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Benchmark	
Benchmark	IA Mixed Investment 20-60% shares
Benchmark Category	Comparator
IA Sector	Volatility Managed

#### **Identification Codes**

Sedol Code	BF23250
Mex Code	_
Isin Code	GB00BF232503
Citi Code	JRPW
	GBU

## **Fund Overview**

Mid (08/05/2024)	145.05p
Historic yield	1.67%
Fund size (30/04/2024)	£278.46m
Number of holdings	7209
Ongoing Charges	0.62%
Launch date	15/11/2013

### **Fund Charges**

Entry Charge	0.00%
Ongoing Charges	0.62%

# Fund Background

Valuation frequency	Daily
Valuation point	12:00
Fund type	OEIC
Launch price	£1.00
Fund currency	Pound Sterling
Fund domicile	United Kingdom
ISA allowable	Yes
SIPP allowable	Yes

## Dealing

Minimum Investment	£500000
Minimum Top Up	£10000
Minimum Regular Saving	-
Settlement Period: Buy	4 days
Settlement Period: Sell	4 days
Pricing Basis	Forward
Dealing Decimals	2

## **Distribution Dates**

Ex dividend date(s)	Income payment date(s)
01 November	31 December

# Aims

The Sub-fund aims to achieve long-term (in excess of 5 years) total return (the combination of income and growth of capital) by investing in a mix of assets from around the world and aims to limit the average volatility per annum over rolling 5 year periods to 10%. There is no guarantee the objective will be achieved over any time period and the actual volatility, at any time, may be higher or lower than 10%. Capital invested is at risk. There is no guarantee that the volatility target will be met and at any time the actual volatility may be higher or lower than the long-term target.

#### Performance



## Discrete performance - to last month end

	30/04/19 to 30/04/20	30/04/20 to 30/04/21	30/04/21 to 30/04/22	30/04/22 to 30/04/23	30/04/23 to 30/04/24
Fund	-2.6%	14.7%	-3.2%	-2.9%	4.0%
Benchmark	-3.6%	15.9%	-1.2%	-2.6%	6.4%

# Annualised performance

	Annualised		
	3 Years to 30/04/24	5 Years to 30/04/24	10 Years to 30/04/24
Fund	-0.8%	1.8%	3.4%
Benchmark	0.8%	2.7%	3.7%

# **Fund Managers**



Name:Philip ButlerManager for:7 years, 6 months

## Ratings

Fax number

ratings	
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Portfolio data accurate as at: 30/04/24

## **Top 10 Fund Holdings**

Name	% Weight
1 M&G (1) Sterling Investment Grade Corporate Bond Class Z2A GBP	18.18%
2 Eastspring US Corporate Bond Class EG (hedged)	10.83%
3 M&G (LUX) FCP Sterling Liquidity Fund Z6A Acc	9.28%
4 M&G (LUX) FCP Asian Local CCY Bond Class ZI	7.85%
5 M&G Global High Yield Bond Class A GBP	3.88%
6 M&G Emerging Markets Bond Class PP GBP	3.68%
7 M&G European Credit Investment Class E GBP Hedged	3.61%
8 M&G (1) Asia Pacific (ex Japan) Equity Class GBPZ2A	3.43%
9 M&G (Lux) Asian Corporate Bond Class ZI-H A	2.67%
10 M&G (ACS) BlackRock UK 200 Equity Fund Z4A Acc	2.65%

# Top 10 Holdings

Name	% Weight
1 L&G FREEHOLD PROPERTY	1.61%
2 iShares iShares II plc Asia Property Yield UCITS ETF USD (Dist)	1.52%
3 iShares iShares plc European Property Yield UCITS ETF EUR (Dist)	0.51%
4 MEP G A EUR NPV	0.42%
5 31/4% Treasury Gilt 2044	0.36%
6 TAIWAN SEMICONDUCTOR MANUFACTURING COMPANY LIMITED	0.35%
7 1/2 Treasury 2046	0.29%
8 ASTRAZENECA	0.27%
9 SAMSUNG ELECTRONICS CO. LTD	0.27%
10 US TSY BIL 0% 06/02/24	0.25%

