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## **Industry insight:**

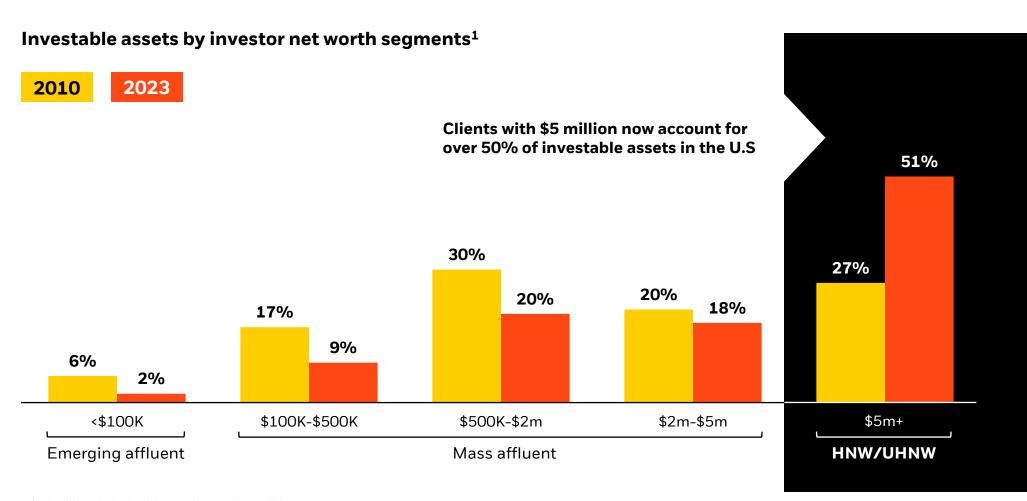
High-net-worth investors represent a growing segment of the wealth market, presenting a significant opportunity for advisors.

How to win in the high-net-worth space:							
Enhance your practice	Evolve your process	Expand your products	Engage the UHNW space				
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#### **INDUSTRY INSIGHT**

## Wealth continues to concentrate up market

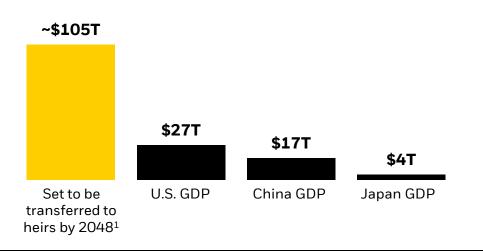
The clients you have built your business on are not the ones who will double it moving forward.



<sup>1.</sup> Cerulli U.S. High-Net Worth and Ultra High-Net Worth Markets, 2024

## Focus on where assets are going

Pay attention to where assets are today and where they are moving in the future.





## An opportunity to gain and retain assets:

**70%** of adult children are likely to leave their parents' advisor when they receive their inheritance.<sup>2</sup>

## Wealth transfer planning considerations

What are you doing today to provide durable, intergenerational support for your clients and their families?

Develop multigenerational wealth transfer plans

Recruit younger advisors to build multigenerational relationships

Consider different investment vehicles for wealth transfer events (e.g., 529s)

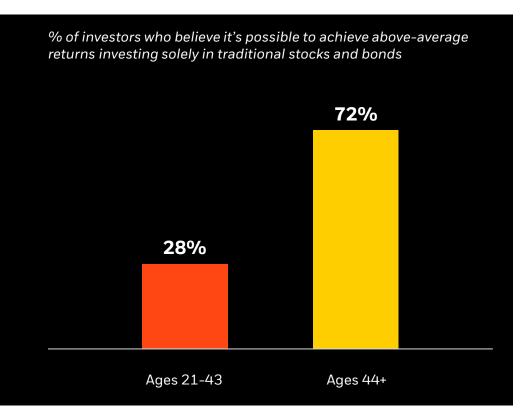
<sup>1.</sup> Cerulli U.S. High-Net Worth and Ultra High-Net Worth Markets, 2024. GDP data sourced from World Bank: https://data.worldbank.org/indicator/NY.GDP.MKTP.CD.

