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Tracking the S&P 500° from 1974 to 2024

This historical performance of the S&P 500° Index reveals the fundamental challenge investors face: how to participate in the market's long-term growth potential while managing inevitable periods of loss.

As the data demonstrates, while the market delivers positive returns in most years, the negative years can involve meaningful declines that impact client portfolios. Modern index-linked products seek to address this challenge by offering strategies that participate in market upside while providing downside protection. Clients must understand though maximizing both protection and growth simultaneously isn't possible — more protection reduces potential returns, while more growth potential increases risk exposure.

10 negative years Average negative return: -14.42%

-20% or more		-10% to -20%		0% to -10%	
-22.10%	2002	-11.89%	2001	-3.10%	1990
-26.47%	1974	-18.11%	2022	-4.38%	2018
-37.00%	2008			-4.92%	1981
				-7.16%	1977
				-9.10%	2000

				37.23%	1975
				33.36%	1997
				32.50%	1980
				32.39%	2013
				31.73%	1985
				31.69%	1989
				31.49%	2019
				30.47%	1991
				28.71%	2021
		18.67%	1986	28.68%	2003
		18.61%	1979	28.58%	1998
7.62%	1992	18.40%	2020	26.46%	2009
6.57%	1978	16.61%	1988	26.29%	2023
6.27%	1984	16.00%	2012	25.02%	2024
5.49%	2007	15.79%	2006	23.93%	1976
5.25%	1987	15.06%	2010	22.96%	1996
4.91%	2005	13.69%	2014	22.56%	1983
2.11%	2011	11.96%	2016	21.83%	2017
1.38%	2015	10.88%	2004	21.55%	1982
1.32%	1994	10.08%	1993	21.04%	1999
0% to 10%		10% to 20%		20% or more	

41 positive years

Average positive return: 19.12%

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