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# **Empirical study of savings through life insurance in the Republic of Serbia**

# Емпиријска студија штедње кроз животно осигурање у Републици Србији

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Abstract: Life is a natural course, full of uncertainty and temptation of every human being. In order to make our lives more peaceful and have a more peaceful future, we are trying in various ways to secure ourselves and make our lives safer. Savings through insurance is a life-saving type of savings that involves the material protection of an individual against the risk of premature death and loss or loss of ability to earn money. In conditions where the solidarity-based pension system is unsustainable, it is necessary to develop voluntary pension insurance and savings through life insurance, as sources of long-term savings and additional sources of financing. The subject of this research is to answer the question of what people think about saving through life insurance. The main objective of this research is to evaluate the attitude of the residents of the Republic of Serbia towards saving through life insurance. The survey was conducted on the territory of the entire Republic of Serbia, on a suitable sample of 500 respondents. Through this paper, the citizens' attitude towards saving through life insurance in the Republic of Serbia is analyzed in one place. By analyzing the data from the survey, we can conclude that the general hypothesis is confirmed: Residents are not satisfied with the current state of savings through life insurance in the Republic of Serbia.

**Keywords:** life, savings through life insurance, material protection, long-term savings, additional source of financing.

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Сажетак: Живот је природан ток, пун неизвесности и искушења сваког човека. Да бисмо свој живот учинили мирнијим и имали мирнију будућност, на разне начине покушавамо да се осигурамо и учинимо свој живот сигурнијим. Штедња путем осигурања је врста штедње која спашава живот и укључује материјалну заштиту појединца од ризика од превремене смрти и губитка или губитка способности за зараду. У условима када је солидарни пензијски систем неодржив, неопходно је развити добровољно пензијско осигурање и штедњу кроз животно осигурање, као изворе дугорочне штедње и додатне изворе финансирања. Предмет овог истраживања је да одговори на питање шта људи мисле о штедњи кроз животно осигурање. Основни циљ овог истраживања је процена односа становника Републике Србије према штедњи кроз животно осигурање. Истраживање је спроведено на територији целе Републике Србије, на одговарајућем узорку од 500 испитаника. Кроз овај рад на једном месту се анализира однос грађана према штедњи кроз животно осигурање у Републици Србији. Анализом података из анкете можемо закључити да се потврђује општа хипотеза: Становници нису задовољни тренутним стањем штедње кроз животно осигурање у Републици Србији.

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**Кључне речи**: живот, штедња путем животног осигурања, материјална сигурност, дугорочна штедња, додатни извор финансирања. **ЈЕЛ класификација:** G22, G23

#### Introduction

The most common type of insurance in the world is life insurance. In 2017, life insurance premiums accounted for about 59% of the total insurance premiums in the world. In almost every year, in the last three decades, life insurance has grown faster than non-life insurance and this trend is expected to continue in the future (Piljan et al., 2015, p. 99). In Serbia, life insurance today accounts for about 24% of the total insurance premium. Although it is still insufficient, great progress has been made in the last ten years, since for that time the share of life insurance has had few estimates. The importance of life insurance in Serbia is growing and has great potential to increase in the future.

The basic significance of a life insurance policy is that it represents insurance and savings at the same time. In addition to the function of expanding compulsory (social) insurance, life insurance plays a significant role in every economy because the payment of life insurance premiums accumulates funds that represent long-term, predetermined earmarked savings. Therefore, the policy can be used on the financial market as a security and is an important source of investment, where a significant return is achieved (Piljan et al., 2019, p. 87).

The classic products of life insurance in the event of death are about 250 years old, but similar principles are still used today, on which they were based from the beginning. In the meantime, a large number of life insurance products have been developed and the tendency to develop new products continues (Ćurčić et al., 2019, p. 25).

What affirms life insurers to take an important place in the financial system are their following important characteristics: stable flow of insurance premiums, long-term source of funds, long-term placements, time mismatch of payments and disbursements and predictability of the insured event, i.e. predictability of withdrawal (Piljan et al., 2018, p. 78). Thanks to the long-term source of funds, life insurers form such an investment portfolio which, in the first place, consists of long-term placements that carry long-term returns. Of course, the life insurer's portfolio must be designed to meet liquidity requirements.

