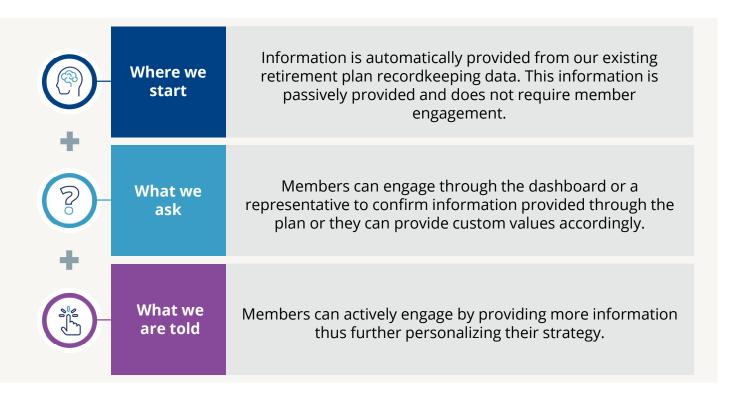
Plan design and features	\$5M - \$50M	>\$50M - \$200M	>\$200M - \$1B	>\$1B	All plans
Roth contributions allowed	33.3%	NA	57.1%	77.8%	53.6%
Participation rate	NA	NA	NA	6.0%	13.7%
Average contribution rate	NA	NA	NA	5.6%	5.8%
Loans allowed	27.8%	NA	21.4%	61.1%	39.3%
Maximum loans allowed	NA	NA	NA	2	2

Investing	\$5M - \$50M	>\$50M - \$200M	>\$200M - \$1B	>\$1B	All plans
Managed account	66.7%	NA	50.0%	83.3%	67.9%
Utilization rate	10.3%	NA	NA	27.7%	12.8%
Brokerage account	11.1%	NA	71.4%	77.8%	53.6%
Utilization rate	NA	NA	0.2%	0.7%	0.4%
Point-in-time-advice	66.7%	NA	28.6%	44.4%	48.2%

Source: Empower median results for plans in the benchmark population that are managed on the Empower platform as of December 31, 2023. A minimum of 8 plans with a value greater than 0 are required for each benchmark.

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Additive dimensions driving personalized strategies



Members actively engaged in personalizing their strategy

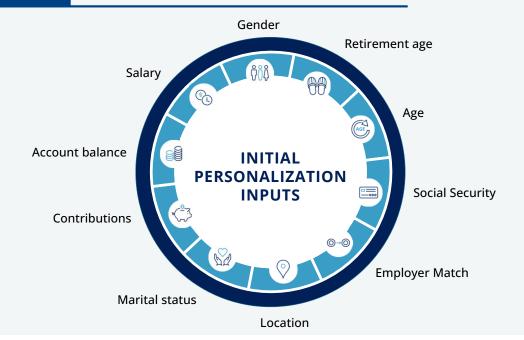


(17,153 out of 21,094 members)



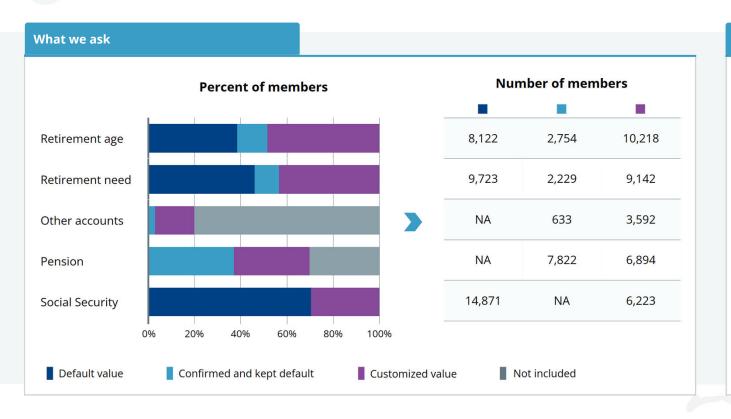
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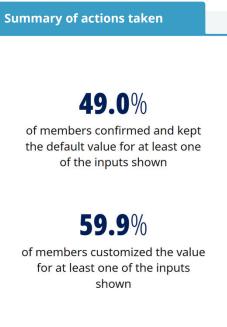
Where we start





