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# Worksite Life Insurance 2024 Research Report

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### About the Premium Report

The primary source of information for this report comes from the Milliman 2024 Worksite Life product survey which focuses on the worksite life insurance market only. Survey responses were collected from 19 carriers through August 2024. We have also provided information from the Milliman 2024 State of the Market Survey within this report.

Aggregate and detailed data were collected, and, in some instances, carriers were unable to provide results at a granular level. As a result, sometimes the detailed distribution of data represents a subset of the surveyed companies and does not reconcile to the aggregate survey results. To maintain confidentiality, respondents may not have provided certain information for some questions. In these situations, we did not populate certain figures in the report. We have aggregated some of the data in this report at the total market level.

Please note that unless otherwise indicated, survey results are shown using a <u>simple</u> <u>average</u> of responses for each survey question, not weighted by respondent sales or inforce premium. Therefore, unless noted, each carrier response is weighted equally to create the averages presented in this report.

The product scope of this survey is life insurance products sold at the worksite that are entirely paid for by the employee. These products have both group and individual characteristics. The intention is to exclude products that have any portion of the policy paid for by the employer, such as policies that are "pure" group insurance (e.g., annually renewable term insurance). The products in this survey are more individual in nature (though some are filed as group) and tend to be fully portable.

This Premium Report includes commentary from brokers and carriers on important topics collected from several focus groups, in addition to our consultant commentary. The icons shown on the right will notate places in the Premium Report where broker, carrier, or consultant commentary is included. We go beyond reporting participant responses, providing valuable market insights based on our research and experience.



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Robert focuses on life insurance and long-term care (LTC). He assists companies with product development and pricing of hybrid life and LTC (or chronic illness) products, and with mergers and acquisitions for block of LTC, life insurance, and worksite A&H products.



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Bill works with term life, universal life, whole life, and life-LTC hybrid products, and his primary area of expertise is simplified issue/guaranteed issue worksite life insurance in the worksite market. He consults on strategy, product development and pricing, modeling, and system implementation.



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## Participating Carriers

We would like to thank the following carriers for their participation in this survey.

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