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[X] QUARTERLY REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF

	THE SECURITIES EXCHA	NGE ACT OF 1934		
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	OR			
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As of May 6, 2016, the registrant had 23,800 commo	n shares, \$227 par value, outstanding, all of which	are held by Allstate Insuran	ce Company.	

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PART I. FINANCIAL INFORMATION ITEM 1. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

ALLSTATE LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY AND SUBSIDIARIES

CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS AND COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

(\$ in millions)	Three mon	Three months ended March 31,					
	2016	2015					
		unaudited)					
Revenues							
Premiums	\$ 1	149 \$ 150					
Contract charges	1	182 195					
Net investment income	4	400 471					
Realized capital gains and losses:							
Total other-than-temporary impairment ("OTTI") losses	((35) (10)					
OTTI losses reclassified to (from) other comprehensive income		8 —					
Net OTTI losses recognized in earnings		(27) (10)					
Sales and other realized capital gains and losses	((19) 121					
Total realized capital gains and losses		(46) 111					
		585 927					
Costs and expenses							
Contract benefits	3	358					
Interest credited to contractholder funds	1	178 191					
Amortization of deferred policy acquisition costs		37 40					
Operating costs and expenses		56 80					
Interest expense		4 4					
	6	613 673					
Gain (loss) on disposition of operations		2 (2)					
Income from operations before income tax expense		74 252					
Income tay expense		22 99					
Income tax expense							
Net income		52 153					
Other comprehensive income, after-tax							
Change in unrealized net capital gains and losses	2	241 71					
Change in unrealized foreign currency translation adjustments		(2)					
Other comprehensive income, after-tax	2	239 69					
Community in the community of the commun	\$ 2	291 \$ 222					
Comprehensive income	\$ 2	291 \$ 222					

ALLSTATE LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY AND SUBSIDIARIES CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF FINANCIAL POSITION

(\$ in millions, except par value data)		ch 31, 2016	Do	ecember 31, 2015
Assets	(u	naudited)		
Investments				
Fixed income securities, at fair value (amortized cost \$23,135 and \$23,770)	\$	24,443	\$	24,629
Mortgage loans		3,749		3,781
Equity securities, at fair value (cost \$1,330 and \$1,526)		1,344		1,542
Limited partnership interests		2,405		2,295
Short-term, at fair value (amortized cost \$1,545 and \$816)		1,545		816
Policy loans		566		572
Other		1,397		1,327
Total investments		35,449		34,962
Cash		141		104
Deferred policy acquisition costs		1,232		1,314
Reinsurance recoverables from non-affiliates		2,405		2,407
Reinsurance recoverables from affiliates		460		464
Accrued investment income		273		278
Other assets		600		510
Separate Accounts		3,488		3,639
Total assets	\$	44,048	\$	43,678
Liabilities				
Contractholder funds	\$	20,329	\$	20,542
Reserve for life-contingent contract benefits		11,359		11,394
Unearned premiums		5		5
Payable to affiliates, net		42		55
Other liabilities and accrued expenses		1,187		849
Deferred income taxes		1,139		986
Notes due to related parties		275		275
Separate Accounts		3,488		3,639
Total liabilities		37,824		37,745
Commitments and Contingent Liabilities (Note 7)				
Shareholder's equity				
Redeemable preferred stock - series A, \$100 par value, 1,500,000 shares authorized, none issued		_		_
Redeemable preferred stock - series B, \$100 par value, 1,500,000 shares authorized, none issued		_		_
Common stock, \$227 par value, 23,800 shares authorized and outstanding		5		5
Additional capital paid-in		1,990		1,990
Retained income		3,469		3,417
Accumulated other comprehensive income:				
Unrealized net capital gains and losses:				
Unrealized net capital gains and losses on fixed income securities with OTTI		25		41
Other unrealized net capital gains and losses		832		527
Unrealized adjustment to DAC, DSI and insurance reserves		(88)		(40)
Total unrealized net capital gains and losses		769		528
Unrealized foreign currency translation adjustments		(9)		(7)
Total accumulated other comprehensive income		760		521
Total shareholder's equity		6,224		5,933
Total liabilities and shareholder's equity	\$	44,048	\$	43,678

ALLSTATE LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY AND SUBSIDIARIES CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF SHAREHOLDER'S EQUITY

(\$ in millions)	Three months ended Mare			
	2016		2015	
	(unaudited)			
Common stock	\$	5	\$	5
		_		
Additional capital paid-in		1,990		1,990
		_		
Retained income				
Balance, beginning of period		3,417		2,973
Net income		52		153
Loss on sale of subsidiary to an affiliate		_		(2)
Balance, end of period		3,469		3,124
Accumulated other comprehensive income				
Balance, beginning of period		521		1,379
Change in unrealized net capital gains and losses		241		71
Change in unrealized foreign currency translation adjustments		(2)		(2)
Balance, end of period		760		1,448
Total shareholder's equity	\$	6,224	\$	6,567

ALLSTATE LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY AND SUBSIDIARIES CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS

(\$ in millions)	Three mont	hs ended March 31,
	2016	2015
Cash flows from operating activities	(u	naudited)
Net income	\$	52 \$ 153
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating activities:		
Amortization and other non-cash items	(1	17) (21)
Realized capital gains and losses	2	46 (111)
(Gain) loss on disposition of operations		(2) 2
Interest credited to contractholder funds	17	78 191
Changes in:		
Policy benefits and other insurance reserves	(16	69) (150)
Deferred policy acquisition costs	-	15 2
Reinsurance recoverables, net	-	14 6
Income taxes		13 (1)
Other operating assets and liabilities	{	35 21
Net cash provided by operating activities	21	15 92
Cash flows from investing activities		
Proceeds from sales		
Fixed income securities	2,02	11 2,082
Equity securities	38	32 201
Limited partnership interests	8	36 109
Other investments		28 5
Investment collections		
Fixed income securities	45	58 618
Mortgage loans		76 74
Other investments		20 13
Investment purchases		
Fixed income securities	(1,83	15) (2,131)
Equity securities	(2:	16) (254)
Limited partnership interests	(13	32) (176)
Mortgage loans	(4	44) (182)
Other investments	(6	67) (49)
Change in short-term investments, net	(69	96) 16
Change in policy loans and other investments, net		(6) 1
Disposition of operations	-	
Net cash provided by investing activities		337
Cash flows from financing activities		
Contractholder fund deposits	21	14 233
Contractholder fund withdrawals	(47	77) (564)
Net cash used in financing activities	(26	63) (331)
Net increase in cash		37 98
Cash at beginning of period		04 146
Cash at end of period		41 \$ 244
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ALLSTATE LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY NOTES TO CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Unaudited)

1. General

Basis of presentation

The accompanying condensed consolidated financial statements include the accounts of Allstate Life Insurance Company ("ALIC") and its wholly owned subsidiaries (collectively referred to as the "Company"). ALIC is wholly owned by Allstate Insurance Company ("AIC"), which is wholly owned by Allstate Insurance Holdings, LLC, a wholly owned subsidiary of The Allstate Corporation (the "Corporation").

The condensed consolidated financial statements and notes as of March 31, 2016 and for the three-month periods ended March 31, 2016 and 2015 are unaudited. The condensed consolidated financial statements reflect all adjustments (consisting only of normal recurring accruals) which are, in the opinion of management, necessary for the fair presentation of the financial position, results of operations and cash flows for the interim periods. These condensed consolidated financial statements and notes should be read in conjunction with the consolidated financial statements and notes thereto included in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2015. The results of operations for the interim periods should not be considered indicative of results to be expected for the full year. All significant intercompany accounts and transactions have been eliminated.

Premiums and contract charges

The following table summarizes premiums and contract charges by product.

(\$ in millions)	Three months ended March 31,			
		2016		2015
Premiums	'			
Traditional life insurance	\$	126	\$	129
Accident and health insurance		23		21
Total premiums		149		150
Contract charges				
Interest-sensitive life insurance		179		192
Fixed annuities		3		3
Total contract charges		182		195
Total premiums and contract charges	\$	331	\$	345

Adopted accounting standard

Amendments to the Consolidation Analysis

In February 2015, the Financial Accounting Standards Board ("FASB") issued guidance affecting the consolidation evaluation for limited partnerships and similar entities, fees paid to a decision maker or service provider, and variable interests in a variable interest entity held by related parties of the reporting enterprise. The adoption of this guidance as of January 1, 2016 did not have a material impact on the Company's results of operations or financial position.

Pending accounting standards

Recognition and Measurement of Financial Assets and Financial Liabilities

In January 2016, the FASB issued guidance requiring equity investments, including equity securities and limited partnership interests, that are not accounted for under the equity method of accounting or result in consolidation to be measured at fair value with changes in fair value recognized in net income. Equity investments without readily determinable fair values may be measured at cost minus impairment, if any, plus or minus changes resulting from observable price changes in orderly transactions for the identical or a similar investment of the same issuer. When a qualitative assessment of equity investments without readily determinable fair values indicates that impairment exists, the carrying value is required to be adjusted to fair value, if lower. The guidance clarifies that an entity should evaluate the realizability of a deferred tax asset related to available-for-sale fixed income securities in combination with the entity's other deferred tax assets. The guidance also changes certain disclosure requirements. The guidance is effective for interim and annual periods beginning after December 15, 2017, and is to be applied through a cumulative-effect adjustment to beginning retained income as of the beginning of the period of adoption. The new guidance related to equity investments without readily determinable fair values is to be applied prospectively as of the date of adoption. The Company is in the process of evaluating the impact of adoption. The most significant impacts, using values as of March 31, 2016, are expected to be the change in accounting for equity securities where \$14 million of pre-tax unrealized net capital gains would

be reclassified from accumulated other comprehensive income to retained income and cost method limited partnership interests (excluding limited partnership interests accounted for on a cost recovery basis) where the carrying value would increase by approximately \$100 million, pre-tax, with the adjustment recorded in retained income.

Transition to Equity Method Accounting

In March 2016, the FASB issued guidance amending the accounting requirements for transitioning to the equity method of accounting ("EMA"), including a transition from the cost method. The guidance requires the cost of acquiring an additional interest in an investee to be added to the existing carrying value to establish the initial basis of the EMA investment. Under the new guidance, no retroactive adjustment is required when an investment initially qualifies for EMA treatment. The guidance is effective for interim and annual periods beginning after December 15, 2016, and is to be applied prospectively. The guidance will principally affect the future accounting for investments that qualify for EMA after application of the cost method of accounting. The Company is in the process of evaluating the impact of adoption, which is not expected to be material to the Company's results of operations or financial position.

2. Supplemental Cash Flow Information

Non-cash investing activities include \$2 million and \$8 million related to mergers completed with equity securities and modifications of other investments for the three months ended March 31, 2016 and 2015, respectively. Non-cash financing activities include \$34 million related to debt acquired in conjunction with the purchase of an investment for the three months ended March 31, 2016.

Liabilities for collateral received in conjunction with the Company's securities lending program and over-the-counter ("OTC") and cleared derivatives are reported in other liabilities and accrued expenses or other investments. The accompanying cash flows are included in cash flows from operating activities in the Condensed Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows along with the activities resulting from management of the proceeds, which are as follows:

(\$ in millions)		Three months ended March 3				
		2016		2015		
Net change in proceeds managed						
Net change in short-term investments	\$	(29)	\$	18		
Operating cash flow (used) provided	\$	(29)	\$	18		
Net change in liabilities						
Liabilities for collateral, beginning of period	\$	(550)	\$	(510)		
Liabilities for collateral, end of period		(579)		(492)		
Operating cash flow provided (used)	\$	29	\$	(18)		

3. Investments

Fair values

The amortized cost, gross unrealized gains and losses and fair value for fixed income securities are as follows:

(\$ in millions)		Amortized	rtized Gross unrealized		Fair		
		cost		Gains	Losses		value
March 31, 2016							
U.S. government and agencies	\$	856	\$	68	\$ _	\$	924
Municipal		2,138		342	(9)		2,471
Corporate		17,581		1,091	(261)		18,411
Foreign government		338		41	_		379
Asset-backed securities ("ABS")		1,432		5	(26)		1,411
Residential mortgage-backed securities ("RMBS")		379		41	(5)		415
Commercial mortgage-backed securities ("CMBS")		398		26	(7)		417
Redeemable preferred stock		13		2	_		15
Total fixed income securities	\$	23,135	\$	1,616	\$ (308)	\$	24,443
	-						
December 31, 2015							
U.S. government and agencies	\$	920	\$	57	\$ _	\$	977
Municipal		2,162		292	(12)		2,442
Corporate		18,069		849	(414)		18,504
Foreign government		348		36	_		384
ABS		1,443		5	(28)		1,420
RMBS		406		49	(4)		451
CMBS		409		31	(4)		436
Redeemable preferred stock		13		2	<u> </u>		15
Total fixed income securities	\$	23,770	\$	1,321	\$ (462)	\$	24,629

Scheduled maturities

The scheduled maturities for fixed income securities are as follows as of March 31, 2016:

(\$ in millions)	Amortizeo cost	i	Fair value		
Due in one year or less	\$ 9	977	\$	984	
Due after one year through five years	7,4	187		7,872	
Due after five years through ten years	7,7	710		8,016	
Due after ten years	4,7	752		5,328	
	20,9	926		22,200	
ABS, RMBS and CMBS	2,2	209		2,243	
Total	\$ 23,2	135	\$	24,443	

Actual maturities may differ from those scheduled as a result of calls and make-whole payments by the issuers. ABS, RMBS and CMBS are shown separately because of the potential for prepayment of principal prior to contractual maturity dates.

Net investment income

Net investment income is as follows:

(\$ in millions)	Three months ended March 31,			
	2016		2015	
Fixed income securities	\$	270	\$	334
Mortgage loans		47		49
Equity securities		7		5
Limited partnership interests		63		72
Short-term investments		2		_
Policy loans		8		9
Other		21		18
Investment income, before expense		418		487
Investment expense		(18)		(16)
Net investment income	\$	400	\$	471

Realized capital gains and losses

Realized capital gains and losses by asset type are as follows:

(\$ in millions)	Three months ended March 31,			
	2	016	2015	
Fixed income securities	\$	(23) \$	68	
Equity securities		(30)	32	
Limited partnership interests		13	4	
Derivatives		(5)	7	
Other		(1)	_	
Realized capital gains and losses	\$	(46) \$	111	

Realized capital gains and losses by transaction type are as follows:

(\$ in millions)	Three months ended March 31,				
		2016	20	15	
Impairment write-downs	\$	(24)	\$	(7)	
Change in intent write-downs		(3)		(3)	
Net other-than-temporary impairment losses recognized in earnings		(27)		(10)	
Sales and other		(14)		117	
Valuation and settlements of derivative instruments		(5)		4	
Realized capital gains and losses	\$	(46)	\$	111	

Gross gains of \$71 million and \$131 million and gross losses of \$89 million and \$23 million were realized on sales of fixed income and equity securities during the three months ended March 31, 2016 and 2015, respectively.

Other-than-temporary impairment losses by asset type are as follows:

(\$ in millions)	Three months ended March 31, 201							Three months ended March 2015					
				Included in OCI	Net			Gross		ncluded in OCI		Net	
Fixed income securities:													
Corporate	\$	(11)	\$	6	\$	(5)	\$	(3)	\$	_	\$	(3)	
ABS		(3)		_		(3)		_		_			
CMBS		(4)		2		(2)				_		_	
Total fixed income securities		(18)		8		(10)		(3)				(3)	
Equity securities		(25)		_		(25)		(5)		_		(5)	
Limited partnership interests		9		_		9		(2)		_		(2)	
Other		(1)		_		(1)				_			
Other-than-temporary impairment losses	\$	(35)	\$	8	\$	(27)	\$	(10)	\$		\$	(10)	

The total amount of other-than-temporary impairment losses included in accumulated other comprehensive income at the time of impairment for fixed income securities, which were not included in earnings, are presented in the following table. The amounts exclude \$120 million and \$138 million as of March 31, 2016 and December 31, 2015, respectively, of net unrealized gains related to changes in valuation of the fixed income securities subsequent to the impairment measurement date.

(\$ in millions)			Dec	ember 31,
	March	March 31, 2016		2015
Municipal	\$	(5)	\$	(5)
Corporate		(8)		(2)
ABS		(12)		(12)
RMBS		(48)		(49)
CMBS		(8)		(6)
Total	\$	(81)	\$	(74)

Rollforwards of the cumulative credit losses recognized in earnings for fixed income securities held as of the end of the period are as follows:

(\$ in millions)	Three months ended March 31,				
		2016		2015	
Beginning balance	\$	(200)	\$	(209)	
Additional credit loss for securities previously other-than-temporarily impaired		(4)		(1)	
Additional credit loss for securities not previously other-than-temporarily impaired		(6)		(2)	
Reduction in credit loss for securities disposed or collected		35		4	
Change in credit loss due to accretion of increase in cash flows		_		1	
Ending balance	\$	(175)	\$	(207)	

The Company uses its best estimate of future cash flows expected to be collected from the fixed income security, discounted at the security's original or current effective rate, as appropriate, to calculate a recovery value and determine whether a credit loss exists. The determination of cash flow estimates is inherently subjective and methodologies may vary depending on facts and circumstances specific to the security. All reasonably available information relevant to the collectability of the security, including past events, current conditions, and reasonable and supportable assumptions and forecasts, are considered when developing the estimate of cash flows expected to be collected. That information generally includes, but is not limited to, the remaining payment terms of the security, prepayment speeds, foreign exchange rates, the financial condition and future earnings potential of the issue or issuer, expected defaults, expected recoveries, the value of underlying collateral, vintage, geographic concentration of underlying collateral, available reserves or escrows, current subordination levels, third party guarantees and other credit enhancements. Other information, such as industry analyst reports and forecasts, sector credit ratings, financial condition of the bond insurer for insured fixed income securities, and other market data relevant to the realizability of contractual cash flows, may also be considered. The estimated fair value of collateral will be used to estimate recovery value if the Company determines that the security is dependent on the liquidation of collateral for ultimate settlement. If the estimated recovery value is less than the amortized cost of the security, a credit loss exists and an other-than-temporary impairment for the difference between the estimated recovery value and amortized cost is recorded in earnings. The portion of the unrealized loss related to factors other than credit remains classified in accumulated other comprehensive income. If the Company determines that the f

Unrealized net capital gains and losses

Unrealized net capital gains and losses included in accumulated other comprehensive income are as follows:

(\$ in millions)			Gross unrealized				Unrealized net		
March 31, 2016	F	air value		Gains Losses			ga	nins (losses)	
Fixed income securities	\$	24,443	\$	1,616	\$	(308)	\$	1,308	
Equity securities		1,344		78		(64)		14	
Short-term investments		1,545		_		_		_	
Derivative instruments (1)		7		7		_		7	
Equity method ("EMA") limited partnerships (2)								(3)	
Unrealized net capital gains and losses, pre-tax								1,326	
Amounts recognized for:									
Insurance reserves (3)									
DAC and DSI (4)								(135)	
Amounts recognized								(135)	
Deferred income taxes								(422)	
Unrealized net capital gains and losses, after-tax							\$	769	

⁽¹⁾ Included in the fair value of derivative instruments are \$3 million classified as assets and \$(4) million classified as liabilities.

