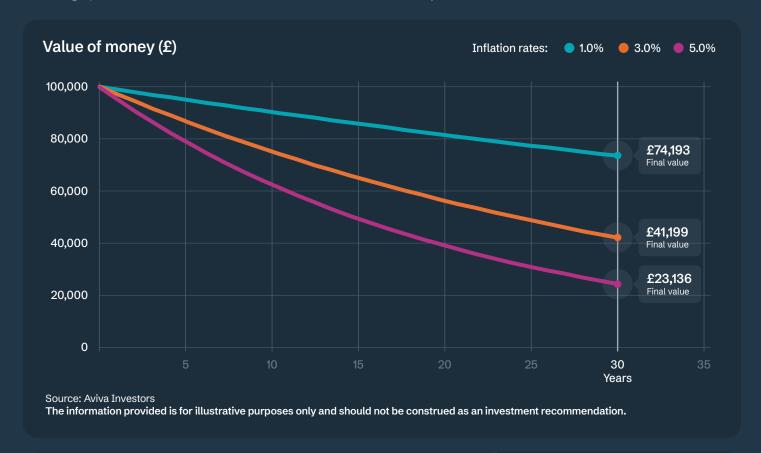


### **Investment Explainers**

# The impact of inflation

Inflation refers to the gradual increase in the cost of living over time, which means that the money you have today may buy less in the future. Understanding how inflation affects your savings and investments is key to making informed decisions and planning confidently for the long term.

The graph below illustrates the decline in value of £100,000 over 30 years at different inflation rates (1%, 3%, and 5%).





#### Key takeaways

- The faster inflation rises, the quicker money loses value
- Even low inflation has a significant long-term impact
- · Planning for inflation is essential in long-term financial strategies



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