

**Benchmark**

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

**Identification Codes**

Sedol Code	BVYV016
Mex Code	-
Isin Code	GB00BVYV0168
Citi Code	MELR

**Fund Overview**

Mid (01/04/2025)	120.90p
Historic yield	2.05%
Fund size (31/03/2025)	£230.69m
Number of holdings	20836
Ongoing Charges	0.55%
Launch date	09/09/2015

**Fund Charges**

Entry Charge	0.00%
Ongoing Charges	0.55%

**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	£500
Minimum Top Up	£250
Minimum Regular Saving	£50
Settlement Period: Buy	4 days
Settlement Period: Sell	4 days
Pricing Basis	Forward
Dealing Decimals	2

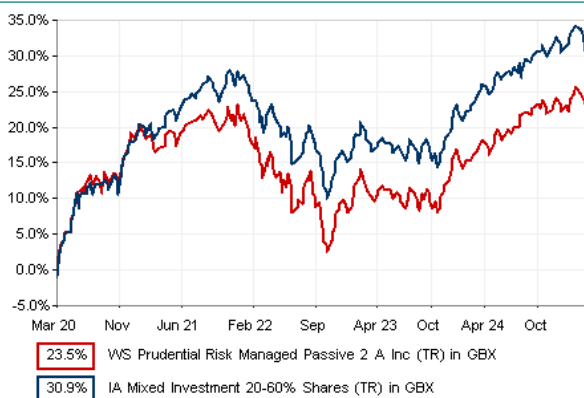
**Distribution Dates**

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**

	31/03/20 to 31/03/21	31/03/21 to 31/03/22	31/03/22 to 31/03/23	31/03/23 to 31/03/24	31/03/24 to 31/03/25
Fund	17.0%	-0.3%	-5.1%	6.9%	4.3%
Benchmark	19.8%	2.7%	-4.8%	7.7%	3.7%

**Annualised performance**

	3 Years to 31/03/25	5 Years to 31/03/25	10 Years to 31/03/25
Fund	1.9%	4.3%	n/a
Benchmark	2.1%	5.5%	3.3%

**Fund Managers**



Name: M&G Treasury & Investment Office  
Manager for: 8 years, 4 months

**Ratings**

FE Crown



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**Important Information**

- Source of portfolio data: Broadridge. Source of performance data: FE fundinfo. We can't predict the future. Past performance isn't a guide to future performance. The figures shown are intended only to demonstrate performance history of the fund, after allowing for the impact of ongoing charges, but take no account of product charges. Ongoing charges may vary in the future and may be higher than they are now. Fund performance is based upon the movement of the daily price and is shown as total return in GBP with income reinvested. The value of your investment can go down as well as up so you might get back less than you put in.
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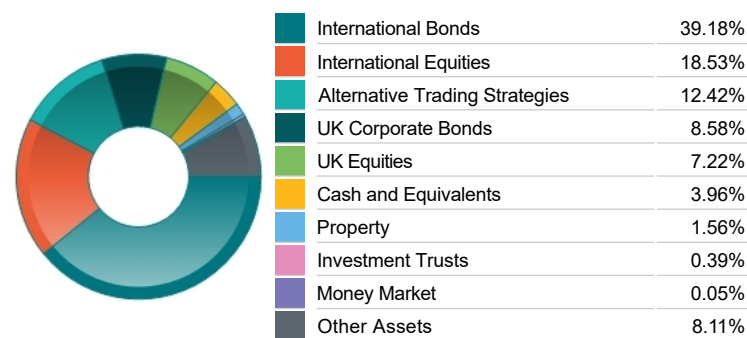
**Top 10 Fund Holdings**

Name	% Weight
1 BlackRock iShares Corporate Bond Index Class X	22.65%
2 BlackRock (Dublin) iShares US Corporate Bond Index Fund	11.95%
3 M&G (LUX) FCP Sterling Liquidity Fund Z6A Acc	11.09%
4 BlackRock iShares UK Equity Index Class X	7.47%
5 BlackRock (Dublin) iShares ESG Screened Euro Corporate Bond Index Class Flexible Hedged	6.30%
6 BlackRock iShares Pacific ex Japan Equity Index Class X	4.07%
7 M&G (Lux) Asian Local Currency Bond Class ZI	3.16%
8 BlackRock iShares US Equity Index Class X	3.11%
9 Legal & General European Index Trust C	2.83%
10 M&G Emerging Markets Bond Class PP GBP	1.76%

