



Appreciating longevity diversity How can multi-employer plans of all shapes and sizes set appropriate longevity assumptions?

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Appreciating longevity diversity

- 1. Between plans
- 2. Between places
- 3. Between people
- 4. Over time
- 5. So what?





Club Vita

Proper noun, [kluhb vee-t*uh*], \'kləb vē-tə\

- 1. Centre of excellence for improving understanding of human longevity.
- 2. Community of organisations with a shared interest in longevity and belief that the 'bigger' the data, the lower the (statistical) noise.
- 3. Provider of longevity risk informatics to support pension plans' risk management strategies and enable market innovation.

Club Vita is an independent data utility, supporting pension plans, advisors, insurers & asset managers



VITALSTATISTICS



Records for over 2.9 million UK pensioners

equivalent to 1 in 4 DB pensioners

Relationships with over 220 large pension schemes

with over £300 billion of liabilities

Over 1.4m death records stretching back 25+ years

Supporting 9 out of 10 longevity reinsurers that help to make UK plans' promises secure





1. Diversity between plans

Diversity at the plan level





Expectation of life of a 65 year old in each scheme

6 years

- Each dot shows the crude period life expectancy for a pension plan in Club Vita using observed data from 2012-2016
- There is no allowance for future improvements ٠
- The purple dots represent plans whose participants are dominated by the same occupation. For example:
 - Bus drivers
 - **Brewers** .
 - Clergy .
 - University lecturers.







2. Diversity between places

Scottish diversity





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High life expectancy

Mid life expectancy

Low life expectancy



3. Diversity between people

Diversity between individuals





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Valuing people as individuals





Source: Club Vita – 34 new schemes joining between July 2013 and June 2016, relative to each scheme's previous technical provision assumption for baseline longevity

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4. Diversity over time

Diversity in trends



"Bucketing" Principles

- 1. Findings applicable to all
- 2. Statistically credible
- 3. Interpretable groups
- 4. Manageable number
- 5. Capture differences in mortality improvements





Diversity in trends



Figures in brackets represent 95% confidence interval. For more information, please see our report: https://www.hymans.co.uk/media/uploads/PLSA_Longevity_model__June_2017.pdf





5. So what?

Benefits from Club Vita approach

- Cleaner data
- More confidence in assumptions
- Start thinking of longevity as a risk that can be managed, rather than assumption
- More risk management strategies become possible
- Drive down the cost of insurance
- Better informed decisions





The techniques travel well



Toronto – males









- Founded in 2014
- Very similar findings to UK*
- Will publish first trend analysis in Canada shortly
- Club has grown to diverse group 50 plans, including 4 multi-employer plans:
 - IBEW local 353 Pension Plan (electrical workers)
 - Ontario Ironworkers Pension Fund
 - IUOE Local 793 Pension Plan (operating engineers)

* <u>https://www.clubvita.co.uk/assets/images/general/CIA-pensioner-baseline-mortality.pdf</u>







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How good a fit is VitaCurves model?

Actual vs Expected deaths on amounts basis (2014-2016 experience vs 2018 VitaCurves model)



The chart shows actual deaths compared to expected deaths (A/E) for the period 2014 to 2016 with expected deaths calculated by assigning each individual to the most granular VitaCurve appropriate to that individual. Many of the cases falling outside the approximate 95% confidence interval funnel do so for explicable reasons. For example, scheme A is a senior executive scheme where each individual has a very high pension and longevity risk is very concentrated. One particular high net worth individual died in their early 60s skewing the results.

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