# Impact On Texas & Texans



THE LIFE INSURANCE INDUSTRY GENERATES 191,000 JOBS IN TEXAS



LIFE INSURERS INVEST **\$473 BILLION** IN TEXAS' ECONOMY

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**RESIDENTS HAVE** 

## Financial Security When It's Needed Most

**E** very year millions of Texans face the death of a loved one or business partner, a health crisis, a long-term disability that prevents them from returning to work, the need to care for an elderly parent, or the uncertainty of retirement. The stress of facing these unforeseen circumstances is compounded if there are also accompanying financial concerns. Although nothing can fully prepare anyone to deal with such life-altering events, insurance is an important source of comfort during challenging times, providing families with the support and financial security they need at a time when they need it most.

#### **Providing Texans Choices**

Fair and efficient regulations and reasonable tax policies contribute to a healthy insurance market. Such a market encourages more companies to offer their products in Texas, increasing competition and expanding product choices for consumers. With more product choices and greater competitive pricing, Texans are more likely to seek financial security through insurance products.

#### Staying Strong So We're There When Needed

Insurers must meet stringent capital adequacy requirements to ensure they are able to meet their obligations. In addition to their solid asset base, insurers are required to be members of the state's guaranty association to ensure that a policyholder receives benefits in the unlikely event that an insurer becomes insolvent.

#### IN **2015, 83%** OF TEXANS HAD SOME FORM OF **HEALTH INSURANCE**

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PAID **\$24 BILLION** In Life Benefits to Texans in **2014** 



\$388 BILLION OF LIFE INSURERS' INVESTMENT IS IN STOCKS & BONDS THAT HELP FINANCE BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT, JOB CREATION, AND SERVICES IN TEXAS



#### **Insurers are Heavily Regulated**

Insurers operating in Texas are overseen by the Texas Department of Insurance, whose authority is broad and deep. Companies must submit to extensive risk-based capital standards, investment guidelines and on-site financial examinations to ensure solvency. Texas has its own agent licensing requirements, product filing rules, market conduct exams and governance reporting guidelines. Reasonable regulations and sound insurance policy fosters a stable and vibrant market, enabling insurers to offer Texans the financial security they seek.

#### **Providing Peace of Mind**

Insurers pay out billions in benefits in life, health, disability income, long-term care insurance and annuities, providing Texans peace of mind when they need it the most. A healthy insurance market makes this possible. **When it comes to being prepared for life's predictable and unpredictable events, Texans have choices to assure their financial security.** 





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#### **Texas Benefits From A Stable Insurance Market**





A healthy and competitive insurance market maximizes product options for consumers. Consumers should be **protected from unfair and fraudulent business practices** involving the purchase of any insurance product.



Fair and efficient regulation of the industry maintains the integrity of insurance contracts and **fosters a stable and competitive insurance market.** 



Sound insurance policy promotes a healthy insurance market and **encourages companies** to invest in Texas and Texans.

#### **Helping Drive The Texas Economy**

Insurers are **one of the leading employers in the state.** Assets held by life insurers provide the Texas economy with an important source of investment capital. Insurers are a major source of bond financing and provide funding for more than one-eighth of U.S. commercial mortgages.

#### **TALHI Member Companies**

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### **About TALHI**

TALHI is the trade association for life and health insurers doing business in Texas. TALHI exists to support a vibrant life and health insurance market in the State of Texas, believing that by so doing we contribute to the financial security and well-being of the citizens of Texas. We serve our members while also serving all who are touched by our industry.

TALHI serves as the voice of its members and the industry, advocating for an economic, legislative, and regulatory environment that supports a vibrant life and health insurance market in order to effectively serve the citizens of Texas.

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