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**Anglican Church of
Southern Africa
Retirement Fund**

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REPORT OVERVIEW

ANGLICAN CHURCH OF SOUTHERN AFRICA RETIREMENT FUND

OBJECTIVE

The objective represents the inflation target of CPI + 4%

FUND PERFORMANCE

The performance figures of the Fund represent the performance as calculated by Novare's pricing division and are **net** of manager fees. The year end for the Fund is 31 December. The returns for the financial year reflect returns from the 1st month of the financial year. The YTD graph illustrates the calendar months of our current year.

BENCHMARK

The benchmark performance in this report is as follows:

Asset Class	Allocation	Benchmark
Domestic Equities	40%	SWIX
Domestic Fixed Income	25%	ALBI
Domestic Property	5%	SA Listed Property
Domestic Money Market	5%	STeFI
Domestic Alternatives	5%	CPI + 4.5%
International	20%	International Composite: 60% MSCI World / 40% Barclays Global Bond

MARKET OVERVIEW

The performance figures reflected in Section A of this report have been sourced from Inet.

PERFORMANCE FOR PERIODS LONGER THAN 12 MONTHS

All performance figures for periods greater than 12 months (1 year) are annualised, unless indicated otherwise.

MANAGER PERFORMANCE

The performance figures of the Fund's underlying managers represent the returns as per the manager monthly reports.

TACTICAL LIMITS

Asset Class	Lower limit	Upper limit
Domestic Equities	30%	50%
Domestic Fixed Income	10%	30%
Domestic Property	0%	10%
Domestic Money Market	0%	20%
Domestic Alternatives	0%	20%
International	0%	25%

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Section A

Market Overview



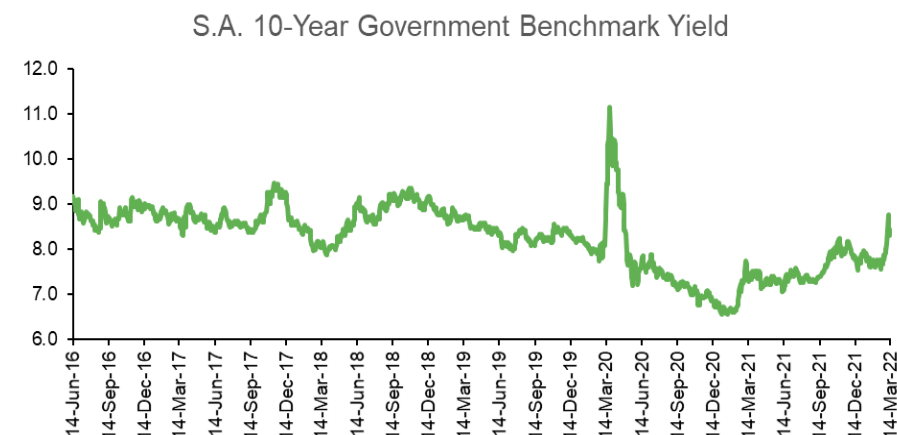
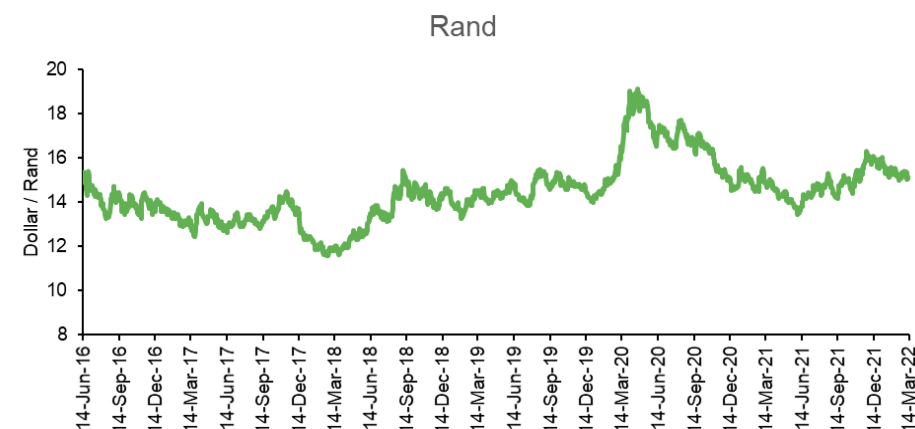
DOMESTIC MARKET VIEW

