

Session 008: Health Disability Special Interest Group Breakfast

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Disability Special Interest Group Breakfast

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Agenda

- Update on Special Interest Group Activities
- Current SOA Disability Research
- Group Disability Profit and Market Trends
- Group Life Profit and Market Trends





Disability Special Interest Group Activities

- Disability and Group Life Sessions
- Mailing List
 - SOA Website -> Tools & Resources -> Listservs -> Public
 - <u>https://www.soa.org/News-and-Publications/Listservs/default.aspx</u>
 - Click <u>Disability Listserv</u> to mail to the group or <u>disability.si@list.soa.org</u>
 - JOIN / LEAVE
- Research Projects





SOA Research

- Individual Disability Experience Committee
- Group Disability Experience Committee
- Group Life Experience Committee
- LTD Credibility Research
 - <u>https://www.soa.org/resources/experience-studies/2019/group-ltd-credibility-stage-2/</u>
- Individual Life Disability Waiver Research







2018 U.S. Group Disability Market Survey





Contributors to 2018 U.S. Group Disability Market Survey

Anthem	Inc

AXA

Cigna

Dearborn National

Guardian Life Insurance Company

The Hartford

Liberty Mutual

Lincoln Financial Group

MetLife

Mutual of Omaha

Northwestern Mutual

OneAmerica

Principal Financial Group

Prudential

Reliance Standard Life Insurance Company

The Standard

Sun Life Financial

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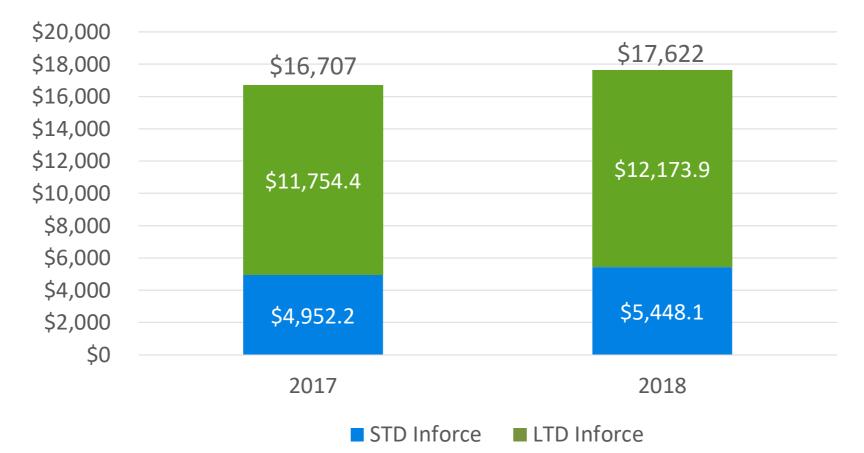
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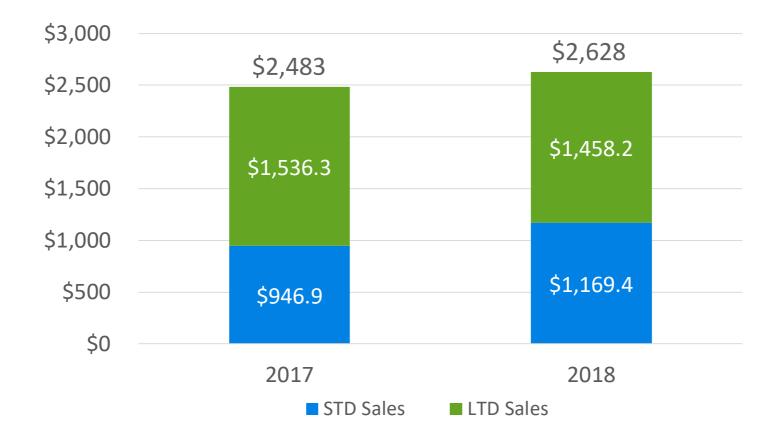
Total Inforce Premium Among Contributing Companies from 2017 and 2018 (in \$ Millions)







Total New Sales Premium Among Contributing Companies from 2017 and 2018 (in \$ Millions)







Group Disability Growth Rates

STD	New Sales	Inforce
CASES	6.7%	0.3%
PREMIUM	23.5%	10.0%
LIVES	12.9%	11.1%

LTD	New Sales	Inforce
CASES	5.0%	0.4%
PREMIUM	-5.1%	3.6%
LIVES	-10.3%	2.6%





Recent Growth Rates in LTD and STD Premium

Segment	2016*	2017	2018
STD – Inforce	6.4%	6.0%	10.0%
STD – New Sales	12.0%	8.5%	23.5%
LTD – Inforce	5.1%	3.8%	3.6%
LTD – New Sales	14.9%	6.6%	-5.1%

* Slightly different contributors in 2016





2018 Group Disability Average Premium per Life

	Inforce	Inforce	New Sales	New Sales
	PPL	PPL Growth	PPL	PPL Growth
STD	\$223	-1.0%	\$214	9.3%
LTD	\$271	1.0%	\$240	5.7%





Change in Premium in 2018 Employee-Paid vs. Employer-Paid

Segment	EE-Paid Only	ER-Paid	Total
STD - Inforce	15%	9%	11%
STD – New Sales	8%	34%	24%
LTD - Inforce	9%	1%	3%
LTD – New Sales	-12%	-1%	-4%





Summary

- The U.S. Group Disability Market experienced relatively strong inforce premium growth in 2018, especially in STD.
- STD also saw strong new sales growth in 2018. This may be primarily due to New York Paid Family leave. Total LTD new sales premium decreased in 2018.
- Average premium per life for new sales increased for both STD and LTD in 2018, while the average premium per life for inforce business changed only slightly.
- Inforce premium increased significantly faster for EE-paid business compared to ER-paid business.



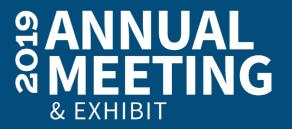


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- If your company didn't participate in the past and you would like to get involved, please contact Jay Effron at Milliman.
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