

# VA model office summary

Details of the representative models and the comprehensive set of modeling tools for both VA and RILA are below



**Representative population generation (model office)**



**Calculation engine (model)**



**Analysis and validation tools**

## Functionality

Excel-based tool that generates a model office (in-force file) distribution across representative key parameters and outputs a ready-to-load file for the model on the fly

Asset-liability cash flow model configured to project results across best estimate, prudent estimate and prescribed assumptions needed for VM-21 and C3P2 calculations

Scenario level analysis tools to evaluate results in aggregate, detailed policy level implied rate analysis to validate and understand cash flow projections

## Key features

- Define policyholder characteristics and product specifications distributions across multiple cohorts
- Define key rider information such as moneyness, rollup rates, and withdrawal utilization
- Aggregate statistics and validation checks

- Best estimate assumptions developed consistent with benchmark data and available industry data
- AAA ESG and Conning scenarios available for testing
- Field test reporting requirements including scenario level output and on-the-fly compilation of scenario candidates
- Model development follows best practice procedures for efficiency and transparency

- Scenario level analysis tool
- Scenario reserve development and validation
  - Aggregation of scenarios to produce CTE values

Single policy testing tool:

- Illustrates policy level calculations including decrements, fees, and rider features
- Validation of three assumption sets

## Impact

- Customizable and flexible tools allow representative subpopulation analysis that may be used to draw insights and parallels to industry results

- Dynamic VA and RILA cash flow model chasis ready to support field testing, future regulatory requests or additional model enhancements

- Scenario analysis tools provide a quick view into high-level results; detailed implied rate analysis provides insight into model calculation and integrity against expectations

# Representative population generation

“Model office creation tool” creates a model office (in-force file) that interfaces directly with modeling software and allows for a customized population across key product features and policyholder characteristics

The screenshot displays the 'Model office creation tool' interface, divided into several sections:

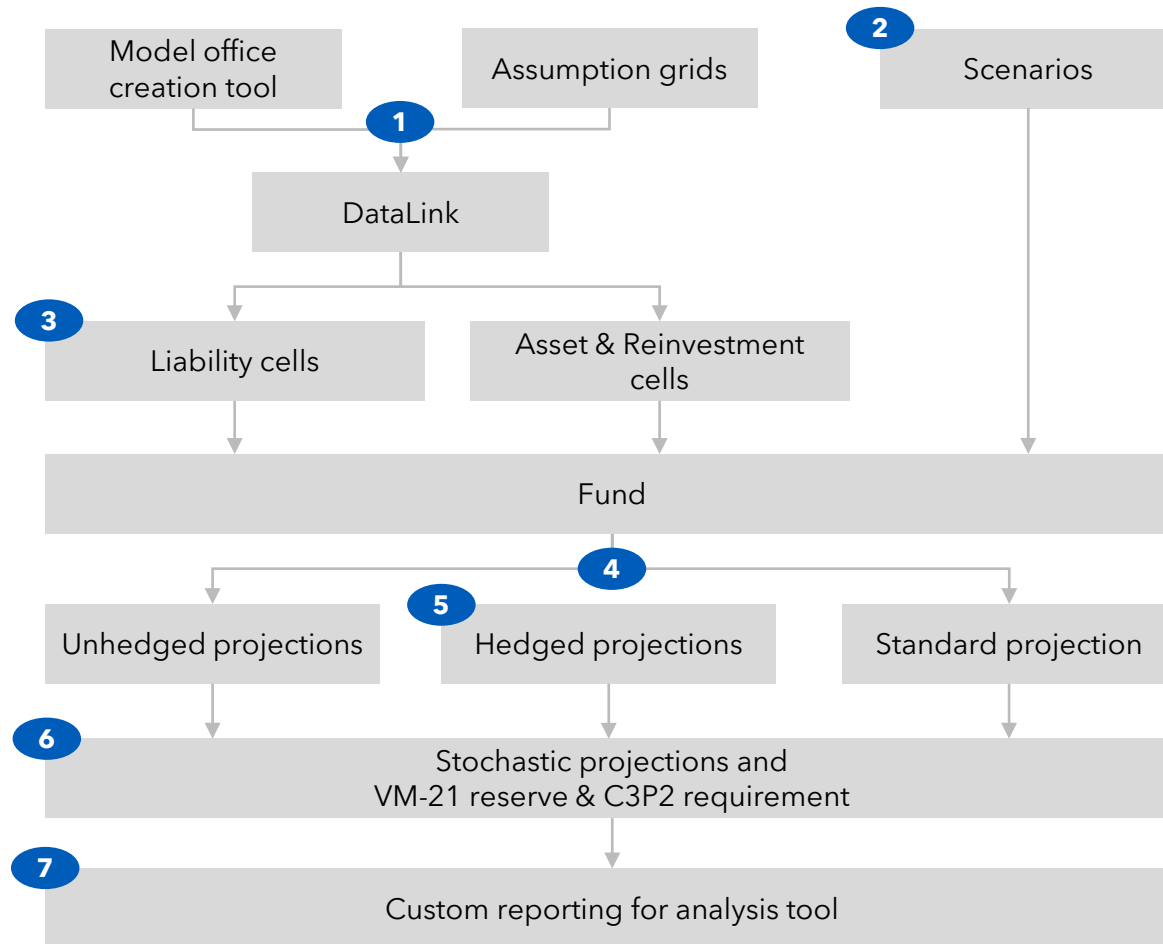
- 1 Cohort level inputs:** Includes fields for Cohort name (2020 IB hybrid), Key product information (Issue year: 2020, DB rider type: ROP, IB rider type: Hybrid, WB rider type: None, Total account value: 9,000,000, Policy size: 50,000), DB rider information (Rollup rate, Benefit ratio: 105%), IB rider information (Rollup rate: 7%, Historic withdrawals: 30%, Benefit ratio (withdrawing): 180%, Benefit ratio (not withdrawing): 110%), and WB rider type (Rollup rate, Historic withdrawals, Benefit ratio (withdrawing), Benefit ratio (not withdrawing)).
- 2 Inputs for rider details and policyholder characteristics:** Includes Sex (Male: 50%, Female: 50%), Tax status (Qual: 50%, non-qual: 50%), Attained ages (55: 25%, 65: 25%, 75: 25%, 85: 25%), and Investment allocation (US Equity: 50.0%, Int Equity: 15.0%, Bond: 30.0%, Money Market: 2.5%, General Account: 2.5%).
- 3 Aggregate statistics and checks:** Includes buttons for 'Save cohort information', 'Clear all cohorts', 'Generate inforce feed', and 'Save inforce feed'. A 'Checks (Post file generation)' section shows 0.000. A 'Cohort statistics' table lists 10 cohorts with names like '2020 WB + ROP', '2020 ROP', etc. A 'Rider statistics' table shows a 50/50 split between M and F. An 'Inforce feed' table lists 4 cohorts with names like 'ROP\_None\_None', 'Rollup\_None\_None', etc.
- Save data and Policy info:** Includes a 'Save data' section with 'File path' (C:\NAIC\), 'File name' (NAIC - RILA Model office PIT 2022 08 22.csv), and buttons for 'Generate in-force file' and 'Save in-force file'. A 'Policy info' section shows 'Issue date' (6/30/2022), 'Total AV' (10,000,000), and 'Total policies' (80). A 'Sex' section shows a 50% split between M and F. A 'Buffer' section shows a 50% split between 10% and 20% levels. A 'Tax status' section shows a 50% split between NQ and Q. An 'Age' section shows a distribution: 45 (10%), 55 (30%), 65 (40%), 75 (20%), 85 (0%).
- 2 Checks:** A 'Checks' section shows 0% completion.

- 1 Cohort level inputs provide flexibility to create a representative population made up of different vintages of variable annuities
- 2 Inputs provide the ability to capture rider details and policyholder characteristics of a given cohort
- 3 Aggregate statistics and checks allow for validation and analysis of the generated inforce file

- 1 Customizable inputs allow for a mix of buffer levels and policyholder characteristics
- 2 Checks validate the generated inforce file has the desired characteristics

# VA & RILA model design overview

The following illustrates the high-level model design for point-in-time VM-21 and C3P2 use cases



## Design notes

- 1** Automated batch processes import model office and assumption grids to modelling software
- 2** Conning (1a through 2b) and AAA ESG interest rate and equity scenarios are loaded into the model
- 3** Liability cells contain product features, rider features and 3 assumption sets (best estimate, prudent estimate, and VM-21 prescribed standard projection)
- 4** Nested modeling via "embedded blocks" are included in the fund to perform stochastic projections on an adjusted, best effort hedge and standard projection basis
- 5** Hedged projections use the implicit method; option values are calculated as a pre-run using native model functionality and risk neutral scenario generator
- 6** VM-21 reserve and C3P2 requirement are calculated using summary reports and formula tables
- 7** Custom reports are output to populate the model output analysis tools and compare to field test submissions

