

# HSBC Investment Funds Balanced Fund

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# Investment objective

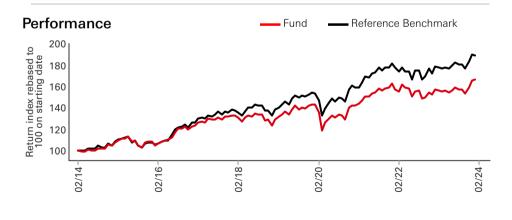
The Fund aims to provide growth in the long term, which is a period of five years or more, together with income.

# Investment strategy

To achieve its objective the Fund will invest in a range of asset types such as shares of companies (equities), bonds, property, hedge funds and cash. The portfolio will be invested across global markets. The Fund will invest at least 70% and up to 100% of its value in other funds that in turn invest in a range of asset types, including funds which aim to track an index. Under normal market conditions, the Fund will have the following asset allocation: equities: 50% - 80%, bonds: 15% - 50%, Other asset types, including cash: 0% – 30%. These percentages will fluctuate based upon market movement and adjustments to the asset allocation to enable the Fund to meet its aim. The Fund is actively managed and is not managed with reference to a specific benchmark. The performance of the Fund is shown against the performance of the Investment Association Mixed Investment 40-85% Shares sector for comparison purposes.

# 🖄 Main risks

- The value of investments and any income from them can go down as well as up and you may not get back the amount originally invested.
- Where overseas investments are held the rate of currency exchange may cause the value of such investments to go down as well as up.
- The Fund invests in bonds whose value generally falls when interest rates rise. This risk is generally greater the longer the maturity of a bond investment and the higher its credit quality. The issuers of certain bonds, could become unwilling or unable to make payments on their bonds and default. Bonds that are in default may become hard to sell or worthless. The value of investible securities can change over time due to a wide variety of factors, including but not limited to: political and economic news, government policy, changes in demographics, cultures and populations, natural or human-caused disasters etc.



#### Share class details

Share class detail	S
Key metrics	
NAV per share	GBP 1.63
Performance 1 month	1.32%
Sharpe ratio 3 years	0.39
Fund facts	
UCITS V compliant	Yes
UK reporting fund status (UKRS)	Yes
ISA eligible	Yes
Dividend treatment	Distributing
Distribution frequency	Semi-Annually
Dividend ex-date	16 January 2024
Dividend yield <sup>1</sup>	2.38%
Last paid dividend	0.017853
Dealing frequency	Daily
Valuation time	12:00 United Kingdom
Share class base currency	GBP
Domicile	United Kingdom
Inception date	10 December 2013
Fund size	GBP 331,922,376
Reference	100% Investment
benchmark	Association Mixed ment 40-85% Shares sector
Managers	Justin Turner Ed Gurung Paul Denham
Fees and expenses	
Minimum initial investment <sup>2</sup>	GBP 1,000,000
Ongoing charge figure <sup>3</sup>	0.680%
Codes	
ISIN	GB00BG0R4Z55
Bloomberg ticker	HSBBACI LN
SEDOL	BG0R4Z5
<sup>1</sup> Dividend Yield: represent distributed income over th the fund's current Net As: <sup>2</sup> Please note that initial m may vary across different	ne last 12 months to set Value. inimum subscription

<sup>2</sup>Please note that initial minimum subscription may vary across different distributors <sup>3</sup>Ongoing Charges Figure is based on expenses over a year. The figure includes annual management charge but not the transaction costs. Such figures may vary from time to time.

Past performance does not predict future returns. The figures are calculated in the share class base currency, dividend reinvested, net of fees.

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Performance (%)	ΥT	D 1 mont	th 3 month	s 6 mont	hs 1 ye	ar 3y	ears ann	5 years	ann 10	) years ann
Inc C	1.8	31 1.3	2 5.8	7 7.0	)3 7.7	'8	5.52	į	5.09	5.37
Reference Benchmark	1.3	32 1.3	39 5.6	3 6.4	47 6.3	33	3.19		5.16	5.43
Rolling performance (%)	28/02/23- 29/02/24	28/02/22- 28/02/23	28/02/21- 28/02/22	29/02/20- 28/02/21	28/02/19- 29/02/20	28/02/19	28/02/17- 28/02/18	28/02/17	28/02/15- 29/02/16	28/02/15
Inc C	7.78	1.04	7.89	6.26	2.66	0.95	3.60	18.39	-2.73	9.32

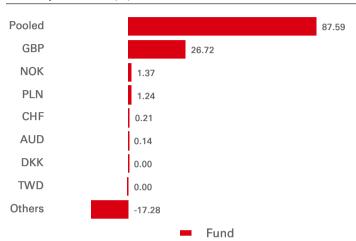
5.16

-0.03

11.26

#### **Currency Allocation (%)**

Reference Benchmark



6.33

-1.06

4.48

Asset allocation (%)	Fund
Equity	9.63
Cash	2.74
Fund	87.59
Future	2.39
Futures-OFFSET	-2.35

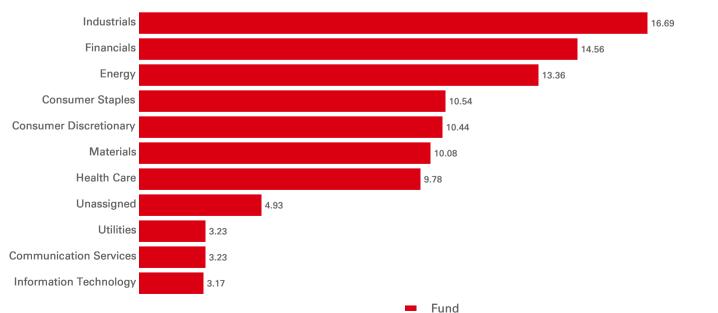
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-3.29

8.96

5.78

Top 10 holdings	Weight (%)
HSBC American Index Institutional Inc	12.84
HSBC Multi-Factor Worldwide Eq ZQ Inc	7.41
HSBC US Multi-Factor Eq Instl Inc	5.83
HSBC FTSE All Share Index Inst Inc	5.64
HSBC UK Gilt Index Institutional Inc	3.94
HSBC GIF Global Infrastructure Equity ZD	3.54
iShares Edge MSCI USA Qual Fac ETF \$Dist	3.12
HSBC GIF Global EM Local Dbt ZQ1	2.90
HSBC Japan Index Instl Acc	2.85
HSBC FTSE All-World Index Inst Inc	2.83



## Equity sector allocation (%)

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# Monthly performance commentary

Portfolio Performance and Activity

Equity markets posted more positive returns over February while bond markets fell. This resulted in a positive absolute return for the HSBC Balanced fund.

The fund is actively positioned against a long-term strategic asset allocation. During February, the cautious positioning of the portfolios detracted. The biggest negative contribution came from our tilt away from equity. In addition, our tilts towards Brazil, Spanish and UK equity detracted. Conversely, our allocation to Trend Following Hedge Funds added value over the month, together with our preference for quality companies in the US and our reduced exposure to Property.

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- Investing in other funds involves certain risks an investor would not face if investing in markets directly. Governance of underlying assets can be the responsibility of third-party managers.
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- Derivatives may be used by the Fund, and these can behave unexpectedly. The pricing and volatility of many derivatives may diverge from strictly reflecting the pricing or volatility of their underlying reference(s), instrument or asset.
- Investment Leverage occurs when the economic exposure is greater than the amount invested, such as when derivatives are used. A Fund that employs leverage may experience greater gains and/or losses due to the amplification effect from a movement in the price of the reference source.
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