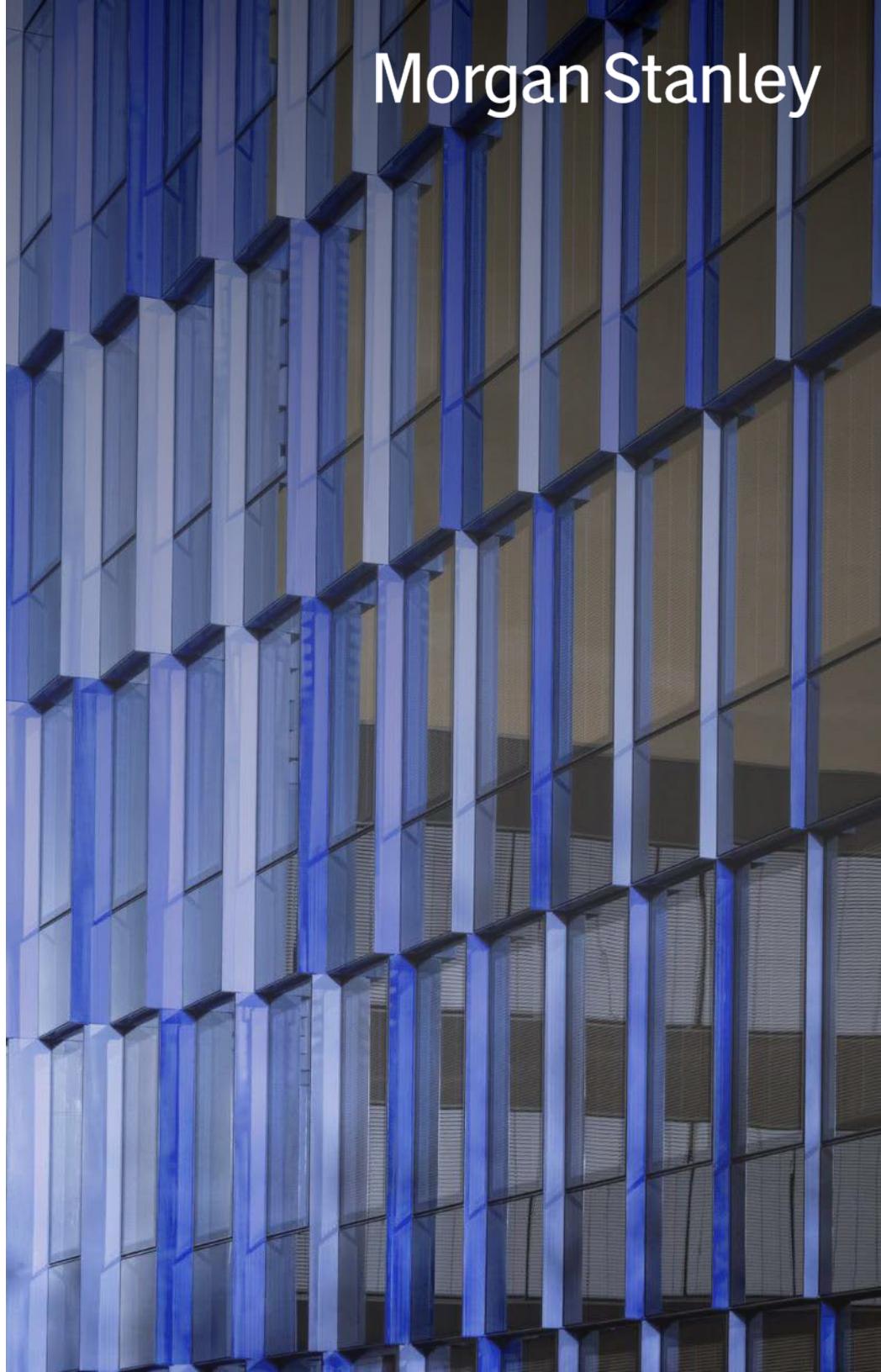


Individual Retirement Accounts

Morgan Stanley



The Paradigm Has Shifted

Traditional Defined Benefit Pension Plans

What may have been considered a sure thing simply isn't anymore. Americans must rely increasingly on their own devices to save for retirement



401(k) and Other Defined Contribution Plans

- The number of traditional defined benefit plans offering guaranteed income has declined dramatically
- 401(k) and other defined contribution plan participants generally must determine how much to contribute each year and where to invest their assets
- Making contributions to an IRA is an important way to supplement savings for retirement

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Which IRA May Be Right for You?



