



American Legend III

*a fixed-indexed annuity from Great American Life Insurance Company®,
a member of Great American Insurance Group*

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A fixed-indexed annuity from Great American Life Insurance Company® that can help you reach your retirement dreams with these great features:

- ★ Interest strategies that **protect your account value** from market declines while providing the opportunity to benefit from market gains
- ★ **Access to your money** with 10% penalty-free withdrawals
- ★ **Liquidity** with extended care and terminal illness waiver riders
- ★ **Lifetime income** options
- ★ Early withdrawal **charges that end after seven years**
- ★ The backing of a financially strong company that's rated **"A+"** by Standard & Poor's and **"A" (Excellent)** by A.M. Best

About our fixed-indexed annuities

A fixed-indexed annuity is a deferred annuity with multiple interest crediting strategies that can help you accumulate more for retirement. You have the flexibility to allocate your money among strategies that credit interest in various ways.

Is a fixed-indexed annuity right for me?

Fixed-indexed annuities may be right for you if you want the potential to earn interest at rates that may be higher than those traditionally available from fixed annuities, and you like the idea of receiving interest at a rate determined, in part, by market performance.

Can I lose money with a fixed-indexed annuity?

Regardless of market conditions, you cannot lose money unless you withdraw money or surrender your contract during the early withdrawal charge period. Our fixed-indexed annuities protect your account value from market declines while providing the opportunity to benefit from market gains.

American Legend III offers flexibility

American Legend® III accepts both single and flexible purchase payments. After your initial purchase payment, you can add to your annuity value with flexible payments.

Estate and probate advantages

A fixed-indexed annuity like American Legend III offers a death benefit that is paid directly to beneficiaries without going through probate. If death occurs before you begin receiving annuity income payments, your beneficiary is guaranteed to receive the account value (less adjustments for outstanding loans or other applicable charges and taxes).

Interest crediting choices

The American Legend III offers multiple interest crediting choices to help you reach your financial goals. Select from a **declared rate strategy** and **indexed strategies**.

Declared rate strategy

Funds in the declared rate strategy earn compound interest credited daily based on a rate set at the start of the term by the company. This rate can vary for subsequent terms; however, the declared interest rate will never be lower than the guaranteed minimum interest rate stated in your contract.

Indexed strategies

The American Legend III offers flexibility to choose your interest crediting strategies and adjust them as your financial situation changes. Interest is credited on the last day of a strategy's term and is guaranteed to never be less than 0%. Choose from the following strategies:

- ★ S&P 500® annual point-to-point with cap
- ★ S&P 500® 18-month point-to-point with cap
- ★ S&P 500® annual monthly sum with cap
- ★ S&P 500 Risk Control annual point-to-point with participation rate
- ★ SPDR® Gold Shares annual point-to-point with cap

These strategies earn interest at a rate based, in part, on the change in the value (index change) of one of the following:

- ★ **S&P 500® Index** – A nationally recognized market index that tracks 500 widely-held US stocks in various industries.
- ★ **S&P 500 Risk Control 10% Index (SPXAV10P)** – A risk controlled version of the S&P 500 Index that seeks to limit volatility to a target level of 10% by allocating to cash. When market volatility increases, it allocates less to the S&P 500 and more to cash. Conversely, when market volatility decreases, it allocates more to the S&P 500 and less to cash.
- ★ **SPDR® Gold Shares (GLD)** – Units of interest in an exchange traded fund (ETF) that reflect the market value of gold bullion.

How the indexed strategies work

A **point-to-point** strategy measures index change by comparing the closing index value at the end of the term to the closing value on the first day of that term. The indexed interest rate for that term equals the index change, up to the cap or multiplied by the participation rate for that term.

- ★ The **cap** for a term is the maximum interest rate that will apply for a term.
- ★ The **participation rate** for a term is the percentage of index growth that is used when calculating the indexed interest rate for that term.

Point-to-point is particularly beneficial when an index is rising during a term, but may reduce the amount of interest you receive if the index declines just before the end of a term.

$$\left(\frac{\text{End value} - \text{Beginning value}}{\text{Beginning value}} \right) = \text{Index change; up to a cap or multiplied by a participation rate, but not less than 0\%}$$

= Point-to-point indexed interest rate

The **monthly sum** strategy bases the indexed interest rate for a term on monthly index changes. A monthly index change is determined by comparing the closing index value at the end of that month to the closing value at the beginning of that month. A positive monthly change in a term is adjusted by applying the monthly cap for that term. The indexed interest rate for a term is the sum of the 12 adjusted monthly index changes for that term.

Monthly sum is particularly beneficial when the index is steadily increasing with few monthly decreases during a term. Alternatively, where some monthly changes in a term are very negative, you earn lower interest for that term.

Cap	Cap	Cap	Sum of adjusted
↓	↓	↓	monthly index
Month 1	Month 2	Month 12	changes
index	index	index	↑
change	change	change	Guaranteed rate = 0%
+	+	+	
=			

= Monthly sum indexed interest rate

When you're ready to annuitize, you can rest assured knowing that your retirement income will never run dry. Settlement options are available to provide a steady stream of income on which you can depend. You can choose the length of time to receive payments, or elect to receive an income stream that you cannot outlive.

