Balanced Portfolio

31st March 2024



Investment Objective

The Rivers Balanced Portfolio targets moderate long term returns above inflation, and after fees, at volatility levels considerably below those expected in equities. The portfolio aims to achieve its objective by maximising diversification across a range of assets. The portfolio will be moderately exposed to global equity market cycles. The typical investor seeks capital growth from their investment and can accept a moderate level of risk for the potential of higher returns.

Market Comment

March saw positive growth across all asset classes, with Diversifiers leading the advance. This growth was more widespread than earlier in the quarter. While US technology stocks remained strong, there was continued recovery in both EM and European equities. Stubborn inflation, as we expected, hasn't yet impacted the momentum in growth equities, and the portfolio particularly benefited from the surge in energy prices and especially gold. Within Anchors, interest rates were volatile, but they remained stable after central bank reassurances despite disappointing inflation readings. Diversifiers, beyond strong gains in commodities and gold, also saw positive performance in insurance and macro sectors. With risk-free rates remaining elevated and valuations for risk assets potentially stretched, the underweight tactical allocation remains appropriate.

	Performance	: (%)¹	1 m	3m	YTD	1yr	3yr	5yr
	Rivers Balanced		3.34	4.9	4.9	10.5	13.4	32.1
	IA Mixed 20-60% Shares		2.38	2.5	2.5	7.7	5.3	17.2
	IA Flexible Investment		2.75	4.5	4.5	10.1	10.9	31.5
	Quarterly	Q1	Q2		Q3	Q4	1	otal
	2018	-2.3%	3.4%		1.5%	-4.3%	-	1.8%
	2019	5.0%	3.4%		2.2%	0.1%	1	1.2%
	2020	-9.6%	13.8%		1.9%	4.8%		9.9%
	2021	-0.2%	3.3%		0.6%	1.8%		5.6%
	2022	-1.7%	-6.4%		-0.8%	3.6%	-	5.5%
	2023	2.0%	-0.4%		2.1%	3.5%		7.2%
	2024	1 9%						1 2%

Rivers Asset Classification System:

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

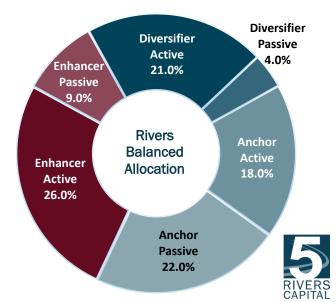
"Enhancers": selected to increase portfolio long term return but exposed to equity risk. Allocation likely to increase with risk tolerance as returns become more volatile.

"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

Model Characteristics	Target	Current
Annualised Return ¹	5.2-6.7%	6.5%
Portfolio Volatility ²	<9.0%	6.9%
Maximum Loss ³	<10.0%	-10.4%
Ongoing charge of underlying ⁴	<0.75%	0.60%
Number of holdings	<25	19
Last rebalance date		Feb-24
Current expected portfolio yield ⁵		2.07%
Classified 'Passive' investments ⁶	40%	35.0%
Since Inception Total Return		63.1%

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 Acc	Anchor Passive	12.0%
TwentyFour - Monument Bond I Net Acc	Anchor Active	8.0%
iShares - UK Gilts All Stocks Index (UK) D Acc	Anchor Passive	8.0%
Jupiter - Merian Global Equity Abs Ret Hgd Acc	Anchor Active	5.0%
Vontobel - TwentyFour Abs Return Credit N	Anchor Active	5.0%
HSBC - FTSE 100 Index C Acc	Enhancer Passive	5.0%
VT - De Lisle America B	Enhancer Active	5.0%
Brown Advisory - Global Leaders B Acc GBP	Enhancer Active	5.0%
Vermeer - Global Equity C	Enhancer Active	5.0%
SVS Sanlam - Global Gold & Resources B Inc	Diversifier Active	5.0%

Notes:

- 1. 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 30th 2016).
- 2. Volatility is calculated as the annualised average weekly standard deviation of return since inception (June 30th 2016).
- 3. 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.
- 4. The ongoing charge is based on the current portfolio weightings using the latest available OCF data of each fund.
- 5. The yield is the average yield as published by each fund and not guaranteed.
- 6. Rivers investment committee determines a Passive allocation target (20-60%) dependant on the perceived market opportunity.
- 7. 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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