STOP THE INFLATION MONSTER

A simple plan of attack to fight and win against the forces attacking your wealth

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SPECIAL REPORT

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Is the Nightmare of Inflation Keeping you Up at Night?

It should....

If you invest like the average person.

The last time we saw inflation this high, it revealed a monster — one that economists had previously believed to be a myth.

That monster was like a three headed beast that devastated purchasing power, gobbled up wealth, and spread fear and uncertainty throughout the economy.

They dubbed that monster "Stagflation". If it rises again, what will you do?

Fifty years ago, few Americans knew what to do about it—most suffered the negative impacts, like product shortages and loss of wealth, with no plan to escape.

Investors battling Stagflation back in the '70s could have "doubled their money in the market", only to have the monster eat those gains and spit back losses. Leaving supposedly well prepared investors poorer, with less purchasing power than when they started! Hard to believe? We'll prove it below.

Policymakers, economists, and investors each tried to forge weapons that might control and hopefully defeat the three headed monster. But it ravaged the economy and the markets for over a decade.

The best weapon at the time was record-high interest rates that caused significant pain, but allowed for a new set of policies that set off an economic boom that took us into the new millennium.

Wall Street marketing firms now gloss over the pain of that era, reporting the average index returns of the S&P 500 as if they were real returns. Advisors will share the hypothetical outcome that you might have "doubled your money" in 13 years with average returns.

But the reality for investors at the time is that even those who "doubled their money" still lost in the end!

We'll explain how in a moment, but more importantly, we'll share the best weapon for you to fight Stagflation in this brief report.

Because with inflation running the hottest it's been since the 70s, and the new data showing that we've already entered a recession, it looks like the Stagflation monster might rise again.

This time, there are new tools that may help you be one of those lucky few who grows your wealth through the battle.

With the right plan, you don't have to fear the headlines.

In these pages, we'll give you the weapons to win.

First, let's see what we're up against.

How Stagflation Devoured the Gains of "The Lost Decade"

Everyone knows about the first head of the Stagflation Monster – the one that burns down purchasing power and gobbles up savings.

That head is sometime called the Stealth Tax.

It makes everything more expensive and forces people to tighten their belts. That's the one most people notice first. Remember all the headlines about rising prices in the first half of 2022?

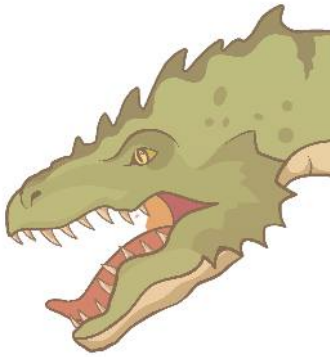
People faced challenging decisions when buying essentials: How can I feed my family and put gas in the car to go to work?

The second head spreads fear and uncertainty that leads to economic chaos. It's what leads toward recession and market volatility. When a weakened economy brings down prices and seems to tame the inflation, people experience the worry about job losses.

When the economy fights off the fear and starts rising again, the inflation head darts in to start the cycle again. Workers and investors alike get trapped in the tug-of-war between these sets of sharp teeth – inflation or recession.

The third head of Stagflation is harder to see, so it's harder to fight. But it's more concerning to investors and traders.

We call it Phantom Returns. Let's look at what it does.



Fifty years ago, Stagflation's 3rd head led to a period that some financial researchers call a "lost decade". Advisors might gloss over it by touting a healthy average return through tough times.

But in reality, the S&P 500 charted a thirteen-year rollercoaster ride with an up-then-down sideways trend from 1969 through 1981.

With dividends, the S&P averaged nominal returns of 7.23% during the period—along with gut-churning volatility.

1: High volatility sideways trend of the "Lost Decade". High inflation devoured low returns.

What the traditionalists leave out is that inflation wiped out those average returns!

How? Because inflation compounds, just like returns.

The S&P "averaged" 7.23%. Unfortunately, average inflation for the same time was 7.8% per year. Even this small difference is an invisible wound to your investment and retirement accounts. It means your account is slowly bleeding real value while it looks fine.

