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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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FORM 10-Q

Quarterly Report Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 For the quarterly period ended September 30, 2018

or

Transition Report Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 Commission File No. 001- 34280

American National Insurance Company

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Texas (State or other jurisdiction of

incorporation or organization)

74-0484030 (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

One Moody Plaza

Galveston, Texas 77550-7999

(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

(409) 763-4661

(Registrant s telephone number, including area code)

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant (1) has filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to file such reports), and (2) has been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days. Yes No

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant has submitted electronically if any, every Interactive Data File required to be submitted pursuant to Rule 405 of Regulation S-T (§229.405 of this chapter) during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to submit such files). Yes No

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, a non-accelerated filer, smaller reporting company, or an emerging growth company. See definitions of large accelerated filer , accelerated filer , smaller reporting company , and emerging growth company in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act:

Large accelerated filer

Non-accelerated filer

Emerging growth company

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act.

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a shell company (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act). Yes No

As of November 01, 2018, there were 26,885,449 shares of the registrant s voting common stock, \$1.00 par value per share, outstanding.

Smaller reporting company Accelerated filer

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CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF FINANCIAL POSITION

(Unaudited and in thousands, except share and per share data)

	Septe	ember 30, 2018	Dece	ember 31, 2017
ASSETS	_			
Fixed maturity, bonds held-to-maturity, at amortized cost (Fair value				
\$7,941,606 and \$7,774,353)	\$	8,010,576	\$	7,552,959
Fixed maturity, bonds available-for-sale, at fair value (Amortized cost				
\$6,119,694 and \$5,957,901)		6,074,668		6,145,308
Equity securities, at fair value (Cost \$696,474 and \$757,583)		1,810,647		1,784,226
Mortgage loans on real estate, net of allowance		5,139,758		4,749,999
Policy loans		374,256		377,103
Investment real estate, net of accumulated depreciation of \$268,559 and				
\$260,904		543,440		532,346
Short-term investments		217,221		658,765
Other invested assets		74,956		80,165
Total investments		22,245,522		21,880,871
Cash and cash equivalents		606,775		375,837
Investments in unconsolidated affiliates		535,729		484,207
Accrued investment income		186,421		187,670
Reinsurance recoverables		460,125		418,589
Prepaid reinsurance premiums		56,038		63,625
Premiums due and other receivables		377,618		314,345
Deferred policy acquisition costs		1,458,591		1,373,844
Property and equipment, net of accumulated depreciation of \$233,635 and				
\$217,076		111,495		115,818
Current tax receivable		42,717		44,170
Prepaid pension		32,118		·
Other assets		147,078		158,024
Separate account assets		1,043,688		969,764
Total assets	\$	27,303,915	\$	26,386,764
LIABILITIES				
Future policy benefits				
Life	\$	3,023,872	\$	2,997,353
Annuity	+	1,501,035	Ŧ	1,400,150
Health		54,967		57,104
Policyholders account balances		12,522,225		12,060,045
Policy and contract claims		1,472,040		1,390,561
Unearned premium reserve		941,180		875,294
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Other policyholder funds	329,489	334,501
Liability for retirement benefits	78,355	114,538
Notes payable	137,504	137,458
Deferred tax liabilities, net	345,235	316,370
Other liabilities	472,655	477,855
Separate account liabilities	1,043,688	969,764
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Total liabilities	21,922,245	21,130,993
EQUITY		
American National stockholders equity:		
Common stock, \$1.00 par value, Authorized 50,000,000, Issued 30,832,449		
and 30,832,449 Outstanding 26,885,449 and 26,931,884 shares	30,832	30,832
Additional paid-in capital	20,673	19,193
Accumulated other comprehensive income (loss)	(123,709)	642,216
Retained earnings	5,553,383	4,656,134
Treasury stock, at cost	(108,492)	(101,616)
Total American National stockholders equity	5,372,687	5,246,759
Noncontrolling interest	8,983	9,012
Total equity	5,381,670	5,255,771
Total liabilities and equity	\$ 27,303,915	\$ 26,386,764

See accompanying notes to the unaudited consolidated financial statements.

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CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS

(Unaudited and in thousands, except share and per share data)

	Three		led S	-	Øine		ed S	September 30
PREMIUMS AND OTHER REVENUE		2018		2017		2018		2017
Premiums Life	\$	01 176	\$	01 067	\$	257 147	\$	241,623
	\$	91,176 47,296	\$	84,862 65,007	\$	257,147 185,140	\$	160,205
Annuity Health		47,290		41,832		135,039		115,464
Property and casualty		43,134 374,842		345,816		1,086,862		1,006,516
· · ·		70,840		54,030		213,317		183,558
Other policy revenues Net investment income		285,532		241,205		740,942		704,326
Net realized investment gains (losses)		(8,606)		33,929		9,575		59,338
Other-than-temporary impairments		(8,000)		,		9,575		
Net unrealized gains on equity securities		133,825		(3,485)		145,687		(11,737)
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Other income		12,177		9,554		33,973		27,347
Total premiums and other revenues		1,052,236		872,750		2,807,682		2,486,640
BENEFITS, LOSSES AND EXPENSES								
Policyholder benefits								
Life		119,816		106,904		315,320		309,530
Annuity		64,153		79,090		231,002		201,568
Claims incurred		,		,		,		,
Health		29,751		28,546		90,201		76,124
Property and casualty		272,885		238,178		795,501		719,888
Interest credited to policyholders account		,		,		,		,
balances		133,418		104,699		309,694		295,255
Commissions for acquiring and servicing policie	es	138,979		141,645		433,412		408,582
Other operating expenses		118,761		112,969		373,102		365,000
Change in deferred policy acquisition costs		(8,794)		(32,225)		(45,876)		(69,407)
Total benefits, losses and expenses		868,969		779,806		2,502,356		2,306,540
Income before federal income tax and other items		183,267		92,944		305,326		180,100
items		103,207		<i>74</i> ,744		505,520		100,100
Less: Provision (benefit) for federal income taxe	es							
Current		(39,937)		22,980		(26,404)		26,924
Deferred		59,156		14,203		68,769		37,518
Total provision for federal income taxes		19,219		37,183		42,365		64,442

Income after federal income tax		164,048		55,761		262,961		115,658
Equity in earnings of unconsolidated affiliates		13,029		22,387		18,905		44,200
Other components of net periodic pension costs, net of tax		(1,236)		(1,545)		(3,705)		(8,365)
Net income		175,841		76,603		278,161		151,493
Less : Net income attributable to noncontrolling interest, net of tax		2,377		3,334		1,781		2,425
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Net income attributable to American National	\$	173,464	\$	73,269	\$	276,380	\$	149,068
Amounts available to American National common stockholders								
common stockholders								
	\$	6.45	\$	2.72	\$	10.28	\$	5.54
common stockholders Earnings per share	\$	6.45 6.44	\$	2.72 2.72	\$	10.28 10.26	\$	5.54 5.53
common stockholders Earnings per share Basic	\$		\$		\$		\$	
common stockholders Earnings per share Basic Diluted	\$	6.44	\$	2.72	\$	10.26	\$	5.53
common stockholders Earnings per share Basic Diluted Cash dividends to common stockholders	\$	6.44 0.82	\$	2.72 0.82	\$	10.26 2.46	\$	5.53 2.46
common stockholders Earnings per share Basic Diluted Cash dividends to common stockholders Weighted average common shares outstanding	\$	6.44 0.82	\$	2.72 0.82	\$	10.26 2.46	\$	5.53 2.46

