

# **Opportunities for Growth: Product Trends and Solutions for Today's Consumers**





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Growth is the Top concern for Executives for Life Insurance Companies (Globally)

What's on the Minds of Life Insurance Executives 2023: Six Big Opportunities in an Evolving Market





#### Growth: Is the Top Challenge for Life Insurance Companies



Sources: BCG and LIMRA's 2023 global survey of life insurance executives; BCG analysis.

Note: New ways of working was added as a category in 2021.





<sup>\*</sup>The challenge appears only once among the top challenges since 2019.

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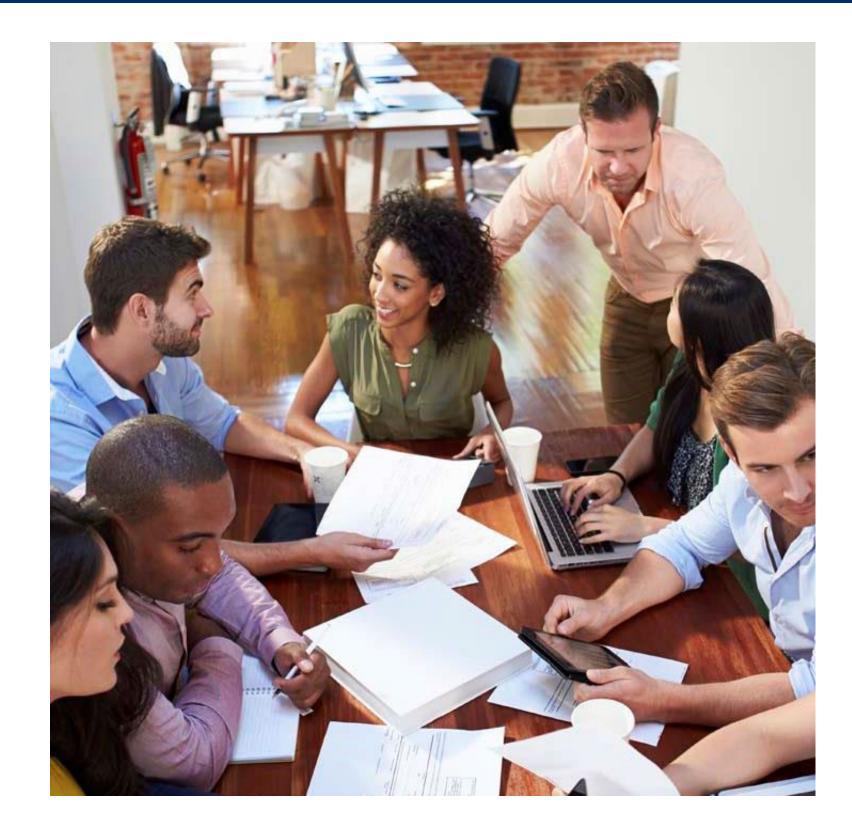
- Leveraging AI and data analytics to create more tailored **experiences** that align with individual customer needs.
- Integrating their products into non-traditional platforms, such as e-commerce and fintech applications, to reach new customer segments.
- Streamlining policy terms and reducing complexity to enhance customer understanding and engagement.
- Many carriers are prioritizing digital distribution channels, enabling customers to purchase and manage policies entirely online.

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### Emerging Market Trends focused on Product Innovation

- Digital transformation and fintech adoption.
- 2. Customization and flexible products
- 3. Simplified products and processes
- 4. Financial inclusion and microinsurance
- 5. Health and wellness Integration
- 6. Retirement and longevity products





- 1. How does our mission influence the products and experiences we deliver to sales professionals and end users?
- 2. What is our ecosystem strategy? Is it easy to find our product offerings on major platforms? Are they presented in an engaging and differentiated way?
- 3. Do our products meet current customer needs? What more can we offer to support their goals?
- 4. Do we have the resources and skillset to better support the sales professionals we do business with?
- 5. Is our distribution strategy aligned to provide the best training, education, support, and experience for the growth of sales professionals, and corporate growth?
- 6. Are we making the right investments in tools and technologies to make a difference in terms of Operational Efficiency & Customer Experience?