Here's how those averages would have played out in a small account.

Jan 1 1969 – Invest $1,000 into the S&P

Assuming you matched the returns of the index each year.

Dec 31 1981 – Account Value = $2,035.68

Congratulations, you doubled your money through a 13 year rollercoaster!

But those "average" numbers are usually reported as what's called nominal returns—that is, only considering the numbers on the price tag and not the value of that number in terms of purchasing power.

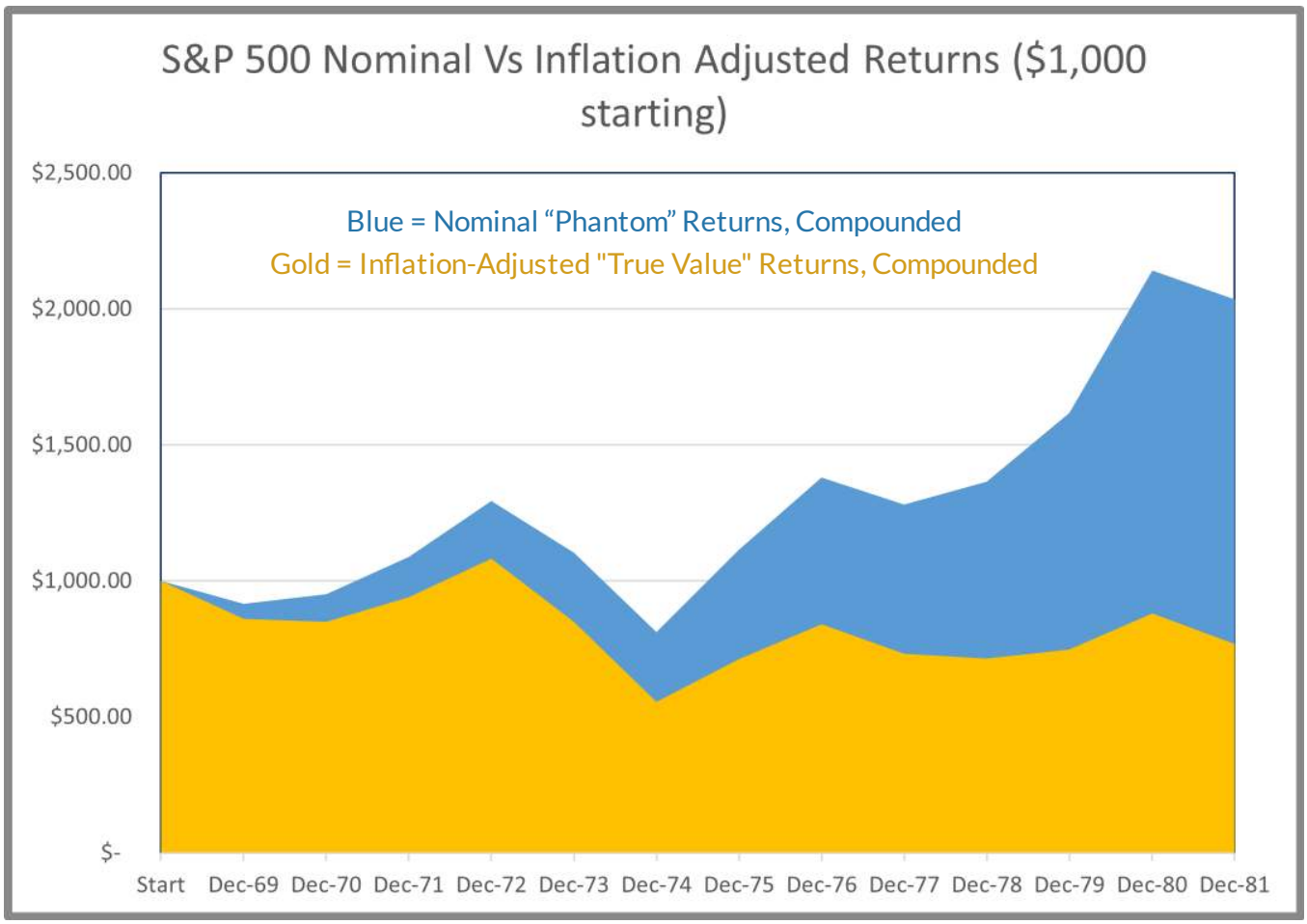
Just like at the grocery store, when the price doesn't change but manufacturers start putting less product in the bag, inflation sneakily hollows out the value of your accounts.

