

# Lifelong financial security



## Police Super Scheme A presentation for recruits



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## Home ownership

First-home benefit just like KiwiSaver

## Retirement income

A straight-forward way to save for retirement

## Safety net

Access to your savings when life throws you a curve ball

# PSS and KiwiSaver



## What are your options?

- You have to belong to PSS
- Continue contributions to KiwiSaver to get government contributions:
  - Take savings suspension and contribute \$1,042.86 before 30 June each year (or \$20 a week)
  - Police won't match any contributions to KiwiSaver
- If you don't want to continue contributing to KiwiSaver, you need to apply for a savings suspension annually – you can do this through MyIR

# PSS and KiwiSaver



	PSS	KiwiSaver
Employer contributions	15.2%*	3% minimum
Member contributions	7.5%	3%, 4%, 6%, 8%, 10%
Voluntary contributions	1–10%, no lump-sum contributions	Lump-sum contributions
First-home benefit	Yes	Yes
Partial withdrawals	Yes (conditions apply)	No
Significant financial hardship benefit	Yes	Yes
Relationship property benefit	Yes	Only via court order
Loan security	Yes	No
Government contributions	No	Yes
Full access to funds	When you leave Police	When you turn 65

The figures above are as a percentage of salary

\*Before deduction of contribution tax

# PSS – what's in it for me?



- Lump sum when you leave for whatever reason
- Can leave your money in PSS but not make further contributions (retained member)
- Can transfer to another scheme

# First-home withdrawals



- After being a member for 3 years
- Can withdraw money you have in PSS (must leave a balance of \$1,000)
- You may be able to withdraw money for a home if you've owned property before

# Partial withdrawals

- After 3 years, one withdrawal per scheme year (1 April – 31 March)
- Can only withdraw from your member account
- Can sum to 100% withdrawn over multiple years
- Then limited to 5% per year

## Example

Year 3	50% withdrawal	
Year 6	40% withdrawal	= 100%
Year 7	10% withdrawal	
Thereafter	5% limit per year	



# Two investment paths



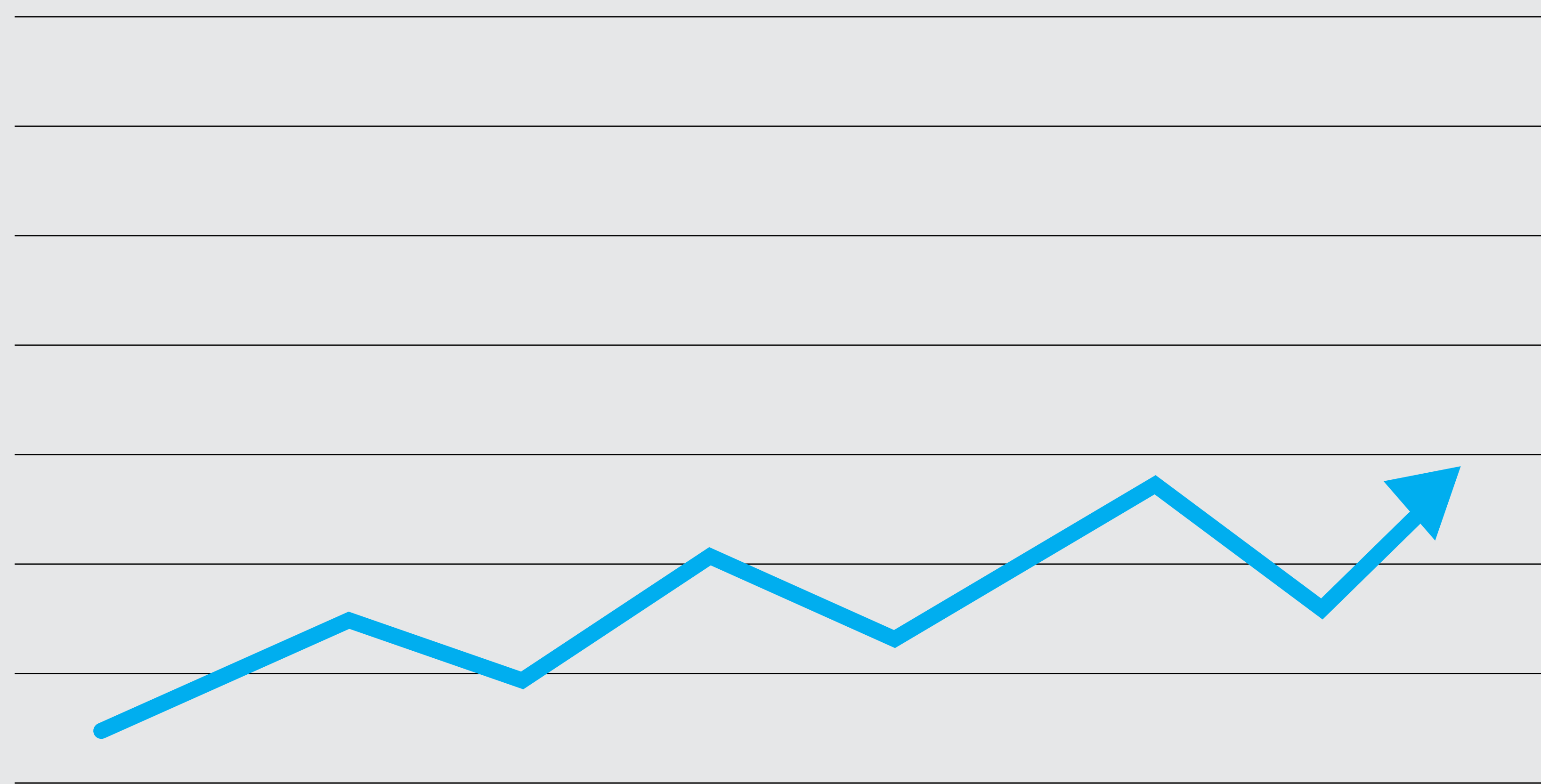
- 1 Choose your own option – invest in one or more of five asset mixes
- 2 Super Steps – an option where the investment mix changes automatically over time depending on your age