PERSONAL IRAs

Traditional and Roth IRAs have various (and differing) contribution eligibility requirements such as earned income limits, modified adjusted gross income (MAGI) limits (based on filing status) for Roth IRA contributions, and Traditional IRA contribution tax deduction limits (based on filing status and MAGI) if IRA owner or spouse is a participant in an employer plan



SMALL BUSINESS IRAs

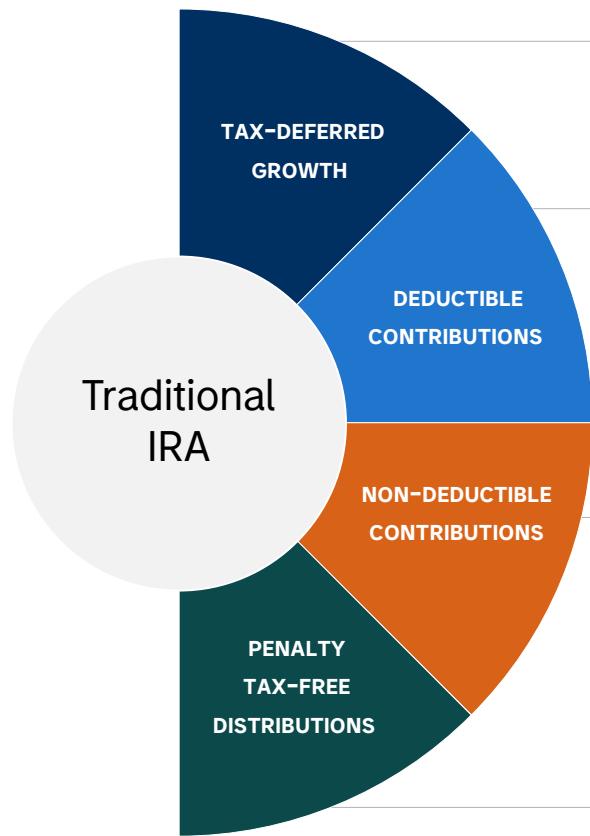
SEP, SIMPLE or SAR-SEP IRAs¹ are plans established by an employer. The employer sets the eligibility requirements and annual contribution limits according to the IRA plan rules. These plans may be appropriate for small businesses looking for a plan that is generally less expensive and easier to administer than most qualified retirement plans

1. A SAR-SEP IRA is a type of SEP IRA that employers established before December 31, 1996. The Internal Revenue Service (IRS) no longer allows establishment of new SAR-SEP plans. However, Morgan Stanley opens accounts for clients who are participants in an existing SAR-SEP plans that was adopted by the employer/plan sponsor prior to January 1, 1997.

Personal IRAs and Small Business IRAs are subject to IRS rules and regulations.

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Key Features of a Traditional IRA