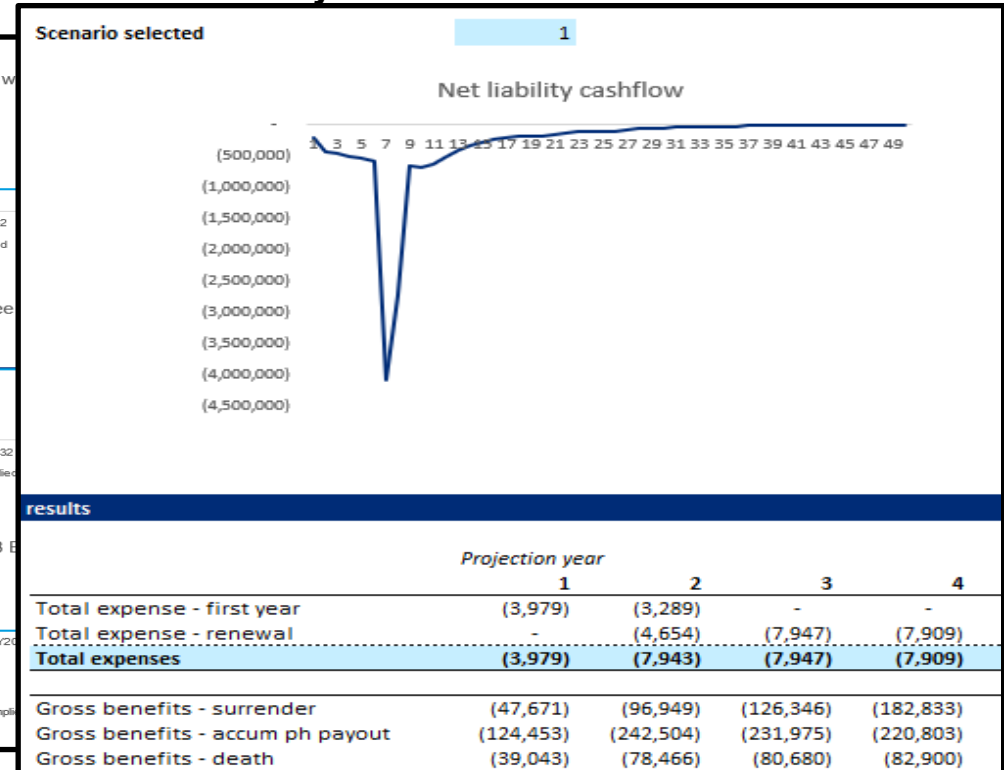
# Analysis and validation tools

Two model output analysis tools provide transparency into the representative model calculations as well as support validation of future model updates or testing results

## Single cell validation using implied rates



## Scenario level analysis tool



# Appendix A

Product modeling (supplemental information)

# Appendix A.1

Variable annuity

# Model components and functionality

Variable annuity

Component	Description of functionality
Liability modeling	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Liability cash flows for model office comprised of the following product features:<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– Base variable annuity contract and a variety of GMxB (GLWB, GMDB, GMIB) with typical features and charges</li></ul></li><li>• Modeled on a direct basis only (i.e., without reinsurance)</li></ul>
Asset modeling	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Guardrail VM-21 prescribed strategy: 10-year bonds with ratings A and AA consistent with the guardrail prescribed under VM-21</li></ul>
Calculations	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Outer loop cash flows under best estimate assumptions and input deterministic scenarios</li><li>• Pre-tax asset and liability projections under input stochastic scenarios reflecting all cashflows under prudent best estimate and VM-21 prescribed assumptions</li><li>• Inforce asset iteration at valuation date under input stochastic scenarios to achieve no GPVAD</li><li>• Fair value of living benefit riders on annual timesteps to support implicit hedging approach</li></ul>
Assumption sets	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Best estimate</li><li>• Prudent best estimate</li><li>• VM-21 standard projection prescribed</li></ul>
Hedging	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Implicit cost of reinsurance method used in the best efforts run, option cost is charged at time 0 and rider fees and claims are removed</li></ul>
Reporting	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Stochastic reserve (CTE70 pre-tax under adjusted and best efforts hedge)</li><li>• Standard projection add-on under CTEPA method (CTE70 under prescribed in excess of SR, subject to CTE70 - CTE65 unfloored buffer)</li><li>• C3 at 100% RBC (CTE98 pre-tax and subsequent calculations). Note: C3 will be unsmoothed</li></ul>

