

# Balanced Income Portfolio

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INTELLIGENT INTUITIVE INVESTING

## Investment Objective

The Rivers Balanced Income Portfolio targets an income of 4.0% by diversifying across a broad range of assets. The portfolio is expected to maintain real value, net of income, after inflation while minimising the possibility of the investment falling in value. The typical investor seeks consistent income from their investment but is able to accept a moderate level of risk for the potential of higher income. They recognise that their capital is at risk and that its value may fluctuate.

## Market Comment

January was a volatile month with large swings in many asset classes. The final result was little change overall in terms of performance for the month. Longer duration bonds saw some losses as benchmark interest rates, for UK Gilts, fell which detracted from Anchor assets. Within equities the US market, driven by technology, reached all-time highs but other regions, including the UK, saw modest falls. More significant losses were seen in China which brought down Developed Market equities. Alongside the geopolitical uncertainty in the Middle East the economic situation in China poses the greatest current risk to investors. Within Diversifiers commodities, gold and macro all added value while real estate investments struggled. With risk-free rates remaining elevated, and valuations for risk assets continuing to look extended the under-weight tactical allocation remains appropriate.

Performance (%) <sup>1</sup>	1m	3m	YTD	1yr	3yr	5yr
Rivers Balanced Income	-0.10	4.9	-0.1	0.3	2.6	14.2
IA Mixed 20-60% Shares	-0.39	7.2	-0.4	3.2	3.6	16.4
IA Global Equity Income	0.89	9.2	0.9	7.5	29.7	52.5

Quarterly	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Total
2017	-	-	5.8%	1.4%	7.2%
2018	-2.7%	3.6%	0.2%	-4.2%	-3.2%
2019	4.7%	3.1%	1.7%	1.5%	11.3%
2020	-14.2%	10.8%	0.9%	6.6%	2.3%
2021	0.2%	3.0%	0.7%	1.5%	5.5%
2022	-1.2%	-5.9%	-3.4%	3.2%	-7.2%
2023	1.1%	-1.2%	-0.3%	3.7%	3.3%

## 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:

- The performance data shown is indicative only. Rivers Capital Management attempts to replicate accurately the performance of the underlying portfolio using composite fund data but performances will likely differ from individual accounts due to inflows and timing issues. The performance is net of a 0.25% Rivers Capital Management fee and annualised since inception (June 30<sup>th</sup> 2016).
- Volatility is calculated as the annualised average weekly standard deviation of return since inception (June 30<sup>th</sup> 2016).
- The maximum loss is calculated as the total loss from the highest previous month end portfolio value. Intra month or daily data may exceed this.
- The ongoing charge is based on the current portfolio weightings using the latest available OCF data of each fund.
- The yield is the average yield as published by each fund and not guaranteed.
- Rivers investment committee determines a Passive allocation target (20-60%) dependant on the perceived market opportunity.
- Relative risk level determined between 1 and 7 within the tactical constraints of all models with a level 4 considered tactically neutral.

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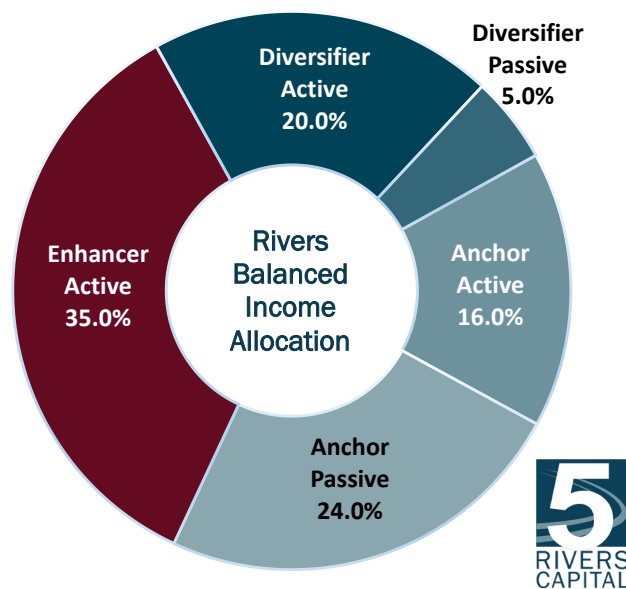
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Model Characteristics	Target	Current
Annualised Return <sup>1</sup>	5.0-6.0%	3.5%
Portfolio Volatility <sup>2</sup>	<7.0%	7.4%
Maximum Loss <sup>3</sup>	<10.0%	-14.1%
Ongoing charge of underlying <sup>4</sup>	>0.75%	0.56%
Number of holdings	<25	15
Last rebalance date		Dec-23
Current expected portfolio yield <sup>5</sup>		4.32%
Classified 'Passive' investments <sup>6</sup>	40%	29.0%
Since Inception Total Return		30.2%

Allocation	Strategic	Current	Tactical
Anchors	27.0%	40.0%	13.0%
Enhancers	55.0%	35.0%	-20.0%
Diversifiers	18.0%	25.0%	7.0%



## Top 10 Holdings

Royal London - Short Term Money Mkt Y Inc	Anchor Passive	17.0%
BNY Mellon - Global Dynamic Bond Inst W Inc	Anchor Active	9.0%
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Artemis - Strategic Bond I Monthly Inc	Anchor Active	7.0%
Fidelity - Enhanced Income W Inc	Enhancer Active	6.0%
TwentyFour - Dynamic Bond I Net Inc	Enhancer Active	6.0%
BNY Mellon - Real Return Inst W Inc	Diversifier Active	6.0%
iShares - UK Gilts All Stocks Index (UK) D Inc	Anchor Passive	5.0%
Schroder - Monthly Income Z Inc	Enhancer Active	5.0%
Baillie Gifford - High Yield Bond B Inc	Enhancer Active	5.0%

