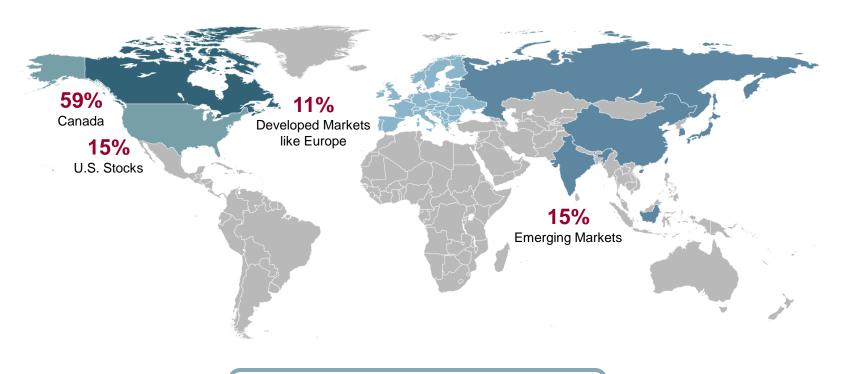




More Canadians plan to invest internationally

For those planning to invest for retirement in stocks or mutual funds holding stocks this year, where in the world do they primarily plan to invest?

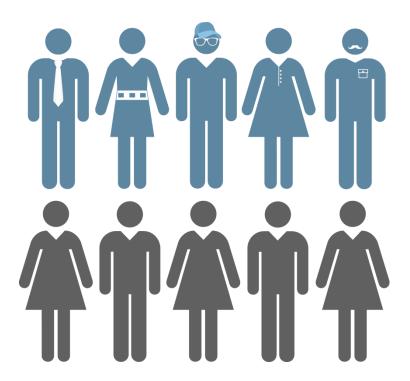


Last year in a similar poll, more Canadians (69%) intended to invest primarily in Canada.



Seeking alternatives & diversification

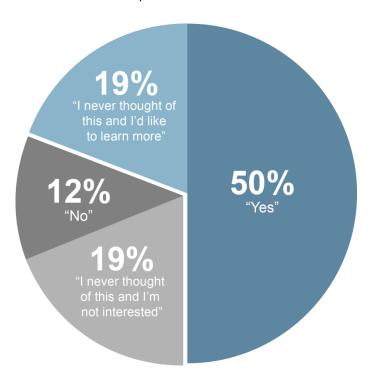
Alternative asset classes



Nearly **5** out of **10** said they had either considered investing in alternative asset classes such as infrastructure or property, or that they are interested to learn more.

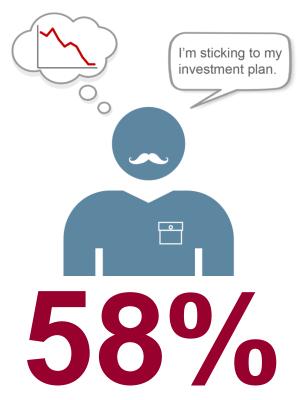
Diversification top of mind

Do you think it's important to invest in products that offer diversification or move in different directions vs. major indexes (e.g. S&P/TSX Index)?





Staying the course despite volatility



said one bad year won't make them stray away from their investment plans for 2016.

That's despite **56%** saying they didn't achieve expected returns for their investments last year.

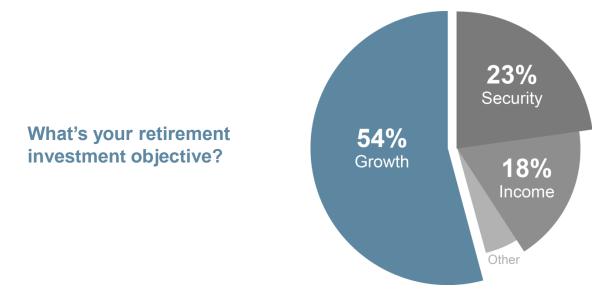
What's alarming conservative investors?

Of those planning to invest conservatively (GICs, savings accounts or other guaranteed investments) in 2016, why are they not considering using potentially higher-returning investments?

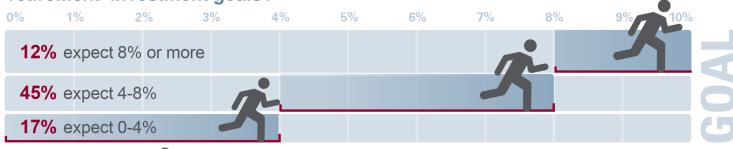




Most investors crave growth



What annual returns do you think you need to reach your retirement investment goals?

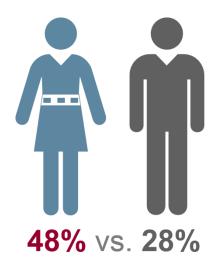


27% don't know





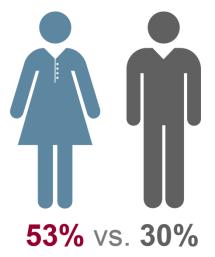
Female investors are more conservative



Currently primarily invested in GICs, savings accounts & other guaranteed investments.



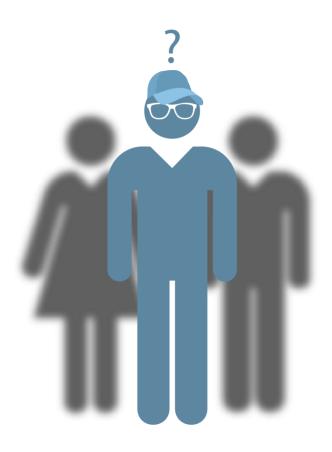
Currently primarily invested in stocks.



Plan to continue investing more conservatively.



Millennials stand out



1 out of 3 Millennials (aged 18-34) said they have no idea what annual return they need to reach their investment goals.

Dissatisfied & plan to take action

65% were dissatisfied with last year's return, saying they didn't get expected returns due to declines in equity markets.

33% plan to change their asset mix in 2016 due to last year's portfolio performance, much more than all other age groups.



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