The only way you see the difference is by running a calculation to adjust those returns for inflation.

Adjusted for inflation, the constant dollar value of your $2,035 is just $768.69

The inflation adjusted return was -23% on your "phantom doubling" and you're wealth and purchasing power is worse off than when you started. The invisible wound from the 3rd head of Stagflation stole almost a quarter of your wealth!

That's why we call it Phantom Returns!



2: Nominal returns w/ dividends look fair, but high inflation turns them into real losses. Doesn't take into account 15-18% capital gains rates at the time that would have further eroded earnings without modern retirement accounts.

Chart 2 paints the picture above. What looks like a huge gain is a real loss in value.

And those are the generous numbers as reported by the financial industry!

That is, those would be your returns if you'd made the hypothetical choice to invest the way that index returns are tracked by most advisors—buying at the open of January 1 and selling at the close of December 31 each year, then reinvesting all gains and dividends on the first trading day of the following year.

(If anyone follows this strategy, I'm not aware of it, but it's how index returns are packaged to keep you invested and passive).

INDEX AVERAGES EXPLAINED:

Index returns are reported from the opening of the first trading day to the end of the last trading day in a year. The reported average over a certain period of years simply adds up those reported returns — usually including dividends — and divides by the number of years. Do you know anybody whose investing strategy is to buy at the opening bell each year, and sell at the year's close? Me neither. This is one reason we don't view the buy-and-hold advice as something in your best interest.

A traditional buy & hold investor would have done far worse if they had followed the S&P for that window of time. Virtually the only increase in their accounts came from dividends.

Remember the sideways trend in chart 1? --->

The buy-and-hold investor faced an un-compounded inflationary loss of -2% per year!

The sad part is...most people didn't notice.

Because of the caustically high inflation at the time, your $2000 would have only purchased $768 of goods or services in equivalent 1969 dollars. See Figure 2 above to get a picture of how big that difference is.

But most investors simply saw the rising dollar *number* in their accounts, without calculating the actual *value* of the account.

In terms of real wealth, they had lost money and didn't know it.

Now, you probably know that investing this way was better than doing nothing. If you had left your initial $1,000 in cash, every dollar would have been worth just 37 cents!

But maybe you're worried that we're seeing similar market conditions again, and you don't know how to defend your wealth if the monster returns.

That's the Fear and Uncertainty head of the Stagflation hydra. It's what leads to economic and market volatility and causes average investors stress and worry. If that 2nd head gets hold of you, it can drag you down some dark paths, making you feel like there's no escape, no solutions to the problem, and eventually the future begins to look bleak.

Understanding the enemy is one weapon to battle that fear and uncertainty. This section gave you a better picture of the danger this monster brings.

