

IMS Capital Cautious portfolio

Quarterly update - February 2025

Portfolio Manager



James Kempster Manager since July 2010

Portfolio objective

To provide a long-term capital return in excess of the UT Mixed Investment 20-60% Shares Retail sector.

Investment approach

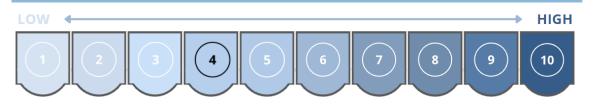
The objective is achieved by using a balanced investment approach, gaining exposure to a number of different asset types including shares and bonds, with a focus on blue chip, higher rated instruments. The performance of all the funds in the portfolio is constantly monitored and formally reviewed on a quarterly basis by our investment committee.

Portfolio manager's commentary

The quarter was defined by shifting interest rate expectations and geopolitical developments. The Federal Reserve paused its rate cuts, while the European Central Bank continued easing, with the Bank of England expected to follow, supporting bond markets. Equity markets experienced volatility following Donald Trump's re-election while US tech giants faced pressure after China's Al advancements, highlighting risks linked to market concentration. In contrast, European indices outperformed, supported by strong corporate results and growing investor confidence across a broader range of sectors.

At this review we removed Liontrust Special Situations which was paired with the main passive holding in the UK equity sector. The fund has a broad mandate which allows it to invest in companies of any size and this has the potential to increase volatility which we deemed incompatible with the portfolio mandate. The proceeds of the sale were reinvested into existing holdings in the same sector. Full details of the changes being recommended can be found on our website.

Indicative risk rating



Xplan risk level

Moderately Cautious

10 year fund performance versus comparator



Top 10 Holdings

HSBC - FTSE 100 Index	9%
abrdn - Sterling Money Market	7%
Aviva Investors - Multi-Strategy Target Return	6%
L&G - All Stocks Gilt Index	6%
Royal London - Corporate Bond	6%
Artemis - High Income	5%
HSBC - American Index	5%
iShares - ESG Overseas Corporate Bond Index	5%
HSBC European Index	5%
M&G - Global Dividend	4%



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Asset allocation



Regional breakdown



Important notes

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Key facts

Ongoing charge	e figure	0.84%
ISA qualificatio	n	Yes
Twelve month	historical yield	3.38%
Volatility*	4.53 (Benchm	ark 3.84)

*Volatility measures how much an investment deviates from its average over a period.

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Alternative asset selections to those shown are occasionally necessary. As such, this factsheet should be used in conjunction with the relevant Fund Change documents.

All assets are held via the platform selected. All transactions will be made within a reasonable time from receipt and IMS is not responsible for any delays where there are unforeseen issues with third party providers.

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