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Abstract

The asset allocations of private real estate in the investment portfolios of High Net Worth Individuals (HNWIs) indicate that HNWIs' portfolio returns are not at optimum levels on a risk-adjusted basis. More specifically, utilizing Modern Portfolio Theory, existing allocations to private real estate should, arguably be increased by as much as twice its present allocation. This deficiency is due to insufficient conduits and products available at financial institutions for HNWIs. This mismatch has created a supply and demand problem of HNWI demand for and financial institutions' supply of private real estate assets.

The current HNWIs allocations were examined using the "Survey of Consumer Finances" (Federal Reserve, 1998). HNWIs capable of private real estate investment were investors whose net worth was \$25 million and above. The HNWI allocations and more than twenty years of historical investment returns and volatilities for financial assets and real estate, were the foundation for analyzing the variance between actual and optimum portfolio allocations of private real estate. This comparison highlighted how the entire HNWI segment could double its current real estate allocation to meet the optimal portfolio level.

Along with this real estate allocation deficiency, the HNWI segment has grown substantially over the last 10 years. Since this is a growing segment and a potential source of capital for the real estate industry, this thesis specifically identifies the real estate asset allocation inefficiencies, recommends optimum real estate asset allocations, and lists the alternatives and characteristics of investment conduits and products for increased investment in private real estate by HNWIs.

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Introduction

Overview

Over the past two years with increasing stock market volatility, investors began to look for alternate investments. In this context, real estate has become a popular vehicle for alternate investments. Private real estate assets require large amounts of investment. Typical investors are pension funds, REITs and opportunity funds. High Net Worth Individuals (HNWIs) whose net worth meets minimum investment requirements are an increasing source of capital for private real estate assets. As a result, financial institutions have begun to aggressively market both private and public real estate products to HNWIs. Institutions are having success marketing these products due to investors' desires to migrate out of volatile assets into an investment that provides both fixed income and growth opportunities. More importantly, HNWIs' interests have been peaked due to their currently low allocations to real estate assets.

In order to evaluate portfolios of HNWIs, a database was required. The 1998 Survey of Consumer Finances (SCF) contains a database of 4,305 respondents describing all respondents' financial profiles. Within this survey, details from asset allocations to investment preferences are provided and facilitated the identification of current asset allocations of HNWIs.

In addition, the research includes a practical application of Modern Portfolio Theory, developed by Harry Markowitz in 1952.¹ According to Markowitz, "Modern Portfolio Theory explores how risk averse investors construct portfolios in order to optimize market risk against expected returns. The theory quantifies the benefits of diversification. Out of a universe of risky assets, an efficient frontier of optimal portfolios can be constructed. Each portfolio on the efficient frontier offers the maximum possible expected return for a given level of risk."²

Therefore combining the SCF data set and the principles of Modern Portfolio theory, current versus optimal portfolios is analyzed. Specifically, four SCF assets are analyzed: Stocks, Bonds, Cash, and Real Estate. These four assets are analyzed from the perspective of comparing the

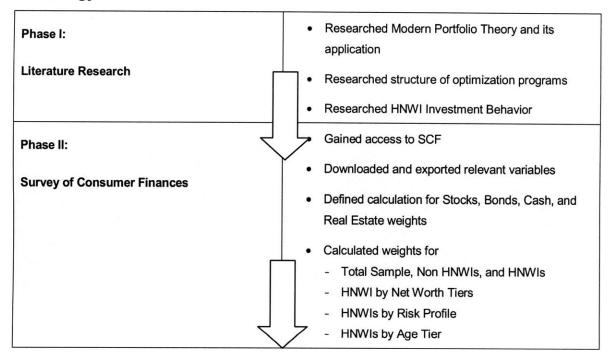
¹ Modern Portfolio Theory (MPT) was introduced by Harry Markowitz with his paper "Portfolio Selection" which appeared in the 1952 Journal of Finance. Thirty-eight years later, he shared a Nobel Prize with Merton Miller and William Sharpe for what has become a broad theory for portfolio selection and corporate finance.

² www.contingencyanalysis.com. "Modern Portfolio Theory." August 5, 2002 http://www.contingencyanalysis.com/ glossarymodernportfoliotheory.htm.

current portfolio allocations of HNWIs to optimum allocations based on historical investment returns and volatilities (as measured by market indices for each asset).

As a result of this research, current versus optimum asset allocations highlight efficiencies and deficiencies of HNWIs' portfolios. The focus of this research is on HNWIs' portfolio allocations to Private Real Estate investment. Interviews with financial institutions indicate that there is a supply and demand problem: not enough real estate conduits and products available to alleviate HNWIs real estate allocation demands. Over the years increased availability of real estate products and conduits, as investment vehicles will help HNWIs migrate into real estate assets. This migration will help correct identified real estate asset allocation deficiencies in HNWIs portfolios.

Methodology



Phase III:	 Gathered return indices and calculated 1978 to
Optimizer Model	1998 average return for Real Estate – NCREIF Stocks – S&P 500 Bonds – Long-Term Government Bonds Cash - 30-Day Treasury Bills Adjusted the NCREIF data (unsmoothed) Designed and optimization program Used the calculated average returns Calculated asset volatility (standard deviation) Calculated covariances Calculated weighted covariances Set solver constraints to calculate optimal portfolios Ran optimizer model solver for different HNWIs asset profiles
Phase IV: Current versus Optimal Allocation	 Compared current versus optimal HNWIs asset allocations Compared current and optimal HNWIs asset allocations with Investment Survey
Phase V:	 Met with and surveyed investment banks Recorded current clients' average asset
Investment Banker Survey	allocations Recorded average strategic asset allocations Compared with theoretical results
Phase VI:	 Discussed efficiencies and deficiencies in HNWIs
Conclusion	portfolios Focused on Real Estate asset allocation
	Discussed products and conduits for migration into Real Estate assets

Chapter Summaries

Chapter 1:

According to Merrill Lynch and Gemini Consulting in the <u>2001 World Wealth Report</u>, "In 2001, HNWIs over \$1 million in net worth constituted a \$26.2 trillion market." Not only does this segment control a considerable amount of total dollars in the US economy, this segment is growing at a strong pace. In order to analyze the HNWI segment, the Survey of Consumer Finances was utilized. The Survey's 204 HNWIs out of the 4,305 respondents were compared to the overall data set and isolated for segment analysis. Total HNWI net worth out of the SCF sample is calculated. Additionally, HNWIs are analyzed by Net Worth Tiers, by Risk Tolerance, and by Age Tier.

Chapter 2

HNWIs' investment patterns are analyzed through the Survey of Consumer Finances. The SCF defines net worth as the total of 19 assets and their corresponding liabilities. These assets are reorganized to calculate net worth with only 13 assets and their corresponding liabilities. Out of these 13 assets, Businesses constitute the largest allocation for HNWIs. Stocks, Bonds, Other Managed Assets, Residential Real Estate, and Non Residential Real Estate are the next largest segments of HNWIs. This 13-asset allocation helps identify the most appropriate assets for a HNWI liquid asset investment portfolio.

Chapter 3



According to surveyed investment banks, HNWIs typically invest in stocks, bonds, and alternative investments. Additionally, investors will have some amount of their portfolio in cash. From the preceding 13-asset allocation, these four assets were selected since they are representative of managed liquid asset portfolios. Stocks, Bonds and Cash were utilized from the SCF and for alternative investments the SCF's Non Residential Real Estate was used. The Non Residential Real Estate is only a portion of typical alternative investments. Since the focus of this analysis is private real estate investment and due to lack of detailed data within the SCF, other alternative investments were not used.

After listing the final four asset allocations, indices were required to generate risk and returns for each HNWI asset allocation. In order to reflect accurately a "typical" investment portfolio, assets that have standardized and accurate investment performance indices were chosen. As a result, for private Real Estate the NCREIF Index was used; for Stocks the S&P 500 Index was applied; for Bonds the "Long Term Government Bonds" Index was utilized; and lastly for Cash the "30-Day Treasury Bills" Index was used. The Stocks, Bonds, and Cash indices were obtained from one source - Ibbotson Associates in order to standardize the information.

Chapter 5

The principles of Modern Portfolio Theory developed by Harry Markowitz in an article in 1952 helped shape the optimization program developed to assess the HNWIs portfolio allocations. The research herein is a practical application of the main concepts and fundamentals accepted by academics and portfolio managers. It includes an application of the framework developed by Markowitz of how the risk can be reduced by choosing stocks that do not move in the same direction, combined with the application of the "Separation Theorem" (first noted by J. Tobin), and lastly, an empirical measure of the "risk reward ratio" known as the Sharpe Ratio. The optimization program combines asset returns, volatility, and correlation to establish the best possible combination of assets within an investment portfolio. It also is used to analyze HNWI<u>s current</u> portfolios risk and return levels.

Chapter 6

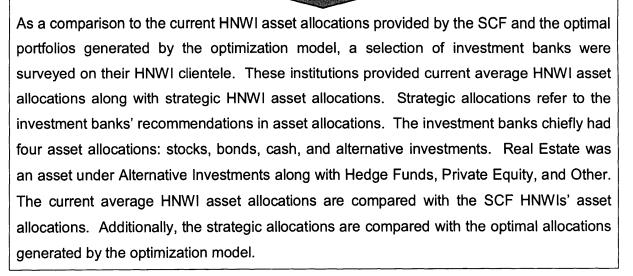
The optimization program identifies opportunities for diversification. The program combines the return, return volatility, and correlation of the four assets (Real Estate, Stocks, Bonds, and Cash) in order to determine the optimum allocation among the selected assets. After incorporating these elements and general constraints three scenarios are evaluated: Cash is considered a risky asset and its maximum allocation in the portfolio is not constrained; Cash is considered a risky asset and its maximum allocation in the portfolio is constrained to a limit of 10%; and Cash is not considered a risky asset and its not considered a risky asset and its maximum allocation in the portfolio. These scenarios outline optimal portfolios for different types of HNWIs.

Current allocations of the HNWIs in the SCF survey are processed through the optimization program. The program utilizes the same assumptions of Chapters 5 and 6. However the program does not calculate optimum portfolios but rather utilizes the weights of the current allocations to establish the risk and returns of the portfolios. The calculation of risk and returns of HNWI portfolios allows a basis of comparison to the optimal allocations generated in Chapter 6. Current HNWI portfolios are examined at a General level, By Net Worth Level, By Risk Tolerance, and By Age. All of the current allocations are based solely on the SCF sample.

Chapter 8



The Gap is the difference between the current portfolio asset allocation (described in Chapter 7) with the optimum asset allocation (described in Chapter 6). The optimum allocation used in this comparison is Scenario B (maximum cash allocation of 10%). It is considered the most applicable due to the similarities with the current SCF average HNWI allocations. Although, Scenario B has some flaws at low target return levels, it is the most appropriate considering the average returns obtained from HNWIs portfolios in Chapter 7 (moderate to high). Current versus optimal allocations are compared at a General level, By Net Worth Tier, By Risk Tolerance, and By Age Tier. Each case identifies if real estate assets are over invested or under invested.



The market of HNWIs and Ultra HNWIs is growing rapidly. Traditionally, HNWIs net worth made their fortunes through inheritance. Instead, the newer high net worth individual is often younger, more aggressive, looking for performance, social activities and philanthropy to become part of their plan. Their investment behavior may be compared to institutional investors' behavior. Institutions have been a dominant force in real estate investment and as a result adequate conduits and products have been created for this segment. However, HNWIs do not have a comparable infrastructure. The real estate fund is the predominant product marketed to HNWIs. The majority of HNWI commercial real estate is directly owned by the investor. The self-sourcing of real estate helps explain the low HNWI allocation in real estate. With the growth in this HNWI segment, the supply and demand function will eventually solve the real estate allocation deficiency as new products enter the market to absorb the HNWI real estate demand.

1) High Net Worth Individuals

According to Merrill Lynch and Gemini Consulting in the <u>2001 World Wealth Report</u>, "In 2001, HNWIs over \$1 million in net worth constituted a \$26.2 trillion market." Not only does this segment control a considerable amount of total dollars in the US economy, this segment is growing at a strong pace. In order to analyze the HNWI segment, the Survey of Consumer Finances was utilized. The Survey's 204 HNWIs out of the 4,305 respondents were compared to the overall data set and isolated for segment analysis. Total HNWI net worth out of the SCF sample is calculated. Additionally, HNWIs are analyzed by Net Worth Tiers, by Risk Tolerance, and by Age Tier.

1.1) Minimum Threshold

There are three sources of wealth for HNWIs: entrepreneurial wealth, earned wealth, and inherited wealth.³ HNWIs accumulate wealth either through one or more of these sources. Together these sources are the platform for HNWIs' net worth.

Sources of Wealth	Description
Entrepreneurial Wealth	Wealth is from a private business
Earned Wealth	Wealth is from a continued salary and income and may include stock options
Inherited Wealth	Wealth has been inherited

Exhibit 1.1.1: Sources of Wealth

Source: Data Monitor. Future Focus: The Evolving High Net Worth Customer. 29 Jun 2000. 4

This net worth is generally defined as total assets minus liabilities.⁴ Varying levels of net worth essentially help define the tiers of HNWIs. Private wealth management institutions' thresholds are based on the total amount of liquid assets versus total net worth. Liquid assets are assets that can be converted into cash quickly and without any price discount.⁵ Liquid assets represent a portion of total net worth. These liquid assets include a variety of assets from private real estate

³ Data Monitor. <u>Future Focus: The Evolving High Net Worth Customer</u> [29 Jun 2000] 4

⁴ Investorwords.com. <u>http://www.investorwords.com/cgi-bin/getword.cgi?3267</u> August 2000

⁵ Investorwords.com. <u>http://www.investorwords.com/cgi-bin/getword.cgi?2837&liquidity</u> August 2000

to mutual funds. Institutional minimum liquid asset thresholds range from as low as \$100,000 to as high as \$25 million.⁶

Private real estate investment requires a higher amount of liquid assets due to the magnitude of the investment. As a result, real estate divisions of institutions target HNWIs with liquid assets in excess of \$10 million. From the data analysis of the SCF, the four liquid assets examined within the current asset allocations generally represent between 30% to 40% of total net worth. Therefore, a \$10 million liquid asset threshold implies approximately a \$25 to \$33 million HNWI. Throughout this analysis the HNWI Tiers begin at a \$25 million net worth.

The following table outlines these assumptions:

Liquid Asset Minimum Threshold	\$10,000,000
Liquid Assets/Net Worth (from SCF Four Asset Allocation)	30% to 40%
HNWI Minimum Net Worth Threshold	\$10,000,000 / (30% to 40%)
	=\$25 to \$33 million Net Worth Threshold set at \$25 million and above

1.2) Current Trends

During the late 1990s, original sources of wealth expanded from entrepreneurial, income, and inherited wealth to include stock option wealth. However, due to the dot.com boom and bust and recent stock market volatility, stock options lost their instant wealth reputation. With the recent number of HNWIs made and lost in the late 1990s, HNWIs have been a popular topic. Included are facts and trends of HNWIs over the past few years:

 According to the World Wealth Report 2002, "In 2001 world wealth from HNWIs (those that have at least \$1 million in net worth) grew slightly to \$26.2 trillion, up 3% from the year before and the number of HNWIs also grew 3% to 7.1 million.⁷

⁶ Ramiro Juliá and Rachel Matthai <u>Investment Banker Survey</u> 2002

⁷ Merrill Lynch and Gemini Consulting. 2002 World Wealth Report 2001

- Additionally the 2002 Report stated that in North America HNWIs' average age was between 55-57 and wealth sources include entrepreneurial businesses and technology and finance income. Also HNWIs favor domestic equities.⁸
- By 2000, there were 596,000 U.S. households with a net worth of \$5 million or more. These households include baby boomers cashing in stock options, seniors with hefty 401(k)s, Gen-X computer entrepreneurs, and lottery winners.9
- HNWIs as defined herein have been described as the Ultra-Affluent or the upper echelon of the HNWI market. According to Russ Alan Prince's article in National Underwriter Life & Health, "The Ultra-Affluent is a family unit with a net worth of \$25 million or more. The wealth the Ultra-Affluent commands is \$11.9 trillion. The low-end estimate puts the combined net worth of the Ultra-Affluent at \$8.4 trillion, while the high-end estimate is \$13.8 trillion."

Exhibit 1.2.1: The Wealth of the Ultra-Affluent

Low-End Estimate	Best Estimate	High-End Estimate
\$8.4 Trillion	\$11.9 Trillion	\$13.8 Trillion

Source: Prince, Russ Alan. "Core Characteristics Of The Ultra-Affluent That Advisors Should Know" National Underwriter Life & Health June 11, 2001 105 (24): 37

 According to the 2000 World Wealth Report by Merrill Lynch and Gemini Consulting, "The recent proliferation of dot.com billionaires and other similar entrepreneurs have generated the 'ultra high net worth individuals' (U- HNWIs). To graduate to the lofty heights of such a select band, an individual needs \$30 million worth of liquid financial assets. The study estimates that U-HNWIs totaled 55,000 in 1999, up by 18 percent on 1998. These 55,000 super-rich individuals hold financial assets worth a massive \$7.9 trillion last year, representing nearly onethird of the world's total HNW financial wealth."¹⁰

These trends help understand that not only are there HNWIs but also ultra HNWIs. The HNWIs analyzed within this research include the ultra HNWIs due to their private real estate investment capabilities.

⁸ Merrill Lynch and Gemini Consulting. 2001

 ⁹ Mandell, Nancy R. "Where does wealth end and ultra-wealth begin?" <u>On Wall Street</u> December 2000
 ¹⁰ Merrill Lynch and Gemini Consulting. <u>2000 World Wealth Report</u> 2000

1.3) Survey of Consumer Finances

The Survey of Consumer Finances published by the Federal Reserve was utilized to analyze the investment portfolios of the \$25 million and above HNWIs. The Federal Reserve states:

"The Survey of Consumer Finances is a triennial survey of the balance sheet, pension, income, and other demographic characteristics of U.S. families. The survey also gathers information on the use of financial institutions. The Survey of Consumer Finances is conducted every three years to provide detailed information on the finances of U.S. families. No other study for the country collects comparable information. Data from the SCF are widely used, from analysis at the Federal Reserve and other branches of government to scholarly work at the major economic research centers."¹¹

"The study is sponsored by the Federal Reserve Board in cooperation with the Department of the Treasury. Since 1992, data have been collected by the National Opinion Research Center at the University of Chicago (NORC)."

"To ensure the representativeness of the study, respondents are selected randomly and a strong attempt is made to select families from all economic strata."

"Most of the data in the survey are intended to represent the financial characteristics of a subset of the household unit referred to as the "primary economic unit" (PEU). In brief, the PEU consists of an economically dominant single individual or couple (married or living as partners) in a household and all other individuals in the household who are financially dependent on that individual or couple."

In the 1998 survey there were 4,309 respondents. The public dataset available included 4,305 out of the 4,309 respondents. For each respondent the SCF generated five imputed responses. This imputation expanded the data set to 21,525 entries. The Federal Reserve states:

"Most of the variables that originally contained a missing value code have been imputed. The overwhelming majority of variables that originally contained missing values have been imputed five times by drawing repeatedly from an estimate of the conditional distribution of the data."

¹¹ Federal Reserve. <u>Survey of Consumer Finances</u>. 1998

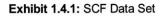
"These imputations are stored as five successive replicates ("implicates") of each data record. Thus, the number of observations in the full dataset (21,525) is five times the actual number of respondents (4,305)."

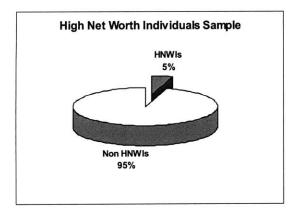
"Multiple imputation offers two distinct advantages compared with singly-imputed data. First, because multiple imputation yields multiple outcomes from a random process, it supports more efficient estimation than singly-imputed data. Second, multiple imputation allows users to make straightforward estimates of the degree of uncertainty associated with the missing information."

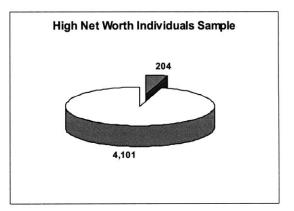
"For users who want to estimate only simple statistics such as means and medians ignoring the effects of imputation error on the standard errors of these estimates, it will probably be sufficient to divide the weights by 5."

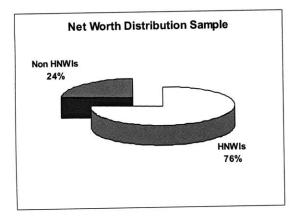
1.4) Survey of Consumer Finances (SCF) Sample

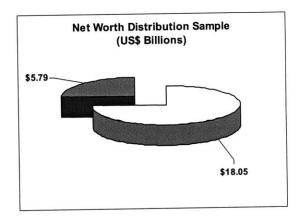
The HNWI portion of the SCF comprises 204 out of the 4,305 responses. This represents 5% of the entire data set. While the HNWI segment is only 5% of the data segment, it constitutes 76% of the sample's net worth. The HNWI segments' net worth represented by the survey is \$18.04 billion. The entire sample's net worth is \$23.84 billion. Therefore, although the total number of HNWIs is small its portion of the sample's net worth is significant.