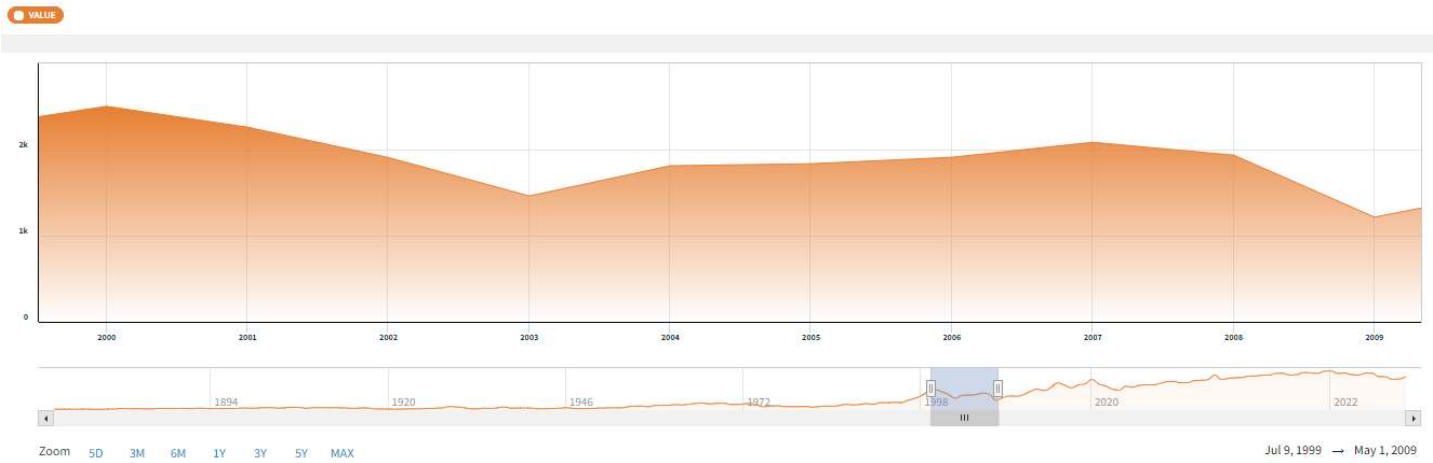
While investing in the S&P during this period of stagflation was better than doing nothing, smart readers will ask, "Was there a way you could overcome Stagflation and actually generate positive growth in the value of your investments?"

Before we consider the weapons we have to battle against it, let's examine the battlefield and evaluate the potential risks we're facing today.

Is The Current Recession and Inflation Resurrecting the Monster Stagflation?

They say history repeats—or at least rhymes. What's the potential that Stagflation will show it's ugly heads again in the mid-2020s?

If you've been in the markets a while, you might have experienced something like the '70s (but less severe) from 2000-2009. See chart 3.



3: Inflation Adjusted S&P 500 returns from 2000-2009, another lost decade. Courtesy of Nasdaq Data Link. Used under fair use guidelines for commentary and education.

In both cases, it would have appeared as if you had more money in your account at the end of that timeframe, but that was an illusion of the 3rd head, "Phantom Returns". In constant dollars, your purchasing power was less than your initial investment.

That's the danger as we look at another potential "Lost Decade". Your nest egg may not be enough with inflation chewing away at it every month and tepid growth holding down market returns. Let alone the emotional roller coaster that comes with volatile swings from year to year during uncertain times.

So how likely is that scenario repeating?

Is Stagflation a distant rumor, or do we feel its breath on our necks?

Inflation has been at 40-year highs for most of 2022.

Everybody was afraid and angry as the "experts" told us not to worry.

FIXING THE NUMBERS:

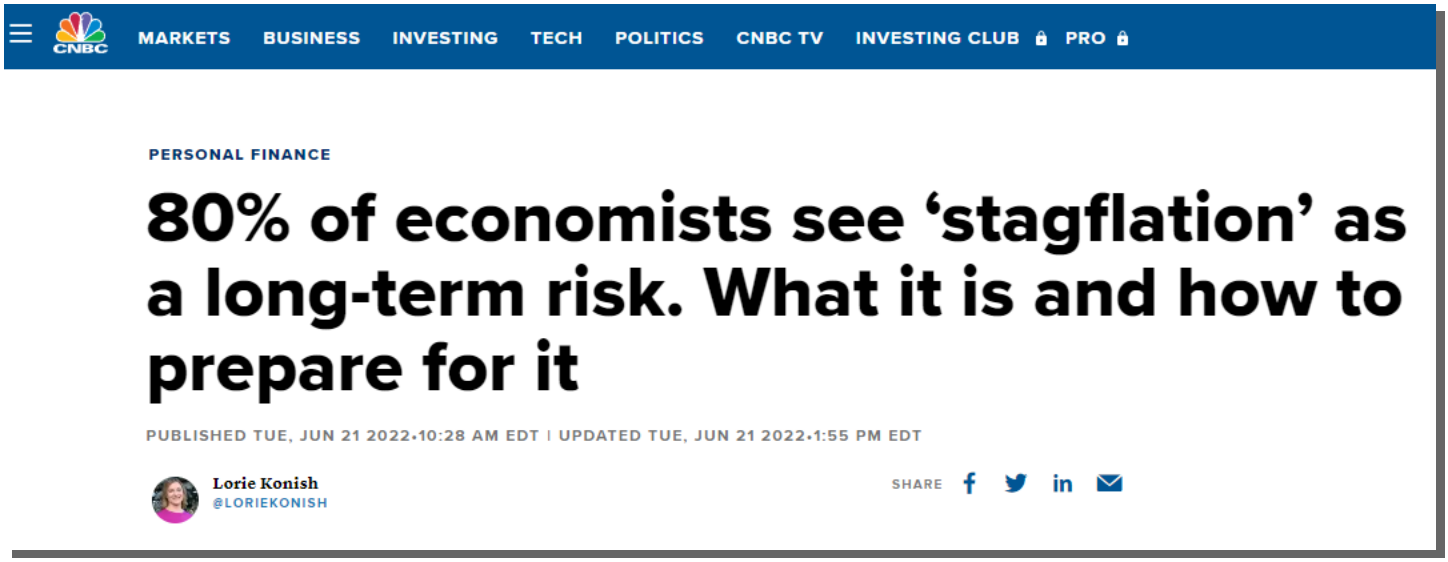
Some observers worry that current statistics aren't factoring in the changes they've made to the calculation since the '80s. (Remember, simply changing how inflation and recession is defined doesn't not negate the impact on you and your wealth!) For a second opinion that compares apples to apples, check out www.shadowstats.com.

Meanwhile, the markets took a dive, and have struggled to rebound.

Then we got the news that the first two quarters of 2022 had negative GDP growth—the textbook definition of a recession.

A fiscal hawk might say Stagflation is already here.

According to reporting by CNBC before the confirmed recession, the sentiment among global fund managers (not the political economic advisors who told us inflation was transitory) is that stagflation is a long-term risk to the economy and to your portfolio.



Historian, Niall Ferguson said in an interview on September 2 that "The ingredients of the 1970s are already in place." Only he fears that this time might be worse.

You should obviously do your own analysis. But do you see any potential changes on the horizon that could stop the monster in its tracks?

Any changes in fiscal policy?
Any changes to economic or tax policy?
What about national and global pressures on the economy?
Supply chain bottlenecks?
Energy Crises?
International conflict?
Repeated shortages?

At the time of writing, it looks like our politicians are doubling down on the same policies that brought us to this place.

Even the Fed finally admitted that high inflation was going to be "more persistent than expected."

In our opinion, with inflation high, growth flat or negative, taxes rising, regulations multiplying, tensions building, and no potential change in course for the next couple years, there's a good chance the economy and markets are ripe for the Stagflation nightmare to wreak havoc.

What will happen to your nest egg if we face another "Lost Decade"?

What are you doing to prepare for and overcome that risk?

A consistently profitable trader fully understands the old saying that "those who do not know history are doomed to repeat it." So, they study past trading conditions that are similar to what they see in the present environment to help them make decisions.

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> — Jesse Livermore

These past conditions show up on stock and index charts and tend to repeat. Like Jesse Livermore, one of history's most famous traders said, "I absolutely believe that price movement patterns are repeated. They are recurring patterns that appear over and over, with slight variations. This is because the markets are driven by humans—and human nature never changes."

If we are in for another period of stagflation, studying the past to look for patterns can reveal powerful warning signs, and potential opportunities.

How do you overcome the corrosive and destructive nature of inflation to save your retirement?