### 1. Savings through life insurance

Life insurance savings refers to all insurances in which the termination or duration of life of one or more persons results in the payment of the sum insured by the insurer. These savings can be most simply defined as a contract by which the insurer undertakes to pay a certain amount or annuity to the insured person in the event of death or in the event of his survival, in accordance with the premiums collected from the insured (Marović & Avdalović, 2006, p. 133). We can also say that saving through life insurance are a specific type of insurance because it is about insuring the risk of death, so it is the most widespread form of insurance

worldwide (Marković & Jovanović, 2010, p. 17). There is almost no insurance company in the world that operates in highly developed countries, without offering savings through life insurance in its portfolio as a type of insurance. At the same time, we can say that it is the most attractive form of savings in the world because through individual life insurance, otherwise called savings insurance, almost all the money paid can be returned to you after a few years, and a certain percentage profit is also possible (Gvozdenović & Uzelac, 2018, p.37). It implies not only savings, but also the payment of compensation if something happens to the insured in the period in which the life insurance was concluded.

In some countries, people who save through life insurance are entitled to tax relief, and with the same policy they can get various loans. When we talk about saving through life insurance, we must not overlook the fact that it is a risk of death that is variable and progressively increases with age (Piljan et al., 2017, p. 395). If we assumed that the amount of the premium should follow the probability of death, which is higher and higher from year to year, we would reach extremely high amounts of premium, which the insured could not bear.

### 2. Life insurance in Serbia

In the current business conditions, the insurance market in Serbia is recording a positive, but relatively slow growth trend. The life insurance market in Serbia, in the last few years, has shown continuous progress, but still lags significantly behind compared to developed European countries (Knežević & Đurić, 2019, p. 42). The weak development of the life insurance sector is a direct consequence of insufficient economic development, underdevelopment of the financial market, unemployment of the population and inadequate economic reforms. A significant problem is poor education and minimal knowledge of the potential of this type of insurance.

The insurance market in Serbia is relatively stable, with a tendency to grow, but it still faces a number of problems. When it comes to life insurance, its insufficient development is most influenced by the low living standard of the population, unemployment and weak purchasing power, but also inflation and the exchange rate of the domestic currency on which the efficiency of life insurance directly depends (Kostadinović & Radojičić, 2017, p. 115) These circumstances, with the consequences of the global economic crisis, have led to the fact that the level of life insurance development is still not at the expected level. In the realization of future goals of economic growth and development, life insurance will have a significant role, both in achieving the security of the individual and the role of the institutional investor whose funds are used to finance the development of the state (Vesić et al., 2019, p. 11).

The insurance market in Serbia is in a period of relative stability. Although there is a continuous growth, if the neighboring countries are taken into account, it is noticeable that the entire insurance sector is still underdeveloped and is well below the average of the surrounding countries. Underdevelopment is even more noticeable when compared to European Union countries.

# 3. Examining the attitude of residents

The aim of the research is to assess the attitude of the inhabitants of the Republic of Serbia regarding the issue of savings through life insurance.

The general hypothesis is: Residents are not satisfied with the current state of savings through life insurance in the Republic of Serbia.

The research was conducted on the territory of the entire Republic of Serbia, on a suitable sample of 500 respondents. The structure of the sample is by gender: 47.6% men, 52.4% women; by age: up to 35 years of age 45.6%, over 35 years of age 54.4%; by education: secondary education 37%, basic vocational education 17.6%, university education 24.8%, master's/doctoral degree 20.6%; by length of service: up to 10 years of service 38.8%, from 11 to 20 years of service 32.6%, from 21 to 30 years of service 17%, over 30 years of service 11.6%; according to the position in the company: workers 55.2%, operational level manager 18.4%, mid-level manager 14.6% and top manager 11.8%.