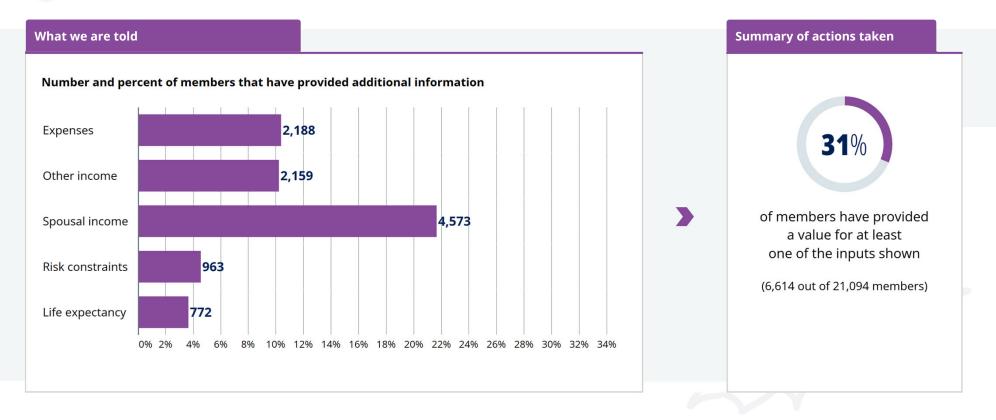
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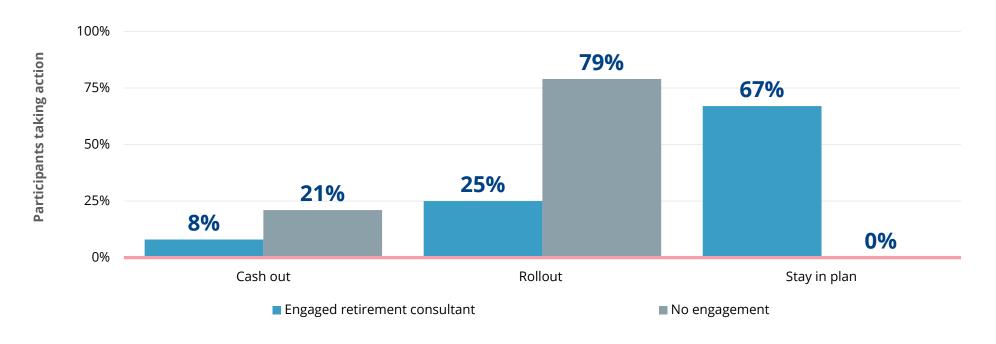


Members engage by providing more information



Helping participants when it matters most

Fiduciary services are provided for your employees to help improve your in-plan retention rates



Source: Empower data for Government segment January – June 2023.

[&]quot;Engaged retirement consultant" represents participants working with Retirement Solutions Group (RSG) retirement consultants. FOR FINANCIAL PROFESSIONAL AND PLAN SPONSOR USE ONLY. ©2024 EMPOWER, LLC. ALL RIGHTS RESERVED.

WDC Operational Updates



Plan Services

IMPLEMENTED

	Yes	No	Comments
Consolidated recordkeeping	✓		
Open architecture	✓		
Auto-enrollment		X	
Auto-increase		X	
Employer match		X	
Roth	✓		
Loans		X	
Self-directed brokerage	✓		
Fee disclosure and transparency	✓		
Investment advisory services	✓		
Annual investment product review	✓		
Qualified default investment alternative (QDIA)	✓		
Target date glide path review	✓		
DB and DC integration	✓		
Empower Communications Engine (ECEs)	✓		
Annual plan review and benchmarking	✓		