⁴⁹ The DAC and DSI adjustment balance represents the amount by which the amortization of DAC and DSI would increase or decrease if the unrealized gains or losses in the respective product portfolios were realized.

(\$ in millions)				Gross u	Unrealized net		
December 31, 2015		Fair value	Gains Losses		gains (losses)		
Fixed income securities	\$	24,629	\$	1,321	\$ (462)	\$	859
Equity securities		1,542		76	(60)		16
Short-term investments		816		_	_		_
Derivative instruments (1)		10		10	_		10
EMA limited partnerships							(2)
Unrealized net capital gains and losses, pre-tax							883
Amounts recognized for:							
Insurance reserves							_
DAC and DSI							(62)
Amounts recognized							(62)
Deferred income taxes							(293)
Unrealized net capital gains and losses, after-tax						\$	528

⁽¹⁾ Included in the fair value of derivative instruments are \$6 million classified as assets and \$(4) million classified as liabilities.

⁽²⁾ Unrealized net capital gains and losses for limited partnership interests represent the Company's share of EMA limited partnerships' other comprehensive income. Fair value and gross unrealized gains and losses are not applicable.

The insurance reserves adjustment represents the amount by which the reserve balance would increase if the net unrealized gains in the applicable product portfolios were realized and reinvested at current lower interest rates, resulting in a premium deficiency. Although the Company evaluates premium deficiencies on the combined performance of life insurance and immediate annuities with life contingencies, the adjustment, if any, primarily relates to structured settlement annuities with life contingencies, in addition to annuity buy-outs and certain payout annuities with life contingencies.

Change in unrealized net capital gains and losses

The change in unrealized net capital gains and losses for the three months ended March 31, 2016 is as follows:

(\$ in millions)

(\$\psi \text{Infinitions})		
Fixed income securities	\$	449
Equity securities		(2)
Derivative instruments		(3)
EMA limited partnerships		(1)
Total		443
Amounts recognized for:		
Insurance reserves		_
DAC and DSI		(73)
Amounts recognized	· <u> </u>	(73)
Deferred income taxes		(129)
Increase in unrealized net capital gains and losses, after-tax	\$	241

Portfolio monitoring

The Company has a comprehensive portfolio monitoring process to identify and evaluate each fixed income and equity security whose carrying value may be other-than-temporarily impaired.

For each fixed income security in an unrealized loss position, the Company assesses whether management with the appropriate authority has made the decision to sell or whether it is more likely than not the Company will be required to sell the security before recovery of the amortized cost basis for reasons such as liquidity, contractual or regulatory purposes. If a security meets either of these criteria, the security's decline in fair value is considered other than temporary and is recorded in earnings.

If the Company has not made the decision to sell the fixed income security and it is not more likely than not the Company will be required to sell the fixed income security before recovery of its amortized cost basis, the Company evaluates whether it expects to receive cash flows sufficient to recover the entire amortized cost basis of the security. The Company calculates the estimated recovery value by discounting the best estimate of future cash flows at the security's original or current effective rate, as appropriate, and compares this to the amortized cost of the security. If the Company does not expect to receive cash flows sufficient to recover the entire amortized cost basis of the fixed income security, the credit loss component of the impairment is recorded in earnings, with the remaining amount of the unrealized loss related to other factors recognized in other comprehensive income.

For equity securities, the Company considers various factors, including whether it has the intent and ability to hold the equity security for a period of time sufficient to recover its cost basis. Where the Company lacks the intent and ability to hold to recovery, or believes the recovery period is extended, the equity security's decline in fair value is considered other than temporary and is recorded in earnings.

For fixed income and equity securities managed by third parties, either the Company has contractually retained its decision making authority as it pertains to selling securities that are in an unrealized loss position or it recognizes any unrealized loss at the end of the period through a charge to earnings.

The Company's portfolio monitoring process includes a quarterly review of all securities to identify instances where the fair value of a security compared to its amortized cost (for fixed income securities) or cost (for equity securities) is below established thresholds. The process also includes the monitoring of other impairment indicators such as ratings, ratings downgrades and payment defaults. The securities identified, in addition to other securities for which the Company may have a concern, are evaluated for potential other-than-temporary impairment using all reasonably available information relevant to the collectability or recovery of the security. Inherent in the Company's evaluation of other-than-temporary impairment for these fixed income and equity securities are assumptions and estimates about the financial condition and future earnings potential of the issue or issuer. Some of the factors that may be considered in evaluating whether a decline in fair value is other than temporary are: 1) the financial condition, near-term and long-term prospects of the issue or issuer, including relevant industry specific market conditions and trends, geographic location and implications of rating agency actions and offering prices; 2) the specific reasons that a security is in an unrealized loss position, including overall market conditions which could affect liquidity; and 3) the length of time and extent to which the fair value has been less than amortized cost or cost.

The following table summarizes the gross unrealized losses and fair value of fixed income and equity securities by the length of time that individual securities have been in a continuous unrealized loss position.

(\$ in millions)	s	1	Total								
	Number of issues		Fair value	Ţ	Unrealized losses	Number of issues	Fair value	τ	Jnrealized losses		realized losses
March 31, 2016	of issues				105565	of issues	 value		105565		105565
Fixed income securities											
U.S. government and agencies	2	\$	230	\$	_	_	\$ _	\$	_	\$	_
Municipal	8		30		(1)	5	25		(8)		(9)
Corporate	424		2,132		(126)	88	595		(135)		(261)
ABS	53		502		(7)	18	152		(19)		(26)
RMBS	42		27		(1)	41	49		(4)		(5)
CMBS	13		120		(5)	1	2		(2)		(7)
Total fixed income securities	542		3,041		(140)	153	 823	'	(168)	-	(308)
Equity securities	260		456		(51)	52	72		(13)		(64)
Total fixed income and equity securities	802	\$	3,497	\$	(191)	205	\$ 895	\$	(181)	\$	(372)
Investment grade fixed income securities	314	\$	2,049	\$	(61)	78	\$ 489	\$	(84)	\$	(145)
Below investment grade fixed income securities	228		992		(79)	75	334		(84)		(163)
Total fixed income securities	542	\$	3,041	\$	(140)	153	\$ 823	\$	(168)	\$	(308)
December 31, 2015											
Fixed income securities											
U.S. government and agencies	6	\$	91	\$	_	_	\$ _	\$	_	\$	_
Municipal	15		125		(3)	5	25		(9)		(12)
Corporate	953		5,315		(281)	78	568		(133)		(414)
Foreign government	1		2		_	_	_		_		_
ABS	81		1,152		(11)	16	154		(17)		(28)
RMBS	38		7		_	40	53		(4)		(4)
CMBS	12		75		(2)	1	2		(2)		(4)
Total fixed income securities	1,106		6,767		(297)	140	 802		(165)		(462)
Equity securities	279		543		(49)	32	56		(11)		(60)
Total fixed income and equity securities	1,385	\$	7,310	\$	(346)	172	\$ 858	\$	(176)	\$	(522)
Investment grade fixed income securities	780	\$	5,429	\$	(175)	82	\$ 503	\$	(90)	\$	(265)
Below investment grade fixed income securities	326		1,338		(122)	58	299		(75)		(197)
Total fixed income securities	1,106	\$	6,767	\$	(297)	140	\$ 802	\$	(165)	\$	(462)

As of March 31, 2016, \$196 million of the \$372 million unrealized losses are related to securities with an unrealized loss position less than 20% of amortized cost or cost, the degree of which suggests that these securities do not pose a high risk of being other-than-temporarily impaired. Of the \$196 million, \$84 million are related to unrealized losses on investment grade fixed income securities and \$42 million are related to equity securities. Of the remaining \$70 million, \$43 million have been in an unrealized loss position for less than 12 months. Investment grade is defined as a security having a rating of Aaa, Aa, A or Baa from Moody's, a rating of AAA, AA, A or BBB from Standard and Poor's ("S&P"), Fitch, Dominion, Kroll or Realpoint, a rating of aaa, aa, a or bbb from A.M. Best, or a comparable internal rating if an externally provided rating is not available. Market prices for certain securities may have credit spreads which imply higher or lower credit quality than the current third party rating. Unrealized losses on investment grade securities are principally related to an increase in market yields which may include increased risk-free interest rates and/or wider credit spreads since the time of initial purchase.

As of March 31, 2016, the remaining \$176 million of unrealized losses are related to securities in unrealized loss positions greater than or equal to 20% of amortized cost or cost. Investment grade fixed income securities comprising \$61 million of these unrealized losses were evaluated based on factors such as discounted cash flows and the financial condition and near-term and long-term prospects of the issue or issuer and were determined to have adequate resources to fulfill contractual obligations. Of the \$176 million, \$93 million are related to below investment grade fixed income securities and \$22 million are related to equity securities. Of these amounts, \$14 million are related to below investment grade fixed income securities that had been in an unrealized loss position greater than or equal to 20% of amortized cost for a period of twelve or more consecutive months as of March 31, 2016.

ABS, RMBS and CMBS in an unrealized loss position were evaluated based on actual and projected collateral losses relative to the securities' positions in the respective securitization trusts, security specific expectations of cash flows, and credit ratings. This evaluation also takes into consideration credit enhancement, measured in terms of (i) subordination from other classes of

securities in the trust that are contractually obligated to absorb losses before the class of security the Company owns, (ii) the expected impact of other structural features embedded in the securitization trust beneficial to the class of securities the Company owns, such as overcollateralization and excess spread, and (iii) for ABS and RMBS in an unrealized loss position, credit enhancements from reliable bond insurers, where applicable. Municipal bonds in an unrealized loss position were evaluated based on the underlying credit quality of the primary obligor, obligation type and quality of the underlying assets. Unrealized losses on equity securities are primarily related to temporary equity market fluctuations of securities that are expected to recover.

As of March 31, 2016, the Company has not made the decision to sell and it is not more likely than not the Company will be required to sell fixed income securities with unrealized losses before recovery of the amortized cost basis. As of March 31, 2016, the Company had the intent and ability to hold equity securities with unrealized losses for a period of time sufficient for them to recover.

Limited partnerships

As of March 31, 2016 and December 31, 2015, the carrying value of equity method limited partnerships totaled \$1.86 billion and \$1.77 billion, respectively. The Company recognizes an impairment loss for equity method limited partnerships when evidence demonstrates that the loss is other than temporary. Evidence of a loss in value that is other than temporary may include the absence of an ability to recover the carrying amount of the investment or the inability of the investee to sustain a level of earnings that would justify the carrying amount of the investment.

As of March 31, 2016 and December 31, 2015, the carrying value for cost method limited partnerships was \$549 million and \$530 million, respectively. To determine if an other-than-temporary impairment has occurred, the Company evaluates whether an impairment indicator has occurred in the period that may have a significant adverse effect on the carrying value of the investment. Impairment indicators may include: significantly reduced valuations of the investments held by the limited partnerships; actual recent cash flows received being significantly less than expected cash flows; reduced valuations based on financing completed at a lower value; completed sale of a material underlying investment at a price significantly lower than expected; or any other adverse events since the last financial statements received that might affect the fair value of the investee's capital. Additionally, the Company's portfolio monitoring process includes a quarterly review of all cost method limited partnerships to identify instances where the net asset value is below established thresholds for certain periods of time, as well as investments that are performing below expectations, for further impairment consideration. If a cost method limited partnership is other-than-temporarily impaired, the carrying value is written down to fair value, generally estimated to be equivalent to the reported net asset value.

Mortgage loans

Mortgage loans are evaluated for impairment on a specific loan basis through a quarterly credit monitoring process and review of key credit quality indicators. Mortgage loans are considered impaired when it is probable that the Company will not collect the contractual principal and interest. Valuation allowances are established for impaired loans to reduce the carrying value to the fair value of the collateral less costs to sell or the present value of the loan's expected future repayment cash flows discounted at the loan's original effective interest rate. Impaired mortgage loans may not have a valuation allowance when the fair value of the collateral less costs to sell is higher than the carrying value. Valuation allowances are adjusted for subsequent changes in the fair value of the collateral less costs to sell or present value of the loan's expected future repayment cash flows. Mortgage loans are charged off against their corresponding valuation allowances when there is no reasonable expectation of recovery. The impairment evaluation is non-statistical in respect to the aggregate portfolio but considers facts and circumstances attributable to each loan. It is not considered probable that additional impairment losses, beyond those identified on a specific loan basis, have been incurred as of March 31, 2016.

Accrual of income is suspended for mortgage loans that are in default or when full and timely collection of principal and interest payments is not probable. Cash receipts on mortgage loans on nonaccrual status are generally recorded as a reduction of carrying value.

Debt service coverage ratio is considered a key credit quality indicator when mortgage loans are evaluated for impairment. Debt service coverage ratio represents the amount of estimated cash flows from the property available to the borrower to meet principal and interest payment obligations. Debt service coverage ratio estimates are updated annually or more frequently if conditions are warranted based on the Company's credit monitoring process.

The following table reflects the carrying value of non-impaired fixed rate mortgage loans summarized by debt service coverage ratio distribution.

(\$ in millions)	March 31, 2016		D	ecember 31, 2015
Below 1.0	\$	54	\$	55
1.0 - 1.25		320		357
1.26 - 1.50		1,123		1,120
Above 1.50		2,246		2,243
Total non-impaired mortgage loans	\$	3,743	\$	3,775

Mortgage loans with a debt service coverage ratio below 1.0 that are not considered impaired primarily relate to instances where the borrower has the financial capacity to fund the revenue shortfalls from the properties for the foreseeable term, the decrease in cash flows from the properties is considered temporary, or there are other risk mitigating circumstances such as additional collateral, escrow balances or borrower guarantees.

The net carrying value of impaired mortgage loans is as follows:

(\$ in millions)	March 31, 2016	December 31, 2015
Impaired mortgage loans with a valuation allowance	\$ 6	\$ 6
Impaired mortgage loans without a valuation allowance	_	_
Total impaired mortgage loans	\$ 6	\$ 6
Valuation allowance on impaired mortgage loans	\$ 3	\$ 3

The average balance of impaired loans was \$6 million and \$16 million for the three months ended March 31, 2016 and 2015, respectively.

The rollforward of the valuation allowance on impaired mortgage loans is as follows:

(\$ in millions)	Three months ended March 31,				
		2016		2015	
Beginning balance	\$	3	\$	8	
Net decrease in valuation allowance		_		_	
Charge offs		_		_	
Ending balance	\$	3	\$	8	

Payments on all mortgage loans were current as of March 31, 2016 and December 31, 2015.

4. Fair Value of Assets and Liabilities

Fair value is defined as the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date. The hierarchy for inputs used in determining fair value maximizes the use of observable inputs and minimizes the use of unobservable inputs by requiring that observable inputs be used when available. Assets and liabilities recorded on the Condensed Consolidated Statements of Financial Position at fair value are categorized in the fair value hierarchy based on the observability of inputs to the valuation techniques as follows:

- Level 1: Assets and liabilities whose values are based on unadjusted quoted prices for identical assets or liabilities in an active market that the Company can access.
- Level 2: Assets and liabilities whose values are based on the following:
 - (a) Quoted prices for similar assets or liabilities in active markets;
 - (b) Quoted prices for identical or similar assets or liabilities in markets that are not active; or
 - (c) Valuation models whose inputs are observable, directly or indirectly, for substantially the full term of the asset or liability.
- Level 3: Assets and liabilities whose values are based on prices or valuation techniques that require inputs that are both unobservable and significant to the overall fair value measurement. Unobservable inputs reflect the Company's estimates of the assumptions that market participants would use in valuing the assets and liabilities.

The availability of observable inputs varies by instrument. In situations where fair value is based on internally developed pricing models or inputs that are unobservable in the market, the determination of fair value requires more judgment. The degree of judgment exercised by the Company in determining fair value is typically greatest for instruments categorized in Level 3. In many instances, valuation inputs used to measure fair value fall into different levels of the fair value hierarchy. The category level

in the fair value hierarchy is determined based on the lowest level input that is significant to the fair value measurement in its entirety. The Company uses prices and inputs that are current as of the measurement date, including during periods of market disruption. In periods of market disruption, the ability to observe prices and inputs may be reduced for many instruments.

