**Custom DC plan benchmarks** 

# Transportation and warehousing

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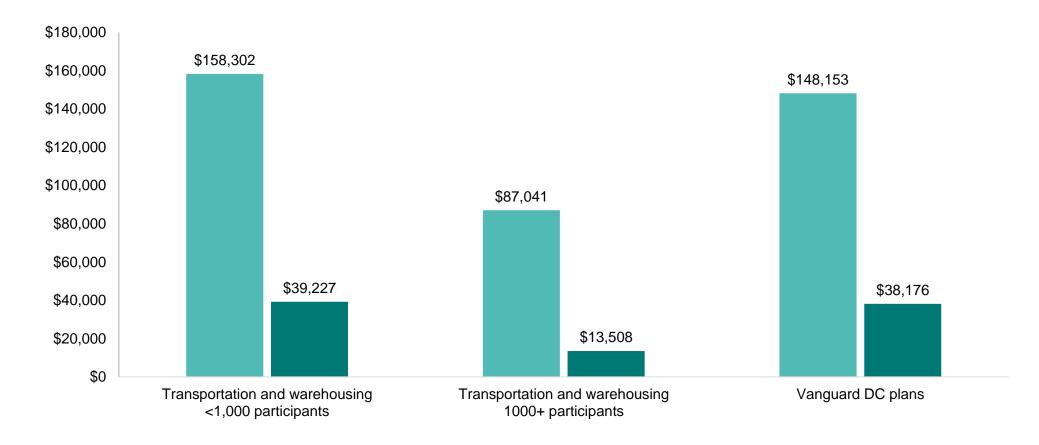
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# **Benchmark population**

	Transportation and warehousing <1,000 participants	Transportation and warehousing 1,000+ participants	Vanguard DC plans
Number of plans	28	20	1,417
Number of participants	7,831	637,747	4,770,746
Average number of participants	280	31,887	3,367
Median number of participants	168	9,411	622
Amount of assets	\$1.2B	\$55.5B	\$706.8B
Average assets	\$44.3M	\$2.8B	\$498.8M
Median assets	\$31.9M	\$1.5B	\$92.1M

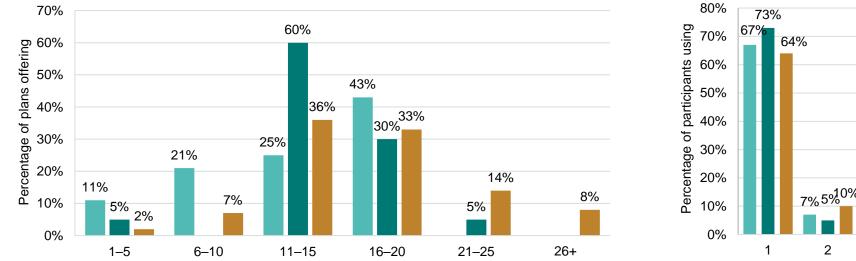
The transportation and warehousing industry is defined by NAICS (North American Industry Classification System) code 48-49.



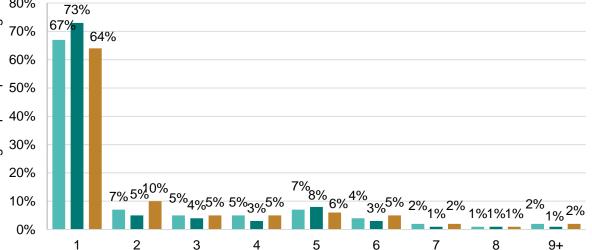
**Participant balances** 

Average Median

# Number of fund options offered and used



Funds offered per plan (all life-cycle funds counted as one)



Funds used per participant

	Transportation and warehousing <1,000 participants	Transportation and warehousing 1,000+ participants	Vanguard DC plans
Average funds offered	13.3	15.0	17.5
Median funds offered	14	14	16
Average funds used	2.2	2.0	2.3
Median funds used	1	1	1

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# **Types of investment options offered and used\***

