

LIFE AND ANNUITY MARKET UPDATE

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AGENDA

- Sales and trends
- **2** Product themes
- **3** Regulatory happenings
- 4 Recent M&A transactions
- **5** Key takeaways

LIFE INSURANCE SALES AND TRENDS

Overall sales trends

Annual sales growth rates measured by face amount¹

Product	2017	2018	2019	2020
Term	4%	3%	6%	6%
Whole life	-	2%	-	1%
Universal life	(3)%	(7)%	2%	(7)%
Total	2%	1%	5%	2%

- Life insurance sales down 3% in 2020 compared to 2019
- Certain events have impacted life insurance sales over the past two years
 - 2019: Large volume of sales due to effective dates for 2017
 CSO and VM-20
 - **2020:** COVID-19
- Given the large growth in 2019, 2020 numbers are more exaggerated than may appear
 - Traditional life (Term and WL) similar growth to 2019
 - ▼Universal life sales poor, closer to 2018 growth rates

Pandemic trend: sales directed to lower cost products with less dependency on interest rates

Universal life sales¹

Sales measured by face amount (\$B)

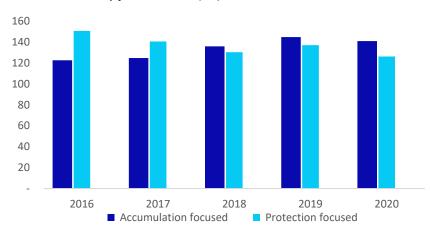


- IUL market share increased over past several years, but slowed during 2020
- Sales for VUL and fixed UL almost the same in 2020, highlighting:
 - A large decrease in fixed UL sales over the last 5 years, and
 - A noticeable increase in VUL sales over the last 3 years

DEEP DIVE: UNIVERSAL LIFE SALES AND TRENDS

Universal Life sales by design type¹

Sales measured by face amount (\$B)



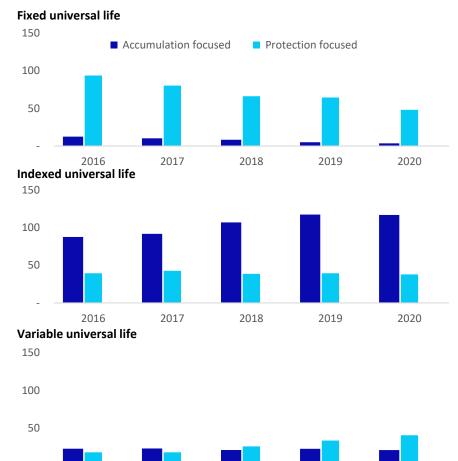
- In aggregate, accumulation focused products have sold better than protection focused products in recent years, especially in 2020
 - Driven by increased sales in IUL which is more focused on accumulation designs
 - Protection focused most popular on fixed UL
- Sales into protection based variable universal life sales were twice as high as accumulation based designs in 2020 and have a three year streak of outselling the accumulation design

Product sales by design type¹

Sales measured by face amount (\$B)

2016

2017



2018

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2020

2019

PRODUCT THEMES

There are opportunities for writers to broaden their products and distribution to have a portfolio that reaches a broad customer base and has appeal in different economic environments

