

IMS Capital Balanced portfolio

Quarterly update - May 2024

Portfolio Manager



James Kempster Manager since July 2010

Portfolio objective

To provide a long-term capital return in excess of the UT Mixed Investment 40-85% Shares Retail sector.

Investment approach

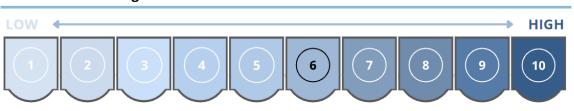
The objective is achieved by using a balanced investment approach, gaining exposure to a number of different asset types including shares and bonds across a broad range of international markets, enabling a better trade-off between risk and return. The performance of all the funds in the portfolio is constantly monitored and formally reviewed on a quarterly basis by our investment committee.

Portfolio manager's commentary

The second quarter of 2024 started strongly with a continuation of the theme from the previous review, namely a momentum-driven market rally focused on mega cap US companies. This was helped by expectations that interest rates were about to start falling, however, this rhetoric was challenged towards the end of the period as stubborn American inflation quashed hopes that the Federal Reserve would be able to act as quickly as markets had hoped.

From an asset allocation perspective, the main change this quarter was an adjustment to the fixed income weightings. This saw an increase to Emerging Market Bonds which should benefit from interest rate cuts later in the year. At a fund level we made the decision to sell Stewart Investors Worldwide Sustainability. This fund has been on our watchlist for some time but we were comfortable with its approach and felt that it offered a degree of diversification. However, after lengthy discussions with the managers, we decided that we could no longer make a case for its continued use.

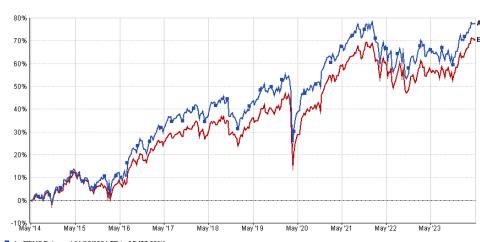
Indicative risk rating



Xplan risk level

Moderate

10 year fund performance versus benchmark



Top 10 Holdings

HSBC - FTSE 100 Index	9%	
HSBC - American Index	7%	
Aviva Investors - Multi-Strategy	6%	
Target Return	0%	
abrdn - Sterling Money Market	5%	
Fundsmith - Equity	5%	
iShares - ESG Overseas Corporate	te 5%	
Bond Index		
Artemis - High Income	4%	
iShares - Pacific ex Japan Index	4%	
L&G - All Stocks Gilt Index	4%	
M&G - Emerging Markets Bond	4%	

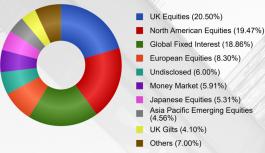
[■] A - ***IMS Balanced 01/02/2024 TR in GB [77.86%]
■ B - UT Mixed Investment 40-85% Shares Retail TR in GB [70.69%]



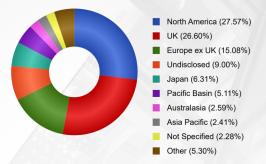
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Asset allocation



Regional breakdown



Important notes

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Key facts

Ongoing charge	e figure	0.95%
ISA qualification	n	Yes
Twelve month	historical yield	2.75%
Volatility*	8.54 (Benchm	ark 8.09)

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

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