

Premier Miton Optimum Income Fund

Sterling class B - Income shares

Objective

The objective of the fund is to provide a yield of 7% per annum together with the prospect of capital growth over the long term, being five years or more. Five years is also the minimum recommended period for holding shares in this fund. This does not mean that the fund will achieve the objective over this, or any other, specific time period and there is a risk of loss to the original capital invested. The fund's target yield is not guaranteed and may change if the assumptions on which the target is calculated change. Income will be paid four times a year as dividend distributions.

Fund facts

Fund size	£100.3m
Target yield	7.00% p.a.
Launch dates	Fund - 01 Oct 2008 Share class - 11 Mar 2013
Fund structure	OEIC
Reporting dates	Final - 31 May Interim - 30 Nov
Base currency	GBP
Valuation point	12:00 noon
ISA eligible	Yes
Investment Association sector	IA UK Equity Income
Performance comparator	IA UK Equity Income

Please see page 3 for further information.

Investment team



Fund manager
Emma Mogford
 Joined Premier Miton
Nov 2020
 Manager since
Nov 2020



Fund manager
Geoff Kirk
 Joined Premier Miton
Jul 2017
 Manager since
Oct 2017



Assistant fund manager
Mahgul Ansari
 Joined Premier Miton
Jun 2021

Fund codes

ISIN	GB00B7SHXP79
Sedol	B7SHXP7
Bloomberg	PREOIBI:LN

Minimums

Initial	Top-up	Withdrawal	Holding
£1,000	£500	£500	£500

Fund manager, Emma Mogford, will be taking a short period of maternity leave from mid February until late April when she will be phasing her return. Assistant fund manager, Mahgul Ansari, will take responsibility for the equity portfolio of the Fund during the short period of time that Emma is away. Geoff Kirk will continue to manage the options overlay.

Investment overview

- Income paid four times a year as dividend distributions.
- At least 80% of the fund is invested in shares in companies listed in the UK and which could be smaller, medium or larger sized companies.
- The fund managers employ a strategy of combining a portfolio of company shares, with a covered call overwriting strategy to enhance the income.

Awards and ratings



Awards and ratings are based on past events and are not an indication of future performance. Ratings are not a recommendation. Please see page 4 for further information.

Performance over 5 years (%)

— Manager start date: 19 Nov 2020



Cumulative performance (%)	1m	3m	1y	3y	5y	10y	Manager start
Fund	0.16	3.97	3.19	29.36	14.04	39.06	29.57
Sector	-0.45	2.90	-1.19	19.98	22.57	51.26	26.42

Calendar year performance (%)	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	YTD
Fund	26.17	-23.70	18.17	0.74	8.12	0.33
Sector	20.07	-10.73	18.39	-1.69	7.02	-1.87

Discrete annual performance (%)	28.02.19 28.02.20	28.02.20 26.02.21	26.02.21 28.02.22	28.02.22 28.02.23	28.02.23 29.02.24
Fund	0.89	-12.62	17.37	6.80	3.19
Sector	-1.20	3.41	13.27	7.20	-1.19

Source: FE Analytics. Based on Sterling class B - Income shares, on a total return basis to 29 February 2024. Performance is shown net of fees with income reinvested. On 20.01.2020, this fund moved from a single pricing basis (mid) to a swing pricing basis.

Risks: The value of investments may fluctuate which will cause fund prices to fall as well as rise and investors may not get the original amount invested. The performance information presented on this page relates to the past. Past performance is not a reliable indicator of future returns. More information about the risks of investment is provided later in this document.



Portfolio breakdown

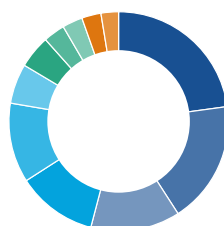
Top 10 holdings (%)



■ Top 10 holdings 35.7%
■ Rest of portfolio 64.3%

Unilever	4.8
BAE Systems	4.1
GSK	4.0
Smiths Group	3.8
British American Tobacco	3.7
Smurfit Kappa Group	3.2
Legal & General Group	3.0
RELX	3.0
Bunzl	3.0
Next	3.0

Sector (%)



■ Industrials	23.0
■ Financials	18.1
■ Consumer Staples	13.3
■ Health Care	11.9
■ Consumer Discretionary	11.8
■ Energy	5.9
■ Utilities	4.9
■ Materials	3.2
■ Real Estate	3.0
■ Communication Services	2.9
■ Cash & equivalent	2.6
■ Equity Call Options	-0.5

Charges

Ongoing charges figure (OCF) 1.21%
as at 31.05.2023

The OCF is based on the last year's expenses and may vary from year to year. It excludes the costs of buying or selling assets for the fund (unless these assets are shares of another fund). The OCF includes the annual management charge. Transaction charges will also apply. Please refer to the [total costs & charges document](#) on our website for more information.

