

# Are short term yields a long term problem?

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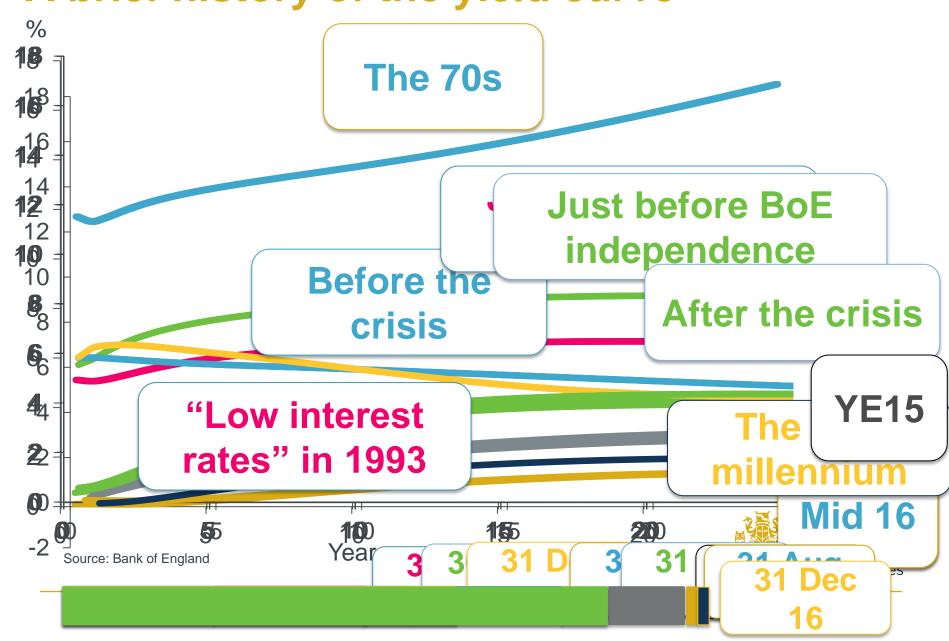
## Are short term yields and long term problem?

- A brief history of the yield curve
- Interest rate impacts on products
- How can you react?
- Discussion

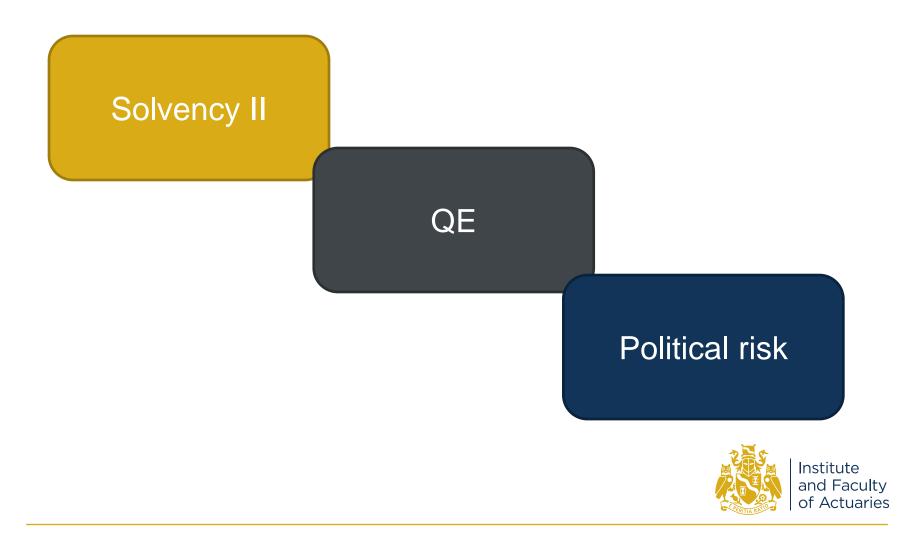


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## A brief history of the yield curve



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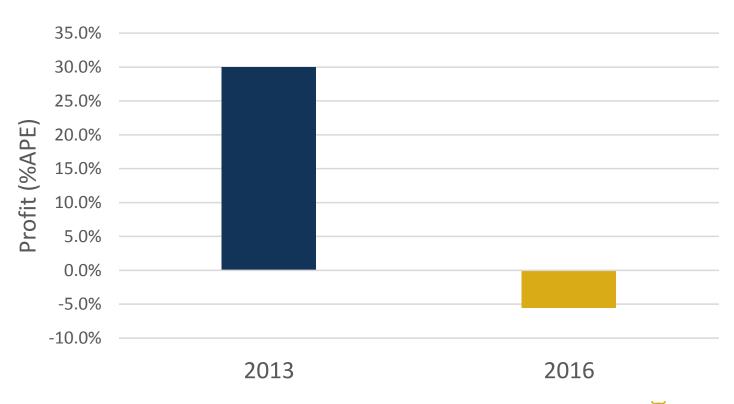
## Impacts on products

