## PENSION SAVINGS IN YOUR 50S

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## **AGENDA**

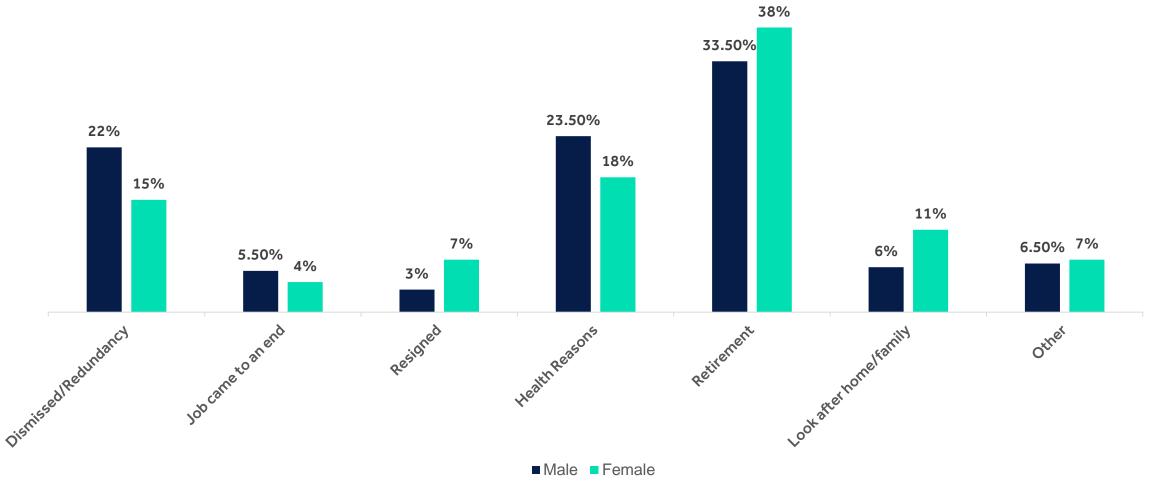
#### What I'll cover today

- 1. Leaving work
- 2. How a pension works
- 3. Your retirement options
- 4. Action plan



## **REASONS FOR LEAVING WORK**

Individuals aged 50 – 64 who are not in work





Based on February 2017 data. Source: DWP 2017

## WE'RE ALL LIVING LONGER

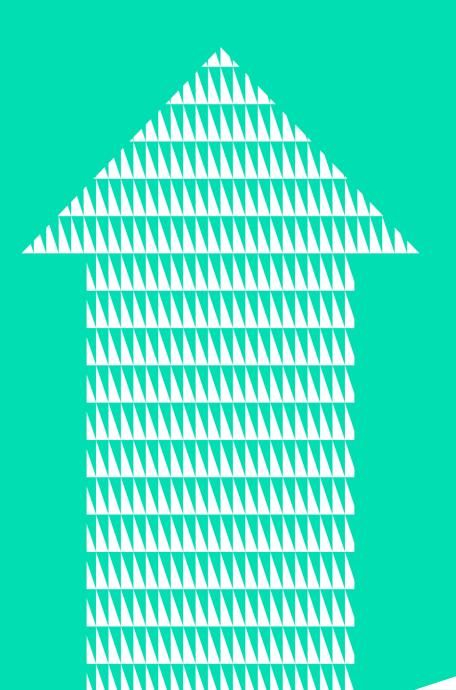
#### 1980 - 1982

- Men 5% reaching 90<sup>th</sup> birthday
- Women 14% reaching 90<sup>th</sup> birthday

#### 2015 - 2017

- Men 21% reaching 90<sup>th</sup> birthday
- Women 32% reaching 90<sup>th</sup> birthday

**Source: Office for National Statistics** 



#### **STATE SUPPORT**

The Government will look after us (to some extent)

- Currently £168.60 per week; roughly £8,750 per annum
- Based on 35 years national insurance contributions
- Consider whether 'contracted out'
- Check <u>www.gov.uk/check-state-pension</u> for forecast
- Rules can change and amount depends on your circumstances

