COMPARE TAXABLE, TAX-DEFERRED AND TAX-FREE INVESTMENT GROWTH

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INTRODUCTION

Investment vehicles are taxed differently. This calculator is intended to help compare a fully taxable investment to both a tax-deferred and a tax-free investment. In the taxable scenario, taxes are applied annually while in the tax-deferred scenario, the investment is not taxed until the money is withdrawn. In the tax-free scenario, the money is an investment that is not subject to Federal or State tax.

SUMMARY OF INPUT

Current investment balance	\$100,000
Annual contributions	\$0
Number of years to invest	20
Before-tax return on fully-taxable investment	5.00%
Before-tax return on tax-deferred investment	5.00%
Return on tax-free investment	5.00%
Marginal tax bracket	22.00%

ANALYSIS

Based on the assumptions you provided you could expect to accumulate \$214,937 in a fully-taxable account, \$228,957 in a tax-deferred investment (adjusted for taxes), or \$265,330 in a tax-free investment vehicle.

Summary	Fully-Taxable	Tax-Deferred	Tax-Free
Current investment balance	\$100,000	\$100,000	\$100,000
Annual contributions	\$0	\$0	\$0
Number of years to invest	20	20	20
Before-tax return	5.0%	5.0%	5.0%
Marginal tax bracket	22%	22%	22%
After-tax return	3.9%	5.0%	5.0%
Future account value *	\$214,937	\$265,330	\$265,330
Future account value (after-tax)	\$214,937	\$228,957	\$265,330

Year	Fully-Taxable	Tax-Deferred	Tax-Free
1	\$103,900	\$105,000	\$105,000

^{*}The impact of state income taxes, if any, is not illustrated.

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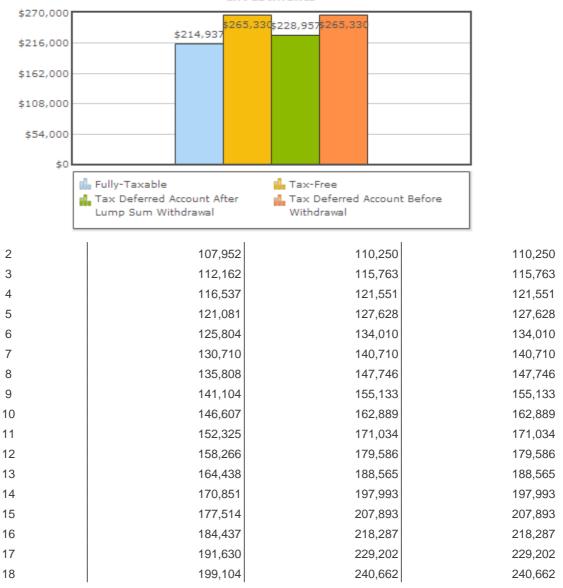
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Compare Taxable, Tax-Deferred & Tax-Free Investments



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19	206,869	252,695	252,695
20	\$214,937	\$265,330	\$265,330

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