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DDV trends survey November 2019:

Investors expect no increase in interest rates over the next five years

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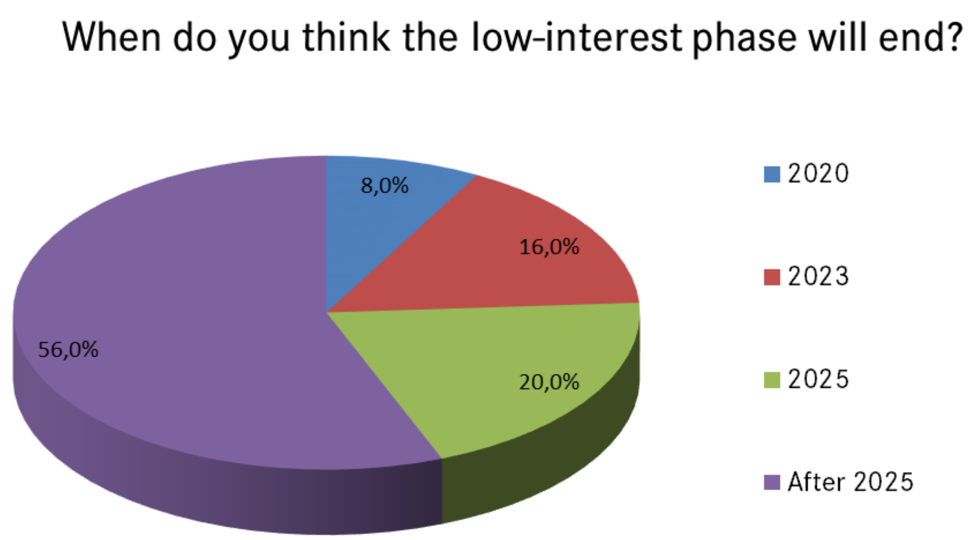
German retail investors are preparing for a continuation of the low interest rate phase in the medium to long term, and the majority expect key interest rates to be raised in 2025 at earliest. This is the result of a survey conducted by the German Derivatives Association (Deutscher Derivate Verband, DDV) in cooperation with several major financial portals.

Of the roughly 5,000 self-directed investors taking part in the survey, some 20 percent expect the first interest rate hike in 2025, while 56 percent believe that interest rates will be raised only after 2025. A total of 16 percent expect central bankers to act before 2023, and only 7 percent of investors expect interest rates to rise in 2020.

“With the ongoing low-interest rate environment, we are faced with a radical change of a dimension that impacts the whole of society,” says Dr Henning Bergmann, CEO and Member of the Board of Directors at the DDV. “The longer the phase continues, the more serious the consequences. This is why it is important to include somewhat riskier investments in portfolios.”

Structured products are practical instruments for accumulating wealth during this low-interest phase. In the segment, there are product categories tailored to all risk profiles. Measured by volume, more than 95 percent of structured products have a lower risk than equities. The annual costs of investment average around 0.7 percent, and this includes any sales commissions.



A total of 5000 individuals took part in this online survey. The survey, which was conducted jointly with the finance portals Ariva.de, Finanzen.net, finanztreff.de, Guidants, Onvista, and wallstreet-online, is available on the DDV website at http://www.derivateverband.de/ENG/Statistics/TrendOfTheMonth.

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