## **HOW MUCH WILL I NEED**

A half to two/thirds of salary

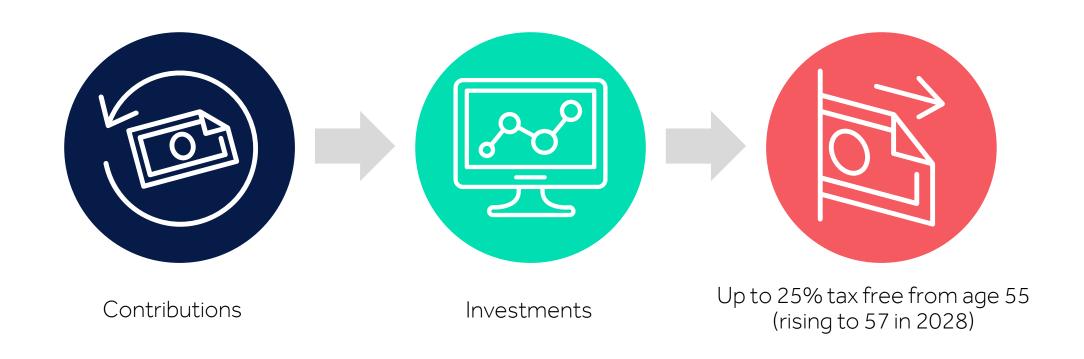
Save / Invest	
Mortgage	
Children	
Commuting	
Hobbies / Leisure	Hobbies / Leisure
Holidays	Holidays
Groceries	Groceries
Utilities	Utilities





#### **HOW A PENSION WORKS**

A flexible, tax efficient way to save for your retirement



Tax rules can change and benefits depend on personal circumstances

#### WHAT IS AN ANNUITY?

A secure, regular income for life



#### Up to 25% Tax Free

Lump sum payment



#### **Taxable Income**

Either fixed or escalating



#### Secure Income

For the rest of your life



#### Consider

What happens after you have passed away

#### How can HL help?

- Access to whole market
- Easy to see if you qualify for more income by adding health and lifestyle details
- Retirement Helpdesk always on hand
- Annuity Calculator

Cannot be changed or cancelled even if your circumstances change. If unsure, seek advice. Tax rules can change, and the benefits depend on personal circumstances.

#### WHAT IS DRAWDOWN?

Flexible access to your pension



Up to 25% Tax Free

Lump sum payment





**Taxable Income** 

You choose how much



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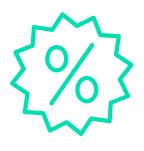
#### How can HL help?

- No charge to take tax-free cash and change withdrawals
- Help choosing investments
- Monitor your account online or with our app
- Drawdown calculator
- Retirement Helpdesk on hand

With drawdown your income is not guaranteed, and could run out. If unsure, seek advice. Tax rules can change, and the benefits depend on personal circumstances.

#### WHAT IS A LUMP SUM WITHDRAWAL?

Since April 2015, you can take lump sums directly from your pension



Up to 25% Tax Free

From each lump sum



75% Taxable Income

From each lump sum



Investment

Invest how you want



Consider

What happens after you have passed away

#### How can HL help?

- No additional charge for taking withdrawals (unless you take it all)
- Spread your withdrawals over multiple tax years
- Help choosing investments
- Monitor your account online or with our app
- Retirement Helpdesk always on hand

With a lump sum withdrawal your income is not guaranteed, and could run out. If unsure, seek advice. Tax rules can change, and the benefits depend on personal circumstances.