Note: Based on original SCF data set of 21,525. Source: Federal Reserve. <u>Survey of Consumer Finances</u> 1998

By Net Worth Tier

Five HNWI thresholds were examined. These five thresholds included \$25 to \$49 million, \$50 to \$74 million, \$75 to \$99 million, \$100 to \$199 million and \$200 million and up. The \$25 to \$49 million tier is the largest comprising 46% of the entire HNWI sample. Together, the \$100 to \$199 million and \$200 million and above tiers total approximately 24%. The smallest segment is the \$75 to \$99 million tier. Additionally, this chart indicates that the greatest portion of HNWIs have a net worth of less than \$75 million.

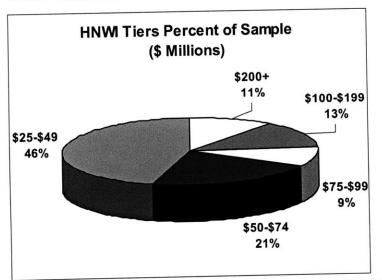


Exhibit 1.4.2: HNWI Net Worth Tiers

Note: Based on the HNWI sample of 1012 cases out of the original 1018 due to removal of negative asset allocations.

In contrast to the preceding chart, the \$200 million and over tier controls approximately 38% of the HNWIs total net worth. The \$100 to \$199 million tier comprises approximately 20% of net worth of the sample. The \$25 to \$49 million tier due to the number of individuals within this segment control 18% of the overall HNWI net worth. Therefore, although the higher HNWI tiers constitute fewer people their impact on total net worth is significant.

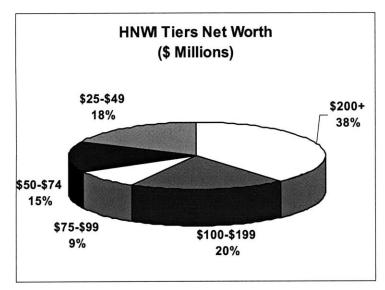


Exhibit 1.4.3: HNWI Net Worth Tiers

Note: Based on the HNWI sample of 1012 cases out of the original 1018 due to removal of negative asset allocations.

By Risk Tolerance

The SCF has risk and return preferences for the entire data set. Respondents were asked if they preferred to take substantial risks for substantial returns, above average risks for above average returns, average risks for average returns, or no risks.

Approximately 47% of HNWIs indicated they prefer to see above average returns for above average risks. The second largest category was average returns for average risk, at 32%. Approximately 7% of the HNWIs are risk averse, while 14% will take substantial risks for substantial returns. This risk profile shows that HNWIs prefer moderate to aggressive portfolios.

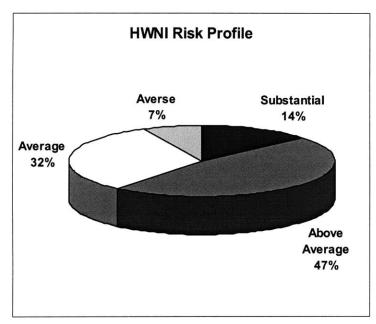
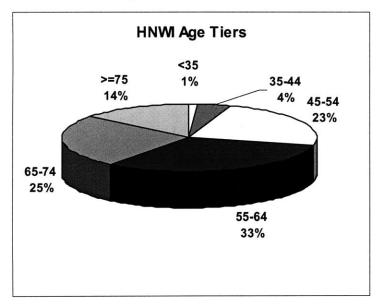


Exhibit 1.4.4: HNWI Risk Tolerance

Note: Based on the HNWI sample of 1012 cases out of the original 1018 due to removal of negative asset allocations.

By Age Tier

The age distribution of the SCF HNWI segment is categorized into six segments: less than 35, 35-44, 45-54, 55-64, 65-74, and greater than 75. The 55-64 tier comprises the largest segment of HNWIs and constitutes approximately 33% of the sample of HNWIs. The less-than-35 segment is only 1% of the data set. Approximately 81% of the HNWIs are between the ages of 45 and 74. This stratification indicates that HNWIs of \$25 million and above predominantly include established individuals that have typically had over 20 years of work experience.





Note: Based on the HNWI sample of 1012 cases out of the original 1018 due to removal of negative asset allocations.

2) Market Assets

HNWIs' investment patterns are analyzed through the Survey of Consumer Finances. The SCF defines net worth as the total of 19 assets and their corresponding liabilities. These assets are reorganized to calculate net worth with only 13 assets and their corresponding liabilities. Out of these 13 assets, Businesses constitute the largest allocation for HNWIs. Stocks, Bonds, Other Managed Assets, Residential Real Estate, and Non Residential Real Estate are the next largest segments of HNWIs. This 13-asset allocation helps identify the most appropriate assets for a HNWI liquid asset investment portfolio.

2.1) Assets and Liabilities

HNWIs invest in a variety of assets that range from private businesses to bonds. The SCF's financial asset questions provide substantial information on asset allocations for the entire sample. The SCF calculates net worth with the sum of 19 assets and their corresponding liabilities. Each asset and liability consists of several financial variables that have been asked within the SCF. The following table includes the assets and liabilities and their SCF definitions.

Asset	Definition	
Bonds	Total amount in bonds, not including bond funds or savings bonds	
Code: BOND	 Total amount in bonds, not including bond funds or savings bonds 	
Call Account	Tatal amount is call (marrie) accounts at brokeroge firms	
Code: CALL	 Total amount in call (margin) accounts at brokerage firms 	
Cash Value of Life Insurance	Our human af uthala life incurance	
Code: CASHLI	Cash value of whole life insurance	
Certificate of Deposits	Tatal arrows of contificate of deposite	
Code: CDS	Total amount of certificate of deposits	
Checking Account	Tatal of a backing accounts other than manay market	
Code: CHECKING	 Total of checking accounts other than money market 	
Money Market Accounts		
Code: MMA	Total amount of all types of money market accounts	

Exhibit 2.1.1: SCF Assets and Liabilities

Non-Financial Assets		
Code: NFIN	Total non-financial assets which includes the following assets:	
Businesses Code: BUS	 For businesses where the household has an active interest, value is equity (sales price minus outstanding business loans) if business were sold today, plus loans from household to business, minus loans from business to household not previously reported plus value of personal assets used as collateral for business loans that were reported earlier 	
Houses Code: HOUSES	Value of primary residence	
Non Residential Real Estate Code: NNRESRE	 Total net equity in nonresidential real estate: real estate other than the principal residence, properties coded as 1-4 family residences, time shares, and vacation homes net of mortgaged other loans taken out for investment real estate 	
Other Residential Real Estate Code: OTHRES	 Total amount of other residential real estate includes: land contracts/notes household has made, properties other than the principal residence that are codes as 1-4 family residences, timeshare, and vacation homes 	
Other Non-Financial Assets Code: OTHNFIN	 Total amount of other non-financial assets defined as total value of miscellaneous assets minus other financial assets 	
Vehicles Code: VEHIC	Value of all vehicles (includes autos, motor homes, RVs, airplanes, boats)	
Non Money Market Funds Code: NMMF	Total directly held mutual funds, excluding money market mutual funds	
Other Financial Assets Code: OTHFIN	Total amount of other financial assets (includes loans from the household to someone else, future proceeds, royalties, futures, non-public stock, deferred compensation)	
Other Managed Assets Code: OTHMA	 Total amount in other managed assets (trusts, annuities, and managed investment accounts in which household has equity interest) 	
Retirement Funds Code: RETQLIQ	 Total quasi-liquid retirement funds: sum of IRAs, thrift accounts, and future pensions 	
Savings Bonds Code: SAVBOND	Total amount in savings bonds	

Total amount in savings account	
Total amount in stocks	
 Loans for home purchase, cottage, vacation property, and time share 	
- Home improvement leans	
Home improvement loans	
Vehicle loans	
Vehicle loans	
- Lean for purchase of goods and convises	
Loan for purchase of goods and services	
 Loans for investments and mortgage loans for other real estate 	
Loans for education and loans for professional expenses	
Unclassified borrowing against pension plans	
Other unclassifiable loans	

The SCF net worth is the sum of equity investment in all assets. The following formula highlights the components of the SCF's net worth.

NETWORTH

=BOND+CALL+CASHLI+CDS+CHECKING+MMA+ NNRESRE+HOUSES+OTHRES+OTHNFIN+VEHIC +NMMF+OTHFIN+OTHMA+RETQLIQ+SAVBOND+SAVING+STOCKS -PLOAN1-PLOAN2-PLOAN3-PLOAN4-PLOAN5-PLOAN6-PLOAN7-PLOAN8

Source: Federal Reserve. Survey of Consumer Finances 1998

2.2) Reclassification of Assets and Liabilities

After synthesizing the SCF dataset, the financial assets were collapsed into 13 assets less their corresponding liabilities. The number of assets decreased due to the grouping of similar assets such as Savings Bonds and Bonds. Also all cash assets were grouped under Cash. This reclassification simplified the SCF net worth formula. The following table highlights these 13 assets:

Asset	Components
Bonds	Sum of Bonds and Savings Bonds
Code: BOND	Formula: BOND+SAVBOND
Cash Value of Life Insurance	Cash Value of Life Insurance
Code: CASHLI	Formula: CASHLI
	Sum of Call Accounts, Certificate of Deposits, Checking Accounts, Money Market Accounts, and Savings Accounts less PLoan 4, PLoan 6, and PLoan8
Cash	Formula: CALL+CDS+CHECKING+MMA+SAVING-PLOAN4-PLOAN6-
Code: CASH	PLOAN8
Businesses	Businesses
Code: BUS	Formula: BUS
Non Residential Real Estate	Non Residential Real Estate less PLoan 5
Code: NNRESRE	Formula: NNRESRE-PLOAN5
Other Residential Real Estate and Houses	Sum of Other Residential Real Estate and Houses less PLoan 1 and PLoan2
Code: RESRE	Formula: OTHRES+HOUSES-PLOAN1-PLOAN2
Other Non-Financial Assets	Other Non-Financial Assets
Code: OTHNFIN	Formula: OTHNFIN

Exhibit 2.2.1: Reclassification	of Assets and Liabilities
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Vehicles	Vehicles less PLoan 3
Code: VEHIC	Formula: VEHIC-PLOAN3
Non Money Market Funds	Money Market Funds
Code: NMMF	Formula: NMMF
Other Financial Assets	Other Financial Assets
Code: OTHFIN	Formula: OTHFIN
Other Managed Assets	Other Managed Assets
Code: OTHMA	Code: OTHMA
Retirement Funds	Retirement Funds less PLoan 7
Code: RETQLIQ	Formula: RETQLIQ-PLOAN7
Stocks	Stocks
Codes: STOCKS	Formula: STOCKS

Source: Federal Reserve. Survey of Consumer Finances 1998

These realigned assets and liabilities yield the same total equity investment or net worth of each respondent. The revised net worth formula is:

NETWORTH RECLASSIFIED

=BOND+CASHLI+CASH+BUS+NNRESRE+RESRE+OTHNFIN+VEHIC+NMMF+OTHFIN+OTHMA +RETQLIQ+STOCKS-PLOAN1-PLOAN2-PLOAN3-PLOAN4-PLOAN5-PLOAN6-PLOAN7-PLOAN8

The following three pie charts show the 13-asset net worth allocation for the entire dataset, HNWIs, and Non HNWIs. As explained previously the HNWI segment has the majority of all assets even though it represents a smaller portion of the dataset. As a result, the overall dataset has a similar 13-asset distribution as the HNWI segment due to the relative proportion of the HNWIs' assets. In contrast, Non HNWIs have a smaller Business and Stocks allocation while they have a larger Retirement Funds allocation. Businesses constitute the largest asset in all three scenarios: 48% for the total sample, 54% for HNWIs, and 31% for Non HNWIs. Note that Non Residential Real Estate represented between 4% to 5% of the 13-asset summary.

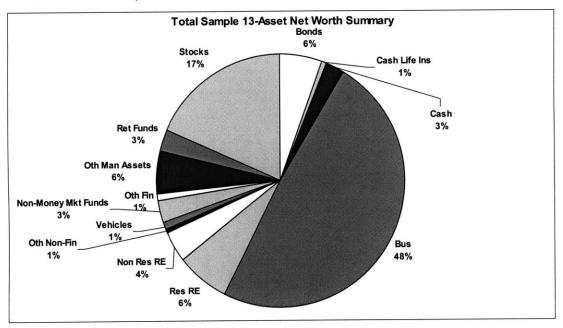
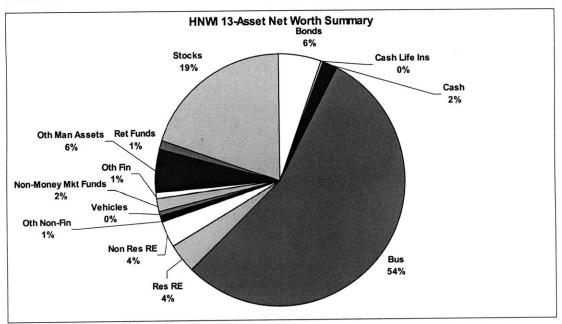


Exhibit 2.2.2: Total Sample 13-Asset Net Worth Summary

Note: 13-Asset Allocation is based on the entire dataset of 21,525 entries.

Source: Federal Reserve. Survey of Consumer Finances 1998

Exhibit 2.2.3: HNWI 13-Asset Net Worth Summary



Note: 13-Asset Allocation is based on the entire dataset of 21,525 entries. Source: Federal Reserve. <u>Survey of Consumer Finances</u> 1998

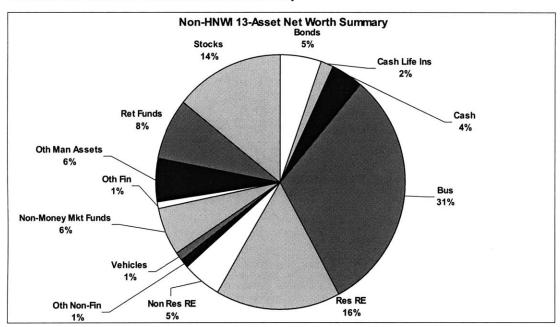


Exhibit 2.2.4: Non HNWI 13-Asset Net Worth Summary

Note: 13-Asset Allocation is based on the entire dataset of 21,525 entries. Source: Federal Reserve. <u>Survey of Consumer Finances</u> 1998

3) High Net Worth Individuals' Portfolio Allocations

According to surveyed investment banks, HNWIs typically invest in stocks, bonds, and alternative investments. Additionally, investors will have some amount of their portfolio in cash. From the preceding 13-asset allocation, these four assets were selected since they are representative of managed liquid asset portfolios. Stocks, Bonds and Cash were utilized from the SCF and for alternative investments the SCF's Non Residential Real Estate was used. The Non Residential Real Estate is only a portion of typical alternative investments. Since the focus of this analysis is private real estate investment and due to lack of detailed data within the SCF, other alternative investments were not used. After specifically analyzing the real estate allocation, HNWIs have a 6% allocation in real estate. The HNWI segments analyzed have a real estate allocation that ranges from 0% to 18%. The majority of the HNWI segments center between a 5% and 8% real estate allocation.

The following table summarizes the overall HNWIs' four-asset allocations.

Category	Real Estate	Stocks	Bonds	Cash
Total Sample	8%	64%	20%	9%
HNWI	6%	67%	20%	7%
Non HNWI	11%	54%	21%	14%

Exhibit 3.0.1: Overall HNWI Four-Asset Allocation

The following table highlights the asset allocations by HNWI segments.

Tiers	Real Estate	Stocks	Bonds	Cash
\$200+	4%	78%	17%	1%
\$100-\$199	2%	68%	23%	8%
\$75-\$99	11%	57%	24%	7%
\$50-\$74	8%	64%	17%	11%
\$25-\$49	13%	53%	22%	12%
Risk Tiers	Real Estate	Stocks	Bonds	Cash
Substantial	5%	86%	9%	5%
Above Average	8%	76%	15%	9%
Average	5%	66%	28%	6%
Averse	18%	31%	56%	13%
Age Tiers	Real Estate	Stocks	Bonds	Cash
<35	0%	80%	18%	2%
35-44	2%	87%	8%	4%
45-54	7%	73%	12%	8%
55-64	7%	70%	19%	5%
	6%	64%	23%	6%
65-74				11%

Exhibit 3.0.2: HNWI Segment Four-Asset Allocations

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Source: Federal Reserve. Survey of Consumer Finances 1998

3.1) Four Asset Selection

In summary, the final four assets were selected due to market standards, the limitations on the level of detail of the SCF data, available market returns indices, and optimum portfolio theory. The following table highlights the reasons for the selection of each asset.

Exhibit 3.1.1: Fou	r Asset Selection Criteria
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Asset	Comments
Stocks	Market standard
	SCF has the asset title stock
	S&P 500 available as market index
Bonds	Market standard
	SCF has the asset title stock
	Long-term government bonds available as market index

Cash	Market standard				
	SCF has the asset title stock				
	30-Day Short Term Treasury Bills available as market index				
Real Estate	Part of alternative investments				
	Focus of analysis is private real estate asset allocations				
	SCF has the asset title stock				
	NCREIF available as market index				

From the SCF data, together these four assets represent just over 30% of net worth for the total data set, HNWIs, and Non HNWIs. This 30% is the amount that the sample has available for personal investment. The remaining 70% is within the 13-asset allocation described previously, the majority of which comprises private business wealth and personal residences.

Exhibit 3.1.2: Four Asset Portfolio Percentage of Total Net worth

Category	Total	Four Asset Portfolio	Total Networth	Percent
Total Sample	\$	7,605,426,392	\$ 23,760,211,572	32.0%
HNWI	\$	5,668,067,156	\$ 17,978,042,643	31.5%
Non HNWI	\$	1,937,359,237	\$ 5,782,168,928	33.5%

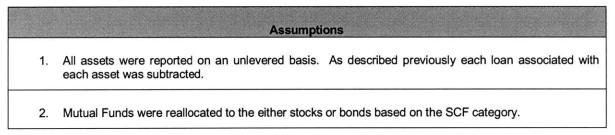
Note: Based on SCF Sample

Source: Federal Reserve. Survey of Consumer Finances 1998

3.2) Assumptions of SCF's Four Assets

While processing the weight allocations for all four assets there were several assumptions made for the entire data set. The following table highlights these assumptions.

Exhibit 3.2.1: Assumptions



- 3. Since one of the assumptions within the optimizer model is that there is no short selling of an asset, no assets were allowed to have negative balances.
 - After unlevering Cash, all negative positions were set to 0.
 - NNRESRE contained some negative positions prior to unlevering. These were deleted and reduced the HNWI data set to 1,012 from 1,018 entries.
 - After unlevering NNRESRE, all negative positions were set to 0.
- 4. Retirement funds were not reallocated to stocks and bonds due to the limitations on amounts invested per year and the tax regulations.
- 5. Total amount in other managed assets (trusts, annuities, and managed investment accounts in which household has equity interest) were not reallocated due to tax regulations. Specifically trusts and managed investment accounts were in the same category and could not be separated.

3.3) Real Estate Allocation

Real Estate has been analyzed as private real estate. Real estate assets are part of a larger capital market.¹² The real estate four quadrant model outlines the real estate investment products and capital markets.

	Public Markets	Private Markets
	Stocks	Real Property (Private Real Estate
Equity Assets	• REITs	Private Firms
Equity Assets	Mutual Funds	Oil and Gas Partnerships
	• Bonds	Bank Loans
Debt Assets	MBS (Mortgage Backed Secutities)	Whole Mortgages
DEDITASSUS	Money Instruments	Venture Debt

Source: David Geltner and Norman G Miller. <u>Commercial Real Estate Analysis and Investments</u> (New Jersey: Prentice Hall, 2001) 13

As indicated in the four-quadrant model, this analysis examines real property equity assets in private markets. Equity or debt assets in public markets such as REITs or MBS are assumed to be within the SCF's Stocks and Bonds assets. The SCF does not break down the type of REIT and MBS investments and therefore real estate could not be examined at a public market level. **Assumptions for Real Estate Allocation**

¹² David Geltner and Norman G Miller. <u>Commercial Real Estate Analysis and Investments</u> (New Jersey: Prentice Hall, 2001) 13

Within the SCF data there were three categories of real estate: Houses, Other Residential Real Estate, and Non Residential Real Estate. As described previously, Houses and Other Residential Real Estate consisted of primary and secondary homes and were not considered as part of private real property investments since the primary occupant was the respondent.

Additionally, as a primary occupant there is no rental income and therefore only appreciation will constitute the return. Private real estate property that is examined includes both an income and appreciation return.

In addition to these three categories the SCF documented which Businesses were real estate businesses. From further detailed data an account of which real estate business owned property was tabulated to exclude businesses that were brokerage firms or third party real estate firms.