MPLEMENTED

	Yes	No	Comments
Payroll data interchange (PDI)	✓		Central Payroll
Indicative data (SSN, name, address, DOB, gender)	✓		
Employment data (eligibility, hire, term and rehire dates)	✓		
Contributions (EE before tax, Roth, after tax, ER match)	✓		
Salary (for Lifetime Income Score)	✓		
Email address (for electronic delivery)	~		
Online deferral process	✓		
Plan Service Center	✓		
To-do list	✓		Local office manages
QDRO services	✓		
Hardship approval services	✓		
Beneficiary recordkeeping	✓		
Online enrollment	✓		Plan Enrollment Code
Online file cabinet	✓		

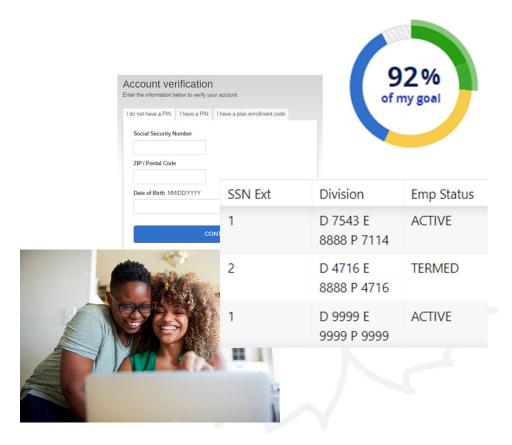
Indicative Data File

Eligible employees:

- Social Security Number
- Date of birth
- Address
- Salary
- Employment dates (hire, termination, re-hire) by division
- Cell phone number
- Email address personal and/or work
- Marital status
- Death dates
- Ethnicity/gender

Benefits:

- Better enrollment experience
- Accurate employers
- Targeted communication
- Security



RMD Full Service Overview

July/August 2025 RMD notices are mailed to RMD eligible account holders as

reflected in our records.

September/October 2025 Work with ETF to review termination dates via reports located on

the Plan Service Center and provide updates by November 1, 2025.

November/December 2025 2025 RMDs due by December 31, 2025 are processed.

March 2026 2025 first-year deferred RMDs due by April 1, 2026 are processed.

SECURE 2.0 Roadmap



Available now

New Product Offerings

- ✓ Student loan retirement match
- √ 403(b) PEP

Enrollment & Contribution Enhancements

✓ Elimination of 1st day of the month rule for governmental 457(b) plans

Other

- ✓ Recovery of overpayments
- ✓ Annual eligibility notice and elimination of annual notices package for eligible not participating participants

* Mandatory provision

Distribution and Withdrawal Flexibility

- ✓ Required Minimum Distributions (RMDs)
 - ✓ Age increase to 73*
 - ✓ Spousal beneficiary*
 - ✓ Roth RMD requirement*
 - ✓ RMDs for special needs trust*
 - ✓ Reduced excise tax*
- ✓ Qualified birth & adoption 3-year repayment*
- ✓ 10% penalty tax waiver for certain state & local correction employees and public safety/military corrections officers
- ✓ Age 50 parity for private firefighters and emergency personnel
- ✓ Recognition of tribal government domestic relations orders
- ✓ Force out increase \$5k to \$7k
- √ 457(b) de minimis distributions**
- ✓ Domestic abuse distributions

^{**} Not a specific SECURE 2.0 provision but the 457(b) code references the cashout limit

SECURE 2.0 Roadmap



2024



2025



2026+

Distribution Enhancements

- Public safety officer's distribution to pay healthcare premiums (9/10/24)**
- Federal disaster distributions (10/15/24)

Notices & Statements

 Updated 402(f) rollover distribution notice* (still waiting on guidance)

New Product Offerings

- Auto portability: small balances (1/1/25)
- Plan-linked emergency savings

Enrollment & Contributions

- Match and/or nonelective contributions as Roth Q1 2025
- Higher catch-up for age 60-63 (1/1/25)**

Distribution Enhancements

- Self-certification of hardship distributions (early 2025)
- Federal disaster loans and extended repayment period (late 2025/early 2026)

New Product Offerings

• Auto portability to DOL database

Distribution Enhancements

· Long-term care distributions

Enrollment & Contributions

• Roth catch-up (1/1/26)**

Notices & Statements

• Paper statement (plan years starting 1/1/26)*

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^{*} Mandatory provision

^{**} Standard is to allow this provision. No election required.