## **ACTION PLAN**

- 1. REVIEW RETIREMENT AGE
- 2. ARE YOU ON TRACK?
- **3. REVIEW INVESTMENTS**
- 4. KEEPING THINGS SIMPLE



## REVIEWING RETIREMENT AGE

#### Average Retirement Age

- Men 65
- Women 64

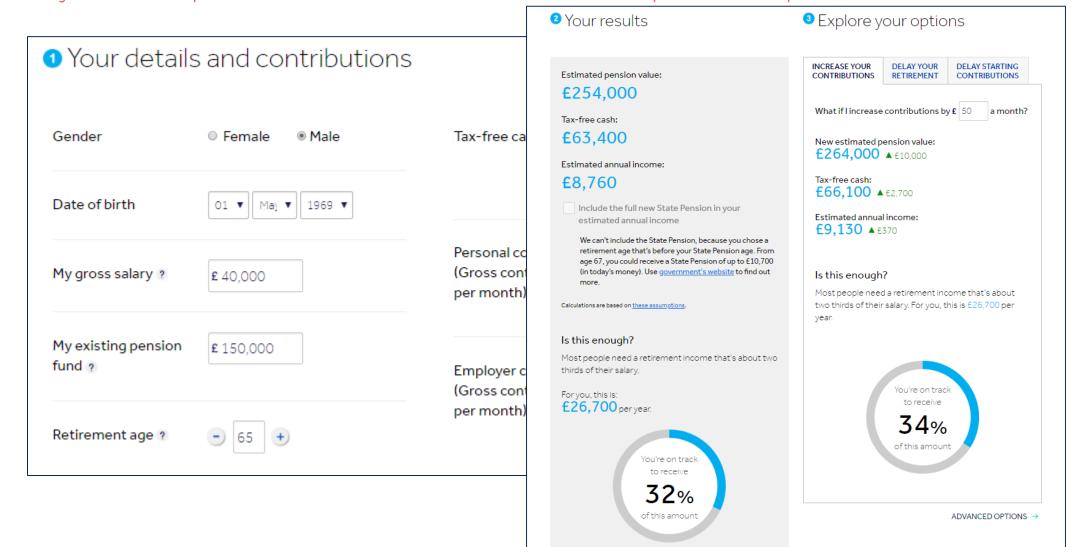
#### Retirement Age affects:

- Communication
- Income
- Investments



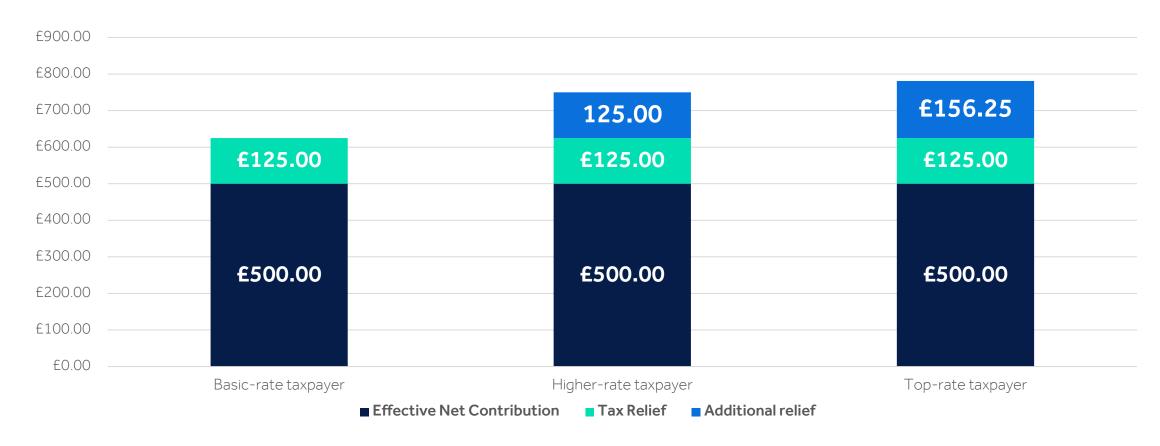
#### **ARE YOU ON TRACK?**

Try our free pension calculator – www.hl.co.uk/pensions/pension-calculator



#### **BOOSTING YOUR PENSION**

#### A helping hand from the Government



You must pay sufficient tax at the higher or top rate to claim the full 40 or 45% tax relief.

Different tax bands will apply to Scottish taxpayers.



