Defensive Multi Asset Fund

Share Class D

Investment objective

The fund aims to grow your investment over the long term (five years or more) through a combination of income and capital growth after all costs and charges have been taken. The fund aims to deliver this return with a defensive risk profile. There is no guarantee that the objective will be met or that a positive return will be delivered over any time period and capital is at risk.

Investment policy

To invest globally in a broad range of asset types such as equities (shares in companies), bonds (loans to either a company or government that pay interest), property, commodities (e.g. gold), hedge funds and cash. The fund may gain exposure to these assets directly, by investing in securities issued by companies and governments, and indirectly, for example by investing in other funds. The fund may also invest in derivatives (investments whose value is linked to another investment, or to the performance of the stock exchange or some other variable factor, such as interest rates) for investment purposes and to manage the risk profile of the fund.

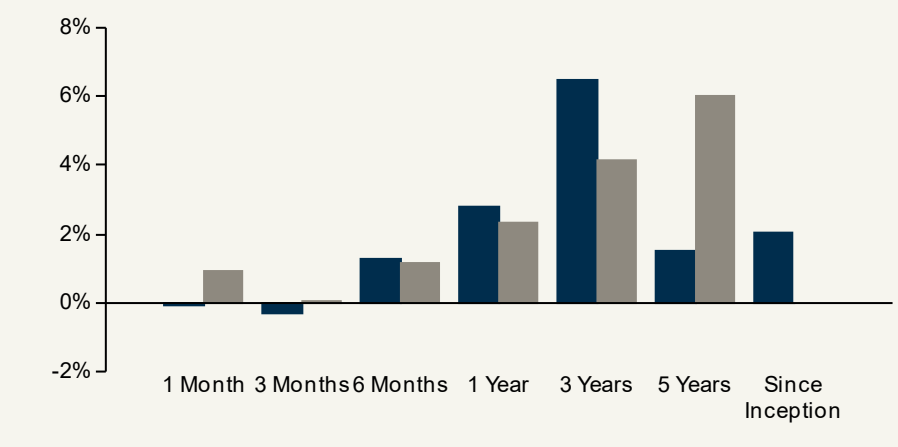
The defensive risk profile of the fund is managed a volatility level that is less than 120% of the volatility of the Comparator Benchmark. Volatility measures how much the returns of the fund may fluctuate according to different market conditions. Whilst the fund is managed to a level of volatility that is less than the stated level, there is no guarantee that this will be achieved and at times the fund's volatility may be higher.

Fund details

Fund manager	David Absolon
Fund launch date	01 February 2012
Share class launch date	31 May 2013
Fund size	£78.2m
IA sector	Unclassified
Legal structure	Non-UCITS Retail Scheme
Historic yield^	2.58%
Pay dates	Accumulation shares: 28 Feb Income shares: 28 Feb, 31 May, 31 Aug, 30 Nov
XD dates	Accumulation shares: 1 Jan Income shares: 1 Jan, 1 Apr, 1 Jul, 1 Oct
Types of shares	Accumulation and Income
ISA/SIPP	Yes
Fund currency	Sterling
Minimum investment	£5,000,000
Share class charges (annualised)	Ongoing charges figure: 0.76% (Annual management charge: 0.50%*; third party fees and charges: 0.26%)
Share class codes (SEDOL)	D accumulation*: B8W6BC0 D income*: B8W6BF3
Comparator benchmark	Composite index: 5% UK Equities, 12% global equities, 22% UK government bonds, 22% US government bonds, 19% global corporate bonds, 20% cash

**Charges / SEDOL variable by share class

Performance



Share class returns to 31 Oct 2026 (%)

	1 Month	3 Months	6 Months	1 Year	3 Years (ann)	5 Years (ann)	Since Inception (ann)
Defensive	0.0	-0.3	1.3	2.8	6.5	1.5	2.1
Benchmark*	0.9	0.0	1.2	2.4	4.2	6.0	-

Discrete annual share class performance (%)

	12 Months to 30 Sep 26	30 Sep 25	30 Sep 24	30 Sep 23	30 Sep 22
Defensive	4.9	5.1	9.0	0.9	-10.8
Benchmark*	3.0	6.0	2.7	7.7	11.2

Source: Handelsbanken Wealth, ICE Indices via FactSet, MSCI Indices via FactSet

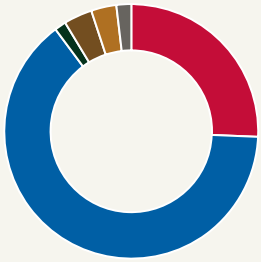
*Please note that prior to 1 December 2024, the fund's target benchmark was the Consumer Price Index (CPI) plus 1%. The fund no longer has a target benchmark. Prior to 3 November 2017, there was no benchmark.