As of July 1, 2024. Dates are target dates and may shift.

Some features may not be available and are subject to change without notice.

Proposed WDC 2025 Strategic Partnership Plan (SPP)



Digital media outreach for enrollment

Overview:

Create an "ad" promoting enrollment in the WDC by using geofencing to target a one-mile radius around various state and local government buildings

Audience:

Employees in and around targeted locations

Timing:

During October/open enrollment (4-6 week period)

Metrics:

- Ad impressions
- · Website click-throughs
- Google analytics on landing page URL (wdc457.org)



2025 WDC Communication Proposal



Steppingstones Campaign (Winter and Fall)

Goal: Educate participants on how Social Security, the WRS pension and WDC Program fit together in their retirement picture

Audience: New hires, mid-career and pre-retiree participants

Tactics:

- Email
- Pre-login pop-up

2025 limit updates

Social media post (new link)

Communication updates:

ETF educational newsletter articles

Webinar

Secure 2.0 and Operational Communications

Goal: Educate participants on Secure 2.0 updates that affect the WDC, along with plan document and fee changes

Audience: Active and terminated participants with a balance

Tactics:

- Email
- News and Updates blurbs
- Statement stuffer/flyer
- Statement narrative
- Custom ETF newsletter article
- Library of material updates
- Social media post

Communication updates:

- ETF educational newsletter articles
- 2025 Annual Participant Satisfaction Survey
 - Targeted emails (x2)
 - Web messaging

At Risk Retiree Campaign

Goal: Encourage at risk retirees to meet with their local WDC rep for a no-cost RRR and promote financial wellness

Audience: At risk retirees

Tactics:

- Email
- Webinar
- Web messaging
- Custom ETF newsletter article
- Social media post (with gif)

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Enrollment Campaign/National Retirement Security Month

Goal: Encourage enrollment in the WDC/Promote open enrollment webinars

Audience: Those not enrolled in the WDC

Tactics:

- Self-send enrollment email
- Social media posts (with gif) / geofencing
- Web banner
- Custom ETF newsletter article

Communication updates:

- Webinars
- Recorded Brainshark/presentation

ETF educational newsletter articles

Empower Communications Engine (ECEs)

Goal: Deliver personalized automated messaging to participants

Audience: Targeted by topic/interaction

Topics

- Benefits of using the personalized website
- Welcome to your retirement plan
- Update your beneficiary and profile
- Save More
- Invest Wisely
- Get help with financial wellness (CFP)
- RPA Investment Advice
- RPA Near-retiree/retiree
- Key milestones ages (RSG)
- Do you need help investing?
- Welcome to professionally managed accounts
- Engage with your professionally managed account
- Your retirement savings options (RSG)
- Ongoing guidance for stay-in-plan terminated ppts
- Terminated participants mailer
- NEW: Account registration
- NEW: Beneficiary pop-up
 - COMING SOON: Financial Wellness tools

Communication updates:

ETF educational newsletter articles

Ongoing Employer communications:

- Newsletter
- Non-participating employer outreach
- Benefits fairs and conventions
 - Employer plan reviews as needed/requested
- Survey
- Survey email
- Webinar

Ongoing activities:

- 1. Retirement Readiness Reviews with Retirement Plan Advisors (RPAs) including Best Interest Profile advice experience
- 2. Bi-weekly New Employee Orientation (NEO) webinars hosted by RPAs for non-participating employees
- 3. Ongoing Library of Material review

- 4. News and Updates articles (if applicable, 3-5)
- 5. Indicative data capture



Appendix

Innovation Blueprint



I'm so happy to be here.