Even more, how do you overcome both inflation and a slowing economy that adds volatility and downward pressure to the markets?

By acting on those historic clues.

We'll share our strategy in a moment, but first we need to consider some of the popular options marketed as protection from inflation.

Is There A Silver Bullet Asset to Hedge Against Inflation?

Traditional investment advice suggests fleeing to "safe-haven" investments as a hedge against inflation.

Does the traditional investment advice on how to hedge against inflation still work? The short answer: it's no guarantee.

Back in the "Lost Decade" from '69 to '81, gold was one safe-haven of choice. This would have served you well as gold increased over 500% (inflation adjusted) during the same time, making gold investors victorious over the monster of Stagflation.

4: Inflation adjusted price of Gold, 1969-Current, courtesy of Macrotrends.com (used under fair use guidelines for commentary and education).

But be aware; one significant change between now vs. then is that gold has been significantly elevated since the 2008 real estate crash and remains relatively close to the inflation adjusted peaks at the end of the last significant period of stagflation ending in 1981. See Figure 4. Gold's current upward trajectory began after the dot-com bubble of 2000.

Its inflation-hedging powers may already be mostly spent. (Which may be another clue that the headline numbers are underreporting inflation.)

Currently, the popular "safe havens" like gold and cryptocurrency have yielded lackluster results as the market has sagged and inflation raged. As consumers felt the pain in their pocketbooks, traditional investors saw their account balances drop, almost regardless of asset class.

The recent, broad decline and volatility in cryptocurrencies might give crypto more room to grow than gold—but with the added risk that governments around the world are looking at ways to regulate or limit crypto before it endangers their control over fiat currencies.

It's also a volatile asset that lost 2/3 of it's value in under a year, from the peak of 2021 to mid-2022.

5: One-year chart of Bitcoin. Notice the concurrent fall with the market indices. Chart courtesy of Coinbase.com
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Plus, crypto's history as an inflationary hedge is yet to be proven. That might explain why it's currently joining the market's downward trend. (The S&P 500 was down over 13% as of August 1). Crypto investors have been frustrated with the increasing correlation of Bitcoin to the S&P 500 since 2020, according to reporting at Finbold.com. Currently, the verdict is out on whether these newer assets can defend against inflation.

So where does that leave the investor looking to protect or grow their wealth through inflationary times?

Defeating the Monster: How to Protect and Truly Grow Your Wealth Despite Stagflation

As we've seen, protective measures are no guarantee of security against the ravages of the three heads of Stagflation: Stealth Tax, Fear and Uncertainty, and Phantom Returns.

In reality, the only way to hedge against inflation is to beat inflation with strong returns—whatever the vehicle.

And since even the "experts" don't know how high inflation will go, or how long it will last, your surest plan is to find a consistently profitable trading system that has historically beaten both the market averages and inflation—preferably with a large buffer.

As we saw above, Phantom Returns made it appear as if investors had doubled their accounts in the Lost Decade, while they had lost almost a quarter of their value in constant dollars. To double your money in real purchasing power over the same period would have required you to achieve an average return of 13.7%, almost twice the S&P 500 average returns of 7.23 percent.

Wouldn't you feel more confident in your wealth-building plans with a trading system that could help you potentially double the historical average returns of the S&P 500?

Inflation peaked at 13.29% in 1979. Would you breathe easier following a plan that might grow your wealth by an average of 20% or better each year?

That's how legendary traders like William O'Neil and Jesse Livermore slayed the Stagflation monster in their times to become world renowned for their methods.

They beat the creature with one sharp blade—big returns.

But things have changed for retail investors.

Now, we have new weapons in our arsenal that—if used wisely—could make overcoming Stagflation easier, giving you a better chance to protect and grow true wealth.

Leveraged ETFs These powerful tools didn't exist fifty years ago. But careful traders can use them to boost profits and blast through those Phantom Returns.