Initial charge 0.00%

Charges are taken from capital

As the objective of the fund is to treat the generation of income as either an equal or higher priority than capital growth, the fund's charges will be taken from capital instead of income. This may result in higher levels of income payments but could result in capital erosion or constrain capital growth.

Income

Target yield 7.00% p.a.

The annual yield is the sum of the quarterly yields for the four quarterly periods ending 30 November. Each quarterly yield is calculated by dividing the dividend covering the quarter by the share price at the start of the quarter and is expressed as a percentage. For example, if the dividend was 1p on 28 February and the price was 100p on 1 December, the quarterly yield would be $1/100 = 1\%$. The target yield is not guaranteed and can change.

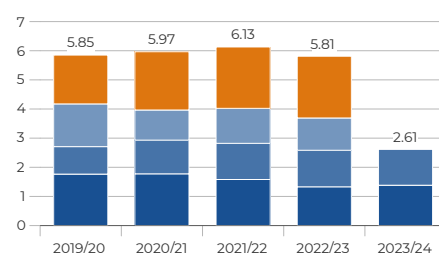
Payment frequency Quarterly

Payment dates 31 Jul, 31 Oct, 31 Jan, 30 Apr

Ex dividend dates 1 Jun, 1 Sep, 1 Dec, 1 Mar

Income distribution (pence per share)

Total income distributions in each of the fund's last 5 financial years.



The dividend amount that is paid each year can go down and up and is not guaranteed



Performance comparator

The fund is classified in the IA UK Equity Income sector, which we believe is a

meaningful comparator to help investors assess the performance of the fund.

General risks

Reference to any stock or fund is not a recommendation for investment purposes. All types of investment carry a degree of risk. It is possible you could lose some, or all, of the money you invest. The level of risk varies depending on the type of investment. Typically, you are less likely to lose money over the long term from an investment that is considered low risk, although potential returns may also be lower. Investments considered higher risk typically offer greater opportunities for better long-term returns,

though the risk of losing money is also likely to be higher.

When you invest, it is important that you understand the risk to your money and are comfortable with that level of risk. If you are unsure, we would recommend that you consult a financial adviser.

The value of your investment might not keep up with any rise in the cost of living.

You could lose money if financial markets fall.

There is no guarantee that the investment objective of the fund will be achieved.

The levels of taxation that apply to income or capital gains from the fund, including any tax relief that may be available, will depend on your personal tax situation.

Funds with similar objectives may not perform in the same way as they are likely to have different holdings.

Fund performance will be affected by investment decisions made by the fund manager.

Specific

Some of the main specific risks of investing in this fund are summarised here. Further detail is available in the prospectus for the fund.

Call options

A type of derivative. Call options can be used for a number of reasons; they can be used to generate income or to gain exposure to an asset. These can make a fund more volatile from time to time.

Collective investment schemes (funds)

Where other funds are held in a portfolio, or where there is indirect exposure to other funds, these could include higher-risk investments like hedge funds, property funds or commodity funds (e.g. investing in gold, oil), which would increase the overall risk in the fund.

Currency

Where investments in a fund are denominated in currencies other than sterling (for example, if a fund holds assets priced in euros), its value will be affected by changes in the relevant exchange rate. Certain other investments, such as the shares in companies with profits from other countries, will also be effected.

Derivative

A contract whose value is based on the change in price of a specific asset or index. When derivatives are used within a fund, it doesn't necessarily increase risk. However, price changes in the underlying asset can translate into big swings in the value of

derivatives (up and down), which has a direct effect on the value of the fund.

Equities

Equities (shares) can experience high levels of price fluctuation.

Geographic concentration

Funds that have a strong focus on a particular country or region can carry a higher risk than funds with a more diversified portfolio.

High volatility

This fund may experience high volatility due to the composition of the portfolio or the portfolio management techniques used.