The statistical method as an general scientific method dominates in the research, and the descriptive -¬ survey-research-method, as a special method. This variant of scientific description implies active involvement of respondents in providing information about the phenomena that are the subject of study, on the basis of which one can enter the essence of the research subject and determine its condition, but also discover causal connections and relationships. The SPSS (Statistical Package for Social Sciences) program was used for statistical data processing. The non-parametric statistical procedure Chi square and the contingency coefficient C were used for data processing.

Socio-and		Life inst	urance sav	ings are a	good for	m of savir	ngs	
respor		1	2	3	In t	otal	x² i C	р
•	1. Male	89	52	97	238			
Gender	1. Maie	17,8%	10,4%	19,4%	47,6%	500	$x^2=12,574$	p=0,002
Gender	2. Female	63	55	144	262	100%	C=0,157	p<0,05
	2. I ciliaic	12,6%	11,0%	28,8%	52,4%			
	1. Up to 35	54	47	127	228			
Years of life	years	10,8%	9,4%	25,4%	45,6%	500	$x^2=11,233$	p=0,004
1 cars of file	2. Over 35	98	60	114	272	100%	C=0,148	p<0,05
	years	19,6%	12,0%	22,8%	54,4%		C=0,148	
	1.Secondary	51	46	88	185			
	education	10,2%	9,2%	17,6%	37,0%			
	2. Basic	30	12	46	88			
Professional	vocational education	6,0%	2,4%	9,2%	17,6%	500	x <sup>2</sup> =6,035	p=0,419
qualifications	3.University	35	28	61	124	100%	C=0,109	p>0,05
	education	7,0%	5,6%	12,2%	24,8%			
	4. Master's	36	21	46	103			
	/Doctoral degree	7,2%	4,2%	9,2%	20,6%			
Years of	1. Up to 10	49	37	108	194	500	$x^2=16,811$	p=0,010
service	years	9,8%	7,4%	21,6%	38,8%	100%	C=0,180	p<0,05

Table 1: Life insurance savings are a good form of savings

	2. Up 11 to	56	27	80	163			
	20 years	11,2%	5,4%	16,0%	32,6%			
	3. Up 21 to	30	24	31	85			
	30 years	6,0%	4,8%	6,2%	17,0%			
	4. Over to 30	17	19	22	58			
	years	3,4%	3,8%	4,4%	11,6%			
	1. Worker	83	47	146	276			
	1. WOIKEI	16,6%	9,4%	29,2%	55,2%			
	2. Basic	37	21	34	92			
Position in	manager	7,4%	4,2%	6,8%	18,4%	500	$x^2=16,282$	p=0,012
the company	3. Middle	18	19	36	73	100%	C=0,178	p<0,05
	manager	3,6%	3,8%	7,2%	14,6%			
	4. Top	14	20	25	59			
	menager	2,8%	4,0%	5,0%	11,8%			

Figure 1: Agreement with the statement: Life insurance savings are a good form of savings



Source: Authors research

Research shows that the independent variable education is not significantly related to respondents' attitudes about life insurance savings. Namely, the value of the Chi square test and the contingency coefficient C shows ( $x^2 = 6,035$  C = 0.109 and p = 0.419) that the length of service is not statistically significantly related to the stated attitude of the respondents, while this is not the case when it comes to gender, age, work experience and position in the company most respondents agree with the view that saving through life insurance is a good form of saving, but we have differences in attitudes. When it comes to life insurance, the young generation attaches significantly more importance and has more confidence in the data. It is certain that the respondents and labor organizations cannot solve this issue on their own, and the maximum involvement of all state apparatuses is expected in resolving this issue. This attitude of the young generation may be expected. This is exactly the period of life when you should think about solving the problem of pension insurance as much as possible.

In the second question as well, not all independent variables are statistically significantly related to the attitudes of the respondents that savings through life insurance are not sufficiently developed in our country. The value of the Chi square test and the contingency coefficient C show that the gender, age, education, work experience and position of the respondents in the company are not statistically significantly related to the stated attitude of the respondents.