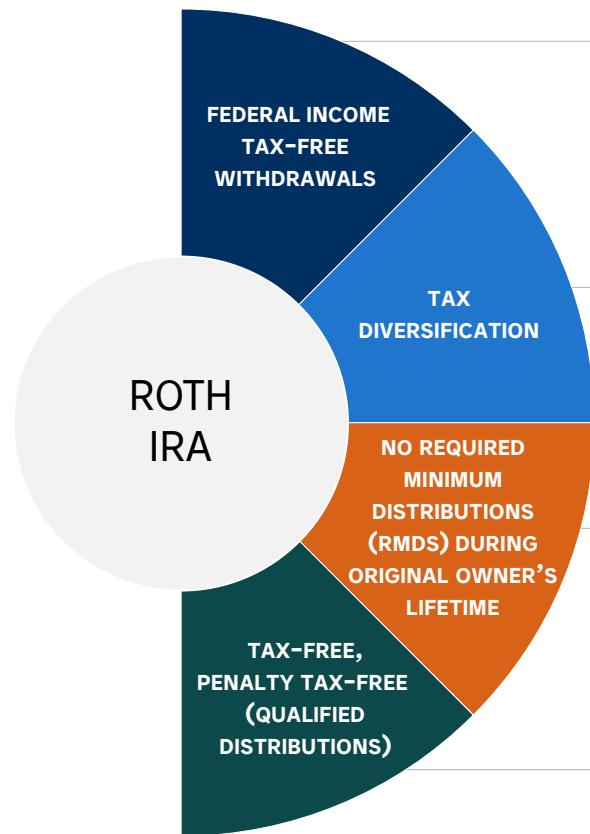


- Contributions, earnings and any rollovers have the potential to reach considerable amounts over time through tax-deferred growth.
- A contribution to a Traditional IRA may be deductible on your tax return, but your deduction may be reduced or phased out if you or your spouse is a participant in an employer sponsored retirement plan and your modified adjusted gross income exceeds certain thresholds based on your tax return filing status.
- Savings can grow tax-deferred. If converted to a Roth IRA, you won't owe taxes on the original nondeductible contributions¹, although the earnings on those contributions, along with any other pre-tax amounts (e.g., deductible contributions) will be taxable as ordinary income. Further, if you have an existing balance in any Traditional, SEP or SIMPLE IRA (other than an inherited IRA) that you hold as owner, those balances must be taken into account when performing the calculation to determine the taxable portion of your conversion, using the pro-rata rule. Under the pro-rata rule, your distributions (including conversions) are treated as including a pro-rated portion of the taxable (i.e., pre-tax amounts) and nontaxable (i.e., after-tax amounts, such as non-deductible contributions) amount in all your non-Roth IRAs. Discuss with your tax advisor for more information.
- Starting at age 59½, you can begin taking money out of your retirement accounts without penalty tax. Keep in mind that you'll still have to pay any federal and state taxes that might be due.

1. Deductible contributions may also be converted to a Roth IRA as well as the earnings on those contributions. They will be taxed as ordinary income.

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Key Features of a Roth IRA



After-tax contributions have the potential to grow tax-deferred¹, and withdrawals are typically income tax-free if minimum holding periods² and certain conditions are met³

Holding a potentially tax-free account like a Roth IRA, in addition to a taxable and tax-deferred account (e.g., Traditional IRA), provides flexibility to take income from different sources to potentially keep taxes low in retirement.

There are no required minimum distributions from a Roth IRA for the original owner during their lifetime. (Note, however, the post-death required minimum distribution rules generally apply.)

In general, contributions may be withdrawn tax-free at any time. Earnings are tax-free if withdrawn after the five-tax-year holding period² and certain conditions are met.

1. Traditional IRA assets may also be converted to a Roth IRA, but the pre-tax contributions and tax deferred earnings will be taxed as ordinary income upon conversion. Note, however, a Roth IRA conversion isn't right for everyone. Before converting to a Roth IRA, you should consult with your own independent legal and tax advisor.

2. The 5-tax-year holding period begins the first day of the first year for which a regular contribution

(or in which a rollover or conversion contribution) is made to any Roth IRA established for the individual as owner.

3. Note, however, the state and local income tax treatment of your Roth IRA and the distributions from it may vary based on your state of residence. You should consult with and rely on your own independent tax advisor with respect to such.

Determining Your Eligibility for Various Plans (1 of 5)

Your Financial Advisor can introduce you to a wide-ranging selection of products and services offered by Morgan Stanley to help meet your retirement needs. (All figures are for 2026.)

QUESTION / TOPIC	ROTH IRA	TRADITIONAL IRA	SEP ¹ & SAR-SEP IRA	SIMPLE IRA ¹
FEATURES	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Potential earnings grow tax-deferred ▪ Contributions may be withdrawn tax-free at any time ▪ Tax-free distributions of earnings may be available if certain conditions are met ▪ Contributions are not income tax deductible 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Potential earnings grow tax-deferred ▪ Contributions may be income tax deductible for individual 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Potential earnings grow tax-deferred ▪ Simple to establish and maintain ▪ May be no annual IRS filing requirements for employer ▪ Contributions may be deductible for employer ▪ Salary reduction contribution amounts can reduce employee's taxable income (SAR-SEP) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Potential earnings grow tax-deferred. ▪ Contributions may be deductible for employer ▪ No annual IRS filing requirements for employer ▪ Some funding responsibility with employees ▪ Salary reduction contribution amount can reduce employee's taxable income
WHO MAY ESTABLISH?	<p>An individual who has earned income or whose spouse has earned income.</p> <p>Note: Subject to certain requirements, an individual can establish an IRA with a rollover or conversion from an eligible retirement plan (including an IRA), or a transfer from another IRA even if the individual doesn't satisfy the above requirements.</p>	<p>An individual who has earned income or whose spouse has earned income.</p> <p>Note: Subject to certain requirements, an individual can establish an IRA with a rollover from an eligible retirement plan or a transfer from another IRA even if the individual doesn't satisfy the above requirements.</p>	<p>Corporations, Subchapter S, Self-Employed, Sole Proprietorships, Partnerships, Non-Profits. (Non-Profits are not eligible for Salary Deferral.) SAR-SEP: Plan must have been adopted prior to 01 / 01 / 97. However, new employee accounts can be added to existing plans.</p>	<p>Employers (a) with no more than 100 employees earning \$5,000 or more from the employer during the preceding year, and (b) who do not maintain another retirement plan (subject to certain limited exceptions).</p>