The Company is responsible for the determination of fair value and the supporting assumptions and methodologies. The Company gains assurance that assets and liabilities are appropriately valued through the execution of various processes and controls designed to ensure the overall reasonableness and consistent application of valuation methodologies, including inputs and assumptions, and compliance with accounting standards. For fair values received from third parties or internally estimated, the Company's processes and controls are designed to ensure that the valuation methodologies are appropriate and consistently applied, the inputs and assumptions are reasonable and consistent with the objective of determining fair value, and the fair values are accurately recorded. For example, on a continuing basis, the Company assesses the reasonableness of individual fair values that have stale security prices or that exceed certain thresholds as compared to previous fair values received from valuation service providers or brokers or derived from internal models. The Company performs procedures to understand and assess the methodologies, processes and controls of valuation service providers. In addition, the Company may validate the reasonableness of fair values by comparing information obtained from valuation service providers or brokers to other third party valuation sources for selected securities. The Company performs ongoing price validation procedures such as back-testing of actual sales, which corroborate the various inputs used in internal models to market observable data. When fair value determinations are expected to be more variable, the Company validates them through reviews by members of management who have relevant expertise and who are independent of those charged with executing investment transactions.

The Company has two types of situations where investments are classified as Level 3 in the fair value hierarchy. The first is where specific inputs significant to the fair value estimation models are not market observable. This primarily occurs in the Company's use of broker quotes to value certain securities where the inputs have not been corroborated to be market observable, and the use of valuation models that use significant non-market observable inputs.

The second situation where the Company classifies securities in Level 3 is where quotes continue to be received from independent third-party valuation service providers and all significant inputs are market observable; however, there has been a significant decrease in the volume and level of activity for the asset when compared to normal market activity such that the degree of market observability has declined to a point where categorization as a Level 3 measurement is considered appropriate. The indicators considered in determining whether a significant decrease in the volume and level of activity for a specific asset has occurred include the level of new issuances in the primary market, trading volume in the secondary market, the level of credit spreads over historical levels, applicable bid-ask spreads, and price consensus among market participants and other pricing sources.

Certain assets are not carried at fair value on a recurring basis, including investments such as mortgage loans, limited partnership interests, bank loans and policy loans. Accordingly, such investments are only included in the fair value hierarchy disclosure when the investment is subject to remeasurement at fair value after initial recognition and the resulting remeasurement is reflected in the condensed consolidated financial statements. In addition, derivatives embedded in fixed income securities are not disclosed in the hierarchy as free-standing derivatives since they are presented with the host contracts in fixed income securities.

In determining fair value, the Company principally uses the market approach which generally utilizes market transaction data for the same or similar instruments. To a lesser extent, the Company uses the income approach which involves determining fair values from discounted cash flow methodologies. For the majority of Level 2 and Level 3 valuations, a combination of the market and income approaches is used.

Summary of significant valuation techniques for assets and liabilities measured at fair value on a recurring basis

Level 1 measurements

- <u>Fixed income securities:</u> Comprise certain U.S. Treasury fixed income securities. Valuation is based on unadjusted quoted prices for identical assets in active markets that the Company can access.
- Equity securities: Comprise actively traded, exchange-listed equity securities. Valuation is based on unadjusted quoted prices for identical assets in active markets that the Company can access.
- <u>Short-term:</u> Comprise U.S. Treasury bills valued based on unadjusted quoted prices for identical assets in active markets that the Company can access and actively traded money market funds that have daily quoted net asset values for identical assets that the Company can access.
- <u>Separate account assets:</u> Comprise actively traded mutual funds that have daily quoted net asset values for identical assets that the Company can access. Net asset values for the actively traded mutual funds in which the separate account assets are invested are obtained daily from the fund managers.

Level 2 measurements

· Fixed income securities:

U.S. government and agencies: The primary inputs to the valuation include quoted prices for identical or similar assets in markets that are not active, contractual cash flows, benchmark yields and credit spreads.

Municipal: The primary inputs to the valuation include quoted prices for identical or similar assets in markets that are not active, contractual cash flows, benchmark yields and credit spreads.

Corporate - public: The primary inputs to the valuation include quoted prices for identical or similar assets in markets that are not active, contractual cash flows, benchmark yields and credit spreads.

Corporate - privately placed: Valued using a discounted cash flow model that is widely accepted in the financial services industry and uses market observable inputs and inputs derived principally from, or corroborated by, observable market data. The primary inputs to the discounted cash flow model include an interest rate yield curve, as well as published credit spreads for similar assets in markets that are not active that incorporate the credit quality and industry sector of the issuer.

Foreign government: The primary inputs to the valuation include quoted prices for identical or similar assets in markets that are not active, contractual cash flows, benchmark yields and credit spreads.

ABS - collateralized debt obligations ("CDO") and ABS - consumer and other: The primary inputs to the valuation include quoted prices for identical or similar assets in markets that are not active, contractual cash flows, benchmark yields, prepayment speeds, collateral performance and credit spreads. Certain ABS - CDO and ABS - consumer and other are valued based on non-binding broker quotes whose inputs have been corroborated to be market observable.

RMBS: The primary inputs to the valuation include quoted prices for identical or similar assets in markets that are not active, contractual cash flows, benchmark yields, prepayment speeds, collateral performance and credit spreads.

CMBS: The primary inputs to the valuation include quoted prices for identical or similar assets in markets that are not active, contractual cash flows, benchmark yields, collateral performance and credit spreads.

Redeemable preferred stock: The primary inputs to the valuation include quoted prices for identical or similar assets in markets that are not active, contractual cash flows, benchmark yields, underlying stock prices and credit spreads.

- <u>Equity securities:</u> The primary inputs to the valuation include quoted prices or quoted net asset values for identical or similar assets in markets that are not active.
- <u>Short-term:</u> The primary inputs to the valuation include quoted prices for identical or similar assets in markets that are not active, contractual cash flows, benchmark yields and credit spreads. For certain short-term investments, amortized cost is used as the best estimate of fair value.
- Other investments: Free-standing exchange listed derivatives that are not actively traded are valued based on quoted prices for identical instruments in markets that are not active.

OTC derivatives, including interest rate swaps, foreign currency swaps, foreign exchange forward contracts, certain options and certain credit default swaps, are valued using models that rely on inputs such as interest rate yield curves, currency rates, and counterparty credit spreads that are observable for substantially the full term of the contract. The valuation techniques underlying the models are widely accepted in the financial services industry and do not involve significant judgment.

Level 3 measurements

• Fixed income securities:

Municipal: Comprise municipal bonds that are not rated by third party credit rating agencies but are rated by the National Association of Insurance Commissioners ("NAIC"). The primary inputs to the valuation of these municipal bonds include quoted prices for identical or similar assets in markets that exhibit less liquidity relative to those markets supporting Level 2 fair value measurements, contractual cash flows, benchmark yields and credit spreads. Also included are municipal bonds valued based on non-binding broker quotes where the inputs have not been corroborated to be market observable and municipal bonds in default valued based on the present value of expected cash flows. Also includes auction rate securities ("ARS") primarily backed by student loans that have become illiquid due to failures in the auction market and are valued using a discounted cash flow model that is widely accepted in the financial services industry and uses significant non-market observable inputs, including the anticipated date liquidity will return to the market.

Corporate - public and Corporate - privately placed: Primarily valued based on non-binding broker quotes where the inputs have not been corroborated to be market observable. Other inputs include an interest rate yield curve, as well as published credit spreads for similar assets that incorporate the credit quality and industry sector of the issuer.

ABS - CDO, ABS - consumer and other, and CMBS: Valued based on non-binding broker quotes received from brokers who are familiar with the investments and where the inputs have not been corroborated to be market observable.

- <u>Equity securities</u>: The primary inputs to the valuation include quoted prices or quoted net asset values for identical or similar assets in markets that exhibit less liquidity relative to those markets supporting Level 2 fair value measurements.
- Other investments: Certain OTC derivatives, such as interest rate caps, certain credit default swaps and certain options (including swaptions), are valued using models that are widely accepted in the financial services industry. These are categorized as Level 3 as a result of the significance of non-market observable inputs such as volatility. Other primary inputs include interest rate yield curves and credit spreads.
- <u>Contractholder funds</u>: Derivatives embedded in certain life and annuity contracts are valued internally using models widely accepted in the financial services industry that determine a single best estimate of fair value for the embedded derivatives within a block of contractholder liabilities. The models primarily use stochastically determined cash flows based on the contractual elements of embedded derivatives, projected option cost and applicable market data, such as interest rate yield curves and equity index volatility assumptions. These are categorized as Level 3 as a result of the significance of non-market observable inputs.

Assets and liabilities measured at fair value on a non-recurring basis

Mortgage loans written-down to fair value in connection with recognizing impairments are valued based on the fair value of the underlying collateral less costs to sell. Limited partnership interests written-down to fair value in connection with recognizing other-than-temporary impairments are generally valued using net asset values.

The following table summarizes the Company's assets and liabilities measured at fair value on a recurring and non-recurring basis as of March 31, 2016.

(\$ in millions)	r	uoted prices in active narkets for entical assets (Level 1)		Significant other observable inputs (Level 2)		Significant unobservable inputs (Level 3)		Counterparty and cash collateral netting	Bala	nnce as of March 31, 2016
Assets				_		_		_		
Fixed income securities:										
U.S. government and agencies	\$	484	\$	440	\$	_			\$	924
Municipal		_		2,405		66				2,471
Corporate - public		_		12,447		38				12,485
Corporate - privately placed		_		5,429		497				5,926
Foreign government		_		379		_				379
ABS - CDO		_		157		50				207
ABS - consumer and other		_		1,161		43				1,204
RMBS		_		415		_				415
CMBS		_		417		_				417
Redeemable preferred stock		_		15		_				15
Total fixed income securities		484		23,265		694				24,443
Equity securities		1,285		3		56				1,344
Short-term investments		175		1,370		_				1,545
Other investments: Free-standing derivatives		_		60		1	\$	(9)		52
Separate account assets		3,488		_		_				3,488
Other assets		_		_		1				1
Total recurring basis assets		5,432		24,698		752		(9)		30,873
Non-recurring basis (1)		_		_		24				24
Total assets at fair value	\$	5,432	\$	24,698	\$	776	\$	(9)	\$	30,897
% of total assets at fair value		17.6%		79.9%		2.5%		—%		100%
Liabilities										
Contractholder funds: Derivatives embedded in life and annuity contracts	\$	_	\$	_	\$	(313)			\$	(313)
Other liabilities: Free-standing derivatives		_	•	(16)		(9)	\$	1		(24)
Total liabilities at fair value	\$		\$	(16)	\$	(322)	\$	1	\$	(337)
% of total liabilities at fair value		-%		4.8%		95.5%		(0.3)%		100%

⁽i) Includes \$20 million of limited partnership interests and \$4 million of other investments written-down to fair value in connection with recognizing other-than-temporary impairments.

The following table summarizes the Company's assets and liabilities measured at fair value on a recurring and non-recurring basis as of December 31, 2015.

(\$ in millions)	n	Quoted prices in active markets for identical assets (Level 1)		Significant other observable inputs (Level 2)		Significant unobservable inputs (Level 3)	Counterparty and cash collateral netting	Balance as of tember 31, 2015
Assets						_		
Fixed income securities:								
U.S. government and agencies	\$	546	\$	431	\$	_		\$ 977
Municipal		_		2,364		78		2,442
Corporate - public		_		12,490		44		12,534
Corporate - privately placed		_		5,523		447		5,970
Foreign government		_		384		_		384
ABS - CDO		_		178		53		231
ABS - consumer and other		_		1,145		44		1,189
RMBS		_		451		_		451
CMBS		_		436		_		436
Redeemable preferred stock		_		15		_		15
Total fixed income securities		546		23,417		666		24,629
Equity securities		1,479		3		60		1,542
Short-term investments		193		623		_		816
Other investments: Free-standing derivatives		_		59		1	\$ (11)	49
Separate account assets		3,639		_		_		3,639
Other assets		1		_		1		2
Total recurring basis assets		5,858		24,102		728	(11)	30,677
Non-recurring basis (1)		_		_		8		8
Total assets at fair value	\$	5,858	\$	24,102	\$	736	\$ (11)	\$ 30,685
% of total assets at fair value		19.1%		78.5%		2.4%	—%	100.0%
Liabilities								
Contractholder funds: Derivatives embedded in life and								
annuity contracts	\$	_	\$	_	\$	(299)		\$ (299)
Other liabilities: Free-standing derivatives				(7)		(8)	\$ 1	 (14)
Total liabilities at fair value	\$	_	\$	(7)	\$	(307)	\$ 1	\$ (313)
% of total liabilities at fair value		%		2.2%		98.1%	(0.3)%	100.0%

⁽¹⁾ Includes \$3 million of limited partnership interests and \$5 million of other investments written-down to fair value in connection with recognizing other-than-temporary impairments.

The following table summarizes quantitative information about the significant unobservable inputs used in Level 3 fair value measurements.

(\$ in millions)	Fair val	lue	Valuation technique	Unobservable input	Range	Weighted average
March 31, 2016						
Derivatives embedded in life and annuity contracts – Equity-indexed and forward starting options	\$	(245)	Stochastic cash flow model	Projected option cost	1.0 - 2.2%	1.75%
December 31, 2015						
Derivatives embedded in life and annuity contracts – Equity-indexed and forward starting options	\$	(247)	Stochastic cash flow model	Projected option cost	1.0 - 2.2%	1.76%

The embedded derivatives are equity-indexed and forward starting options in certain life and annuity products that provide customers with interest crediting rates based on the performance of the S&P 500. If the projected option cost increased (decreased), it would result in a higher (lower) liability fair value

As of March 31, 2016 and December 31, 2015, Level 3 fair value measurements of fixed income securities total \$694 million and \$666 million, respectively, and include \$587 million and \$577 million, respectively, of securities valued based on non-binding

broker quotes where the inputs have not been corroborated to be market observable. The Company does not develop the unobservable inputs used in measuring fair value; therefore, these are not included in the table above. However, an increase (decrease) in credit spreads for fixed income securities valued based on non-binding broker quotes would result in a lower (higher) fair value.

The following table presents the rollforward of Level 3 assets and liabilities held at fair value on a recurring basis during the three months ended March 31, 2016.

(\$ in millions)

Total gains (losses)

		included in:						
	Balance as of cember 31, 2015		Net income (1)		OCI		Transfers into Level 3	Transfers out of Level 3
Assets								
Fixed income securities:								
Municipal	\$ 78	\$	11	\$	(8)	\$	_	\$ _
Corporate - public	44		_		1		1	(7
Corporate - privately placed	447		1		4		_	(5
ABS - CDO	53		_		(1)		2	_
ABS - consumer and other	44		_		(1)		_	_
Total fixed income securities	666		12		(5)		3	(12
Equity securities	60		(12)		3		_	_
Free-standing derivatives, net	(7)		(1)		_		_	_
Other assets	1		_		_		_	_
Total recurring Level 3 assets	\$ 720	\$	(1)	\$	(2)	\$	3	\$ (12
Liabilities								
Contractholder funds: Derivatives embedded in life and annuity contracts	\$ (299)	\$	(15)	\$	_	\$	_	\$ _
Total recurring Level 3 liabilities	\$ (299)	\$	(15)	\$	_	\$	_	\$ _
	Purchases		Sales		Issues		Settlements	llance as of rch 31, 2016
Assets								
Fixed income securities:								
Municipal	\$ _	\$	(15)	\$	_	\$	_	\$ 66
Corporate - public	_		_		_		(1)	38
Corporate - privately placed	55		_		_		(5)	497
ABS - CDO			(1)				(3)	50

	Purchases	Sales	Issues		Settlements	Balance as of Iarch 31, 2016	
Assets							
Fixed income securities:							
Municipal	\$ _	\$ (15)	\$	_	\$ _	\$ 66	
Corporate - public	_	_		_	(1)	38	
Corporate - privately placed	55	_		_	(5)	497	
ABS - CDO	_	(1)		_	(3)	50	
ABS - consumer and other	_	_		_	_	43	
Total fixed income securities	 55	(16)		_	(9)	694	
Equity securities	5	_		_	_	56	
Free-standing derivatives, net	_	_		_	_	(8)	(2)
Other assets	_	_		_	_	1	
Total recurring Level 3 assets	\$ 60	\$ (16)	\$	_	\$ (9)	\$ 743	
Liabilities							
Contractholder funds: Derivatives embedded in life and annuity contracts	\$ _	\$ _	\$	(1)	\$ 2	\$ (313)	
Total recurring Level 3 liabilities	\$ _	\$ _	\$	(1)	\$ 2	\$ (313)	

⁽i) The effect to net income totals \$(16) million and is reported in the Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations and Comprehensive Income as follows: \$(4) million in realized capital gains and losses, \$3 million in net investment income, \$1 million in interest credited to contractholder funds and \$(16) million in life an annuity contract benefits.

⁽²⁾ Comprises \$1 million of assets and \$9 million of liabilities.

The following table presents the rollforward of Level 3 assets and liabilities held at fair value on a recurring basis during the three months ended March 31, 2015.