<sup>2.</sup> Cerulli, "The Cerulli Edge: U.S. Advisor Edition," 3Q 2021

## Appeal to the next generation of investors

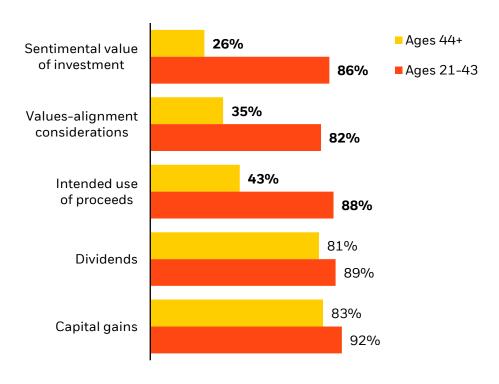
Younger wealthy people have fundamentally different mindsets on portfolios and investing.

Younger investors are skeptical of traditional investments...



... and place more emphasis on the sentiment of investments and how they align with their values





Source: 2024 Bank of America Private Bank Study of Wealthy Americans. Research represents American adults with \$3 million or more in investable assets.

## **Expand your service offering**

Continue searching for ways to enhance your value proposition to new and existing clients.

## Services commonly offered by U.S. advisors<sup>1</sup>

- Retirement income planning
- Retirement accumulation planning
- Education funding
- Insurance
- 🗸 Cash management budgeting
- 🗸 🛮 Intergenerational wealth planning
- Elder care planning
- Estate planning
- Tax planning
- Charitable planning
- Business planning
- Trust services
- Third-party lending product evaluation
- Concierge and lifestyle services

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average number of services offered

**42**%

of advisors offer intergenerational wealth planning



Don't add services for the sake of adding them. Be intentional to add scale while differentiating

your service model.

<sup>1.</sup> Cerulli U.S. Advisor Metrics 2024. Average number of services offered includes financial planning and advanced planning services

Multiply your impact with specialists

- Internal partners
- External partners

A sole practitioner's time is often divided

Client acquisition Financial planning

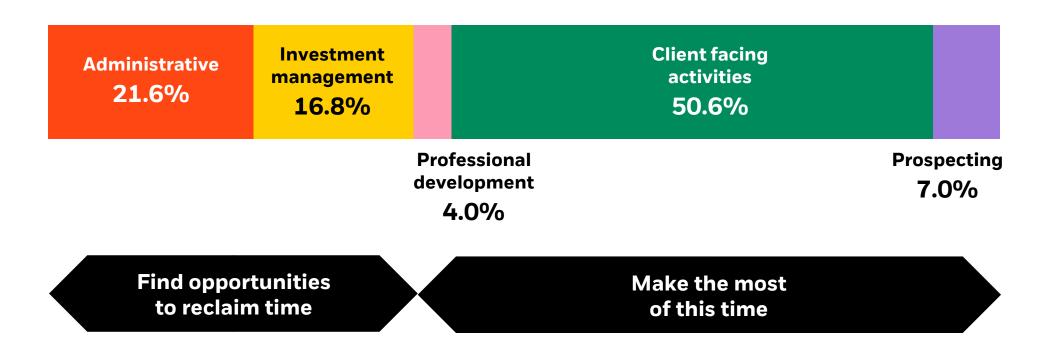
Admin. tasks Investment management

Certified Public Accountant
Client Experience Officer
Estate Planning Specialist
Investment Officer
Retirement Specialist
Options Specialist
Tax Specialist

A team's time is multiplied by specialists

## Reallocate your time to growth-focused activities

Reinvest your time where it matters most – with your clients and building your team.



#### **EVOLVE YOUR PROCESS**

## Embrace a new model of portfolio management

Many advisors are reluctant to outsource portfolio management as they see it as central to their competitive positioning.



My value is tied intrinsically to my security selection skills"

Forward-thinking advisors:

But according to industry...

...client satisfaction is driven by other areas

Reason for satisfaction with primary advisor for clients with \$5m+

74%

Reputation/trust, service and advice

21%

Investment performance

Source: Cerulli U.S. High-Net Worth and Ultra High-Net Worth Markets, 2024. For clients with over \$5m in investable assets, reputation/trust was ranked as the largest contributor to satisfaction with their primary advisor, followed by service and then advice and investment performance.