	Transportation and warehousing <1,000 participants		Transporta	Transportation and warehousing 1,000+ participants		Vanguard DC plans	
	Percentage of plans offering	Percentage of participants using*	Percentage of plans offering	Percentage of participants using*	Percentage of plans offering	Percentage of participants using*	
Cash	96%	14%	100%	9%	99%	11%	
Money market	64%	9%	55%	4%	73%	5%	
Stable value/GIC	79%	10%	100%	6%	68%	9%	
Bond funds	89%	16%	95%	14%	98%	17%	
Active	79%	8%	90%	2%	81%	6%	
Index	68%	16%	90%	13%	90%	14%	
Inflation-protected securities	21%	3%	40%	2%	36%	3%	
Multisector	4%	1%	5%	1%	8%	1%	
High-yield	4%	2%	20%	2%	18%	3%	
International	14%	1%	25%	6%	19%	5%	
Emerging markets	<0.5%	0%	<0.5%	0%	1%	1%	
Balanced funds	96%	84%	100%	88%	99%	86%	
Traditional balanced	75%	9%	40%	7%	60%	11%	
Target-risk	11%	1%	<0.5%	0%	3%	1%	
Target-date	96%	79%	100%	85%	96%	84%	
Company stock	18%	100%	60%	44%	8%	21%	
Self-directed brokerage	7%	2%	35%	0%	22%	1%	

\* Among participants offered the option.

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# **Types of investment options offered and used\*** (continued)

	Transportati	Transportation and warehousing <1,000 participants		tion and warehousing 1,000+ participants	Vanguard DC plans	
	Percentage of plans offering	Percentage of participants using*	Percentage of plans offering	Percentage of participants using*	Percentage of plans offering	Percentage of participants using*
Equity funds	89%	33%	95%	23%	99%	30%
Domestic equity funds	89%	33%	95%	23%	99%	29%
Large-cap index	86%	25%	95%	19%	98%	24%
Large-cap active	89%	22%	85%	10%	89%	15%
Large-cap value	82%	12%	80%	6%	86%	8%
Large-cap growth	86%	18%	95%	9%	89%	12%
Large-cap blend	86%	25%	95%	18%	98%	24%
Mid-cap index	79%	17%	95%	12%	83%	14%
Mid-cap active	46%	7%	25%	3%	52%	6%
Small-cap index	39%	8%	35%	7%	63%	11%
Small-cap active	32%	8%	30%	10%	64%	6%
Socially responsible	4%	1%	<0.5%	0%	17%	6%
International equity funds	71%	19%	95%	15%	97%	18%
Index international	61%	14%	95%	12%	82%	14%
Active international	64%	10%	85%	5%	83%	8%
Emerging markets	18%	6%	20%	2%	33%	9%
Global equity funds	25%	17%	<0.5%	0%	15%	3%

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# **Types of investment options offered and used\*** (continued)

	Transportation and warehousing <1,000 participants		Transportation and warehousing 1,000+ participants		Vanguard DC plans	
	Percentage of plans offering	Percentage of participants using*	Percentage of plans offering	Percentage of participants using*	Percentage of plans offering	Percentage of participants using*
Sector funds	14%	32%	15%	7%	38%	5%
REIT	7%	12%	10%	1%	33%	4%
Health care	7%	36%	<0.5%	0%	8%	6%
Energy	4%	12%	<0.5%	0%	4%	4%
Precious metals	4%	3%	<0.5%	0%	2%	2%
Technology	<0.5%	0%	<0.5%	0%	3%	5%
Utilities	<0.5%	0%	<0.5%	0%	1%	2%
Natural resources	<0.5%	0%	<0.5%	0%	1%	3%
Financials	<0.5%	0%	<0.5%	0%	0%	1%
Communications	<0.5%	0%	<0.5%	0%	0%	1%
Consumer	<0.5%	0%	<0.5%	0%	0%	1%
Industrials	<0.5%	0%	<0.5%	0%	0%	1%

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# **Target-date fund availability and use**