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CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

(Unaudited and in thousands)

	Three	months end 2018	ed S	eptember N 2017	lîne 1	months ende 2018	ed Se	ptember 3 2017
Net income	\$	175,841	\$	76,603	\$	278,161	\$	151,493
Other comprehensive income (loss), net of tax								
Change in net unrealized gains (losses) on securities		(14,395)		29,774		(142,116)		126,362
Foreign currency transaction and translation adjustments		(181)		411		(681)		694
Defined benefit pension plan adjustment		1,601		1,535		3,991		9,276
Other comprehensive income (loss), net of tax		(12,975)		31,720		(138,806)		136,332
Total comprehensive income		162,866		108,323		139,355		287,825
Less: Comprehensive income attributable to noncontrolling interest		2,377		3,334		1,781		2,425
Total comprehensive income attributable to American National	\$	160,489	\$	104,989	\$	137,574	\$	285,400

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CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CHANGES IN EQUITY

(Unaudited and in thousands)

	months end 2018	ed Sep	tember 30, 2017
Common Stock			
Balance at beginning and end of the period	\$ 30,832	\$	30,832
Additional Paid-In Capital			
Balance as of January 1,	19,193		16,406
Reissuance of treasury shares	1,172		1,964
Amortization of restricted stock	308		618
Balance at end of the period	20,673		18,988

Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income (Loss)		
Balance as of January 1,	642,216	455,899
Cumulative effect of accounting change	(627,119)	
Other comprehensive income (loss)	(138,806)	136,332
Balance at end of the period	(123,709)	592,231
Retained Earnings		
Balance as of January 1,	4,656,134	4,250,818
Cumulative effect of accounting changes	687,051	
Net income attributable to American National	276,380	149,068
Cash dividends to common stockholders	(66,182)	(66,249)
Balance at end of the period	5,553,383	4,333,637
Treasury Stock		
Balance as of January 1,	(101,616)	(101,777)
Reissuance (purchase) of treasury shares	(6,876)	161
Balance at end of the period	(108,492)	(101,616)
Noncontrolling Interest		
Balance as of January 1,	9,012	9,317
Contributions		224
Distributions	(1,810)	(2,492)
Net income attributable to noncontrolling interest	1,781	2,425
Balance at end of the period	8,983	9,474
Total Equity	\$ 5,381,670	\$ 4,883,546

See accompanying notes to the unaudited consolidated financial statements.

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CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS

(Unaudited and in thousands)

	Nine	months ende 2018	d Sep	otember 30, 2017
OPERATING ACTIVITIES				
Net income	\$	278,161	\$	151,493
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating				
activities				
Net realized investment gains		(9,575)		(59,338)
Other-than-temporary impairments				11,737
Accretion of premiums, discounts and loan origination fees		(4,303)		(4,233)
Net capitalized interest on policy loans and mortgage loans		(29,250)		(25,218)
Depreciation		39,241		41,131
Interest credited to policyholders account balances		309,694		295,255
Charges to policyholders account balances		(213,317)		(183,558)
Deferred federal income tax expense		68,769		37,518
Equity in earnings of unconsolidated affiliates		(18,905)		(44,200)
Distributions from equity method investments		16,375		1,133
Changes in				
Policyholder liabilities		281,596		273,411
Deferred policy acquisition costs		(45,876)		(69,407)
Reinsurance recoverables		(41,536)		(7,063)
Premiums due and other receivables		(63,272)		(38,499)
Prepaid reinsurance premiums		7,587		(2,500)
Accrued investment income		1,249		(3,596)
Current tax receivable/payable		1,454		21,571
Liability for retirement benefits		(63,249)		(7,934)
Fair value of option securities		(58,396)		(56,920)
Fair value of equity securities		(145,687)		
Other, net		53,782		40,578
Net cash provided by operating activities		364,542		371,361
INVESTING ACTIVITIES				
Proceeds from sale/maturity/prepayment of				
Held-to-maturity securities		492,160		599,202
Available-for-sale securities		348,149		327,424
Equity securities		164,413		106,090
Investment real estate		11,577		46,745
Mortgage loans		467,040		431,702
Policy loans		42,071		39,003
Other invested assets		84,846		62,815

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Disposals of property and equipment		93	554
Distributions from unconsolidated affiliates		35,684	12,561
Payment for the purchase/origination of		,	,
Held-to-maturity securities	(1,011,398)	(690,190)
Available-for-sale securities	,	(436,877)	(438,798)
Equity securities		(40,981)	(96,819)
Investment real estate		(35,583)	(27,527)
Mortgage loans		(834,877)	(848,263)
Policy loans		(18,268)	(18,953)
Other invested assets		(61,407)	(33,062)
Additions to property and equipment		(13,527)	(19,162)
Contributions to unconsolidated affiliates		(100,567)	(23,267)
Change in short-term investments		441,544	(369,547)
Change in collateral held for derivatives		40,243	29,797
Other, net		(5,795)	19,055
Net cash used in investing activities		(431,460)	(890,640)
FINANCING ACTIVITIES			
Policyholders account deposits		1,378,325	1,607,263
Policyholders account withdrawals		1,012,522)	(960,161)
Change in notes payable	(45	2,084
Dividends to stockholders		(66,182)	(66,249)
Payments to noncontrolling interest		(1,810)	(2,268)
r dyments to honeontronning interest		(1,010)	(2,200)
Net cash provided by financing activities		297,856	580,669
NET INCREASE IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS		230,938	61,390
Beginning of the period		375,837	289,338
		515,001	207,550
End of the period	\$	606,775	\$ 350,728

See accompanying notes to the unaudited consolidated financial statements.

NOTES TO THE UNAUDITED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Note 1 Nature of Operations

American National Insurance Company and its consolidated subsidiaries (collectively American National or the Company) offer a broad spectrum of insurance products, including individual and group life insurance, annuities, health insurance, and property and casualty insurance. Business is conducted in all 50 states, the District of Columbia and Puerto Rico.

Note 2 Summary of Significant Accounting Policies and Practices

The consolidated financial statements and notes thereto have been prepared in conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP) and are reported in U.S. currency. American National consolidates entities that are wholly-owned and those in which American National owns less than 100% but controls, as well as variable interest entities in which American National is the primary beneficiary. Intercompany balances and transactions with consolidated entities have been eliminated. Investments in unconsolidated affiliates are accounted for using the equity method of accounting. Certain amounts in prior years have been reclassified to conform to current year presentation.

The interim consolidated financial statements and notes herein are unaudited and reflect all adjustments which management considers necessary for the fair presentation of the interim consolidated statements of financial position, operations, comprehensive income, changes in equity, and cash flows.

