

# The cost of waiting

During a volatile interest rate environment, today's savers may be tempted to keep money in shorter-term products (like a certificate of deposit, or CD), hoping to take advantage of higher anticipated rates in the future.

But keeping money in shorter-term products may come at a cost when compared to locking in something a little longer-term <u>now</u>.

### Here's a hypothetical example of three savers who each start with \$100,000:

- Saver A—Buys a five-year multi-year guarantee annuity (MYGA) guaranteeing 5.45% each year, locked in for five years.
- Saver B—Buys a one-year certificate of deposit (CD) guaranteeing 1.86%, with plans to repurchase a new one-year CD at a higher rate each year for five years. Saver B assumes the rate will increase 0.50% each year.

Curious about key differences between CDs and MYGAs?
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• Saver C—Also buys a one-year CD guaranteeing 1.86%, with plans to repurchase a new one-year CD at a higher rate each year for five years. Saver C assumes the rate will increase 1.00% each year.

Total accumulated at the end of five years \$100,000 (assuming no withdrawals)								
	Saver A		Saver B		Saver C			
Year 1	5.45%	\$105,450	1.86%	\$101,860	1.86%	\$101,860		
Year 2	5.45%	\$111,197	2.36%	\$104,264	2.86%	\$104,773		
Year 3	5.45%	\$117,257	2.86%	\$107,246	3.86%	\$108,817		
Year 4	5.45%	\$123,648	3.36%	\$110,849	4.86%	\$114,106		
Year 5	5.45%	\$130,387	3.86%	\$115,128	5.86%	\$120,793		
Total accumulated interest		\$30,387		\$15,128		\$20,793		

The chart in this example is hypothetical, non-guaranteed and not an indication of past or future performance. Assumes \$100,000 initial premium and assumes no withdrawals were taken during this period.

Rates for Saver A are reflective of F&G Secure MYGA® 5 MVA as of March 17, 2025.

Rates for Saver B and C are based on national average for a 1-year CD stated on Bankrate.com as of March 17, 2025.

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Not FDIC/NCUA/NCUSIF insured

Not insured by any federal government agency



## **CD? MYGA? Key differences to consider**

When considering a CD or MYGA, there are key differences you'll want to take into account.

Of course, interest rates and surrender charge schedules will vary. But here are some other things to keep in mind.

	CD	F&G MYGA
Premium protection from market decline	1	1
Guaranteed interest rate	1	✓
Surrender charges or penalties	1	1
Tax-deferred growth <sup>1</sup>		1
Surrender-charge free partial withdrawals		1
Terminal illness, impairment and nursing home riders		1
Pay a beneficiary outside probate		<b>√</b>
Option to annuitize		1

#### The bottom line?

While nobody can know what interest rates will look like a year from now, there may be a cost to waiting for rates to rise if those rates don't rise enough compared to what could be locked-in today.

# Talk with your financial professional today about which savings options might be best for you.

<sup>1</sup> You pay taxes only when you make withdrawals and receive income in the future.

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