		Total gains (los	acaj i	nciuded iii.			
	 ance as of ber 31, 2014	Net income (1)		OCI	Transfers into Level 3		Transfers out of Level 3
Assets							
Fixed income securities:							
Municipal	\$ 106	\$ _	\$	1	\$ -	_	\$ _
Corporate	792	(2)		(9)		2	_
ABS	129	_		_		6	(21)
CMBS	1	_		(1)	-	_	_
Total fixed income securities	1,028	(2)		(9)		8	(21)
Equity securities	37	_		_	-	_	_
Free-standing derivatives, net	(7)	_		_	-	-	_
Other assets	1	_		_	-	_	_
Total recurring Level 3 assets	\$ 1,059	\$ (2)	\$	(9)	\$	8	\$ (21)
Liabilities							
Contractholder funds: Derivatives embedded in life and annuity contracts	\$ (323)	\$ (4)	\$	_	\$ -		\$ _
Total recurring Level 3 liabilities	\$ (323)	\$ (4)	\$	_	\$ -		\$ _

	Pı	urchases	Sales	Issues	Settlements	Balance as of March 31, 2015	
Assets							
Fixed income securities:							
Municipal	\$	_	\$ (1)	\$ _	\$ _	\$ 106	
Corporate		19	(47)	_	(16)	739	
ABS		_	_	_	(3)	111	
CMBS		_	_	_	_	_	
Total fixed income securities		19	(48)	_	(19)	956	
Equity securities		2	_	_	_	39	
Free-standing derivatives, net		_	_	_	_	(7)	(2)
Other assets		_	_	_	_	1	
Total recurring Level 3 assets	\$	21	\$ (48)	\$ _	\$ (19)	\$ 989	
Liabilities							
Contractholder funds: Derivatives embedded in life and annuity contracts	\$	_	\$ _	\$ (1)	\$ 2	\$ (326)	
Total recurring Level 3 liabilities	\$	_	\$ _	\$ (1)	\$ 2	\$ (326)	

⁽¹⁾ The effect to net income totals \$(6) million and is reported in the Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations and Comprehensive Income as follows:\$(5) million in realized capital gains and loses, \$3 million in net investment income and \$(4) million in interest credited to contractholder funds.

Transfers between level categorizations may occur due to changes in the availability of market observable inputs, which generally are caused by changes in market conditions such as liquidity, trading volume or bid-ask spreads. Transfers between level categorizations may also occur due to changes in the valuation source. For example, in situations where a fair value quote is not provided by the Company's independent third-party valuation service provider and as a result the price is stale or has been replaced with a broker quote whose inputs have not been corroborated to be market observable, the security is transferred into Level 3. Transfers in and out of level categorizations are reported as having occurred at the beginning of the quarter in which the transfer occurred. Therefore, for all transfers into Level 3, all realized and changes in unrealized gains and losses in the quarter of transfer are reflected in the Level 3 rollforward table.

There were no transfers between Level 1 and Level 2 during the three months ended March 31, 2016 or 2015.

Transfers into Level 3 during the three months ended March 31, 2016 and 2015 included situations where a fair value quote was not provided by the Company's independent third-party valuation service provider and as a result the price was stale or had been replaced with a broker quote where the inputs had not been corroborated to be market observable resulting in the security

⁽²⁾ Comprises \$2 million of assets and \$9 million of liabilities.

being classified as Level 3. Transfers out of Level 3 during the three months ended March 31, 2016 and 2015 included situations where a broker quote was used in the prior period and a fair value quote became available from the Company's independent third-party valuation service provider in the current period. A quote utilizing the new pricing source was not available as of the prior period, and any gains or losses related to the change in valuation source for individual securities were not significant.

The following table provides the change in unrealized gains and losses included in net income for Level 3 assets and liabilities held as of March 31.

(\$ in millions)	Thre	Three months ended March 3					
	2	2016	2015				
Assets							
Fixed income securities:							
Corporate	\$	(2) \$	2				
Equity securities		(12)	_				
Free-standing derivatives, net		(1)	_				
Total recurring Level 3 assets	\$	(15) \$	2				
Liabilities							
Contractholder funds: Derivatives embedded in life and annuity contracts	\$	(15) \$	(4)				
Total recurring Level 3 liabilities	\$	(15) \$	(4)				

The amounts in the table above represent the change in unrealized gains and losses included in net income for the period of time that the asset or liability was determined to be in Level 3. These gains and losses total \$(30) million for the three months ended March 31, 2016 and are reported as follows: \$(18) million in realized capital gains and losses, \$3 million in net investment income, \$1 million in interest credited to contractholder funds and \$(16) million in life and annuity contract benefits. These gains and losses total \$(2) million for the three months ended March 31, 2015 and are reported as follows: \$(1) million in realized capital gains and losses, \$3 million in net investment income and \$(4) million in interest credited to contractholder funds.

Presented below are the carrying values and fair value estimates of financial instruments not carried at fair value.

Financial assets

(\$ in millions)	March 31, 2016							2015
		arrying value		Fair value		Carrying value		Fair value
Mortgage loans	\$	3,749	\$	3,935	\$	3,781	\$	3,920
Cost method limited partnerships		549		664		530		661
Bank loans		496		485		502		493
Agent loans		437		427		422		408
Notes due from related party		275		275		275		275

The fair value of mortgage loans is based on discounted contractual cash flows or, if the loans are impaired due to credit reasons, the fair value of collateral less costs to sell. Risk adjusted discount rates are selected using current rates at which similar loans would be made to borrowers with similar characteristics, using similar types of properties as collateral. The fair value of cost method limited partnerships is determined using reported net asset values. The fair value of bank loans, which are reported in other investments, is based on broker quotes from brokers familiar with the loans and current market conditions. The fair value of agent loans, which are reported in other investments, is based on discounted cash flow calculations that use discount rates with a spread over U.S. Treasury rates. Assumptions used in developing estimated cash flows and discount rates consider the loan's credit and liquidity risks. The fair value of notes due from related party, which are reported in other investments, is based on discounted cash flow calculations using current interest rates for instruments with comparable terms. The fair value measurements for mortgage loans, cost method limited partnerships, bank loans, agent loans, notes due from related party and assets held for sale are categorized as Level 3.

Financial liabilities

(\$ in millions)		March	Decembe	, 2015		
		Carrying value	Fair value	 Carrying value	Fair value	
Contractholder funds on investment contracts	\$	12,152	\$ 12,584	\$ 12,387	\$	12,836
Notes due to related parties		275	275	275		275
Liability for collateral		579	579	550		550

The fair value of contractholder funds on investment contracts is based on the terms of the underlying contracts incorporating current market-based crediting rates for similar contracts that reflect the Company's own credit risk. Deferred annuities classified in contractholder funds are valued based on discounted cash flow models that incorporate current market-based margins and reflect the Company's own credit risk. Immediate annuities without life contingencies and funding agreements are valued based on discounted cash flow models that incorporate current market-based implied interest rates and reflect the Company's own credit risk. The fair value measurement for contractholder funds on investment contracts is categorized as Level 3.

The fair value of notes due to related parties is based on discounted cash flow calculations based on current interest rates for instruments with comparable terms and considers the Company's own credit risk. The liability for collateral is valued at carrying value due to its short-term nature. The fair value measurement for liability for collateral is categorized as Level 2. The fair value measurement for notes due to related parties is categorized as Level 3.

5. Derivative Financial Instruments

The Company uses derivatives for risk reduction and to increase investment portfolio returns through asset replication. Risk reduction activity is focused on managing the risks with certain assets and liabilities arising from the potential adverse impacts from changes in risk-free interest rates, changes in equity market valuations, increases in credit spreads and foreign currency fluctuations.

The Company utilizes several derivative strategies to manage risk. Asset-liability management is a risk management strategy that is principally employed to balance the respective interest-rate sensitivities of the Company's assets and liabilities. Depending upon the attributes of the assets acquired and liabilities issued, derivative instruments such as interest rate swaps, caps, swaptions and futures are utilized to change the interest rate characteristics of existing assets and liabilities to ensure the relationship is maintained within specified ranges and to reduce exposure to rising or falling interest rates. Credit default swaps are typically used to mitigate the credit risk within the Company's fixed income portfolio. Futures and options are used for hedging the equity exposure contained in the Company's equity indexed life and annuity product contracts that offer equity returns to contractholders. In addition, the Company uses equity index futures to offset valuation losses in the equity portfolio during periods of declining equity market values. Interest rate swaps are used to hedge interest rate risk inherent in funding agreements. Foreign currency swaps and forwards are primarily used by the Company to reduce the foreign currency risk associated with holding foreign currency denominated investments.

Asset replication refers to the "synthetic" creation of assets through the use of derivatives. The Company replicates fixed income securities using a combination of a credit default swap or a foreign currency forward contract and one or more highly rated fixed income securities, primarily investment grade host bonds, to synthetically replicate the economic characteristics of one or more cash market securities. The Company replicates equity securities using futures to increase equity exposure.

The Company also has derivatives embedded in non-derivative host contracts that are required to be separated from the host contracts and accounted for at fair value with changes in fair value of embedded derivatives reported in net income. The Company's primary embedded derivatives are equity options in life and annuity product contracts, which provide equity returns to contractholders and conversion options in fixed income securities, which provide the Company with the right to convert the instrument into a predetermined number of shares of common stock.

When derivatives meet specific criteria, they may be designated as accounting hedges and accounted for as fair value, cash flow, foreign currency fair value or foreign currency cash flow hedges. The Company designates certain investment risk transfer reinsurance agreements as fair value hedges when the hedging instrument is highly effective in offsetting the risk of changes in the fair value of the hedged item. The Company designates certain of its foreign currency swap contracts as cash flow hedges when the hedging instrument is highly effective in offsetting the exposure of variations in cash flows for the hedged risk that could affect net income. Amounts are reclassified to net investment income or realized capital gains and losses as the hedged item affects net income.

The notional amounts specified in the contracts are used to calculate the exchange of contractual payments under the agreements and are generally not representative of the potential for gain or loss on these agreements. However, the notional amounts specified in credit default swaps where the Company has sold credit protection represent the maximum amount of potential loss, assuming no recoveries.

Fair value, which is equal to the carrying value, is the estimated amount that the Company would receive or pay to terminate the derivative contracts at the reporting date. The carrying value amounts for OTC derivatives are further adjusted for the effects, if any, of enforceable master netting agreements and are presented on a net basis, by counterparty agreement, in the Condensed Consolidated Statements of Financial Position. For certain exchange traded and cleared derivatives, margin deposits are required as well as daily cash settlements of margin accounts. As of March 31, 2016, the Company pledged \$8 million of cash in the form of margin deposits.

For those derivatives which qualify for fair value hedge accounting, net income includes the changes in the fair value of both the derivative instrument and the hedged risk, and therefore reflects any hedging ineffectiveness. For cash flow hedges, gains and losses are amortized from accumulated other comprehensive income and are reported in net income in the same period the forecasted transactions being hedged impact net income.

Non-hedge accounting is generally used for "portfolio" level hedging strategies where the terms of the individual hedged items do not meet the strict homogeneity requirements to permit the application of hedge accounting. For non-hedge derivatives, net income includes changes in fair value and accrued periodic settlements, when applicable. With the exception of non-hedge derivatives used for asset replication and non-hedge embedded derivatives, all of the Company's derivatives are evaluated for their ongoing effectiveness as either accounting hedge or non-hedge derivative financial instruments on at least a quarterly basis.

The following table provides a summary of the volume and fair value positions of derivative instruments as well as their reporting location in the Condensed Consolidated Statement of Financial Position as of March 31, 2016.

(\$ in millions, except number of contracts)			Volun	ne (1)					
	Balance sheet location		otional mount	Number of contracts	Fair value, net		Gross asset		Gross ability
Asset derivatives									
Derivatives designated as accounting hedging instruments									
Foreign currency swap agreements	Other investments	\$	15	n/a	\$	3	\$	3	\$ _
Derivatives not designated as accounting hedging instruments									
Interest rate contracts									
Interest rate cap agreements	Other investments		24	n/a		_		_	_
Equity and index contracts									
Options	Other investments		_	3,762		51		51	_
Financial futures contracts	Other assets		_	743		_		_	_
Credit default contracts									
Credit default swaps – buying protection	Other investments		5	n/a		_		_	_
Credit default swaps – selling protection	Other investments		80	n/a		1		1	_
Other contracts									
Other contracts	Other assets		3	n/a		1		1	
Subtotal			112	4,505		53		53	_
Total asset derivatives		\$	127	4,505	\$	56	\$	56	\$
<u>Liability derivatives</u>									
Derivatives designated as accounting hedging instruments									
Foreign currency swap agreements	Other liabilities & accrued expenses	\$	49	n/a	\$	4	\$	4	\$ _
Derivatives not designated as accounting hedging instruments		'							
Interest rate contracts									
Interest rate swap agreements	Other liabilities & accrued expenses		85	n/a		_		_	_
Interest rate cap agreements	Other liabilities & accrued expenses		66	n/a		1		1	_
Equity and index contracts									
Options and futures	Other liabilities & accrued expenses		_	3,638		(11)		_	(11)
Foreign currency contracts									
Foreign currency forwards	Other liabilities & accrued expenses		104	n/a		(4)		_	(4)
Embedded derivative financial instruments									
Guaranteed accumulation benefits	Contractholder funds		423	n/a		(49)		_	(49)
Guaranteed withdrawal benefits	Contractholder funds		292	n/a		(19)		_	(19)
Equity-indexed and forward starting options in life and annuity product contracts	Contractholder funds		1,766	n/a		(245)		_	(245)
Other embedded derivative financial instruments	Contractholder funds		85	n/a		_		_	_
Credit default contracts									
Credit default swaps – buying protection	Other liabilities & accrued expenses		58	n/a		_		1	(1)
Credit default swaps – selling protection	Other liabilities & accrued expenses		100	n/a		(9)			(9)
Subtotal			2,979	3,638		(336)		2	(338)
Total liability derivatives			3,028	3,638		(332)	\$	6	\$ (338)
Total derivatives		\$	3,155	8,143	\$	(276)			

⁽¹⁾ Volume for OTC and cleared derivative contracts is represented by their notional amounts. Volume for exchange traded derivatives is represented by the number of contracts, which is the basis on which they are traded. (n/a = not applicable)

The following table provides a summary of the volume and fair value positions of derivative instruments as well as their reporting location in the Consolidated Statement of Financial Position as of December 31, 2015.

(\$ in millions, except number of contracts)			Volun	1e ⁽¹⁾				
	Balance sheet location		otional mount	Number of contracts	,	Fair value, net	Gross asset	Gross ability
Asset derivatives								 J
Derivatives designated as accounting hedging instruments								
Foreign currency swap agreements	Other investments	\$	45	n/a	\$	6	\$ 6	\$ _
Derivatives not designated as accounting hedging instruments								
Interest rate contracts								
Interest rate cap agreements	Other investments		42	n/a		_	_	_
Equity and index contracts								
Options	Other investments		_	3,730		44	44	_
Financial futures contracts	Other assets		_	997		1	1	_
Foreign currency contracts								
Foreign currency forwards	Other investments		81	n/a		1	1	_
Credit default contracts								
Credit default swaps – buying protection	Other investments		51	n/a		2	3	(1)
Credit default swaps – selling protection	Other investments		80	n/a		1	1	_
Other contracts								
Other contracts	Other assets		3	n/a		1	1	_
Subtotal			257	4,727		50	51	(1)
Total asset derivatives		\$	302	4,727	\$	56	\$ 57	\$ (1)
		<u> </u>		-	-			
<u>Liability derivatives</u>								
Derivatives designated as accounting hedging instruments								
Foreign currency swap agreements	Other liabilities & accrued expenses	\$	19	n/a	\$	4	\$ 4	\$ _
Derivatives not designated as accounting hedging instruments								
Interest rate contracts								
Interest rate swap agreements	Other liabilities & accrued expenses		85	n/a		_	_	_
Interest rate cap agreements	Other liabilities & accrued expenses		72	n/a		1	1	_
Equity and index contracts								
Options	Other liabilities & accrued expenses		_	3,645		(6)	_	(6)
Embedded derivative financial instruments								
Guaranteed accumulation benefits	Contractholder funds		481	n/a		(38)	_	(38)
Guaranteed withdrawal benefits	Contractholder funds		332	n/a		(14)	_	(14)
Equity-indexed and forward starting options in life and annuity product contracts	Contractholder funds		1,781	n/a		(247)	_	(247)
Other embedded derivative financial instruments	Contractholder funds		85	n/a		_	_	
Credit default contracts								
Credit default swaps – buying protection	Other liabilities & accrued expenses		2	n/a		_	_	
Credit default swaps – selling protection	Other liabilities & accrued expenses		100	n/a		(8)		(8)
Subtotal			2,938	3,645		(312)	1	(313)
Total liability derivatives			2,957	3,645		(308)	\$ 5	\$ (313)
Total derivatives		\$	3,259	8,372	\$	(252)		

⁽i) Volume for OTC and cleared derivative contracts is represented by their notional amounts. Volume for exchange traded derivatives is represented by the number of contracts, which is the basis on which they are traded. (n/a = not applicable)

The following table provides gross and net amounts for the Company's OTC derivatives, all of which are subject to enforceable master netting agreements.

(\$ in millions)	Offsets							
		Gross amount		Counter- party netting	Cash collateral (received) pledged	Net amount on balance sheet	Securities collateral (received) pledged	Net amount
March 31, 2016							_	
Asset derivatives	\$	9	\$	(6)	\$ (3)	\$ _	\$ _	\$ _
Liability derivatives		(14)		6	(5)	(13)	7	(6)
December 31, 2015								
Asset derivatives	\$	15	\$	(6)	\$ (5)	\$ 4	\$ (1)	\$ 3
Liability derivatives		(9)		6	(5)	(8)	7	(1)

The following table provides a summary of the impacts of the Company's foreign currency contracts in cash flow hedging relationships. Amortization of net gains from accumulated other comprehensive income related to cash flow hedges is expected to be a gain of \$1 million during the next twelve months. There was no hedge ineffectiveness reported in realized gains and losses for the three months ended March 31, 2016 or 2015.

(\$ in millions)	Three months ended March 31,			
		2016	2015	
(Loss) gain recognized in OCI on derivatives during the period	\$	(3)	\$	8
Gain recognized in OCI on derivatives during the term of the hedging relationship		7		7
Gain reclassified from AOCI into income (realized capital gains and losses)		_		3

The following tables present gains and losses from valuation and settlements reported on derivatives not designated as accounting hedging instruments in the Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations and Comprehensive Income. For the three months ended March 31, 2016 and 2015, the Company had no derivatives used in fair value hedging relationships.