Inflation

Higher inflation can lead to some investments falling in value, particularly those with a fixed level of interest, for example government bonds and corporate bonds.

Infrastructure

Investments are often in large-scale projects whose profitability can be affected by supply problems or rising prices for raw materials or natural resources. Changes in the wider economy and government regulation can also have a significant influence.

Interest rate

Changes in central bank interest rates can affect all types of assets, in particular, securities such as government bonds and corporate bonds that generally offer a fixed level of interest. If interest rates go up, the value of a bond may fall, and vice versa.

Legal and tax

The income or capital gains from investments can sometimes be affected by changes in legal and tax regulations or how these rules are applied.

Liquidity

In some instances, for example, when market conditions generally are difficult, holdings in a fund may be difficult to sell and buy at the desired price. The fund value could fall as a result.

Operational

Processes, systems and controls around your investment might fail. The more complex or unusual the investments that the fund holds, the more likely this is to happen. For example, developing markets may have less reliable systems or lower standards of governance than more developed markets.

Over The Counter derivatives (OTC)

These are types of derivatives that are not traded on a public exchange. Agreed privately between two parties, OTC derivatives can be tailored to meet the exact needs of each party. They can make a fund more volatile from time to time.

Property and Real Estate Investment Trusts

Property values can rise and fall sharply depending on the strength of a country's economy.



Ratings, awards and other information

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Glossary

Accumulation shares

A fund may have accumulation and income shares. If an investor selects this share type, any income generated by the fund is automatically reinvested. The amount of the reinvested income is reflected in the increased price of each accumulation share.

ACD

Authorised Corporate Directors (ACDs) are responsible for the running of an investment fund. They have a duty to act in the best interests of the fund's investors, and ensure that the fund is well managed in line with regulations and with the investment objectives and policies set out in its prospectus.

Annual management charge (AMC)

The yearly fee paid to Premier Miton for managing a fund, expressed as a percentage of your investment. The AMC does not typically change from year to year.

Assets

Different groups of investments such as company shares, bonds, commodities or property.

Call options

A type of derivative. Call options can be used for a number of reasons such as generating income or to gain exposure to an asset. They give the buyer the right, but not the obligation, to buy underlying shares at a pre-agreed price, (the strike price), on a specific date in the future (the expiry date). The seller (writer) of the option has an obligation to sell the underlying shares at the strike price if the option is exercised.

Capital

Describes financial assets, particularly cash, or other assets, such as shares, owned by a person or organisation.

Capital growth

The increase in the value of an asset or investment over time, measured by its current value compared to its purchase cost.

Dividends

The portion of its capital that a company chooses to return to its shareholders. For a fund or trust, this is the payment of fund's income to its shareholders.

Equities

Another name for shares (or stock) in a company.

Investment Association (IA)

The trade association that represents investment management firms in the UK.

IA sectors

To help with comparisons between the thousands of funds available, funds are categorised into different groups or sectors, organised and reviewed by the Investment Association (IA).

IA UK Equity Income sector

Funds which invest at least 80% in UK equities and which intend to achieve a historic yield on the distributable income in excess of 100% of the FTSE All Share yield at the fund's year end on a 3 year rolling basis and 90% on an annual basis.

Individual Savings Account (ISA)

A type of tax-free scheme, set up by the government, designed to help people make the most of their savings and investments. All income and gains from an ISA investment are exempt from UK Income Tax and Capital Gains Tax. HM Revenue and Customs sets the maximum amounts that you are allowed to invest into an ISA each tax year.

Market capitalisation

The total value of the shares of a company, often referred to as 'market cap'.

Ongoing Charges Figure (OCF)

A measure of what it costs to invest in a fund over a year. It includes the fee paid to Premier Miton for the management of the fund (known as the annual management charge), with the remainder covering costs that have to be paid to external companies for other services relating to the ongoing administration and management of a fund, such as the fees paid to the depositary, custodian, regulator, auditor and administrator. The fee is deducted from the value of the fund and reflected in the fund's share price. The OCF is typically calculated once a year and can change from year to year.

Total return

A way of showing how an investment has performed, and is made-up of the capital appreciation or depreciation and includes any income generated by the investment. Measured over a set period, it is expressed as a percentage of the value of the investment at the start of that period.

Yield

The dividend per share divided by the stock's or fund's price per share and expressed as a percentage. The historic yield is the dividend income distributed during the past year and expressed as a percentage of the share price on a particular day.

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