The interim consolidated financial statements and notes should be read in conjunction with the annual consolidated financial statements and notes thereto included in American National s Annual Report on Form 10-K as of and for the year ended December 31, 2017. The consolidated results of operations for the interim periods should not be considered indicative of results to be expected for the full year.

The preparation of the consolidated financial statements in conformity with GAAP requires the use of estimates and assumptions that affect the reported consolidated financial statement balances. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

Note 3 Recently Issued Accounting Pronouncements

Adoption of New Accounting Standards

In May 2014, the FASB issued guidance that superseded most existing revenue recognition requirements in GAAP. Insurance contracts generally are excluded from the scope of the guidance. For those contracts which are impacted, the transaction price is attributed to the underlying performance obligations in the contract and revenue is recognized as the entity satisfies the performance obligations and transfers control of a good or service to the customer. The Company s revenues include premium, other policy revenue, net investment income, realized investment gains, and other income. Other income includes fee income which is recognized when obligations under the terms specified within a contract with a customer are either (1) satisfied at a point in time or (2) the progress of completion is measured over a period of time as the obligation is performed using the input method. The Company adopted the standard on its required effective date of January 1, 2018 using the modified retrospective approach. The majority of our revenue sources are insurance related and not in the scope of the guidance. The adoption of the standard did not have a material impact on the Company s consolidated financial position, results of operations, equity or cash flows as of the adoption date or for the nine months ended September 30, 2018.

In January 2016, the FASB issued guidance that changed certain aspects of recognition, measurement, presentation, and disclosure of financial instruments. The new guidance requires that equity investments, other than those accounted for under the equity method or those that result in consolidation of the investee, be measured at fair value and the changes in fair value are recognized through earnings. When the fair value option has been elected for financial liabilities, changes in fair value due to instrument-specific credit risk will be recognized separately in other comprehensive income. The guidance also simplifies the impairment assessment of equity investments and eliminates the disclosure requirements for methods and significant assumptions used to estimate fair value of financial instruments that are measured at amortized cost on the statement of financial position. The Company adopted the standard on its required effective date of January 1, 2018 using a modified retrospective approach. Upon adoption, cumulative unrealized gains and losses on equity securities of \$667.7 million, partially offset by \$30.4 million participating policyholders interest, net of tax, related to unrealized gains and losses on equity securities, were reclassified from accumulated other comprehensive income to retained earnings. In April 2018, an additional \$10.2 million deferred policy acquisition cost adjustment, net of tax, related to net unrealized gains and losses on equity securities, was reclassified from accumulated other comprehensive income to retained earnings. Earnings increased \$105.7 million and \$115.1 million, net of tax, for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2018, respectively from the change in net unrealized gains and losses on equity securities.

In October of 2016, the FASB issued guidance requiring an entity to recognize the income tax consequences of an intra-entity transfer of an asset other than inventory when the transfer occurs. Whereas, prior guidance prohibited the recognition of current and deferred income taxes for an intra-entity asset transfer until the asset was sold to an outside party. The Company adopted the standard on its required effective date of January 1, 2018 using a modified retrospective approach. Upon adoption, an other liability was released and retained earnings increased by \$59.9 million. The adoption of the standard did not have a material impact on the Company s consolidated financial position, results of operations, equity or cash flows for the nine months ended September 30, 2018.

In March 2017, the FASB issued guidance on the presentation of net periodic pension and postretirement benefit costs. The guidance requires the service cost component to be reported in the same line item as other compensation costs. All other components of net periodic pension cost are required to be presented in the income statement separately from the service cost component and outside of income from operations. The Company adopted the standard on its required effective date of January 1, 2018 using a retrospective approach. Upon adoption, other components of net periodic pension costs of \$1.5 million and \$8.4 million, net of tax, for the three and nine months

ended September 30, 2017, respectively, were reclassified from other operating expenses. The guidance changed presentation only and did not have an impact on the Company s consolidated financial position, results of operations, equity or cash flows. Since the Company s defined benefit pension plans have been frozen, the components of net periodic benefit costs have not materially changed from year-end 2017.

Note 3 Recently Issued Accounting Pronouncements (Continued)

Future Adoption of New Accounting Standards The FASB issued the following accounting guidance with future effective dates relevant to American National:

In February 2016, the FASB issued guidance that will require significant changes to the statement of financial position of lessees. The new standard requires lessees to apply a dual approach, classifying leases as either finance or operating leases based on the principle of whether or not the lease is effectively a financed purchase by the lessee. This classification will determine whether lease expense is recognized based on an effective interest method or on a straight line basis over the term of the lease, respectively. A lessee is also required to record a right-of-use asset and a lease liability for all leases with a term of greater than 12 months regardless of their classification. Leases with a term of 12 months or less will be accounted for similarly to existing guidance for operating leases today. Lessor accounting is less affected by the standard, but has been updated to align with certain changes in the lessee model and the new revenue recognition standard. The standard is effective for annual periods and interim periods within those annual periods beginning after December 15, 2018 and will be implemented using the effective date method, which requires a cumulative-effect adjustment to the opening balance of retained earnings on the effective date. We have identified and analyzed the majority of the lease contracts and do not expect the adoption of the standard to be material to the Company s results of operations or financial position.

In June 2016, the FASB issued guidance that will significantly change how entities measure credit losses for most financial assets, reinsurance recoverables and certain other instruments that are not measured at fair value through net income. The guidance will replace the current incurred loss approach with an expected loss model for instruments measured at amortized cost. For available-for-sale debt securities, entities will be required to record allowances rather than reduce the carrying amount, as they do under the current other-than-temporary impairment model. The standard is effective for annual periods and interim periods within those annual periods beginning after December 15, 2019. The Company must develop appropriate models to measure expected credit losses to begin determining the impact of adopting the standard on our results of operations or financial position.

In February 2018, the FASB issued guidance that allows for a reclassification from accumulated other comprehensive income to retained earnings for stranded tax effects resulting from the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act. The standard is effective for annual periods and interim periods within those annual periods beginning after December 15, 2018. The Company plans to adopt the standard effective January 1, 2019. The guidance changes equity presentation only and will not have an impact on the Company s results of operations or financials position.

In August 2018, the FASB issued guidance that seeks to improve financial reporting for insurance companies that issue long duration contracts. The guidance improves the timeliness of recognizing changes in the liability for future policy benefits and modifies the rate used to discount future cash flows. The guidance will simplify and improve accounting for certain market-based options or guarantees associated with deposit type contracts, simplify the amortization of deferred acquisition costs and provide users of the financial statements with enhanced disclosures. The standard is effective for annual periods and interim periods within those annual periods beginning after December 15, 2020. The Company is in the process of evaluating the impact of the adoption of this standard.