(\$ in millions)	Realized capital gains and losses		Contract benefits	Interest credited to contractholder funds			Total gain (loss) recognized in net income on derivatives
Three months ended March 31, 2016		_					
Equity and index contracts	\$	_	\$ _	\$	(7)	\$	(7)
Embedded derivative financial instruments		_	(16)		2		(14)
Foreign currency contracts		(4)	_		_		(4)
Credit default contracts		(1)	_		_		(1)
Total	\$	(5)	\$ (16)	\$	(5)	\$	(26)
Three months ended March 31, 2015							
Equity and index contracts	\$	(1)	\$ _	\$	4	\$	3
Embedded derivative financial instruments		_	_		(3)		(3)
Foreign currency contracts		5	_				5
Total	\$	4	\$ _	\$	1	\$	5

The Company manages its exposure to credit risk by utilizing highly rated counterparties, establishing risk control limits, executing legally enforceable master netting agreements ("MNAs") and obtaining collateral where appropriate. The Company uses MNAs for OTC derivative transactions that permit either party to net payments due for transactions and collateral is either pledged or obtained when certain predetermined exposure limits are exceeded. As of March 31, 2016, counterparties pledged \$9 million in cash and securities to the Company, and the Company pledged \$8 million in securities to counterparties as collateral posted under MNAs for contracts containing credit-risk-contingent provisions that are in a liability position. The Company has not incurred any losses on derivative financial instruments due to counterparty nonperformance. Other derivatives, including futures and certain option contracts, are traded on organized exchanges which require margin deposits and guarantee the execution of trades, thereby mitigating any potential credit risk.

Counterparty credit exposure represents the Company's potential loss if all of the counterparties concurrently fail to perform under the contractual terms of the contracts and all collateral, if any, becomes worthless. This exposure is measured by the fair

value of OTC derivative contracts with a positive fair value at the reporting date reduced by the effect, if any, of legally enforceable master netting agreements.

The following table summarizes the counterparty credit exposure by counterparty credit rating as it relates to the Company's OTC derivatives.

(\$ in millions)	(\$ in millions) March 31, 2016						December 31, 2015					
Rating (1)	Number of counter-parties	Notional amount (2)	Credit exposure ⁽²⁾	Exposure, net of collateral ⁽²⁾	Number of counter- parties	Notional amount ⁽²⁾	Credit exposure (2)	Exposure, net of collateral ⁽²⁾				
A+	1	\$ 71	\$ 3	\$ —	1	\$ 82	\$ 5	\$ —				
A	4	63	2	_	5	178	6	6				
A-	1	16	3	3	1	16	3	_				
BBB+	1	16		_	2	36	_	_				
Total	7	\$ 166	\$ 8	\$ 3	9	\$ 312	\$ 14	\$ 6				

⁽¹⁾ Rating is the lower of S&P or Moody's ratings.

Market risk is the risk that the Company will incur losses due to adverse changes in market rates and prices. Market risk exists for all of the derivative financial instruments the Company currently holds, as these instruments may become less valuable due to adverse changes in market conditions. To limit this risk, the Company's senior management has established risk control limits. In addition, changes in fair value of the derivative financial instruments that the Company uses for risk management purposes are generally offset by the change in the fair value or cash flows of the hedged risk component of the related assets, liabilities or forecasted transactions.

Certain of the Company's derivative instruments contain credit-risk-contingent termination events, cross-default provisions and credit support annex agreements. Credit-risk-contingent termination events allow the counterparties to terminate the derivative agreement or a specific trade on certain dates if AIC's, ALIC's or Allstate Life Insurance Company of New York's ("ALNY") financial strength credit ratings by Moody's or S&P fall below a certain level. Credit-risk-contingent cross-default provisions allow the counterparties to terminate the derivative agreement if the Company defaults by pre-determined threshold amounts on certain debt instruments. Credit-risk-contingent credit support annex agreements specify the amount of collateral the Company must post to counterparties based on AIC's, ALIC's or ALNY's financial strength credit ratings by Moody's or S&P, or in the event AIC, ALIC or ALNY are no longer rated by either Moody's or S&P.

The following summarizes the fair value of derivative instruments with termination, cross-default or collateral credit-risk-contingent features that are in a liability position, as well as the fair value of assets and collateral that are netted against the liability in accordance with provisions within legally enforceable MNAs.

(\$ in millions)			De	cember 31,
	March	31, 2016		2015
Gross liability fair value of contracts containing credit-risk-contingent features	\$	14	\$	9
Gross asset fair value of contracts containing credit-risk-contingent features and subject to MNAs		(1)		(1)
Collateral posted under MNAs for contracts containing credit-risk-contingent features		(8)		(7)
Maximum amount of additional exposure for contracts with credit-risk-contingent features if all features were triggered concurrently	¢	5	¢	1
triggered concurrently	Φ	J	Ψ	1

Credit derivatives - selling protection

Free-standing credit default swaps ("CDS") are utilized for selling credit protection against a specified credit event. A credit default swap is a derivative instrument, representing an agreement between two parties to exchange the credit risk of a specified entity (or a group of entities), or an index based on the credit risk of a group of entities (all commonly referred to as the "reference entity" or a portfolio of "reference entities"), in return for a periodic premium. In selling protection, CDS are used to replicate fixed income securities and to complement the cash market when credit exposure to certain issuers is not available or when the derivative alternative is less expensive than the cash market alternative. CDS typically have a five-year term.

⁽²⁾ Only OTC derivatives with a net positive fair value are included for each counterparty.

The following table shows the CDS notional amounts by credit rating and fair value of protection sold.

(\$ in millions)		Notional amount										
		AA		A		BBB		BB and lower		Total		Fair value
March 31, 2016												
First-to-default Basket												
Municipal	\$	_	\$	_	\$	100	\$	_	\$	100	\$	(9)
Index												
Corporate debt		1		20		50		9		80		1
Total	\$	1	\$	20	\$	150	\$	9	\$	180	\$	(8)
December 31, 2015												
First-to-default Basket												
Municipal	\$	_	\$	_	\$	100	\$	_	\$	100	\$	(8)
Index												
Corporate debt		1		20		52		7		80		1
Total	\$	1	\$	20	\$	152	\$	7	\$	180	\$	(7)

In selling protection with CDS, the Company sells credit protection on an identified single name, a basket of names in a first-to-default ("FTD") structure or credit derivative index ("CDX") that is generally investment grade, and in return receives periodic premiums through expiration or termination of the agreement. With single name CDS, this premium or credit spread generally corresponds to the difference between the yield on the reference entity's public fixed maturity cash instruments and swap rates at the time the agreement is executed. With a FTD basket, because of the additional credit risk inherent in a basket of named reference entities, the premium generally corresponds to a high proportion of the sum of the credit spreads of the names in the basket and the correlation between the names. CDX is utilized to take a position on multiple (generally 125) reference entities. Credit events are typically defined as bankruptcy, failure to pay, or restructuring, depending on the nature of the reference entities. If a credit event occurs, the Company settles with the counterparty, either through physical settlement or cash settlement. In a physical settlement, a reference asset is delivered by the buyer of protection to the Company, in exchange for cash payment at par, whereas in a cash settlement, the Company pays the difference between par and the prescribed value of the reference asset. When a credit event occurs in a single name or FTD basket (for FTD, the first credit event occurring for any one name in the basket), the contract terminates at the time of settlement. For CDX, the reference entity's name incurring the credit event is removed from the index while the contract continues until expiration. The maximum payout on a CDS is the contract notional amount. A physical settlement may afford the Company with recovery rights as the new owner of the asset.

The Company monitors risk associated with credit derivatives through individual name credit limits at both a credit derivative and a combined cash instrument/credit derivative level. The ratings of individual names for which protection has been sold are also monitored.

6. Reinsurance

The effects of reinsurance on premiums and contract charges are as follows:

(\$ in millions)	Three months ended March 31,						
		016		2015			
Direct	\$	177	\$	183			
Assumed							
Affiliate		34		32			
Non-affiliate		203		210			
Ceded							
Affiliate		(13)		_			
Non-affiliate		(70)		(80)			
Premiums and contract charges, net of reinsurance	\$	331	\$	345			

The effects of reinsurance on contract benefits are as follows:

(\$ in millions)	Three months ended March				
	20)16	20	015	
Direct	\$	256	\$	274	
Assumed					
Affiliate		21		19	
Non-affiliate		133		135	
Ceded					
Affiliate		(9)		_	
Non-affiliate		(63)		(70)	
Contract benefits, net of reinsurance	\$	338	\$	358	

The effects of reinsurance on interest credited to contractholder funds are as follows:

(\$ in millions)	Three months ended March 31,				
	2016		2015		
Direct	\$	161	\$	158	
Assumed					
Affiliate		2		3	
Non-affiliate		25		36	
Ceded					
Affiliate		(5)		_	
Non-affiliate		(5)		(6)	
Interest credited to contractholder funds, net of reinsurance	\$	178	\$	191	

7. Guarantees and Contingent Liabilities

Guarantees

The Company owns certain investments that obligate the Company to exchange credit risk or to forfeit principal due, depending on the nature or occurrence of specified credit events for the reference entities. In the event all such specified credit events were to occur, the Company's maximum amount at risk on these investments, as measured by the amount of the aggregate initial investment, was \$4 million as of March 31, 2016. The obligations associated with these investments expire at various dates on or before March 11, 2018.

In the normal course of business, the Company provides standard indemnifications to contractual counterparties in connection with numerous transactions, including acquisitions and divestitures. The types of indemnifications typically provided include indemnifications for breaches of representations and warranties, taxes and certain other liabilities, such as third party lawsuits. The indemnification clauses are often standard contractual terms and are entered into in the normal course of business based on an assessment that the risk of loss would be remote. The terms of the indemnifications vary in duration and nature. In many cases, the maximum obligation is not explicitly stated and the contingencies triggering the obligation to indemnify have not occurred and are not expected to occur. Consequently, the maximum amount of the obligation under such indemnifications is not determinable. Historically, the Company has not made any material payments pursuant to these obligations.

Related to the sale of LBL on April 1, 2014, the Company agreed to indemnify Resolution Life Holdings, Inc. in connection with certain representations, warranties and covenants of the Company, and certain liabilities specifically excluded from the transaction, subject to specific contractual limitations regarding the Company's maximum obligation. Management does not believe these indemnifications will have a material effect on results of operations, cash flows or financial position of the Company.

Related to the disposal through reinsurance of substantially all of the Company's variable annuity business to Prudential in 2006, the Company and the Corporation have agreed to indemnify Prudential for certain pre-closing contingent liabilities (including extra-contractual liabilities of the Company and liabilities specifically excluded from the transaction) that the Company has agreed to retain. In addition, the Company and the Corporation will each indemnify Prudential for certain post-closing liabilities that may arise from the acts of the Company and its agents, including certain liabilities arising from the Company's provision of transition services. The reinsurance agreements contain no limitations or indemnifications with regard to insurance risk transfer, and transferred all of the future risks and responsibilities for performance on the underlying variable annuity contracts to Prudential, including those related to benefit guarantees. Management does not believe this agreement will have a material effect on results of operations, cash flows or financial position of the Company.

The aggregate liability balance related to all guarantees was not material as of March 31, 2016.

Regulation and Compliance

The Company is subject to extensive laws, regulations and regulatory actions. From time to time, regulatory authorities or legislative bodies seek to impose additional regulations regarding agent and broker compensation, regulate the nature of and amount of investments, impose fines and penalties for unintended errors or mistakes, and otherwise expand overall regulation of insurance products and the insurance industry. In addition, the Company is subject to laws and regulations administered and enforced by federal agencies and other organizations, including but not limited to the Securities and Exchange Commission, the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority, the Department of Labor, and the U.S. Department of Justice. The Company has established procedures and policies to facilitate compliance with laws and regulations, to foster prudent business operations, and to support financial reporting. The Company routinely reviews its practices to validate compliance with laws and regulations and with internal procedures and policies. As a result of these reviews, from time to time the Company may decide to modify some of its procedures and policies. Such modifications, and the reviews that led to them, may be accompanied by payments being made and costs being incurred. The ultimate changes and eventual effects of these actions on the Company's business, if any, are uncertain.

The Company is currently being examined by certain states for compliance with unclaimed property laws. It is possible that this examination may result in additional payments of abandoned funds to states and to changes in the Company's practices and procedures for the identification of escheatable funds, which could impact benefit payments and reserves, among other consequences; however, it is not likely to have a material effect on the condensed consolidated financial statements of the Company.

8. Other Comprehensive Income

The components of other comprehensive income on a pre-tax and after-tax basis are as follows:

(\$ in millions)	Three months ended March 31,											
	2016							2015				
		Pre- tax		Tax		After- tax		Pre- tax		Tax		After- tax
Unrealized net holding gains and losses arising during the period, net of related offsets	\$	329	\$	(115)	\$	214	\$	212	\$	(74)	\$	138
Less: reclassification adjustment of realized capital gains and losses		(41)		14		(27)		103		(36)		67
Unrealized net capital gains and losses		370		(129)		241		109		(38)		71
Unrealized foreign currency translation adjustments		(3)		1		(2)		(3)		1		(2)
Other comprehensive income	\$	367	\$	(128)	\$	239	\$	106	\$	(37)	\$	69

REPORT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

To the Board of Directors and Shareholder of Allstate Life Insurance Company Northbrook, Illinois 60062

We have reviewed the accompanying condensed consolidated statement of financial position of Allstate Life Insurance Company and subsidiaries (the "Company"), an affiliate of The Allstate Corporation, as of March 31, 2016, and the related condensed consolidated statements of operations and comprehensive income, shareholder's equity and cash flows for the three-month periods ended March 31, 2016 and 2015. These interim financial statements are the responsibility of the Company's management.

We conducted our reviews in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States). A review of interim financial information consists principally of applying analytical procedures and making inquiries of persons responsible for financial and accounting matters. It is substantially less in scope than an audit conducted in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States), the objective of which is the expression of an opinion regarding the financial statements taken as a whole. Accordingly, we do not express such an opinion.

Based on our reviews, we are not aware of any material modifications that should be made to such condensed consolidated interim financial statements for them to be in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

We have previously audited, in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States), the consolidated statement of financial position of Allstate Life Insurance Company and subsidiaries as of December 31, 2015, and the related consolidated statements of operations and comprehensive income, shareholder's equity, and cash flows for the year then ended (not presented herein); and in our report dated March 2, 2016, we expressed an unqualified opinion on those consolidated financial statements. In our opinion, the information set forth in the accompanying condensed consolidated statement of financial position as of December 31, 2015 is fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the consolidated statement of financial position from which it has been derived.

/s/ DELOITTE & TOUCHE LLP

Chicago, Illinois May 6, 2016

Item 2. MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS OF FINANCIAL CONDITION AND RESULTS OF OPERATIONS FOR THE THREE-MONTH PERIODS ENDED MARCH 31, 2016 AND 2015

OVERVIEW

The following discussion highlights significant factors influencing the consolidated financial position and results of operations of Allstate Life Insurance Company (referred to in this document as "we," "our," "us," the "Company" or "ALIC"). It should be read in conjunction with the condensed consolidated financial statements and notes thereto found under Part I. Item 1. contained herein, and with the discussion, analysis, consolidated financial statements and notes thereto in Part I. Item 1. and Part II. Item 7. and Item 8. of the Allstate Life Insurance Company Annual Report on Form 10-K for 2015. We operate as a single segment entity based on the manner in which we use financial information to evaluate business performance and to determine the allocation of resources.

HIGHLIGHTS

- Net income was \$52 million in the first quarter of 2016 compared to \$153 million in the first quarter of 2015.
- Premiums and contract charges on underwritten products, including traditional life, interest-sensitive life and accident and health insurance, totaled \$328 million in the first quarter of 2016, a decrease of 4.1% from \$342 million in the first quarter of 2015.
- Investments totaled \$35.45 billion as of March 31, 2016, reflecting an increase of \$487 million from \$34.96 billion as of December 31, 2015. Net investment income decreased 15.1% to \$400 million in the first quarter of 2016 from \$471 million in the first quarter of 2015.
- Net realized capital losses totaled \$46 million in the first quarter of 2016 compared to net realized capital gains of \$111 million in the first quarter of 2015.
- Contractholder funds totaled \$20.33 billion as of March 31, 2016, reflecting a decrease of \$213 million from \$20.54 billion as of December 31, 2015.
- Effective April 1, 2015, ALIC entered into a coinsurance reinsurance agreement with Allstate Assurance Company ("AAC") to cede certain interest-sensitive life insurance policies with contractholder funds totaling \$476 million to AAC. This business generated approximately \$14 million of contract charges and \$9 million of contract benefits per quarter in 2014.

OPERATIONS

Summary analysis Summarized financial data is presented in the following table.

(\$ in millions)	Three mor	Three months ended March 31,						
	2016		2015					
Revenues								
Premiums	\$	149 \$	150					
Contract charges		182	195					
Net investment income		400	471					
Realized capital gains and losses		(46)	111					
Total revenues		685	927					
Costs and expenses								
Contract benefits	(338)	(358)					
Interest credited to contractholder funds	(178)	(191)					
Amortization of DAC		(37)	(40)					
Operating costs and expenses		(56)	(80)					
Interest expense		(4)	(4)					
Total costs and expenses		613)	(673)					
Gain (loss) on disposition of operations		2	(2)					
Income tax expense		(22)	(99)					
Net income	\$	52 \$	153					
Investments as of March 31	\$ 35,	449 \$	37,418					

Net income was \$52 million in the first quarter of 2016 compared to \$153 million in the first quarter of 2015. The decrease was primarily due to net realized capital losses in first quarter 2016 compared to net realized capital gains in first quarter 2015 and lower net investment income, partially offset by lower operating costs and expenses and lower contract benefits.