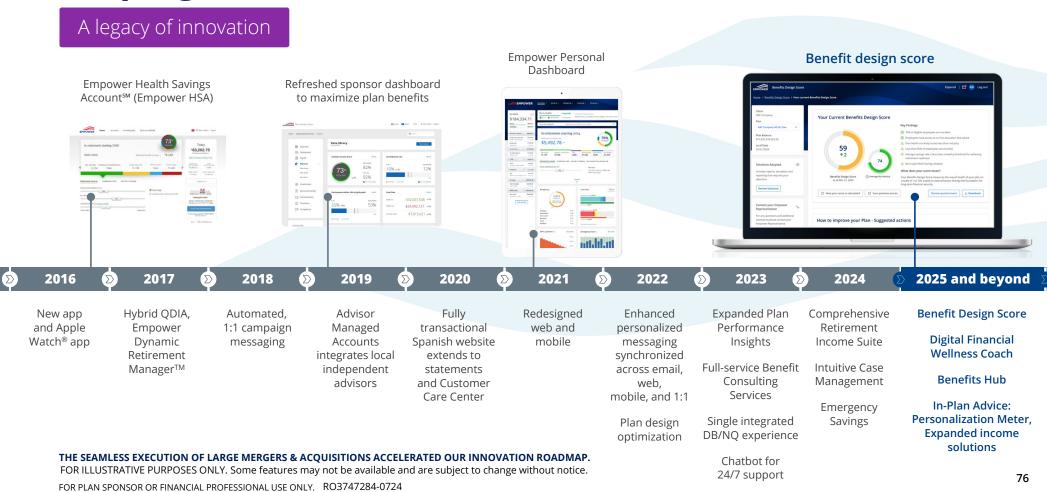
What does financial happiness mean to Americans in a word?

Freedom was the #1 definition.

Being debt-free, money, and security followed closely.



Helping transform financial lives



Diverse ideas drive innovation — *differently*



- **Voice of the Customer:** Solicit insights from client team to prioritize innovative services and product enhancements
- Client Advisory Boards and Industry Forums: Discuss industry trends to advance products and legislative and regulatory proposals
- **Rapid Innovation Sprints:** Conduct annual team brainstorming events to collaborate on software innovation opportunities
- **Affinity Groups:** Envision solutions through diverse perspective, including cultural, physical, neurodiverse, and lifestyle lenses
- **Global Insights:** Embrace global fintech strategies and innovation to transform and deliver visionary financial services
- **Research & Thought Leadership:** Champion challenges facing American workers and plan sponsors by advocating for retirement policy changes

Building better solutions

We're expanding our products and services on the most critical topics, building on a foundation of new technology

FINANCIAL FREEDOM
FOR EVERY INDIVIDUAL

ADVICE AND INCOME SOLUTIONS

MAXIMIZING
EMPLOYER
BENEFIT
SPEND

TRANSFORMING
THE RETIREMENT PLAN
EXPERIENCE

Our innovation lab enables us to serve our customers in new ways

Empowering financial freedom for all

Engaging people to drive action with flexible and secure platforms

The most personalized digital experience in the industry

- Persona-driven experience to meet unique life needs
- · Advanced financial wellness diagnostics and tools



Early-career Emilia

Emily

Start exploring ways

that may save you time

and money on your college investment.

Crush my student debt





Mid-career Mike



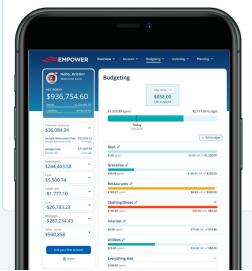




Transforming communication for the modern consumer

- Compelling, thought-provoking content to deepen engagement and drive action
- Innovative messaging technology to deliver personalized communications





Budgeting made easier

- Clearer budget tracking summary with real time spend updates
- Color-coded budget categorization; reorder based on preference

Offering holistic advice and income solutions





Advice and income enhancements allow the people we serve to have the best probability of success inside and outside the plan

- New asset-location capabilities to maximize after-tax returns in managed accounts
- Flexible institutional separate account strategies to reduce cost and optimize performance

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Maximizing your employer benefit spend

Innovative plan design and solutions

- Total benefits design
- New plan diagnostics tool
- New cash balance and employee retention solutions