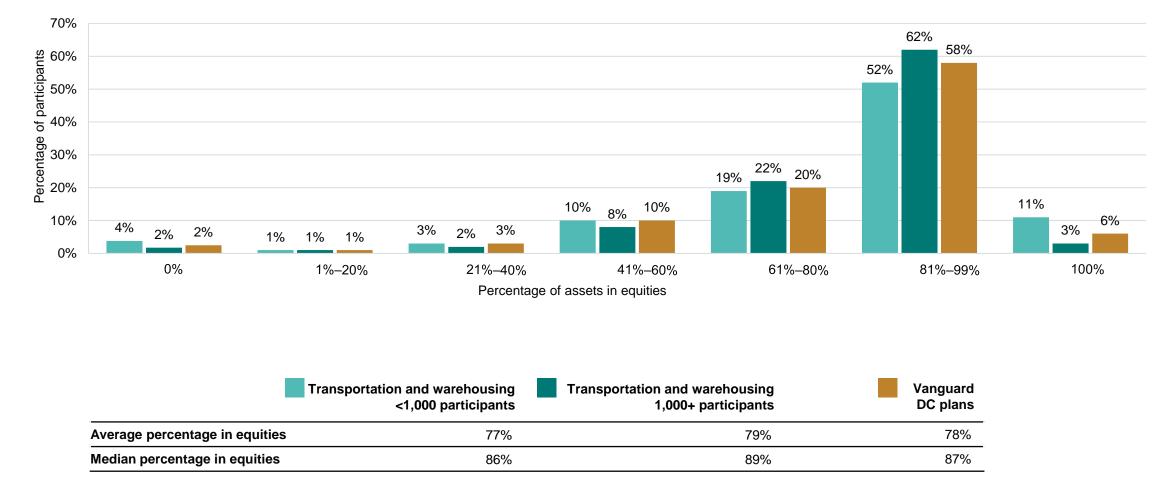
		Transportation and warehousing <1,000 participants	Transportation and warehousing 1,000+ participants	Vanguard DC plans
Percentage of plans offering		96%	100%	96%
Plan assets invested*		33%	34%	42%
	<10%	7%	0%	4%
	10%–19%	15%	10%	8%
Demonstrate of allow oppositet	20%–29%	15%	25%	16%
Percentage of plan assets*	30%–39%	11%	25%	20%
	40%–49%	15%	5%	18%
	50%+	37%	35%	34%
Percentage of participants using*		79%	85%	84%
Percentage of participant assets**		58%	62%	63%
	1%–24%	7%	5%	9%
Percentage of participant assets in	25%–49%	9%	5%	8%
target-date funds**	50%–74%	3%	2%	4%
	75%–99%	3%	3%	6%
	100%	77%	84%	73%
	One target-date fund only	75%	83%	71%
	One target-date fund plus other funds	21%	13%	23%
Percentage of participants owning**	Two or more target-date funds only	1%	1%	2%
	Two or more target-date funds plus other funds	3%	3%	4%

\* Among plans offering target-date options.

\*\* Among participants owning target-date options.

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#### **Asset and contribution allocations**

Asset allocation **Contribution allocation** 3% 4% 4% 5% 5% 7% 9% 4% 5% 6% 3% 6% 5% 3% 4% Brokerage 32% Cash 35% 42% 60% 64% 63% Bonds Other balanced Target-date Diversified equity 46% 43% Company stock 41% 30% 26% 26% 4% Transportation and Transportation and Vanguard DC plans Transportation and Transportation and Vanguard DC plans warehousing warehousing warehousing warehousing <1,000 participants 1000+ participants <1,000 participants 1000+ participants

	Transportation and warehousing <1,000 participants	Transportation and warehousing 1,000+ participants	Vanguard DC plans
Percentage of asset allocation in equities*	73%	74%	75%
Percentage of contribution allocation in equities*	76%	78%	79%

\* Equities include company stock, diversified equity, and the equity portion of balanced funds. Bars in chart may not align precisely with percentages because of rounding. Source: Vanguard, as of December 31, 2024.