Table 2: Savings through life insurance are not sufficiently developed in our country

Socio-and	ragogical	Saving	s throug	h life insu	rance are	not sufficien	tly developed in	our country
characteris respon		1	2	3	1	total	$x^2$ i C	р
respon		9	29	200	238			1
	1. Male	1,8%	5,8%	40,0%	47,6%	500	$x^2=1,854$	p=0,396
Gender	2.5.1	17	31	214	262	100%	C=0,061	p>0,05
	2. Female	3,4%	6,2%	42,8%	52,4%			
	1. Up to 35	11	29	188	228			
Years of life	years	2,2%	5,8%	37,6%	45,6%	500	$x^2=0,300$	p=0,861
rears of file	2. Over 35	15	31	226	272	100%	C=0,024	p>0,05
	years	3,0%	6,2%	45,2%	54,4%			
	1.Secondary	12	21	152	185			
	education	2,4%	4,2%	30,4%	37,0%			
	Basic     vocational	7	14	67	88			
Professional education 1,4% 2,8% 1	13,4%	17,6%	500	$x^2=6,022$	p=0,421			
qualifications	3.University	iversity 4 13 107 124 100% C=0,109	p>0,05					
	education	0,8%	2,6%	21,4%	124 100% C=0,109 p>0,0 24,8% 103 20,6%			
	4. Master's /Doctoral	3	12	88	103			
	degree	0,6%	2,4%	17,6%	20,6%			
	1. Up tu 10	6	28	160	194			
	years	1,2%	5,6%	32,0%	38,8%			
	2. Up 11 to	8	16	139	163			
Years of	20 years	1,6%	3,2%	27,8%	32,6%	500	$x^2=7,177$	p=0,305
service	3. Up 21 to	6	10	69	85	100%	C=0,119	p>0,05
	30 years	1,2%	2,0%	13,8%	17,0%			
	4. Over to 30	6	6	46	58			
	years	1,2%	1,2%	9,2%	11,6%			
	1. Worker	10	38	228	276			
	1. WOIKEI	2,0%	7,6%	45,6%	55,2%			
	2. Basic	7	8	77	92			
Position in the	manager	1,4%	1,6%	15,4%	18,4%	500	$x^2=6,203$	p=0,401
company	3. Middle	6	6	61	73	100%	C=0,111	p>0,05
	manager	1,2%	1,2%	12,2%	14,6%			
	4. Top	3	8	48	59			
	menager	0,6%	1,6%	9,6%	11,8%	% 500 100% 99		

This means that we do not have significant deviations regarding the mentioned position.

Figure 2: Agreement with the statement: Savings through life insurance are not sufficiently developed in our country



The conclusion is that regardless of age, gender, education, work experience and position in the company, most respondents agree with the view that savings through life insurance in our country are underdeveloped.

Table 3: Conditions for the development of savings through life insurance in our country are not favorable

Socio-and				ne develop not favoral		avings th	rough life ins	surance in
respon		1	2.	3	In to	ntal	x² i C	р
respon		20	59	159	238	-	<i>w</i> 1 0	Р
	1. Male	4,0%	11,8%	31,8%	47,6%	500	$x^2=1,022$	p=0,600
Gender	2 5 1	23	55	184	262	100%	C=0,045	p>0,05
	2. Female	4,6%	11,0%	36,8%	52,4%		ŕ	1
	1. Up to 35	20	55	153	228			
Years of life	years	4,0%	11,0%	30,6%	45,6%	500	$x^2=0,473$	p=0,790
Years of fife	2. Over 35	23	59	190	272	100%	C=0,031	p>0,05
	years	4,6%	11,8%	38,0%	54,4%			
	1.Secondary	15	43	127	185			
	education	3,0%	8,6%	25,4%	37,0%			
	2. Basic	11	18	59	88			
Professional	vocational education	2,2%	3,6%	11,8%	17,6%	500	x <sup>2</sup> =8,963	p=0,176
qualifications	3.University	5	35	84	124	100%	C=0,133	p>0,05
	education	1,0%	7,0%	16,8%	24,8%			
	4. Master's	12	18	73	103			
	/Doctoral degree	2,4%	3,6%	14,6%	20,6%			
	1. Up tu 10	18	47	129	194			
	years	3,6%	9,4%	25,8%	38,8%			
	2. Up 11 to	13	37	113	163			
Years of	20 years	2,6%	7,4%	22,6%	32,6%	500	$x^2=1,569$	p=0,955
service	3. Up 21 to	7	20	58	85	100%	C=0,056	p>0,05
	30 years	1,4%	4,0%	11,6%	17,0%			
	4. Over to	5	10	43	58			
	30 years	1,0%	2,0%	8,6%	11,6%			
	1. Worker	24	69	183	276			
Position in		4,8%	13,8%	36,6%	55,2%	500	$x^2=9,754$	p=0,135
the company	2. Basic	13	21	58	92	100%	x = 9,734 C=0,138	p=0,133 p>0,05
the company	manager	2,6%	4,2%	11,6%	18,4%	10070	C 0,136	p- 0,03
	3. Middle	3	13	57	73			