- Protection
  - Level term, decreasing term, and whole of life
- Unit linked business
- Annuities



## LTA - portfolio

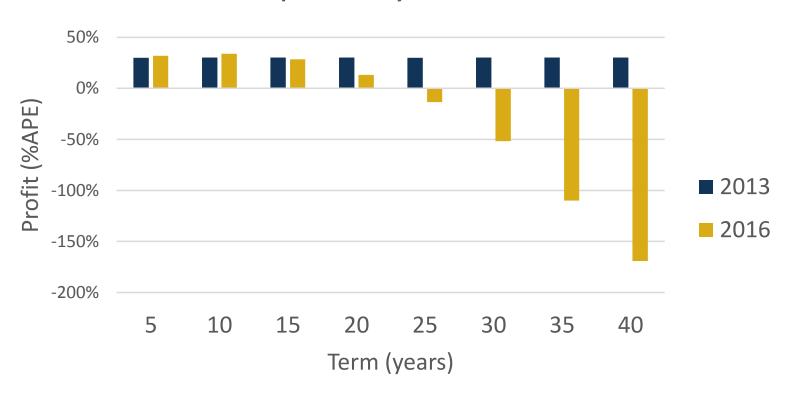
#### LTA whole portfolio





## LTA – by term

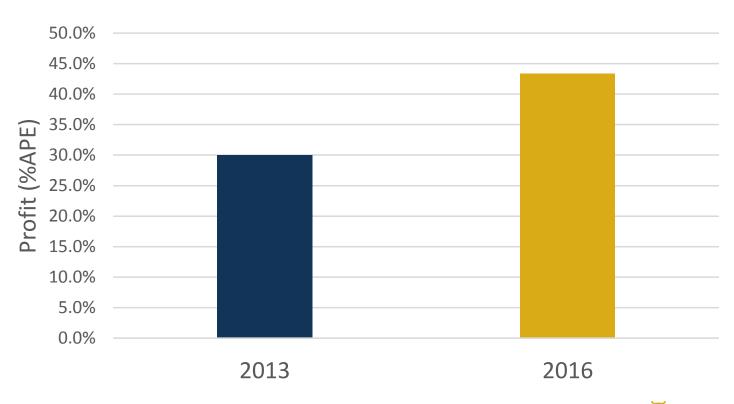
#### LTA profit by term





## **DTA** - portfolio

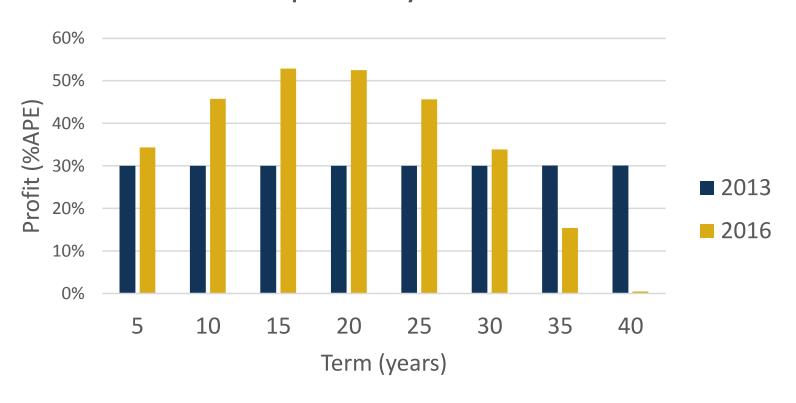
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## DTA – by term