### **Participants with professionally managed allocations**

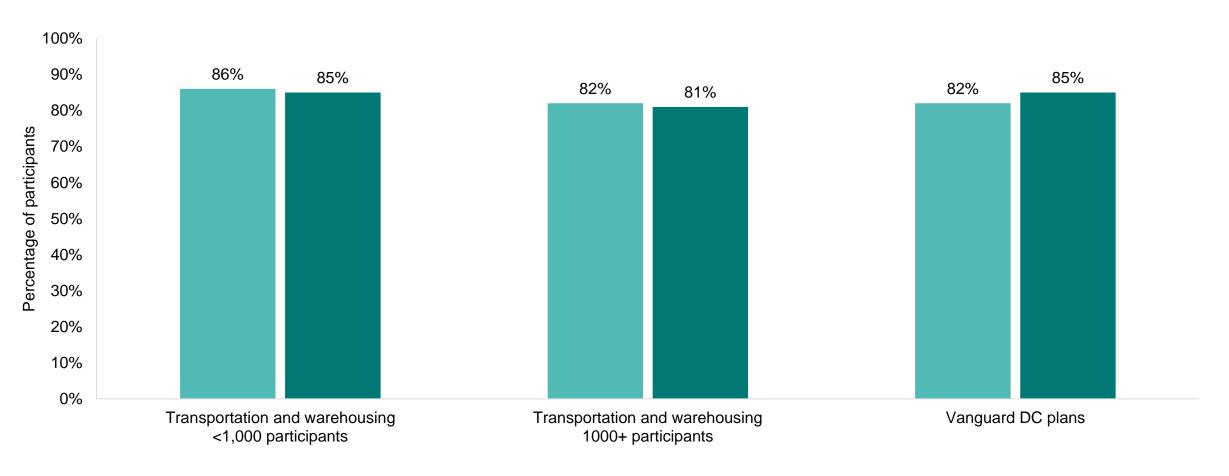
		Transportation and warehousing <1,000 participants	Transportation and warehousing 1,000+ participants	Vanguard DC plans
	Single target-date fund	56%	71%	59%
All participanta	Single balanced fund	0%	0%	1%
All participants	Managed account program	6%	8%	7%
	Total	63%	79%	67%
New plan entrants during the year	Single target-date fund	93%	98%	90%
	Single balanced fund	0%	0%	0%
	Managed account program	1%	0%	2%
	Total	94%	99%	92%

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# **Automatic enrollment options\***

		Transportation and warehousing <1,000 participants	Transportation and warehousing 1,000+ participants	Vanguard DC plans
Automatic enrollment*	Number of plans	11	15	795
	Percentage of plans	48%	79%	61%
	1%	0%	0%	2%
	2%	18%	20%	4%
Default automatic enrollment rate	3%	45%	33%	33%
Default automatic enforment rate	4%	18%	7%	14%
	5%	18%	0%	17%
	6%+	0%	40%	30%
	1%	64%	40%	67%
Default automatic increase rate	2%	0%	7%	2%
Default automatic increase rate	Voluntary election	27%	33%	25%
	Service feature not offered	9%	20%	6%
	<6%	0%	25%	2%
	6%–9%	70%	8%	14%
Default automatic increase cap	10%–14%	20%	50%	49%
Default automatic increase cap	15%–19%	10%	0%	24%
	20%+	0%	0%	6%
	No cap	0%	17%	5%
	Target-date fund	100%	100%	98%
Default fund	Other balanced fund	0%	0%	1%
	Money market or stable value fund	0%	0%	1%

\* Limited to plans using Vanguard's automatic enrollment service. Percentages may not total 100% because of rounding. Source: Vanguard, as of December 31, 2024.



#### **Participation rates**

Participant weighted 📕 Plan weighted

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# **Participant deferral rates**

		Transportation and warehousing <1,000 participants	Transportation and warehousing 1,000+ participants	Vanguard DC plans
	Average	8.3%	7.6%	7.7%
Deferral rates	Median	6.0%	6.9%	6.8%
	<4.0%	27%	20%	22%
Distribution of rates	4.0%-6.0%	22%	18%	20%
	6.1%–9.9%	20%	38%	33%
	10.0%–14.9%	18%	17%	18%
	15.0%+	14%	7%	7%

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Source: Vanguard active plans with nondiscrimination testing completed during the past two years.