Analysis of revenues Total revenues decreased 26.1% or \$242 million in the first quarter of 2016 compared to the first quarter of 2015, primarily due to net realized capital losses in first quarter 2016 compared to net realized capital gains in first quarter 2015 and lower net investment income.

Premiums represent revenues generated from traditional life insurance, accident and health insurance, and immediate annuities with life contingencies that have significant mortality or morbidity risk.

Contract charges are revenues generated from interest-sensitive and variable life insurance and fixed annuities for which deposits are classified as contractholder funds or separate account liabilities. Contract charges are assessed against the contractholder account values for maintenance, administration, cost of insurance and surrender prior to contractually specified dates.

The following table summarizes premiums and contract charges by product.

(\$ in millions)	Three months ended March 31,			Aarch 31,	
	2016			2015	
Underwritten products					
Traditional life insurance premiums	\$	126	\$	129	
Accident and health insurance premiums		23		21	
Interest-sensitive life insurance contract charges		179		192	
Subtotal		328	,	342	
Annuities					
Immediate annuities with life contingencies premiums		_		_	
Other fixed annuity contract charges		3		3	
Subtotal		3		3	
Premiums and contract charges (1)	\$	331	\$	345	

⁽¹⁾ Contract charges related to the cost of insurance totaled \$125 million and \$135 million for the first quarter of 2016 and 2015, respectively.

Premiums and contract charges decreased 4.1% or \$14 million in the first quarter of 2016 compared to the first quarter of 2015. The decrease was primarily due to lower interest-sensitive life insurance contract charges related to the reinsurance agreement with AAC effective April 1, 2015.

Contractholder funds represent interest-bearing liabilities arising from the sale of products such as interest-sensitive life insurance, fixed annuities and funding agreements. The balance of contractholder funds is equal to the cumulative deposits received and interest credited to the contractholder less cumulative contract benefits, surrenders, withdrawals, maturities and contract charges for mortality or administrative expenses. The following table shows the changes in contractholder funds.

(\$ in millions)	Three months	Three months ended March 31,							
	2016	2015							
Contractholder funds, beginning balance	\$ 20,542	\$ 21,816							
Deposits									
Interest-sensitive life insurance	205	222							
Fixed annuities	44	51							
Total deposits	249	273							
Interest credited	177	192							
Benefits, withdrawals, maturities and other adjustments									
Benefits	(247)	(269)							
Surrenders and partial withdrawals	(236)	(301)							
Contract charges	(167)	(181)							
Net transfers from separate accounts	1	1							
Other adjustments (1)	10	7							
Total benefits, withdrawals, maturities and other adjustments	(639)	(743)							
Contractholder funds, ending balance	\$ 20,329	\$ 21,538							

⁽¹⁾ The table above illustrates the changes in contractholder funds, which are presented gross of reinsurance recoverables on the Condensed Consolidated Statements of Financial Position. The table above is intended to supplement our discussion and analysis of revenues, which are presented net of reinsurance on the Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations and Comprehensive Income. As a result, the net change in contractholder funds associated with products reinsured is reflected as a component of the other adjustments line.

Contractholder funds decreased 1.0% in the first quarter of 2016 primarily due to the continued runoff of our deferred fixed annuity business.

Contractholder deposits decreased 8.8% in the first quarter of 2016 compared to the first quarter of 2015, primarily due to lower deposits on interest-sensitive life insurance resulting from the absence of deposits on the business reinsured to AAC effective April 1, 2015 and lower additional deposits on interest-sensitive life and fixed annuities.

Surrenders and partial withdrawals on deferred fixed annuities and interest-sensitive life insurance products decreased 21.6% to \$236 million in the first quarter of 2016 from \$301 million in the first quarter of 2015, due to a decrease in fixed annuities. The annualized surrender and partial withdrawal rate on deferred fixed annuities and interest-sensitive life insurance products, based on the beginning of year contractholder funds, was 5.8% in the first quarter of 2016 compared to 6.9% in the same period of 2015.

Analysis of costs and expenses Total costs and expenses decreased 8.9% or \$60 million in the first quarter of 2016 compared to the first quarter of 2015, primarily due to lower operating costs and expenses, lower contract benefits and lower interest credited to contractholder funds.

Contract benefits decreased 5.6% or \$20 million in the first quarter of 2016 compared to the first quarter of 2015, primarily due to favorable mortality experience and a decline related to the reinsurance agreement with AAC effective April 1, 2015.

In 2015, we initiated a mortality study for our structured settlement annuities with life contingencies (a type of immediate fixed annuities), which is expected to be completed in 2016. The study thus far indicates that annuitants may be living longer and receiving benefits for a longer period than originally estimated. The preliminary results of the study were considered in the premium deficiency and profits followed by losses evaluations as of March 31, 2016 and December 31, 2015. We anticipate that mortality and investment and reinvestment yields are the factors that would be most likely to require premium deficiency adjustments.

We analyze our mortality and morbidity results using the difference between premiums and contract charges earned for the cost of insurance and contract benefits excluding the portion related to the implied interest on immediate annuities with life contingencies ("benefit spread"). This implied interest totaled \$128 million and \$129 million in the first quarter of 2016 and 2015, respectively.

The benefit spread by product group is disclosed in the following table.

(\$ in millions)	Three	Three months ended March 31,					
	20	16	2015				
Life insurance	\$	70	\$	65			
Accident and health insurance		11		12			
Annuities		(17)		(21)			
Total benefit spread	\$	64	\$	56			

Benefit spread increased 14.3% or \$8 million in the first quarter of 2016 compared to the same period of 2015. The increase was primarily due to favorable mortality experience, partially offset by a decline related to the reinsurance agreement with AAC effective April 1, 2015.

Interest credited to contractholder funds decreased 6.8% or \$13 million in the first quarter of 2016 compared to the same period of 2015, primarily due to lower average contractholder funds and a decline related to the reinsurance agreement with AAC effective April 1, 2015. Valuation changes on derivatives embedded in equity-indexed annuity contracts that are not hedged increased interest credited to contractholder funds by \$6 million in first quarter 2016 compared to \$7 million in first quarter 2015.

In order to analyze the impact of net investment income and interest credited to contractholders on net income, we monitor the difference between net investment income and the sum of interest credited to contractholder funds and the implied interest on immediate annuities with life contingencies, which is included as a component of contract benefits on the Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations and Comprehensive Income ("investment spread").

The investment spread by product group is shown in the following table.

(\$ in millions)	Three months ended March 31,				
	2	016		2015	
Annuities and institutional products	\$	16	\$	69	
Life insurance		35		35	
Accident and health insurance		1		1	
Net investment income on investments supporting capital		48		53	
Investment spread before valuation changes on embedded derivatives that are not hedged		100		158	
Valuation changes on derivatives embedded in equity-indexed annuity contracts that are not hedged		(6)		(7)	
Total investment spread	\$	94	\$	151	

Investment spread before valuation changes on embedded derivatives that are not hedged decreased 36.7% or \$58 million in the first quarter of 2016 compared to the same period of 2015, primarily due to lower net investment income, partially offset by lower credited interest.

To further analyze investment spreads, the following table summarizes the weighted average investment yield on assets supporting product liabilities and capital, interest crediting rates and investment spreads. Investment spreads may vary significantly between periods due to the variability in investment income, particularly for immediate fixed annuities where the investment portfolio includes limited partnerships.

			Three months end	ths ended March 31,								
_	Weighted a investmen	O	Weighted a interest credi	U	Weighted average investment spreads							
-	2016	2015	2016	2015	2016	2015						
Interest-sensitive life insurance	5.3%	5.4%	3.9%	3.9%	1.4%	1.5%						
Deferred fixed annuities and institutional products	4.0	4.3	2.8	2.8	1.2	1.5						
Immediate fixed annuities with and without life contingencies	6.0	7.3	5.9	5.9	0.1	1.4						
Investments supporting capital, traditional life and other products	3.9	4.4	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a						

The following table summarizes our product liabilities and indicates the account value of those contracts and policies for which an investment spread is generated.

(\$ in millions)	March 31,			
	 2016		2015	
Immediate fixed annuities with life contingencies	\$ 8,683	\$	8,772	
Other life contingent contracts and other	2,676		2,726	
Reserve for life-contingent contract benefits	\$ 11,359	\$	11,498	
Interest-sensitive life insurance	\$ 7,269	\$	7,209	
Deferred fixed annuities	9,518		10,572	
Immediate fixed annuities without life contingencies	3,179		3,400	
Institutional products	85		85	
Other	278		272	
Contractholder funds	\$ 20,329	\$	21,538	

Amortization of DAC The components of amortization of DAC are summarized in the following table.

(\$ in millions)	Thi	Three months ended March 31,				
		2016		2015		
Amortization of DAC before amortization relating to realized capital gains and losses, valuation changes on embedded derivatives that are not hedged and changes in assumptions	\$	36	\$	39		
Amortization relating to realized capital gains and losses (1) and valuation changes on embedded derivatives that are not hedged		1		1		
Amortization acceleration (deceleration) for changes in assumptions ("DAC unlocking")		_		_		
Total amortization of DAC	\$	37	\$	40		

⁽¹⁾ The impact of realized capital gains and losses on amortization of DAC is dependent upon the relationship between the assets that give rise to the gain or loss and the product liability supported by the assets. Fluctuations result from changes in the impact of realized capital gains and losses on actual and expected gross profits.

Amortization of DAC decreased 7.5% or \$3 million in the first quarter of 2016 compared to the same period of 2015.

Operating costs and expenses decreased 30.0% or \$24 million in the first quarter of 2016 compared to the same period of 2015. The following table summarizes operating costs and expenses.

(\$ in millions)	Three months ended March 31,					
		2016	2015			
Non-deferrable commissions	\$	7	\$	4		
General and administrative expenses		41		68		
Taxes and licenses		8		8		
Total operating costs and expenses	\$	56	\$	80		

General and administrative expenses decreased 39.7% or \$27 million in the first quarter of 2016 compared to the first quarter of 2015, primarily due to lower employee related and other operating costs as a result of the decline in new and inforce business.

In April 2016, the U.S. Department of Labor issued a regulation that will expand the range of activities that would be considered to be "investment advice" and establish a new framework for determining whether a person is a fiduciary when mutual funds, variable and indexed annuities, or variable life are sold in connection with an Individual Retirement Account or an employee benefit plan covered under the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, as amended. ALIC does not currently sell proprietary annuities or proprietary variable life sold in connection with Individual Retirement Accounts or covered under the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974. Products that we previously offered and continue to have in force, such as indexed annuities, could be impacted by the regulation. Compliance with the regulation may add costs and may impact producer compensation and processes. The impact is under review. The rule becomes effective on June 7, 2016 and compliance of certain components of the rule is required by April 10, 2017 and full compliance is required by January 1, 2018.

Income tax expense in first quarter 2015 included \$17 million related to our adoption of new accounting guidance for investments in qualified affordable housing projects.

INVESTMENTS

Portfolio composition The composition of the investment portfolio as of March 31, 2016 is presented in the following table.

(\$ in millions)		Percent to total
Fixed income securities (1)	\$ 24,443	69.0%
Mortgage loans	3,749	10.6
Equity securities (2)	1,344	3.8
Limited partnership interests (3)	2,405	6.8
Short-term investments (4)	1,545	4.3
Policy loans	566	1.6
Other	 1,397	3.9
Total	\$ 35,449	100.0%

⁽¹⁾ Fixed income securities are carried at fair value. Amortized cost basis for these securities was \$23.14 billion.

Investments totaled \$35.45 billion as of March 31, 2016, increasing from \$34.96 billion as of December 31, 2015, primarily due to higher fixed income valuations resulting from a decrease in risk-free interest rates.

Portfolio composition by investment strategy

We utilize four high level strategies to manage risks and returns and to position our portfolio to take advantage of market opportunities while attempting to mitigate adverse effects. As strategies and market conditions evolve, the asset allocation may change or assets may move between strategies.

Market-Based Core strategy seeks to deliver predictive earnings aligned to business needs through investments primarily in public fixed income and equity securities. Private fixed income assets, such as commercial mortgages, bank loans and privately placed debt are also included in this category. As of March 31, 2016, 90% of the portfolio follows this strategy with 86% in fixed income securities and mortgage loans and 4% in equity securities.

Market-Based Active strategy seeks to outperform within the public markets through tactical positioning and by taking advantage of short-term opportunities. This strategy may generate results that meaningfully deviate from those achieved by market indices, both favorably and unfavorably. The portfolio primarily includes public fixed income and equity securities. As of March 31, 2016, 3% of the portfolio follows this strategy with 71% in fixed income securities and 13% in equity securities.

Performance-Based Long-Term ("PBLT") strategy seeks to deliver attractive risk-adjusted returns over a longer horizon. The achieved return is a function of both general market conditions and the performance of the underlying assets or businesses. The portfolio, which primarily includes private equity, real estate, infrastructure, timber and agriculture-related assets, is diversified across a number of characteristics, including managers or partners, vintage years, strategies, geographies (including international) and industry sectors or property types. These investments are generally illiquid in nature, often require specialized expertise, typically involve a third party manager, and may offer the potential to add value through transformation at the company or property level. As of March 31, 2016, 7% of the portfolio follows this strategy with 93% in limited partnership interests.

Performance-Based Opportunistic strategy seeks to earn attractive returns by making investments that involve asset dislocations or special situations, often in private markets. The portfolio primarily includes distressed and event driven assets primarily in fixed income and equity securities.

⁽²⁾ Equity securities are carried at fair value. Cost basis for these securities was \$1.33 billion.

We have commitments to invest in additional limited partnership interests totaling \$1.32 billion.

⁽⁴⁾ Short-term investments are carried at fair value. Amortized cost basis for these investments was \$1.55 billion.

The following table presents the investment portfolio by strategy as of March 31, 2016.

(\$ in millions)	Total		Market-Based Core		Market-Based Active		Performance- Based Long-Term	formance- Based portunistic
Fixed income securities	\$ 24,443	\$	23,676	\$	745	\$	6	\$ 16
Equity securities	1,344		1,169		139		28	8
Mortgage loans	3,749		3,749		_		_	_
Limited partnership interests	2,405		122		_		2,283	_
Short-term investments	1,545		1,387		158		_	_
Policy loans	566		566		_		_	_
Other	1,397		1,253		4		135	5
Total	\$ 35,449	\$	31,922	\$	1,046	\$	2,452	\$ 29
% of total			90%		3%		7%	%

Fixed income securities by type are listed in the following table.

(\$ in millions)	 r value as of rch 31, 2016	Percent to total investments	Fair value as of December 31, 2015	Percent to total investments
U.S. government and agencies	\$ 924	2.6%	\$ 977	2.8%
Municipal	2,471	7.0	2,442	7.0
Corporate	18,411	51.9	18,504	52.9
Foreign government	379	1.1	384	1.1
Asset-backed securities ("ABS")	1,411	4.0	1,420	4.1
Residential mortgage-backed securities ("RMBS")	415	1.2	451	1.3
Commercial mortgage-backed securities ("CMBS")	417	1.2	436	1.3
Redeemable preferred stock	15	_	15	_
Total fixed income securities	\$ 24,443	69.0%	\$ 24,629	70.5%

As of March 31, 2016, 86.7% of the fixed income securities portfolio was rated investment grade, which is defined as a security having a rating of Aaa, Aa, A or Baa from Moody's, a rating of AAA, AA, A or BBB from Standard & Poor's ("S&P"), Fitch, Dominion, Kroll or Realpoint, a rating of aaa, aa, a or bbb from A.M. Best, or a comparable internal rating if an externally provided rating is not available. Credit ratings below these designations are considered low credit quality or below investment grade, which includes high yield bonds. Fixed income securities are rated by third party credit rating agencies, the National Association of Insurance Commissioners ("NAIC"), and/or are internally rated. Market prices for certain securities may have credit spreads which imply higher or lower credit quality than the current third party rating. Our initial investment decisions and ongoing monitoring procedures for fixed income securities are based on a thorough due diligence process which includes, but is not limited to, an assessment of the credit quality, sector, structure, and liquidity risks of each issue.

The following table summarizes the fair value and unrealized net capital gains and losses for fixed income securities by investment grade and below investment grade classifications as of March 31, 2016.

5 in millions) Investment grade Below investment grade							Total									
		Fair value		realized n/(loss)						Unrealized gain/(loss)				Fair value	_	realized in/(loss)
U.S. government and agencies	\$	924	\$	68	\$		\$	_	\$	924	\$	68				
Municipal		2,424		333		47		_		2,471		333				
Corporate																
Public		10,682		588		1,803		(46)		12,485		542				
Privately placed		5,086		320		840		(32)		5,926		288				
Foreign government		373		41		6		_		379		41				
ABS																
Collateralized debt obligations ("CDO")		168		(12)		39		(12)		207		(24)				
Consumer and other asset-backed securities ("Consumer and other ABS")		1,198		3		6		_		1,204		3				
RMBS																
U.S. government sponsored entities ("U.S. Agency")		83		6		_		_		83		6				
Non-agency		35		(1)		297		31		332		30				
CMBS		193		3		224		16		417		19				
Redeemable preferred stock		15		2		_		_		15		2				
Total fixed income securities	\$	21,181	\$	1,351	\$	3,262	\$	(43)	\$	24,443	\$	1,308				

Municipal bonds totaled \$2.47 billion as of March 31, 2016 with an unrealized net capital gain of \$333 million. The municipal bond portfolio includes general obligations of state and local issuers and revenue bonds (including pre-refunded bonds, which are bonds for which an irrevocable trust has been established to fund the remaining payments of principal and interest).

