

Millionaire Case Studies

Use the table we discussed to determine the net worth of the individuals listed below. Then use the "Wealth Calculator" to determine if the individual is wealthy as described by Stanley and Danko. Be sure to use the format demonstrated in class.

Case 1: Bob Dylan

Mr. Dylan is a 40-year-old poet and folk singer/songwriter and currently earns 100,000 per year. He has a house worth 450,000. He has a mortgage on the house of 100,000. He has recording equipment worth 200,000 with a mortgage of 75,000. He owns an electric guitar worth 5,000 and has a credit card balance owing of 2,000. He has investments worth 125,000. Is he wealthy?

Case 2: Leonard Cohen

Leonard Cohen is 50 year old doctor who currently earns 275,000 per year. He owns a home worth 1,500,000. He has a mortgage on that home of 950,000. He owns a sailboat worth 35,000 and a leased car valued at 95,000. He currently has 335,000 on his personal line of credit and a 18,000 outstanding balance on his credit card. He has savings of 335,000 in a retirement plan. Is he wealthy?

Case 3: Bruce Springsteen

Bruce is a 30-year-old engineer. He currently earns 75,000 per year. He has a house worth 575,000 but has a mortgage of 125,000. He owns a car worth 32,500 and savings of 105,500. He also owns a rental property worth 350,000. Is he wealthy?

Case 4: Nyota Uhura

Nyota is a self employed 20-year-old cellphone repair technician. She earns 45,000 per year. She owns a van worth 25000. She also has cellphone repair equipment worth 20,000. She also owes her friend Erin 175.00 for printing posters for the business. Is she wealthy?

Case 5: Christine Chapel

Christine is a 29-year old nurse. She currently earns 65,000.00 per year. She currently owns a condominium in Toronto worth 650,000 and has a mortgage of 250,000. She owns a 35,000 car and has 75,000 in retirement savings. Is she wealthy?