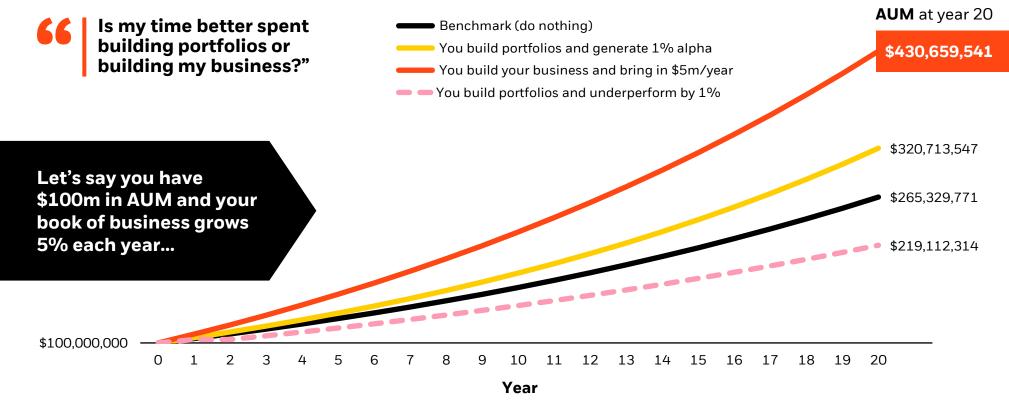
"My value is tied to time I spend with clients and building my business"



#### **EVOLVE YOUR PROCESS**

# The opportunity cost of managing portfolios: what could you do with 200 hours?

Structuring your investment framework can help transform your practice by giving you back more than 200+ hours a year.<sup>1</sup>



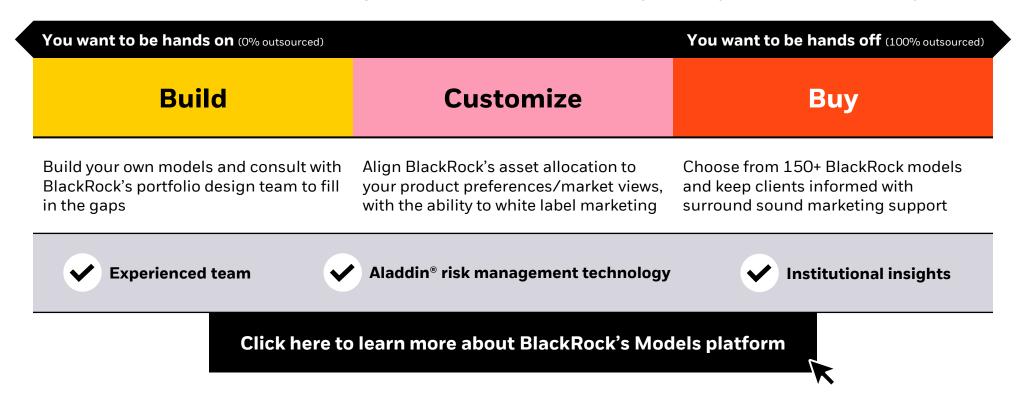
<sup>1.</sup> Cerulli Associates, "The Cerulli Report | U.S. Asset Allocation Model Portfolios 2022. The study reports that advisors using model portfolios can reduce investment management and admin from 51 to 40% of their time and increase client-facing activities from 44 to 53% of their time. Time savings estimation assumes 10%-time savings x a 45hr work week x 50 weeks per year = 225hrs saved.

#### **EVOLVE YOUR PROCESS**

## Choose how you scale portfolios

Find the right balance for your practice. You can buy our models off-the-shelf, customize them or build them yourself.

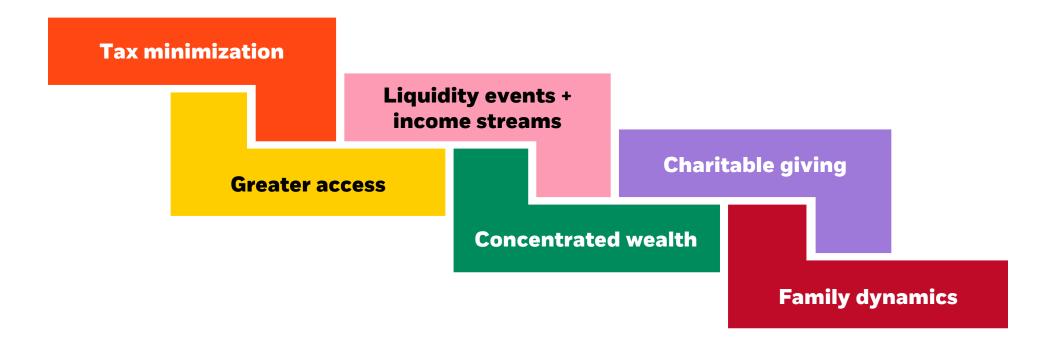
BlackRock Portfolio Design Services: deliver models your way to free-up capacity



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## Various interests of high-net-worth clients

By freeing up capacity, you can devote more time to solving a very specific set of client challenges.



