Balanced Portfolio

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Investment Objective

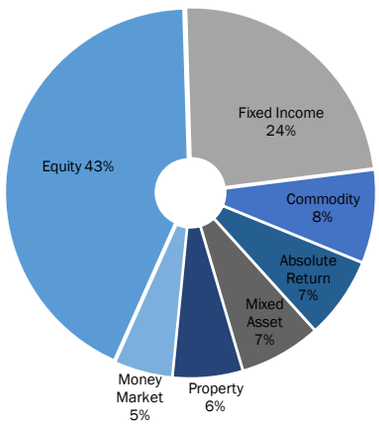
The Balanced Portfolio aims to achieve its objective by diversifying across a broad range of assets with differing return and volatility profiles. The portfolio targets long term returns of 4-6% above cash at volatility levels considerably below those expected in equity. The typical investor seeks capital growth from their investment and is able to accept a moderate level of risk for the potential of higher returns. They recognise that their capital is at risk and that its value may fluctuate.

Market Comment

December was particularly challenging for investors as equity indices, especially in the US, fell sharply. The loss was largely in response to the Federal Reserve decision to continue with its policy of monetary tightening, despite falling investor confidence in recent months. Gold and other Diversifier assets performed positively while Anchor assets provided some protection as bond yields fell. Overall, though, the 7% loss across global equities led to an overall loss for the month. The portfolio has maintained an underweight risk allocation which reduced, but did not eliminate, losses during the very difficult final quarter. While we expect the changing sentiment and slowing global growth to continue to impact markets we believe the opportunity to allocate risk at more attractive valuations in the coming weeks is good.

Key Objectives	Target	Actual[2]
Annualised Return[2]	*5.2-6.7%*	6.3%
Portfolio Volatility[2]	*9.0%*	5.2%
Maximum Loss[2]	*10.0%*	-3.1%
Highest OCF[2]	*0.75%*	0.73%

Performance (%)[1]	1 mth	3 mth	6 mth	YTD	1yr	S/I
Rivers Balanced Portfolio	**-2.60**	**-4.29**	**-2.85**	**-1.83**	**-1.83**	**16.57**
IA Mixed 20%-60% Equity	-2.48	-5.40	-4.70	-5.10	-5.10	9.20
IA Flexible Investment	-4.16	-8.29	-6.97	-6.74	-6.74	15.22



Top 10 Holdings	
EdenTree - Amity Sterling Bond B	7.0%
Old Mutual - Global Equity Absolute Return R Hedged Acc GBP	7.0%
Newton - Real Return Inst W Acc	7.0%
TwentyFour - Monument Bond I Net Acc GBP	6.0%
Allianz - Best Styles Global AC Equity C Acc	6.0%
L&G - Sterling Corporate Bond Index I Acc	6.0%
iShares - Global Property Securities Equity Index (UK) D Acc	6.0%
BlackRock - Cash D Acc	5.0%
JPM - Europe Dynamic Ex UK C Acc	5.0%
Fidelity - Index Europe ex UK P Acc	5.0%

Asset Type	Strategic Weight	Current Weight	Tactical Position
Cash	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Anchors	27.0%	31.0%	4.0%
Enhancers	55.0%	45.0%	-10.0%
Diversifiers	18.0%	24.0%	6.0%

Current Model Characteristics	
Number of holdings	20
Underlying fund charges (Excl fee)[3]	0.58%
Last rebalance date	Oct-18
Current expected portfolio yield[3]	1.73%
Classified 'Passive' investments	38.0%
Current loss since previous high[4]	-

Rivers Asset Classification System:

"Anchors": investments selected for low market correlation, low risk and capital preservation core characteristics. Significant allocation in low risk portfolios.

"Enhancers": selected to increase portfolio long term return but exposed to equity risk. Allocation likely to increase with risk tolerance as returns become more volatile.

"Diversifiers": selected for low correlation to traditional market equity and fixed income risk. Diversifiers are essential for efficiency in all but the lowest and highest risk portfolios.

For a more detailed explanation please contact Rivers Capital Management

Notes:

1. The performance data shown is indicative only. Rivers Capital Management attempts to replicate accurately the performance of the underlying portfolio using Financial Express data but performances will likely differ from individual accounts due to inflows and timing issues. The performance is net of a 0.25%+VAT Rivers Capital Management fee.
2. The 'Actual' data includes the highest ever OCF and loss and the annualised total return and volatility since inception on June 30, 2016
3. The fees quoted are based on the current portfolio weightings using the latest available OCF data of each fund. The yield is not guaranteed.
4. The current loss is calculated as the replicated loss from the previous month end highest portfolio value. Intra month or daily data may exceed this.

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