## HOW MUCH CAN I CONTRIBUTE TO MY PENSION

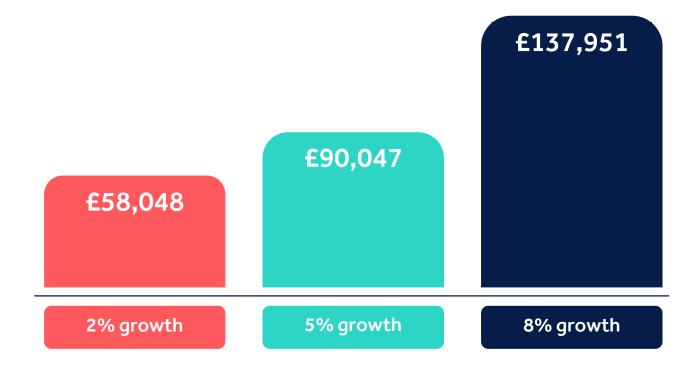
Make the most of your pension allowance

- Personal contributions usually limited to 100% of earnings
- All contributions, including from your employer, are capped at annual allowance of £40,000
- This can reduce for higher earners
- Accessing your pension can sometimes mean your contributions are restricted.
- There are certain rules that mean the amount you can pay in might be higher or lower, there's also a lifetime allowance – find out more at www.hl.co.uk/pensions/contributions
- Tax rules can change; figures correct for 2019/20 tax year and money in a pension is not usually accessible until age 55 (57 from 2028)



#### REVIEWING INVESTMENTS

Why investment performance matters



Assumes £50,000, invested for 15 years, with a 1% annual charge. The real value of growth will be eroded by inflation

This is an example and actual growth depends on how well your investments perform.

Investments can go down as well as up in value so you could get back less than you invest.

Source: HL Regular Savings Calculator

## **PENSION WISE**Free & impartial guidance

#### WHO?

- Aged 50 and over
- Workplace or personal pension
- Help understand your options

#### WHAT?

- Specialist pension guidance
- 45 to 60 minutes
- Over the phone or local to you

www.pensionwise.gov.uk 0800 138 3944

WHAT DOES GOOD PENSION PLANNING LOOK LIKE?

The three key decisions

1. Am I contributing enough?

2. Where am I investing?

3. Can I make things simpler?



## TRANSFERRING PENSIONS

These are some of the points to consider

- You have the choice of whether to consolidate
- Check for fees, or loss of guarantees
- Reduced administration
- Usually transferred as cash so you'll be out of the market for a period
- If unsure seek advice



## **COMPLETING AN EXPRESSION OF WISH FORM**

Make an nomination for your pension when you die

- Complete a paper or online form
- Split between multiple beneficiaries
- Money does not go into your estate
- Not legally binding
- Update to reflect personal circumstances



## 180

Pay days left for someone turning 50 today and retiring at 65



## **USEFUL CONTACT DETAILS**

HL's Retirement Helpdesk





- Dedicated team of retirement specialists
- Can walk through your options in detail
- Can guide you through the retirement process
- Information not advice



#### **IMPORTANT INVESTMENT NOTES**

What you do with your pension is an important decision, you could run out of money. If you are at all unsure you should seek guidance or personal advice. The Government's free Pension Wise service could help. They provide a free impartial service to help you understand your options at retirement. You can access the service online at <a href="https://www.pensionwise.gov.uk">www.pensionwise.gov.uk</a>, by calling 0800 138 3944 or face to face.

Hargreaves Lansdown Workplace Solutions provides information, not personal advice, about the pension and investment plan. If you are in doubt about whether these investments are suitable for you, you should seek personal financial advice.

Unlike cash, stock market based investments are not guaranteed and fall in value as well as rise, we therefore believe you should only invest for the long term (5+ years). Ultimately you could get back less than you invest.

Tax rules or state benefits referred to are those that currently apply, they can change over time and any benefit to you will depend on your circumstances. Once in a pension, your money is normally no longer accessible until age 55, rising to 57 from 2028. Before transferring please ensure you will not lose valuable benefits or incur excessive penalties. Pensions are usually transferred as cash, so you will be out of the market for a period.

Please refer to the Key Features Documents and Terms & Conditions on the website and in your joining packs for full details.



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