Therefore there were three Non Residential Real Estate Allocations (NNRESRE) that were examined:

Real Estate Allocation	Description			
Total NNRESRE	Step 1			
	 I ncludes all Non Residential Real Estate from SCF survey. Step 2 			
	R espondents with negative NNRESRE allocations were			
	deleted (6 entries reducing total to 1,012 from 1,018).			
	Step 3			
	• A llocations after unlevering were set to 0			
NNRESRE and Real Estate Businesses	s Step 1			
	Includes all Non Residential Real Estate from SCF survey and			
	Real Estate Businesses.			
	- Only included Real Estate Businesses that owned property.			
	Step 2			
	Respondents with negative NNRESRE allocations were			
	deleted (6 entries reducing total to 1,012 from 1,018).			
	Step 3			
	Allocations after unlevering were set to 0			

Exhibit 3.3.2: Real Estate Allocations Procedure

COMPARABLE NCREIF NNRESRE	Step 1
	 Includes only NCREIF comparable real estate products for purposes of comparison with the NCREIF index. Real estate products included were: 5 or more unit residence, apartment house, other commercial property, business and residential combination, condominium, and residential. Those excluded are listed in Appendix A
	Respondents with negative NNRESRE allocations were
	deleted (6 entries reducing total to 1,012 from 1,018).
	Step 3
	Allocations after unlevering were set to 0

The following chart shows the Real Estate Allocations for all three classifications of Real Estate:

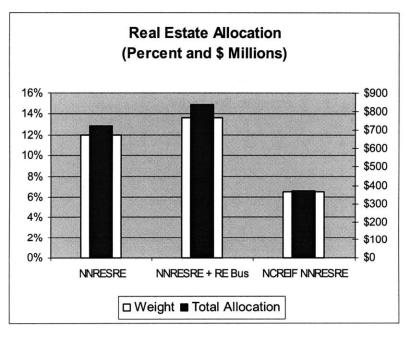


Exhibit 3.3.3: Real Estate Allocations

Category	Weight	11100.000	tal Allocation (\$ Millions)
NNRESRE	12%	\$	724.45
NNRESRE + RE Bus	14%	\$	839.24
NCREIF NNRESRE	6%	\$	367.65

Note: Based on SCF Sample

Comparing these three categories of SCF Real Estate, NNRESRE and RE Bus has the highest Real Estate allocation of 14% and comprises \$839.24 million of real estate. NNRESRE on its own has a real estate allocation of 12% at \$724.45 million. The NCREIF NNRESRE is half that of the entire NNRESRE allocation. Its allocation is only 6% at \$367.65 million. This low NCREIF comparable real estate allocation indicates that half of real estate investment is not commercial investment grade property.

The final Real Estate asset allocation that was utilized for the current versus optimum portfolio analysis was the NCREIF NNRESRE. This allocation was used to keep the analysis consistent with the NCREIF index utilized and this allocation represents investment grade real estate that provides a return that may be tracked at an industry level.

3.4) Asset Allocations

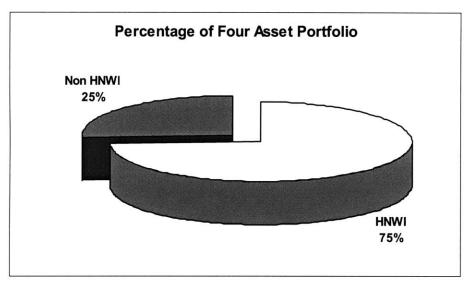
The following chart highlights the formulas used to calculate each of the final four assets. These formulas resulted in the asset totals. The sum of all of these assets was the total portfolio allocation. To cancel out the five imputations, all total dollar amounts were divided by five, which generated the original total dollar amounts. The weights of each asset were calculated as a percent of the portfolio total.

Asset	Comments
Stocks	Stocks
Codes: STOCKS	Formula: STOCKS
Bonds	Sum of Bonds and Savings Bonds
Code: BOND	Formula: BOND+SAVBOND
	Sum of Call Accounts, Certificate of Deposits, Checking Accounts, Money Market
Cash	Accounts, and Savings Accounts less PLoan 4, PLoan 6, and PLoan8
Code: CASH	Formula: CALL+CDS+CHECKING+MMA+SAVING-PLOAN4-PLOAN6-PLOAN8
Non Residential Real	NCREIF comparable Non Residential Real Estate less PLoan 5
Estate	Formula: ((NNRESRE (Category 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, and 50)) * Equity Share) -
Code: NNRESRE	(Equity Share*NNRESRE Loans associated with each entry)

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Exhibit	3.4.1:	Four	Asset	Allocations	Formula

Overall Asset Allocations

From the following chart, HNWIs control 75% of the data set's four-asset allocation. Non HNWIs only control 25% of the data set's four-asset allocation.





The following exhibit indicates that HNWIs control the majority of each of the four assets. Specifically, HNWIs control over 60% in all four assets.

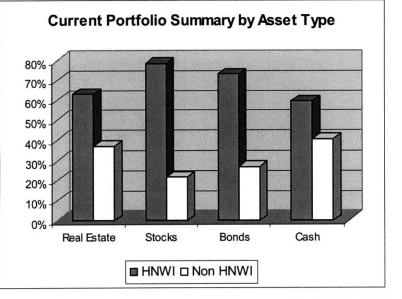


Exhibit 3.4.3: Four Asset Summary by Asset Type

Category	Real Estate	Stocks	Bonds	Cash	Total Allocation
HNWI	63%	78%	73%	60%	75%
Non HNWI	37%	22%	27%	40%	25%

From the following graph, although HNWIs typically have a majority in the total dollar amount of all four assets, their allocations at times are smaller than Non HNWIs. Non HNWIs have a larger Real Estate and Cash allocation while a smaller Stocks allocation. Even though Non HNWIs have a lower total dollar amount in Real Estate and Cash, their size of investment is a greater portion of their overall allocation. Non HNWIs are inclined to invest less in Stocks due to the lower amounts of disposable income. Total HNWIs weights are relatively on par with the Total Sample's weights. As a result, this indicates how HNWIs control the majority of the asset allocation of the sample.

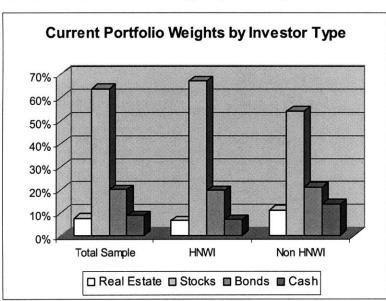


Exhibit 3.4.4: Current Portfolio Weights by Investor Type

Category	Real Estate	Stocks	Bonds	Cash
Total Sample	8%	64%	20%	9%
HNWI	6%	67%	20%	7%
Non HNWI	11%	54%	21%	14%

Asset Allocations by Net Worth Tier

From the following chart, the \$200 million and over HNWI Tier controls approximately 34% of the four-asset portfolio. The \$100-\$199 million Tier controls 22% of the four asset portfolio followed by the \$25-\$49 million Tier with 19%. The \$75-\$99 million controls the smallest portion of the four asset portfolio.

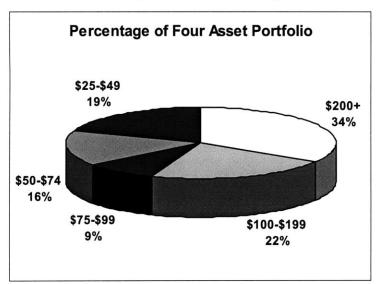


Exhibit 3.4.5: Percentage of Four Asset Portfolio by Net Worth Tier

Note: Tier Range is in \$ Millions Source: Federal Reserve. <u>Survey of Consumer Finances</u> 1998 The following graph shows that the \$200 million and over Tier controls the majority portion of Stocks and Bonds. The \$25-\$49 million Tier has the highest share of Real Estate and Cash.

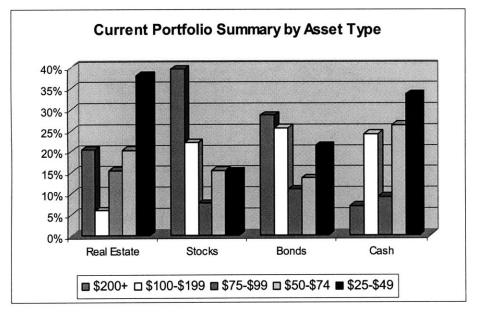


Exhibit 3.4.6: Four Asset Summary by Net Worth Tier

Tiers	Real Estate	Stocks	Bonds	Cash	Total Allocation
\$200+	20%	40%	29%	7%	34%
\$100-\$199	6%	22%	26%	24%	22%
\$75-\$99	15%	8%	11%	9%	9%
\$50-\$74	20%	15%	14%	26%	16%
\$25-\$49	38%	15%	21%	34%	19%

Note: Tier Range is in \$ Millions

The following chart indicates, the \$25-\$49 million Tier has the highest Real Estate allocation of 13%. The Stocks allocation tends to increase with each higher HNWI Tier (apart from the \$75-\$99 HNWI Tier). The Cash allocation generally decreases with each higher HNWI Tier.

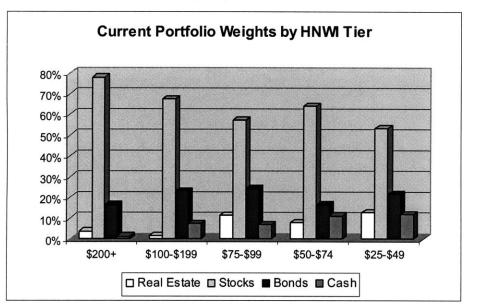


Exhibit 3.4.7: Current Portfolio Weights by Net Worth Tier

Tiers	Real Estate	Stocks	Bonds	Cash
\$200+	4%	78%	17%	1%
\$100-\$199	2%	68%	23%	8%
\$75-\$99	11%	57%	24%	7%
\$50-\$74	8%	64%	17%	11%
\$25-\$49	13%	53%	22%	12%

Note: Tier Range is in \$ Millions

HNWI Asset Allocations by Risk Tolerance

From the following char, the Above Average risk profile controls 38% of the four-asset portfolio. The Average risk profile controls approximately 34% of the four-asset portfolio. The third largest profile is Substantial risk. This profile controls 21% of the four-asset portfolio. The risk Averse profile has the smallest control of the four asset portfolio.

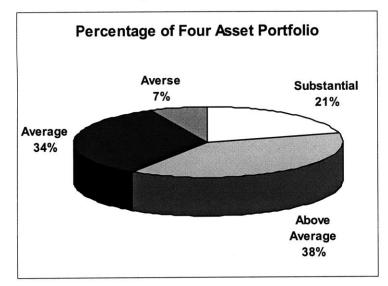
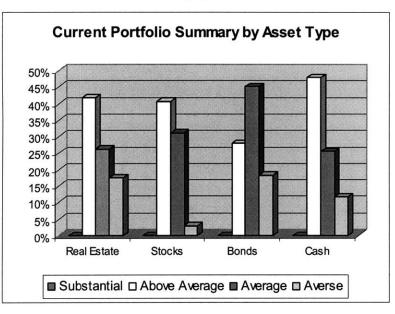


Exhibit 3.4.8: Percentage of Four Asset Portfolio by Risk Tolerance

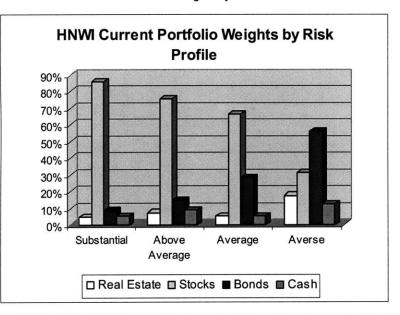
From the following graph, apart from Bonds the Above Average risk profile controls the majority of all assets. The Average risk profile controls the next largest percentage of all four assets. The Average risk profile has the largest percentage of Bonds. HNWIs that are Risk Averse have the smallest portion of the four-asset portfolio.





Risk Tiers	Real Estate	Stocks	Bonds	Cash	Total Allocation
Substantial	14%	25%	9%	15%	21%
Above Average	42%	41%	28%	48%	38%
Average	26%	31%	45%	25%	34%
Averse	18%	3%	18%	12%	7%

The following chart highlights the weight allocations of the different risk segments. Risk Averse HNWIs have the highest Real Estate, Bonds, and Cash allocations. These allocations indicate that Risk Averse HNWIs view Real Estate, Cash, and Bonds as conservative investments. Substantial risk, Above Average risk, and Average risk HNWIs have significant Stocks allocations.

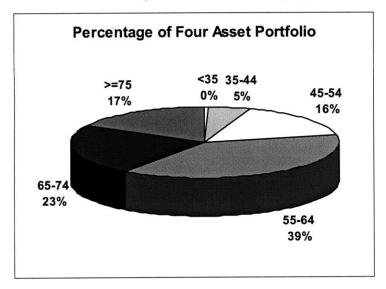




Risk Tiers	Real Estate	Stocks	Bonds	Cash
Substantial	5%	86%	9%	5%
Above Average	8%	76%	15%	9%
Average	5%	66%	28%	6%
Averse	18%	31%	56%	13%

Asset Allocations by Age Tier

From the following graph, the age bracket 55-64 controls the largest portion (39%) of the fourasset portfolio. From the age of 55 to 74, 62% of the four assets are accounted for. Greater than or equal to 75 and 45-54 jointly control approximately 33% of the four-asset portfolio. This age distribution indicates that there are very few HNWIs less than 44 years of age.





From the following exhibits, the age group 55-64 controls the majority of all four assets. The 65-74 age group is the next leading segment followed by the greater than or equal to 75 segment. HNWIs less than 44 years old control approximately 5% of the total four-asset allocation.

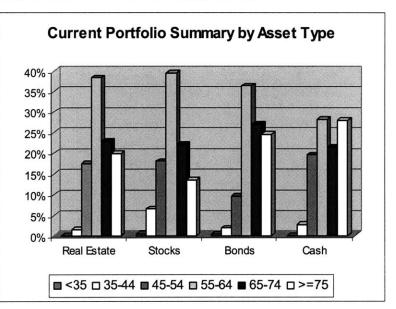


Exhibit 3.4.12: Four Asset Summary by Age Tier

Age Tiers	Real Estate	Stocks	Bonds	Cash	Total Allocation
<35	0%	1%	0%	0%	0%
35-44	2%	7%	2%	3%	5%
45-54	17%	18%	10%	20%	16%
55-64	38%	39%	36%	28%	38%
65-74	23%	22%	27%	21%	23%
>=75	20%	13%	25%	28%	17%

The following graph highlights the weight allocation for the Age Tiers. HNWIs less than 44 years old have the highest Stocks allocation and the lowest Real Estate allocation. HNWIs over 64 years of age have the highest allocation in Bonds. HNWIs greater than 44 years old have higher Cash allocations. These allocations indicate the level of risk that each tier is willing to take. Therefore, at a preliminary level, the younger tiers are willing to take on more risk with higher Stocks allocations and the older tiers are willing to take on less risk with a higher allocation in Bonds.

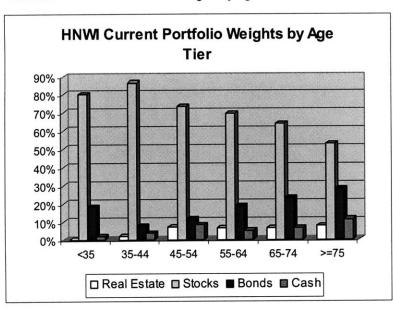


Exhibit 3.4.13: Current Portfolio Weights by Age Tier

Age Tiers	Real Estate	Stocks	Bonds	Cash
<35	0%	80%	18%	
35-44	2%	87%	8%	4%
45-54	7%	73%	12%	
55-64	7%	70%	19%	
65-74	6%	64%	23%	
>=75	8%	53%	28%	11%

Real Estate Allocations

Compared to Non HNWIs, HNWIs have a smaller allocation in Real Estate. However, HNWIs total amount in Real Estate surpasses Non HNWIs. The overall sample has a slightly higher Real Estate allocation than HNWIs.

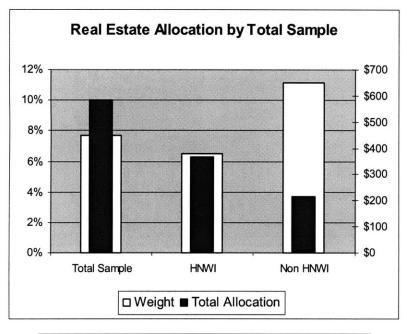


Exhibit 3.4.14: Real Estate Allocation by Total Sample

Category	Weight	eight Total Allo	
Total Sample	8%	\$	583.28
HNWI	6%	\$	367.65
Non HNWI	11%	\$	215.62

The \$25-\$49 million Tier has the highest Real Estate allocation of 13% and also the highest amount of Real Estate at \$140.08 million. The \$75-\$99 million Tier has the next highest Real Estate allocation of 11%. HNWIs above \$99 million have the lowest Real Estate percentage allocations.

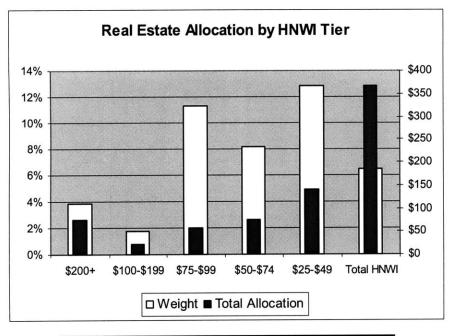


Exhibit 3.4.15: Real Estate Allocation by Net Worth Tier

Tiers	Weight	Tota	Allocation
\$200+	4%	\$	74.70
\$100-\$199	2%	\$	21.68
\$75-\$99	11%	\$	56.67
\$50-\$74	8%	\$	74.51
\$25-\$49	13%	\$	140.08
Total HNWI	6%	\$	367.65

Source: Federal Reserve. Survey of Consumer Finances 1998

Risk Averse HNWIs have the highest allocation to Real Estate at 15%. Although Risk Averse HNWIs have the highest Real Estate allocation percentage, the Above Average risk HNWIs own the largest amount of Real Estate. The Average risk HNWIs have the second highest dollar amount of Real Estate investment.

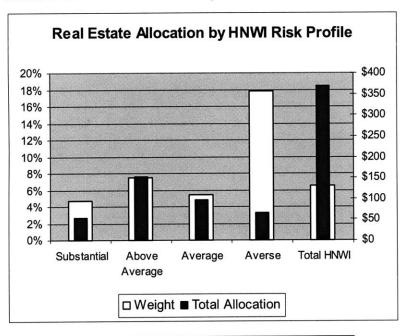


Exhibit 3.4.16: Real Estate Allocation by Risk Tolerance

Risk Tiers	Weight	Tota	Allocation
Substantial	5%	\$	53.01
Above Average	7%	\$	153.57
Average	5%	\$	96.71
Averse	15%	\$	64.36
Total HNWI	6%	\$	367.65

Source: Federal Reserve. Survey of Consumer Finances 1998

Generally, Real Estate allocations increase with age. HNWIs less than 35 do not have a Real Estate allocation. The age group 55-64 has the highest amount of Real Estate.

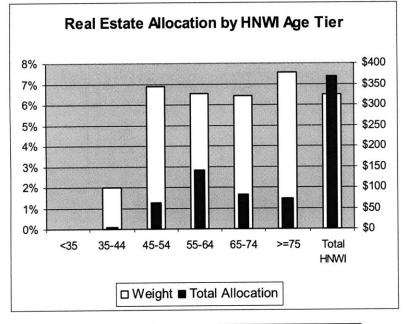


Exhibit 3.4.17: Real Estate Allocation by Age Tier

Age Tiers	Weight	Total	Allocation
<35	0%	\$	-
35-44	2%	\$	5.65
45-54	7%	\$	63.86
55-64	7%	\$	141.07
65-74	6%	\$	84.01
>=75	8%	\$	73.07
Total HNWI	6%	\$	367.65

Source: Federal Reserve. Survey of Consumer Finances 1998

4) Risk and Return Indices

After listing the final four asset allocations, indices were required to generate risk and returns for each HNWI asset allocation. In order to reflect accurately a "typical" investment portfolio, assets that have standardized and accurate investment performance indices were chosen. As a result, for private Real Estate the NCREIF Index was used; for Stocks the S&P 500 Index was applied; for Bonds the "Long Term Government Bonds" Index was utilized; and lastly for Cash the "30-Day Treasury Bills" Index was used. The Stocks, Bonds, and Cash indices were obtained from one source - Ibbotson Associates in order to standardize the information. The NCREIF index¹³ returns were adjusted to fix the time lag generated by the appraisal based method. Additionally, all the returns are yearly compound returns.

4.1) Indices Used: S&P 500, Long-Term Government Bonds, T-Bills, and NCREIF

Stocks: S&P 500

The S&P 500 Index reflects the return and volatility of stocks. According to Standard and Poors, "The S&P 500 Index is calculated using a base-weighted aggregate methodology. This means that the weight of each stock in the index is proportionate to each stock's market capitalization. The total market value of a company is determined by multiplying the price of its stock by the number of shares outstanding. The index includes 500 of the larger stocks in United States (prior to 1957 it consisted of 90 of the larger stocks). Statisticians call an index of a set of combined variables (such as price and number of shares) a composite index.^{*14}

The Index is calculated by adding the market values of its 500 components and dividing that sum by the latest Index Divisor.¹⁵ The same procedure is used to calculate indices for the four S&P 500 major industry sectors (Industrial, Financial, Transportation, and Utilities) and indices for the individual industry groups.¹⁶

¹³ NPI, Official Index produced by NCREIF

¹⁴ Standard and Poor's. <u>www.standardandpoors.com</u>. August 2002

¹⁵ According to Standard and Poor's the Index Divisor is a "value used to ensure that the numerical value of an index does not change despite developments that alter its composition. The raw value of the index is divided by the divisor in order to calculate the normalized value. The divisor changes when the makeup of the index changes and neutralizes the change."