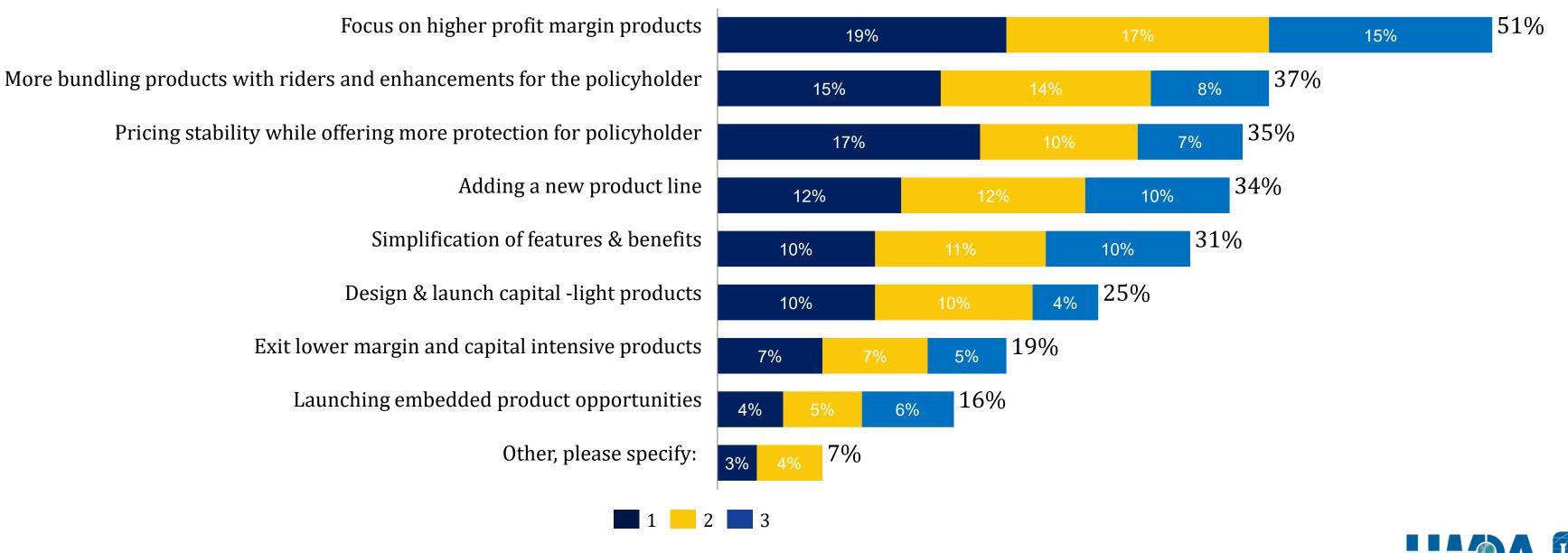
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## Product Strategy

#### Given the current consumer / economic environment, how is your product strategy evolving?

Identify up to three of the following and rank, with "1" getting the most leadership attention

