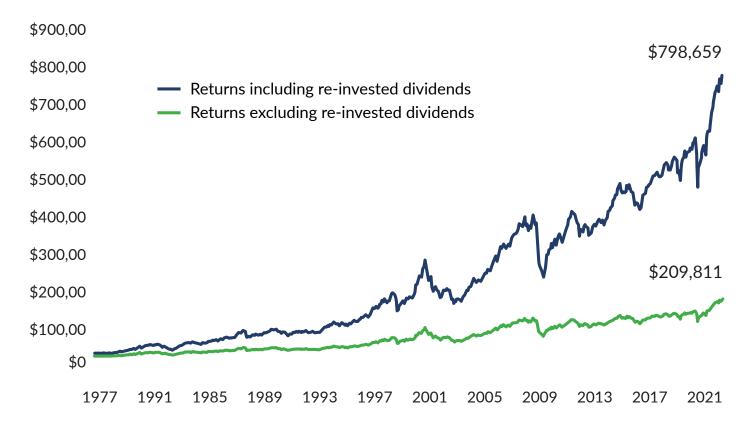


## Dividends make a major contribution to returns

Since 1930, 40% of all U.S. stock market returns have been in the form of dividends. In periods of high inflation, that number jumps all the way up to 54%.<sup>1</sup>

In Canada, an investor who reinvested their dividends since 1977 could have accumulated almost 4x more wealth than one who didn't. This compounding effect is a major way that dividends can help fight inflation.

### Growth of \$10,000 invested in S&P/TSX Composite Index<sup>2</sup>



<sup>1.</sup> Source: https://www.fidelity.com/learning-center/trading-investing/inflation-and-dividend-stocks

Returns include re-invested dividends = S&P/TSX Composite Total Return; Returns excluding re-invested dividends = S&P/TSX Composite Price Appreciation

<sup>2.</sup> Source: Morningstar Direct: January 1977 - December 2021

# Dividends have outperformed in inflationary times

The following table<sup>1</sup> ranks the past 10 decades from highest to lowest rates of inflation. The data show that dividend-paying stocks outperformed the broad index by 0.9% annually on average, but by 3.7% annually on average during the highest inflation of the 40s, 70s and 80s.

DECADE	INFLATION RATE	RELATIVE PERFORMANCE OF DIVIDENDS
1970s	7.4%	+3.2%
1940s	5.4%	+5.6%
1980s	5.1%	+2.4%
2020s	5.1%	-1.5%
1990s	2.9%	-5.2%
1960s	2.5%	+0.7%
2000s	2.5%	+4.8%
1950s	2.2%	+0.1%
2010s	1.8%	-0.4%
1930s	-2.0%	-0.9%

<sup>1.</sup> Source: Robert Shiller, historical CPI: http://www.econ.yale.edu/~shiller/data/ie\_data.xls; Kenneth French, portfolios formed on dividend yield: http://mba.tuck.dartmouth.edu/pages/faculty/ken.french/data\_library.html

# The time advantage of Dividend Champions

Inflation makes it harder to predict what a dollar of corporate earnings will be worth in the future. That's the time advantage of dividends: you get the certainty of cash in your pocket today.

NCM Dividend Champions selects North American companies of various market caps with a focus on Dividend Growers and Dividend Payers. These businesses have strong cash flow that makes them more resilient in challenging markets, and enables them to share their profits with shareholders. Most Dividend Champions are household names.

### **Dividend Champions**

The fund focuses on owning profitable Dividend Payers and Dividend Growers

It may also own profitable companies that are still reinvesting rather than distributing their profits

### High Growth / Low Profit

The fund avoids companies with high growth but low or no profitability

For example trendy tech names, speculative mining operations, cannabis and crypto

### Low Growth / Low Profit

The fund avoids companies with low growth and low or no Profitability

For example, T-Mobile US, Inc. and Boston Scientific Corp.

### **Dividend Cutters**

The fund avoids companies that have a history of cutting their dividends

For example, MGM Resorts International and General Electric Co. are established businesses with inconsistent dividends

**RISK** 

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