# Investment options

## Income and growth assets

### Income assets

Lower risk, lower return

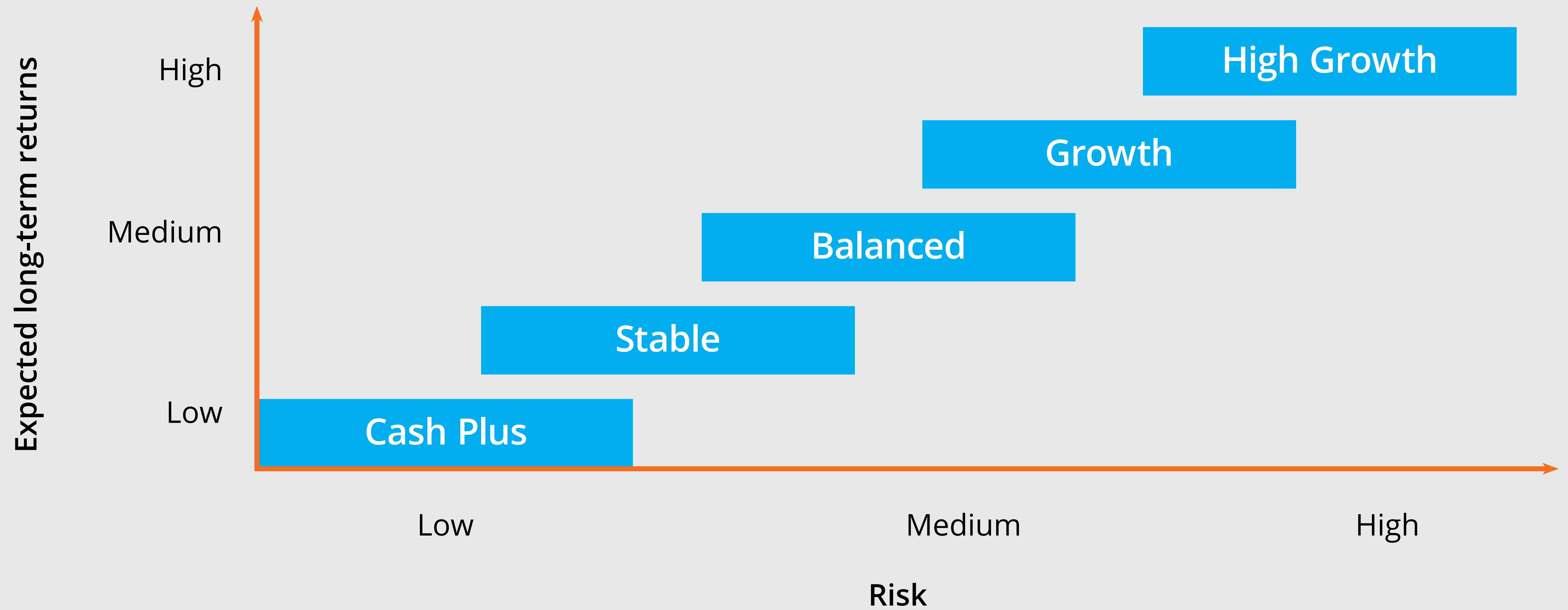


### Growth assets

Higher risk, higher return