### **Regional Allocation**



North America	20.37%
Non-Classified	27.34%
UK	14.62%
Developed Europe - Excl UK	12.47%
Cash and Equivalents	8.47%
Property	5.28%
Emerging Asia	4.71%
Japan	1.80%
South & Central America	1.67%
Other Regions	3.27%

## **Top Country Breakdown**

United States	18.98%
Non-Classified	27.34%
United Kingdom	14.62%
Cash and Equivalents	8.47%
Direct Property and REITs	5.28%
France	3.21%
Germany	2.34%
Other Countries	19.76%

## **Fixed Interest Currencies**



## **Fixed Interest Maturity Profile**

< 5Yr Maturity	17.86%
5Yr - 10Yr Maturity	12.38%
10Yr - 15Yr Maturity	3.15%
> 15Yr Maturity	6.45%
Cash And Equivalents	8.47%
Unknown Maturity	5.37%
Other Asset Types	46.33%

International Bonds	31.86%
International Equities	14.34%
Money Market	7.86%
UK Corporate Bonds	7.26%
Alternative Trading Strategies	7.22%
UK Equities	6.64%
Property	5.29%
Investment Trusts	2.20%
UK Gilts	0.72%
Other Assets	16.62%

## Sector Breakdown

Asset Allocation

Bonds	39.84%
Non-Classified	18.22%
Cash and Equivalents	8.47%
Alternative Trading Strategies	7.22%
Financials	6.35%
Industrials	3.48%
Consumer Discretionary	3.09%
Other Sectors	13.32%

## Breakdown By Market Cap (%)

Mega		9.67%
Large		5.54%
Medium		4.26%
Small	1	1.22%
Micro	1	0.90%
Non-Classified		30.10%
Bonds		39.84%
Cash		8.47%

### **Fixed Interest Quality Profile**

AAA	3.69%
AA	3.81%
A	9.62%
BBB	11.36%
Sub-Investment Grade	3.11%
Unknown Quality	8.25%
Cash and Equivalents	8.47%
Other Asset Types	51.69%

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#### Commentary

#### March 2024 Investment Summary

A positive month for the Active range with returns ranging from +1.46% for Active 3 to +1.99% for Active 1 . P Acc share class with data sourced from FE analytics as at 28 March 2024.

March 2024 was a positive month for portfolios generally.

Most major equity markets continued to rise in March as global stock markets recorded their best first-quarter performance in five years, led by the growing optimism for a global 'soft landing' and enthusiasm about artificial intelligence. Energy and Basic Materials led the sector-wise performance while Real Estate and Technology lagged.

Government bond prices were lower as the ten-year Treasury yield edged up to 4.20% from 4.25% over the month. Strong economic data has whittled away hopes for imminent interest rate cuts, as investors continue to revise lower their expectations on the number of cuts from the Fed in 2024.

The US labour market continued its strong start to 2024 as government data surpassed expectations to show payrolls increased by 303,000 in March, demonstrating the strength of the US labour market despite high interest rates. US consumer confidence remained stable in March, although households are still concerned on the impact of inflation, particularly around food and gas prices and the domestic political environment. Unemployment data cooled slightly to 3.8% surprising market expectations for it to remain at 3.9%.

Conflict in the Middle East continues and has escalated further following suspected Israeli air strikes, raising fears of a wider conflict in the region. Shipping companies continue to divert vessels to avoid the possibility of attack, as Brent Crude increased to over \$87/barrel from \$84/barrel in March.

Central banks' continue to keep monetary policy tight enough to drive inflation back towards the 2% target, there is growing evidence of a continued softening in prices. Central banks may be in a position to ease policy rates in the second half of 2024 but employment, activity and inflation data over the next few months will be critical to the evolution of their thinking. The US economy continues to look strong, with the prospect of a soft landing more likely.

While recent central bank meetings have suggested the next move in interest rates will be downwards, officials have been cautious to confirm when these cuts will be implemented, with a careful eye on data to ensure a sustainable route back to the inflation target.

#### WS Prudential Risk Managed Active - Tactical asset allocation activity

\*With continued disinflation traction, setting the scene for the beginning of monetary policy loosening, alongside strong fundamentals in the US especially, the portfolio managers remain moderately overweight equities (+2.00%), with funding from European investment grade (-1.00%) and Cash (-1.00%).

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