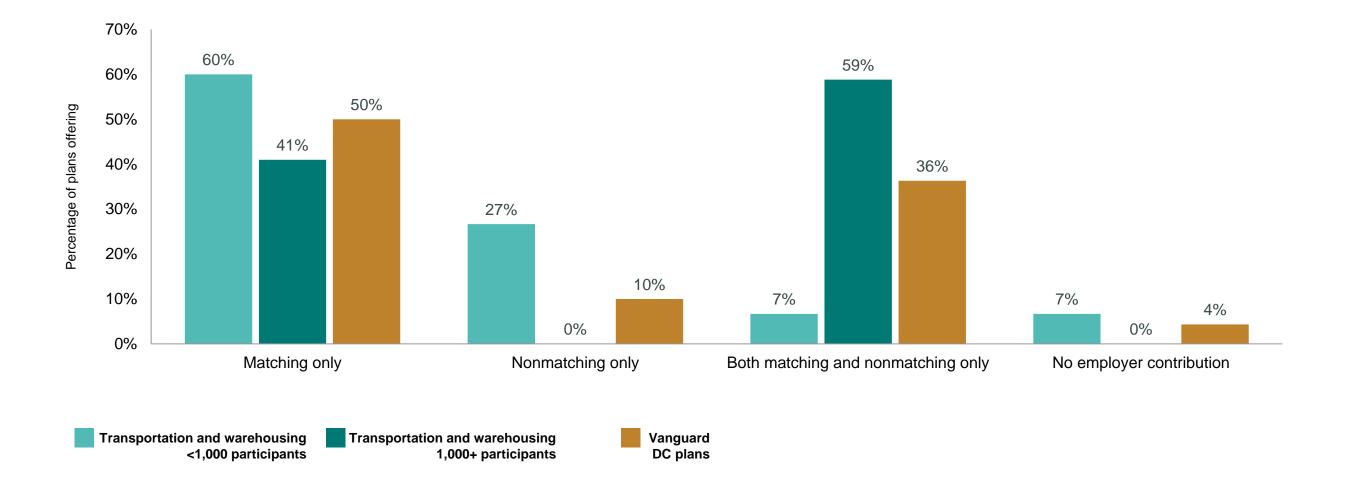
# **Aggregate participant and employer contribution rates**

		Transportation and warehousing <1,000 participants	Transportation and warehousing 1,000+ participants	Vanguard DC plans
Total saving rate	Average	12.5%	12.0%	12.0%
Total Saving Tate	Median	9.7%	12.6%	11.5%
	<5.0%	21%	12%	14%
	5.0%-8.9%	26%	14%	18%
Distribution of rates	9.0%–11.9%	12%	19%	21%
	12.0%–14.9%	9%	34%	20%
	15.0%+	32%	21%	26%

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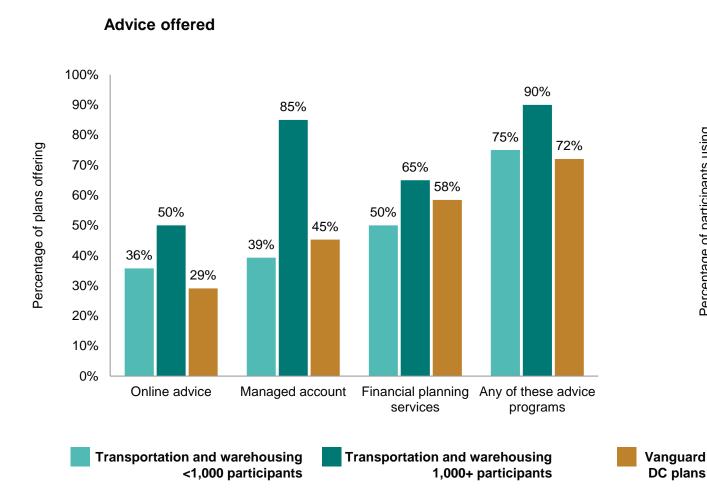
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# **Types of employer contributions**

