

# Common Strategies



Tax-managed portfolio design



Tax-loss harvesting



Emphasizing tax-favored investment vehicles



Tax-efficient asset allocation



Effective gain/loss recognition



Income and tax bracket management



Gifting strategies

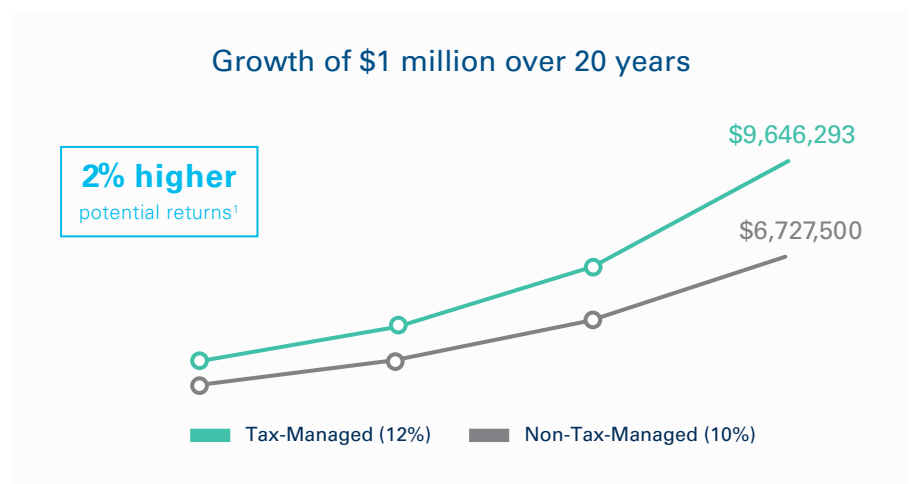
# Tax Smart Investments

Taxes are a top detractor from overall portfolio performance. Your financial advisor can help you implement strategies to make your investments more efficient.

## The Case for Tax Management

### SCENARIO 1: Tax-Managed Portfolio

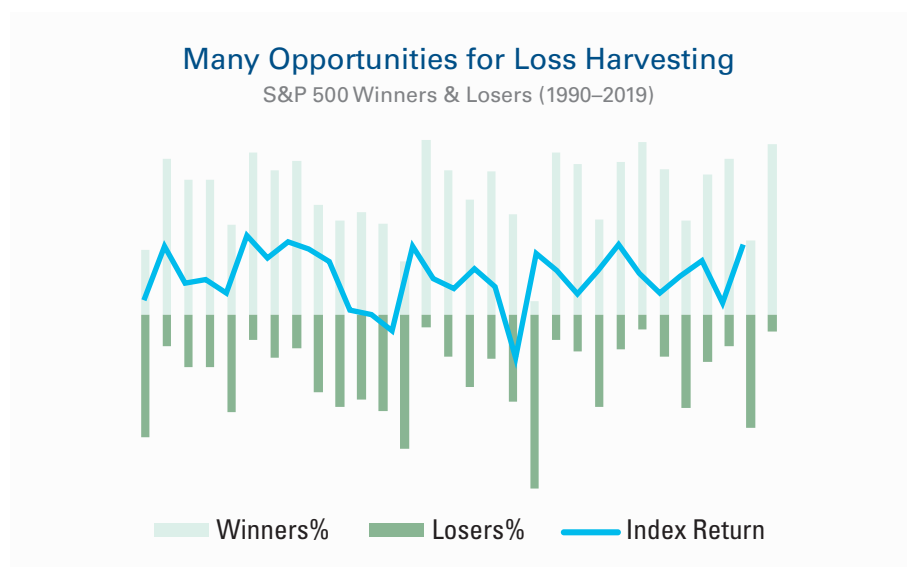
As part of an on-going tax management strategy, your financial advisor will consider opportunities to manage, defer, and reduce taxes to potentially **improve your returns**.



Hypothetical scenario for illustrative purposes only. Source: AssetMark.

### SCENARIO 2: Tax-Loss Harvesting—How It Works

Tax-loss harvesting is a strategy of using investment losses to **offset taxable gains** in other areas of the portfolio.



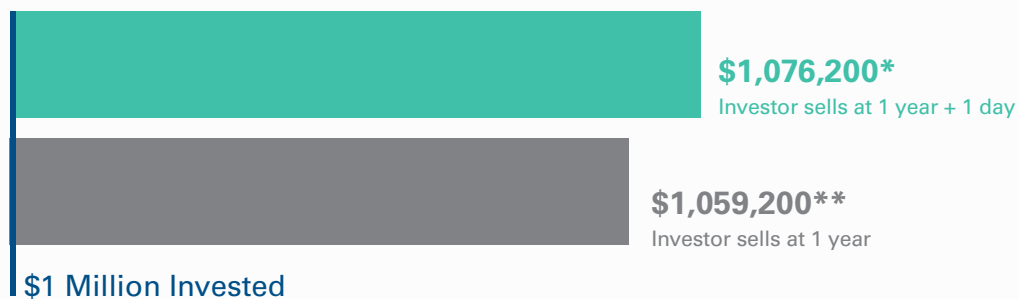
Winners and losers represent the percentage of stocks within the S&P 500 index that end each year with a positive return or negative return, respectively. Source: Parametric, FactSet, Morningstar.

## SCENARIO 2: Tax-Loss Harvesting—How It Works *(continued)*



## SCENARIO 3: Short-Term vs. Long-Term Gains

Over **\$17,000 difference in after-tax profit** by waiting 1 day to avoid short-term capital gains tax



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## Investors Will Face Losses – Make the Most of Them

Talk to your financial advisor about putting these strategies to work for your portfolio

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<sup>1</sup>Rey Santodomingo, Andrew Subkoviak, Tax-Managed SMAs: Better Than ETFs?, Parametric Whitepaper, September 2020

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Please consult with a tax professional regarding your situation. Tax-qualified accounts, such as IRAs, do not benefit from tax-loss harvesting strategies.

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