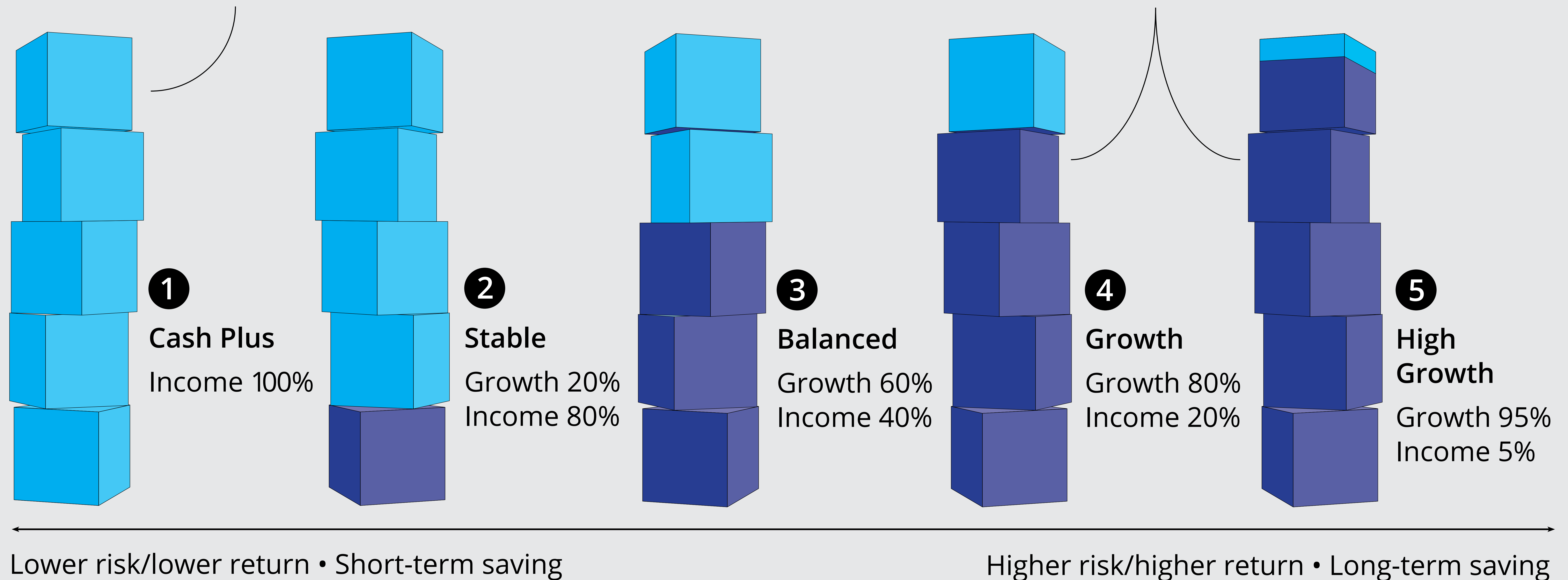
# Investment options



# Choose your own options

Cash Plus is designed for very short-term saving so it has no growth assets at all.