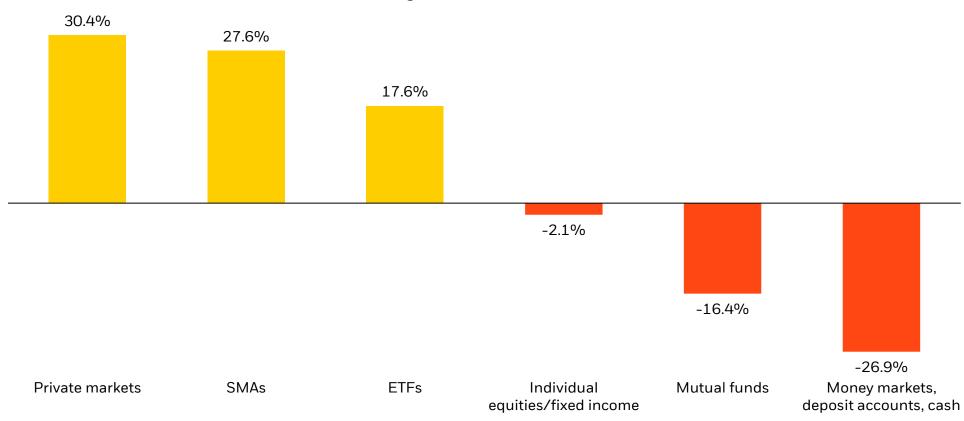
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#### **EXPAND YOUR PRODUCTS**

## Assets are moving to more efficient structures

Advisors are moving to investment vehicles better suited to meet their clients' needs.

## Advisor-reported product mix percent change, 2024 vs 2026E1



<sup>1.</sup> Cerulli Associates. U.S. Advisor Edition, 4Q24 (Issue #85). The percentage changes reflected above represent the reported percentage point change for each asset class divided by their current (2024) percentage of the portfolio. Forecasts are subject to change and not guaranteed.

## A "one size fits all" approach is not enough

SMAs and alternatives can help deliver more personalized solutions and new sources of alpha that can set you apart. We simplify our HNW products by seeking to match them to what's important to each investor.

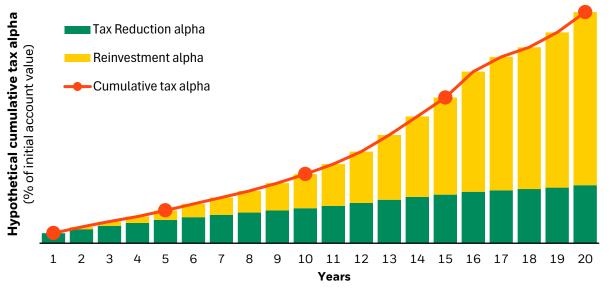
## **HNW** client needs

		Tax alpha	Personal -ization	Manage low basis stock	New sources of alpha	Enhanced income	Targeted downside protection
BlackRoc	k SMAs						
aperio	A leader in direct indexing with a 20+ year heritage of service, innovation and personalization	<b>✓</b>	<b>✓</b>	<b>✓</b>			
	d SMAs customizes, oversees in-kind transitions and k's institutional scale for Munis and TFI alike	<b>✓</b>	<b>✓</b>		<b>✓</b>	<b>✓</b>	
SPIDERROCK	Professionally managed options portfolios seeking to deliver better, more personalized outcomes	<b>~</b>	<b>✓</b>	<b>✓</b>		<b>✓</b>	<b>~</b>
Alternativ	ves						
Global Infrastructure Partners	An industry leader in infrastructure investments, a structural diversifier to private equity				<b>\</b>	<b>\</b>	
BlackRock Private Credit					<b>✓</b>	<b>✓</b>	

## Deliver tangible tax benefits with direct indexing

Direct indexing allows for tax loss harvesting which can reduce tax impact across client portfolios, offsetting capital gains and reinvesting proceeds elsewhere in the portfolio seeking to generate tax alpha.