While an annuity should provide retirement income, an emergency or unforeseen circumstance may require you to access your money earlier than planned. Great American Life® offers a number of options to withdraw the money in your annuity. Note that withdrawals prior to age 59½ may be subject to IRS restrictions and a 10% federal penalty tax. Withdrawals will reduce the account value and related benefits. Also, indexed interest will not be credited at the end of a term to withdrawals made during a term from an interest strategy.

Early withdrawal charges

Please refer to your disclosure document for the American Legend III early withdrawal charge schedule. Charges are applied during the seven-year early withdrawal charge period to amounts withdrawn in excess of the 10% penalty-free withdrawal allowance and to surrenders.

Loan availability

With American Legend III, you may be able to take out a loan at a reasonable interest rate. Loans are available for certain qualified plans (subject to minimum and maximum loan amounts and repayment requirements). Remember, a loan may adversely affect your account value and outstanding loan balances will be deducted from your account value upon surrender, annuitization or death.

Guaranteed minimum surrender value

The guaranteed minimum surrender value is 100% of your purchase payments, plus interest credited daily at a minimum guaranteed rate, less withdrawals and early withdrawal charges, minus an amount equal to the applicable early withdrawal charge rate multiplied by the account value. The amount payable as annuity benefit payments, as the death benefit, or upon surrender will never be less than the guaranteed minimum surrender value.

Any contract loan issued by Great American Life uses your contract value as collateral for the loan.

Additional benefits

Extended care waiver rider

After the first contract year, if you are confined to a nursing home or long-term care facility for at least 90 consecutive days, early withdrawal charges will be waived on withdrawals up to a full surrender. There is no additional charge for this rider.

Terminal illness waiver rider

After the first contract year, if you are diagnosed by a physician as having a terminal illness (prognosis of survival is 12 months or less, or a longer period as required by state law), you have the option to withdraw up to 100% of the account value without incurring an early withdrawal charge. There is no additional charge for this rider.

IncomeSecure rider

Receive guaranteed growth of your income base and income you cannot outlive with the IncomeSecureSM. This guaranteed income rider offers a 7% income credit and a 10-year income rollup period. It is available for an annual charge of 0.95% of the income base, and charges are refundable at death if the income period hasn't started. *See rider brochure for details.*

IncomeSustainer Plus rider

Receive income you cannot outlive and a guaranteed death benefit with the IncomeSustainer[®] Plus. This income and death benefit rider offers a 6% rollup credit for income and death benefits, and a 12-year rollup period. It is available for an annual charge of 1.35% of the benefit base. Please note that the rollup period will end earlier under certain circumstances, such as when you reach your annuity commencement date at age 95. *See rider brochure for details.*

Inheritance Enhancer rider

Help build a legacy for your heirs with the Inheritance EnhancerSM. This guaranteed death benefit rider offers a 7% rollup credit and a 10-year rollup period. It is available for an annual charge of 0.95% of the death benefit base. Please note that no rider death benefit will be available if the insured dies after you reach your annuity commencement date at age 95. *See rider brochure for details.*

Riders may not be available in all states. Extended care and terminal illness waiver riders not available in Massachusetts. In California, the Extended Care Waiver Rider has been replaced with the Waiver of Early Withdrawal Charges for Facility Care or Home Care or Community-Based Services Rider, which provides for a waiver of early withdrawal charges under an expanded variety of circumstances.

Who we are

Great American Life is a subsidiary of American Financial Group[®] and is a member of Great American Insurance Group. Our roots go back to 1872 with the founding of our flagship company, Great American Insurance Company. Headquartered in Cincinnati, Ohio, AFG is a publicly traded company on the New York Stock Exchange and has assets of more than \$49 billion as of December 31, 2015.

Financial strength

Preparing for your future with a financially strong company should be a high priority. Great American Life is rated "A+" by Standard & Poor's and "A" (Excellent) for financial strength and operating performance by A.M. Best. We have been rated A or higher by A.M. Best for more than 35 consecutive years.

Strong leadership

Our company is one chapter in an American success story that began when Carl Lindner, with his father, sister and brothers, opened a cash-and-carry dairy market. This single storefront launched Mr. Lindner's career as a businessman and entrepreneur. Two of Mr. Lindner's sons, Craig and Carl, have spent their entire careers helping to build American Financial Group, and today they serve as co-chief executive officers. We have a long history of helping contract owners achieve financial security, and it is a heritage we continue with pride.

We're committed to you

We understand how important retirement security is to you and want to help you reach your goals and dreams. It's possible your retirement may last longer than 30 years, making it important to partner with a company that has long-term strength and a reputation for success and stability. We're committed to providing you with the first-class service you need and deserve.

S&P rating affirmed March 3, 2016. "A+" is fifth highest of 21 categories.

A.M. Best rating affirmed March 20, 2015. "A" (Excellent) is third highest out of 16 categories.