1. The SECURE 2.0 Act of 2022 permits SEP and SIMPLE IRAs to be designated as Roth IRAs and accept Roth contributions under the SEP or SIMPLE IRA plan, which was previously prohibited. Morgan Stanley expects to offer this option for SIMPLE IRA plans in 2026.

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Determining Your Eligibility for Various Plans (2 of 5)

QUESTION / TOPIC	ROTH IRA	TRADITIONAL IRA	SEP & SAR-SEP IRA	SIMPLE IRA
CONTRIBUTION ELIGIBILITY	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Earned income , plus Single Filer, and MAGI¹ is: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ≤ \$153,000: Full contribution; > \$153,000, but < \$168,000: Partial contribution; ≥ \$168,000: No contribution 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Earned income IRA contribution deduction may be limited if an active participant in a retirement plan at work² and 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Performed service for the employer in three out of five preceding plan years At least 21 years of age. \$800 annual compensation⁴ 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Individuals who earned \$5,000 in compensation in any two preceding calendar years and are expected to earn \$5,000 in current year⁴
Consult your Tax Advisor or Plan Administrator for additional contribution and deductibility provisions.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Joint Filer, and MAGI¹ is: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ≤ \$242,000: Full contribution; > \$242,000, but < \$252,000: Partial contribution; ≥ \$252,000: No contribution Married Filing Separately, and MAGI¹ is: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> > \$0, but < \$10,000: Partial contribution; ≥ \$10,000: No contribution 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Single Filer, and MAGI³ is: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ≤ \$81,000: Full deduction; > \$81,000, but < \$91,000: Partial deduction; ≥ \$91,000: No deduction Joint Filer, and MAGI³ is: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ≤ \$129,000: Full deduction; > \$129,000, but < \$149,000: Partial deduction; ≥ \$149,000: No deduction Married Filing Separately, and MAGI¹ is: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> > \$0, but < \$10,000: Partial deduction; ≥ \$10,000: No deduction 		

MAGI = Modified Adjusted Gross Income

1. Source: <https://www.irs.gov>

2. A deductible IRA contribution is available to a spouse not covered by an employer plan who a) files a joint return with someone who is covered by an employer retirement plan if their MAGI is less than \$252,000 or (b) is married to someone who is covered by an employer retirement plan, but files a separate return if MAGI is less than \$10,000. Source: <https://www.irs.gov>

3. Source: <https://www.irs.gov>

4. Maximum restrictions; less restrictive eligibility requirements may be selected by the employer. Certain employees may be excluded even if they satisfy the eligibility requirements described above (e.g., certain nonresident aliens).

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QUESTION / TOPIC	ROTH IRA	TRADITIONAL IRA	SEP & SAR-SEP IRA ¹	SIMPLE IRA
ANNUAL DEDUCTIBLE CONTRIBUTION LIMIT: EMPLOYER (AS OF 1 / 1 / 26)		n/a	25% of compensation or \$72,000, whichever is less, for incorporated businesses; lesser of 20% of net earnings from self-employment or \$72,000 for self-employed business owners / partners. Subject to \$360,000 cap on compensation / net earnings	Match deferrals dollar-for-dollar up to 3% (lesser percentage may be elected under certain circumstances) of employee compensation or net earnings from self-employment or 2% nonelective contribution (subject to \$360,000 cap on compensation / net earnings for 2% contribution only). ²
ANNUAL CONTRIBUTION LIMIT: INDIVIDUAL (AS OF 1 / 1 / 26)	100% of earned income up to \$7,500 (or, if age 50 or older, \$8,600)		SEP: Employer funded only. SAR-SEP: Salary deferrals of 25% up to \$24,500; if the plan permits, individuals 50 and older may make an additional catch-up contribution of up to \$8,000 (\$11,250 if age 60-63); (salary deferrals available under grandfathered plans only).	Salary deferral contributions of 100% of earned income up to \$17,000. If the plan permits, individuals 50 and older may make an additional catch-up contribution up to \$4,000 (\$5,250 if age 60-63). ²
ARE CONTRIBUTIONS MANDATORY?		No		Employer – Yes Employee – No
ESTABLISHMENT DEADLINE	By tax filing date for prior year contribution. No extensions permitted		SEP: By tax filing date, plus extensions. SAR-SEP: No new SARSEP plans may be established. However, new employee accounts can be added to existing plans	Oct. 1 of the current year for a current year plan for existing businesses. As soon as administratively feasible for businesses established after Oct. 1
CONTRIBUTION DEADLINE	By tax filing date for prior year contribution. No extensions permitted		Employer – by tax filing date, plus extensions. Employee¹ – the earliest date on which the deferral amount can be reasonably segregated from the employer/plan sponsor's general assets, but no later than the 15th business day of the month following the month in which the compensation was deferred	Employer – by tax filing date, plus extensions Employee¹ – the earliest date on which the deferral amount can be reasonably segregated from the employer/plan sponsor's general assets, but no later than the 30th calendar day of the month following the month in which the compensation was deferred

