



The Regulator's Perspective on Retirement and Pensions

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Back to basics on pensions

Starting

- Auto enrolment

Saving

- 9m more saving or saving more

Spending

- 'Freedom and Choice'
- Secondary annuity market

The FCA's role

Operational objectives

- Competition
- Consumer protection
- Market integrity

For pensions and retirement...

- Appropriate governance
- Value for money
- Information, guidance and advice

Looking back

Pensions road map



2012

Automatic enrolment begins



February 2014

Thematic review of annuities



March 2014

Pension freedoms announced



October 2014

Scamsmart launched



November 2014

Rules for firms to support implementation of reforms and standards for Pension Wise



December 2014

Non-advised annuities sales practices thematic review



February 2015

Retirement risk warning rules



June 2015
Changes to our transfer rules



April 2015

Pension freedoms begin



March 2015

Retirement Income Market Study



March 2015

Secondary annuity market announced



March 2015

Charges in workplace pensions rules



February 2015

Independent Governance Committee rules



July 2015
Pension freedoms data request



July 2015

Pension Wise recommendation policy



July 2015

Behavioural testing of wake-up pack begins



August 2015

Behavioural testing of annuity quote comparator tool begins



September 2015

Pension freedoms data request report



October 2015

Rules review CP and retirement outcomes consultation



November 2015

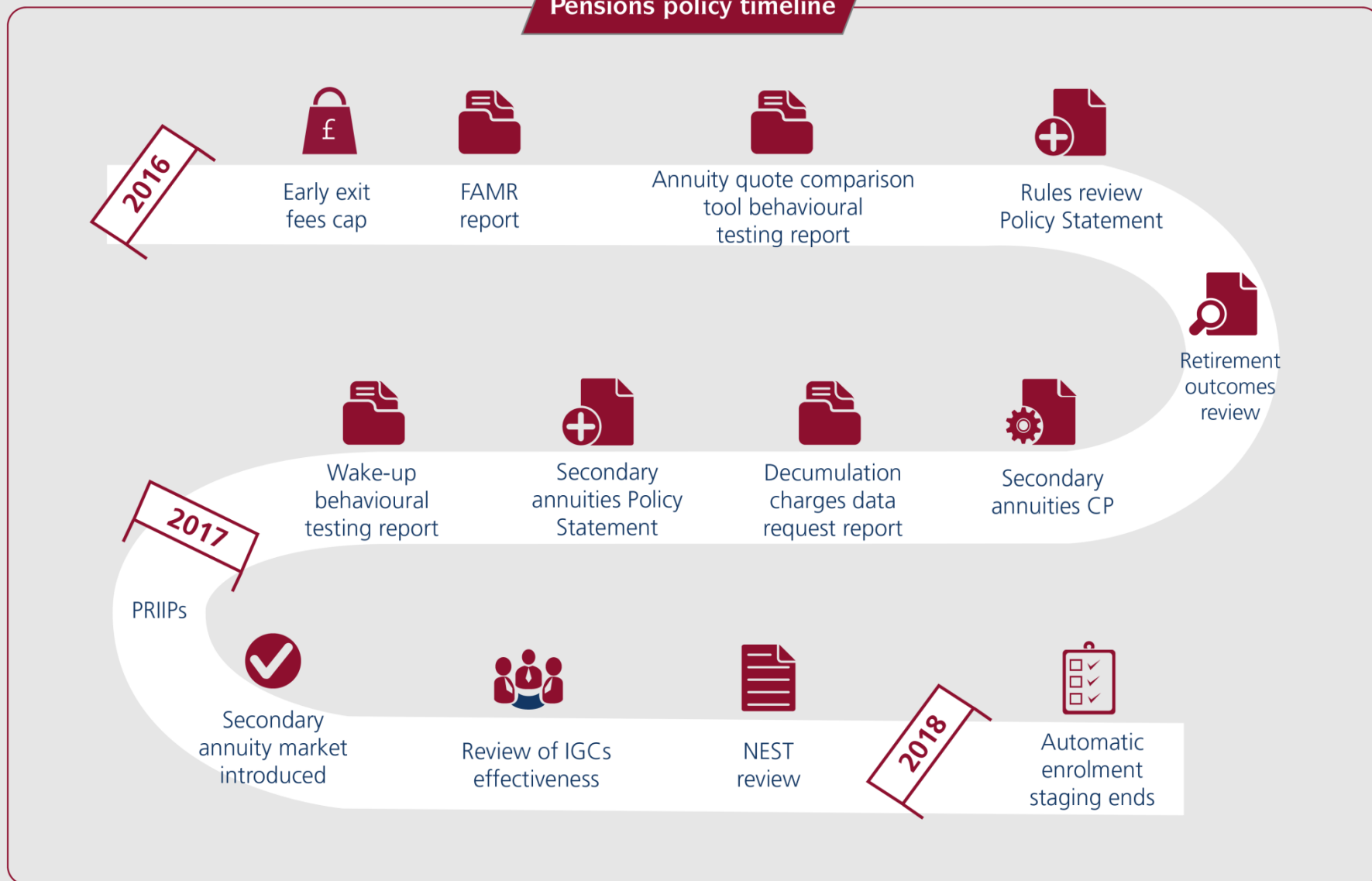
Decumulation charges data request



January 2016
Retirement income market data

Looking forward

Pensions policy timeline



Governance and value for money

- Role of the IGC
- Charge caps
- Lifestyling and default funds
- Monitoring the market

Information, guidance and advice

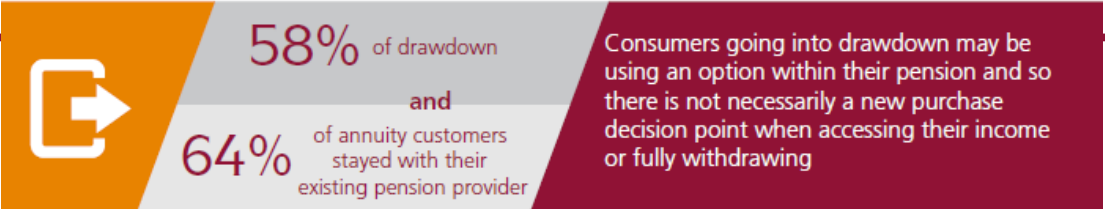
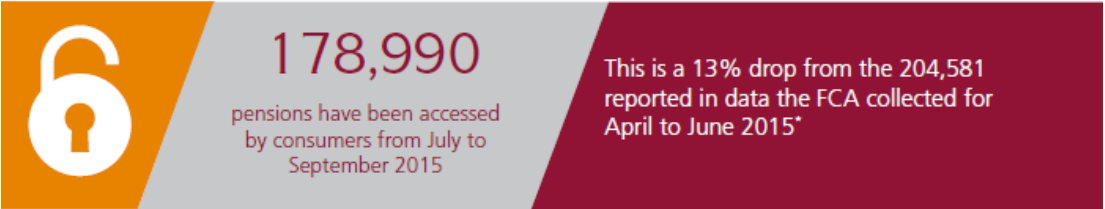
- Information from providers
- Guidance from Pension Wise
- Regulated financial advice

Guidance and advice



Consumer choices

(results from our data collection, July-Sept 2015)



Secondary annuity market

- Effective April 2017
- A new market
- Consumer protection issues
 - valuing the annuity
 - frictional cost
 - vulnerable consumers

Exit charges

- July 2015: Government consulted
 - barriers to accessing freedoms
- Jan 2016: HM Treasury announcement
 - a new duty on FCA
- FCA to consult
- DWP will mirror for trust based

Summary

- Value for money
- Information, guidance and advice
- Supervising industry
- Monitoring the market
- ...against a background of significant policy change

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Questions?

