# Spotlight: Buffered index strategies in action

### Personalized growth opportunity and some downside protection.

As with most life insurance products, FlexGuard Life offers death benefit protection to help protect your family and their future. It also offers the opportunity to choose from ways to grow your cash value: a fixed rate option, variable investment options, and a choice of index strategies that can also provide a level of downside protection, called a buffer. Together, you can design a personalized policy based on your individual needs and goals.

FlexGuard Life offers two buffered index strategies based on 1-year point-to-point returns of the S&P 500® Index:

Cap Rate 10% Buffer Strategy

Step Rate Plus 10% Buffer Strategy

You can choose to allocate to either strategy or both. Each offers a level of downside protection through a buffer that can eliminate the first 10% of market loss, but provides a different approach to growth potential.

Looking at the S&P 500<sup>®</sup> over time demonstrates the power of these strategies.

### The numbers speak for themselves

This chart illustrates that, from 1992 to 2021, S&P 500® returns were positive 73% of the time, with only 8 years of negative performance, and only 3 of those years experiencing a loss with a 10% buffer.



# 22 positive years

17.7% average positive return

### 8 negative years

11.7% average negative return

### Stocks have responded well after downturns

During troubled times, history has shown that after major downturns, stocks rebounded well within a year. Buffered index strategies limit losses, providing you with the opportunity to bounce back faster after a loss.

For example, consider these dramatic downturns and turnarounds a year later:

**> -23.37**% in 2002

would have lost only 13.37% but bounced back with **18.47%** with Step Rate Plus & **★ +26.38%** in 2003 18% with a cap with buffer strategy

**> -38.49**% in 2008

would have lost only 28.49% but bounced back with 16.42% with Step Rate Plus & **★ +23.45%** in 2009 18% with a cap with buffer strategy

#### Past performance is not a guarantee of future results.

The chart above reflects price only returns as of 12/31/2021. Source: Performance information provided by Bloomberg. Issued by Pruco Life Insurance Company.

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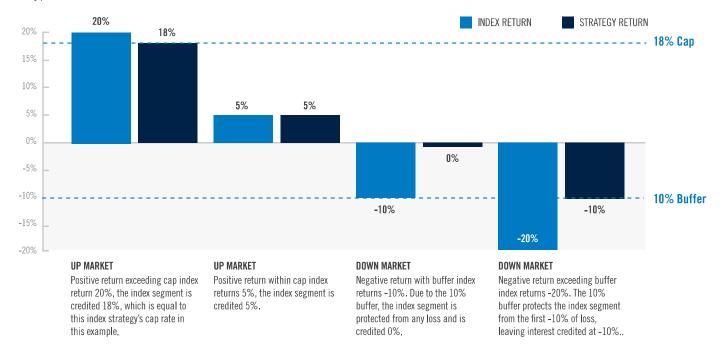


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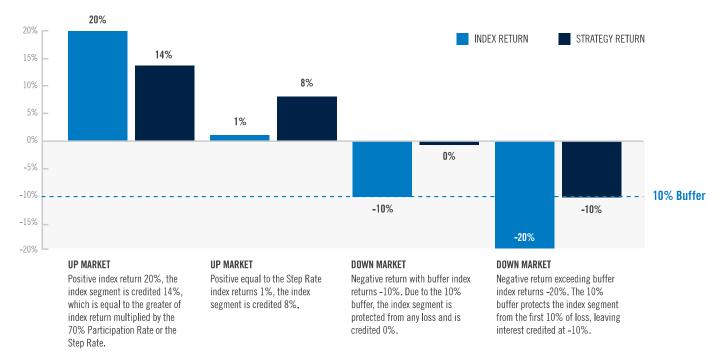
#### Let's take a closer look

Here's how the Point-to-Point with Cap strategy with a 10% buffer and 18% cap works.

Hypothetical illustration



Here's how the Step Rate Plus strategy with an 8% step rate, 70% participation rate, and 10% buffer works. Hypothetical illustration



Please note, the interest credited is not the cash value return, which could be lower due to policy charges and expenses.

### History by the numbers

This chart shows the frequency of historical gains and losses of the S&P 500® calculated on a rolling monthly basis had you paid your premiums monthly.

It's important to remember that while this chart illustrates monthly return, FlexGuard Life has one-year point-to-point index crediting strategies, which means any growth is credited at the end of the one-year index term.

This illustrates that over the last 30 years, a loss would not have occurred with a 10% buffer 88% of the time.

<b>S&amp;P 500®</b> January 1992 – December 2021*		
1-year	Index Returns	10% Buffered Strategies
Average return	9.69%	Step Rate Plus: 8.40% Cap with Buffer: 7.83%
# of gains	276	276
# of losses	73	41
# of time periods	349	349
Index loss less than or equal to 5%	21	11
Index loss 5% - 10%	11	8
Index loss 10% - 15%	11	9
Index loss 15% - 20%	8	5
Index loss greater than 20%	22	8

# 8%

In a flat or positive market, the Step Rate Plus's minimum interest credited is the 8% step rate. This would have resulted in at least 8% interest credited 79% of the time.

# 44%

With 10% buffered strategies, you would have experienced 44% fewer losses on average than the S&P 500® Index.

# 37.6%

The highest 1-year interest credited would have been 37.6% with the Step Rate Plus and 18% with the Cap with Buffer strategy, with both having the lowest interest credited at -34.8%.

Source: Based on the S&P 500 performance in a rolling one-year term between January 1992 and December 2021, S&P 500® performance information provided by Bloomberg.

To learn if FlexGuard Life's buffered index strategies could be right for you, speak with your financial professional.

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