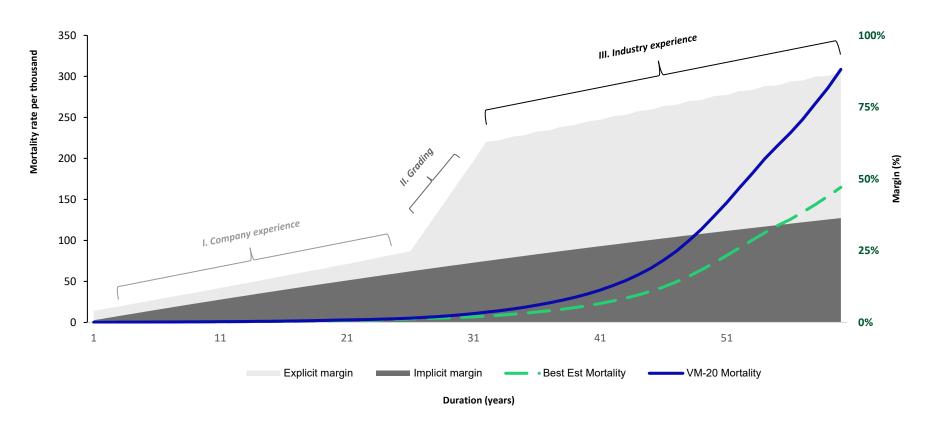
Theme	Comments and considerations				
Resurgence of VUL "The Old"	 Attractive in a persistent low interest rate environment, with consistently rising equities Customers willing to pay more for more upside potential Upsides to insurance company in equity market participation and diversification Secondary guarantees appear to be attractive to consumers, but carry more risk for writers Filing and illustration considerations 				
Registered IUL ("RIUL") also emerging "The New"	 RIUL is an IUL with downside exposure, two major designs are buffer and floor IUL sales growing at around 8% before 2020, popular with consumers Recent regulation around illustrations (AG49-A) have impacted sales Downside exposure allows for lower hedge costs, higher non-guaranteed index components and, in some situations, better illustrations 				
LTC combo attractive to consumers, dominated by a handful of companies "The Evolving"	 Hybrid of universal life which allows distribution of death benefit for long-term care Two major designs, extension of benefits is new for most writers Natural hedge between life insurance and living benefit components Uncertainty around reserving; modeling is complex 				
Sales practice trends	Underwriting: Accelerated / SimplifiedDigital / automation of sales				

REGULATORY HAPPENINGS

Regulatory item	Comments and considerations					
LDTI	 Major changes for life insurance: LFPB, DAC/DAC-like balances, disclosures 					
	 Companies at various stages of implementation, depending on reporting status 					
	 Policy decisions based on management goals balanced with operational considerations 					
	 Impacts: deferred earnings emergence for some universal life 					
	Major headache and biggest expense: data					
PBR	 Future mortality improvement and YRT reinsurance nearing conclusion 					
	Economic scenario generator entering field testing					
	 Valuation rate for 2021 issue years decreased by 50 bps 					
7702/SNFL	 Interest rates used in calculations under 7702 and SNFL were updated in VM-02 in a broader COVID relief bill (defined by VM-02) 					
	 Applicable to new business Dec 31, 2020 – 1 year transition 					
	 CVAT and GPT calculations will use an "accumulation test minimum rate" published by the IRS 					
	Impacts: product design and profitability, admin systems, illustration systems					
AG49-A	Applies to all policies sold on or after Dec 14, 2020					
	 Limits illustrated value for IUL policies with indexed-based multipliers, bonuses and policy loans 					
	 Popular multiplier designs are not expected to go away 					
	 Writers may demonstrate value by offering supplemental material and illustrating certain accounts below the maximum rate 					

PBR: IMPACT OF MORTALITY IMPROVEMENT ON MARGIN

Male, 40 year old, preferred non smoker, 2021 valuation

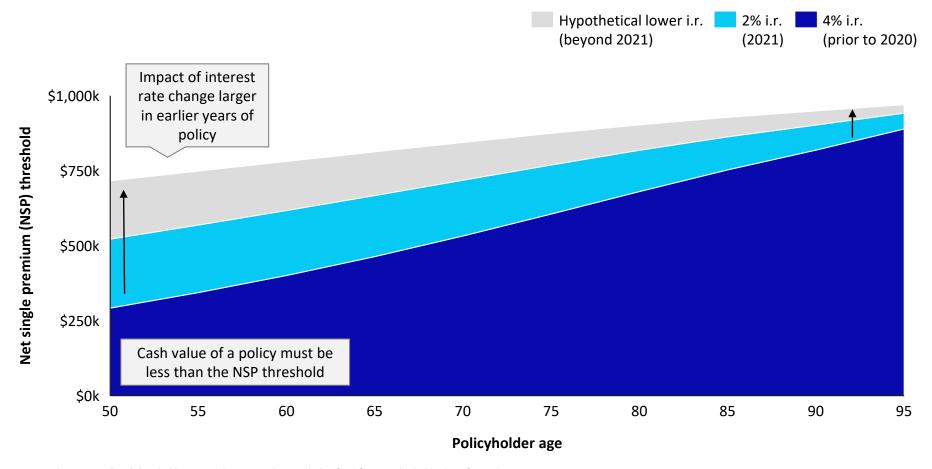


7702: IMPACT TO POLICYHOLDERS

All else equal, a reduction in interest rate allows for the policyholder to accumulate higher cash values and premiums, while maintaining the status of a life insurance policy