Hypothetical back-test cumulative tax alpha for a \$10-million cash-funded account to illustrate TLH decomposition of tax alpha into Tax Reduction alpha & Reinvestment alpha 1



## Did you know?

Households with greater than \$5 million in investable assets are projected to pay

\$4.2T

in taxes on their estates and transfers to heirs over the next 25 years.<sup>2</sup>

Learn how BlackRock is helping advisors deliver tax-efficient solutions through Aperio

Averages (\$10M portfolio)	1 year	5 years	10 years	15 years	20 years
Cumulative tax alpha as % of initial value	5%	16%	34%	73%	115%
Cumulative tax alpha in dollars (dollar estimates based on rounded percentages)	\$500,000	\$1,600,000	\$3,400,000	\$7,300,000	\$11,150,000

<sup>1.</sup> For illustrative purposes only and not reflective of any actual account. The hypothetical cumulative tax benefit chart shows both the Tax Reduction benefit and the Reinvestment benefit of 39 overlapping 20-year back-test periods from June 30, 1995 to January 31, 2025. Back-test assumptions & settings: Aperio used its After-Tax Back-Testing Analysis Tool (ATBAT) to evaluate the performance of hypothetical portfolios; ATBAT uses historical data to perform optimization and calculate portfolio metrics. Back-test period is June 30, 1995 to January 31, 2025, with hypothetical portfolios of \$10M cash launched quarterly with monthly rebalancing. Back-test hypothetical portfolio returns are net of management fees assumed to be 0.22% and net of transaction costs estimated at 4 bps per transaction. Benchmark is S&P 500°. Highest federal tax rates are used as of the date of this document (40.8% short-term and 23.8% long-term), and no state taxes are used. 2. Cerulli. U.S. High-Net-Worth and Ultra-High-Net-Worth Markets 2021

## Bonds remain the anchor for HNW portfolios

Deliver the income and capital preservation your clients demand through more efficient vehicles.



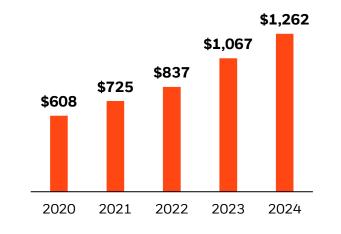
**73**%

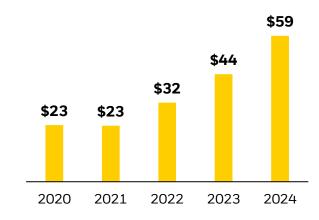
of high-net-worth households identify wealth preservation as their most important investment objective.<sup>1</sup>

## Scale your bond management with SMAs and term-maturity ETFs

Bond SMA AUM (\$bn)<sup>2</sup>







BlackRock's fixed income platform is designed to help you manage bond portfolios for your clients at scale.

Built for you ——

Built by you

**Bond SMAs** 

iBonds ETFs

## New strategies to manage concentrated stock risk

Option overlays can be used to help your clients better manage the risk of concentrated stock in a tax-efficient manner.

#### The risk of holding concentrated stock:

Over the past 37 years

42%

of the stocks in the Russell 3000 went down by at least 50% and never recovered\*



#### **Option overlays as a solution:**

Option overlays sit on top of existing holdings and can be used to reduce risk while tax-efficiently liquidating concentrated positions.

## 1. Manage risk

Modestly reduce risk, protect against losses or swap single stock risk for market risk.

## 2. Divest tax-efficiently

Use option gains or losses to help strategically liquidate concentrated positions.

Learn how BlackRock option overlay SMAs can help you deliver concentrated stock solutions tailored to your clients' needs.