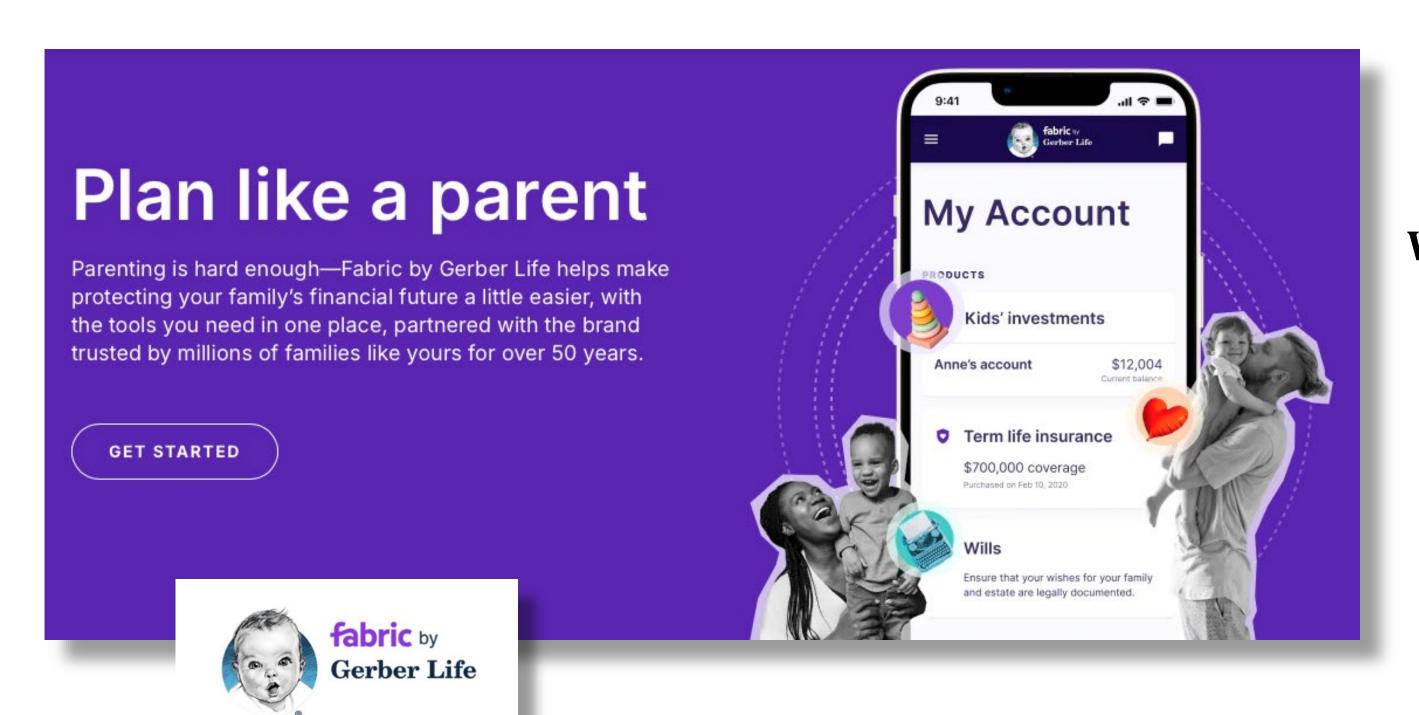




Source: BCG Executive Survey (n=115, as of July 11, 2023)

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#### **EXAMPLE 1**



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#### Financial Inclusion and Microinsurance

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#### Microinsurance helps address key economic concerns, including:

- Affordable (low cost) health insurance for the underserved
- •Integrated health services (ecosystem) with their product (life and health insurance):
- •24/7 Telemedicine
- Discounted or free medicines and lab tests
- Annual Health Check
- Unlimited Specialists
- Health wallet with points
- •Convenient and accessible purchase process (SMS or Mobile App)