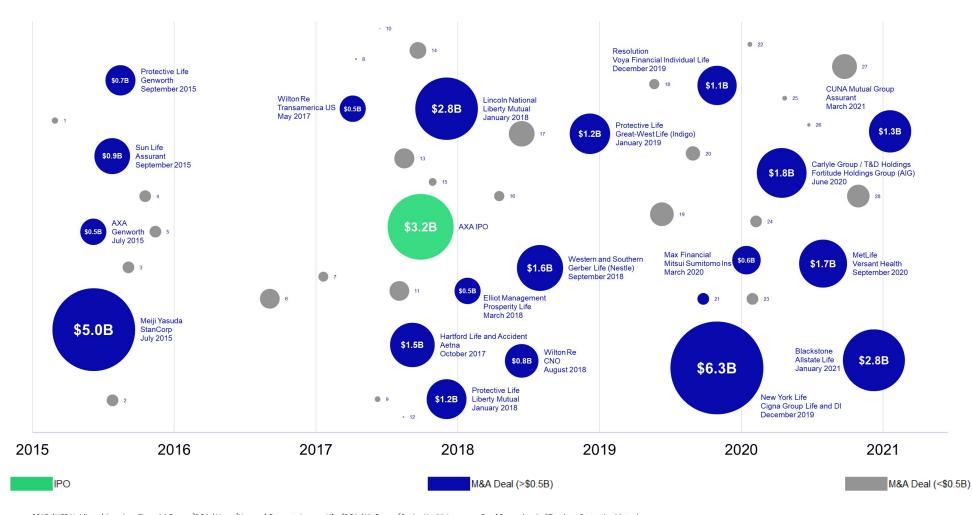
Maximum accumulated allowed cash value to maintain classification as an insurance policy

Net single premium threshold¹ across policy age under CVAT



^{1.} Net single premium (NSP) threshold = actuarial present value needed to fund future policyholder benefits under CVAT

SUMMARY OF LIFE & HEALTH DEALS BY SIZE AND TRANSACTION DATE (2015 - 2021)



^{2015:} ¹HC2 Holdings / American Financial Group, ²RGA / Voya, ³Kuvare / Guaranty Income Life, ⁴RGA / XL Group, ⁵Senior Health Insurance Co of Pennsylvania / Teachers Protective Mutual

^{2016: &}lt;sup>6</sup>PartnerRe Ltd / Aurigen Capital

^{2017: &}lt;sup>7</sup>Penn Mutual / Vantis Life, ⁸US Alliance / Northern Plains, ⁹Heritage Life / Pharmacists Mutual, ¹⁰R.D. Tips / Southwest Service Life, ¹¹Kuvare / United Fire Group, ¹²US Alliance Life / Midwest Holding, ¹³HCC Life / AIG, ¹⁴HC2 Holdings / Humana , ¹⁵Swiss Re / MAPFRE USA 2018: ¹⁶Kansas City Life / Grange Mutual, ¹⁷Carlyle Group / AIG

^{2019: 18} Ares / Global Bankers, 19 Kuvare / LBL, 20 Nassau Re / Foresters, 21 Somerset Re / Prudential

^{2020: 22}First Trinity / K-TENN, 23Aflac / Zurich North America , 24Monument Re / Greycastle, 25Prosperity Life / National Guardian Life, 26Taishin / Prudential Taiwan, 27Global Atlantic / ManuLife, 28Global Atlantic / Unum

KEY TAKEAWAYS

- 1 COVID-19 contributed to decreased sales in 2020 and impacted universal life significantly. Simpler low cost products easier to sell direct-to-consumer faired much better
- There are opportunities to broaden product and distribution to have a portfolio that reaches a broad customer base and has appeal in different economic environments
- With the number and timing of compliance changes and many writers needing to turn their full focus to LDTI, keeping up with the myriad of other regulatory changes may be difficult