manager	0,6%	2,6%	11,4%	14,6%
4. Top	3	11	45	59
menager	0,6%	2,2%	9,0%	11,8%

Figure 3: Agreement with the statement: The conditions for the development of savings through life insurance in our country are not favorable



Source: the authors' research

As in the previous case, the analysis of the data in Table 3, shows that not all independent variables are statistically significantly related to the respondents' opinions about the conditions for the development of life insurance. The value of the Chi square test and the contingency coefficient C show that the gender, age, education, work experience and position of the respondents in the company are not statistically significantly related to the stated attitude of the respondents. This means that we do not have significant deviations regarding the mentioned position. Based on the data from the table, we can conclude that regardless of gender, age, education, work experience and position in the company, most respondents agree with the view that the conditions for the development of savings through life insurance in our country are not favorable.

Table 4: I don't trust saving through life insurance

Socio-and	lragogical	I don't t	rust saving	g through	life insura	nce		
	stics of the ndents	1	2	3	In t	otal	x² i C	p
Gender	1. Male	58 11,6% 76	82 16,4% 85	98 19,6% 101	238 47,6% 262	500 100%	$x^2=1,368$	p=0,505
	2. Female	15,2%	17,0%	20,2%	52,4%	10076	C=0,032	p>0,05
Years of life	1. Up to 35 years	58 11,6%	78 15,6%	92 18,4%	228 45,6%	500	_	p=0,817 p>0,05
rears of me	2. Over 35 years	76 15,2%	89 17,8%	107 21,4%	272 54,4%	100%		
	1.Secondary education	12,8%	56 11,2%	65 13,0%	185 37,0%			
Professional	2. Basic vocational education	4,0%	5,4%	8,2%	17,6%	500	x <sup>2</sup> =22,189	p=0,001
qualifications	3.University	27	57	40	124	100%	C=0,206	p<0,05
	education 4. Master's	5,4%	11,4%	8,0% 53	24,8%			
	/Doctoral degree	4,6%	5,4%	10,6%	20,6%			

	1. Up tu 10	54	55	85	194			
	years	10,8%	11,0%	17,0%	38,8%			
	2. Up 11 to 20	42	55	66	163			
Years of	years	8,4%	11,0%	13,2%	32,6%	500	$x^2=9,387$	p=0,153
service	3. Up 21 to 30	18	38	29	85	100%	C=0,136	p=0,153 p>0,05
	years	3,6%	7,6%	5,8%	17,0%			
	4. Over to 30	20	19	19	58			
	years	4,0%	3,8%	3,8%	11,6%			
	1. Worker	75	95	106	276			
	1. Worker	15,0%	19,0%	21,2%	55,2%			
	2. Basic	24	26	42	92			
Position in the	manager	4,8%	5,2%	8,4%	18,4%	500	$x^2=2,356$	p=0,884
company	3. Middle	19	24	30	73	100%	C=0,068	p=0,884 p>0,05
	manager	3,8%	4,8%	6,0%	14,6%			
	4. Top	16	22	21	59			
	menager	3,2%	4,4%	4,2%	11,8%			

Source: Authors research

Figure 4: Agreement with the statement: I don't trust saving through life insurance



Source: the authors' research

In question no. 4 some independent variables are not statistically significantly related to the respondents' attitudes about trust in life insurance. The value of the Chi square test and the contingency coefficient C show that gender, age, work experience and position in the company are not statistically significantly related to the stated attitude of the respondents. This means that we do not have significant deviations regarding the mentioned position. Based on the data from the table, we can conclude that regardless of gender, age, work experience and position in the company, most respondents agree with the view that there is no trust in savings through life insurance.

