

Role of Actuaries in Banking

Discussion around the evolving role of the Actuary in the world of banking and financial risk modelling





Issues affecting the banking sector

Regulatory change

- Transitioning to a regulatory and financial reporting environment which requires more robust and forward looking assessment of risk.
- New regulatory capital rules and new accounting rules.
- Regulators looking for increased comfort around the risks in the financial system and the ability of the financial system to respond stress events.

Desire for ever more sophisticated risk modelling

- Access to capital and more efficient use of capital driving a push for better risk models.
- Better customer decisions and strategy setting requiring risk forecasting capabilities at a customer and portfolio level.
- Changes to approaches for credit risk, market risk, liquidity risk and interest rate risk modelling.
- Enhanced use of data analytics and modelling in areas including behavioural economics.



How the

actuarial skill-

set will be key in financial

reporting

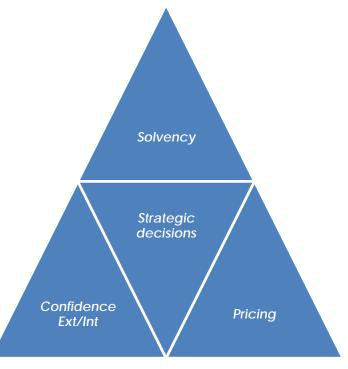
Example – the changing world of financial reporting and calculation of provisions

Change in credit quality since initial recognition Recognition of expected credit losses 12 month expected credit losses Lifetime expected credit losses eted credit losses The analysis can be done on a portfolio basis! nterest revenue Effective interest on amortised cost carrying amount (i.e. net of credit Effective interest on gross Stage 1 Stage 2 Stage 3 Underperforming Performin Non-performing (Assets with significant increase in (Initial recognition*) (Credit impaired assets) credit risk since initial recognition*)



Example - the world of stress-testing

- Required by financial regulators and good practice.
- Stress testing scenarios may include:
 - Macroeconomic factors; and
 - Enterprise-specific factors.
- Stress testing can be performed
 - at enterprise/portfolio level; or
 - for particular segments.
- Range of models and formulae are used in bank stress testing depending on the portfolio:
 - Logistic Regression Model
 - Vasicek Model (Merton DD)
 - Roll-Rate model
- Outputs include both financial and non-financial metrics





The role of the Actuary in banking

The skills and capabilities of an actuary are in increasing demand

- Analytical capability to manage/manipulate data;
- Modelling capability to determine statistical relationships;
- Ability to identify risks/unusual patterns and determine the impacts;
- Ability to communicate technical concepts and relationships in simple terms;
- Ability to extrapolate and forecast scenarios;
- Provide comfort and assurance based on analysis and risk insights; and,
- Provide advice on compliance with regulation.



Actuaries Institute 2015 – 2017 Strategic Plan

- The Actuaries Institute is managed to a strategic plan, which sets out the key objectives and priorities over a three year period.
- The Strategic Plan for 2015-17 has focused the Institute's activity on five key goals centred around:
 - providing services to Members (in Australia and overseas) and opportunities for professional growth;
 - continuing to advance the profession into new practice areas as well as increasing awareness of the profession; and
 - ensuring that the Institute continues to be in a strong position to respond to the changing needs of Members and the profession.





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