



30 April 2024

Multi Asset Growth III

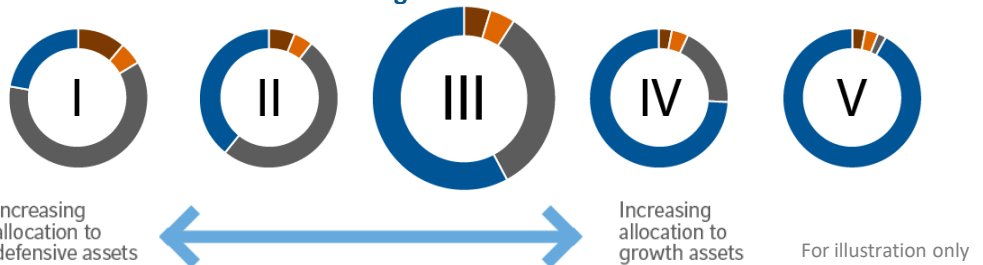


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The Fund aims to achieve capital appreciation over the long term. Capital invested in the Fund is at risk and there is no guarantee that the investment objective will be met. The Fund may invest up to 75% of the scheme property in riskier assets providing potential for more aggressive growth, such as equities, indirect exposure to listed real estate, listed infrastructure and commodities. Fund may use currency hedging techniques to reduce exposure to currencies other than Sterling. The fund utilises both active management and passive strategies in its implementation.

The Multi Asset Growth Funds Range



What happened this month

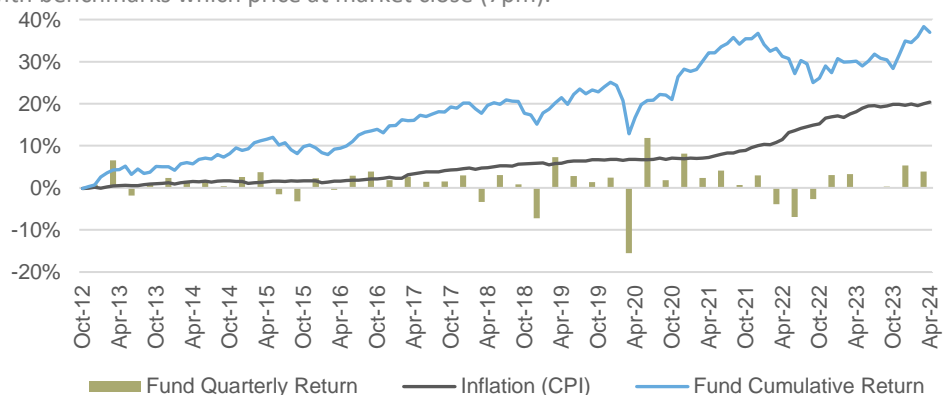
The Fund delivered a negative return in April. Emerging markets were driven higher by Chinese equities, which reached seven-month highs on improved sentiment due to further relaxing of property market restrictions by the authorities. UK equity equities also benefited from stronger commodity prices, in particular the energy and mining space, amid rising copper prices and news of a takeover bid for Anglo American. However, investors elsewhere became more cautious on the back of potentially fewer interest rate cuts amid stubbornly high US inflation. As such, the higher for longer interest rate narrative dominated, putting pressure on both equity and fixed income assets. Within fixed income, our exposure to rate-sensitive government bonds and investment grade credit detracted the most as yields rose. High yield bonds fared better but still lagged as credit spreads widened amid worsening risk appetite. Our meaningful exposure to equities was also negative, and our convertible bonds exposure was unhelpful due to their sensitivity to equities. Within equities, our bias away from US equities was helpful as stubborn inflation in the region led to a pushback on rate cuts. In contrast, our tilt towards UK and emerging market equities was beneficial, as these regions fared better. Our active management within equities detracted, mostly due to negative excess returns from the UK Equity Fund after a strong Q1. Our small allocation to listed real estate detracted given the higher rates environment. Our small exposure to commodities was helpful due to higher gold and copper prices over the period.

Performance Review

Fund Name	1 Month	6 Months	1 Year	2 Years	3 Years	Since Inception (PA)	30/04/24-30/04/23	30/04/23-30/04/22	30/04/22-30/04/21	30/04/21-30/04/20	30/04/20-30/04/19
Multi Asset Growth III (C Acc)	-1.5	10.4	8.2	6.7	5.7	4.7	8.2	-1.4	-1.0	21.8	-6.3

The Fund does not have a benchmark. The Fund has a flexible allocation between equity and fixed income investments, meaning that there is no index or sector that would be an appropriate comparator. The Fund is risk-rated by a risk-rating service provided by Synaptic Software Limited ("Synaptic Risk Ratings"). For further details please see: <https://www.synaptic.co.uk/research-tools/synaptic-risk> Synaptic Risk Ratings associates a fund's returns with a particular level of risk and enables comparison between funds which are managed on a similar basis. The risk profile allocated to a fund by Synaptic Risk Ratings will depend on the allocation of the fund's assets to riskier assets. The higher the fund's allocation to riskier assets the more risky the fund. This Fund may invest up to 75% of the scheme property in riskier assets.

The fund is priced at market open (7am) so Fund prices have been moved a day later with benchmarks which price at market close (7pm).



Source: Russell Investments. As at 30 April 2024. Returns in GBP, net of C Class Fees. Past Performance is not a guide to future performance.

Fund facts

Inception Date

2nd October 2012

ISIN (SEDOL)

GB00(B7W5QJ2)4

Ongoing Charge

0.70% (31/05/2022)

Minimum Investment

£1,000 initial, £500 subsequent

Currency

GBP

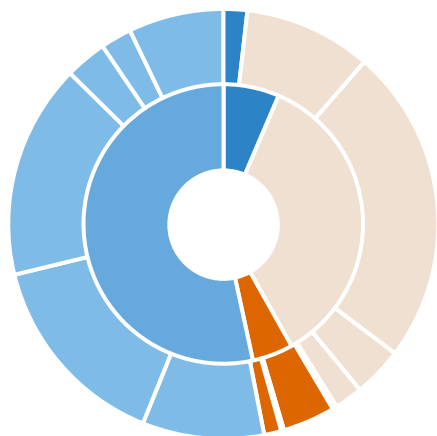
Distribution Date

28 February

30 April 2024

Multi Asset Growth III (continued)

Current Fund Allocation



Cash	1.8%	Cash	1.8%
Investment Grade	9.6%	Fixed Income	39.7%
Government Bonds	23.9%		
High Yield	3.8%		
Convertible Debt	2.1%		
Alternative Credit	0.3%		
EMD	0.0%		
Real Estate	4.0%	Real Assets	5.5%
Infrastructure	0.2%		
Commodities	1.3%		
Global Equities	9.2%	Equities	53.1%
US	15.1%		
UK	16.2%		
Pan Europe ex UK	3.1%		
Japan	2.3%		
Emerging Equity	7.2%		

Portfolio Statistics

Volatility (Since Inception)*	7.6%
Highest One-Year Return	26.0%
Lowest One-Year Return	-10.5%
Positive One-Year Returns	74.0%
Current Yield	1.4%
Fund Size	£104.0m

Source: Russell Investments. Data correct as at 30 April 2024.
Total may not add up to 100% due to rounding.

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*Volatility describes the extent to which the funds' return has fluctuated over time