1. The employee/participant's salary deferral contribution election must be made before the compensation is considered available and, for a self-employed individual (including a partner in a partnership), the election must be made by the last day of the individual's tax year or, if the individual is a partner in a partnership, the last day of the partnership's tax year. Certain sole proprietors may have additional time to make their election for the first plan year. Determining the salary deferral contribution deadline for self-employed individuals (including partners in a partnership) is complex and will generally depend on the date the deferral amount can be reasonably segregated from the plan sponsor's general assets and/or would have otherwise been paid/distributed to such individual. Client's should consult with their own legal and/or tax advisor.

2. The annual salary deferral and catch-up contribution limits are increased to 110% of the 2024 SIMPLE IRA plan limits (as indexed) for employers with 25 or fewer employees. Employers with more than 25 but fewer than 100 employees are permitted to provide these higher limits, provided that they make either a 4% matching contribution or a 3% employer nonelective contribution.

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QUESTION / TOPIC	ROTH IRA	TRADITIONAL IRA	SEP & SAR-SEP IRA ¹	SIMPLE IRA ¹
FORM OF CONTRIBUTIONS		Cash only		
WHO DIRECTS INVESTMENTS?		Individual		
ALLOWABLE INVESTMENTS		Please refer to your retirement account document for information about allowable investments in your specific plan. Your Financial Advisor or Private Wealth Advisor can help you choose investments to help you meet your goals		
CAN LOANS BE MADE AVAILABLE?		No		
VESTING		Full and immediate		
TAXATION OF DISTRIBUTIONS ²				
BEFORE AGE 59½	Contributions may be withdrawn tax-free at any time. Earnings are subject to ordinary income tax plus 10% early withdrawal penalty tax. Exceptions may apply	Ordinary income tax plus 10% early withdrawal penalty tax. Exceptions to 10% penalty tax may apply	Ordinary income tax plus 25% early withdrawal penalty tax within first two years of participation, 10% thereafter. Exceptions to penalty tax may apply	

1. The employee/participant's salary deferral contribution election must be made before the compensation is considered available and, for a self-employed individual (including a partner in a partnership), the election must be made by the last day of the individual's tax year or, if the individual is a partner in a partnership, the last day of the partnership's tax year. Determining the salary deferral contribution deadline for self-employed individuals (including partners in a partnership) is complex and will generally depend on the date the deferral amount can be reasonably segregated from the plan sponsor's general assets and/or would have otherwise been paid/distributed to such individual. Clients should consult with their own legal and/or tax advisor.

2. Distributions of after-tax amounts (e.g., non-deductible contributions) are generally not subject to ordinary income tax or a penalty tax. When determining the taxable portion of a distribution (including a conversion) from a non-inherited IRA, you must take into account your entire IRA picture, which for non-Roth IRAs includes all of your Traditional, SEP, SAR-SEP and SIMPLE IRAs, and for Roth IRAs includes all your Roth IRAs. To the extent there are any after-tax amounts in a non-Roth IRA, those after-tax amounts are generally recovered pro-rata, meaning each distribution is part taxable and part nontaxable until the after-tax amount in all your non-Roth IRAs is exhausted at which point all future payments are fully taxable. For Roth IRAs, distributions are considered to come from your after-tax amounts in all your Roth IRAs first (i.e., non-deductible contributions, followed by converted funds) and then earnings (note: converted funds that were subject to tax on conversion may be subject to a penalty tax if taken before (a) age 59 ½ and (b) the end of the 5-tax-year period for that particular conversion contribution). Before taking any IRA distributions, you should consult with your own tax advisor to determine how these rules and taxes (including penalty taxes) may apply to you.