¹⁶ Ibbotson and Associates. <u>Stock, Bonds, Bills and Inflation 2002 Yearbook</u>. June 2002.

Bonds: Long Term Government Bonds

The total returns of long-term government bonds are constructed by Ibbotson Associates using data from the <u>Wall Street Journal</u> (1977-1999) and the Center for Research in Security Prices at the University of Chicago. According to Ibbotson Associates, "Total returns for the period covered by this research are calculated as the change in the flat interest price. The flat price is the averages of the bond's bid and asks prices plus the accrued coupon."

lbbotson states, "The reported return includes both, capital appreciation and yield based on 20 years to maturity. Capital appreciation is defined as total return minus the income return (in excess of yield). Yield is the internal rate of return that equates the bond price which represents the average of bid and ask plus the accrued interest.¹⁷

Cash: Treasury-Bills

According to Ibbotson Associates, "The Treasury-Bill Index is based on the results of auctions that the U.S. Treasury holds for its Treasury bills, notes and bonds." The U.S. government issues Treasury bills with different terms to maturity as a source of income for national debt and other expenses.¹⁸ The Treasury Bill Index used within this analysis is the Ibbotson Associates Treasury Bill Index with an approximate maturity of 30 days. (Ibbotson Associates. 2002)

Treasury securities are considered a safe and secure investment due to the full faith and credit of the United States government guarantee on the timely interest and principal payments. Additionally, most Treasury securities are liquid, which means they can easily be sold for cash. (Ibbotson Associates. 2002)

Real Estate: NCREIF Index

The NCREIF index is the most controversial index utilized within this analysis. It is controversial since it is an appraisal-based index. However, the NCREIF Index is the only available index that tracks the performance of privately held commercial real estate and academics have developed several methods to adjust this index. NCREIF states, "The index was born after 14 investment managers agreed in principle to form a not-for-profit entity to foster research on the commercial real estate asset class. This led to the development of a database consisting of property

¹⁷ Ibbotson Associates. <u>Stocks, Bonds, Bills and Inflation 2002 Yearbook</u>. 2002: 58.

¹⁸ Ibbotson Associates. 2002

operating information, which used to be known as the Russell/NCREIF Property Index (the Frank Russell Company used to publish the Index). On January 1, 1995, thirteen years after its inception, NCREIF assumed full responsibility for the Index, including its publication and distribution."19

The NCREIF Property Index consists of both unlevered and levered properties, but investment returns associated with leveraged properties are reported on an unleveraged basis.²⁰ This is consistent with the unleveraged asset weights described in Chapter 3.

The value of the Index is set at 100 at the fourth guarter of 1977. Calculations are based on quarterly returns of individual properties before deduction of asset management fees. Each property's return is weighted by its market value. The return is calculated by adding the Income and Capital Appreciation of the property. The Index reflects changes in both components. (NCREIF. 2002)

The current quarter's return is considered preliminary and subject to adjustment in the subsequent quarter, and previous quarter returns may be slightly adjusted annually as data submission errors are corrected. All properties have been acquired on behalf of tax-exempt institutions and held in a fiduciary environment. This is perhaps one of the reasons why the index cannot be applied extensively to all private real estate. (NCREIF. 2002)

The property types included in the Index are Apartment, Industrial, Office, and Retail (existing properties only - no development projects).²¹ Accordingly, the data obtained from the Consumer Survey of Finances was adjusted to match the type of properties included by the index.

According to NCREIF, "Sold properties are removed from the Index in the guarter the sale takes place but the historical information remains in the database."

All property market values are determined by real estate appraisal methodology.²² This appraisal valuation is one of the most criticized issues of the Index.

 ¹⁹ NCREIF (National Council of Real Estate Investments Fiduciaries). <u>www.ncreif.com</u> August 2002
 ²⁰ NCREIF August 2002
 ²¹ NCREIF August 2002
 ²² NCREIF August 2002

4.2) Adjusting the NCREIF Index

The Total Return of the NCREIF Index includes estimates of appreciation (or depreciation) in value, realized capital gain (or loss) of properties that have been sold, and income. This return is calculated by adding the Income and Capital Appreciation return on a quarterly basis. (NCREIF. 2002)

In general, real estate private valuations have two types of errors: random noise and temporal lag. Transaction based indices have random noise, which decreases with larger sample sizes. Appraisal-based indices have both errors. Additionally, in the NCREIF appraisal based index not all the properties are reappraised at the same point in time. The properties that are not reappraised are entered in the index at their last appraised value. (Geltner and Miller. 2001)

In order to minimize the temporal lag, the NCREIF investment return index has been adjusted. The adjustment method is the reverse-engineering model developed by David Geltner (1993). This adjustment process is the "unsmoothing model" or "reverse filter". Using this method the reverse-engineered calendar year "t" appreciation component of the return equals 2.5 times the difference between the NPI return (NCREIF) for that year minus 60% of the previous year's NPI return.²³ A simple or one step formula is applied to the normal returns produced by the NCREIF index:

$g_t = (g NPI_t - (0.6) g NPI_{t-1}) / (0.4)^{24}$

Source: Geltner and Miller. 684

The following graph illustrates the effect that the "unsmoothing model" has on the returns and volatility of the index:

²³ Geltner and Miller 684

²⁴ t = Year

 g_t = Reverse Engineered Appreciation Return

 $g NPI_t = NCREIF$ Appreciation Return of year t

g NPI +1 = NCREIF Appreciation Return of year t-1

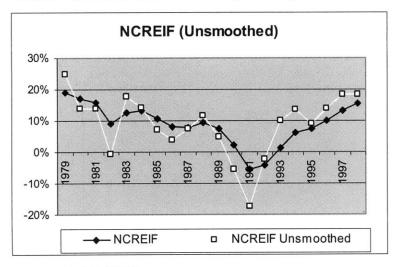


Exhibit 4.2.1: NCREIF Unsmoothed Data (1979-1998)

Over a twenty-year period (1979-1998), the reported return²⁵ observed is **8.80%** and the volatility of the return is **6.53%**. After unsmoothing the data, the return remains approximately the same at **8.81%**, but the volatility increases substantially and reaches **9.76%**. The peaks and the valleys in Exhibit 4.1.1 of the unsmoothed return line are more pronounced representing higher volatility.

For the reasons previously discussed all further analysis is based on the adjusted "unsmoothed" NCREIF index. This method can only be applied to yearly returns. Although there are more detailed alternate methods to unsmooth the NCREIF Index, the elegant "reverse filter" method was utilized due its reliability and simplicity.

4.3) Index Table

The indices used to calculate mean returns are included in the following exhibit. The returns are not inflation adjusted. However, they are compared with the inflation (last column) for reference purposes:

Source: NCREIF (2002)

²⁵ Total Return includes asset appreciation (or depreciation) in value, capital gains in properties that have been sold and income.

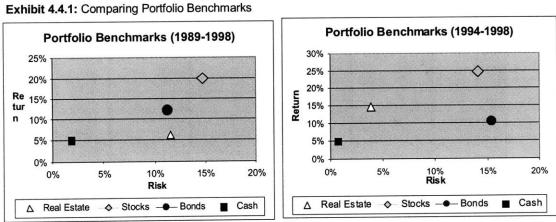
		Inflation			
	Real Estate	Stocks	Bonds	Cash	CPI
1979	24.8%	18.4%	-1.2%	10.4%	13.3%
1980	13.9%	32.4%	-4.0%	11.2%	12.5%
1981	13.7%	-9.4%	1.9%	14.7%	8.9%
1982	-0.7%	21.4%	40.4%	10.5%	3.8%
1983	17.7%	22.5%	0.7%	8.8%	3.8%
1984	14.1%	6.3%	15.5%	9.9%	3.9%
1985	7.2%	32.2%	31.0%	7.7%	3.8%
1986	4.0%	18.5%	24.5%	6.2%	1.1%
1987	7.4%	5.2%	-2.7%	5.5%	4.4%
1988	11.6%	16.8%	9.7%	6.4%	4.4%
1989	4.9%	31.5%	18.1%	8.4%	4.6%
1990	-5.6%	-3.2%	6.2%	7.8%	6.1%
1991	-17.5%	30.6%	19.3%	5.6%	3.1%
1992	-2.4%	7.7%	8.1%	3.5%	2.9%
1993	9.9%	10.0%	18.2%	2.9%	2.7%
1994	13.5%	1.3%	-7.8%	3.9%	2.7%
1995	9.0%	37.4%	31.7%	5.6%	2.5%
1996	13.8%	23.1%	-0.9%	5.2%	3.3%
1997	18.2%	33.4%	15.9%	5.3%	1.7%
1998	18.5%	28.6%	13.1%	4.9%	1.6%

Exhibit 4.3.1: Index Table (1979-1998)

Source: NCREIF (2002) and Ibbotson Associates (2002)

4.4) Average Risk and Returns

The mean returns of the four assets vary according with the period of analysis. For example, comparing the timeframes 1989-1998 (10 years) and 1994-1998 (5 years), the 10-year period has a **6.25%** return and **11.56%** volatility for real estate assets, while the 5-year period has a **14.61%** return and a **3.92%** volatility.



Source: NCREIF (2002) and Ibbotson Associates (2002)

The returns and volatilities of the four different asset classes during three timeframes are shown below:

	Real Estate	Stocks	Bonds	Cash
1979 - 1998				
Return	8.81%	18.23%	11.87%	7.21%
Volatility	9.76%	13.54%	13.29%	3.01%
1989 - 1998				
Return	6.25%	20.03%	12.18%	5.30%
Volatility	11.56%	14.71%	11.25%	1.73%
1994 - 1998	1			
Return	14.61%	24.75%	10.38%	4.97%
Volatility	3.92%	14.16%	15.39%	0.65%

Exhibit 4.4 2: Three Alternative Time Frames

Source: NCREIF (2002) and Ibbotson Associates (2002)

As William F. Sharpe states, "While results vary from asset class to asset class, and from time period to time period, experience suggests that for predicting future values, historic data appears to be quite useful with respect to standard deviations, reasonably useful for correlations, and virtually useless for expected returns."²⁶ Based on this statement, this research prioritizes the standard deviation and the correlation of the selected assets. The asset returns are merely benchmarks for investor preferences.

²⁶ William F Sharpe, Gordon J Alexander, and Jeffrey V Bailey. <u>Investments</u> (New Jersey: Prentice Hall). 1999.

Since the research analyzes long-term portfolio strategies and patterns, the 20-year period (1979-1998) was considered the most appropriate time frame for this analysis. The following chart highlights the 20-year volatilities and returns of the four assets.

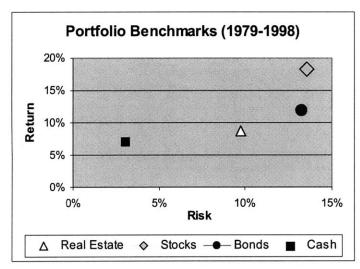


Exhibit 4.4.3: Portfolio Benchmarks, 1979-1998

Source: NCREIF (2002) and Ibbotson Associates (2002)

5) Modern Portfolio Theory Application

The principles of Modern Portfolio Theory developed by Harry Markowitz in an article in 1952²⁷ helped shape the optimization program developed to assess the HNWIs portfolio allocations. According to the definition of ContingencyAnalysis.com, "Modern Portfolio Theory explores how risk averse investors construct portfolios in order to optimize market risk against expected returns. The theory quantifies the benefits of diversification. Out of a universe of risky assets, an efficient frontier of optimal portfolios can be constructed. Each portfolio on the efficient frontier offers the maximum possible expected return for a given level of risk."

The research herein is a practical application of the main concepts and fundamentals accepted by academics and portfolio managers. It includes an application of the framework developed by Markowitz of how the risk can be reduced by choosing stocks that do not move in the same direction, combined with the application of the "Separation Theorem" (first noted by J. Tobin²⁸), and lastly, an empirical measure of the "risk reward ratio" known as the Sharpe Ratio.²⁹ The optimization program combines asset returns, volatility, and correlation to establish the best possible combination of assets within an investment portfolio.

In this regard, portfolio optimization can be very complex with more than 300 hundred assets or very simple with just two assets.³⁰ This research seeks only to delineate and to establish major investment performance patterns; which is why, it is estimated, that a simple model in this case is enough. This model is also used analyze HNWIs current portfolios risk and return levels.

5.1) Introduction

Minimization of portfolio return volatility at any given level of expected investment return

The diversification of assets in a portfolio will generally lower the risk³¹ and optimize the returns.³² Investors are always asked, "Why accept take more risk when you can take less, or why accept lower returns when you can achieve greater returns with the same level of risk?" The idea behind portfolio diversification is simple, "Don't put all your eggs in the same basket."

²⁷ Harry Markowitz. "Portfolio Selection" Journal of Finance 7 March 1952

²⁸ J. Tobin "Liquidity Preference as Behavior toward Risk" <u>Review of Economic Studies</u> (February 1958)

²⁹ Sharpe, Alexander, and Bailey <u>Investments</u> (New Jersey: Prentice Hall, 1999) 844

³⁰ Portfolio Managers and Portfolio Analysts usually work with highly complex programs.

³¹ Also referred to in this chapter as volatility, return volatility, and standard deviation.

³² Average returns.

A simple example will help illustrate this idea. Let's assume that an investor is expecting a 10% return and he has two options: Company A and Company B. Both individually offer a 10% return with a volatility (or standard deviation) of 10%. How can an investor improve his investment performance? Let's assume that company A is an "umbrella" manufacturer and company B is a "sun glasses" manufacturer.³³ When the first one is successful the second one is not.

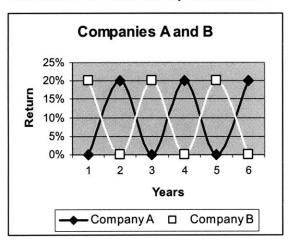


Exhibit 5.1.1: Current Portfolio by Net-Worth Level

If the investor holds 50% of the shares in each company he will receive the same expected return but with virtually no risk (0% volatility). How Company A's expected return varies with Company B's expected return is called correlation. Certain combinations of assets are more valuable than others. The correlation is critical in determining the diversification power of both companies and the decision of investing in both businesses. This simple example may be utilized for a combination of different assets. (Ciochetti. 2002)

Return

Return is the expected gain that an investor anticipates receiving from a portfolio over a holding period. At any given level of investment risk (return volatility) a higher expected return is preferred over a lower expected return. (Geltner and Miller. 2001)

³³ Acknowledgement to Brian Ciochetti, Director of the Real Estate Program at the Kenan-Flager School of Business at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill for his illustrations and clear concepts over the Professional Development Courses at MIT in August 2002.

The formula for expected returns is the average of the asset's returns over a given time period:³⁴

$$\mathsf{Er} = \left(\frac{1}{\mathsf{T}}\right) \sum_{t=1}^{\mathsf{T}} \mathsf{r}_{\mathsf{f}}$$

According to the four assets selected the investment returns for each asset are:

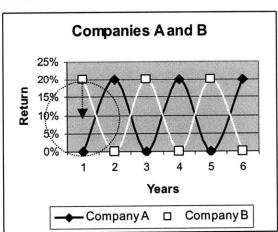
Exhibit 5.1.2: Average Return (1979-1998)

	Real Estate	Stocks	Bonds	Cash
1979 - 1998				
Return	8.81%	18.23%	11.87%	7.21%

Source: NCREIF (2002) and Ibbotson Associates (2002)

Risk

There are many definitions of risk. For this research, Sharpe's definitions of risk were used, "Risk is the uncertainty associated with the end-of-period value of an investment. Risk is also a measure of dispersion of possible outcomes around the expected value of a random variable." In simple terms, risk is a measure of the variability of the returns with respect to the average return. The higher the distance of investment periodic returns with respect to the mean return, the higher the risk (return volatility). (Sharpe, Alexander, and Bailey. 1999)





The formula for risk (standard deviation) is:35

³⁴ Geltner and Miller. 550

$$STD = \sqrt{\frac{\sum_{t=1}^{T} (rt - Er)^2}{T - 1}}$$

For describing risk, this research alternatively uses the words volatility and standard deviation. At any given level of investment return a lower risk is preferred. The return volatility values considered for this analysis are the following:

Exhibit 5.1.4: Volatility (1979-1998)

	Real Estate	Stocks	Bonds	Cash
1979 - 1998			н. 1	
Volatility	9.76%	13.54%	13.29%	3.01%

Source: NCREIF (2002) and Ibbotson Associates (2002)

However according to Brealey and Meyers, "Risk is best judged in a portfolio context. The effective risk of any security cannot be judged by any examination of that security alone."³⁶ This concept is very important and is the basis of this research.

5.2) Periodic Return and Risk

From 1979 to 1998, the real estate assets' average return was **8.81%** and its volatility was **9.76%**. The graph shows the cycles of the real estate industry and the downturns at the beginning of the 80's and the 90's.

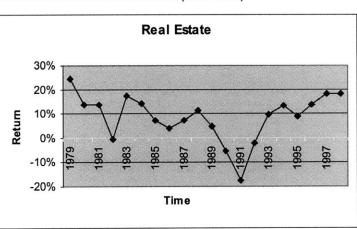


Exhibit 5.2.1: Real Estate Returns (1979-1998)

³⁵ Geltner and Miller. 551

³⁶ Richard Brealey and Stewart Myers. Principles of Corporate Finance. (Boston: Irwin McGraw Hill) 179

Source: NCREIF (2002)

For the stock market, the average return for the same period was **18.23%** and the volatility was **13.54%**. The graph indicates the higher volatility of the returns typical of the stock market.

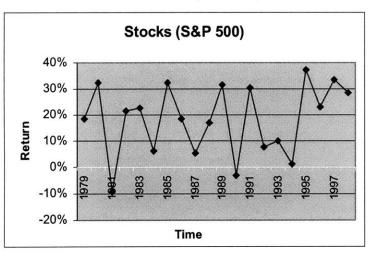


Exhibit 5.2.2: Stock Market Returns (1979-1998)

During the same 20-year period, the bond market average return was **11.27%** and the volatility was **13.29%**. During the 1980s the bond market went through a period of instability. This is why the volatility is remarkably high.

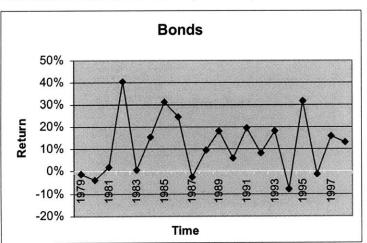


Exhibit 5.2.3: Bond Market Returns (1979-1998)

In the case of Treasury Bills, the return observed during the 20-year period was **7.21%** and the volatility was **3.01%**.

Source: Ibbotson and Associates (2002)

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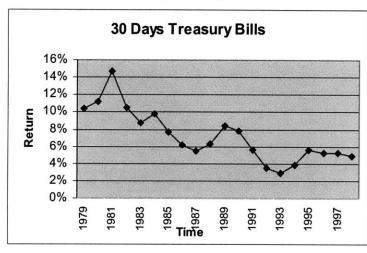


Exhibit 5.2.4: Treasury Bills (1979-1998)



5.3) Covariance

Covariance is a statistical measure of the relationship between two random variables. It is a measure of the degree to which such variables move together.³⁷

The formula for covariance is the following:³⁸

$$COV_{1,2} = \frac{\sum_{t=1}^{T} (r_{t1} - Er_1)^2 (r_{t2} - Er_2)^2}{T - 1}$$

The following table summarizes the covariances of the selected assets:

Exhibit 5.3.1: Covariance Matrix

Covariances	Real Estate	Stocks	Bonds	Cash
Real Estate	0.009041			
Stocks	0.000540	0.017407		
Bonds	-0.004806	0.007588	0.016779	
Cash	0.000538	-0.000570	-0.000217	0.000858

³⁷ Geltner and Miller. 552 ³⁸ Geltner and Miller. 552

5.4) Correlation Coefficient

The correlation coefficient is a measure of the mutual variation between two random variables. According to Geltner, "The correlation coefficient rescales the covariance to facilitate comparisons among pairs of random variables." The correlation coefficient is bounded by the values +1 or -1. The correlation coefficient shows how useful a pair of assets is for diversification purposes. If the correlation is between 0 and 1, both assets move in the same direction, if it is 0 the assets are not related at all, and if it is between -1 and 0 the assets move in the opposite direction. For diversification purposes, low or negative correlations are preferred. (Geltner and Miller. 2001)

The formula for correlation between a pair of assets is:³⁹

$$COR_{1,2} = \frac{COV_{1,2}}{STD_1 STD_2}$$

The correlation observed for Real Estate, Stocks, Bonds, and Cash is illustrated in the following chart.

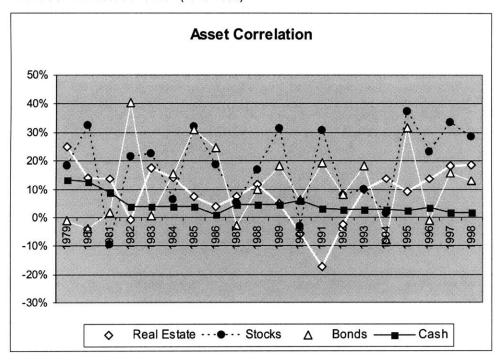


Exhibit 5.4.1: Asset Correlation (1979-1998)

³⁹ Geltner and Miller. 553

The following table summarizes the asset correlations of the selected assets:

Correlation	Real Estate	Stocks	Bonds	Cash
Real Estate	1.000000			
Stocks	0.043059	1.000000		
Bonds	-0.390195	0.443994	1.000000	
Cash	0.193269	-0.147525	-0.057138	1.000000

Exhibit 5.4.2: Correlation Matrix

5.5) Real Estate: Correlation with Stocks, Bonds, and Cash

The following charts illustrate individually the correlation of Real Estate with Stocks, Bonds and T-Bills. As previously mentioned, a lower or negative correlation is preferred for diversification purposes.