As you'd expect, these options are invested mainly in growth assets.



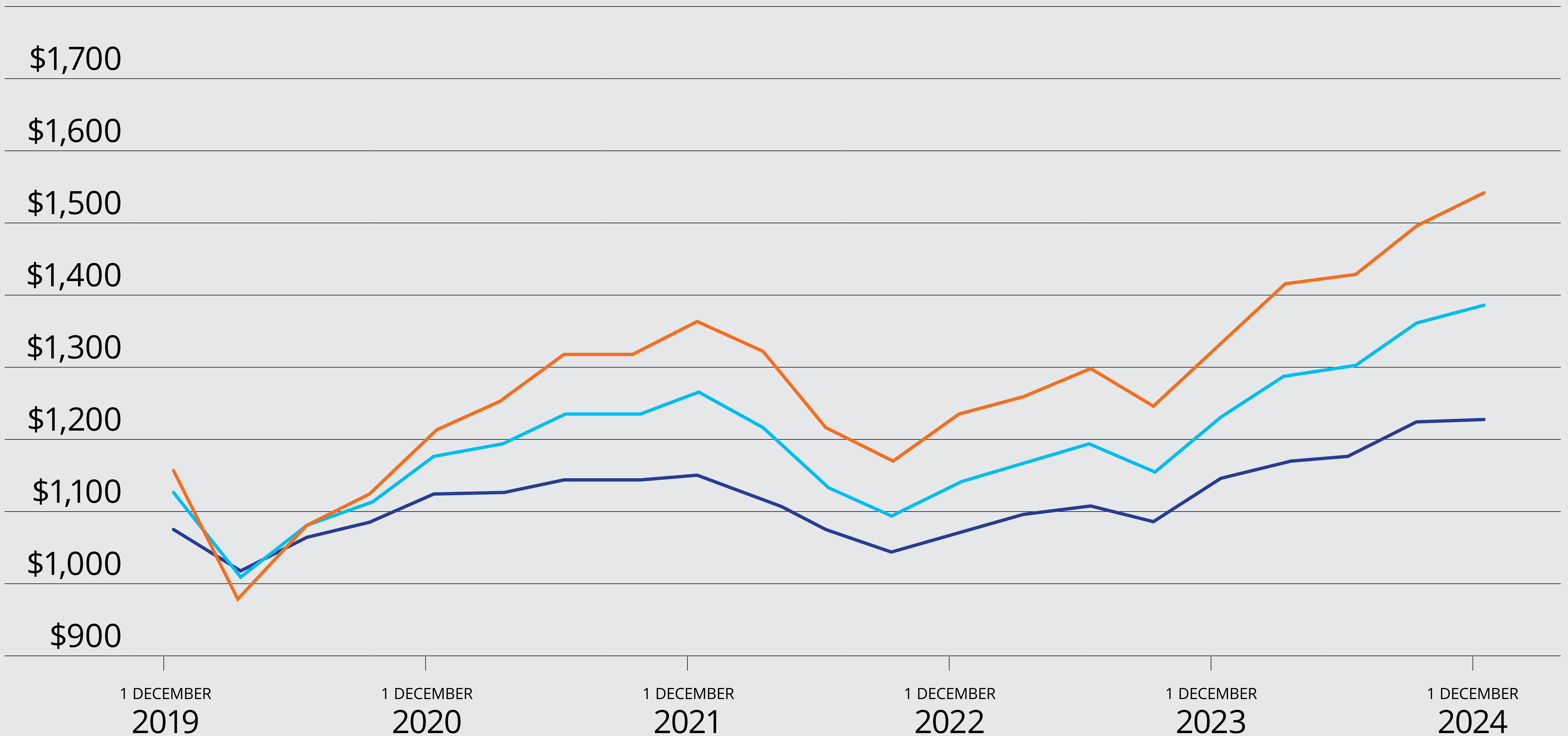
Income assets    Growth assets

# Growth from \$1,000

starting at 1 December 2018  
(after fees and the top PIR of 28%)