The fund's comparator benchmark is a composite index representing a range of asset classes. It is used for performance comparison only and the fund does not aim to outperform it. The fund's actual holdings may differ significantly from the constituents of the comparator benchmark and may include assets not represented in the benchmark. Further details of the comparator benchmark are set out in the Key Investor Information Document (KIID).

Past performance is not a reliable indicator of future results.
Performance calculation basis: total return, sterling, after all costs and charges have been taken. As it is not possible to invest directly in an index and there are no costs and charges deducted from index performance, the performance of the fund may differ significantly from the performance of the comparator benchmark. On 1 December 2024, the fund changed its investment objective; performance before this date was achieved under circumstances that no longer apply.

Portfolio positioning

Asset allocation



Equity	25.7%
Bonds	64.1%
Property	1.5%
Commodities	3.6%
Hedge Funds	3.2%
Cash	1.9%

Tactical deviation

Equity 8.7% Overweight	Bonds 12.1% Overweight
Property -1.5% Underweight	Commodities -1.4% Underweight
Hedge Funds 0.2% Overweight	Cash -18.1% Underweight

Holding type

Active^ 15.3%	Passive^ 59.6%
Direct^ 23.2%	Cash 1.9%

Liquidity^ exposure

<1 Wk	99.9%
2-3 Wk	0.0%
Mnth	0.0%
Qrt	0.1%
>1 Yr	0.0%

Equity breakdown

United Kingdom	5.2%
North America	12.6%
Japan	1.6%
Europe Ex-Uk	2.7%
Pacific Ex-Japan	0.0%
Emerging Markets	3.5%

Bond breakdown

Government Conventional	29.1%
Government Inflation Linked	8.0%
Corporate Investment Grade^	16.7%
Corporate Sub Investment Grade	7.5%
Emerging Markets^	2.9%

Top 10 holdings

Invesco Global Corporate Bond Esg UCITS	11.0%
iShares Treasury Bond 3-7Yr ETF (GBP	6.5%
Invesco US Treasury Bond 7-10Yr UCITS	5.9%
0.25% UK Treasury 31/07/2031	5.8%
Aegon European Abs UCITS	5.7%
1.75% UK Treasury 2037	5.3%
Invesco S&P 500 Swap Index Fund - F	5.3%
Invesco S&P 500 UCITS Swap ETF	5.1%
iShares FTSE 100 UCITS ETF Dist	4.9%
0.125% UK Treasury 31/01/2028	4.5%

Currency exposure

£ GBP	74.5%
$ USD	17.1%
€ EUR	2.6%
¥ JPY	1.8%
$ AUD	0.2%
RMB/HKD	2.1%
Other	1.7%

Risk data

Annualised volatility	4.2%
Maximum drawdown	-13.9%
Sharpe ratio	0.12

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Glossary of terms^

Total return: the combination of income and capital growth;
Target benchmark: where the fund aims to outperform an index, indices or any other similar factor;
Comparator benchmark: where the fund's performance is compared against an index, indices or similar factor;
Active investments: where the fund manager uses their expertise to pick investments to achieve the fund's objectives rather than copying the investments in a market index;
Passive investments: where the fund manager invests according to the stock or sector weightings of an index. Passive management is also referred to as 'indexing' or 'tracking';
Direct investments: financial instruments issued by companies and governments themselves;
Liquidity: the degree to which an investment can be quickly bought or sold on a market without affecting its price;
Historic yield: reflects distributions declared over the past twelve months as a percentage of the fund's unit price, as at the date shown. Investors may be subject to tax on their distributions;
Investment Grade: bonds issued by a company with a medium or high credit rating from a recognised credit rating agency. They are considered to be at lower risk from default than sub-investment grade bonds issued by companies with lower credit ratings;
Emerging markets: Countries that are progressing toward becoming advanced, usually shown by some development in financial markets, the existence of some form of stock exchange and a regulatory body;
CPI: the Consumer Price Index, which is used to measure the rate of UK inflation;
Annualised volatility: a common statistical measure used to assess the risk levels of different investments. It is an annualised figure measuring the dispersion of monthly returns around the average monthly return of that security. If a portfolio has a high volatility, this suggests a greater variation of returns;
Drawdown: a measure of the downside risk of a portfolio. It is the percentage drop from any peak in a portfolio value to any bottom. It can be applied directly to the size of the portfolio giving an 'estimate' of how much money you could lose at some intermediate point during the life of the investment strategy. Maximum drawdown is the maximum loss from a peak to a trough of a portfolio;

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