Women and Wealth Insights Research

U.S. Bank's latest research shows that women — particularly younger women — are taking control of more of the financial decisions for their families, associate financial planning with feelings of confidence, joy, and excitement, and are confident they will be able to retire when they're ready.



U.S. Bank's first women and wealth survey, released in March 2020, showed that women were less confident and less engaged with managing money than men. The new results show that many of these gaps are shrinking.

2020 % of women who said they were confident in their ability to manage their finances

56% under 35

50% 35-54

41% 55+

2022 the % of women's numbers went up for all generations

71% under 35

53% 35-54

46% 55+

• Gen Z (born 1997 or later) Millennial (born 1981–1996)

• Gen X (born 1965–1980)

• **Boomer** (born 1946–1964)

Positive		Women			Men		
When I think of financial planning, I feel	Competitiveness	43%	27%	17%	39%	36%	21%
	Excitement	52 %	38%	22%	52 %	44%	31%
	Joy	24%	16%	11%	24%	20%	14%
Gen Z/MillennialGen XBoomer	Pride	27%	35%	44%	31%	31%	41%
	Self-confidence	55%	50%	55%	58%	58%	66%
Negative		Wom	nen		Men		
When I think of financial planning, I feel	Anxiety	17%	25%	33%	11%	20%	26%
	Dread	7%	9%	8%	5%	4%	6%
	Fear	4%	10%	10%	5%	8%	6%
	Inadequacy	6 %	9%	16%	3%	5 %	9%

% confident in their ability to manage finances















Gen XBoomer



The new survey also showed that despite the pandemic, **more women and men were confident** they would be able to retire than they were two years ago.

2020

% of people confident they will be able to retire when they are ready



2022

that gap shrunk



62% men

The Road to Retirement

% of those who are confident that when they are ready to retire they will be able to afford it

















Boomer

However, not everyone is thriving post-pandemic. **Gen X women have the least amount of money saved** — possibly the byproduct of being the "sandwich" generation.



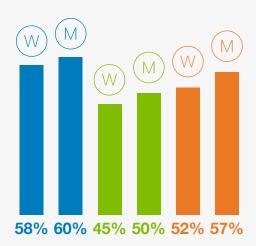
Gen X

Boomer

% who have **\$25K-\$100K saved**



% who have **\$100K-\$1M saved**



% who have \$1M+ saved









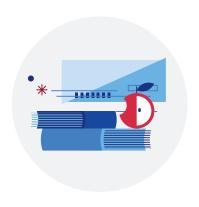


- Gen Z/MillennialGen X
- Boomer





All generations of women still worry about barriers that could get in the way of their wealth goals.



If you saved \$ during the pandemic, **how do you** plan to use it?

Gen Z/Millennial

Gen X

Boomer

	Women			Men			
health	33%	33%	43%	32%	32%	43%	
market downturn	26%	35%	51 %	34%	36%	49%	
underperformance of investments	21%	28%	38%	26%	27%	38%	
not enough money for retirement	19%	49%	44%	16%	32%	37%	
lack of financial expertise	23%	14%	9%	18%	17%	8%	

Women				Men			
plan to invest it	62 %	35%	19%	71%	54%	33%	
plan to spend it on a house	22%	12%	9%	24%	14%	9%	
plan not to spend it	9%	28%	35%	7%	21%	25%	

% of those who are the decision-maker of the main account they have with their wealth manager















Advisors, listen up!

Women of all generations and boomer men highly value an advisor who takes the time to listen to them.

- Gen Z/Millennial
- Gen X
- Boomer

Most important trait in a financial advisor	Wom	nen		Men	l	
financial planning expertise	72 %	73 %	81%	68%	71%	71%
takes time to listen to me	70 %	76 %	88%	67%	64%	81%
understands & respects my priorities	66%	70%	78%	65%	60%	67%