Corporate bonds, including publicly traded and privately placed, totaled \$18.41 billion as of March 31, 2016, with an unrealized net capital gain of \$830 million. Privately placed securities primarily consist of corporate issued senior debt securities that are directly negotiated with the borrower or are in unregistered form.

ABS, including CDO and Consumer and other ABS, totaled \$1.41 billion as of March 31, 2016, with 96.8% rated investment grade and an unrealized net capital loss of \$21 million. Credit risk is managed by monitoring the performance of the underlying collateral. Many of the securities in the ABS portfolio have credit enhancement with features such as overcollateralization, subordinated structures, reserve funds, guarantees and/or insurance.

CDO totaled \$207 million as of March 31, 2016, with 81.2% rated investment grade and an unrealized net capital loss of \$24 million. CDO consist of obligations collateralized by cash flow CDO, which are structures collateralized primarily by below investment grade senior secured corporate loans.

Consumer and other ABS totaled \$1.20 billion as of March 31, 2016, with 99.5% rated investment grade and an unrealized net capital gain of \$3 million.

RMBS totaled \$415 million as of March 31, 2016, with 28.4% rated investment grade and an unrealized net capital gain of \$36 million. The RMBS portfolio is subject to interest rate risk, but unlike other fixed income securities, is additionally subject to prepayment risk from the underlying residential mortgage loans. RMBS consists of a U.S. Agency portfolio having collateral issued or guaranteed by U.S. government agencies and a non-agency portfolio consisting of securities collateralized by Prime, Alt-A and Subprime loans. The non-agency portfolio totaled \$332 million as of March 31, 2016, with 10.5% rated investment grade and an unrealized net capital gain of \$30 million.

CMBS totaled \$417 million as of March 31, 2016, with 46.3% rated investment grade and an unrealized net capital gain of \$19 million. The CMBS portfolio is subject to credit risk and has a sequential paydown structure. All of the CMBS investments are traditional conduit transactions collateralized by commercial mortgage loans, broadly diversified across property types and geographical area.

Mortgage loans totaled \$3.75 billion as of March 31, 2016 and primarily comprise loans secured by first mortgages on developed commercial real estate. Key considerations used to manage our exposure include property type and geographic diversification. For further detail on our mortgage loan portfolio, see Note 3 of the condensed consolidated financial statements.

Equity securities primarily include common stocks, exchange traded and mutual funds, non-redeemable preferred stocks and real estate investment trust equity investments. The equity securities portfolio was \$1.34 billion as of March 31, 2016, with an unrealized net capital gain of \$14 million.

Limited partnership interests include interests in private equity funds and co-investments, real estate funds and joint ventures, and other funds. The following table presents carrying value and other information about our limited partnership interests as of March 31, 2016.

(\$ in millions)	Pri	Private equity		Real estate		Other		Total
Cost method of accounting ("Cost")	\$	482	\$	67	\$	_	\$	549
Equity method of accounting ("EMA")		1,363		371		122		1,856
Total	\$	1,845	\$	438	\$	122	\$	2,405
Number of managers		110		23		2		135
Number of individual investments		195		48		2		245
Largest exposure to single investments	\$	122	\$	56	\$	61	\$	122

Unrealized net capital gains totaled \$1.33 billion as of March 31, 2016 compared to \$883 million as of December 31, 2015. The increase was primarily due to a decrease in risk-free interest rates.

The following table presents unrealized net capital gains and losses.

(\$ in millions)	Mar	ch 31, 2016	December 31, 2015		
U.S. government and agencies	\$	68	\$	57	
Municipal		333		280	
Corporate		830		435	
Foreign government		41		36	
ABS		(21)		(23)	
RMBS		36		45	
CMBS		19		27	
Redeemable preferred stock		2		2	
Fixed income securities		1,308		859	
Equity securities		14		16	
Derivatives		7		10	
EMA limited partnerships		(3)		(2)	
Unrealized net capital gains and losses, pre-tax	\$	1,326	\$	883	

The unrealized net capital gain for the fixed income portfolio totaled \$1.31 billion, comprised of \$1.62 billion of gross unrealized gains and \$308 million of gross unrealized losses as of March 31, 2016. This is compared to an unrealized net capital gain for the fixed income portfolio totaling \$859 million, comprised of \$1.32 billion of gross unrealized gains and \$462 million of gross unrealized losses as of December 31, 2015.

Gross unrealized gains and losses on fixed income securities by type and sector as of March 31, 2016 are provided in the following table.

(\$ in millions)		Amortized		Gross u	Fair		
	cost			Gains	Losses	value	
Corporate (1):							
Energy	\$	1,360	\$	38	\$ (97)	\$ 1,301	
Banking		987		31	(46)	972	
Basic industry		877		34	(25)	886	
Consumer goods (cyclical and non-cyclical)		4,774		265	(22)	5,017	
Utilities		3,240		350	(21)	3,569	
Communications		1,453		78	(15)	1,516	
Transportation		935		73	(13)	995	
Financial services		951		71	(7)	1,015	
Capital goods		1,695		102	(6)	1,791	
Technology		963		33	(6)	990	
Other		346		16	(3)	359	
Total corporate fixed income portfolio		17,581		1,091	(261)	 18,411	
U.S. government and agencies		856		68	_	924	
Municipal		2,138		342	(9)	2,471	
Foreign government		338		41	_	379	
ABS		1,432		5	(26)	1,411	
RMBS		379		41	(5)	415	
CMBS		398		26	(7)	417	
Redeemable preferred stock		13		2	_	15	
Total fixed income securities	\$	23,135	\$	1,616	\$ (308)	\$ 24,443	

⁽¹⁾ Beginning in 2016, we are reporting sector data based on the direct issuer as opposed to the ultimate parent of the issuer for corporate fixed income and equity securities. The change resulted in certain revisions in sector classifications.

The consumer goods, utilities, capital goods and communications sectors comprise 27%, 19%, 10% and 8%, respectively, of the carrying value of our corporate fixed income securities portfolio as of March 31, 2016. The energy, banking, basic industry, consumer goods and utilities sectors had the highest concentration of gross unrealized losses in our corporate fixed income securities portfolio as of March 31, 2016. In general, the gross unrealized losses are related to an increase in market yields which may include increased risk-free interest rates and/or wider credit spreads since the time of initial purchase.

Global oil prices and natural gas and other commodity values have declined significantly since 2014 and remain volatile. Among commodity exposed companies, those in the metal and mining sectors have experienced the largest decline in values of their debt. In the fixed income and equity securities tables above and below, oil and natural gas exposure is reflected within the energy sector and metals and mining exposure is reflected within the basic industry sector. Within these sectors, we continue to monitor the impact to our investment portfolio for those companies that may be adversely affected, both directly and indirectly. If oil, natural gas and commodity prices remain at depressed levels for an extended period or decline further, certain issuers and investments may come under duress and result in increased other-than-temporary impairments and unrealized losses in these parts of our investment portfolio.

We reduced our corporate fixed income and equity securities that have direct exposure to the energy sector by \$610 million of fair value to \$1.37 billion. Securities that have direct exposure to the energy sector are presented in the following table.

(\$ in millions)		March)16	December 31, 2015					
	Fai	ir value ⁽¹⁾	An	nortized cost or Cost		Fair value	Amortized cos or Cost		
Fixed income securities	\$	1,301	\$	1,360	\$	1,908	\$	2,015	
Equity securities		70		76		73		83	
Total (2)	\$	1,371	\$	1,436	\$	1,981	\$	2,098	

^{(1) 78%} of the corporate fixed income securities with direct exposure to the energy sector were investment grade as of March 31, 2016, compared to 85% as of December 31, 2015.
(2) In addition, private equity limited partnership interests with exposure to energy totaled approximately \$170 million as of March 31, 2016.

Securities with gross unrealized losses that have direct exposure to the energy sector and metals and mining sectors are presented in the following table.

(\$ in millions)	March 31, 2016					December 31, 2015			
		Fair value	Gı	ross unrealized losses (1)		Fair value	Gross unrealized losses		
Securities that have direct exposure to the energy sector:									
Fixed income securities	\$	711	\$	(97)	\$	1,126	\$	(151)	
Equity securities		45		(8)		57		(12)	
Total	\$	756	\$	(105)	\$	1,183	\$	(163)	
Securities that have direct exposure to the metals and mining sectors: (2)									
Fixed income securities	\$	109	\$	(20)	\$	181	\$	(53)	
Equity securities		4		_		6		(2)	
Total	\$	113	\$	(20)	\$	187	\$	(55)	

Gross unrealized losses on below investment grade corporate fixed income securities with direct exposure to the energy sector totaled \$56 million of which \$31 million relate to securities that

The following table summarizes the fair value and gross unrealized losses of fixed income securities by type and investment grade classification as of March 31, 2016.

(\$ in millions)	Investment grade			Below inves	tment grade	Total			
		Fair alue	Gross unrealized losses	Fair value	Gross unrealized losses		Fair value	un	Gross realized losses
Corporate:									
Energy	\$	458	\$ (41)	\$ 253	\$ (56)	\$	711	\$	(97)
Banking		169	(38)	35	(8)		204		(46)
Basic industry		160	(8)	131	(17)		291		(25)
Consumer goods (cyclical and non-cyclical)		227	(3)	238	(19)		465		(22)
Utilities		171	(13)	90	(8)		261		(21)
Communications		42	(1)	153	(14)		195		(15)
Transportation		112	(11)	20	(2)		132		(13)
Financial services		29	(4)	73	(3)		102		(7)
Capital goods		176	(2)	74	(4)		250		(6)
Technology		47	(4)	46	(2)		93		(6)
Other		13	(3)	10	_		23		(3)
Total corporate fixed income portfolio		1,604	(128)	1,123	(133)		2,727		(261)
U.S. government and agencies		231	_	_	_		231		_
Municipal		35	(1)	20	(8)		55		(9)
ABS		615	(14)	39	(12)		654		(26)
RMBS		15	(1)	61	(4)		76		(5)
CMBS		39	(1)	83	(6)		122		(7)
Total fixed income securities	\$	2,539	\$ (145)	\$ 1,326	\$ (163)	\$	3,865	\$	(308)

had been in an unrealized loss position for a period of twelve or more consecutive months as of March 31, 2016.

Metals and mining exposure is reflected within the basic industry sector. The total fair value of fixed income and equity securities with direct exposure to the metals and mining sectors was \$173 million as of March 31, 2016, a decrease from \$234 million as of December 31, 2015.

The following table summarizes the fair value and gross unrealized losses for below investment grade corporate fixed income securities by sector and credit rating as of March 31, 2016.

(\$ in millions)							Less than	12	months						
		Ba B Caa or lower					lower	Total							
	Fair value	ı	Gross inrealized losses		Fair value	1	Gross unrealized losses		Fair value	1	Gross inrealized losses		Fair value	U	Gross inrealized losses
Corporate:															
Energy	\$ 116	\$	(8)	\$	43	\$	(12)	\$	5	\$	(5)	\$	164	\$	(25)
Banking	2		_		_		_		_		_		2		_
Basic industry	91		(4)		22		(9)		3		_		116		(13)
Consumer goods (cyclical and non-cyclical)	86		(4)		93		(5)		2		_		181		(9)
Utilities	34		(1)		27		(2)		7		(1)		68		(4)
Communications	76		(4)		36		(1)		13		(2)		125		(7)
Transportation	5		_		15		(2)		_		_		20		(2)
Financial services	64		(1)		1		_		4		(1)		69		(2)
Capital goods	35		(1)		30		(1)		7		(1)		72		(3)
Technology	15		(2)		24		_		2		_		41		(2)
Other	_		_		10		_		_		_		10		_
Subtotal	\$ 524	\$	(25)	\$	301	\$	(32)	\$	43	\$	(10)	\$	868	\$	(67)

						12 month	s oı	r more					
		Ba	1		В			Caa	or	lower		Tota	ıl
	Fair value	1	Gross unrealized losses	Fair value	1	Gross unrealized losses		Fair value	ι	Gross inrealized losses	Fair value	u	Gross inrealized losses
Corporate:													
Energy	\$ 61	\$	(13)	\$ 10	\$	(7)	\$	18	\$	(11)	\$ 89	\$	(31)
Banking	33		(8)	_		_		_		_	33		(8)
Basic industry	12		(2)	3		(2)		_		_	15		(4)
Consumer goods (cyclical and non-													
cyclical)	19		(5)	37		(5)		1		_	57		(10)
Utilities	8		(2)	1		(1)		13		(1)	22		(4)
Communications	7		_	17		(4)		4		(3)	28		(7)
Financial services	4		(1)	_		_		_		_	4		(1)
Capital goods	_		_	2		(1)		_		_	2		(1)
Technology	5		_	_		_		_		_	5		_
Subtotal	\$ 149	\$	(31)	\$ 70	\$	(20)	\$	36	\$	(15)	\$ 255	\$	(66)
Total	\$ 673	\$	(56)	\$ 371	\$	(52)	\$	79	\$	(25)	\$ 1,123	\$	(133)

Of the unrealized losses on below investment grade corporate fixed income securities, 49.6% or \$66 million relate to securities that had been in an unrealized loss position for a period of twelve or more consecutive months as of March 31, 2016. Unrealized losses were concentrated in the energy, banking and basic industry sectors.

The unrealized net capital gain for the equity portfolio totaled \$14 million, comprised of \$78 million of gross unrealized gains and \$64 million of gross unrealized losses as of March 31, 2016. This is compared to an unrealized net capital gain for the equity portfolio totaling \$16 million, comprised of \$76 million of gross unrealized gains and \$60 million of gross unrealized losses as of December 31, 2015.

Gross unrealized gains and losses on equity securities by sector as of March 31, 2016 are provided in the table below.

(\$ in millions) **Gross unrealized** Gains Losses Fair value Cost Consumer goods (cyclical and non-cyclical) \$ 364 \$ 27 \$ (16)\$ 375 Banking 109 94 (15)76 2 70 Energy (8)76 Financial services 4 (5) 75 Technology 131 138 12 (5)Communications 73 6 76 (3)Capital goods 110 9 (2) 117 Basic industry 40 4 (2)42 Transportation 22 1 (2) 21 Real estate 34 2 35 (1)Utilities 35 3 (1) 37 Funds 260 8 (4) 264 \$ 1,330 78 (64) Total equity securities \$ \$ 1,344

Within the equity portfolio, the unrealized losses were primarily concentrated in the consumer goods, banking and energy sectors. The unrealized losses were company and sector specific.

Net investment income The following table presents net investment income.

(\$ in millions)	Thr	March 31,		
		2016		2015
Fixed income securities	\$	270	\$	334
Mortgage loans		47		49
Equity securities		7		5
Limited partnership interests		63		72
Short-term investments		2		_
Policy loans		8		9
Other		21		18
Investment income, before expense	<u></u>	418		487
Investment expense		(18)		(16)
Net investment income	\$	400	\$	471

Net investment income decreased 15.1% or \$71 million in the first quarter of 2016 compared to the first quarter of 2015, primarily due to lower fixed income portfolio yields, lower average investment balances and lower limited partnership income. Net investment income in the first quarter of 2016 includes \$2 million related to prepayment fee income compared to \$7 million in the first quarter of 2015. Prepayment fee income may vary significantly from period to period.

Realized capital gains and losses The following table presents the components of realized capital gains and losses and the related tax effect.

(\$ in millions)	Three months ended March 31,						
		2016		2015			
Impairment write-downs	\$	(24)	\$	(7)			
Change in intent write-downs		(3)		(3)			
Net other-than-temporary impairment losses recognized in earnings		(27)		(10)			
Sales and other		(14)		117			
Valuation and settlements of derivative instruments		(5)		4			
Realized capital gains and losses, pre-tax		(46)		111			
Income tax benefit (expense)		16		(39)			
Realized capital gains and losses, after-tax	\$	(30)	\$	72			

Impairment write-downs, which include changes in the mortgage loan valuation allowance, are presented in the following table.

(\$ in millions)	Thr	Iarch 31,		
		2016		2015
Fixed income securities	\$	(10)	\$	(3)
Equity securities		(22)		(2)
Limited partnership interests		9		(2)
Other investments		(1)		_
Impairment write-downs	\$	(24)	\$	(7)

Impairment write-downs on fixed income securities for the three months ended March 31, 2016 were primarily driven by corporate fixed income securities impacted by issuer specific circumstances, including exposure to oil and natural gas. Equity securities were written down primarily due to the length of time and extent to which fair value was below cost, considering our assessment of the financial condition and near-term and long-term prospects of the issuer, including relevant industry conditions and trends. Limited partnership write-downs in the three months ended March 31, 2016 included the recovery in value of a limited partnership that was previously written down. Impairment write-downs in the above table include \$20 million of investments with exposure to the energy sector.

Change in intent write-downs totaled \$3 million in the three months ended March 31, 2016 and primarily relate to \$301 million of equity securities that we may not hold for a period of time sufficient to recover unrealized losses given our preference to maintain flexibility to reposition the portfolio. The decrease in these holdings from \$492 million as of December 31, 2015 primarily relates to sales.

Sales and other generated \$14 million of net realized capital losses in the three months ended March 31, 2016, including \$43 million of losses on \$781 million of sales to reduce our exposure to the energy and metals and mining sectors.

Valuation and settlements of derivative instruments generated net realized capital losses of \$5 million for the three months ended March 31, 2016, primarily comprised of losses on foreign currency contracts due to the weakening U.S. Dollar.

Performance-based long-term investments primarily include private equity, real estate, infrastructure, timber and agriculture-related assets and are materially reflected through our limited partnership investments.

The following table presents investment income and realized capital gains and losses for PBLT investments for the three months ended March 31.