Modern Trading Platforms Retail investors can access trading platforms that were unimaginable forty or fifty years ago. Using sound principles, you can practically use set-and-forget orders to execute trades while you go about your day. You don't have to worry about missing trades or being hurt in a sudden shock if you place smart orders.

Self-Directed Retirement Accounts There wasn't much flexibility in old retirement account options. Now you can find one to invest in almost anything, and enjoy potential tax benefits from the government while you grow your wealth.

Each one of these new weapons gives you a fresh edge to keep Stagflation out of your nest egg. Used together, it's the difference between a knight battling a dragon with sword and shield, and a modern jet launching a laser-guided smart bomb at the monster from 15,000 feet.

Personally, I'd rather use the smart bomb.

If deploying a market beating system, combined with these modern tools sounds like a strategy that could help you to defeat Stagflation and secure your wealth, then keep reading.

We have a simple way for you to do just that—even if you're short on time, and have never had a big year in the stock market.

Our Autopilot Trading Service is the smart bomb weapons system that allows busy professionals to fly over the market and take out Stagflation.

Since 2012, our lead trader, Dennis Wilborn, has used the system behind Autopilot Trading to return a market busting, inflation stomping, 36% yearly average, with some years as high as 69.5%.

Dennis is a former Naval Aviator and engineer with over three decades of investing and trading experience. And he's used his experience of military precision to create a service that's like setting a jet to auto pilot.

You don't have to do tons of research.

You don't have to stare at the market ticking up and down.

With Autopilot Trading, Dennis gives you a quick rundown on the best stock and ETF opportunities in the market each week. Then he gives you what he calls a "Preflight Checklist" that tells you exactly when and where he's looking to engage those targets.

Like entering targeting coordinates for a guided missile, Autopilot Trading members who want to follow along can use that checklist to put orders into the trading software.

If the right conditions are met, those orders go after the stock or ETF automatically. You can be asleep, at work, or on the golf course, and the system is working for you.

The Autopilot Trading Service powered by Active Trend Trading makes it easy to follow Dennis' actual trades in about 2 hours per week.

I know we've attacked the idea of investing with "averages" earlier, so let's look at real numbers.

Here are Dennis' returns for the last 10 years to show you what's possible with the right system and tools.

	Dennis' Live Returns	S&P Returns
2012	28.20%	13.41%
2013	44.54%	29.60%
2014	28.16%	11.39%
2015	15.60%	-0.73%
2016	18.81%	9.54%
2017	46.36%	19.42%
2018	36.90%	-6.24%
2019	40.97%	28.88%
2020	69.53%	16.26%
2021	33.00%	26.89%

For comparison to our previous example, $1,000 invested with these returns would have turned into $17,252 in constant dollars. That's a 1,625% compounded return in 10 years!

Overall, these results offer significant peace of mind to Dennis and his members because of the consistency of profits. If you are still in your working years, you can compound those returns to pad your retirement or wealth goals. But if you are already in retirement, the same methods can potentially turn your nest egg into a goose that lays golden cash flow eggs.

One of the questions Dennis gets all the time is "What if I don't have time to learn how to trade!"

Well, he developed his clear and simple system while he was working 10-12 hours a day, 7 days a week, as a professional engineer. He understands the time crunch.

Don't want to sit in front of the screen all day, or can't?

The Autopilot Trading Service was designed to help busy people grow wealth, in good markets and bad, so you can overcome the drags of recession and inflation without being a professional trader, stuck in front of a screen all day.

You don't need to develop your own system like Dennis did, because Autopilot Trading gives you the system, along with his experience.

Just like the targeting systems you see on the jet fighters in the movies, Autopilot Trading locks you onto targets of opportunity in the market, and gives you the tools to input your own "fire and forget" trades.

By following along, you can learn how to trade, while having a veteran trader guiding you through the ups and downs of the market. With the potential to beat the indexes and inflation.

Nobody wants to work their whole lives to end up dependent on the government for basic subsistence. With the right plan, you can weather the storm that everyone sees coming.