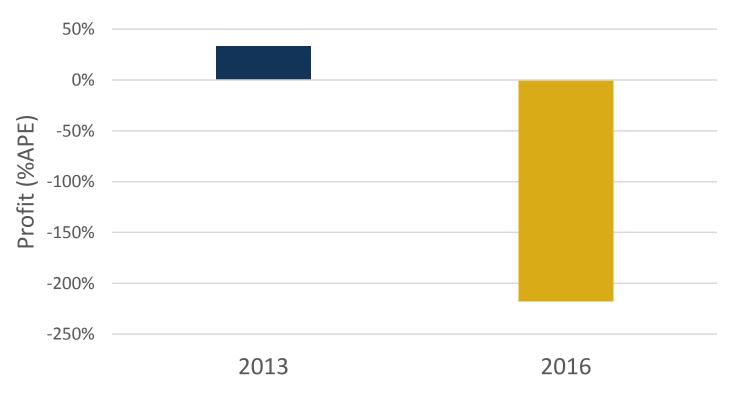
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## **GWoL - portfolio**

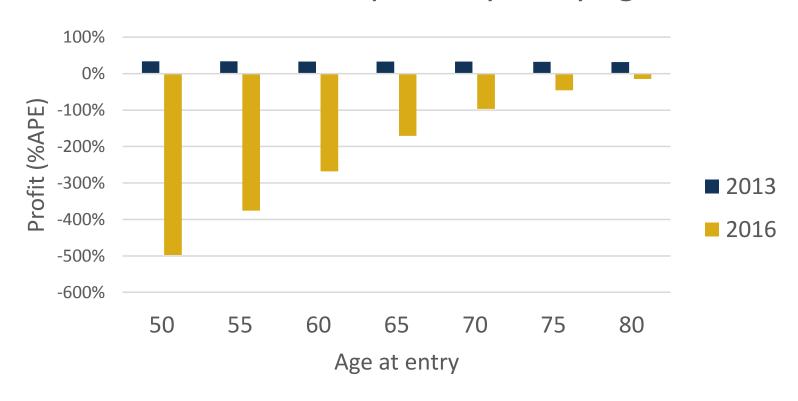
#### Over 50s whole portfolio





## **GWoL** – by entry age

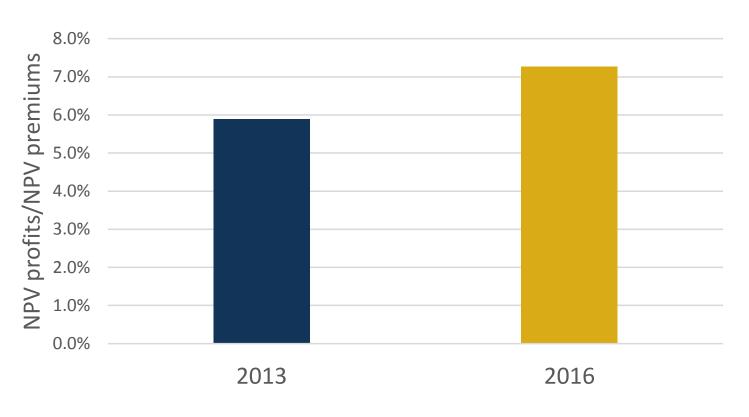
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#### **Unit linked**

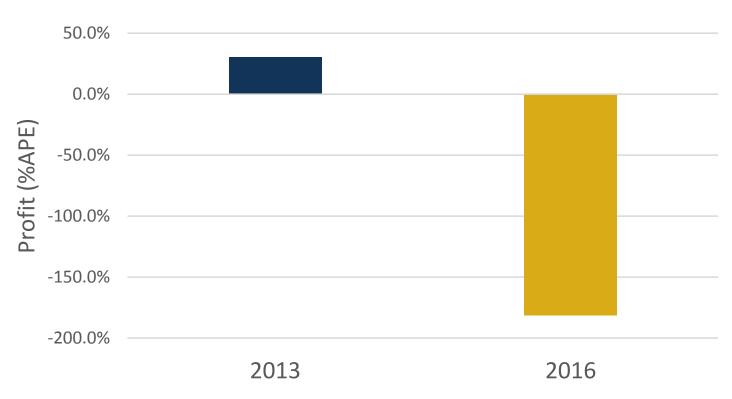
#### Unit linked





#### **Annuities**

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#### 1) Put up price

- This is easy and simple, pass on the cost to customer, yes?
- But is this right?
- Is it fair?
- Should you price for long term contracts due to current swaps?



#### 2) Take the hit

- This means we don't pass on the moves in risk free rates to customers
- But can insurers take the short term reported hit?
- Is it fair to shareholders?
- Will there be a gain over time?



#### 3) Look at the design

- For each product is there a way you can compromise, restricting rate increases to customers, and not hurting balance sheets?
- How can cash flow signatures be immunised by product design?
- What features can be changed?
- Can we look at the basis for answers?



## Questions

## Comments

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