Table 5: The state does not sufficiently support the development of savings through life insurance

Socio-andragogical characteristics of the respondents			The state does not sufficiently support the development of savings through life insurance							
of the res	pondents	1	2	3	In t					
1. Male	46	73	119	238						
Gender	1. Male	9,2%	14,6%	23,8%	47,6%	500 100%	$x^2=5,689$ C=0,047	p=0,224 p>0,05		
Gender	2. Female	43	90	129	262					
	Z. Peniale	8,6%	18,0%	25,8%	52,4%			i		

1	l	43	66	119	228			i I
	1. Up to 35 years	8,6%	13,2%	23,8%	45,6%			
Years of life	7					500 100%	$x^2=2,548$ C=0,071	p=0,280 p>0,05
	2. Over 35	46	97	129	272	10076	C=0,071	p>0,03
	years	9,2%	19,4%	25,8%	54,4%			
	1.Secondary	39	63	83	185			
	education	7,8%	12,6%	16,6%	37,0%			
	Basic     vocational	16	28	44	88			
Professional	education	3,2%	5,6%	8,8%	17,6%	500	x <sup>2</sup> =6,400	p=0,380
qualifications	3.University	17	45	62	124	100%	C=0,112	p>0,05
	education	3,4%	9,0%	12,4%	24,8%			
	4. Master's	17	27	59	103			
	/Doctoral degree	3,4%	5,4%	11,8%	20,6%			
	1. Up tu 10 years	38	50	106	194			
		7,6%	10,0%	21,2%	38,8%			
	2. Up 11 to 20	29	61	73	163			p=0,144 p>0,05
Years of service	years	5,8%	12,2%	14,6%	32,6%	500	$x^2=9,575$ C=0,137	
Years of service	3. Up 21 to 30	10	34	41	85	100%		
	years	2,0%	6,8%	8,2%	17,0%			
	4. Over to 30	12	18	28	58			
	years	2,4%	3,6%	5,6%	11,6%			
	1 337 1	49	92	135	276			
	1. Worker	9,8%	18,4%	27,0%	55,2%			
	2. Basic	14	27	51	92			
Position in the company	manager	2,8%	5,4%	10,2%	18,4%	500	$x^2=5,855$	p=0,440
	3. Middle	12	21	40	73	100%	C=0,108	p>0,05
	manager	2,4%	4,2%	8,0%	14,6%			
		14	23	22	59			
	4. Top menager	2,8%	4,6%	4,4%	11,8%			

17,8%

I do ot agree at all

I can't decide

I totally agree

Figure 5: Agreement with the statement: The state does not sufficiently support the development of savings through life insurance

And in question no. 5 not all independent variables are statistically significantly related to the respondents' attitudes that the state does not sufficiently support life insurance savings. The value of the Chi square test and the contingency coefficient C show that the gender, age, education, work experience and position of the respondents in the company are not statistically significantly related to the stated attitude of the respondents. This means that we do not have significant deviations regarding the mentioned position. Based on the data from the table, we can conclude that regardless of gender, age, education, work experience and position in the company, most respondents agree with the view that the state does not sufficiently support the development of savings through life insurance.