For ten years, Dennis has taught members how to do just that. Even as the market has struggled in 2022, losing over 13% as of July 31, the Autopilot Trading Service has earned 30%.

Find out how you can be an Autopilot Trader, or keep reading to find out what Dennis does different to get these types of returns.

How Autopilot Traders Are Equipped with the Weapon System designed to Beat the Market and Inflation

To beat inflation and profit in the market, you don't need to be a full-time trading wizard. All you need is a simple, repeatable system combined with personal diligence and patience.

Dennis routinely uses the next seven elements in his trading as his rules of engagement. This has resulted in a consistently profitable system with a high probability of success.

- ## Pay Attention - Understand the environment and trading conditions

  While the overwhelming majority of stocks move with the indices, a select few will outperform the indices. Learning to spot these potential high-flying targets of opportunity can accelerate compounding and wealth growth. Traders and investors who want to be profitable must understand the risks and prospects of different market cycles to find the best opportunities—including knowing when to stay out.

- ## Limit your investment search to Powerful Stock & ETF Targets of Opportunity

  After decades of trading, Dennis has learned that quality is better than quantity. He pulls data from reliable sources and sorts through hundreds of stock candidates to create his weekly Power Rank Elite Watchlist of 10-20 stocks with great potential, along with his curated list of "fast-mover" ETFs. (If these ETFs had been available in the 70s, an Autopilot Trader would have laughed at inflation!)

  Both lists are available with the Autopilot "Flight Briefing" membership, plus more.

- ## Wait for targeted buying opportunities that limit risk and have high reward potential

  Even with a great list of stocks, buying at the wrong time can be hazardous to your wealth. The Autopilot Trading System uses 3 key criteria to identify technical "opportunity zones" on stock charts. The full Autopilot Trading Service provides all the details of these potential buying opportunities before they happen using a 3-step setup process that highlights opportunities and reduces whipsaw.

- ## Be flexible; have a plan to cut losses, take planned profits, and let winners run

  The market often frustrates expectations. A plan that doesn't account for occasional losing trades along with the winners is unrealistic. Full members of the Autopilot Trading Service receive a full plan for exiting potential trades, as well as timely updates if the conditions change on a buy signal.

- ## Treat trading seriously, like a business; manage your money and your emotions

  There are myriad reasons for trading failure. Consistent traders learn to trust their system, limit losses, and control emotional reactions to the highs and lows of the market. A good system helps, but control usually comes through repeating a proven routine, and diligent analysis.

- ## Set realistic expectations, track all outcomes and let the system work as designed

  Everyone makes more mistakes when learning a new skill. Part of the power of borrowing someone else's experience while you learn is in minimizing those mistakes. Tracking each trading decision also allows you to dissect those choices to weed out costly errors.

- ## Find mentors to continue growing

  Even after decades of trading, Dennis continues to learn through research and training opportunities with other teachers and coaches. Whether it's completing all Master's Level courses from the Market Technician Association or being certified as a Certified Candlestick Technician through mentoring from Candlestick Expert Stephen Bigalow, Dennis continues to hone his trading skills and success.

He couldn't have achieved the results you've read about without investing in education from world-class traders to better understand the markets and refine his approach.

Now he wants to offer you the same opportunity. You can draw from Dennis' years of experience and avoid another "Lost Decade" to inflation and stagnation by becoming an Autopilot Trader.

If we're right about our take on inflation and stagnation, 2022 may only be the beginning of a long and turbulent period in the markets, and 2023 may be another tough trading year.

Will you take control of your future wealth? Or ride the next rollercoaster of market uncertainty while Stagflation hollows out your nest egg?

If Stagflation sticks around, you're guaranteed to lose if you do nothing!

Click here to become and Autopilot Trader and get the system to slay the monster.

Become and Autopilot Trader

Don't miss out on amazing trades because of fear and uncertainty.

Don't waste another year trying to learn over-complicated trading strategies and technical analysis.

Autopilot Traders beat the market with a simple, proven system.

And it can be done in 2 hours per week or less.

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