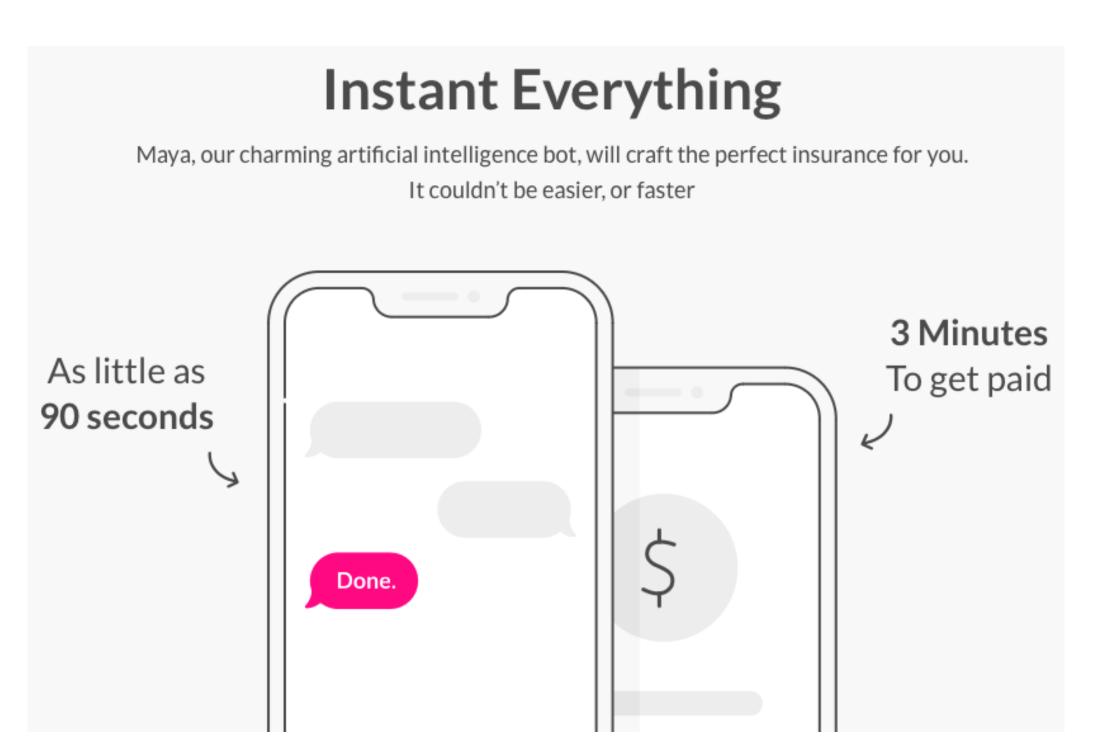
#### Fintech Adoption

# Lemonade









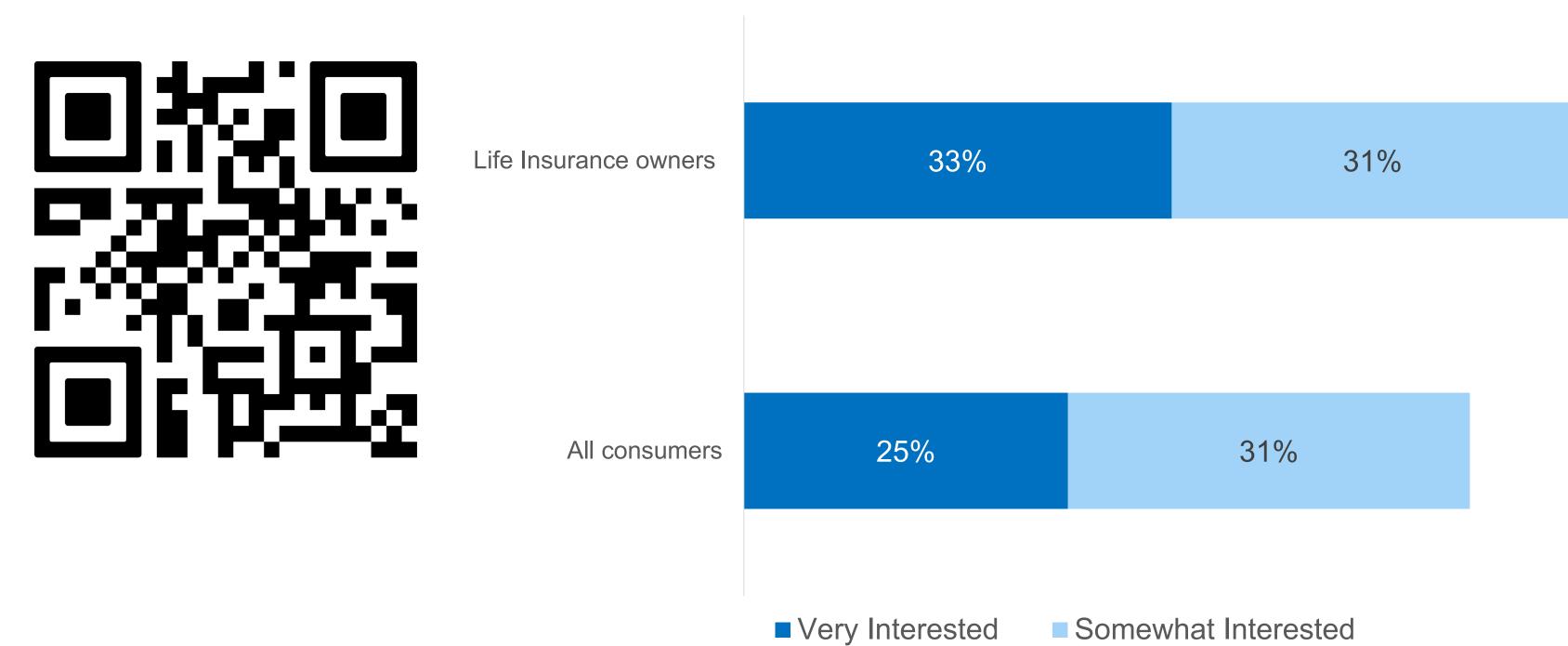




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#### **Interest In Multi-Cancer Early Detection Tests**



Source: Market Facts, Early Cancer Detection Tests, 2024

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#### **Consumer Financial Concerns**

#### Retirement

Being unable to work due to a disabling illness or injury

Paying for medical expenses
In case of illness or injury

Leaving dependents in a difficult situation in case of premature death



#### Products offering income and flexibility



"I am/would be interested in a life insurance policy that will provide me guaranteed income in retirement"

Source: 2023 Barometer Study



## Products offering income and flexibility

Key strategies insurers can adopt to address the retirement gap...