Note 4 Investment in Securities

The cost or amortized cost and fair value of investments in securities are shown below (in thousands):

	Cost or Amortized			
	Cost	Gains	(Losses)	Fair Value
Fixed maturity securities, bonds				
held-to-maturity				
U.S. states and political subdivisions	\$ 247,206	\$ 5,328	\$ (487)	\$ 252,047
Foreign governments	3,974	392		4,366
Corporate debt securities	7,472,207	60,834	(136,329)	7,396,712
Residential mortgage-backed securities	285,878	5,323	(4,059)	287,142
Collateralized debt securities	594	11		605
Other debt securities	717	17		734
Total bonds held-to-maturity	8,010,576	71,905	(140,875)	7,941,606
Fixed maturity securities, bonds				
available-for-sale				
U.S. treasury and government	28,306	305	(453)	28,158
U.S. states and political subdivisions	855,782	10,930	(7,683)	859,029
Foreign governments	5,000	1,120		6,120
Corporate debt securities	5,195,655	44,841	(94,229)	5,146,267
Residential mortgage-backed securities	32,080	312	(865)	31,527
Collateralized debt securities	2,871	701	(5)	3,567
Total bonds available-for-sale	6,119,694	58,209	(103,235)	6,074,668
Equity securities				
Common stock	678,992	1,119,395	(7,175)	1,791,212
Preferred stock	17,482	1,953		19,435
Total equity securities	696,474	1,121,348	(7,175)	1,810,647
Total investments in securities	\$ 14,826,744	\$ 1,251,462	\$ (251,285)	\$ 15,826,921

	December 31, 2017							
		Cost or mortized Cost	Un	Gross realized Gains	Unr	ross ealized osses)	Fa	ur Value
Fixed maturity securities, bonds								
held-to-maturity								
U.S. states and political subdivisions	\$	266,966	\$	12,466	\$	(37)	\$	279,395

Foreign governments	4,011	582		4,593
Corporate debt securities	7,032,464	217,883	(18,020)	7,232,327
Residential mortgage-backed securities	246,803	9,702	(1,262)	255,243
Collateralized debt securities	923	31		954
Other debt securities	1,792	49		1,841
Total bonds held-to-maturity	7,552,959	240,713	(19,319)	7,774,353
Fixed maturity securities, bonds				
available-for-sale				
U.S. treasury and government	27,569	475	(146)	27,898
U.S. states and political subdivisions	866,250	31,621	(824)	897,047
Foreign governments	5,000	1,460		6,460
Corporate debt securities	5,038,908	170,112	(16,093)	5,192,927
Residential mortgage-backed securities	15,009	37	(329)	14,717
Collateralized debt securities	3,171	651	(4)	3,818
Other debt securities	1,994	447		2,441
Total bonds available-for-sale	5,957,901	204,803	(17,396)	6,145,308
Equity securities				
Common stock	738,453	1,029,340	(7,166)	1,760,627
Preferred stock	19,130	4,469		23,599
Total equity securities	757,583	1,033,809	(7,166)	1,784,226
Total investments in securities	\$ 14,268,443	\$ 1,479,325	\$ (43,881)	\$ 15,703,887

Note 4 Investment in Securities (Continued)

The amortized cost and fair value, by contractual maturity, of fixed maturity securities are shown below (in thousands):

	September 30, 2018							
	Bonds Held-to-Maturity Amortized				Bonds Available-for-Sale Amortized			
		Cost	F	'air Value		Cost	F	air Value
Due in one year or less	\$	330,810	\$	335,370	\$	78,293	\$	78,999
Due after one year through five								
years		4,207,211		4,226,509		2,476,253		2,486,617
Due after five years through ten								
years		2,850,306		2,774,862		3,053,003		3,004,384
Due after ten years		622,249		604,865		512,145		504,668
Total	\$	8,010,576	\$	7,941,606	\$	6,119,694	\$	6,074,668

Actual maturities differ from contractual maturities because borrowers may have the right to call or prepay obligations with or without call or prepayment penalties. Residential and commercial mortgage-backed securities, which are not due at a single maturity, have been allocated to their respective categories based on the year of final contractual maturity.

Proceeds from sales of fixed maturity available-for-sale securities, with the related gross realized gains and losses, are shown below (in thousands):

	Three months ended September 30,				Nii	Nine months ended September 30,				
		2018		2017		2018		2017		
Proceeds from sales of fixed										
maturity available-for-sale										
securities	\$	18,424	\$	72,910	\$	64,980	\$	117,467		
Gross realized gains				31,397		376		46,385		
Gross realized losses		(569)		(4,837)		(1,156)		(4,983)		

Gains and losses are determined using specific identification of the securities sold. During the nine months ended September 30, 2018 and 2017, bonds with a carrying value of \$73,071,000 and \$25,266,000, respectively, were transferred from held-to-maturity to available-for-sale after a deterioration in the issuers credit worthiness became evident. A realized loss of \$6,000,000 was recorded in 2017 on a bond that was transferred due to an other-than-temporary impairment.

The components of the change in net unrealized gains (losses) on debt securities are shown below (in thousands):

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	Nine months ended September 30,				
		2018		2017	
Bonds available-for-sale	\$	(232,433)	\$	85,740	
Adjustments for					
Deferred policy acquisition costs		38,871		(11,551)	
Participating policyholders interest		13,975		(9,140)	
Deferred federal income tax benefit					
(expense)		37,471		(22,480)	
Change in net unrealized gains					
(losses) on debt securities, net of tax	\$	(142,116)	\$	42,569	

The components of the change in unrealized (gains) losses on equity securities are shown below (in thousands):

	Three	months end 2018	ed Se	ptember 30 2017	Ņine	months end 2018	ed Se	ptember 30, 2017
Net gains on equity securities	\$	126,495	\$	63,711	\$	150,487	\$	170,850
Less: Net (gains) losses on equity securities sold		7,330		(26,842)		(4,800)		(41,937)
Unrealized gains on equity securities	\$	133,825	\$	36,869	\$	145,687	\$	128,913

Note 4 Investment in Securities (Continued)

The gross unrealized losses and fair value of the investment securities, aggregated by investment category and length of time that individual securities have been in a continuous unrealized loss position, are shown below (in thousands):

	Less than	12 months	-	er 30, 2018 as or more	Total			
	Unrealized (Losses)	Fair Value	Unrealized (Losses)	Fair Value	Unrealized (Losses)	Fair Value		
Fixed maturity securities, bonds held-to-maturity								
U.S. states and political subdivisions	\$ (487)	\$ 25,772	\$	\$	\$ (487)	\$ 25,772		
Corporate debt securities	(122,326)	3,861,692	(14,003)	254,988	(136,329)	4,116,680		
Residential mortgage-backed securities	(2,508)	114,526	(1,551)	25,357	(4,059)	139,883		
Total bonds held-to-maturity	(125,321)	4,001,990	(15,554)	280,345	(140,875)	4,282,335		
Fixed maturity securities, bonds available-for-sale U.S. treasury and government U.S. states and political subdivisions Corporate debt securities Residential mortgage-backed securities Collateralized debt securities Total bonds available-for-sale	(275) (5,783) (78,920) (316) (2) (85,296)	16,763 323,896 2,717,092 16,448 159 3,074,358	(178) (1,900) (15,309) (549) (3) (17,939)	7,922 27,720 178,421 12,064 100 226,227	(453) (7,683) (94,229) (865) (5) (103,235)	24,685 351,616 2,895,513 28,512 259 3,300,585		
Equity securities								
Common stock	(5,634)	31,117	(1,541)	8,635	(7,175)	39,752		
Total equity securities	(5,634)	31,117	(1,541)	8,635	(7,175)	39,752		
Total	\$ (216,251)	\$ 7,107,465	\$ (35,034)	\$ 515,207	\$ (251,285)	\$ 7,622,672		

