

# A different kind of real estate investment

For over 25 years, the TIAA Real Estate Account variable annuity continues to provide direct investment exposure to commercial real estate and offers income for life in retirement.



# Direct investment exposure to commercial real estate

- True diversification. Returns are largely unaffected by movements in stock or bond markets<sup>1</sup> since returns are generated by rental income and changes in property values.
- Alternative to the "safety" of bonds. Commercial real estate has delivered higher risk-adjusted returns than bonds since the account's inception in 1995.<sup>2</sup>
- Inflation hedge. Rents often rise with other prices.



### A range of withdrawal options in retirement

- Income you can't outlive. You can convert some or all of your balance into payments that will last for the rest of your life.3
- Access to your money anytime. Unlike other types of real estate-related investments (which are typically difficult to convert into cash), you can take a lump-sum withdrawal, systematic withdrawals or required minimum distributions.<sup>4</sup>

#### Not the same as REITs

Real Estate Investment
Trust (REIT) is one company
that own stocks issued by
other companies that own
and manage real estate
properties. This means they
trade on national or other
securities exchanges, and
may change in value due to
market volatility, reducing
their diversification benefits.

In the marketplace, there are also REIT mutual funds which consist of multiple different REITs.

## TIAA: A leader in managing real estate

- More than 60 years of experience buying, selling and managing commercial real estate.
- The TIAA Real Estate Account is the largest daily valued real estate investment vehicle in the world.

# Take the next step



Log in to your account on **TIAA.org** or visit **TIAA.org/REA** to learn more



Call 800-842-2252, weekdays, 8 a.m. to 10 p.m.



- <sup>1</sup> For the 10-year period ended June 30, 2022, the TIAA Real Estate Account correlation to the S&P 500 Index and Bloomberg U.S. Aggregate Bond Index was -0.20 and -0.40, respectively. Over this same period, correlation between the FTSE Nareit All Equity REITs Total Return Index and the S&P 500 Index was 0.75.
- <sup>2</sup> Direct real estate has delivered higher risk-adjusted returns than bonds since the the TIAA Real Estate Account's inception in 1995. As of June 30, 2022, the TIAA Real Estate Account since-inception Sharpe ratio (a measure of risk-adjusted return) was 1.3, while the Bloomberg U.S. Aggregate Bond index was 0.7 over the same period. The TIAA Real Estate Account inception date is October 2, 1995. You cannot invest directly in any index. Index returns do not reflect a deduction for fees and expenses. Past performance does not guarantee future results.
- 3 Any guarantees under annuities issued by TIAA are subject to TIAA's claims-paying ability. Payments from the variable accounts will rise or fall based on investment performance.
- <sup>4</sup> Transfers out of the account to a TIAA or CREF account or into another investment option can be executed at any time, but are limited to once per calendar quarter, although some plans may allow systematic transfers that result in more than one transfer per calendar quarter. Certain other limited exceptions to this restriction apply. Please note that withdrawals of earnings from an annuity are subject to ordinary income tax, plus a possible federal 10% penalty if you make a withdrawal before age 59½.

The TIAA Real Estate Account is a variable annuity product and an insurance separate account of TIAA.

Diversification is a technique to help reduce risk. It is not guaranteed to protect against loss.

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The real estate industry is subject to various risks including fluctuations in underlying property values, expenses and income, and potential environmental liabilities. There are risks associated with investing in securities including possible loss of principal. In general, the value of the TIAA Real Estate Account will fluctuate based on the underlying value of the direct real estate or real estate-related securities in which it invests. The risks associated with investing in the Real Estate Account include the risks associated with real estate ownership including, among other things, fluctuations in underlying property values, higher expenses or lower income than expected, risks associated with borrowing and potential environmental problems and liability, as well as risks associated with participant flows and conflicts of interest. For a more complete discussion of these and other risks, please consult the prospectus.

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