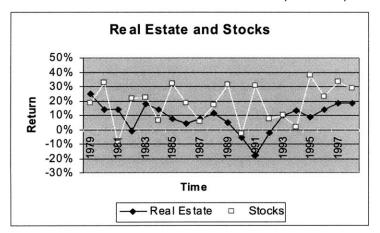


Exhibit 5.5.1: Correlation of Real Estate and Stocks (1979-1998)

Source: NCREIF (2002) and Ibbotson Associates (2002)

In this sense, real estate assets present a correlation of **0.043059** with Stocks. This level of correlation (almost 0) is considered good for diversification purposes.

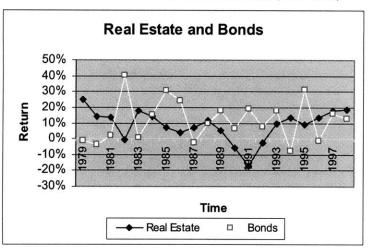
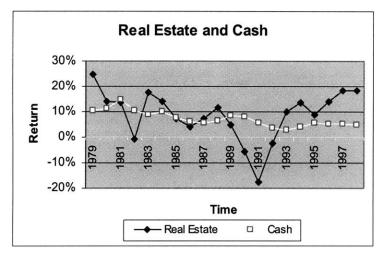


Exhibit 5.5.2: Correlation of Real Estate with Bonds (1979-1998)

Source: NCREIF (2002) and Ibbotson Associates (2002)

The correlation of Real Estate with the Bond Market is still very low, 0.1932269.

Exhibit 5.5.3: Correlation of Real Estate and Cash - 30-day T-Bills (1979-1998)



Source: NCREIF (2002) and Ibbotson Associates (2002)

The correlation of Real Estate with Cash is -0.390195. It is excellent for diversification purposes.

Although, the correlation between Real Estate and inflation was not measured, it is included in the following chart and shows Real Estate may be considered as an inflation hedge. The correlation coefficient is **0.290828512**.

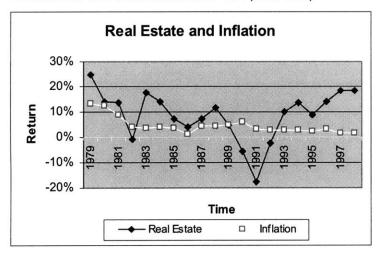


Exhibit 5.5.4: Real Estate and Inflation - CPI (1979-1998)

Source: NCREIF (2002) and US Treasury Department (2002)

5.6) Optimization Program Basics

As seen with the preceding portfolio analysis return, risk (volatility), covariance, and correlation are the four chief components that help analyze the four-asset portfolio. Specifically these four components help create an optimization program. This program incorporates the assets selected and analyzes them by their asset weights against the risk and return associated with each asset to generate an optimum portfolio. The optimization program is also used to evaluate current asset weights and their portfolio risk and return.

6) Optimum Portfolio

As previously discussed the optimization program identifies opportunities for diversification.⁴⁰ As it was explained through the simple example of Companies A and B in Chapter 5, the program combines the return, return volatility, and correlation of the four assets (Real Estate, Stocks, Bonds, and Cash) in order to determine the optimum allocation among the selected assets.

There are two constraints used within the program. First, short positions are not allowed. This means that none of the assets can have a negative allocation. Second, the minimum allocation per asset is 5%. This means that an investor must invest in all four assets at a minimum of 5%. This minimum requirement automatically creates a maximum allocation of 85%.

After incorporating these elements and general constraints three scenarios are evaluated:

- A) Cash is considered a risky asset and its maximum allocation in the portfolio is not constrained;
- B) Cash is considered a risky asset and its maximum allocation in the portfolio is constrained to a limit of 10%; and
- C) Cash is not considered a risky asset and it is not included in the portfolio.

6.1) No Cash Asset Allocations Constraint

In this scenario cash is considered a risky asset and there is no maximum allocation. With this scenario, the optimizer model yields the following efficient portfolio frontier. The efficient frontier represents all asset combinations that maximize the return and minimize the risk. For any given return volatility the efficient frontier maximizes the expected return, and for any given expected return the efficient frontier minimizes the risk. (Markowitz, 1952)

⁴⁰ The optimization program was constructed on an Excel spreadsheet. The program links weight, return and volatility tables with correlation and covariance matrixes, and applies the solver function to maximize portfolio returns or minimize portfolio volatilities by solving for the best combination of assets in the portfolio. The solver function includes established constraints for each case.

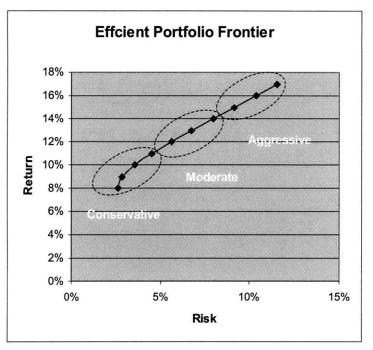


Exhibit 6.1.1: Efficient Portfolio Frontier - No Cash Allocations Constraint

An investor should be indifferent to investing at any point on the frontier. Aggressive investors, willing to take more risk, will prefer asset combinations represented at the upper level of the efficient frontier. Moderate investors will prefer asset combinations represented at the middle level along efficient frontier. Lastly, conservative investors will prefer asset combinations represented at the lower end of the efficient frontier.

The optimum allocations generated by the optimization program include the following:

		Optimum Asset Allocation			
Return	Volatility	Real Estate	Stocks	Bonds	Cash
17%	11.52%	5.0%	85.0%	5.0%	5.0%
16%	10.37%	14.4%	75.6%	5.0%	5.0%
15%	9.15%	14.9%	66.4%	5.0%	13.6%
14%	7.95%	14.2%	57.4%	5.0%	23.4%
13%	6.77%	13.4%	48.5%	5.0%	33.1%
12%	5.62%	12.6%	39.5%	5.0%	42.9%
11%	4.54%	11.8%	30.6%	5.0%	52.6%
10%	3.57%	11.0%	21.6%	5.0%	62.4%
9%	2.84%	10.4%	12.5%	5.4%	71.8%
8%	2.61%	5.0%	5.0%	5.0%	85.0%

Exhibit 6.1.2: Optimum Asset Allocation - No Cash Allocation Constraint

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The optimum Real Estate allocation ranges from **5%** (minimum threshold requirement) to **14.9%**. The maximum Real Estate asset allocation occurs at the target return level of **14%** with a volatility of **7.95%**.

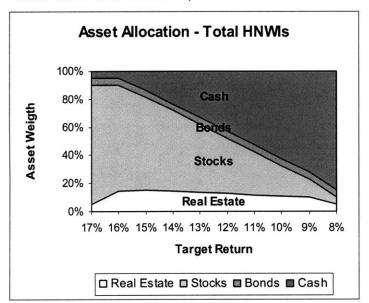


Exhibit 6.1.3: Asset Allocation Map - No Cash Asset Allocation Constraint

At low levels of target returns (conservative investors), the optimization program tends to assign higher allocation levels for cash. As a result the maximum allocation is 85%.

High allocations of cash are the result of the low volatility that the 30-Day Treasury Bill Index has and its combination with the other assets with relatively moderate or high volatilities.

Cash allocations of 85% in a portfolio are unlikely, or at least rare. In fact, the average cash allocation observed in the "Survey of Consumer Finances" ranged from 7.6% to 11.1% (excluding the high and the low).

6.2) Constrained Cash Asset Allocation

In this case, cash is considered a risky asset and its maximum allocation in the portfolio is constrained to a limit of 10%. This limit is consistent with the range of cash allocations observed within the SCF. The objective is to replicate real portfolios observed in the market.

The following exhibit shows the efficient frontier with the 10% Cash constraint.

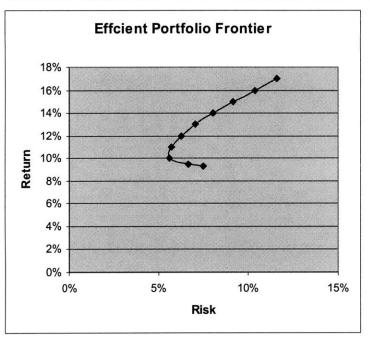


Exhibit 6.2.1: Efficient Portfolio Frontier - Constraint Cash Asset Allocation

As mentioned before, an investor should be indifferent to investing at any point along the frontier.

The following exhibit highlights the difference between the efficient frontiers of portfolios with and without cash constraints.

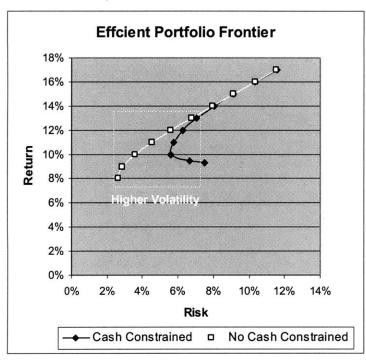


Exhibit 6.2.2: Comparison - Cash vs. Cash Constrained

As a result of the 10% Cash constraint, all possible outcomes become riskier at the lower level of the curve. However, the new scenario represents more realistic current allocations than the non-constrained Cash allocation.

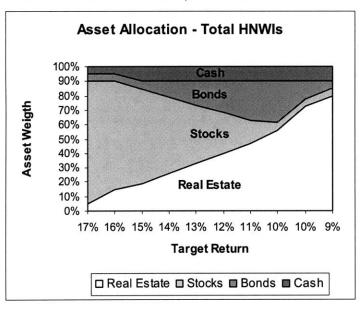
The suggested allocations after running the optimizer model include the following:

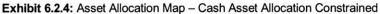
			Optimum Ass	et Allocation	
Return	Volatility	Real Estate	Stocks	Bonds	Cash
17.00%	11.60%	5.0%	85.6%	5.0%	5.0%
16.00%	10.37%	14.4%	75.6%	5.0%	5.0%
15.00%	9.15%	18.8%	65.6%	5.6%	10.0%
14.00%	8.05%	25.8%	53.2%	11.0%	10.0%
13.00%	7.06%	32.8%	40.9%	16.4%	10.0%
12.00%	6.27%	39.7%	28.5%	21.8%	10.0%
11.00%	5.75%	46.7%	16.1%	27.2%	10.0%
10.00%	5.61%	56.2%	5.0%	28.8%	10.0%
9.50%	6.65%	72.6%	5.0%	12.4%	10.0%
9.27%	7.49%	80.0%	5.0%	5.0%	10.0%

Exhibit 6.2.3: Optimum Asset Allocation - Cash Asset Allocation Constrained

Optimum Real Estate allocation ranges from **5%** (minimum constraint) to **80%** (automatic maximum constraint). The maximum Real Estate asset allocation is observed at the lowest target return level of **9.27%**.⁴¹

High allocations of real estate (at low target returns) are the result of the low volatility this asset has in combination with other assets of moderate or high volatilities.





6.3) Cash is Not a Risky Asset

The last scenario is when Cash is not considered a risky asset and it is not included in the portfolio. The scenarios described before approach the optimum portfolio using the Markowitz framework and including Cash as a risky asset.

Instead, this scenario will apply the Separation Theorem and the Sharpe ratio to identify the optimum portfolio. The Separation Theorem states, "All investors (no matter what their risk preference is) will prefer combinations of a riskless asset and a single asset portfolio." The investors' risk preferences can be met by adjusting the position in the riskless asset only, by borrowing more (aggressive investors) or lending more (conservative investors) so as to meet the appropriate expected return. (Brealey and Myers. 2000)

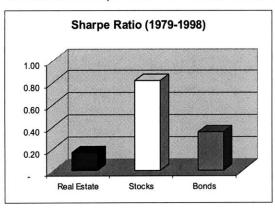
⁴¹ The optimization program produces errors when the target return is lower than 9.27%. The constraints imposed on the optimization program do not allow the solver function for an optimum allocation below such a level.

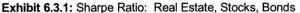
In this case, the optimal combination of assets (optimum portfolio) can be established through the application of the Sharpe Ratio.⁴² The Sharpe Ratio is applied to the results of the optimization program. This ratio is a measure that shows the investment performance of a portfolio. It quantifies the risk premium of a portfolio linked with the compensation that an investor will have over a risk free investment. The formula of the Sharpe Ratio is the following:⁴³

(Return of the Portfolio – Risk Free Asset) / Standard Deviation of the Portfolio

As an example, the Sharpe ratio of Real Estate, Stocks and Bonds, as portfolios by themselves is calculated. The portfolio returns of real estate as a single asset portfolio were, on average, **8.21%** and the standard deviation was **9.76%**. Considering Treasury Bills as a riskless investment with a return of **7.21%**,⁴⁴ the Sharpe ratio for Real Estate is **0.1635**.⁴⁵ Repeating the same process for the other two assets the results are: Stocks - **0.8134** and Bonds - **0.3505**.⁴⁶

In the following graph, stocks (as a single portfolio) are the asset with the highest Sharpe ratio.





Investment decisions should not be made on single asset Sharpe Ratios since assets are typically invested in portfolios. An investment portfolio is chosen by the asset combination and correlation.

⁴² Alternatively, known as Reward to Variability Ratio. The Sharpe Ratio is ex-post risk-adjusted measure of portfolio performance where risk is defined as the standard deviation of the portfolio's returns. Mathematically, over an evaluation period, it is the excess return of a portfolio divided by the standard deviation of the portfolio's returns. (Sharpe, Alexander, and Bailey. 1999)

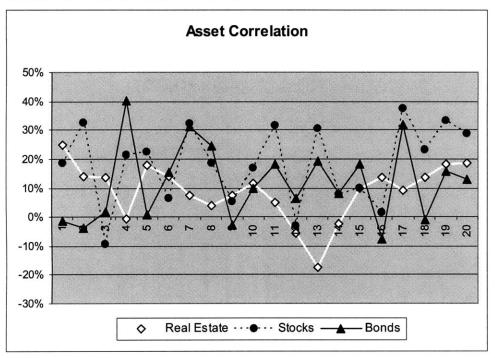
⁴³ Geltner and Miller. 537

⁴⁴ Based on the 30-Day Treasury Bill Index - average of twenty years of history (1979-1998). (Ibbotson and Associates. 2002)

⁴⁵ (8.21% - 7.21%) / 9.76% = 0.1635

⁴⁶ Note that Cash is not part of the asset selection any more. Instead it is considered a risk-free asset.

Exhibit 6.3.2: Asset Correlation: Without Cash



Source: NCREIF (2002) and Ibbotson Associates (2002)

The following tables show the values of correlation and covariance that were used in the optimization program:

Correlation	Real Estate	Stocks	Bonds	Covariances	Real Estate	Stocks	Bonds
Real Estate	1.000000			Real Estate	0.008999		
Stocks	0.043059	1.000000		Stocks	0.000014	0.017729	
Bonds	-0.390195	0.443994	1.000000	Bonds	-0.005123	0.007919	0.017654

	Exhibit 6.3.3:	Correlation - Covariance	Matrices
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Utilizing the parameters previously described, the optimizer generated the following efficient frontier.

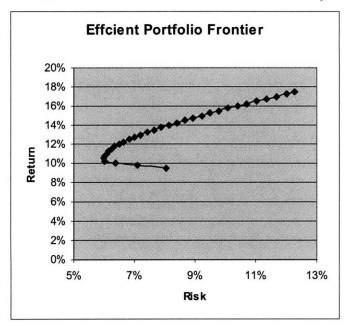


Exhibit 6.3.4: Efficient Portfolio Frontier - Cash is not a Risky Asset

An investor should be indifferent to investing at any point of the frontier. However, the portfolio with a highest Sharpe ratio is desired over the rest. The following table highlights each portfolio and its Sharpe Ratio.

1	1	set Allocation	Ass		
Sharpe Ratio	Bonds	Stocks	Real Estate	Volatility	Target Return
0.8368	5.0%	90.0%	5.0%	12.3%	17.5%
0.8344	5.0%	88.0%	7.0%	12.0%	17.3%
0.8373	5.0%	85.3%	9.7%	11.7%	17.0%
0.8400	5.0%	82.7%	12.3%	11.4%	16.8%
0.8423	5.0%	80.0%	15.0%	11.0%	16.5%
0.8442	5.0%	77.4%	17.6%	10.7%	16.3%
0.8455	5.0%	74.7%	20.3%	10.4%	16.0%
0.8462	5.4%	71.9%	22.7%	10.1%	15.8%
0.8463	6.8%	68.8%	24.4%	9.8%	15.5%
0.8461	8.2%	65.7%	26.1%	9.5%	15.3%
0.8452	9.6%	62.6%	27.8%	9.2%	15.0%
0.8437	11.0%	59.5%	29.5%	8.9%	14.8%
0.8415	12.3%	56.4%	31.2%	8.7%	14.5%
0.8383	13.7%	53.3%	33.0%	8.4%	14.3%
0.8341	15.1%	50.2%	34.7%	8.1%	14.0%
0.8286	16.5%	47.1%	36.4%	7.9%	13.8%
0.8217	17.9%	44.0%	38.1%	7.7%	13.5%
0.8131	19.3%	40.9%	39.8%	7.4%	13.3%
	20.7%	37.8%	41.5%	7.2%	13.0%
	22.1%	34.7%	43.2%	7.0%	12.8%
0.7751	23.5%	31.6%	44.9%	6.8%	12.5%
0.7575	24.9%	28.4%	46.7%	6.7%	12.3%
	26.3%	25.3%	48.4%	6.5%	12.0%
0.7136	27.7%	22.2%	50.1%	6.4%	11.8%
0.6870	29.1%	19.1%	51.8%	6.2%	11.5%
0.6571	30.5%	16.0%	53.5%	6.1%	11.3%
	31.9%	12.9%	55.2%	6.1%	11.0%
0.5881	33.3%	9.8%	56.9%	6.0%	10.8%
0.5494	34.7%	6.7%	58.6%	6.0%	10.5%
0.5049	31.7%	5.0%	63.3%	6.0%	10.3%
0.4365	23.6%	5.0%	71.4%	6.4%	10.0%
	15.4%	5.0%	79.6%	7.1%	9.8%
0.2843	7.2%	5.0%	87.8%	8.0%	9.5%

Exhibit 6.3.5: Optimum Asset Allocation - Cash is not a Risky Asset

The portfolio with the highest Sharpe Ratio includes **24.4%** Real Estate, **68.8%** Stocks, and **6.8%** Bonds. The highest Sharpe Ratio is **0.8463** and the level of return is **15.5%** while the risk is **9.8%**. The following chart outlines the relative location of the "Optimum Portfolio" along the efficient frontier.

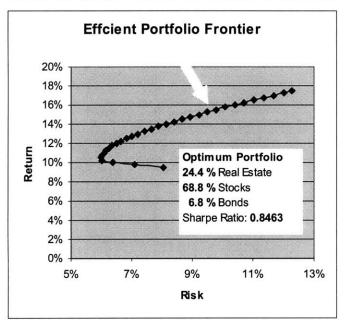
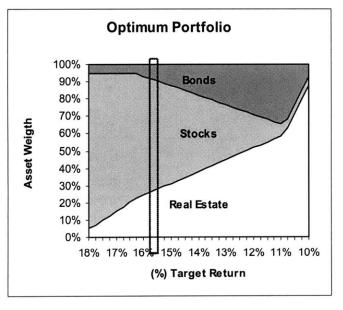


Exhibit 6.3.6 Optimum Portfolio: Real Estate, Stocks and Bonds





According to the Separation Theorem an investor should satisfy his risk preferences by either borrowing or lending at the risk free rate.⁴⁷

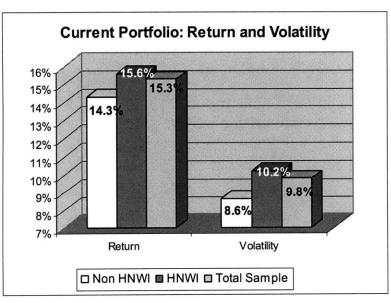
⁴⁷ Brealey and Meyers. 194

7) HNWI Current Portfolios: Risk and Return Preferences

Current allocations of the HNWIs in the SCF survey are processed through the optimization program. The program utilizes the same assumptions of Chapters 5 and 6. However the program does not calculate optimum portfolios but rather utilizes the weights of the current allocations to establish the risk and returns of the portfolios. The calculation of risk and returns of HNWI portfolios allows a basis of comparison to the optimal allocations generated in Chapter 6. Current HNWI portfolios are examined at a General level, By Net Worth Tier, By Risk Tolerance, and By Age Tier. All of the current allocations are based solely on the SCF sample.

7.1) Overall Sample

The following exhibit indicates the return and risk obtained by the Total Sample, the Non HNWI segment, and the HNWI individual segment. The portfolios of HNWIs are more aggressive than the Non HNWIs. This indicates that the level of risk tolerance increases with the level of net worth.





