

# Performance Summary as of October 31, 2023

The Morgan Stanley Global Opportunities Index (“The Index”) offers diversified access to global opportunities by investing in multiple asset classes representing equities, bonds and commodities. Sponsored by Morgan Stanley, it uses advanced proprietary strategies to attempt to identify the strongest investment trends in different market environments, while mitigating the effects of rising interest rates and limiting overall volatility. The Index targets a 5% annual volatility over the long term.

## Back-tested Performance Analysis

YTD Return	1-Yr Return	Annualized Return (12/31/2001 – 10/31/2023)
<b>-1.21%</b>	<b>-3.26%</b>	<b>5.38%</b>

## Back-tested Annual Returns (2002-2023)



## Retirement Stages Select<sup>SM</sup> 5 with the Morgan Stanley Global Opportunities Index 1-Year Point-to-Point w/ 150% Participation (as of 10/31/2023)

YTD Return	1-Yr Return	Annualized Return (12/31/2001-10/31/2023)
<b>0.00%</b>	<b>0.00%</b>	<b>9.10%</b>

The inception date of the Morgan Stanley Global Opportunities Index is July 17, 2017. Performance shown prior to the inception date is back-tested, meaning that it was derived by applying the index methodology to periods prior to the index inception date and shows how the index might have performed over that time period had the index existed. No investor did or could have achieved the back-tested index performance. Unlike actual performance, the back-tested performance results are hypothetical, based on criteria applied retroactively with the benefit of hindsight and knowledge of factors that may have positively affected the performance, and cannot account for risk factors that may affect actual performance. Back-tested index performance should not be given the same consideration as live index performance. Back-tested index performance does not reflect actual investment results, nor should it be viewed as a prediction of performance in the future but reflects results for a back-tested methodology.

Actual performance will be determined by the index crediting strategy chosen by the contract owner. Index crediting strategies apply additional criteria, such as a Cap, Spread, Participation or Trigger Rate, to actual index performance after the annuity contract is issued. The hypothetical performance shown is for sample index crediting strategies that also include back-tested index performance for any periods prior to the index inception date. It does not represent the performance of a specific product and is for illustrative purposes only. The Cap, Spread, Participation and Trigger Rates used in calculating the hypothetical results may differ from the annuity contract terms if and when issued, and are subject to change by the insurer which could substantially affect the hypothetical results. It is unlikely that actual index crediting strategies will repeat either actual historical performance or back-tested hypothetical performance. Actual values will vary, perhaps materially, from those shown in the hypothetical examples. Past performance does not guarantee future results.

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Morgan Stanley Global Opportunities Source: Morgan Stanley and Bloomberg as of 10/31/2023.

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