



Recently Published Retirement Research

RETIREMENT RISK REPORTS

The Society of Actuaries (SOA) recently published several new retirement risk research reports.

All reports are available at: <http://www.soa.org/research/research-projects/pension/research-post-retirement-needs-and-risks.aspx>

The 2013 Risk and Process of Retirement Survey, in cooperation with Mathew Greenwald & Associates and EBRI, reports the results of this 2013 survey of retirees and pre-retirees. The survey explored retirees' and pre-retirees' awareness of retirement risk issues and strategies for dealing with them. The full report is now available. A series of highlight reports connected with the survey are currently being created. Previous reports in the series can also be found on the same Web page.

Managing Retirement Decisions is a landmark effort examining the major decisions encountered in retirement. Drawing upon the expertise of prominent retirement professionals, the result is a thought-provoking series of 11 issue briefs written in everyday language. The briefs tackle a variety of retirement decisions with practical considerations and advice.

SHORT REPORTS FOCUSING ON SPECIFIC RETIREMENT RISK ISSUES

A set of reports highlighting key findings from the 2011 Risk and Process of Retirement Survey was produced in conjunction with the survey.

Understanding and Managing the Risks of Retirement explores what retirees and pre-retirees understand about various retirement risks and risk management strategies. Risks considered include investment, inflation, health care and longevity.

The Longevity Report examines retirement risk issues related to longevity.

Working in Retirement covers the results of the most recent survey taken in 2011 specifically as they relate to different aspects of working in retirement.

The Impact of the Economy on Individual Retirement Risk explores the recent financial turmoil and its impact on retirement risks.

RETIREMENT DECISION FOCUS GROUPS

The Decision to Retire and Post-Retirement Financial Strategies: A Report on Eight Focus Groups summarizes a series of focus groups that probed on the decision process to retire and views on managing assets after retirement. The study was designed specifically to examine those who were not forced to retire due to ill health or disability. The groups were conducted by Mathew Greenwald and Associates.

DC PLAN DESIGN

The Next Evolution in Defined Contribution Retirement Plan Design – A Guide for DC Plan Sponsors to Implementing Retirement Income Programs is intended to help plan sponsor fiduciaries understand existing options when studying retirement income solutions for DC retirement plans. The report was authored by Steve Vernon of the Stanford Center on Longevity.