		December	31, 2017			
Less tha	in 12 months	12 Months	s or more	Tot	Total	
Unrealized	l Fair	Unrealized	Fair	Unrealized	Fair	
(Losses)	Value	(Losses)	Value	(Losses)	Value	

Fixed maturity securities, bonds held-to-maturity							
U.S. states and political							
subdivisions	\$ (37)	\$ 1,937	\$	\$	\$ (37)	\$	1,937
Corporate debt securities	(8,444)	951,425	(9,576)	192,737	(18,020)		1,144,162
Residential mortgage-backed							
securities	(325)	49,283	(937)	18,888	(1,262)		68,171
Total bonds held-to-maturity	(8,806)	1,002,645	(10,513)	211,625	(19,319)]	1,214,270
Fixed maturity securities, bonds available-for-sale							
U.S. treasury and government	(141)	20,352	(5)	3,875	(146)		24,227
U.S. states and political							
subdivisions	(160)	27,669	(664)	28,010	(824)		55,679
Corporate debt securities	(6,657)	559,710	(9,436)	159,532	(16,093)		719,242
Residential mortgage-backed							
securities	(193)	12,419	(136)	1,428	(329)		13,847
Collateralized debt securities			(4)	123	(4)		123
Total bonds available-for-sale	(7,151)	620,150	(10,245)	192,968	(17,396)		813,118
Equity securities							
Common stock	(7,166)	60,391			(7,166)		60,391
Total equity securities	(7,166)	60,391			(7,166)		60,391
Total	\$ (23,123)	\$ 1,683,186	\$ (20,758)	\$ 404,593	\$ (43,881)	\$ 2	2,087,779

As of September 30, 2018, the securities with unrealized losses including those exceeding one year were not deemed to be other-than-temporarily impaired. American National has the ability and intent to hold those securities until a market price recovery or maturity. It is more-likely-than-not that American National will not be required to sell them prior to recovery, and recovery is expected in a reasonable period of time. It is possible an issuer s financial circumstances may be different in the future, which may lead to a different impairment conclusion in future periods.

Note 4 Investment in Securities (Continued)

The following table identifies the total bonds distributed by credit quality rating (in thousands, except percentages):

	Sept	ember 30, 201	8	December 31, 2017				
	Amortized	Estimated	% of Fair	Amortized	Estimated	% of Fair		
	Cost	Fair Value	Value	Cost	Fair Value	Value		
AAA	\$ 619,031	\$ 625,804	4.5%	\$ 638,039	\$ 664,396	4.8%		
AA	1,258,310	1,260,219	9.0	1,220,544	1,264,282	9.0		
Α	5,213,022	5,158,582	36.8	4,856,802	4,997,574	35.9		
BBB	6,531,238	6,475,759	46.2	6,273,220	6,480,719	46.6		
BB and below	508,669	495,910	3.5	522,255	512,690	3.7		
Total	\$14,130,270	\$14,016,274	100.0%	\$13,510,860	\$ 13,919,661	100.0%		

Equity securities by market sector distribution are shown below:

	September 30, 20119ecem	ber 31, 2017
Consumer goods	21.6%	20.2%
Energy and utilities	7.9	8.6
Finance	18.1	21.9
Healthcare	12.7	11.8
Industrials	9.5	9.5
Information technology	23.0	20.0
Other	7.2	8.0
Total	100.0%	100.0%

Note 5 Mortgage Loans

Generally, commercial mortgage loans are secured by first liens on income-producing real estate. American National attempts to maintain a diversified portfolio by considering the location of the underlying collateral. The distribution based on carrying amount of mortgage loans by location is as follows:

	September 30, 2019ecemb	er 31, 2017
East North Central	15.5%	15.4%
East South Central	2.9	3.1
Mountain	17.8	14.0
Pacific	15.7	16.5
South Atlantic	12.2	14.1

Total	100.0%	100.0%
Other	7.6	7.1
West South Central	28.3	29.8
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For the nine months ended September 30, 2018, American National foreclosed on four loans with a total recorded investment of \$22,608,000. Seven loans with a total recorded investment of \$51,829,000 were in the process of foreclosure. For the year ended December 31, 2017, American National foreclosed on one loan with a recorded investment of \$2,285,000, and four loans with a total recorded investment of \$17,263,000 were in the process of foreclosure. American National did not sell any loans during the nine months ended September 30, 2018 or during the year ended December 31, 2017.

Note 5 Mortgage Loans (Continued)

The age analysis of past due loans is shown below (in thousands):

	30-	59 Days	60	-89 Days	M	ore Than			Tota	1
	Pa	st Due	Р	ast Due	9	00 Days	Total	Current	Amount	Percent
September 30, 2018										
Industrial	\$		\$		\$	28,822	\$28,822	\$ 843,497	\$ 872,319	16.9
Office		10,103				5,164	15,267	1,733,759	1,749,026	33.9
Retail								857,602	857,602	16.6
Other								1,680,178	1,680,178	32.6
Total	\$	10,103	\$		\$	33,986	\$ 44,089	\$ 5,115,036	\$ 5,159,125	100.0
Allowance for loan losses									(19,367)	
Total, net of allowance									\$ 5,139,758	
December 31, 2017							*			
Industrial	\$	4,985	\$		\$	0.004	\$ 4,985	\$,	\$ 786,370	16.5
Office				10,713		8,881	19,594	1,764,151	1,783,745	37.4
Retail								750,979	750,979	15.7
Other								1,447,771	1,447,771	30.4
Total	\$	4,985	\$	10,713	\$	8,881	\$ 24,579	\$ 4,744,286	\$ 4,768,865	100.0
Allowance for loan losses									(18,866)	
A mowance for foan losses									(10,000)	
Total, net of allowance									\$ 4,749,999	

There were no unamortized purchase discounts for the nine months ended September 30, 2018 or during the year ended December 31, 2017. Total mortgage loans were also net of unamortized origination fees of \$30,591,000 and \$32,766,000 at September 30, 2018 and December 31, 2017, respectively. No unearned income is included in these amounts.

Allowance for Credit Losses

A loan is considered impaired when it is probable that all amounts due will not be collected according to the contractual terms of the loan agreement. Mortgage loans with temporary difficulties are not considered impaired when the borrower has the financial capacity to fund revenue shortfalls from the properties for the foreseeable future. Individual valuation allowances are established for impaired loans to reduce the carrying value to the fair value of the collateral. Loans not evaluated individually for collectability are segregated by property-type and location, and allowance factors are applied. These factors are developed based on historical loss experience adjusted for the expected trend in the rate of foreclosure losses. Allowance factors are higher for loans of certain property types and in

certain regions based on loss experience or a blended historical loss factor.

