

PENSION FREEDOMS: WHO GETS TO CHOOSE?

Some of the

1.8 million

people with DB pensions can also transfer if they want to use the freedoms – 5% have done this so far

**11.5 MILLION
PEOPLE AGED
55-70**

2.8 million

DC savers in scope...

...with

£238 billion

of pension savings

On average, each person has

1.5

DC pots

62% have just one pot,
13% have 3 or more

On average, people have

£86,000

of DC savings

But the majority have much less wealth, 55% have £30,000 or less, half have less than £17,500

28%

are already getting income from another pension

Split equally between those with a DB pension in payment, those with an annuity and those in drawdown

85%

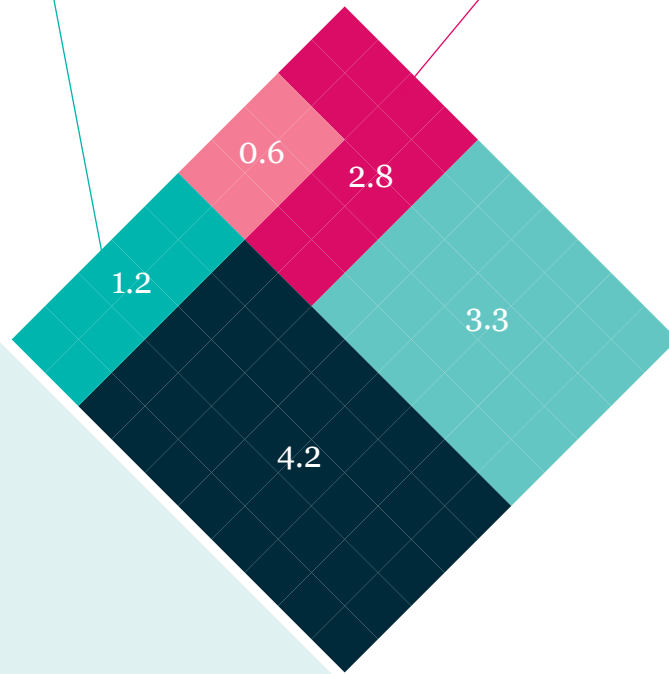
have other savings and investments

39% have share-based savings (Share ISAs or direct holdings), 16% own a second property

70%

are debt-free

Most with outstanding debt have mortgage debt (25%)



Of the 2.8 million DC savers in scope...

0.6

million have done nothing yet

1.8

million are investigating

0.4

million have accessed their pension

(more information overleaf)

No private pension

Fully retired and drawing all private pensions

Defined Benefit pension only

Defined contribution

PENSION FREEDOMS: WHAT HAVE PEOPLE DONE?

400,000 PEOPLE HAVE USED THE FREEDOMS: THEY'RE NOT TYPICAL

Wealthier

Median DC wealth = **£30,000** (compared with £17,500)
22% own a second property (compared with 16%)
25% also have DB wealth to access (compared with 20%)

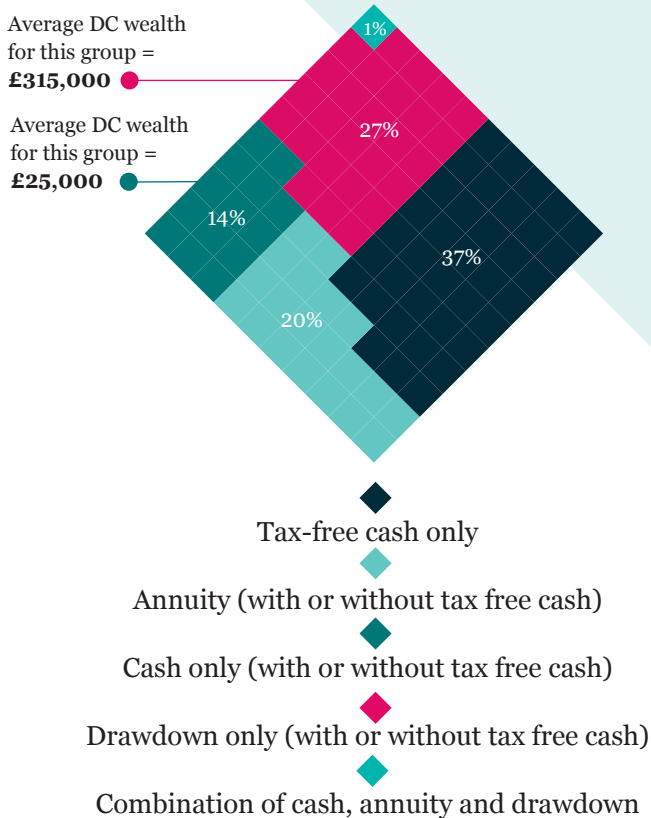
Already getting a pension

72% already drawing a pension income (compared with 32%)

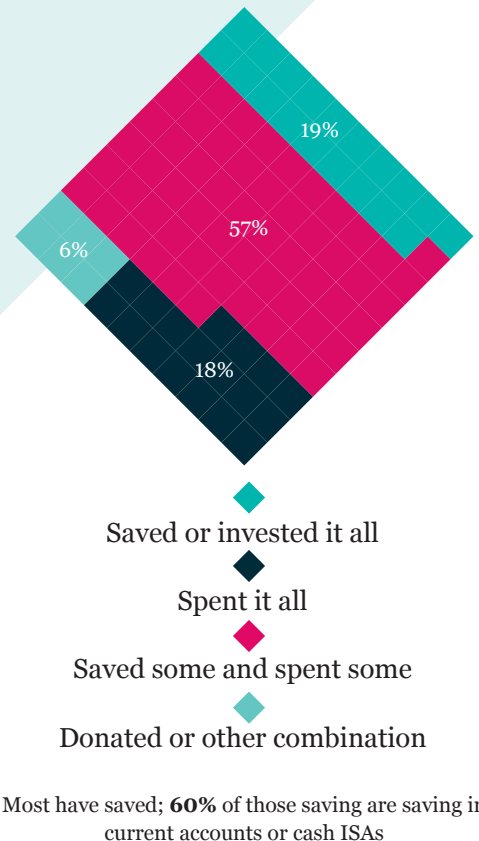
More confident

But still not very confident – **35%** high on confidence compared with 28%

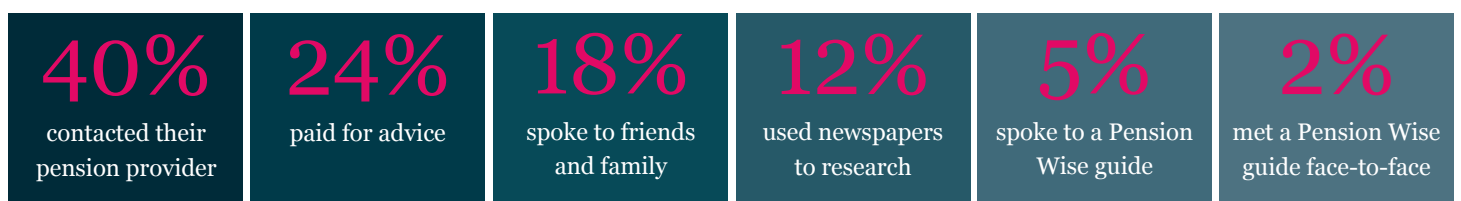
WHAT HAVE THEY DONE?



HAVE THEY SPLASHED THE CASH?



WHO'S HELPING WITH DECISIONS?



All figures are from Pensions and Lifetime Savings Association research undertaken in October 2015 with over 2,000 people aged 55-70; data are weighted to be representative of the UK population