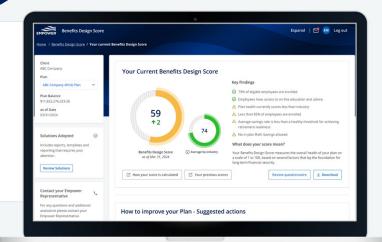
Expansion of our best-in-class financial wellness solutions

- Student Loan Match
- 529 education and guidance
- Student Loan Debt paydown program



Empower Benefits Design Score

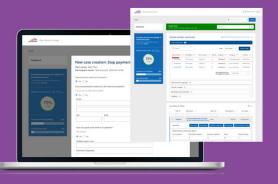
- Benefits Design Score
- · Personalized report with insights and benchmarking
- · Real-time, self-service modeling tool
- · Access to custom design consulting team*



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Transforming the retirement plan experience

Actionable insights and data to manage your plan your way



Making it easier to do business with enhanced workflow capabilities and automated transactions

Real-time insights to measure benefit program performance

On-demand reporting helps you measure and manage workforce financial wellness

- Financial Wellness web utilization report
- Financial Wellness incentives report
- · Diversity, equity, inclusion and belonging approach to financial wellness reporting
- · Plan diagnostics tool







SECURE Act 2.0 Thought Leadership

- More than 1,000 plan sponsors surveyed on adoption of optional provisions
- Insights and industry benchmarks to help decide implementation

Top 3 provisions plan sponsors are most likely to consider

#1

Eliminate notices

#2

Hardship self-certify #3

Increase cash-out to \$7K





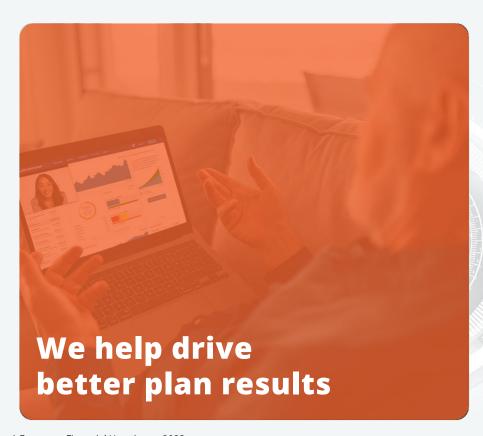
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Innovation Blueprint Appendix

What's Next: Delivering innovation that drives impact



1 Empower Financial Happiness, 2023.

2 Income White Paper, 2023.

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say they wish they'd gotten financial advice sooner²



of participants wish their retirement plan had options designed to help generate income in retirement²

"The Best Budget Apps for 2024"

- NerdWallet Article written November 2, 2023

Elevated service expectations require scalable investment

Empower is in a unique position as the fastest growing retirement provider.¹ We review and leverage emerging technologies with three objectives:



create personalized
experiences
to help deliver better
financial outcomes



Build **user-friendly and innovative solutions** to transform the retirement experience



Accelerate how we deliver solutions in market

We believe our best opportunity is to accentuate and enhance the skills of our service professionals.

1Participant growth data from 2023 PLANSPONSOR DC Recordkeeping Survey (data as of December 31, 2022), and 2013 PLANSPONSOR DC Recordkeeping Survey (data as of December 31, 2012) for historical calculations.

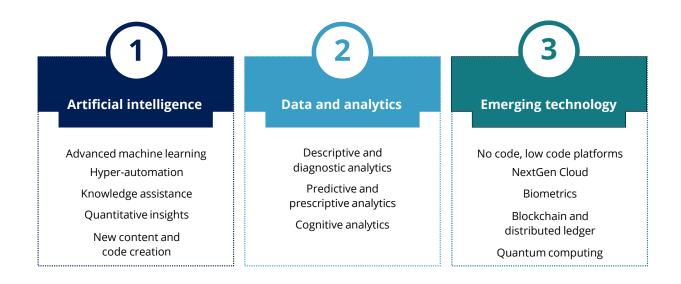
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Continuous reinvestment We believe:



Our Innovation Lab accelerates technology adoption to benefit our clients



Our mission:

To **ignite innovation** by testing new capabilities, **accelerating new technologies**, and differentiating the customer experience through **safe and transparent experimentation**



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