(\$ in millions)		Investmen	Realized capital gains and losses				
	2	016	2015	2016		2015	
Limited partnerships							
Private equity	\$	52	\$ 39	\$ 9	\$	4	
Real estate		10	34	_		_	
Timber and agriculture-related		1	_	_		_	
PBLT - limited partnerships (1)		63	73	9		4	
Other							
Private equity		_	_	(13)		_	
Real estate		3	1	1		_	
Timber and agriculture-related		_	_	_		_	
PBLT - other		3	1	(12)		_	
Total							
Private equity		52	39	(4)		4	
Real estate		13	35	1		_	
Timber and agriculture-related		1	_	_		_	
Total PBLT	\$	66	\$ 74	\$ (3)	\$	4	
Asset level operating expenses (2)	\$	(3)	\$ (1)				

⁽¹⁾ Other limited partnership interests are located in the market-based core investing strategy and are not included in the performance-based long-term table above. Investment income was zero and \$(1) million and realized capital gains and losses were \$4 million and zero in the first quarter of 2016 and 2015, respectively, for these limited partnership interests.

(2) When calculating the pre-tax yields, asset level operating expenses are netted against income for directly held real estate, timber and other consolidated investments.

PBLT investments produced investment income of \$66 million in the first quarter of 2016 compared to \$74 million in the first quarter of 2015. The decrease was primarily due to a decrease in income from real estate investments as a result of lower appreciation.

Realized capital losses on PBLT investments in the first quarter of 2016 were \$3 million compared to realized capital gains of \$4 million in the first quarter of 2015. The first quarter of 2016 included an impairment loss on an equity investment with exposure to the energy sector, partially offset by the recovery in value of a limited partnership that was previously written-down.

Economic conditions and equity market performance are reflected in PBLT investment results, and we continue to expect this income to vary significantly between periods.

CAPITAL RESOURCES AND LIQUIDITY

Capital resources consist of shareholder's equity and notes due to related parties, representing funds deployed or available to be deployed to support business operations or for general corporate purposes. The following table summarizes our capital resources.

(\$ in millions)	March 31, 2016	December 31, 2015
Common stock, retained income and additional capital paid-in	\$ 5,464	\$ 5,412
Accumulated other comprehensive income	760	521
Total shareholder's equity	6,224	5,933
Notes due to related parties	275	275
Total capital resources	\$ 6,499	\$ 6,208

Shareholder's equity increased in the first quarter of 2016, primarily due to increased unrealized net capital gains on investments and net income.

Financial ratings and strength Our ratings are influenced by many factors including our operating and financial performance, asset quality, liquidity, asset/liability management, overall portfolio mix, financial leverage (i.e., debt), exposure to risks, the current level of operating leverage and AIC's ratings. In April 2016, A.M. Best affirmed our insurance financial strength rating of A+ and the outlook for the rating remained stable. There have been no changes to our ratings from S&P or Moody's since December 31, 2015.

The Company, AIC, AAC and the Corporation are party to an Amended and Restated Intercompany Liquidity Agreement ("Liquidity Agreement") which allows for short-term advances of funds to be made between parties for liquidity and other general corporate purposes. The Liquidity Agreement does not establish a commitment to advance funds on the part of any party. The Company and AIC each serve as a lender and borrower, AAC serves only as a borrower, and the Corporation serves only as a lender. The Company also has a capital support agreement with AIC. Under the capital support agreement, AIC is committed to provide capital to the Company to maintain an adequate capital level. The maximum amount of potential funding under each of these agreements is \$1.00 billion.

In addition to the Liquidity Agreement, the Company also has an intercompany loan agreement with the Corporation. The amount of intercompany loans available to the Company is at the discretion of the Corporation. The maximum amount of loans the Corporation will have outstanding to all its eligible subsidiaries at any given point in time is limited to \$1.00 billion. The Corporation may use commercial paper borrowings, bank lines of credit and securities lending to fund intercompany borrowings.

Liquidity sources and uses We actively manage our financial position and liquidity levels in light of changing market, economic, and business conditions. Liquidity is managed at both the entity and enterprise level across the Company, and is assessed on both base and stressed level liquidity needs. We believe we have sufficient liquidity to meet these needs. Additionally, we have existing intercompany agreements in place that facilitate liquidity management across the Company to enhance flexibility.

Allstate parent company capital capacity At the parent holding company level, the Corporation has deployable assets totaling \$2.93 billion as of March 31, 2016 comprising cash and investments that are generally saleable within one quarter. This provides funds for the parent company's fixed charges and other corporate purposes.

The Company has access to additional borrowing to support liquidity through the Corporation as follows. The amount available to the Company is at the discretion of the Corporation.

- A commercial paper facility with a borrowing limit of \$1.00 billion to cover short-term cash needs. As of March 31, 2016, there were no balances outstanding and therefore the remaining borrowing capacity was \$1.00 billion; however, the outstanding balance can fluctuate daily.
- A \$1.00 billion unsecured revolving credit facility that is available for short-term liquidity requirements. In April 2016, the Corporation extended the maturity date of this facility to April 2021. The facility is fully subscribed among 11 lenders with the largest commitment being \$115 million. The commitments of the lenders are several and no lender is responsible for any other lender's commitment if such lender fails to make a loan under the facility. This facility contains an increase provision that would allow up to an additional \$500 million of borrowing. This facility has a financial covenant requiring that the Corporation not exceed a 37.5% debt to capitalization ratio as defined in the agreement. This ratio was 12.1% as of March 31, 2016. Although the right to borrow under the facility is not subject to a minimum rating requirement, the costs of maintaining the facility and borrowing under it are based on the ratings of the Corporation's senior unsecured, unguaranteed long-term debt. There were no borrowings under the credit facility during the first quarter of 2016.
- A universal shelf registration statement that was filed by the Corporation with the Securities and Exchange Commission on April 30, 2015. The
 Corporation can use this shelf registration to issue an unspecified amount of debt securities, common

stock (including 525 million shares of treasury stock as of March 31, 2016), preferred stock, depositary shares, warrants, stock purchase contracts, stock purchase units and securities of trust subsidiaries. The specific terms of any securities the Corporation issues under this registration statement will be provided in the applicable prospectus supplements.

Liquidity exposure Contractholder funds were \$20.33 billion as of March 31, 2016. The following table summarizes contractholder funds by their contractual withdrawal provisions as of March 31, 2016.

(\$ in millions)		Percent to total
Not subject to discretionary withdrawal	\$ 3,317	16.3%
Subject to discretionary withdrawal with adjustments:		
Specified surrender charges (1)	5,415	26.6
Market value adjustments (2)	1,843	9.1
Subject to discretionary withdrawal without adjustments (3)	 9,754	48.0
Total contractholder funds (4)	\$ 20,329	100.0%

⁽¹⁾ Includes \$1.79 billion of liabilities with a contractual surrender charge of less than 5% of the account balance.

Retail life and annuity products may be surrendered by customers for a variety of reasons. Reasons unique to individual customers include a current or unexpected need for cash or a change in life insurance coverage needs. Other key factors that may impact the likelihood of customer surrender include the level of the contract surrender charge, the length of time the contract has been in force, distribution channel, market interest rates, equity market conditions and potential tax implications. In addition, the propensity for retail life insurance policies to lapse is lower than it is for fixed annuities because of the need for the insured to be re-underwritten upon policy replacement. The annualized surrender and partial withdrawal rate on deferred fixed annuities and interest-sensitive life insurance products, based on the beginning of year contractholder funds, was 5.8% and 6.9% in the first three months of 2016 and 2015, respectively. We strive to promptly pay customers who request cash surrenders; however, statutory regulations generally provide up to six months in most states to fulfill surrender requests.

Our asset-liability management practices enable us to manage the differences between the cash flows generated by our investment portfolio and the expected cash flow requirements of our life insurance and annuity product obligations.

Cash flows As reflected in our Condensed Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows, higher cash provided by operating activities in the first three months of 2016 compared to the first three months of 2015 was primarily due to lower tax payments, partially offset by lower net investment income.

Lower cash provided by investing activities in the first three months of 2016 compared to the first three months of 2015 was the result of less cash used in financing activities due to decreased contractholder fund disbursements and lower tax payments.

Lower cash used in financing activities in the first three months of 2016 compared to the first three months of 2015 was primarily due to decreased contractholder benefits and withdrawals on fixed annuities.

^{(2) \$1.23} billion of the contracts with market value adjusted surrenders have a 30-45 day period at the end of their initial and subsequent interest rate guarantee periods (which are typically 5, 7 or 10 years) during which there is no surrender charge or market value adjustment.

^{(3) 88%} of these contracts have a minimum interest crediting rate guarantee of 3% or higher.

⁽⁴⁾ Includes \$824 million of contractholder funds on variable annuities reinsured to The Prudential Insurance Company of America, a subsidiary of Prudential Financial Inc., in 2006.

Forward-Looking Statements

This report contains "forward-looking statements" that anticipate results based on our estimates, assumptions and plans that are subject to uncertainty. These statements are made subject to the safe-harbor provisions of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. These forward-looking statements do not relate strictly to historical or current facts and may be identified by their use of words like "plans," "seeks," "expects," "will," "should," "anticipates," "estimates," "intends," "believes," "likely," "targets" and other words with similar meanings. We believe these statements are based on reasonable estimates, assumptions and plans. However, if the estimates, assumptions or plans underlying the forward-looking statements prove inaccurate or if other risks or uncertainties arise, actual results could differ materially from those communicated in these forward-looking statements. Factors that could cause actual results to differ materially from those expressed in, or implied by, the forward-looking statements include risks related to: (1) changes in underwriting and actual experience; (2) changes in reserve estimates for life-contingent contract benefits payable; (3) the influence of changes in market interest rates on spread-based products; (4) changes in estimates of profitability on interest-sensitive life products; (5) reducing our concentration in spread-based business and exiting certain distribution channels; (6) changes in tax laws; (7) our ability to mitigate the capital impact associated with life insurance statutory reserving requirements; (8) operational issues relating to a decline in Lincoln Benefit Life Company's financial strength ratings; (9) market risk and declines in credit quality relating to our investment portfolio; (10) our subjective determination of the fair value of our fixed income and equity securities and the amount of realized capital losses recorded for impairments of our investments; (11) competition in the insurance industry; (12) conditions in the global economy and capital markets; (13) losses from legal and regulatory actions; (14) restrictive regulation and regulatory reforms; (15) the availability of reinsurance at current levels and prices; (16) credit risk of our reinsurers; (17) a downgrade in our financial strength ratings; (18) the effect of adverse capital and credit market conditions; (19) failure in cyber or other information security; (20) the impact of a large scale pandemic, the threat or incurrence of terrorism or military action; (21) changes in accounting standards; (22) the realization of deferred tax assets; (23) loss of key vendor relationships or failure of a vendor to protect confidential and proprietary information; and (24) failure to protect intellectual property. Additional information concerning these and other factors may be found in our filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission, including the "Risk Factors" section in our most recent Annual Report on Form 10-K. Forward-looking statements speak only as of the date on which they are made, and we assume no obligation to update or revise any forward-looking statement.

Item 4. Controls and Procedures

Evaluation of Disclosure Controls and Procedures. We maintain disclosure controls and procedures as defined in Rules 13a-15(e) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. Under the supervision and with the participation of our management, including our principal executive officer and principal financial officer, we conducted an evaluation of the effectiveness of our disclosure controls and procedures as of the end of the period covered by this report. Based upon this evaluation, the principal executive officer and the principal financial officer concluded that our disclosure controls and procedures are effective in providing reasonable assurance that material information required to be disclosed in our reports filed with or submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission under the Securities Exchange Act is made known to management, including the principal executive officer and the principal financial officer, as appropriate to allow timely decisions regarding required disclosure.

Changes in Internal Control over Financial Reporting. During the fiscal quarter ended March 31, 2016, there have been no changes in our internal control over financial reporting that have materially affected, or are reasonably likely to materially affect, our internal control over financial reporting.

PART II. OTHER INFORMATION

Item 1. Legal Proceedings

Information required for Part II, Item 1 is incorporated by reference to the discussion under the heading "Regulation and Compliance" in Note 7 of the condensed consolidated financial statements in Part I, Item 1 of this Form 10-Q.

Item 1A. Risk Factors

There have been no material changes in our risk factors from those disclosed in Part I, Item 1A in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2015.

Item 6. Exhibits

(a) Exhibits

The following is a list of exhibits filed as part of this Form 10-Q.

		Incorporated by Reference				
Exhibit Number	Exhibit Description	Form	File Number	Exhibit	Filing Date	Filed or Furnished Herewith
15	Acknowledgment of awareness from Deloitte & Touche LLP, dated May 6, 2016, concerning unaudited interim financial information					X
31(i)	Rule 13a-14(a) Certification of Principal Executive Officer					X
31(i)	Rule 13a-14(a) Certification of Principal Financial Officer					X
32	Section 1350 Certifications					X
101.INS	XBRL Instance Document					X
101.SCH	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Schema					X
101.CAL	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Calculation Linkbase					X
101.DEF	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Definition Linkbase					X
101.LAB	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Label Linkbase					X
101.PRE	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Presentation Linkbase					X

SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned thereunto duly authorized.

Allstate Life Insurance Company (Registrant)

May 6, 2016

By /s/ Samuel H. Pilch
Samuel H. Pilch
(chief accounting officer and duly authorized officer of Registrant)

Allstate Life Insurance Company 3075 Sanders Road Northbrook, IL 60062

We have reviewed, in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States), the unaudited interim financial information of Allstate Life Insurance Company and subsidiaries for the periods ended March 31, 2016 and 2015, as indicated in our report dated May 6, 2016; because we did not perform an audit, we expressed no opinion on that information.

We are aware that our report referred to above, which is included in your Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended March 31, 2016, is incorporated by reference in the following Registration Statements:

Form S-3 Registration Statement Nos.	Form N-4 Registration Statement Nos.
333-199259	333-102934
333-199260	333-114560
333-199262	333-114561
333-199264	333-114562
333-199265	333-121687
333-199266	333-121691
333-199796	333-121692
333-199797	333-121693
333-200095	333-121695
333-200098	
333-200099	
333-202202	

We also are aware that the aforementioned report, pursuant to Rule 436(c) under the Securities Act of 1933, is not considered a part of the Registration Statement prepared or certified by an accountant or a report prepared or certified by an accountant within the meaning of Sections 7 and 11 of that Act.

/s/ DELOITTE & TOUCHE LLP

Chicago, Illinois May 6, 2016 CERTIFICATIONS EXHIBIT 31 (i)

- I, Matthew E. Winter, certify that:
- 1. I have reviewed this quarterly report on Form 10-Q of Allstate Life Insurance Company;
- 2. Based on my knowledge, this report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this report;
- 3. Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the registrant as of, and for, the periods presented in this report;
- 4. The registrant's other certifying officer(s) and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e)) and internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f)) for the registrant and have:
- a) Designed such disclosure controls and procedures, or caused such disclosure controls and procedures to be designed under our supervision, to ensure that material information relating to the registrant, including its consolidated subsidiaries, is made known to us by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which this report is being prepared;
- b) Designed such internal control over financial reporting, or caused such internal control over financial reporting to be designed under our supervision, to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles;
- c) Evaluated the effectiveness of the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures and presented in this report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures, as of the end of the period covered by this report based on such evaluation; and
- d) Disclosed in this report any change in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the registrant's most recent fiscal quarter (the registrant's fourth fiscal quarter in the case of an annual report) that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the registrant's internal control over financial reporting; and
- 5. The registrant's other certifying officer(s) and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation of internal control over financial reporting, to the registrant's auditors and the audit committee of the registrant's board of directors (or persons performing the equivalent functions):
- a) All significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design or operation of internal control over financial reporting which are reasonably likely to adversely affect the registrant's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial information; and
- b) Any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

Date: May 6, 2016

/s/ Matthew E. Winter
Matthew E. Winter
Chief Executive Officer

CERTIFICATIONS EXHIBIT 31 (i)

- I, Mario Imbarrato, certify that:
- 1. I have reviewed this quarterly report on Form 10-Q of Allstate Life Insurance Company;
- 2. Based on my knowledge, this report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this report;
- 3. Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the registrant as of, and for, the periods presented in this report;
- 4. The registrant's other certifying officer(s) and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e)) and internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f)) for the registrant and have:
- a) Designed such disclosure controls and procedures, or caused such disclosure controls and procedures to be designed under our supervision, to ensure that material information relating to the registrant, including its consolidated subsidiaries, is made known to us by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which this report is being prepared;
- b) Designed such internal control over financial reporting, or caused such internal control over financial reporting to be designed under our supervision, to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles;
- c) Evaluated the effectiveness of the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures and presented in this report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures, as of the end of the period covered by this report based on such evaluation; and
- d) Disclosed in this report any change in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the registrant's most recent fiscal quarter (the registrant's fourth fiscal quarter in the case of an annual report) that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the registrant's internal control over financial reporting; and
- 5. The registrant's other certifying officer(s) and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation of internal control over financial reporting, to the registrant's auditors and the audit committee of the registrant's board of directors (or persons performing the equivalent functions):
- a) All significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design or operation of internal control over financial reporting which are reasonably likely to adversely affect the registrant's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial information; and
- b) Any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

Date: May 6, 2016

/s/ Mario Imbarrato

Mario Imbarrato

Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

SECTION 1350 CERTIFICATIONS

Each of the undersigned hereby certifies that to his knowledge the quarterly report on Form 10-Q for the fiscal period ended March 31, 2016 of Allstate Life Insurance Company filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission fully complies with the requirements of Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and that the information contained in such report fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and result of operations of Allstate Life Insurance Company.

Date: May 6, 2016

/s/ Matthew E. Winter
Matthew E. Winter
Chief Executive Officer

/s/ Mario Imbarrato

Mario Imbarrato

Vice President and Chief Financial Officer