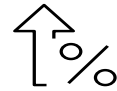
# Summary of product features

Variable annuity product features and rider parameters are customizable to other product configurations, along with populations make-up



## Product

- 10 different rider combinations
  - GMDB only
  - GMIB & GMDB
  - GLWB & GMDB



## Riders

- GMDB: ROP and rollup
- GMIB: rollup, hybrid, combo
  - GLWB: rollup



## Investment accounts

- US & international equity
- Bond & money market
  - General account



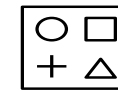
## Contract fees

- 130bp M&E fee
- \$30 per policy fee



## Surrender charges

- 7 years: 7%, 6%, 5%, 4%, 3%, 2%, 1%



## Rider parameters

- Rider fees vary by rider type
- Min GLWB withdrawal age: 60
- Max DB/IB/WB rollup age: 85



# Liability best estimate assumptions

Variable annuity (1/2)

Assumption	Active rider	Best estimate assumption	Prudent margin
Mortality	GMDB only	Baseline * VM-21 attained age factor (higher mortality than baseline)	+5% base, -5% MI
	GMDB + living benefit	Baseline * VM-21 attained age factor (lower mortality than baseline)	-5% base, +5% MI
Surrender	GMDB only	<b>Base lapse:</b> SC Period = 1%-4%, SC+1 = 20%; SC+n = 10%	-5% (multiplicative)
		<b>Dynamic lapse:</b> multiplicative factor based on moneyness level	
	GMDB + GLWB or Hybrid GMIB	<b>Lapse floor post-SC:</b> 2.0%	-5% multiplicative on lapse rate (post dynamic adjustment) and floor
		<b>Base lapse:</b> SC period same as DB; SC+1=15%; SC+n=8%	
GMDB + traditional GMIB	<b>Dynamic lapse:</b> multiplicative factor based on moneyness level, varies by withdrawal status	-5% multiplicative on lapse rate (post dynamic adjustment) and floor	
	<b>Lapse floor post-SC:</b> 1.5% if withdrawing, 2.0% if deferring		
Withdrawals (non-rider)	GMDB only	<b>Base lapse:</b> same as GLWB	No PAD
	GMDB + living benefit	<b>Dynamic lapse:</b> multiplicative factor based on moneyness level	
Withdrawals (non-rider)	GMDB only	<b>Lapse floor post-SC:</b> 2%	No PAD
	GMDB + living benefit	<b>Partial withdrawal:</b> 2% ( +consideration for tax status)	
Withdrawals (non-rider)	GMDB only	GLWB: 0%; GMIB: 2%	No PAD
	GMDB + living benefit	GLWB: 0%; GMIB: 2%	

# Liability best estimate assumption

Variable annuity (2/2)

Assumption	Active rider	Best estimate assumption	Prudent margin
GMIB utilization	GMDB + hybrid GMIB (standard projection assumption)	<b>Base utilization:</b> Varies by year, GAPV value of non-annuitization benefits, and withdrawal status <b>Dynamic utilization:</b> Adjustment based on moneyness level	10% (multiplicative)
	GMDB + traditional GMIB	<b>Base utilization:</b> FY exercisable = 15%, subsequent years = 3% <b>Dynamic utilization:</b> Adjustment based on moneyness level	10% (multiplicative)
GLWB / withdrawal utilization	GMDB + living benefit	Use VM-21 WDCM with lower never withdrawal cohort ("NWC")%: 5.0%/15% Q/NQ	NWC %: -2.5%/-5% additive for Q/NQ (i.e. 2.5%/10% as PE)
Withdrawal efficiency	GMDB + living benefit	90% with no excess withdrawal	5.0% additive

