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7IM AAP BALANCED FUND, CLASS C (Income)

## Objectives and investment policy

The fund aims to provide a balance of income and capital growth.

The fund invests at least 80% of its assets in fixed income and equity instruments: that, for the most part, use passive strategies (that is, strategies designed to track the performance of particular indices, market sectors or asset classes). The fund will also invest in other asset classes such as property, commodities and private equity, indirectly through holdings in equities including investment trusts, exchange traded funds or other funds. The asset allocation for the entire portfolio will be actively managed. Up to 20% of the fund will usually be invested in liquid assets such as cash, deposits, money market funds and money market instruments and warrants. The fund's investments will comprise a mixture of income generating assets such as corporate debt securities and growth generating assets such as global equities.

- The AAP in the fund's name means Asset Allocated Passive and refers to the investment strategy described below.
- Investment in other funds is determined on the basis of a number of factors including level of returns, underlying asset class, manager's investment process and level of risk.
- The fund has no specific target market, asset class or geographic sector.
- You can buy and sell shares in the fund on each UK business day.
- The fund aims to distribute available income every six months.
- Derivatives are used for investment purposes and to manage the risk profile of the fund.
- Recommendation: This fund may not be appropriate for investors who plan to withdraw their money within 5 years.

The starting point for the Manager's investment process is identifying the best mix of asset classes to create a strategic asset allocation (SAA) customised for each 7IM risk profile. The SAA is then adapted to financial markets to enhance return and reduce volatility on a tactical basis using 7IM's tactical asset allocation process (TAA) making temporary and measured departures from the SAA. The funds' portfolio of assets is constructed predominantly with passive securities. By Asset Allocated Passive (AAP) we mean that we actively choose third party managers or securities for their own expertise in selecting particular assets, where their objective is to closely track a pre-determined index.

The fund's performance may be compared to the IA Mixed Investment 20-60% Shares which has been chosen because it is representative of the fund's agreed risk profile and the type of assets in which it invests. It is therefore an appropriate comparator for the fund's performance.

The Risk and Reward Indicator table demonstrates where the Fund ranks in terms of its potential risk and reward. The higher the rank the greater the potential reward but the greater the risk of losing money. It is based on past data, may change over time and may not be a reliable indication of the future risk profile of the Fund. The shaded area in the table below shows the Fund's ranking on the Risk and Reward Indicator.

**Typically higher rewards,  
higher risk**



- The lowest number on the scale does not mean that a fund is risk free.
- The fund has been classed as 4 because its volatility has been measured as average.
- This indicator is based on historical data and may not be a reliable indication of the future risk profile of the fund.
- The risk and reward profile shown is not guaranteed to remain the same and may shift over time.
- Counterparty Risk: As the fund may enter into derivative agreements there is a risk that other parties may fail to meet their obligations. This may lead to delays in receiving amounts due to the fund, receiving less than is due or receiving nothing.
- Credit Risk: Fixed interest securities are affected by trends in interest rates and inflation. If interest rates go up the value of capital may fall and vice versa. Inflation will also decrease the real value of capital. The value of a fixed interest security is also affected by its credit rating.
- Currency Risk: As the fund invests in overseas securities movements in exchange rates, when not hedged, may cause the value of your investment to increase or decrease.
- Derivative Risk: The fund invests in derivatives. The use of derivatives may, through gearing, have a larger impact, positive or negative, than if only the underlying investments were held.
- Emerging Market Risk: Emerging markets may be less liquid and transparent, more volatile and subject to less oversight. There is a greater risk that other parties may default, causing loss to the fund.
- For full details of the fund's risks, please see the prospectus which may be obtained from the address in the 'Practical Information' section overleaf.

## Charges

The charges you pay are used to pay the costs of running the Fund, including the costs of marketing and distributing it. These charges reduce the potential growth of your investment.

### One-off charges taken before or after you invest

Entry charge	0.00%
Exit charge	0.00%

These are the maximum charges that we might take out of your money before it is invested and before we pay out the sale proceeds of your investment. In some cases, you might pay less and you should speak to your financial adviser about this.