Reduce the risk of a single stock

Covered Call Strategy Collar Strategy Swap single stock risk for market risk

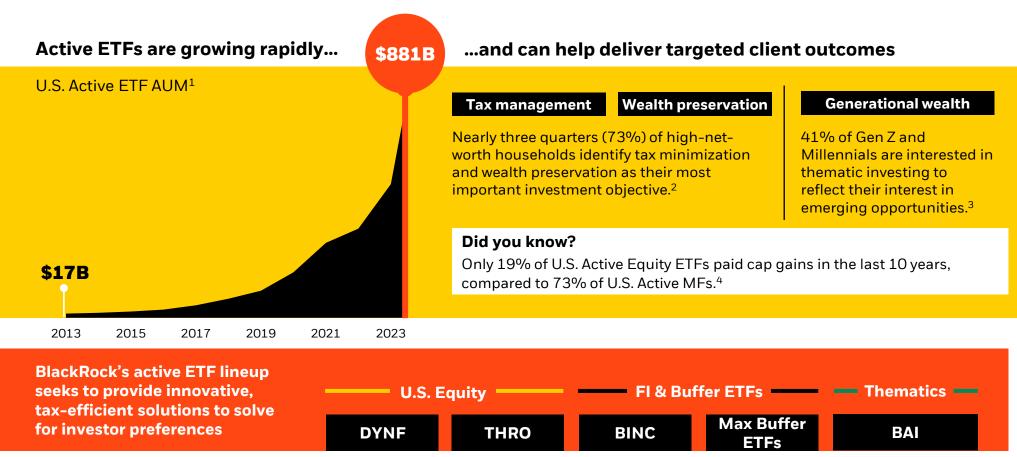
**Exchange Fund Replication** 

Source: Aperio, MSCI. Risk management processes seek to mitigate, but cannot eliminate, risk, nor do they imply low risk.

<sup>\*</sup>Never recovered is defined as the stock remaining below the 50% impairment level in price.

## Active ETFs: the "next frontier" of ETF innovation

Combine the most useful features of ETFs with active management to solve for unique needs of HNW clients.



1 Source: Morningstar Direct, BlackRock GBI as of 12/31/2024. 2 Source: Cerulli U.S. High-Net Worth and Ultra High-Net Worth Markets, 2024. 3 Source: Charles Schwab Modern Wealth Survey 2024 4 Source: BlackRock GBI, Morningstar as of 12/31/2024. U.S. Equities universe includes all ETFs/mutual funds in the respective US Category Group on Morningstar direct. Analysis includes oldest share class mutual funds and U.S.-listed ETFs. Analysis includes U.S. mutual funds and U.S.-listed ETFs with available NAVs as of 11/30 in each applicable year. Past distributions are not indicative of future distributions. The strategies discussed are strictly for illustrative and educational purposes and are not a recommendation, offer or solicitation to buy or sell any securities or to adopt any investment strategy. There is no guarantee that any strategies discussed will be effective.

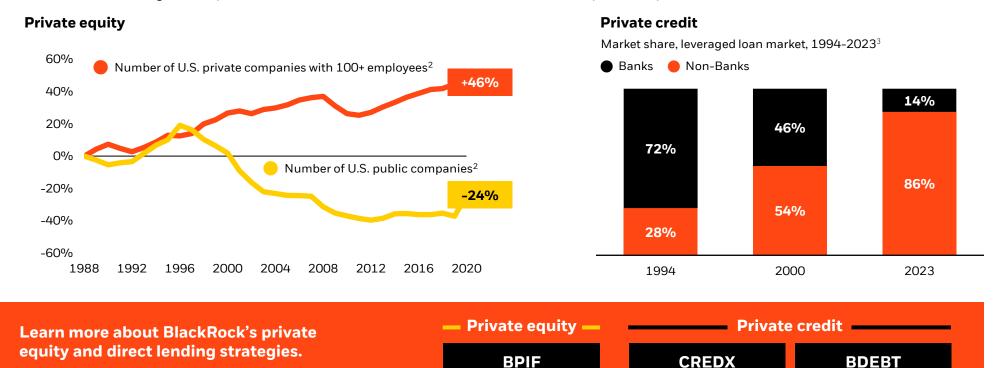
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#### **EXPAND YOUR PRODUCTS**

# Private markets represent a growing opportunity set for your clients

HNW investors lead adoption of private markets,<sup>1</sup> seeking to access a bigger pond with better fish representing the entire investible universe.