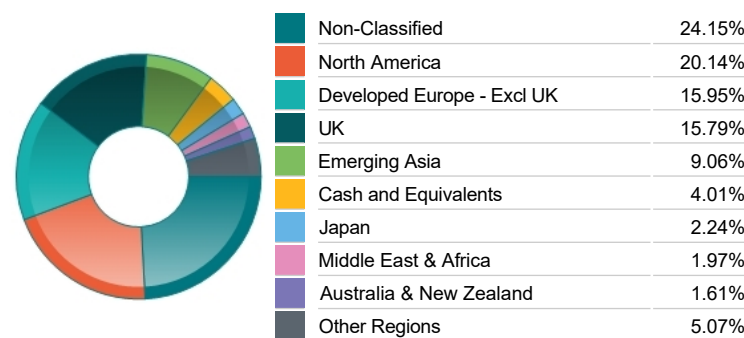
**Top 10 Holdings**

Name	% Weight
1 TAIWAN SEMICONDUCTOR MANUFACTURING COMPANY LIMITED	0.83%
2 ASTRAZENECA	0.49%
3 SHELL	0.48%
4 L&G FREEHOLD PROPERTY	0.45%
5 HSBC HOLDINGS	0.45%
6 UNILEVER	0.35%
7 iShares iShares plc European Property Yield UCITS ETF EUR (Dist)	0.28%
8 APPLE	0.23%
9 BRITISH AMERICAN TOBACCO	0.23%
10 RELX	0.21%