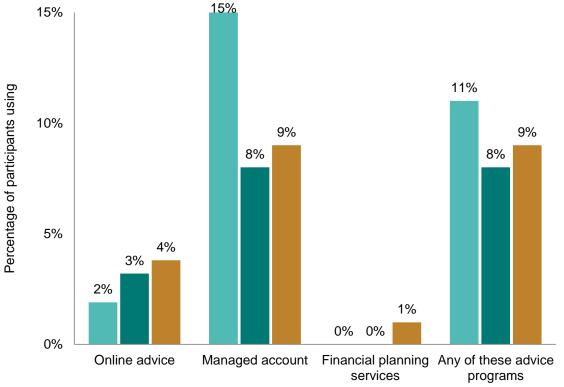


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#### **Advice services**

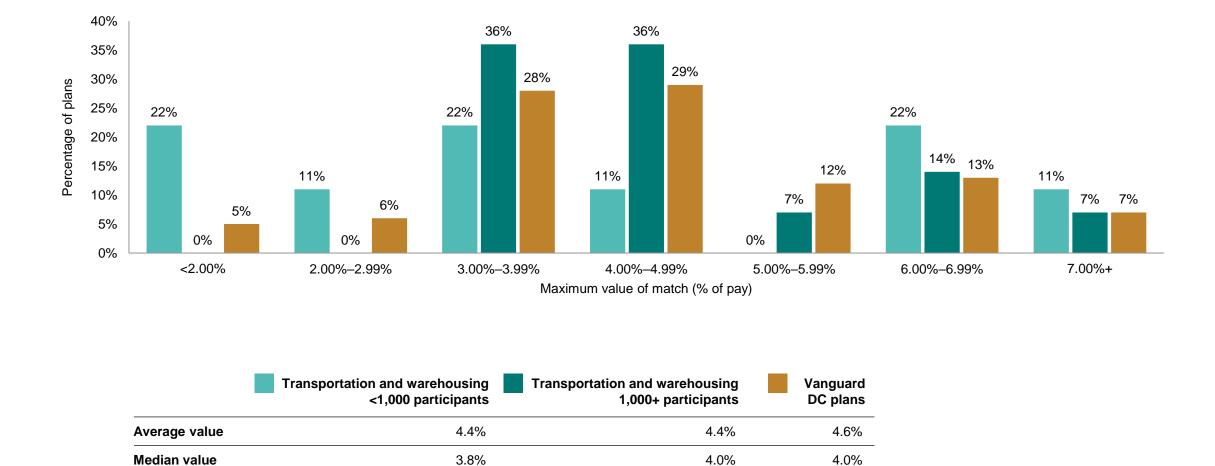


Advice used



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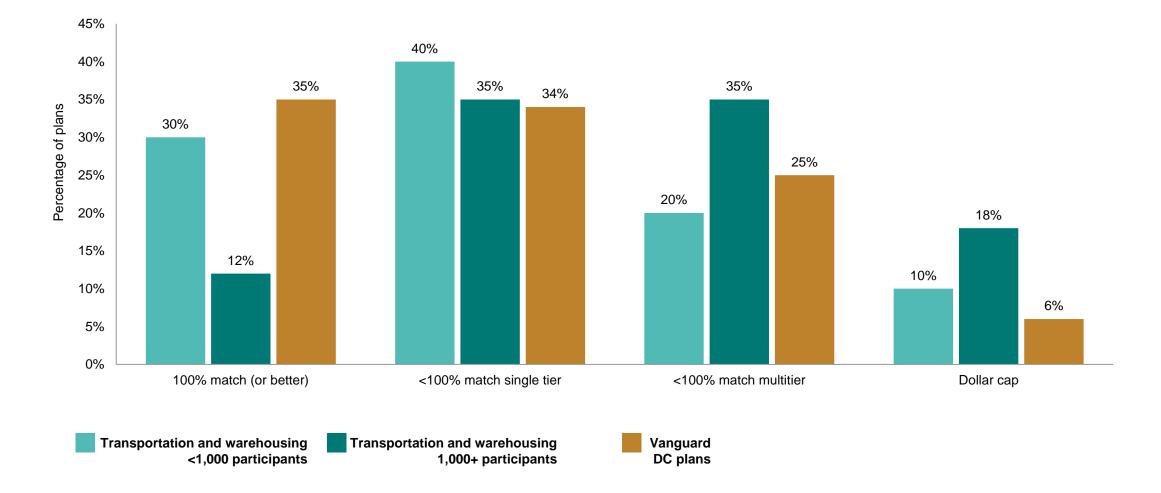