### Charges taken from the Fund over a year

Ongoing charges	0.68%
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### Charges taken from the Fund under specific conditions

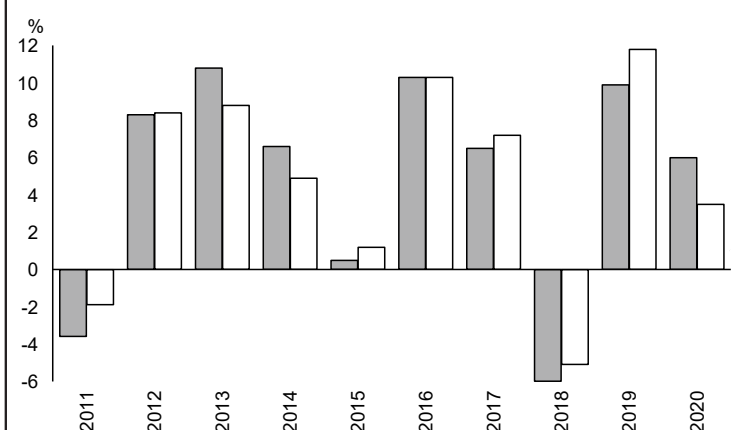
Performance fee	0
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The ongoing charges figure is based on the last year's expenses and may vary from year to year. It excludes the costs of buying or selling assets for the Fund (unless these assets are shares of another fund).

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For any funds undertaking securities lending, the fund will receive 70% of the revenue generated and the remaining 30% will be received by Northern Trust as the securities lending agent. As securities lending revenue sharing does not increase the costs of running the fund, this has been excluded from the ongoing charges.

## Past performance



	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
Fund	-3.6	8.3	10.8	6.6	0.5	10.3	6.5	-6.0	9.9	6.0
Index*	-1.9	8.4	8.8	4.9	1.2	10.3	7.2	-5.1	11.8	3.5

Source: FE fundinfo 2021

You should be aware that past performance is not a guide to future performance.

Fund launch date: 28/03/2008.

Share/unit class launch date: 28/03/2008.

Performance is calculated in GBP.

The past performance in the chart above is net of tax and charges but excludes the entry charge that may be paid on the purchase of an investment.

\* IA Mixed Investment 20-60% Shares

## Practical information

**7IM Investment Funds** - The key investor information document describes a fund within the 7IM Investment Funds company. The prospectus and periodic reports are prepared for the entire company.

**Documents** - Copies of the fund's prospectus and the latest annual and semi annual reports for the fund and 7IM Investment Funds may be obtained from [www.7im.co.uk](http://www.7im.co.uk) or 7IM, 55 Bishopsgate, London EC2N 3AS. These documents are available in English and are free of charge.

**Prices of shares and further information** - The latest published prices of shares in the fund and other information, including how to buy and sell shares are available from [www.7im.co.uk](http://www.7im.co.uk) or during normal business hours from Northern Trust, 50 Bank Street, Canary Wharf, London, E14 5NT or by calling 0333 300 0354.

**Right to switch** - Subject to any restrictions on the eligibility of investors for a particular share class, a shareholder in one fund may be able at any time to switch all or some of their shares in one fund for shares in another fund in the company. Please see the prospectus for full details.

**Fund Segregation** - 7IM Investment Funds is an umbrella fund with segregated liability between funds. This means that the holdings of this fund are maintained separately under UK law from other holdings of other funds of 7IM Investment Funds and your investment in this fund will not be affected by any claims against another fund of 7IM Investment Funds.

**Depository** - Northern Trust Global Services SE.

**Tax** - Tax UK tax legislation may have an impact on your personal tax position.

**Liability** - 7IM may be held liable solely on the basis of any statement contained in this document that is misleading, inaccurate or inconsistent with the relevant parts of the prospectus for 7IM Investment Funds.

**Manager's Remuneration Policy** - Details of the up-to-date remuneration policy, including but not limited to, a description of how remuneration and benefits are calculated, the identity of persons responsible for awarding the remuneration and benefits, are available at [www.7im.co.uk](http://www.7im.co.uk). A paper copy of the remuneration policy will be made available free of charge upon request.