7.2) By Net Worth Tier

Net Worth is classified in five tiers that range from \$25 to \$200 million and above. The Net Worth Tiers include:

- \$25 to \$49 million
- \$50 to \$74 million
- \$75 to \$99 million
- \$100 to \$199 million
- More than \$200 million

As previously mentioned, the target returns and risks levels generally increase as net worth increases. The only exception is the \$50-\$74 million Tier.

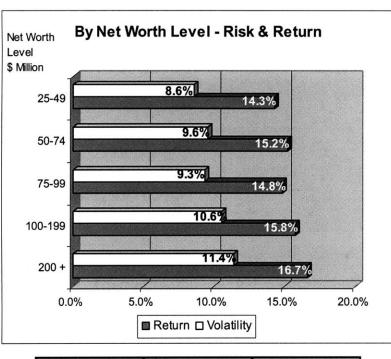


Exhibit 7.2.1: Current Portfolio Risk and Return by Net Worth Tier

Net-Worth (\$M)	Return	Volatility
200 +	16.7%	11.4%
100-199	15.8%	10.6%
75-99	14.8%	9.3%
50-74	15.2%	9.6%
25-49	14.3%	8.6%

7.3) By Risk Tolerance

The risk tolerance reflects the level of risk that each investor is willing to take in order to obtain expected returns. The higher the net worth the less risk averse the investor is. In order to determine risk and return patterns, the analysis follows the classification for risk aversion established and assessed by the SCF. The risk tolerance is classified in four categories:

- Willing to take substantial risk to make substantial returns
- Willing to take above average risk and to make above average returns
- Willing to take average risk and to make average returns
- Not willing to take any risk

Portfolio returns range from **12.6%** for the most risk averse investors to **16.7%** for the least risk averse investors. The return volatility is consistent with returns and ranges from **8.1%** to **11.3%**.

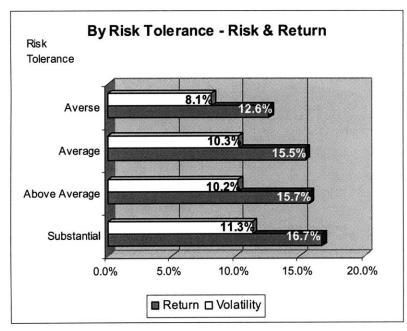


Exhibit 7.3.1: Current Portfolio Risk and Return by Risk Tolerance

Risk Tolerance	Return	Volatility
Substantial	16.7%	11.3%
Above Average	15.7%	10.2%
Average	15.5%	10.3%
Averse	12.6%	8.1%

7.4) By Age Tier

The risk tolerance is classified in six categories:

- Less than 35 Years
- Between 35 and 44 Years
- Between 45 and 54 Years
- Between 55 and 64 Years
- Between 65 and 74 Years
- More than 75 Years

Portfolio returns range from **14.5%** for investors of 75 years old or more to **17.1%** for investors between 35-44 years. Risk follows the same pattern.

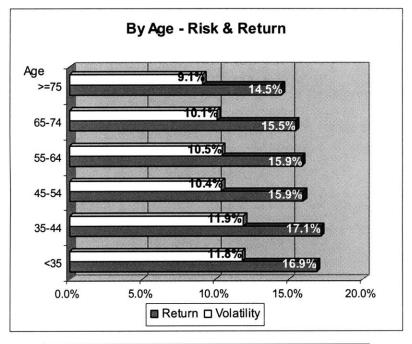


Exhibit 7.4.1: Current Portfolio Risk and return by Age Tier

Age	Return	Volatility
<35	16.9%	11.8%
35-44	17.1%	11.9%
45-54	15.9%	10.4%
55-64	15.9%	10.5%
65-74	15.5%	10.1%
>=75	14.5%	9.1%

8) The Gap: Current versus Optimal Portfolios

The Gap is the difference between the current portfolio asset allocation (described in Chapter 7) with the optimum asset allocation (described in Chapter 6). The optimum allocation used in this comparison is Scenario B (maximum cash allocation of 10%). It is considered the most applicable due to the similarities with the current SCF average HNWI allocations. Although, Scenario B has some flaws at low target return levels, it is the most appropriate considering the average returns obtained from HNWIs portfolios in Chapter 7 (moderate to high). Current versus optimal allocations are compared at a General level, By Net Worth Tier, By Risk Tolerance, and By Age Tier. Each case identifies if real estate assets are over invested or under invested.

8.1) Overall Sample

The current portfolio of HNWIs has a return of **15.61%** with a volatility of **10.19%**. The asset allocation includes **6.5%** Real Estate, **67.0%** Stocks, **19.7%** Bonds, and **6.9%** Cash. This portfolio differs from that of Non HNWIs where the return is **14.33%** with a volatility of **8.64%** and the asset allocation is **11.1%** Real Estate, **54.0%** Stocks, **21.2%** Bonds, and **13.7%** Cash.

Current Portfolio	Real Estate	Stocks	Bonds	Cash
Total Sample	7.7%	63.7%	20.1%	8.6%
HNWI	6.5%	67.0%	19.7%	6.9%
Non HNWI	11.1%	54.0%	21.2%	13.7%

Exhibit 8.1.1: Current Portfolio Allocation

Source: Federal Reserve. Survey of Consumer Finances 1998

After running the optimizer in order to minimize risk of the current portfolio, the resultant allocation for HNWIs' portfolios includes 15.4% Real Estate, 71.9% Stocks, 5% Bonds (minimum allowed), and 7.7% Cash. This new allocation represents the same level of target return (15.61%) with a decrease in the volatility of **29 basis points** (from 10.09% to 9.90%).

Exhibit 8.1.2: Same Level of Target Return - Minimum Risk Portfolio

Minimum Risk	Real Estate	Stocks	Bonds	Cash
Total Sample	16.2%	68.8%	5.0%	10.0%
HNWI	15.4%	71.9%	5.0%	7.7%
Non HNWI	24%	57.3%	9.2%	10.0%

Instead, if the goal is to maximize the return of the current portfolio, the resultant allocation includes 16% Real Estate, 74% Stocks, 5% Bonds (minimum allowed), and 5% Cash (minimum

allowed). In this case, the volatility remains at the original level (10.09%) and the return increases **24 basis points**.

Maximum Return	Real Estate	Stocks	Bonds	Cash
Total Sample	15%	71%	5%	8%
HNWI	16%	74%	5%	5%
Non HNWI	22%	60%	8%	10%

Exhibit 8.1.3: Same Level of Risk - Maximum Return Portfolio

The following charts show the difference between HNWIs and Non HNWIs portfolios, the results of minimizing the risk, and maximizing the return.

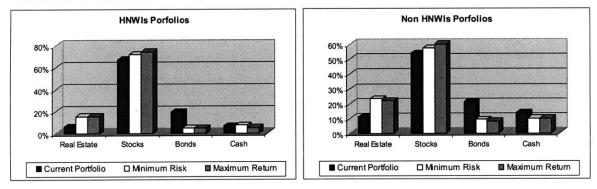


Exhibit 8.1.4: Asset Allocation Comparison: HNWI's and Non-HNWI's Portfolios

8.2) By Net Worth Tier

The current portfolio returns of HNWIs range from **14.3%** for the \$25-\$49 Million Tier to **16.7%** for the \$200 Million and above Tier. The highest allocation in real estate is **12.9%** for the \$25-\$49 Million Tier and the lowest is **1.8%** for the \$100-\$199 Million Tier. Stock allocations range between **57.3%** and **78.1%**, Bond allocations range between **15.5%** and **24.3%**, and Cash allocations range between **1.4%** and **12.0%**.

Current Portfolio	Real Estate	Stocks	Bonds	Cash
200+	3.9%	78.1%	16.6%	1.4%
100-199	1.8%	67.6%	23.1%	7.6%
75-99	11.3%	57.3%	24.3%	7.1%
50-74	8.1%	64.2%	16.5%	11.1%
25-49	12.9%	53.4%	21.8%	12.0%

Exhibit 8.2.1 Current Portfolio Allocation by Net Worth Tier

Source: Federal Reserve. Survey of Consumer Finances 1998

The optimum allocation seeks two alternative objectives: 1) Minimize the risk, 2) Maximize the return. Two goals are inserted in the optimization program to identify differences between the current portfolio and the optimum portfolios:

Suggested Portfolio - Risk Minimizer

Suggested Portfolio - Return Maximizer

Minimum Risk	Real Estate	Stocks	Bonds	Cash
200+	7.5%	82.5%	5.0%	5.0%
100-199	15.5%	73.2%	5.0%	6.2%
75-99	19.9%	63.6%	6.4%	10.0%
50-74	17.3%	67.7%	5.0%	10.0%
25-49	23.6%	57.1%	9.3%	10.0%

Real Estate	Stocks	Bonds	Cash
5.8%	84.2%	5.0%	5.0%
12.9%	77.1%	5.0%	5.0%
17.6%	67.4%	5.0%	10.0%
15.5%	69.5%	5.0%	10.0%
22.1%	59.7%	8.2%	10.0%
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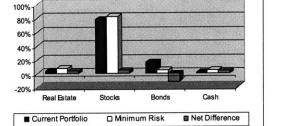
Real Estate is over invested or under invested: (see Net Difference)

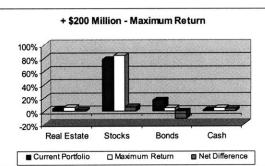
(+) sign = Under invested : Increase Real Estate Asset Weight by X

(-) sign = Over invested : Lower Real Estate Asset Weight by X

\$200 Million and Above

\$200 Million + - Minimum Risk		+ \$200 Million	- Maximum Return
Net Difference	: 3.6%	Net Difference	: 1.9%
Optimum Allocation	: 7.5%	Optimum Allocation	: 5.8%
Current Allocation	: 3.9%	Current Allocation	: 3.9%





\$100 - \$199 Million

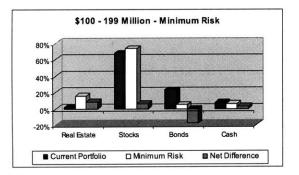
Current Allocation	: 1.8%	Current Allocation	: 1.8%
Optimum Allocation	: 15.5%	Optimum Allocation	: 12.9%

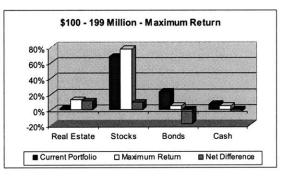
Net Difference

: 13.8%

Net Difference

: 11.1%





\$75 - \$99 Million

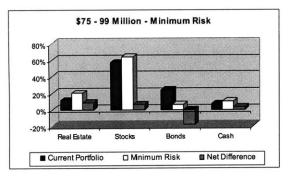
Current Allocation

Net Difference

: 11.3%

Optimum Allocation

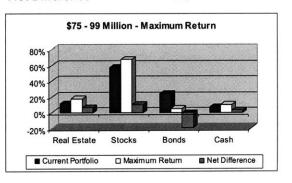
: 9.6%



Current Allocation: 11.3%Optimum Allocation: 17.6%

Net Difference

: 6.3%



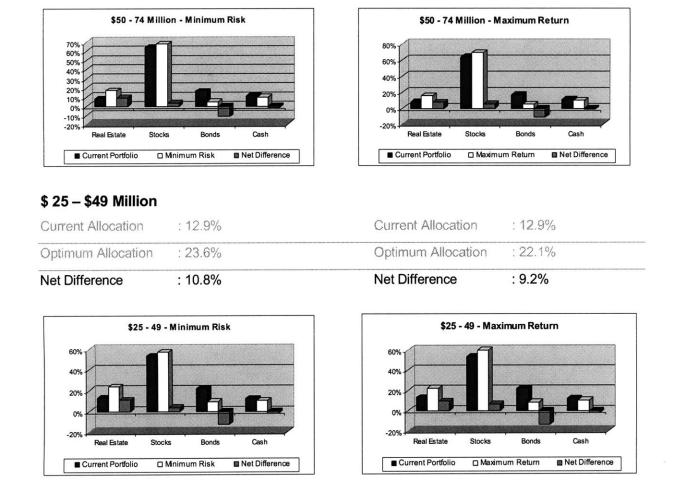
\$50 - \$74 Million

Net Difference	- 0.40/		. 7 40/
Optimum Allocation	: 17.3%	Optimum Allocation	: 15.5%
Current Allocation	: 8.1%	Current Allocation	: 8.1%

Net Difference

: 9.1%

Net Difference : 7.4%



8.3) By Risk Tolerance

The current portfolio returns of HNWIs range from 12.6% for conservative investors (Averse) to 16.7% for aggressive investors (Substantial). The highest allocation in real estate is 15.1% for risk averse investors and the lowest is 4.5% for the aggressive investors. Stock allocations range between 26.8% and 82.1%, Bond allocations range between 8.4% and 47.7%, and Cash allocations range between 5.0% and 10.6%.

Current Portfolio	Real Estate	Stocks	Bonds	Cash	
Substantial	4.5%	82.1%	8.4%	5.0%	
Above Average	7.0%	70.3%	14.2%	8.5%	
Average	5.1%	62.8%	26.8%	5.3%	
Averse	15.1%	26.6%	47.7%	10.6%	

Exhibit 8.3.1: Current Portfolio Allocation by Risk Tolerance

Source: Federal Reserve. Survey of Consumer Finances 1998

The optimum allocation seeks two alternative objectives: 1) Minimize the risk, 2) Maximize the return. Two goals are inserted in the optimization program to identify differences between the current portfolio and the optimum portfolios:

Suggested Portfolio - Risk Minimizer

Suggested Portfolio - Return Maximizer

Minimum Risk	Real Estate	Stocks	Bonds	Cash	Maximum Return	Real Estate	Stocks	Bonds	Cash
Substantial	6.8%	83.2%	5.0%	5.0%	Substantial	6.4%	83.6%	5.0%	5.0%
Above Average	15.5%	73.0%	5.0%	6.5%	Above Average	15.9%	74.1%	5.0%	5.0%
Average	15.3%	70.6%	5.0%	9.1%	Average	15.7%	74.3%	5.0%	5.0%
Averse	35.5%	35.9%	18.5%	10.0%	Averse	25.4%	53.8%	10.8%	10.0%
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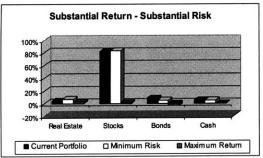
Real Estate is over invested or under invested: (see Net Difference)

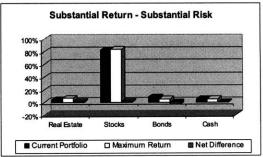
(+) sign = Under invested : Increase Real Estate Asset Weight by X

(-) sign = Over invested : Lower Real Estate Asset Weight by X

Substantial

Net Difference	: 2.3%	Net Difference	: 1.9%	
Optimum Allocation	: 6.8%	Optimum Allocation	: 6.4%	
Current Allocation	: 4.5%	Current Allocation	: 5.5%	





Above Average Return and Risk

Net Difference	. 0 50/	Not Difforance	. 10 6%
Optimum Allocation	: 15.5%	Optimum Allocation	: 15.7%
Current Allocation	: 7.0%	Current Allocation	: 7.0%

Net Difference

100%

80%

60%

40%

20%

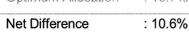
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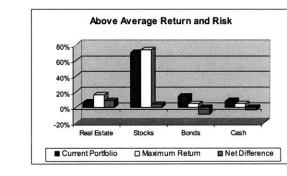
Bonds

Cash

Maximum Return

Above Average Return and Risk





Average Return and Risk

Current Allocation : 5.1%

Optimum Allocation : 15.3%

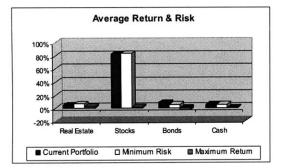
Real Estate

Current Portfolio

Net Difference : 10.2%

Stocks

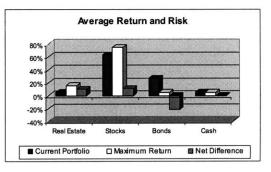
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Current Allocation : 5.1% **Optimum Allocation** : 15.7%

Net Difference

: 10.6%

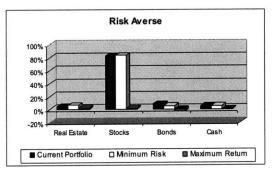


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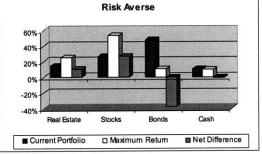


Net Difference

: 20.4%



Net Difference	: 10.3%		



8.4) By Age Tier

The current portfolio returns of HNWIs range from **14.48%** for the segment of 75 Years and above to **17.14%** for the segment of 35-44 Years. The highest allocation in real estate is **7.6%** for the segment of 75 Years and above and the lowest is **0.0%** for the segment of less than 35 Years. Stock allocations range between **7.6%** and **86.6%**, Bond allocations range between **7.6%** and **28.3%**, and Cash allocations range between **1.9%** and **11.3%**.

Current Portfolio	Real Estate	Stocks	Bonds	Cash
<35	0.0%	80.0%	18.1%	1.9%
35-44	2.0%	86.6%	7.6%	3.8%
45-54	6.9%	73.4%	11.6%	8.2%
55-64	6.6%	69.5%	18.9%	5.1%
65-74	6.4%	64.1%	23.1%	6.4%
>=75	7.6%	52.9%	28.3%	11.3%

Exhibit 8.4.1: Current Portfolio Allocation by Age Tier

Source: Federal Reserve. Survey of Consumer Finances 1998

The optimum allocation seeks two alternative objectives: 1) Minimize the risk, 2) Maximize the return. Two goals are inserted in the optimization program to identify differences between the current portfolio and the optimum portfolios:

Suggested Portfolio - Risk Minimizer

Suggested Portfolio - Return Maximizer

Minimun Risk	Real Estate	Stocks	Bonds	Cash_
<35	5.2%	84.8%	5.0%	5.0%
35-44	 5.0% 	86.4%	5.0%	5.0%
45-54	15.0%	75.0%	5.0%	5.0%
55-64	15.6%	74.0%	5.0%	5.3%
65-74	 15.3% 	70.5%	5.0%	9.2%
>=75	22.5%	59.1%	8.4%	10.0%

Maximum Return		Real Estate	Stocks	Bonds	Cash
<35	Τ.	5.0%	85.0%	5.0%	5.0%
35-44	E	5.0%	86.4%	5.0%	5.0%
45-54	F	14.0% =	76.0%	5.0%	5.0%
55-64	1	13.7%	76.3%	5.0%	5.0%
65-74	E	15.8%	73.4%	5.0%	5.9%
>=75	T	19.0%	65.2%	5.8%	10.0%

Real Estate is over invested or under invested: (see Net Difference)

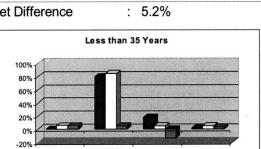
(+) sign = Under invested : Increase Real Estate Asset Weight by X

(-) sign = Over invested : Lower Real Estate Asset Weight by X

Less than 35 Years

Current Allocation		0.0%	Current Allocation	2	0.0%
Optimum Allocation	3	5.2%	Optimum Allocation	:	5.0%

Net Difference



□ Minimun Risk

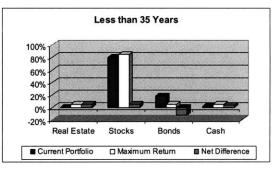
Bonds

2.0%

Cash

Net Difference

Net Difference : 5.0%



Between 34 and 44 Years

Current Allocation	
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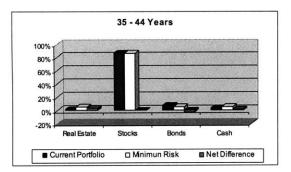
Real Estate

Current Portfolio

Optimum Allocation : 5.0%

Net Difference : 3.0%

Stocks



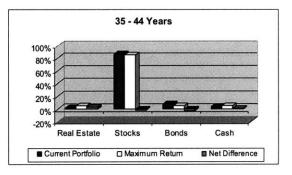
Optimum	Allocation	* *	5.0%

Current Allocation

Net Difference

: 3.0%

: 2.0%



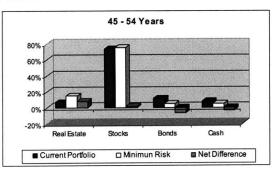
Between 45 and 54 Years

Current Allocation	: 6.9%
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Optimum Allocation : 15.0%

Net Difference

: 8.1%

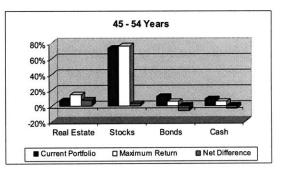


: 6.9% Current Allocation

Net Difference

Optimum Allocation : 14.0%

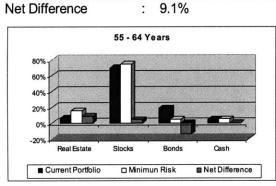
: 7.2%



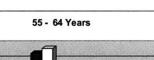
Between 55 and 64 Years

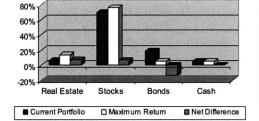
Current Allocation	:	6.6%	Current Allocation	2	6.6%
Optimum Allocation	;	15.6%	Optimum Allocation	, ,	13.7%

Net Difference



Net Difference : 7.2%



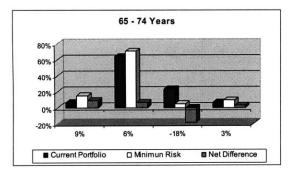


Between 65 and 74 Years

Current Allonation	
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Optimum Allocation : 22.5%

Net Difference : 8.9%



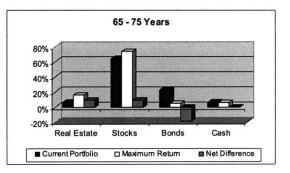
6.4%

Optimum Allocation	,	15.8%
Net Difference	:	9.4%

Current Allocation

: 9.4%

: 6.4%



75 Years or more

Net Difference

Current Allocation	: 7.6%	
Optimum Allocation	: 22.5%	

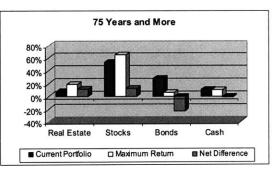
: 14.9%

Current Allocation : 7.6%

Optimum Allocation : 19.0%

Net Difference

: 11.6%



75 Years or More 60% 40% 20% 0% -20% Real Estate Bonds Cash Stocks D Minimun Risk Net Difference Current Portfolio

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8.5) Matrix – Summary

The following table presents a summary with the conclusions obtained for the total sample.

