

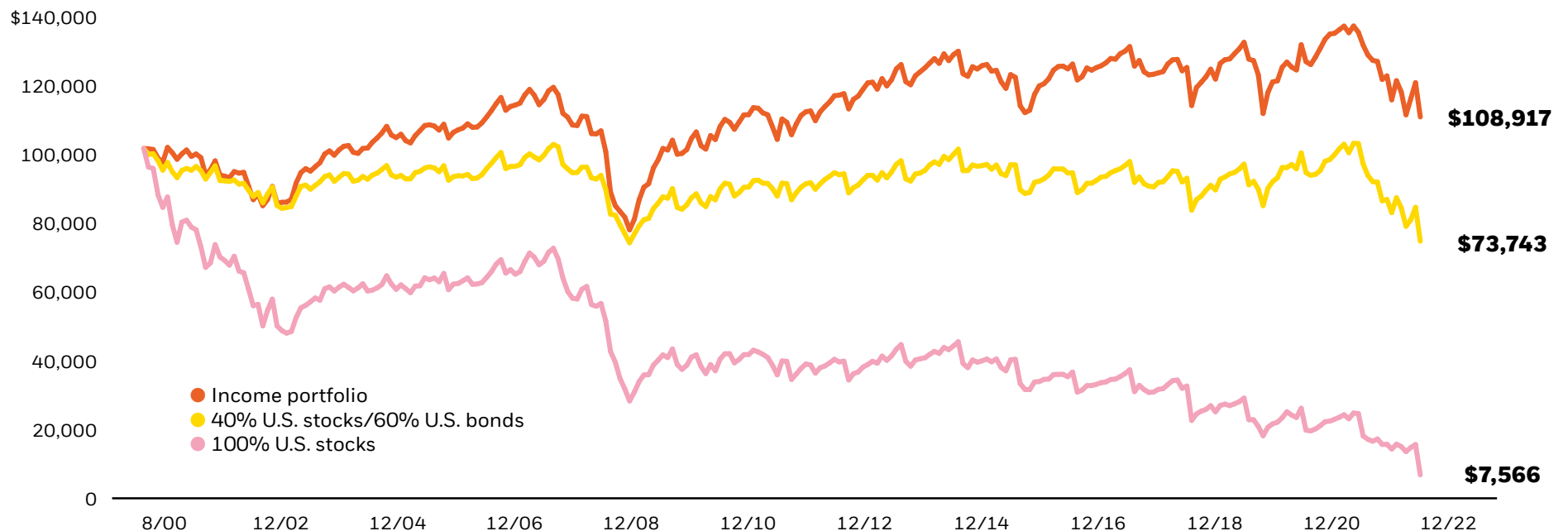
# Protect against 'dollar cost ravaging'



For most of our lives, we focus on accumulating as much wealth as possible for retirement. What we sometimes fail to realize, however, is just how important the right allocation is as we begin taking withdrawals. Taking on too much or too little risk can have drastic impacts on our ability to sustain the lifestyle we desire.

## The wrong amount of risk can severely impact your retirement

Growth of hypothetical \$100,000 portfolio (\$4,000 annual withdrawal, adjusted for 3% annual inflation)

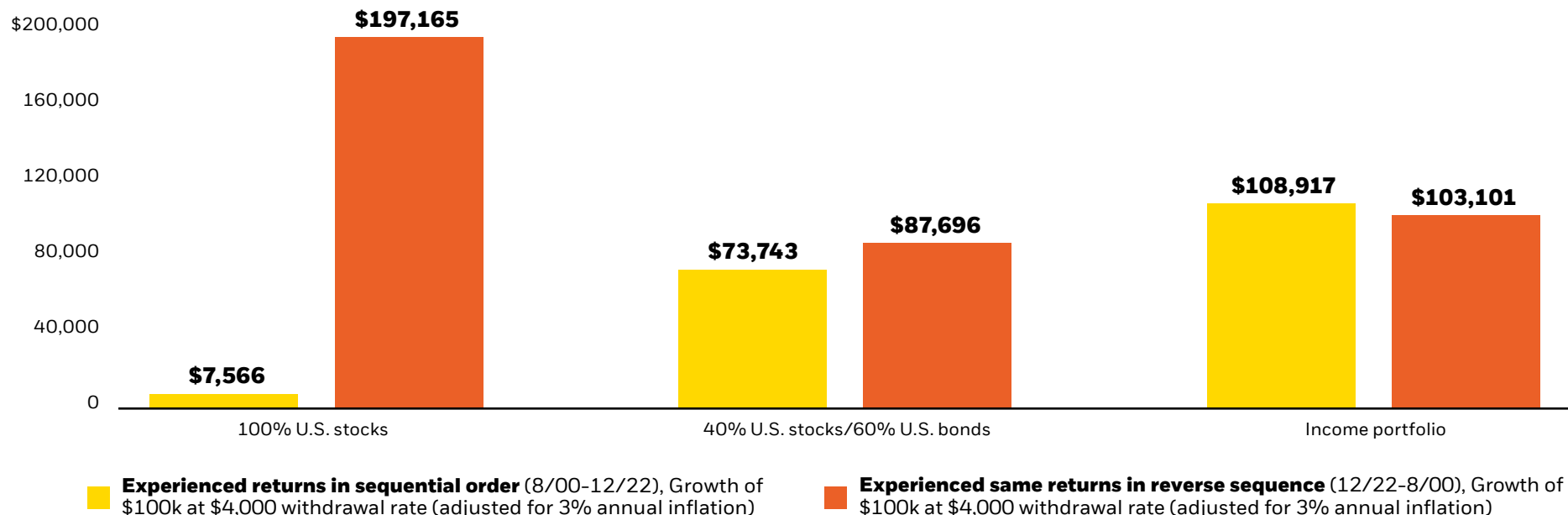


Source: Morningstar as of 12/31/22. Dates shown are 12/31 of the given year unless otherwise specified. "100% U.S. stocks" is represented by the S&P 500 Index. "40% U.S. stocks/60% U.S. bonds" is a hypothetical index portfolio consisting of 40% S&P 500 Index and 60% Bloomberg U.S. Aggregate Bond Index. "Income Portfolio" is a hypothetical portfolio consisting of 33.34% Bloomberg U.S. Aggregate Bond Index, 33.33% S&P 500 Value Index and 33.33% Bloomberg U.S. Corporate High Yield Bond Index. For illustrative purposes only. **Past performance does not guarantee or indicate future results.** Index performance is shown for illustrative purposes only. You cannot invest directly in the index. See reverse side for scenario explanations.

The unpredictable nature of markets can make it hard to find the ideal moment to retire. However, creating a well-constructed portfolio — one with more upside capture and less downside capture — may help your portfolio to perform more consistently in retirement and allow you to fend off “dollar cost ravaging.”

## Shifting to a well-constructed, risk-managed portfolio can potentially improve outcomes

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