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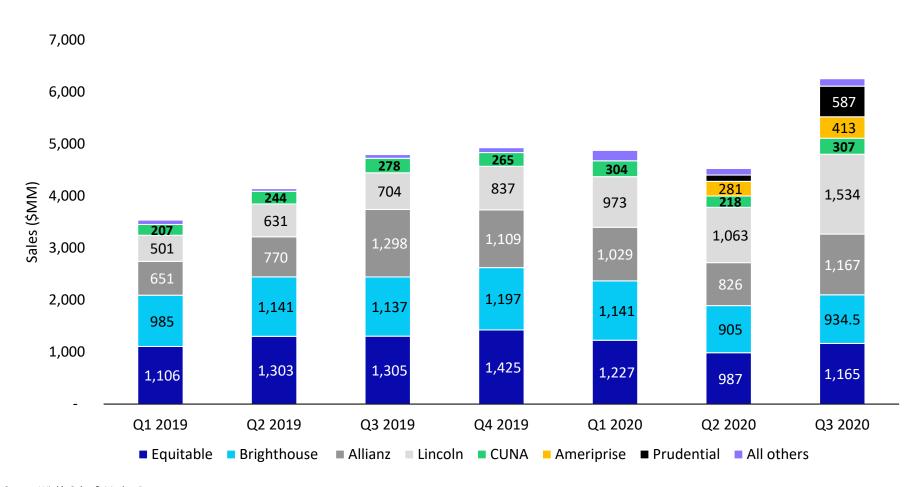
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- **2** RILA market expansion
- **3** FIA GLWB Financial reinsurance
- 4 M&A update
- **5** Fixed annuity market dynamics

ANNUITY QUARTERLY SALES TREND (\$BN)

Quarterly average		(21	2019		2020						
	2017	2018	⁷ Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4 \	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	
	23.9	25.1	19.3	21.7	21.7	21.9	21.1	16.3	17.7	19.6	VA
	14.4	17.4	18.0	20.0	18.6	16.9	16.2	12.0	13.2	14.3	FIA
	8.6	11.4	15.1	13.1	9.9	9.4	9.8	12.8	15.8	13.3	FA
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	2.3	2.8	3.5	4.1	4.8	4.9	4.9	4.5	6.3	8.3	I I RILA
	2.6	3.0	3.4	3.4	2.9	2.6	2.4	1.8	1.8	2.1	Income
	51.8	59.7	59.3	62.3	57.9	55.7	54.4	47.4	54.8	57.6	Total

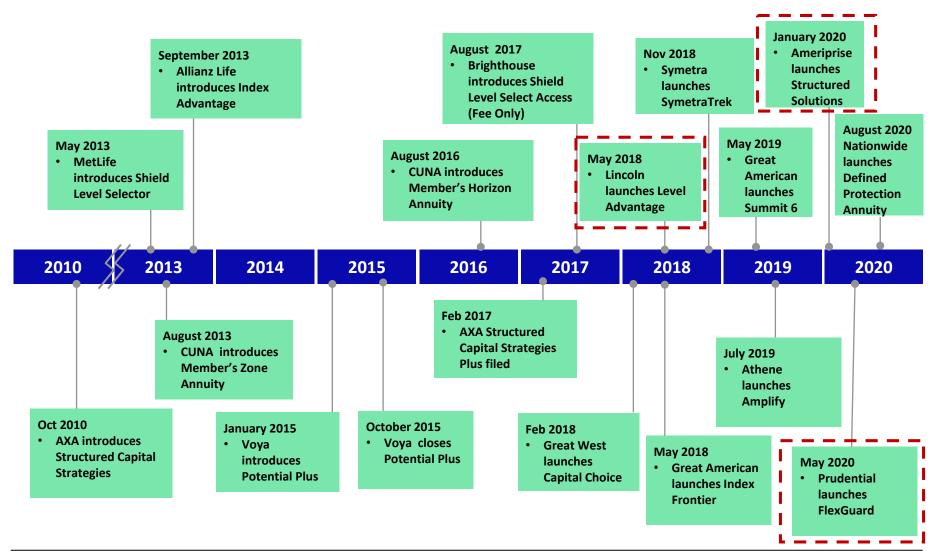
RILA SALES (QUARTERLY)