Growth | Balanced | Stable



Source: Mercer

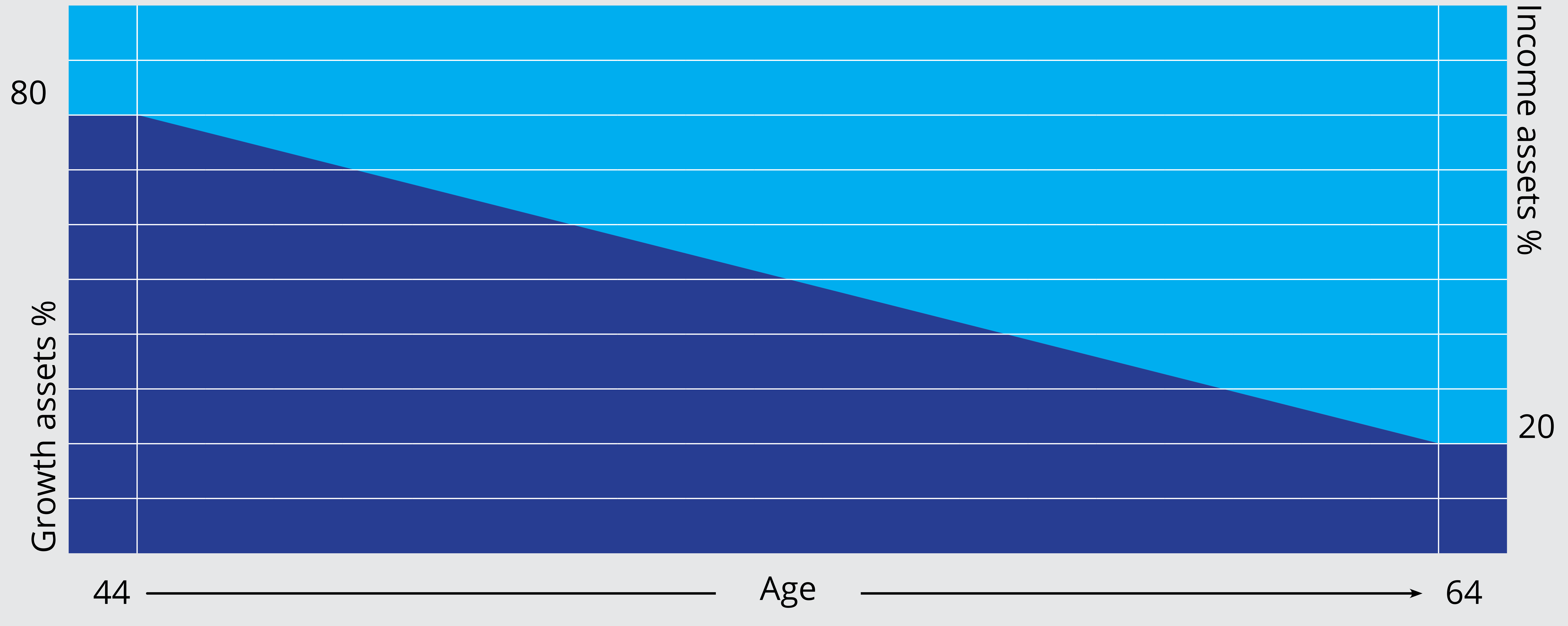
# Investment performance



Fund	1-year return (% per year)	5-year return (% per year)
Cash Plus	4.2	1.9
Stable	9.5	2.3
Balanced	15.3	3.8
Growth	17.6	5.3
High Growth	19.4	n/a

- Returns after fees and tax at 28% PIR for periods ended 31 December 2024
- High Growth introduced November 2021
- Past performance is not a reliable indicator of future returns

# Super Steps



# Things to think about

- When will you need to access your money?
- How do you feel about risk?