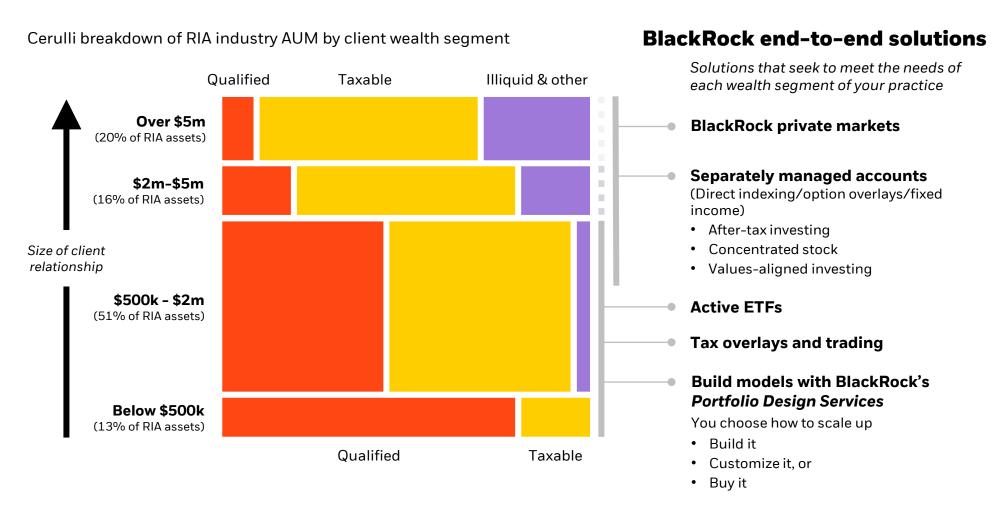
Fundamental changes in capital markets have led to a transformational shift from public to private markets:



<sup>1.</sup> Oliver Wyman and Morgan Stanley Research Wealth and Asset Management Report, Competing for Growth. Published 2021 –most recent edition of this research published as of June 2023. 2. Source: U.S. Census Bureau – Statistics U.S. Businesses, The World Bank Federation of Exchange databases as of December 2023. 3. S&P LCD as of 3/31/24. Chart reflects latest reported data. The strategies discussed are strictly for illustrative and educational purposes and are not a recommendation, offer or solicitation to buy or sell any securities or to adopt any investment strategy. There is no guarantee that any strategies discussed will be effective.

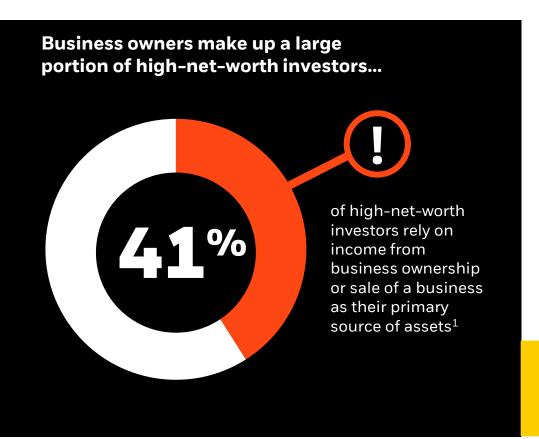
## **Client segmentation framework**

Be strategic in how you segment clients to provide scale and personalization within your practice.



## Private wealth is in motion

One-off events like the sale of a business can serve as the primary source of income for wealthy investors, and many are unprepared for these "liquidity events."



...and they will need a lot of help in the coming years

\$18T

is tied up in privately held businesses in the United States

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**73%** 

of owners want to transition in the next 10 years.

=\$14T in motion<sup>2</sup>

#### **ENGAGE IN THE UHNW SPACE**

## Solutions for the journey, not just the destination

Successful sales often require a complex, multi-layered strategy developed years in advance.

# Tax and estate planning

Identify the right estate planning methods and investment strategies that can be implemented today

# Ongoing management

Ongoing service, including tax aware rebalancing, active risk monitoring and tactical asset allocation guidance

**Start** 

## Portfolio design

Create a plan that supports your clients' financial plans (e.g., income replacement, bequests/charitable giving, liquidity tiering)

BlackRock Private Wealth Consulting brings deep expertise in the areas of tax, estate, charitable giving, portfolio design and exit planning, working alongside advisors on strategy and implementation every step of the way.

## BlackRock: a partner to your HNW practice

Learn how BlackRock can partner with you to serve your largest clients:

1

Business consultations to align your services, value proposition and client stories to the HNW market. 2

Explore strategies for freeing up time and capacity in core portfolio design.

3.

Deeper education for your team on direct indexing, SMAs, options, and private markets. 4.

Large opportunity and HNW casework with our Portfolio Design Services team.

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