The change in allowance for credit losses in mortgage loans is shown below (in thousands, except number of loans):

Co	ollectivel	y Evaluated f	or Impairm	enIndi	vidually I	npaired		Total	
1	Number	of Recorded	Valuation	mber	Recorded	Valuation	mber	ofRecorded	Valuation
	Loans	Investment	Allowance	Loans	Investment	Allowance	Loans	Investment	Allowance
Beginning balance at									
January 1, 2018	451	\$ 4,762,315	\$ 16,041	3	\$ 6,550	\$ 2,825	454	\$ 4,768,865	\$ 18,866
Change in allowance			600			(99)			501
Net change in recorded									
investment	3	379,187		(1)	11,073		2	390,260	
Ending balance at September 30, 2018	454	\$ 5,141,502	\$ 16 641	2	\$ 17.623	\$ 2.726	156	\$ 5,159,125	\$ 19.367
September 30, 2018	454	¢ 5,141,502	р 10,041	2	φ 17,02 5	<i>Ф 2,120</i>	430	φ 5,159,125	ф 19 , 307

Note 5 Mortgage Loans (Continued)

Troubled Debt Restructurings

American National has granted concessions which are classified as troubled debt restructurings to certain mortgage loan borrowers. Concessions are generally one of, or a combination of, a delay in payment of principal or interest, a reduction of the contractual interest rate or an extension of the maturity date. American National considers the amount, timing and extent of concessions in determining any impairment or changes in the specific allowance for loan losses recorded in connection with a troubled debt restructuring. The carrying value after specific allowance, before and after modification in a troubled debt restructuring, may not change significantly, or may increase if the expected recovery is higher than the pre-modification recovery assessment.

Troubled debt restructuring mortgage loan information is as follows (in thousands, except number of loans):

				Nine	months end	ed Sep	tembe	r 30,			
		2018						2017			
		R	ecorded	Re	ecorded		R	ecorded	R	ecorded	
		inves	stment pre-	inves	tment post		inves	tment pre-	inves	tment post	
	Number o	of lo ans o	dification	moo	dificati b mm	ber of	loa m o	dification	mo	dification	
Office	1	\$	5,164	\$	5,164	1	\$	10,103	\$	10,103	
Other (hotel/motel)						5		24,801		24,801	
Total	1	\$	5,164	\$	5,164	6	\$	34,904	\$	34,904	

There was one loan determined to be a troubled debt restructuring for the nine months ended September 30, 2018. There are no commitments to lend additional funds to debtors whose loans have been modified in a troubled debt restructuring during the periods presented.

Note 6 Real Estate and Other Investments

Investment real estate by property-type and geographic distribution are as follows:

	September 30, 2019eceml	ber 31, 2017
Industrial	6.2%	6.0%
Office	40.7	39.0
Retail	39.3	39.3
Other	13.8	15.7
Total	100.0%	100.0%

	September 30, I 2018	December 31, 2017
East North Central	6.3%	6.1%
East South Central	5.0	3.6
Mountain	12.8	13.2
Pacific	8.0	8.5
South Atlantic	15.0	14.0
West South Central	50.5	52.4
Other	2.4	2.2
Total	100.0%	100.0%

Note 6 Real Estate and Other Investments (Continued)

American National regularly invests in real estate partnerships and joint ventures. American National frequently participates in the design of these entities with the sponsor, but in most cases, its involvement is limited to financing. Through analysis performed by American National, some of these partnerships and joint ventures have been determined to be variable interest entities (VIEs). In certain instances, in addition to an economic interest in the entity, American National holds the power to direct the most significant activities of the entity and is deemed the primary beneficiary or consolidator of the entity. The assets of the consolidated VIEs are restricted and must first be used to settle their liabilities. Creditors or beneficial interest holders of these VIEs have no recourse to the general credit of American National, as American National s obligation is limited to the amount of its committed investment. American National has not provided financial or other support to the VIEs in the form of liquidity arrangements, guarantees, or other commitments to third parties that may affect the fair value or risk of its variable interest in the VIEs in 2018 or 2017.

The assets and liabilities relating to the VIEs included in the consolidated financial statements are as follows (in thousands):

	Septen	nber 30, 20 1	Bece	mber 31, 2017
Investment real estate	\$	142,256	\$	148,456
Short-term investments		500		501
Cash and cash equivalents		10,464		6,320
Other receivables		3,932		4,461
Other assets		12,208		15,920
Total assets of consolidated VIEs	\$	169,360	\$	175,658
Notes payable	\$	137,504	\$	137,458
Other liabilities		5,278		5,616
Total liabilities of consolidated VIEs	\$	142,782	\$	143,074

The notes payable in the consolidated statements of financial position pertain to the borrowings of the consolidated VIEs. The liability of American National relating to notes payable of the consolidated VIEs is limited to the amount of its direct or indirect investment in the respective ventures, which totaled \$27,069,000 and \$28,377,000 at September 30, 2018 and December 31, 2017, respectively.

The total long-term notes payable of the consolidated VIE s consists of the following (in thousands):

Interest rate	Maturity	Septem	ber 30, 2018	Decem	ber 31, 2017
LIBOR	2020	\$	10,211	\$	9,702
90 day LIBOR + 2.5%	2021		41,826		40,124
4% fixed	2022		85,467		87,632

Total	\$ 137,504	\$ 137,458

Real Estate and Other Investments (Continued) Note 6

For other VIEs in which American National is a partner, it is not the primary beneficiary, and these entities are not consolidated, as the major decisions that most significantly impact the economic activities of the VIE require consent of all partners. The carrying amount and maximum exposure to loss relating to unconsolidated VIEs follows (in thousands):

	Septembe	September 30, 2018		r 31, 2017
		Maximum		Maximum
	Carrying	Exposure	Carrying	Exposure
	Amount	to Loss	Amount	to Loss
Investment in unconsolidated affiliates	\$346,166	\$ 346,166	\$314,808	\$ 314,808
Mortgage loans	622,603	622,603	493,014	493,014
Accrued investment income	2,528	2,528	1,817	1,817

As of September 30, 2018, no real estate investments were classified as held for sale.