Source: Wink's Sales & Market Report

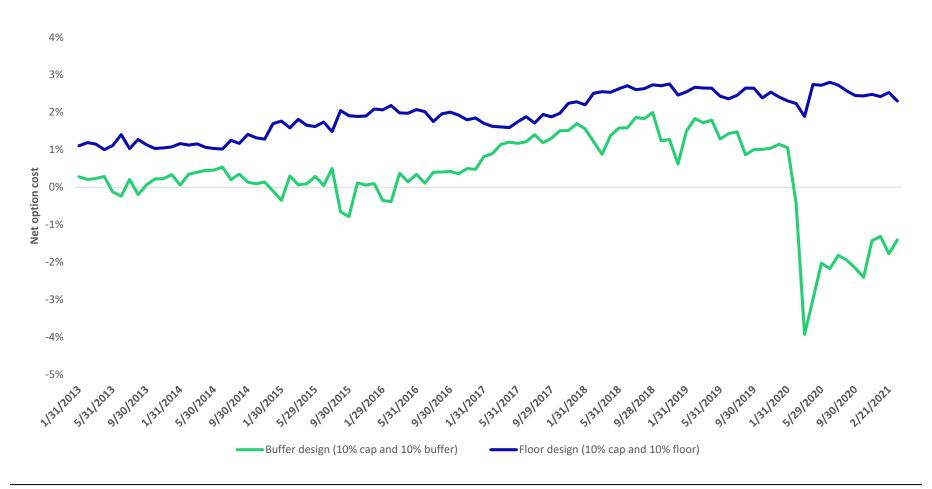
RILA PRODUCT LAUNCHES

Increasing sales has attracted more participants into the RILA space



Recent entrants with strong VA distribution platforms gain a strong foothold in the RILA market

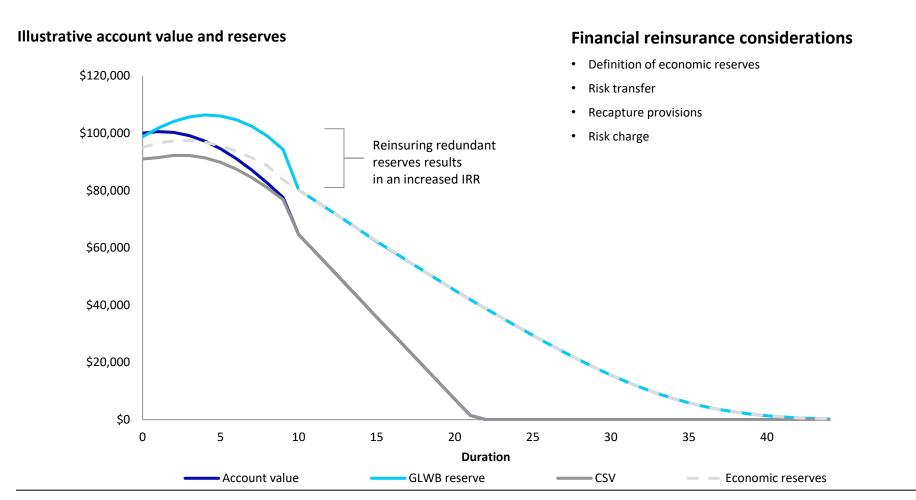
RILA 1 YEAR CREDITING STRATEGY - FLOOR VS BUFFER DESIGN



Companies offering buffer design have been able to offer higher caps and capture more profits than floor design

