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"A larger pool of pension savers due to auto-enrolment and prevailing mobility in the labour market will increase the tendency to accumulate multiple pension pots. This will drive pension transfer and consolidation activity. There is scope to grow regular-premium business by targeting the self-employed and those interested in saving for children."

– Sarah Hitchcock, Senior Finance Analyst

This report looks at the following areas:

- Scope to target those wishing to save for children
- The self-employed are an underpenetrated market
- New Lifetime ISA could pose a threat as a competitor product

With much of the media and industry attention on the workplace pension sector, it is perhaps easy to overlook individual pensions. Yet Mintel's research shows that at least a quarter of UK adults aged 18+ have accumulated benefits in an individual personal pension, stakeholder pension or self-invested personal pension (SIPP).

Sales of regular-premium contracts may be low compared to past trends, but significant amounts of money are flowing into the sector as a result of transfers. While some of this is recycled money from other contract-based pensions, a portion also originates from the trust-based occupational sector. Over the past couple of years, there has been a rising trend for people to transfer out of defined-benefit (DB) arrangements into defined-contribution (DC) plans, which has benefitted individual pension providers.

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