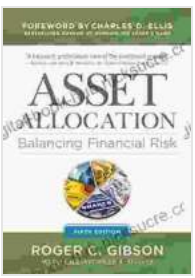
Asset Allocation: Balancing Financial Risk, Fifth Edition

Asset allocation is the process of dividing your investment portfolio into different asset classes, such as stocks, bonds, and cash. The goal of asset allocation is to create a portfolio that meets your investment goals and risk tolerance.



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The fifth edition of Asset Allocation: Balancing Financial Risk has been updated to reflect the latest developments in the financial markets. The book includes new chapters on:

- The impact of technology on asset allocation
- The role of alternative investments in asset allocation
- The challenges of investing in a globalized world

Asset Allocation: Balancing Financial Risk, Fifth Edition is the essential guide to asset allocation for investors of all levels. The book provides clear and concise explanations of the latest asset allocation strategies and techniques.

The Importance of Asset Allocation

Asset allocation is one of the most important decisions you can make as an investor. Your asset allocation will determine your portfolio's risk and return. A well-diversified portfolio will help you to reduce your risk and achieve your investment goals.

There are a number of factors to consider when determining your asset allocation. These factors include:

- Your investment goals
- Your risk tolerance
- Your time horizon
- Your tax situation

It is important to work with a financial advisor to develop an asset allocation plan that meets your specific needs.

The Different Asset Classes

There are a number of different asset classes that you can invest in. These asset classes include:

- Stocks

- Bonds
- Cash
- Real estate
- Commodities

Each asset class has its own unique risk and return characteristics. It is important to understand the different asset classes before you invest.

Stocks

Stocks are shares of ownership in a company. When you buy a stock, you become a part-owner of the company. Stocks are considered to be a risky asset class, but they also have the potential to generate high returns.

Bonds

Bonds are loans that you make to a company or government. When you buy a bond, you are lending money to the issuer of the bond. Bonds are considered to be a less risky asset class than stocks, but they also have the potential to generate lower returns.

Cash

Cash is the most liquid asset class. You can easily convert cash into other assets, such as stocks or bonds. Cash is considered to be a safe asset class, but it also has the potential to generate low returns.

Real estate

Real estate is property that you own. Real estate can be used for residential or commercial purposes. Real estate is considered to be a less liquid asset class than stocks or bonds, but it also has the potential to generate high returns.

Commodities

Commodities are physical assets, such as gold, silver, and oil. Commodities are considered to be a risky asset class, but they also have the potential to generate high returns.

Asset Allocation Strategies

There are a number of different asset allocation strategies that you can use. The best asset allocation strategy for you will depend on your individual circumstances. Some common asset allocation strategies include:

- The 60/40 rule
- The target-date fund
- The risk-based asset allocation

The 60/40 rule

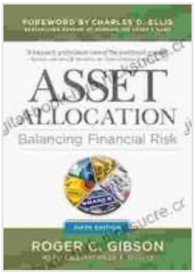
The 60/40 rule is a simple asset allocation strategy that divides your portfolio into 60% stocks and 40% bonds. The 60/40 rule is a moderate-risk asset allocation strategy that is suitable for most investors.

The target-date fund

A target-date fund is a type of mutual fund that automatically adjusts your asset allocation as you get closer to your retirement date. Target-date funds are a good option for investors who want to simplify their investment process.

The risk-based asset allocation

A risk-based asset allocation is a type of asset allocation strategy that takes into account your



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