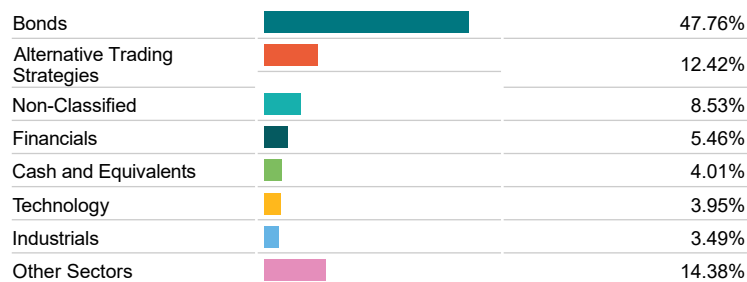
**Asset Allocation**



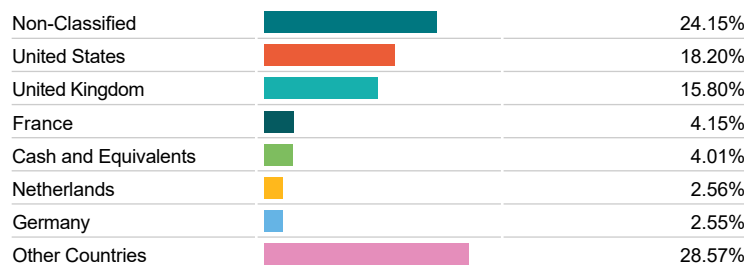
**Regional Allocation**



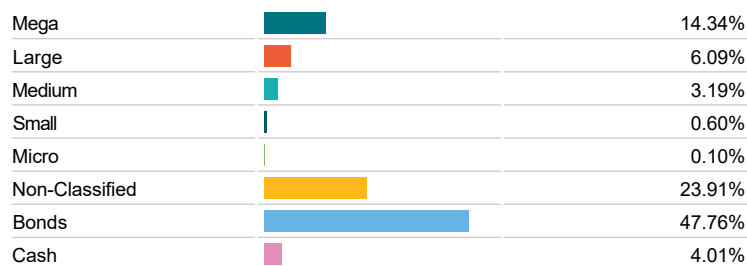
**Sector Breakdown**



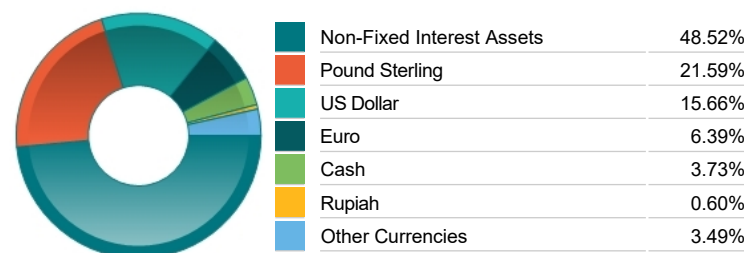
**Top Country Breakdown**



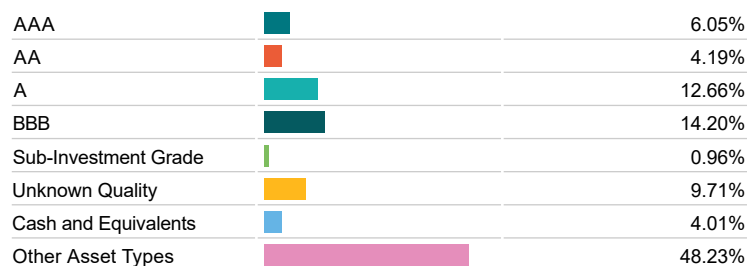
**Breakdown By Market Cap (%)**



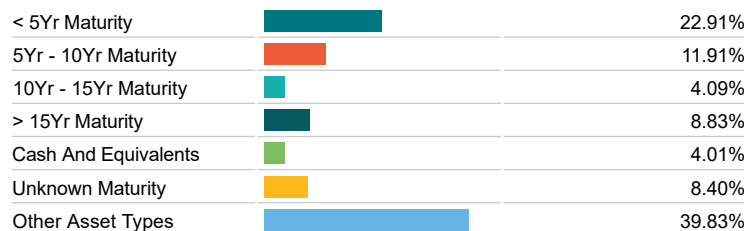
**Fixed Interest Currencies**



**Fixed Interest Quality Profile**



**Fixed Interest Maturity Profile**



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## Commentary

### February 2025 Investment Summary

A positive month for the Passive range with returns ranging from +0.17% for Passive 5 to +0.61% for Passive 1.

\*P Acc share class with data sourced from FE analytics as at 28 February 2025.

February 2025 was a positive month for the portfolios.

A number of major equity markets gained, led by UK and European stocks. The FTSE 100 rose 1.5%, after positive data releases for GDP growth and retail sales. The Stoxx 600 rose 3.3% as defence stocks performed strongly with projections of increased military spending. A potential resolution to the Ukraine war supported the general market outlook. Chinese stocks edged up following continued optimism for domestic technology stocks. The S&P 500 decreased 1.3% and Nasdaq fell 3.9%. Sector performance saw Utilities and Real Estate lead gains, the largest falls seen in healthcare and technology. Market uncertainty around AI-heavy technology names and tariff-driven inflation impacts, saw investors rotate out of US equities into cheaper valued UK and European equities.

Tariff fears contributed to the risk off US sentiment, with 25% tariffs on Mexican/ Canadian imports meant to take effect at the start of March, subsequently delayed by a month at the 11th hour. Additional 10% US levies on Chinese goods fuelled investor concerns of a worldwide economic slowdown and global trade war. The US market's heavy tech concentration remained under pressure, with worries over the sustainability of large cap technology company earnings and rich valuations. Trumps tariff proposals contributed to markets repricing inflationary pressures, 10 year US Government bond yields experienced volatility but closed lower at 4.24%, having peaked at 4.62% intra-month. The Fed held interest rates in January, as officials indicated "further progress on inflation" was needed before any new interest rate cuts. Markets price the Fed to hold rates on March 19th at 96%.

US labour market data showed payrolls increased by 151,000, slightly below forecasts. 10,000 cuts to the governments workforce contributed to a small rise in unemployment (to 4.1% from 4.0%), but growth in other sectors of the US's jobs market and wage growth increases highlighted the labour markets stability. US consumer confidence saw its steepest decline since August 2021. Households are increasingly uncomfortable about a growing list of negative economic data and trade tariff implications, with the view tariffs would increase the cost of living.

Middle East tensions remain. The Israeli military delayed withdrawals from southern Lebanon, remaining at five 'strategic' positions. The US stated they are "working very hard in the Middle East and Gaza" to bring a permanent end to the war. The conflicts impact remains limited on the global economy, Brent Crude remained range-bound in the mid \$70/barrel.

Central bankers have tough decisions to make following mixed data, fiscal/policy uncertainty, sticky inflation. A robust US economy, with the potential for increased spending and tax cuts, should be good for risk assets, but concerns linked to tariffs and federal job cuts are starting to show in consumer and business surveys. Regional differentiation may continue to be an important theme, with decoupled economic cycles and trade war repercussions.

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

We maintain an equity overweight of +1.60%, made up of a diversified basket of US, UK, Asia and GEM due to a continued preference for equities and a positive view on the broad Asia region. This is funded from small underweights in US Credit, European Credit and cash. We also hold small overweight positions in US Treasuries, UK Gilts and Real Estate (REITs).