# Appendix A.2

Registered indexed linked annuity

# Model components and functionality

Registered indexed linked annuity

Component	Capabilities
Liability modeling	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Liability cash flows for model office comprised of the following product features:<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– RILA contracts with either a 10% or 20% buffer and an ROP GMDB</li></ul></li><li>• Modeled on a direct basis only (i.e., without reinsurance)</li></ul>
Asset modeling	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Guardrail VM-21 prescribed strategy: 10-year bonds with ratings A and AA consistent with the guardrail prescribed under VM-21</li></ul>
Calculations	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Outer loop cash flows under best estimate assumptions and input deterministic scenarios</li><li>• Pre-tax asset and liability projections under input stochastic scenarios reflecting all cashflows under prudent best estimate and VM-21 prescribed assumptions</li><li>• Inforce asset iteration at valuation date under input stochastic scenarios to achieve no GPVAD</li></ul>
Assumption sets	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Best estimate</li><li>• Prudent best estimate</li><li>• VM-21 standard projection prescribed</li></ul>
Hedging	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• The ROP GMDB will not be hedged</li><li>• Both the CTE70 best efforts and adjusted runs will assume the purchase of future options to cover index credits</li></ul>
Reporting	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Stochastic reserve (CTE70 pre-tax under adjusted and best efforts hedge)</li><li>• Standard projection add-on under CTEPA method (CTE70 under prescribed in excess of SR, subject to CTE70 - CTE65 unfloored buffer)</li><li>• C3 at 100% RBC (CTE98 pre-tax and subsequent calculations). Note: C3 will be unsmoothed</li></ul>

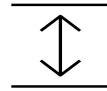
# Summary of product features

Registered indexed linked annuity product features and rider parameters are customizable to other product configurations, along with populations make-up



## Product

- 6-year crediting term
- Term End Point (TEP) indexing method
- GMDB-only



## Buffer

- 10% buffer / uncapped
- 20% buffer / 275% cap



## Subaccount types

- Indexed: S&P 500
- No variable
- No fixed



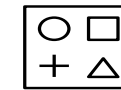
## Contract fees

- No fee for S&P 500 / indexed accounts (0 bps)



## Surrender charges

- 6 years: 7%, 7%, 6%, 5%, 4%, 3%, 0%
- CSV adjusted for unearned index credits



## Rider parameters

- GMDB ROP
- No GMDB fee (0 bps)

# Liability best estimate assumption

Registered indexed linked annuity

Assumption	Best estimate assumption	Prudent margin
Mortality	Baseline * VM-21 factor (higher mortality than baseline)	+5% base, -5% MI
Surrender	<b>SC period:</b> 1% grading to 3% by end of SC period <b>Shock lapse year:</b> 50% <b>Post shock lapse year:</b> 15%	+10% on shock lapse (additive)
Withdrawals (non-rider)	<b>Partial withdrawal:</b> 2.0%	No PAD

# Appendix A.3

Additional information

# Additional model parameters and assumptions

Model parameters and assumptions can be easily updated to reflect alternatives



## Asset

- Investment expense: 10 bps
- Default rates A: 0.15%, Default rates AA: 0.15%
- Spreads: prescribed VM-21



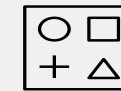
## Fund fees (VA only)

- Expense ratio: 100 bps
- Revenue sharing: 50 bps



## GMDDB fees

- ROP: 0 bps
- Rollup: 35 bps



## Living benefit fees

- Rollup IB: 85 bps
- Combo IB: 105 bps
- Hybrid IB: 145 bps
- Rollup WB: 130 bps



# Model output summary

Report type	Applicable runs	Description of output
Embedded block calendar year projections	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Stochastic (adjusted)</li> <li>• Stochastic (best efforts)</li> <li>• Standard projection</li> </ul>	Scenario level projections including key items: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Net liability cashflow components (e.g., claims, fees)</li> <li>• Coverage movement and decrements (e.g., lapses)</li> <li>• Asset and investment income projections</li> </ul>
VM-21 block summary report	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Stochastic (adjusted)</li> <li>• Stochastic (best efforts)</li> </ul>	Aggregate scenario calculations containing: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• CTE65, 70 &amp; 98 (pre-tax) floored and unfloored               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– CTE levels are net of hedging and time 0 option value when using best efforts approach</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Cash surrender value at valuation</li> </ul>
PPA block summary report	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Standard projection</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Aggregate scenario calculation for CTE70 under standard projection assumptions</li> </ul>
Hedge liabilities report	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Option value of liabilities</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Present value of claims and fees at valuation for inforce riders</li> </ul>