

IMS Capital Balanced portfolio

Quarterly update - July 2019

Portfolio Manager



James Kempster Manager since July 2010

Portfolio objective

To provide a long–term capital return in excess of the Mixed Investment 40-85% shares 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 an investment committee.

Portfolio manager's commentary

Over the quarter the Balanced portfolio returned 4.77%, outperforming its benchmark. The story for the latest review period was similar to that seen in the previous quarter. A softening of approach by central banks around the world, but specifically in the United States, improved an already positive sentiment and gave investors greater confidence that the threat of rate rises had diminished for the time being.

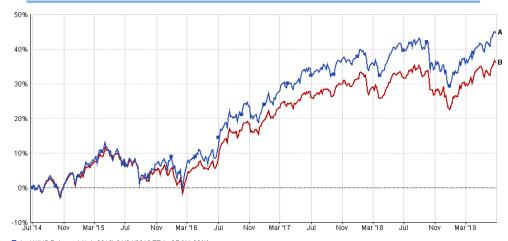
Markets were also cheered by an improvement in relations between the US and China. Their trade war has been a regular drag on returns for some time but the agreement between the two nations to restart talks was well received.

There were areas where the news was less positive, with fallout from existing tariffs leading to reductions in growth expectations, but this did not detract from an overriding sense that the current cycle has not yet run out of steam.

Indicative risk rating



5 year fund performance versus benchmark



Top 10 Holdings

Liontrust - Special Situations	8
Rathbone - Income	8
Fundsmith - Equity	7
Baillie Gifford - Japanese	6
First State - Global Listed	6
Infrastructure	
Jupiter - Absolute Return	6
Jupiter - European	6
Aberdeen - Sterling Money	5
Market	
HSBC - American Index	5
Schroder - Recovery	5



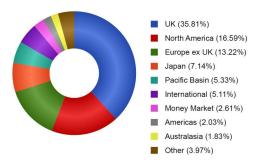
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Asset allocation



Regional breakdown



Important notes

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Key facts

Ongoing charge figure 1.27% ISA qualification Yes Twelve month historical yield 2.30% Volatility* 7.65 (Benchmark 7.59) Sharpe ratio** 0.00 (Benchmark 0.01)

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

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^{**}The Sharpe Ratio measures the trade-off between risk and return.