Note 7 Derivative Instruments

American National purchases over-the-counter equity-indexed options as economic hedges against fluctuations in the equity markets to which equity-indexed products are exposed. These options are not designated as hedging instruments for accounting purposes under U.S. GAAP. Equity-indexed contracts include a fixed host universal-life insurance or annuity contract and an equity-indexed embedded derivative. The detail of derivative instruments is shown below (in thousands, except number of instruments):

		Se	eptember 30, 2	2018	De	ecember 31, 2	2017
1		Number		Estimated	Number		Estimate
erivatives Not Designated	Location in the Consolidated	of	Notional	Fair	of	Notional	Fair
s Hedging Instruments	Statements of Financial Position	Instrumen [†]	ts Amounts	Value I	nstrument	ts Amounts	Value
quity-indexed options	Other invested assets	473	\$2,278,800	\$256,969	468	\$1,885,600	\$ 220,190
quity-indexed embedded							
erivative	Policyholders account balances	87,342	2,245,380	652,136	76,621	1,819,523	512,52

Location in the Gains (Losses) Recognized in Income on Derivatives ConsolidatedThree months ended Septembine 2000nths ended September 30,

Derivatives Not Designated	Statements of				
as Hedging Instruments	Operations	2018	2017	2018	2017
Equity-indexed options	Net investment income	\$ 50,943	\$ 20,992	\$ 58,576	\$ 57,555
Equity-indexed embedded	Interest credited to				
derivative	policyholders account				
	balances	(52,797)	(25,637)	(56,960)	(69,741)

Note 7 Derivative Instruments (Continued)

The Company s use of derivative instruments exposes it to credit risk in the event of non-performance by the counterparties. The Company has a policy of only dealing with counterparties we believe are credit worthy and obtaining sufficient collateral where appropriate, as a means of mitigating the financial loss from defaults. The non-performance risk is the net counterparty exposure based on the fair value of the open contracts, less collateral held. The Company maintains master netting agreements with its current active trading partners. As such, a right of offset has been applied to collateral that supports credit risk and has been recorded in the consolidated statements of financial position as an offset to Other invested assets with an associated payable to Other liabilities for excess collateral.

Information regarding the Company s exposure to credit loss on the options it holds is presented below (in thousands):

		Options	S	Exposure Net		
	Moody/S&P	Fair	Collateral	Offset	Excess	of
Counterparty	Rating	Value	Held	Exposure	Collateral	Collateral
Barclays	Baa3/BBB	\$ 54,151	\$ 54,123	\$ 54,123	\$	\$ 28
Goldman-Sachs	A3/BBB+	1,124	1,030	1,030		94
ING	Baa1/A-	27,994	28,570	27,994	576	
Morgan Stanley	A3/BBB+	23,986	23,696	23,696		290
NATIXIS*	A1/A	52,089	52,550	52,089	461	
SunTrust	Baa1/BBB+	46,573	45,970	45,970		603
Wells Fargo	A2/A-	51,052	51,700	50,770	930	282
Total		\$ 256,969	\$ 257,639	\$ 255,672	\$ 1,967	\$ 1,297

	Moody/S&P	December 31, 2017 Collateral Amounts used to Exposur Options Fair Collateral Offset Excess of					
Counterparty	Rating	Value	Held	Exposure	Collateral	Collateral	
Barclays	Baa2/BBB	\$ 55,215	\$ 56,883	\$ 55,215	\$ 1,668	\$	
Goldman-Sachs	A3/BBB+	956	780	780		176	
ING	Baa1/A-	26,650	27,330	26,650	680		
JP Morgan	A3/A-	189				189	
Morgan Stanley	A3/BBB+	17,490	18,776	17,490	1,286		
NATIXIS*	A2/A	37,550	33,860	33,860		3,690	
SunTrust	Baa1/BBB+	37,266	36,560	36,560		706	
Wells Fargo	A2/A	44,874	47,230	44,874	2,356		

Total	\$ 220,190	\$ 221,419	\$ 215,429	\$ 5,990	\$ 4,761

* Includes collateral restrictions.

Note 8 Net Investment Income and Realized Investment Gains (Losses)

Net investment income is shown below (in thousands):

	Th	Chree months ended September 30,20182017			Nine months end 2018	September 30, 2017	
Bonds	\$	141,045	\$	134,990	\$ 423,669	\$	404,793
Dividends on equity							
securities		10,387		9,688	30,725		28,694
Mortgage loans		64,741		54,913	187,608		179,933
Real estate		2,783		8,233	11,278		6,484
Options		50,943		20,992	58,576		57,555
Other invested assets		15,633		12,389	29,086		26,867
Total	\$	285,532	\$	241,205	\$ 740,942	\$	704,326

Net realized investment gains (losses) are shown below (in thousands):

	Th	ree months ended September 30, 2018 2017		Nine months ende 2018			ed September 30, 2017		
Bonds	\$	1,858	\$	6,116	\$	8,595	\$	16,184	
Equity securities		(7,330)		26,842		4,800		41,937	
Mortgage loans		(2,279)		(664)		(2,833)		(5,369)	
Real estate		(886)		(161)		(1,000)		4,838	
Other invested assets		31		1,796		13		1,748	
Total	\$	(8,606)	\$	33,929	\$	9,575	\$	59,338	

Other-than-temporary impairment losses are shown below (in thousands):

	Three months ended September 30,			Nine months ended September 30,			
	2018		2017	2018		2017	
Bonds Equity securities	\$	\$	(47) (3,438)	\$	\$	(6,047) (5,690)	
Total	\$	\$	(3,485)	\$	\$	(11,737)	

Note 9 Fair Value of Financial Instruments

The carrying amount and fair value of financial instruments are shown below (in thousands):

	Septembe Carrying	er 30, 2018	Decembe Carrying	r 31, 2017
	Amount	Fair Value	Amount	Fair Value
Financial assets				
Fixed maturity securities, bonds				
held-to-maturity	\$ 8,010,576	\$ 7,941,606	\$ 7,552,959	\$ 7,774,353
Fixed maturity securities, bonds				
available-for-sale	6,074,668	6,074,668	6,145,308	6,145,308
Equity securities	1,810,647	1,810,647	1,784,226	1,784,226
Equity-indexed options	256,969	256,969	220,190	220,190
Mortgage loans on real estate, net of				
allowance	5,139,758	5,097,623	4,749,999	4,811,006
Policy loans	374,256	374,256	377,103	377,103
Short-term investments	217,221	217,221	658,765	658,765
Separate account assets	1,043,688	1,043,688	969,764	969,764
Total financial assets	\$ 22,927,783	\$ 22,816,678	\$ 22,458,314	\$ 22,740,715
Financial liabilities				
Investment contracts	\$ 10,016,438	\$ 10,016,438	\$ 8,990,771	\$ 8,990,771
Embedded derivative liability for				
equity-indexed contracts	652,136	652,136	512,526	512,526
Notes payable	137,504	137,504	137,458	137,458
Separate account liabilities	1,043,688	1,043,688	969,764	969,764
Total financial liabilities	\$ 11,849,766	\$ 11,849,766	\$ 10,610,519	\$ 10,610,519

Fair value is defined as the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability. A fair value hierarchy is used to determine fair value based on a hypothetical transaction at the measurement date from the perspective of a market participant. American National has evaluated the types of securities in its investment portfolio to determine an appropriate hierarchy level based upon trading activity and the observability of market inputs. The classification of assets or liabilities within the fair value hierarchy is based on the lowest level of significant input to its valuation. The input levels are defined as follows:

- Level 1 Unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities.
- Level 2 Quoted prices in markets that are not active or inputs that are observable directly or indirectly. Level 2 inputs include quoted prices for similar assets or liabilities other than quoted prices in Level 1; quoted prices in markets that are not active; or other inputs that are observable or can be derived principally from or

corroborated by observable market data for substantially the full term of the assets or liabilities.

Level 3 Unobservable inputs that are supported by little or no market activity and are significant to the fair value of the assets or liabilities. Unobservable inputs reflect American National s own assumptions about the assumptions that market participants would use in pricing the asset or liability. Level 3 assets and liabilities include financial instruments whose values are determined using pricing models and third-party evaluation, as well as instruments for which the determination of fair value requires significant management judgment or estimation.