			**********	Asset All	ocation	
Summary	Return	Volatility	Real Estate	Stocks	Bonds	Cash
Total Sample	15.28%	9.79%	7.7%	63.7%	20.1%	8.6%
Minimum Risk	15.28%	9.50%	16.2%	68.8%	5.0%	10.0%
		Net Difference	8.5%	5.1%	-15.1%	1.4%
Maximum Return	15.52%	9.79%	15.4%	71.1%	5.0%	8.5%
		Net Difference	7.7%	7.4%	-15.1%	-0.1%
HNWI	15.61%	10.19%	6.5%	67.0%	19.7%	6.9%
Minimum Risk	15.61%	9.90%	15.4%	71.9%	5.0%	7.7%
		Net Difference	8.9%	4.9%	-14.7%	0.8%
Maximum Return	15.85%	10.19%	15.6%	74.0%	5.0%	5.4%
		Net Difference	9.1%	7.1%	-14.7%	-1.5%
Non HNWI	14.33%	8.64%	11.1%	54.0%	21.2%	13.7%
Minimum Risk	14.33%	8.40%	23.5%	57.3%	9.2%	10.0%
		Net Difference	12.4%	3.3%	-12.0%	-3.7%
Maximum Return	14.54%	8.64%	21.9%	59.9%	8.1%	10.0%
		Net Difference	10.8%	5.9%	-13.1%	-3.7%
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Exhibit 8.5.1: Asset Allocation Matrix - General

Exhibit 8.5.2:	Asset Allocation	Matrix - By	/ Net Worth
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Net Worth			Optimum Asset Allocation			
	Return	Volatility	Real Estate	Stocks	Bonds	Cash
200+	16.65%	11.42%	3.9%	78.1%	16.6%	1.4%
Minimum Risk	16.65%	11.21%		82.5%	5.0%	5.0%
	10.0070	Net Difference	3.6%	4.4%	-11.6%	3.6%
Maximum Return	16.81%	11.42%		84.2%	5.0%	5.0%
		Net Difference	1.9%	6.1%	-11.6%	3.6%
100-199	15.76%	10.55%	1.8%	67.6%	23.1%	7.6%
Minimum Risk	15.76%	10.08%	_	-	5.0%	6.2%
		Net Difference			-18.1%	-1.4%
Maximum Return	16.15%	10.55%	12.9%	77.1%	5.0%	5.0%
		Net Difference		9.5%	-18.1%	-2.6%
75-99	14.84%	9.34%	11.3%	57.3%	24.3%	7.1%
Minimum Risk	14.84%	8.98%	-	63.6%	6.4%	10.0%
	14.0470	Net Difference			-17.9%	2.9%
Maximum Return	15.15%	9.34%		67.4%	5.0%	10.0%
	1011070	Net Difference	6.3%	10.1%	-19.3%	2.9%
50-74	15.18%	9.57%	8.1%	64.2%	16.5%	11.1%
Minimum Risk	15.18%	9.38%		67.7%	5.0%	10.0%
	10.1070	Net Difference		3.6%	-11.5%	-1.1%
Maximum Return	15.35%	9.57%	A. 5294030050000 [13	69.5%	5.0%	10.0%
	10.0070	Net Difference	7.4%	5.3%	-11.5%	-1.1%
25-49	14.31%	8.62%	12.9%	53.4%	21.8%	12.0%
25-49 Minimum Risk	14.31%	8.38%	-	-	9.3%	10.0%
	14.5170	Net Difference			-12.5%	-2.0%
Maximum Return	14.52%	8.62%			8.2%	10.0%
	14.52 /0	Net Difference		Construction of the Second	-13.5%	-2.0%

Exhibit 8.5.3: Asset Allocation Matrix - By Risk Tolerance

Risk Tolerance	Return	Volatility	Optimum Asset Allocation			
			Real Estate	Stocks	Bonds	Cash
		\$5.				
Substantial	16.72%	11.34%			8.4%	5.0%
Minimum Risk	16.72%	11.29%	6.8%	83.2%	5.0%	5.0%
		Net Difference	2.3%	1.1%	-3.4%	0.0%
Maximum Return	16.76%	11.34%	6.4%	83.6%	5.0%	5.0%
		Net Difference	1.9%	1.5%	-3.4%	0.0%
Above Average	15.73%	10.20%	7.0%	70.3%	14.2%	8.5%
Minimum Risk	15.86%	10.04%	15.5%	73.0%	5.0%	6.5%
		Net Difference	8.5%	2.7%	-9.2%	-2.0%
Maximum Return	16.81%	10.20%	15.9%	74.1%	5.0%	5.0%
		Net Difference	8.9%	3.8%	-9.2%	-3.5%
Average	15.46%	10.26%	5.1%	62.8%	26.8%	5.3%
Minimum Risk	15.46%	9.71%	15.3%	70.6%	5.0%	9.1%
		Net Difference	10.2%	7.7%	-21.8%	3.9%
Maximum Return	15.91%	10.26%	15.7%	74.3%	5.0%	5.0%
		Net Difference	10.6%	11.5%	-21.8%	-0.3%
Averse	12.60%	8.09%	15.1%	26.6%	47.7%	10.6%
Minimum Risk	12.60%	6.72%	35.5%	35.9%	18.5%	10.0%
		Net Difference	20.4%	9.4%	-29.1%	-0.6%
Maximum Return	14.05%	8.09%	25.4%	53.8%	10.8%	10.0%
		Net Difference	10.3%	27.2%	-36.9%	-0.6%
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Exhibit 8.5.4: Asset Allocation Matrix - By Age

			Optimum Asset Allocation			
Age	Return	Volatility	Real Estate	Stocks	Bonds	Cash
					10 10/	1.00
<35	16.87%	11.78%		80.0%	18.1%	1.9%
Minimum Risk	16.87%	11.49%		84.8%	5.0%	5.0%
		Net Difference	5.2%	4.8%	-13.1%	3.1%
Maximum Return	16.89%	11.78%		85.0%	5.0%	5.0%
		Net Difference	5.0%	5.0%	-13.1%	3.1%
35-44	17.14%	11.88%	2.0%	86.6%	7.6%	3.8%
Minimum Risk	17.14%	11.70%	-	86.4%	5.0%	5.0%
		Net Difference	3.0%	-0.2%	-2.6%	1.2%
Maximum Return	16.89%	11.88%	5.0%	85.0%	5.0%	5.0%
		Net Difference	3.0%	-1.6%	-2.6%	1.2%
45-54	15.95%	10.42%	6.9%	73.4%	11.6%	8.2%
Minimum Risk	15.95%	10.31%	-	75.0%	5.0%	5.0%
	10.0070	Net Difference	8.1%	1.6%	-6.6%	-3.2%
Maximum Return	16.04%	10.42%		76.0%	5.0%	5.0%
	10.0470	Net Difference	7.2%	2.6%	-6.6%	-3.2%
FE 04	45 050/	10.46%	6.6%	69.5%	18.9%	5.1%
55-64	15.85%	10.46%	-	74.0%	5.0%	5.3%
Minimum Risk	15.85%			4.5%	-13.9%	0.2%
Maximum Return	40.070/	Net Difference		76.3%	5.0%	5.0%
	16.07%	10.46% Net Difference	13.7% 7.2%	6.8%	-13.9%	-0.19
		Net Direrence	1.270	0.070	10.070	0.17
65-74	15.45%	10.10%	6.4%	64.1%	23.1%	6.4%
Minimum Risk	15.45%	9.70%	15.3%	70.5%	5.0%	9.2%
		Net Difference	8.9%	6.4%	-18.1%	2.9%
Maximum Return	15.78%	10.10%	15.8%	73.4%	5.0%	5.9%
		Net Difference	9.4%	9.2%	-18.1%	-0.5%
>=75	14.48%	9.12%	7.6%	52.9%	28.3%	11.3%
Minimum Risk	14.48%	8.56%		59.1%	8.4%	10.0%
		Net Difference		6.2%	-19.9%	-1.39
Maximum Return	14.97%	9.12%		65.2%	5.8%	10.0%
		Net Difference	11.5%	12.3%	-22.5%	-1.3%
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9) Investment Banker Survey

As a comparison to the current HNWI asset allocations provided by the SCF and the optimal portfolios generated by the optimization model, a selection of investment banks were surveyed on their HNWI clientele. These institutions provided current average HNWI asset allocations along with strategic HNWI asset allocations. Strategic allocations refer to the investment banks' recommendations in asset allocations. All information provided by the investment banks was for an average risk HNWI investor.

The Investment Banker Survey is included in **Appendix B**. The investment banks chiefly had four asset allocations: stocks, bonds, cash, and alternative investments. Real Estate was an asset under Alternative Investments along with Hedge Funds, Private Equity and Other. Below the current average HNWI asset allocations are compared with the SCF HNWIs asset allocations. Additionally, the strategic allocations are compared with the optimal allocations generated by the optimization model.

9.1) Current HNWIs Asset Allocations at Investment Banks

The following chart highlights the Investment Banks' average HNWI current asset allocations.

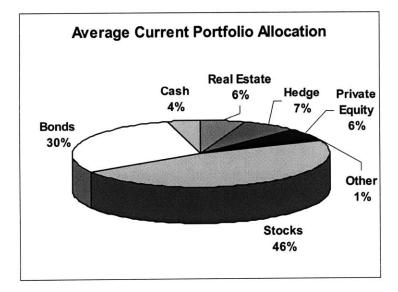
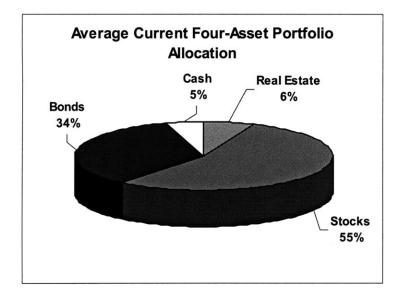


Exhibit 9.1.1: Average Current Portfolio Allocation

Source: Investment Banker Survey (2002)

The largest asset allocation is Stocks at 46% followed by Bonds at 30%. Real Estate comprises 6% of the HNWIs portfolios.

The investment banks' asset allocation was reallocated to the four assets analyzed within this research. The chart below highlights the overall average of the four asset allocations of HNWIs at the institutions surveyed.





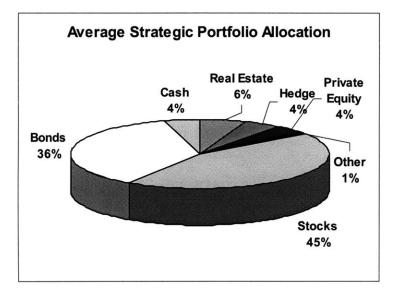
Source: Investment Banker Survey (2002)

The largest asset allocation is Stocks at 55% followed by Bonds at 34%. Real Estate comprises 6% of the HNWIs portfolios.

9.2) Strategic HNWIs Asset Allocations at Investment Banks

The investment banks have strategic allocations that are generated by optimizer models according to investment profiles of their HNWI clients. The strategic allocation highlighted below is for an average risk HNWI.

Exhibit 9.2.1: Average Strategic Portfolio Allocation



Source: Investment Banker Survey (2002)

The largest asset allocation is Stocks at 45% followed by Bonds at 36%. Real Estate comprises 6% of the HNWIs portfolios.

The following chart highlights the four-asset strategic allocation of HNWIs at the investment banks.

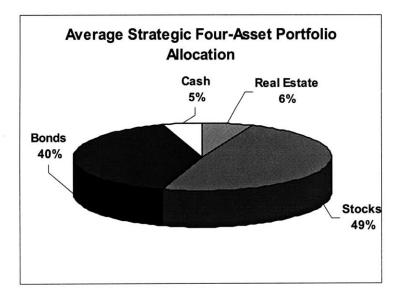


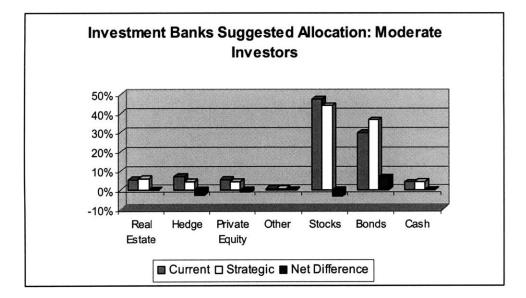
Exhibit 9.2.2: Average Strategic Four-Asset Portfolio Allocation

Source: Investment Banker Survey (2002)

The largest asset allocation is Stocks at 49% followed by Bonds at 40%. Real Estate comprises 6% of the HNWIs portfolios.

9.3) Comparison of Current versus Strategic Asset Allocations

After examining the seven assets HNWIs are currently invested in at investments banks and comparing the current allocation to the strategic allocation, investment banks are recommending to increase bond allocations. Real Estate allocations are virtually the same for current and strategic.





Source: Investment Banker Survey (2002)

Analyzing the four-asset allocation, institutions are recommending to leave real estate allocations as is and increase bond allocations while decreasing stock allocations.

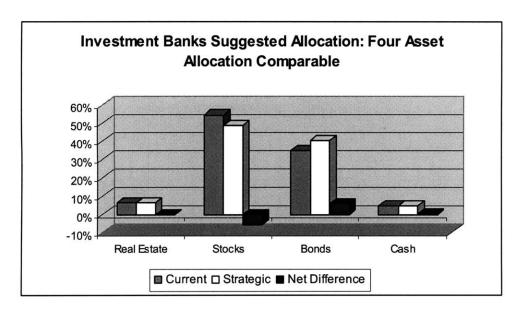


Exhibit 9.3.2: Comparison of Current versus Optimum Four Asset Allocation

9.4) SCF versus Current Investment Bank Real Estate Allocation

Analyzing the real asset allocation of the SCF and the Investment Bank Survey indicates that the SCF real estate weight is in line with the institutions' clients weight of 6%.

Source: Investment Banker Survey (2002)

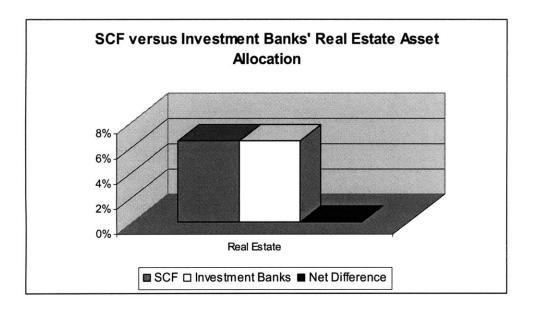


Exhibit 9.4.1: SCF versus Investment Banks' Real Estate Asset Allocation

Source: Investment Banker Survey (2002)

9.5) Optimum versus Current Investment Bank Real Estate Allocation

Analyzing the real asset allocation of the optimum allocation and the Investment Bank Survey indicates that the optimum real estate weight is approximately nine percentage points higher. This difference appears to be due to the lack of real estate product available at the institutions and the inadequate conduit infrastructure at this point in time. Management at the surveyed investment banks commented on their interest to cater real estate products to the HNWI segment. As a result, these institutions' products are already oversubscribed. Other institutions indicated new real estate products that will be imminently launched to satisfy demand for the HNWI segment. With the present lack of real estate products and conduits, the institutions are not aggressively promoting real estate.

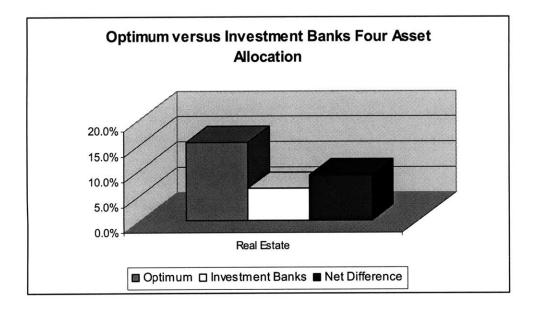


Exhibit 9.5.1: Optimum versus Investment Banks' Real Estate Asset Allocation

Source: Investment Banker Survey (2002)

10) Fixing the Gap

The market of HNWIs and Ultra HNWIs is growing rapidly. Traditionally, HNWIs net worth made their fortunes through inheritance. Instead, the newer high net worth individual is often younger, more aggressive, looking for performance, social activities and philanthropy to become part of their plan. Their investment behavior may be compared to institutional investors' behavior. Institutions have been a dominant force in real estate investment and as a result adequate conduits and products have been created for this segment. However, HNWIs do not have a comparable infrastructure and there are limited conduits and products available to this segment. The real estate fund is the predominant product marketed to HNWIs. The majority of HNWI commercial real estate is directly owned by the investor. The self-sourcing of real estate helps explain the low HNWI allocation in real estate. With the growth in this HNWI segment, the supply and demand function will eventually solve the real estate allocation deficiency as new products enter the market to absorb the HNWI real estate demand.

10.1) Qualitative Characteristics of HNWI

As described by Russ Alan Prince in "Core Characteristics Of The Ultra-Affluent That Advisors Should Know" HNWIs have the following characteristics:

A) Complexity

Prince states, "The worlds the Ultra-Affluent move in are especially complex. The personal and financial situations of the Ultra-Affluent tend to be more intricate due to their wealth. External macro-environmental factors (e.g., tax and estate laws, as well as other regulations affecting their sphere of action) weigh in. The Ultra-Affluent are not unconstrained in their control over their capital. The very policies that constrain them also create significant complexity."

This characteristic of complexity describes the financial affairs of the Ultra-Affluent. Their financial affairs are much more involved because they need to structure assets to maximize their value and ensure their preservation. The Ultra-Affluent confront more intricate financial issues from embedded capital gains to effective tax management.

Among the ultra-affluent, advisor referrals dominate. Therefore, the answer to sourcing ultraaffluent clients is building bridges to advisors who have such wealthy clients.

B) Control

Another core characteristic of the Ultra-Affluent is control. The Ultra-Affluent characteristically seek to exercise dominance in various spheres of life including family, community and work. Often due to strength born from demonstrable success, the Ultra-Affluent tend to see their views on any subject as the best ones. Due to the complexities they face, there is a strong tendency to exercise their will. (Prince. 2001)

Prince also states, "When the objective is the perpetuation of the founding fortune, the strategies and tactics that are employed do more than just ensure the tax-efficient transfer and perpetuation of vast wealth. They create an emotional and cognitive framework in which the benefactors must live. There is a psychological, if not legal, hold on the benefactors that (paradoxically) makes many of them actually quite ambivalent about the situation."

C) Capital

Prince outlines, "The Ultra-Affluent tend to define themselves more in terms of the application of wealth than in terms of their actual wealth. For the Ultra-Affluent, capital--another core characteristic--is very often their measure of personal value. In general, the Ultra-Affluent measure themselves by capital and not in terms of net worth."

Money is not the gauge by which they generally rate themselves—it is capital because capital is the ability to deploy resources to make things happen. This is why most of the Ultra-Affluent merge their business empires into their self-image. And, that is why advisors need to be attentive to the interplay of money and self-image among their Ultra-Affluent clients. (Prince. 2001)

D) Charity

Public policy in the United States since the early 20th century has been to create tax incentives for philanthropic actions. The tax incentives coupled with the Ultra-Affluents' desire to be philanthropists translate into tremendous benefit to the nonprofit sector. What is critical to recognize is that the Ultra-Affluent are indeed philanthropic. They are looking for ways to "make the world a better place." Admittedly, because of the government's decision to use tax policy to affect social policy, charitable gifting can concurrently financially benefit the Ultra-Affluent as well as the nonprofit organizations they support. Nevertheless, the Ultra-Affluent like the sense of purpose charitable gifting gives them. Indeed, quite a few aspire to be major philanthropists. The

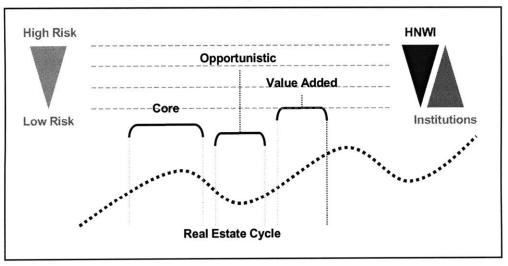
trend is for the Ultra-Affluent to gift, but taxes come into play in defining the strategies and tactics that are used to enable the charitable gifts. (Prince. 2001)

10.2) Specialized Strategies

According to Lauren Bielski in a recent article in <u>ABA Banking Journal</u>, "Strategies of ultra wealthy increasingly featured specialized approaches or vehicles such as hedge funds, limited partnerships, and income generating notes."