Table 6: Life insurance savings are a necessity of the modern age

Socio-andragogio	cal characteristics	Life ins	urance sav	ings are a	necessity	of the mo	dern age	
of the res	spondents	1	3	5	In t	otal	x² i C	р
	1. Male	45	79	114	238			
Gender	1. Iviale	9,0%	15,8%	22,8%	47,6%	500	$x^2=1,292$	p=0,524
Gender	2. Female	48	76	138	262	100%	C=0,o51	p>0,05
	2. Pennate	9,6%	15,2%	27,6%	52,4%			
	1. Up to 35	43	64	121	228			
Years of life	years	8,6%	12,8%	24,2%	45,6%	500	$x^2=1,769$	p=0,413
1 cars of file	2. Over 35	50	91	131	272	100%	C=0.059	p>0,05
	years	10,0%	18,2%	26,2%	54,4%		C=0,051 x <sup>2</sup> =1,769 C=0,059 x <sup>2</sup> =15,230 C=0,172	
	1.Secondary	42	51	92	185			
	education	8,4%	10,2%	18,4%	37,0%			
	2. Basic	15	34	39	88			
	vocational	3.0%	6,8%	7,8%	17,6%			
Professional	education	- ,-	,			500		p=0,019
qualifications	3.University	14	48	62	124	100%	C=0,172	p<0,05
	education	2,8%	9,6%	12,4%	24,8%			
	4. Master's	22	22	59	103			
	/Doctoral degree	4,4%	4,4%	11,8%	20,6%			
	1. Up tu 10	37	52	105	194			
	years	7,4%	10,4%	21,0%	38,8%			
Years of	2. Up 11 to 20	33	57	73	163	500	$x^2=13.564$	0.025
service	years	6,6%	11,4%	14,6%	32,6%	100%	x=13,364 C=0,163	p=0,035 p<0,05
SCIVICE	3. Up 21 to 30	8	34	43	85	10070	C=0,103	p~0,03
	years	1,6%	6,8%	8,6%	17,0%			
	4. Over to 30	15	12	31	58			

	years	3,0%	2,4%	6,2%	11,6%			
	1. Worker	56	82	138	276			
	1. WORKER	11,2%	16,4%	27,6%	55,2%			
	2. Basic	15	27	50	92			
Position in the	manager	3,0%	5,4%	10,0%	18,4%	500	$x^2=9,456$	p=0,150
company	3. Middle	7	24	42	73	100%	C=0,135	p=0,150 p>0,05
	manager	1,4%	4,8%	8,4%	14,6%			
	4. Top	15	22	22	59			
	menager	3,0%	4,4%	4,4%	11,8%			

Figure 6: Agreement with the statement: Life insurance savings are a necessity of the modern age



Source: the authors' research

By analyzing the data in Table 6, we can see that some independent variables are not statistically significantly related to the respondents' opinion that saving through life insurance is a necessity of the modern age. The value of the Chi square test and the contingency coefficient C show that the gender, age and position of the respondents in the company are not statistically significantly related to the stated attitude of the respondents. This means that we do not have significant deviations regarding the mentioned position. Based on the data from the table, we can conclude that regardless of gender, age and position in the company, most respondents agree with the view that saving through life insurance is a necessity of the modern age. When it comes to education and work experience, we have deviations in agreeing with the mentioned position. Among respondents with secondary education and workers, the more dominant view is that saving through life insurance is a necessity of the modern age.

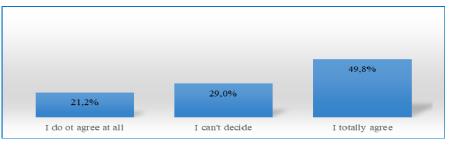
Table 7: I don't have enough money savings through life insurance

	Socio-andragogical characteristics of the respondents		I don't have enough money savings through life insurance								
characteristics of	the respondents	1	3	5 In total		x² i C	p				
	1 Mala	57	70	111	238	500					
Gender	1. Male	11,4%	14,0%	22,2%	47,6%		x <sup>2</sup> =2,588 C=0,071	p=0,278 p>0,05			
Gender	2. Female	49	75	138	262	100%					
	2. Female	9,8%	15,0%	27,6%	52,4%	1					
Years of life	1. Up to 35 years	50	67	111	228	500	x <sup>2</sup> =0,232 C=0,022	p=0,891			
i cars of file		10,0%	13,4%	22,2%	45,6%	100%		p>0,05			