Fixed Maturity Securities and Equity Options American National utilizes a pricing service to estimate fair value measurements. The estimates of fair value for most fixed maturity securities, including municipal bonds, provided by the pricing service are disclosed as Level 2 measurements as the estimates are based on observable market information rather than market quotes.

The pricing service utilizes market quotations for fixed maturity securities that have quoted prices in active markets. Since fixed maturity securities generally do not trade on a daily basis, the pricing service prepares estimates of fair value measurements for these securities using its proprietary pricing applications, which include available relevant market information, benchmark curves, benchmarking of like securities, sector groupings and matrix pricing. Additionally, an option adjusted spread model is used to develop prepayment and interest rate scenarios.

Note 9 Fair Value of Financial Instruments (Continued)

The pricing service evaluates each asset class based on relevant market information, credit information, perceived market movements and sector news. The market inputs utilized in the pricing evaluation, listed in the approximate order of priority, include: benchmark yields, reported trades, broker/dealer quotes, issuer spreads, two-sided markets, benchmark securities, bids, offers, reference data, and economic events. The extent of the use of each market input depends on the asset class and the market conditions. Depending on the security, the priority of the use of inputs may change or some market inputs may not be relevant. For some securities, additional inputs may be necessary.

American National has reviewed the inputs and methodology used and the techniques applied by the pricing service to produce quotes that represent the fair value of a specific security. The review confirms that the pricing service is utilizing information from observable transactions or a technique that represents a market participant s assumptions. American National does not adjust quotes received from the pricing service. The pricing service utilized by American National has indicated that they will only produce an estimate of fair value if there is objectively verifiable information available.

American National holds a small amount of private placement debt and fixed maturity securities that have characteristics that make them unsuitable for matrix pricing. For these securities, a quote from an independent broker (typically a market maker) is obtained. Due to the disclaimers on the quotes that indicate that the price is indicative only, American National includes these fair value estimates in Level 3.

For securities priced using a quote from an independent broker, such as the equity-indexed options and certain fixed maturity securities, American National uses a market-based fair value analysis to validate the reasonableness of prices received. Price variances above a certain threshold are analyzed further to determine if any pricing issue exists. This analysis is performed quarterly.

Equity Securities For publicly-traded equity securities, prices are received from a nationally recognized pricing service that are based on observable market transactions, and these securities are classified as Level 1 measurements. For certain preferred stock, current market quotes in active markets are unavailable. In these instances, an estimate of fair value is received from the pricing service. The service utilizes similar methodologies to price preferred stocks as it does for fixed maturity securities. If applicable, these estimates would be disclosed as Level 2 measurements. American National tests the accuracy of the information provided by reference to other services annually.

Mortgage Loans The fair value of mortgage loans is estimated using discounted cash flow analyses on a loan by loan basis by applying a discount rate to expected cash flows from future installment and balloon payments. The discount rate takes into account general market trends and specific credit risk trends for the individual loan. Factors used to arrive at the discount rate include inputs from spreads based on U.S. Treasury notes and the loan s credit quality, region, property type, lien priority, payment type and current status.

Separate account assets and liabilities Separate account assets and liabilities are funds that are held separate from the general assets and liabilities of American National and that represent the investments of variable insurance product contract holders, who bear the investment risk of such funds. Investment income and investment gains and losses from these separate funds accrue to the benefit of the contract holders. Separate accounts are established in conformity with insurance laws and are not chargeable with liabilities that arise from any other business of American National. American National reports separately, as assets and liabilities, investments held in separate accounts and liabilities of the separate accounts if (i) such separate accounts are legally recognized; (ii) assets supporting the contract liabilities

are legally insulated from American National s general account liabilities; (iii) investments are directed by the contract holder; and (iv) all investment performance, net of contract fees and assessments, is passed through to the contract holder. The assets of these accounts are carried at fair value. Deposits, net investment income and realized investment gains and losses for these accounts are excluded from revenues, and related liability increases are excluded from benefits and expenses in the consolidated financial statements.

Note 9 Fair Value of Financial Instruments (Continued)

Embedded Derivative The amounts reported within policyholder contract deposits include equity linked interest crediting rates based on the S&P 500 index within index annuities and indexed life. The following unobservable inputs are used for measuring the fair value of the embedded derivatives associated with the policyholder contract liabilities:

Lapse rate assumptions are determined by company experience. Lapse rates are generally assumed to be lower during a contract s surrender charge period and then higher once the surrender charge period has ended. Decreases to the assumed lapse rates generally increase the fair value of the liability as more policyholders persist to collect the crediting interest pertaining to the indexed product. Increases to the lapse rate assumption will have the inverse effect decreasing the fair value.

Mortality rate assumptions vary by age and by gender based on company and industry experience. Decreases to the assumed mortality rates increase the fair value of the liabilities as more policyholders earn crediting interest. Increases to the assumed mortality rates decrease the fair value as higher decrements reduce the potential for future interest credits.

Equity volatility assumptions begin with current market volatilities and grow to long-term values. Increases to the assumed volatility will increase the fair value of liabilities, as future projections will produce higher increases in the linked index. At September 30, 2018 and December 31, 2017, the one year implied volatility used to estimate embedded derivative value was 8.9% and 13.7%, respectively.

Fair values of indexed life and annuity liabilities are calculated using the discounted cash flow technique. Shown below are the significant unobservable inputs used to calculate the Level 3 fair value of the embedded derivatives within policyholder contract deposits (in millions, except range percentages):

	Fair	Value		Ra	inge
			Unobservable		
	September 30, 201	8ember 31, 2017	Input	September 30, 20D	ecember 31, 2017
Indexed Annuities	\$ 635.9	\$ 498.3	Lapse Rate	1-66%	1-66%
			Mortality Multiplie	er 90-100%	90-100%
			Equity Volatility	10-40%	7-30%
Indexed Life	16.2	14.2	Equity Volatility	10-40%	7-30%
Other Financial Ins	truments Other fina	ancial instruments	classified as Level 3	measurements, as th	here is little or no

market activity, are as follows:

Policy loans The carrying value of policy loans is the outstanding balance plus any accrued interest. Due to the collateralized nature of policy loans such that they cannot be separated from the policy contracts, the unpredictable timing of repayments and the fact that settlement is at outstanding value, American National believes the carrying value of policy loans approximates fair value.

Investment contracts The carrying value of investment contracts is equivalent to the accrued account balance. The accrued account balance consists of deposits, net of withdrawals, plus or minus interest credited, fees and charges assessed and other adjustments. American National believes that the carrying value of investment contracts approximates fair value because the majority of these contracts interest rates reset at anniversary.

Notes payable Notes payable are carried at outstanding principal balance. The carrying value of the notes payable approximates fair value because the underlying interest rates approximate market rates at the balance sheet date.

Note 9 Fair Value of Financial Instruments (Continued)

Quantitative Disclosures

The fair value hierarchy measurements of the financial instruments are shown below (in thousands):