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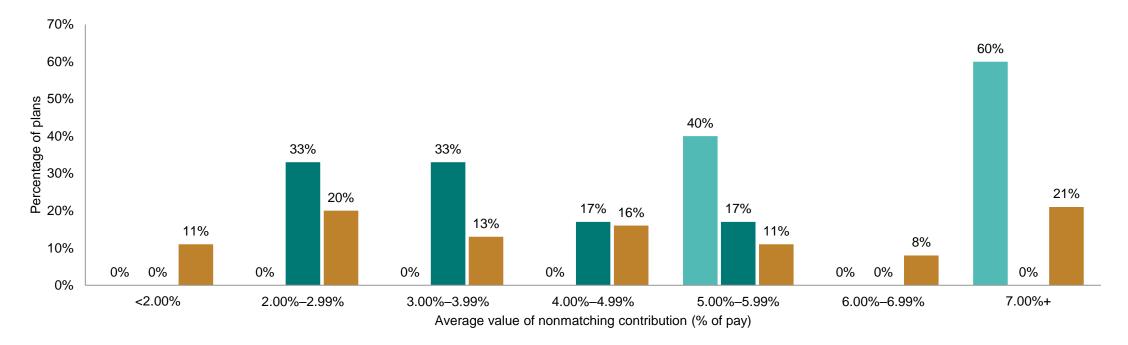
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# **Matching formulas**



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# **Nonmatching/Profit-sharing employer contributions**

	Transportation and warehousing <1,000 participants	Transportation and warehousing 1,000+ participants	Vanguard DC plans
Average value	11.4%	3.8%	5.3%
Median value	8.1%	3.8%	4.5%

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# **Roth availability and use**

		Transportation and warehousing <1,000 participants	Transportation and warehousing 1,000+ participants	Vanguard DC plans
Percentage of plans offering Roth (among plans with elective deferrals)		70%	100%	86%
Percentage of plan assets invested in Roth*		2%	2%	5%
Distribution of percentage of plan assets in Roth	<1%	19%	16%	10%
	1%–2%	38%	21%	29%
	3%–5%	25%	42%	36%
	6%–9%	19%	21%	16%
	10%–14%	0%	0%	6%
	15%+	0%	0%	3%
Percentage of participants with assets in Roth*		11%	9%	18%
Percentage of participant assets in Roth**		13%	13%	18%
Distribution of participant assets in Roth	1%–24%	56%	58%	50%
	25%–49%	18%	19%	23%
	50%-74%	10%	9%	14%
	75%–99%	5%	5%	6%
	100%	1%	3%	3%
Percentage of participants making Roth contributions (past 12 months)***		17%	8%	18%
Percentage of participant contributions going to Roth**		42%	44%	53%
Distribution of percentage of participant contributions to Roth	1%–24%	34%	32%	24%
	25%–49%	29%	28%	26%
	50%–74%	16%	15%	15%
	75%–99%	5%	7%	7%
	100%	16%	19%	28%

\* Among plans offering Roth.

\*\* Among participants using Roth.

\*\*\* Among participants making elective deferrals.

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#### **Participant loans and in-service withdrawals**

		Transportation and warehousing <1,000 participants	Transportation and warehousing 1,000+ participants	Vanguard DC plans
Outstanding loans*	Percentage of participants with outstanding loans	18%	16%	13%
	Percentage of account balance in loans	10%	10%	9%
	Average loan balance	\$12,128	\$9,584	\$11,067
Percentage of active participants with outstanding loans*	No loans	82%	84%	87%
	One loan	13%	13%	10%
	Two loans	5%	3%	3%
	Three+ loans	0%	0%	0%
Loans issued past 12 months*	Average per 1,000 active participants	125	111	104
	Average loan amount	\$12,922	\$10,470	\$11,220
Nonhardship withdrawals taken past 12 months**	Average per 1,000 active participants	50	205	136
	Average withdrawal amount	\$23,703	\$10,387	\$18,304
Hardship withdrawals taken past 12 months**	Average per 1,000 active participants	90	131	100
	Average withdrawal amount	\$7,170	\$4,802	\$5,145

\* Among plans allowing loans.

\*\* Among participants allowed in-service withdrawals.

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