Investments Strategies

In terms of what Real Estate has to offer there is a variety of products and conduits for the market segment. Before, describing these vehicles, one must review the strategies that real estate investors often pursue. In order to keep the analysis simple one must assume that an investor in real estate has three alternative approaches: 1) Core, 2) Value Added, and 3) Opportunistic. The following graph illustrates these three alternative strategies.





The graph includes a map showing risk preferences (from low to high).

"If you look at the spectrum of risk, core funds have the lowest returns, opportunity funds the highest, and somewhere in between are value-added," explains Lee Sandwen, group head of Fidelity's real estate unit. Although opportunity funds generally project returns of 20% or greater and value-added funds look for returns in the high teens to low 20s, these definitions are not fixed.

As Steve Bergsman writes for Cahners Business Information, "Peter Palandjian, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Boston-based Intercontinental Real Estate Corp., with \$400 million under management, puts core funds at 7% to 9% returns; value-added or, in his company's terminology, "core-enhanced," at 9% to 12% returns; and opportunity funds at 15% to 22% returns. Intercontinental Real Estate's new Investment Fund III falls into the middle range; it will invest in northeastern commercial properties."⁴⁸

HNWIs vs. Institutional Investors

Additionally, the preceding graph differentiates between HNWIs and Institutional investors risk profiles.

"There are billions and billions of dollars in new capital being raised from pension plans, endowments, private foundations and wealthy individuals," says Sanford Presant, National Director of Ernst & Young Opportunity Fund Services. Sanford also said, "A lot more people are organizing funds now than in the mid-1980s and early 1990s."

It is important to address the needs of each type of investor. In a very competitive environment, market segmentation strategies are required to succeed in attracting money sources. The following chart shows the main differences between HNWIs and Institutional investors:

⁴⁸ Steve Bergsman for Cahners Business Information, 2002

	Characteristics	HNWIs	Institutions
1	Advisor Support	Flexible	Structured
2	Deal Size	\$5 to \$50 Millions	\$40 to \$200 Millions
3	Geographic Strategy	Local / Regional	Regional / Internationa
4	Importance of Family / Social Issues	High	Low
5	Importance of Pool of Investors	Very High	Not an Issue
6	Investment Decision Process	Relatively Simple	High Complexity
7	Legal Regulation	Low	High
8	Level of Involvement (Post Investment)	Very High	Very Low
9	Liquidity Capacity	Constrained	Flexible
10	Preferred Investment Strategy	Opportunistic	Core
11	Risk Tolerance	Moderate to High	Low to Moderate
12	Target Return	15 to 20%	10 to 15%
13	Time Horizons	1 to 5 Years	5 to 10 Years
14	Track Record	Important	Very Important
15	Type of Real Estate Desired	Landmarks	Stable

Exhibit 10.2.2: HNWIs vs. Institutions

There are areas of competition between these two market investors. However, establishing conduits and products for each segment is required in the current market environment. David Hodes, a managing director at CSFB who helps raise private equity for a variety of real estate funds, says: "There are two kinds of private equity real estate investors. The first is the consistent investor who has always had some kind of real estate allocations. The second is the non-traditional investor who views real estate as an alternative investment and likes to jump in when there is distress in the market. Many of these alternative investors did not have such a good run in venture capital or in tech funds, and they are taking a new look at real estate and trying to rebuild their decimated portfolios. These investors can be either high-net-worth individuals or family offices looking for the best return, or endowments or other foundations that want to generate real cash dividends and stabilize their portfolios." On the other side, increasingly, institutional investors are giving serious consideration to real estate funds, especially as an alternative to venture capital.⁴⁹

⁴⁹ Investment Dealers' Digest "The New Gold Diggers: Private equity rushes to battered Silicon Valley" June 24, 2002

Investment Products and Conduits

According to the SCF, 83% of the HNWIs segment prefers to invest in Real Estate Asset by direct ownership while 15% chose to hold real estate through a partnership structure. In terms of preferred type of financial institutions, 42% of HNWIs utilize commercial banks, while 29% prefer brokerage firms. In general, HNWIs are knowledgeable investors and manage their investments by themselves. The self-sourcing of real estate helps explain the low HNWI allocation in real estate due to the lack of readily available real estate products.

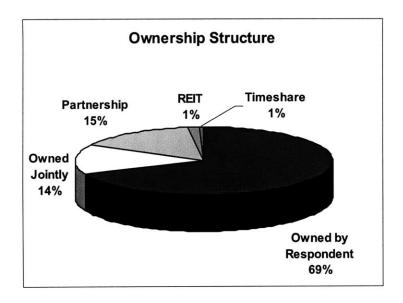


Exhibit 10.2.3: Ownership Structure

Source: Federal Reserve. Survey of Consumer Finances 1998

As seen above HNWIs generally invest directly or through partnerships. Real estate funds are typically a form investment for these HNWIs. A typical real estate fund observes the following characteristics:

Exhibit 10.2.4: Real Estate Funds

Real Estate Funds				
Characteristic	Description			
Product	Real Estate Funds			
Capitalization (US\$ Million)	50 to 400 Million per placement			
Sponsor	Investment Bank / Real Estate Company with strong truck record			
Characteristic 1	Geographical Diversification (Common of Real Estate Companies)			
Target Investment 1	Consolidated Markets			
Characteristic 2	Product Diversification (Common in Investment Banks)			
Target Investments	Commercial Real Estate, Mezzanine Investments, CMBS, REITs			
Cash Maximum Allocation	5% to 15%			
Target Clients	HNWIs – Institutions			
Legal Structure	Partnership			
Investment Advisor	Independent Company			
Fund Management	In House			
Total Target Returns	10 to 15%			
Income Return	8 to 14%			
Appreciation Return	1 to 5%			
Term	Vary			
Lock-UP	24 to 48 months			
Minimum Subscription	\$ 5 to \$10 million			
Dividends reported	Quarterly			
Maximum Subscription	Not Common			
Management Fee	1% to 3%			
Incentive Fee	Not Common			

Source: Investment Banker Survey and Interviews (2002)

Conclusion

HNWIs constituted a **\$26.2 trillion** market in 2001.⁵⁰ These \$1 million and above HNWIs have been growing at a strong pace over the past several years. HNWIs invest in a variety of assets and increasingly in real estate. HNWIs capable of direct private real estate investment are individuals with a net worth of \$25 million and above. These upper echelon HNWIs constituted approximately an **\$11.9 million** market and control approximately 45% of the total HNWI market.

Asset Allocations

How do these \$25 million and above HNWIs invest their portfolio – in a variety of assets ranging from private real estate to businesses. Utilizing the 1998 Survey of Consumer Finances, HNWIs asset allocations were categorized over 13 assets: Bonds, Businesses, Vehicles, Non Residential Real Estate, Cash, Stocks, Retirement Funds, Residential Real Estate, Cash Value of Life Insurance, Other Non Financial Assets, Non Money Market Funds, Other Financial Assets, and Other Managed Accounts. Businesses were the highest allocation at **54%** of the entire 13-asset allocation.

Stocks, Bonds, Non Residential Real Estate, Residential Real Estate, and Other Managed Accounts were the top five asset allocations of HNWIs in the SCF sample. In order to assess the risk and return of the HNWIs portfolios, four assets were selected. This selection was due to the available indices and the size of the asset allocations within the HNWIs portfolios. These assets were Non Residential Real Estate, Stocks, Bonds, and Cash. Cash is considered a vehicle to migrate into other assets and this asset also has a healthy **2%** allocation within HNWIs portfolios.

Current Versus Optimal

Current portfolio risk and returns were analyzed for each HNWI Net Worth Tier, Age Tier, and Risk Tolerance level. These current portfolio risk and returns were compared to the optimum portfolio risk and returns. The following chart highlights the HNWI Net Worth Tiers and the overall HNWI portfolio.

⁵⁰ Merrill Lynch and Gemini Consulting. 2001

			Optimum Asset Allocation			
C	Return	Volatility	Real Estate	Stocks	Bonds	Cash
HNWI	15.61%	10.19%	6.5%	67.0%	19,7%	6.9%
Minimum Risk	15.61%	9.90%			5.0%	7.7%
	13.0176	Net Difference			-14.7%	0.8%
Maximum Return	15.85%	10.19%			5.0%	5.4%
Maximum Recum	10.0070	Net Difference			-14.7%	-1.5%
200 Million+	16.65%	11.42%	3.9%	78.1%	16.6%	1.4%
Minimum Risk	16.65%	11.21%	7.5%	82.5%	5.0%	5.0%
	C	Net Difference	3.6%	4.4%	-11.6%	3.6%
Maximum Return	16.81%	11.42%	5.8%	84.2%	5.0%	5.0%
		Net Difference	1.9%	6.1%	-11.6%	3.6%
100-199 Million	15.76%	10.55%		67.6%	23.1%	7.6%
Minimum Risk	15.76%	10.08%			5.0%	6.2%
		Net Difference			-18.1%	-1.4%
Maximum Return	16.15%	10.55%			5.0%	5.0%
		Net Difference	11.1%	9.5%	-18.1%	-2.6%
75-99 Million	14.84%	9.34%	11.3%	57.3%	24.3%	7.1%
Minimum Risk	14.84%	8.98%			6.4%	10.0%
	14.0470	Net Difference			-17.9%	2.9%
Maximum Return	15.15%	9.34%		67.4%	5.0%	10.0%
Maximum rectum	10.1070	Net Difference			-19.3%	2.9%
50-74 Million	15.18%	9.57%	8.1%	64.2%	16.5%	11.1%
Minimum Risk	15.18%	9.38%	17.3%	67.7%	5.0%	10.0%
		Net Difference	9.1%	3.6%	-11.5%	-1.1%
Maximum Return	15.35%	9.57%	15.5%		5.0%	10.0%
		Net Difference	7.4%	5.3%	-11.5%	-1.1%
	11.010/	0.000/	40.0%	EQ 40/	04 00/	12.0%
25-49 Million	14.31%	8.62%			21.8% 9.3%	12.0%
Minimum Risk	14.31%	8.38% Net Difference			-12.5%	-2.0%
Maulanum Datum	14.52%	Net Difference 8.62%	-		8.2%	10.0%
Maximum Return	14.52%	8.62% Net Difference			-13.5%	-2.0%
		Net Difference	0.270	0.070	10.070	2.070

Current Portfolio. Source: Survey of Consumer Finances, 4,305 Respondets

The Real Estate Allocation Deficiency

From the SCF sample all the HNWI segments are under invested in real estate. The overall HNWI segment may increase their real estate allocation of 6.5% to 15.4% to minimize risk. This more than doubles their real estate allocation. The table included before highlights the real estate deficiencies for all HNWI segments.

Opportunities

With this real estate allocation deficiency there are opportunities for selling private real estate assets to the HNWI segment. With the increasing stock market volatility and growing concern over equities, real estate has been a popular investment product for investors. Institutions are having tremendous success in their real estate products and are continuing to increase their investments in real estate. However, they have maintained their real estate strategic allocations on par with current HNWI real estate allocations. This is apparently due to the lack of supply of real estate products at these institutions.

The Strengths, Weaknesses, Opportunities, and Threats chart included below captures the real estate asset's chief characteristics.

	Real Estate in HNWI's Portfolio				
Strengths		Weaknesses			
•	Low correlation with Stocks and Bonds	•	Lack of indexes for opportunity funds		
	Amount of capital investment available	•	Lack of specialized and marketable products.		
•	Lower volatility	•	Lack of liquidity (Characteristically for Real Estate assets)		
•	Inflation hedge				
	Opportunities		Threats		
•	Growing market segment	•	High real estate prices		
•	Differentiation Strategies (HNWIs investment profiles are different than Institutions' profiles)	•	Competition (Hedge Funds, Bond Funds, Private Equity)		
•	Current risk and return of real estate assets match current expectations and concerns of HNWIs (stability and income producing assets)				

With the real estate allocation deficiency, HNWIs would like to migrate other assets into real estate. They will be able to as soon as the market generates proper specialized conduits more suitable for their needs instead of trying to adapt institutional based vehicles for the market

segment. Opportunity funds, direct ownership, and partnerships appear to be an attractive opportunity for HNWIs.

The question remains as to what extent investors are willing to increase their real estate allocations. Although the data suggests at times to more than double real estate allocations, there are pitfalls such as lack of liquidity and time lags. With these issues, investors will be hesitant to increase their real estate allocation to the optimal level. At a minimum, in order to have a more efficient portfolio, HNWIs real estate allocations should increase above current levels. The point between current and optimal real estate allocations will be achieved over the next few years with the market's supply and demand function.

Appendix A

- 10. Farm/Ranch -- any mention
- 11. Land only: Lot, tract, acreage; building lots; "farmland"
- 12. Land and (seasonal) residence (exc. 14); "house + 50 acres"
- 13. Land and some other type of structure
- 14. Land and trailer/mobile home
- 21. Seasonal/vacation house (winter/summer home; cottage; etc.)
- 22. Trailer/Mobile Home
- 24. Mobile home park
- 25. Time-share ownership -- any
- 40. One single family house
- 41. Multiple single family houses
- 42. Duplex 2 unit residence
- 43. Triplex 3 unit residence
- 44. Fourplex 4 unit residence
- 45. 5 or more unit residence
- 46. "Apartment house" -- NA # of units; "rental" units or property NFS
- 47. Other business/commercial property (exc. 41-46)
- 48. Business/commercial and residential combination
- 49. Condominium
- 50. Residential, n.e.c.
- 51. Garage
- 52. Burial lot
- -7. Other, including combination of types on one property (except for code 48)
- 999. Misc. vacation property mapped from mop-up question
- 0. Inap. (No properties: X1700=5; no properties not owned by a business: X1701=-1)

Source: Federal Reserve. Survey of Consumer Finances. 1998

Appendix B

Survey Form – Asset Allocation / High Net-Worth Individuals

1) Contact Information

First Name	Middle Nar	ne	Last Name Position		
Company Name		Posit			
Address (Number. Street, # O	ffice) City	State	Zip Code		
Email	Telephone		Fax		
2) Type of Company					
Investment Bank	Family Office	Advisor	Other		
3) Client Profile					
Lowest Net Worth	efine "High Net-Worth" (Worth of Assets)			
		\$ 10 Million or More	\$ Million or More		
Other particular characteristics	3				
5) What percent of your clier	nts have the following ris	sk profiles?			
% Take substantial fina	ncial risks expecting to ea	rn substantial returns			
% Take above average financial risks expecting to earn above average returns					
% Take average financ	ial financial risks expecting	g to earn average retur	ns		
% Not willing to take an	y financial risks				
100%					
6) What percent of your clier	nts require the following	returns?			
% 5% to 7.49%					
% 7.5% to 9.99%					
% 10% to 12.49%					
% 12.5% to 14.99%					
% 15% to 17.49%					

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...... % 17.5% to 19.99%

..... % 20% and above

100%

7) What is the average asset allocation of the HNW Individual's portfolio?

..... % Cash

..... % Stocks

..... % Bonds

..... % Primary Residence

..... % Other Residential Assets¹

..... % Non Residential Real Estate²

..... % Other Assets³

100%

¹ Vacation Homes, Second Homes and Time Shares.

² Unlevered Commercial Real Estate, Real Estate Partnerships, Directly Held Real Estate).

³ Other assets not included in the categories stated above.

8) Do you think that the current allocation is the optimum allocation?

Yes (Skip question 9) No

9) What do you think the optimum allocation should be?

- % Cash
- % Stocks
- % Bonds
- % Primary Residence
- % Other Residential Assets¹
- % Non Residential Real Estate (NRRE)²

..... % Other Assets³

100%

¹ Vacation Homes, Second Homes and Time Shares.

² Unlevered Commercial Real Estate, Real Estate Partnerships, Directly Held Real Estate).

³ Other assets do not included in the categories stated above.

10) If NRRE allocations were to increase, what conduits or products would you invest in?

..... % Opportunity Funds

..... % Directly Held Real Estate

- % Private Partnerships
- % Others (Please Describe)

Glossary

Appraisals

Method by witch the value of a property is ascertained. Appraisals generally involve reconciling estimations of values derived from three different methods: 1) Analyzing the present value of estimated future cash flows, 2) Analyzing recent sales of comparable properties or 3) Estimating the replacement cost for the property.

Advisor

Company or entity specialized in providing investment management services to institutional investors and high net-worth individuals. Advisors usually perceived a services fee according with pre-established parameters.

Allocation

The systematic distribution of a limited quantity of resources over various time periods, products, operations, or investments.

Asset Allocation

The process of establishing the optimal division of an investor's portfolio among available assets.

Asset Migration

Refers to the action of changing the weights among assets by shorting some assets and acquiring others.

Capital Appreciation Return

The component of total return, which results from the price change of an asset class over a given period.

Conduit

Financial product designed to invest in investment securities.

Core

Properties that generate a predictable stream of income over a long period of time. Typically, they are substantially occupied, will exhibit little tenant turnover in the long term and do not require a significant investment in capital improvements.

Correlation

Measure of the mutual variation between two random variables. The correlation coefficient rescales the covariance to facilitate comparison among pair of random variables. The correlation coefficient is bounded by the values +1 or -1. The correlation coefficient shows how useful a pair of assets is for diversification purposes.

Coupon

The periodic interest payment on a bond.

Covariance

Statistical measure of the relationship between two random variables. It measures the extent of mutual variation between two random variables. What the variance measure for a single asset's return, covariance measures for a pair of assets.

Divisor

A value used to ensure that the numerical value of an index does not change despite developments that alter its composition. The raw value of the index is divided by the divisor in order to calculate the normalized value. The divisor changes when the makeup of the index changes and neutralizes the change.

Efficient Frontier

The set of portfolios that provides the highest expected returns for their respective risk levels. The efficient frontier is calculated for a given set of assets with estimates of expected returns and standard deviation for each asset, and a correlation for each pair of asset returns.

Expected Return

The return of a portfolio (or single security) that an investor expects to receive over a period of time.

Family Office

Investment management company comparable to an advisor. Firm specialized in managing the net-worth of a family of group of families.

Fund of Funds

An approach to investing in which a manager invests in various funds formed by other investments managers. The benefits of this approach include diversification and access to managers that may be otherwise unavailable.

High Net-Worth Individual

An individual with a net-worth (asset minus liabilities) higher than \$ 25 million. An individual whose net worth is above average.

Income Return

The component of total return which results from a periodic cash flow, such us dividends.

Index

A statistical indicator providing a representation of the value of the securities. Indices often serve as barometers for a given market or industry and benchmarks against which financial or economic performance is measured.

Inflation

The rate of change in consumer prices. The Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U), not seasonally adjusted. Both inflation measures are constructed by the U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Statistics, Washington.

Inflation-Adjusted Returns

Asset class returns in real terms. It is calculated by geometrically subtracting inflation from the asset's nominal returns.

Investment Bank

Bank of office within a bank specialized in principal investments.

Liquid Assets

Assets that can be converted into cash quickly and without any price discount.

Market Capitalization

The aggregate market value of a security, equal to the market price per unit of security multiplied by the total number of outstanding units of the security.

Mean Variance

Central tendency of the probability distribution of random variable that equals of the weighted average of all possible outcomes using their probabilities as weights.

NCREIF

The National Council of Real Estate Investments and Fiduciaries.

Net-Worth

Asset minus liabilities.

Opportunistic Strategy

Investing in properties with uncertain cash flows, and executing a business plan to either release, reposition or renovate such properties.

Optimization Program

A computed based program than combines asset return, volatility, correlation and covariance to calculate the optimum combination of assets in an investment portfolio.

Optimum Portfolio

The feasible portfolio that offers an investor the maximum level of satisfaction. This portfolio represents the tangency between the efficient set and the indifference curve of an investor.

Portfolio

A collection of investments all owned by the same individual or organization.

REIT

Real Estate Investment Trust. A corporation or trust that uses the pooled capital of many investors to purchase and manage income property (equity REIT) and/or mortgage loans (mortgage REIT). REITs are traded on major exchanges just like stocks. They are also granted special tax considerations and provide a liquid way to invest in real estate, an otherwise illiquid market.

Respondent

One who responds to the Survey of Consumer Finances.

Return

The annual return on an investment, expressed as a percentage of the total amount invested. Also called rate of return.

Risk

The uncertainty associated with the end-of-period value of an investment.

Risk Tolerance

The tradeoff between risk and expected return demanded by a particular investor.

S&P 500

Stock price index that reflects the history of the most important companies in the US market.

SCF

Survey of Consumer Finances.

Sharpe Ratio

An ex-post risk adjusted measure of portfolio performance where the risk is defined as the standard deviation of the portfolio's returns. Mathematically, over an evaluation period, it is the excess return of portfolio divided by the standard deviation of the portfolio's return.

Standard Deviation

A measure of the disposition of possible outcomes around the expected value of random variable.

Wealth

An abundance of valuable material possessions or resources; riches.

Yield

Refers to the yield to maturity of a bond. Is the single interest rate that equates the present value of future promised cash flows from the security to the current market price of the security

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