**Risk profiler at [policessuper.co.nz](https://policessuper.co.nz)** – five easy questions to help you choose an investment option

- Review your investment choice from time to time to make sure it's still appropriate



# How to make the most of it?

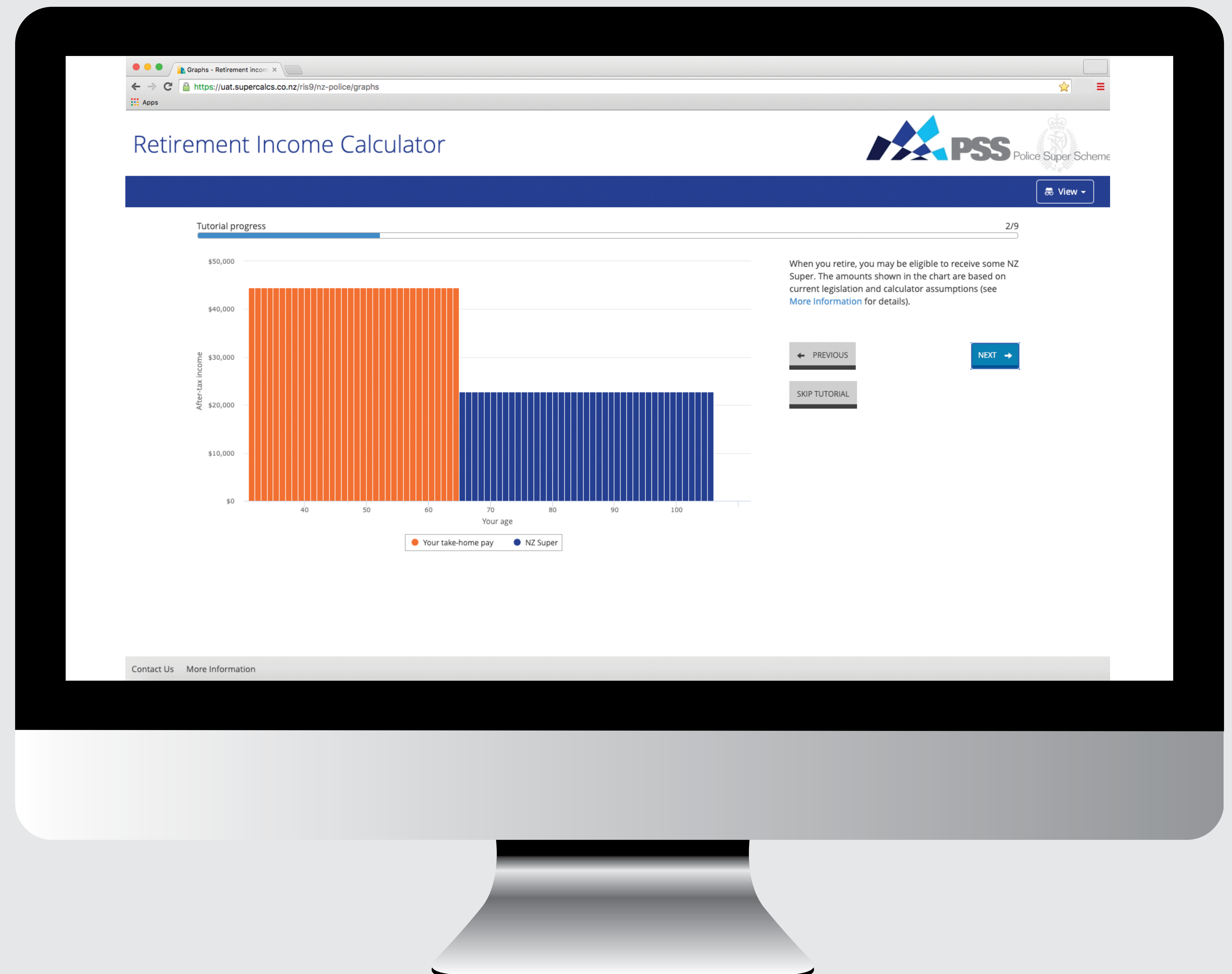


- Choose the right investment option for you
- Consider additional contributions
- Minimise partial withdrawals

# Retirement income calculator

## Access the calculator

Sign in to your account to access the calculator  
Look for it under 'tools'





## **Financial advice from Mercer**

PSS has engaged Mercer to provide a financial advice service to members. You can receive advice about anything to do with your savings in the scheme, including:

- what to do about KiwiSaver now you are in PSS
- choosing an investment option
- saving for a first home.

There is no individual charge to you for this service. To arrange a time to talk, sign in to your account online and complete a call-back request form.

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