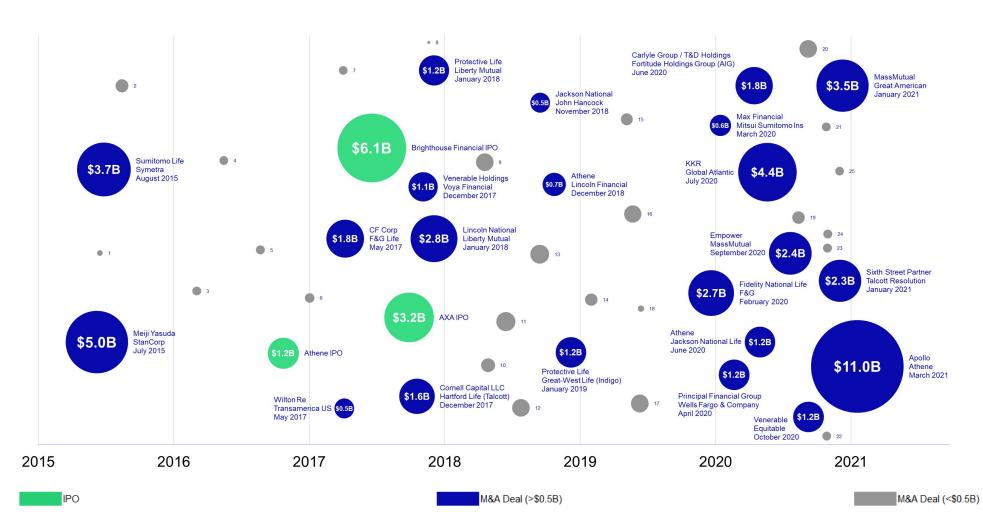
FIA GLWB FINANCIAL REINSURANCE

Financial reinsurance allows direct writers to hold less redundant reserves, reducing rider driven strain



Financial reinsurance is an opportunity to reduce strain and increase product profitability, but treaty and regulatory elements require careful consideration

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^{2015: &}lt;sup>1</sup>National Guardian / Independence Holding, ²Nassau Re / Phoenix

^{2016: &}lt;sup>3</sup>Undisclosed buyer / XL Group, ⁴Advantage Capital Partners / Sentinel Security Life, ⁵Kuvare Life Re / Undisclosed / Undisclosed

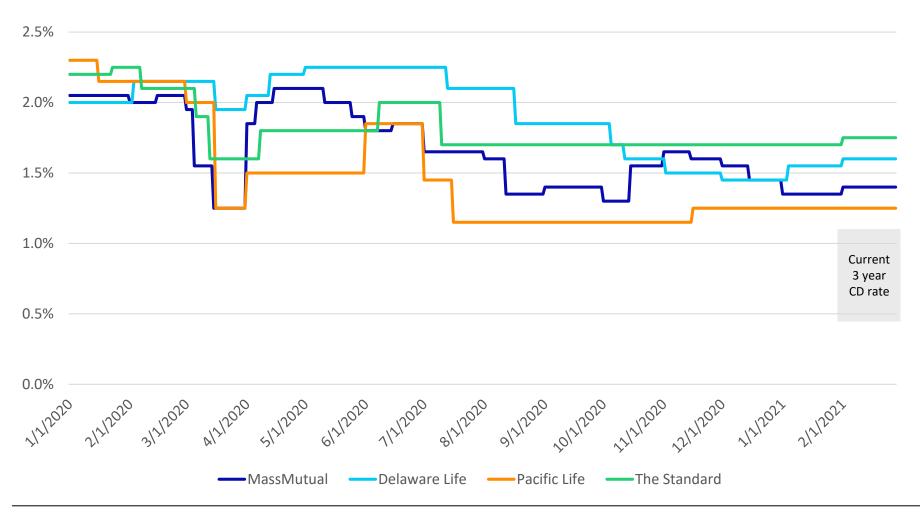
^{2017:} 6 Global Bankers / Enstar Group, 7 RGA / Farmers (Zurich)

^{2018: 8} American Republic Insurance / Great Western Insurance, 9 Athene / Voya, 10 Global Atlantic / Prudential, 11 Carlyle Group / AIG, 12 Resolution Re / Symetra, 13 RGA / John Hancock

^{2019: 14}Global Atlantic / Ameriprise, 15RGA / Horace Mann, 16Jade Mountain Partners / Lamington (White Eagle), 17Kuvare / LBL, 18777Re / Undisclosed seller

^{2020: 19} Ares / F&G Re, 20 Global Atlantic / Great American, 21777 Re / Unknown party, 22 Athene / General Electric, 23 Kuvare (LBL) / Unknown party, 24 Oceanview Re / Unknown party, 25 Prosperity Life Assurance / National Western Life

3 YEAR MYGA CREDITED RATES



MYGA rates are currently exceeding CD rates, leading to higher MYGA sales than in recent years

KEY TAKEAWAYS

- VA sales are in decline with many companies shifting to RILA
- 2 M&A and structuring of reinsurance has become popular for fixed annuities and fixed index annuities
- **3** Fixed annuities sales have increased due to changes in credited rates relative to CD rates

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