- Expand Product offerings
- Financial Education
- Leverage Digital Platforms
- Develop Flexible Retirement Products
- Strengthen Workplace Retirement Plans





**#4.** 

#### Do we have the resources and skillset to better support the sales professionals we do business with?

Talent Management Is a Leading Challenge, and Rapid Industry Changes Require Insurers to Plan and Act Now to Build the Workforce of the Future



#### New roles & skills needed

#### Digital roles



- Data scientists
- Product managers
- UX and UI talent
- Digital marketers

#### 21st century skills<sup>5</sup>



- Creativity & agility
- Critical thinking
- Collaboration
- Design thinking

#### **Key actions**

Reassess the hiring process & job requirements

Develop programs to reskill and upskill talent

Build ecosystems of shared, temporary talent

Build a strategy and infrastructure for remote work



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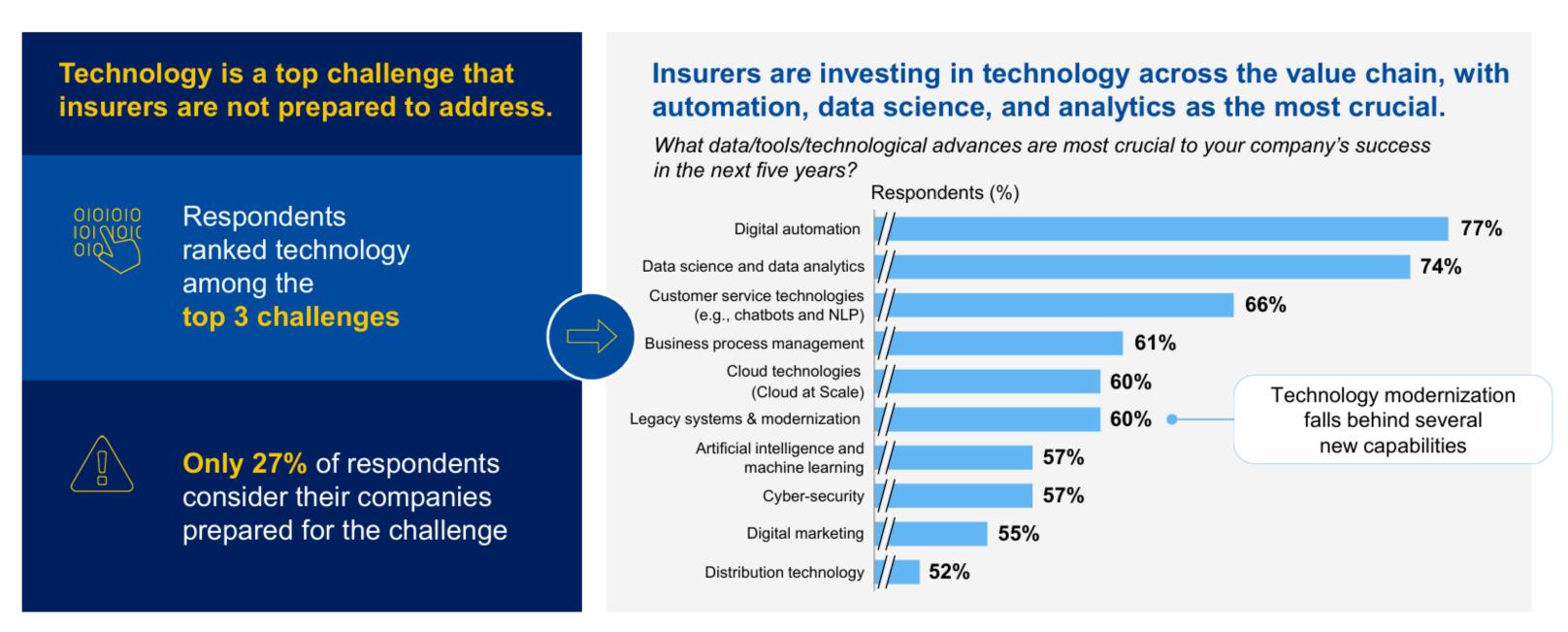
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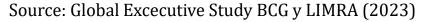


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#### Tech modernization is the foundation for long-term success



- 1. Accelerating Time to Market
- 2. Bridging the Technology Gap
- 3. Reducing Development Risk and Cost
- 4. Developing a Culture of Innovation

In essence, partnerships are seen as an indispensable strategic lever that allows carriers to overcome internal limitations, accelerate digital transformation, and deliver innovative, customer-centric solutions in a rapidly evolving market.



## Technology: Easy integration enables innovation





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