

The Critical Path®

What is the Critical Path®?





The Critical Path® is an intuitive way to visualize the progress investors are making towards the goals laid out in their financial plan. Additionally, the Critical Path® provides investors with a powerful way to understand the tradeoffs between spending less, planning for contingencies, taking more or less risk and to accommodate for various issues such as:

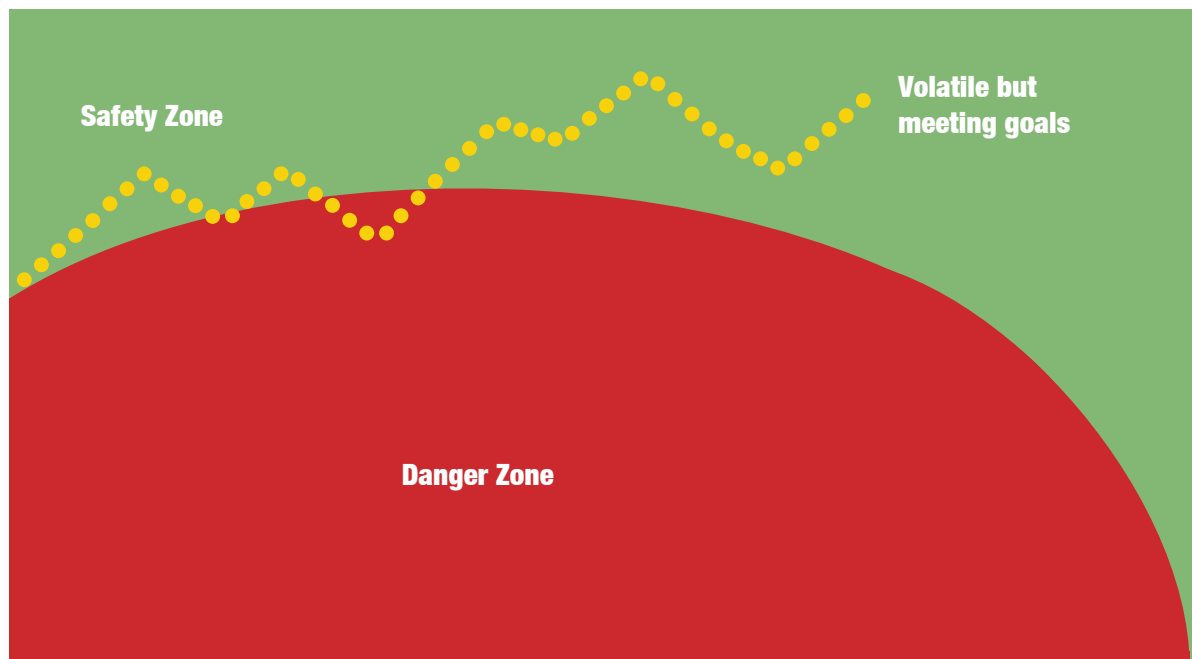
- Life expectancy
- Inflation
- Spending Needs
- Investment Returns
- Market Volatility
- Healthcare Costs

Navigating the Critical Path®

The Critical Path® chart below represents the path a sample client's portfolio should follow over time in order to meet their lifetime financial goals. The top priority in this case, is to avoid depleting the portfolio before their desired termination point, i.e. running out of money too soon. By tracking their portfolio's performance relative to their Critical Path®, you're able to keep their financial goals as the driver of their investment decisions.

Critical Path® Key

-  Critical Path® (Path to achieve their financial goals over your lifetime)
-  Current Portfolio Performance
-  Safety Zone (Area where investors are on track to meet their goals)
-  Danger Zone (Area where investors may need to take action to reach their goals)



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