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QUESTION / TOPIC	ROTH IRA	TRADITIONAL IRA	SEP & SAR-SEP IRA	SIMPLE IRA
TAXATION OF DISTRIBUTIONS¹ CONTINUED				
AFTER AGE 59½	Contributions may be withdrawn tax-free at any time. Earnings are tax-free if withdrawn after the 5-tax-year holding period		Ordinary income tax. No penalty tax	
BENEFICIARIES (AT ANY AGE)	Distributions may be tax-free if withdrawn after the deceased IRA owner's 5-tax-year holding period ²		Distributions may be subject to ordinary income tax, but no penalty tax	
AT ANY AGE	n/a			
REQUIRED MINIMUM DISTRIBUTIONS (RMDs)	None for original account owner. RMD rules generally apply to beneficiaries of Roth IRAs after the account owner's death	The age at which an individual must start taking RMDs ("RMD Age"), depends on the year in which the individual was born (e.g., if born after 1950, but before 1960, RMD Age is 73). ³ The first distribution may be postponed to 4 / 1 of the following year. ⁴ (An individual with multiple IRAs may typically take the total RMD amount from any IRA(s).) RMD rules generally apply to beneficiaries after the account owner's death.		
TRANSFERS	No limit on qualifying transfers between IRAs (subject to certain conditions)			
ROLLOVERS	Must be eligible for rollover (e.g., not an RMD or a distribution from an inherited IRA) and, for IRA-to-IRA rollovers, does not violate the 1-year waiting period			

1. Distributions of after-tax amounts (e.g., non-deductible contributions) are generally not subject to ordinary income tax or a penalty tax. When determining the taxable portion of a distribution (including a conversion) from a non-inherited IRA, you must take into account your entire IRA picture, which for non-Roth IRAs includes all of your Traditional, SEP, SAR-SEP and SIMPLE IRAs, and for Roth IRAs includes all your Roth IRAs. To the extent there are any after-tax amounts in a non-Roth IRA, those after-tax amounts are generally recovered pro-rata, meaning each distribution is part taxable and part nontaxable until the after-tax amount in all your non-Roth IRAs is exhausted at which point all future payments are fully taxable. For Roth IRAs, distributions are considered to come from your after-tax amounts in all your Roth IRAs first (i.e., non-deductible contributions, followed by converted funds) and then earnings (note: converted funds that were subject to tax on conversion may be subject to a penalty tax if taken before (a) age 59 ½ and (b) the end of the 5-tax-year period for that particular conversion contribution). Before taking any IRA distributions, you should consult with your own tax advisor to determine how these rules and taxes (including penalty taxes) may apply to you.

2. The 5-tax-year holding period begins the first day of the first year for which a regular contribution (or in which a rollover or conversion contribution) is made to any Roth IRA established for the individual as owner.

3. RMD Age is (a) age 70 ½ for individuals born before July 1, 1949, (b) age 72 for individuals born after June 30, 1949, but before 1951, (c) age 73 for individuals born after 1950, but before 1960, or (d) age 75 for all others –

4. However, if you choose this option, you will have to take two RMDs in one year.

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IRA Investment Options Available for You

While there are a few exceptions, you can hold many types of investment options that Morgan Stanley offers in its ordinary course of business within a Morgan Stanley IRA. Here are some familiar investment options that you and your Financial Advisor can discuss:

**STOCKS****BONDS AND U.S.
TREASURIES****MONEY
MARKET FUNDS****FDIC-INSURED
CERTIFICATES
OF DEPOSIT (CDS)****MUTUAL FUNDS****ANNUITIES¹****DIVIDEND-PAYING
EQUITIES****EXCHANGE TRADED
FUNDS (ETFs)**

1. If you are investing in an annuity through a tax-advantaged retirement plan such as an IRA, you will get no additional tax advantage from the annuity. Under these circumstances, you should only consider buying an annuity because of its other features, such as lifetime income payments and death benefits protection.

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and demand imbalances, resource depletion and exploration risk. MLPs also carry interest rate risk and may underperform in rising interest rate environments. In addition, MLP funds accrue deferred income taxes on net operating gains and capital appreciation; as a result their after-tax performance could differ significantly from that of its underlying assets.

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