	2. Over 35 years	56	78	138	272			
		11,2%	15,6%	27,6%	54,4%			
Professional qualifications	1.Secondary education	42	42	101	185	500 100%	x <sup>2</sup> =12,392 C=0,156	p=0,054 p>0,05
		8,4%	8,4%	20,2%	37,0%			
	2. Basic vocational education	14	38	36	88			
		2,8%	7,6%	7,2%	17,6%			
	3.University education	28	35	61	124			
		5,6%	7,0%	12,2%	24,8%			
	4. Master's /Doctoral degree	22	30	51	103			
		4,4%	6,0%	10,2%	20,6%			
Years of service	1. Up tu 10 years	37	49	108	194	500 100%	x <sup>2</sup> =11,400 C=0,149	p=0,077 p>0,05
		7,4%	9,8%	21,6%	38,8%			
	2. Up 11 to 20 years	33	56	74	163			
		6,6%	11,2%	14,8%	32,6%			
	3. Up 21 to 30 years	26	25	34	85			
		5,2%	5,0%	6,8%	17,0%			
	4. Over to 30 years	10	15	33	58			
		2,0%	3,0%	6,6%	11,6%			
Position in the company	1. Worker	50	63	163	276	500 100%	x <sup>2</sup> =22,642 C=0,208	p=0,001 p<0,05
		10,0%	12,6%	32,6%	55,2%			
	2. Basic manager	22	31	39	92			
		4,4%	6,2%	7,8%	18,4%			
	3. Middle manager	19	29	25	73			
		3,8%	5,8%	5,0%	14,6%			
	4. Top menager	15	22	22	59			
		3,0%	4,4%	4,4%	11,8%			

Source: Authors research

Figure 7: Agreement with the statement: I don't have enough money savings through life insurance



Source: the authors' research

The situation is the same with question no.7 where all independent variables are not statistically significantly related to the attitude of respondents that they do not have enough

money to invest in savings through life insurance. The value of the Chi square test and the contingency coefficient C show that gender, age, education and work experience are not statistically significantly related to the stated opinion of the respondents. This means that we do not have significant deviations regarding the mentioned position. Based on the data from the table, we can conclude that regardless of gender, age, education and work experience, most respondents do not agree with the view that there is not enough money savings through life insurance. When it comes to the position in the company, we have that the attitude of the workers differs from the attitude of the manager. Their more dominant attitude is that they do not have enough money to save through life insurance, which is understandably similar to their income.

#### Conclusion

Life insurance savings are the subject of discussion and analysis in almost all countries of the world because stable savings are one of the preconditions for economic growth and development. That is why it is important that these savings exist, regardless of whether the system can generate income sufficient to ensure a socially acceptable standard of living and their proper financing.

We can also say that saving through life insurance is a specific type of insurance because it is about insuring the risk of death, so it is the most widespread form of insurance around the world. There is almost no insurance company in the world that operates in highly developed countries, without offering life insurance savings in its portfolio as a form of insurance.

Life insurance savings in the Republic of Serbia are in a period of relative stability. Although there is a continuous growth, if the neighboring countries are taken into account, it is noticeable that this type of savings is still underdeveloped and is significantly below the average of the surrounding countries. Underdevelopment is even more noticeable when compared to European Union countries.

Through this paper, the attitude of the population in relation to savings through life insurance in the Republic of Serbia is analyzed in one place. All the above data show that the general hypothesis has been confirmed: Residents are not satisfied with the current state of savings through life insurance in the Republic of Serbia.

Through the analysis of data from the research, we come to the conclusion that the respondents believe that saving through life insurance is a good form of saving and that it is necessary. When it comes to trust, they agree that they do not trust this type of savings and that the conditions for the development of this type of savings are not favorable. They agree that the state does not pay enough attention to this type of savings. All respondents agree that they do not have enough money for this type of savings.

The general conclusion is that there is generally no significant difference in opinion regardless of gender, age, education, work experience and position of respondents in the company.

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