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The power of protection

The advantage of a fixed-indexed annuity is that you can't lose your money, regardless of index performance, unless, during the early withdrawal charge period, you withdraw money or surrender your contract.

The story of Bill and Karen



Bill invested his \$100,000 IRA in stocks that make up the S&P 500® index, while **Karen** purchased a fixed-indexed annuity with a purchase payment of \$100,000. Over a 10-year period, both Bill and Karen faced a dramatic market. However, Karen's annuity account value never dropped below her initial purchase payment of **\$100,000** since her fixed-indexed annuity protects against market declines. Conversely, the value of Bill's investment dropped as low as **\$80,735** because his investment didn't offer downside protection.

While past performance does not guarantee future results, with a fixed-indexed annuity, you can be certain that your money will be protected against loss if you hold the annuity through the early withdrawal charge period.

This graph illustrates historical performance of the S&P 500® across 10 years. The hypothetical fixed-indexed annuity in this example uses the annual point-to-point index method based on changes in the S&P 500 to calculate the indexed interest rate for each term. For purposes of this illustration a 5.0% cap, 0% index spread, 100% participation rate and one-year term is applied for all terms in the period. However, during the illustrated period, the actual caps that we applied to our fixed-indexed annuities varied from term to term and ranged from 3.25% to 10%. Caps, spreads, participation rates and terms are subject to change. Indexed interest is credited only on amounts held for the entire term. This example assumes no money is withdrawn from the annuity and no rider charges apply. Early withdrawal charges will apply if money is withdrawn during the early withdrawal charge period. See the disclosure document for the early withdrawal charge schedule.

When you buy a fixed-indexed annuity, you own an insurance contract. You are not buying shares of any stock or index.

For purposes of this example, Bill's account is assumed to be an IRA so that the dividends, gains and losses over the period of comparison are tax-deferred. For most stock investments outside of a retirement plan, dividends are subject to income tax at capital gains rates when paid, and long term capital gains are subject to income tax at capital gains rates when the stock is sold. For annuity contracts, income earned on the contract is subject to income tax as ordinary income when withdrawn. If you are under age 59½, the taxable amount may also be subject to a 10% federal penalty tax. Generally income tax rates on ordinary income are higher than capital gains tax rates on long-term capital gains and qualified dividend income.

American Legend III at a glance

General information

Product type	Flexible premium deferred annuity that allows multiple purchase payments
Issue ages	Qualified: 18-85; non-qualified: 0-85; Inherited IRA: 18-75; Inherited non-qualified: 0-75
Min. purchase payment	\$10,000 initial; additional purchase payments accepted (minimum \$2,000)
Max. purchase payment	\$1 million issue ages 0-75; \$750,000 issue ages 76-80; \$500,000 issue ages 81+
Term	Term lengths vary by strategy. See your disclosure document for details.
Fees	There are no up-front sales charges or fees. Early withdrawal charges (surrender charges) may apply.

Withdrawals

10% allowance	During the first contract year, you may withdraw up to 10% of your purchase payments without an early withdrawal charge. After the first contract year, 10% of the sum of account value on the most recent contract anniversary and any purchase payments received since that anniversary may be withdrawn without an early withdrawal charge.
Early withdrawal charges	During the first seven contract years, an early withdrawal charge starting at 9% is applied to surrenders and withdrawals.

Rates and strategies

Declared interest rate	Interest is credited daily on amounts held under a declared rate strategy based on the applicable declared interest rate. The declared interest rate will not change throughout a term.
Indexed interest rate	For the indexed strategies, the indexed interest rate is determined, in part, by the change in the value of the S&P 500® Index, S&P 500 Risk Control 10% Index or SPDR® Gold Shares. Indexed interest is credited only on the last day of the term and is guaranteed to never be less than 0%.
S&P 500 point-to-point with cap (annual or 18-month)	Indexed strategies that measure index change by comparing the closing index value at the end of the term to the closing value on the first day of that term. For the indexed strategies with a cap, the indexed interest rate for a term is equal to the index change for that term, but will never be more than the cap for that term and never less than 0%. For the indexed strategy with a participation rate, the indexed interest rate for a term is equal to the index change for that term multiplied by the participation rate for that term, but never less than 0%. Contact Great American Life® or your insurance professional for current caps and participation rates. Strategies may not be available in all states.
S&P 500 Risk Control annual point-to-point with participation rate	
SPDR Gold Shares annual point-to-point with cap	
S&P 500 annual monthly	An indexed strategy that bases the indexed interest rate upon the sum of 12 adjusted monthly changes in the S&P 500.

Riders available with American Legend III

- Extended care waiver (where available) — Included at no additional cost (not available in Massachusetts)
- Terminal illness waiver (where available) — Included at no additional cost (not available in Massachusetts)
- IncomeSecureSM income rider (optional) — Available for a charge
- IncomeSustainer[®] Plus income and death benefit rider (optional) — Available for a charge
- Inheritance EnhancerSM death benefit rider (where available) (optional) — Available for a charge

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