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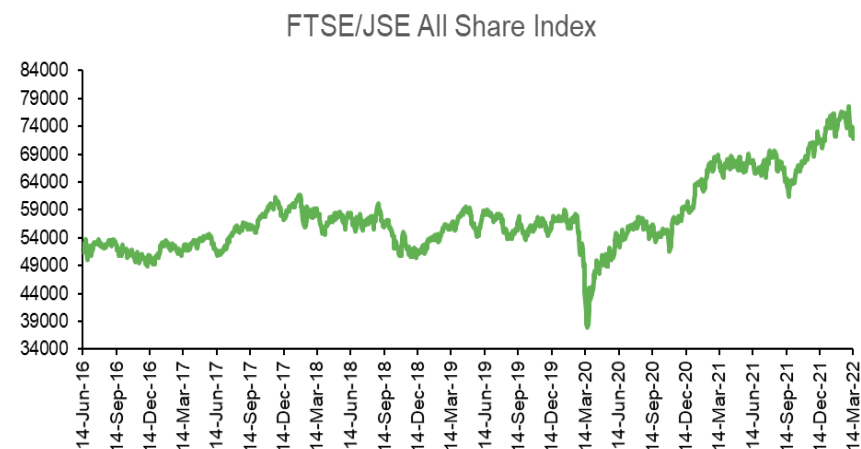
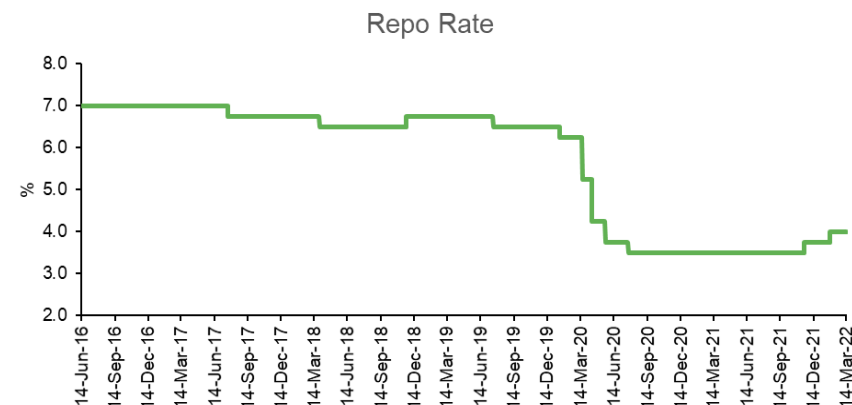
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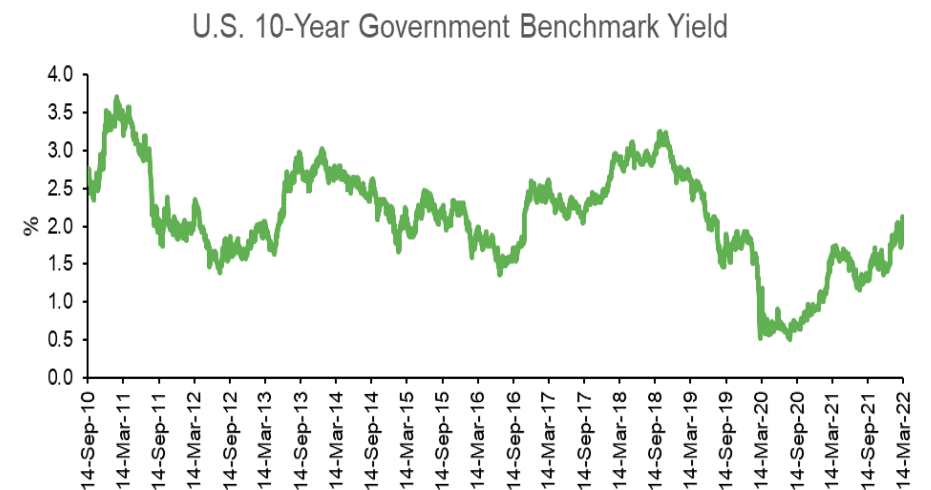
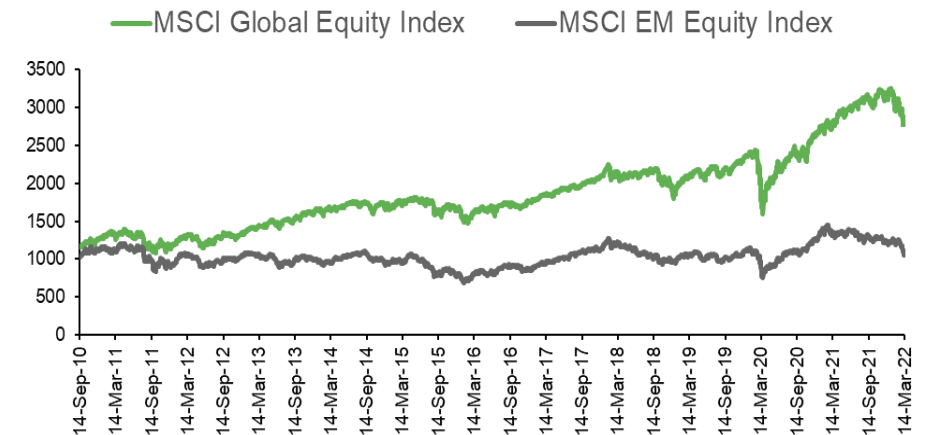


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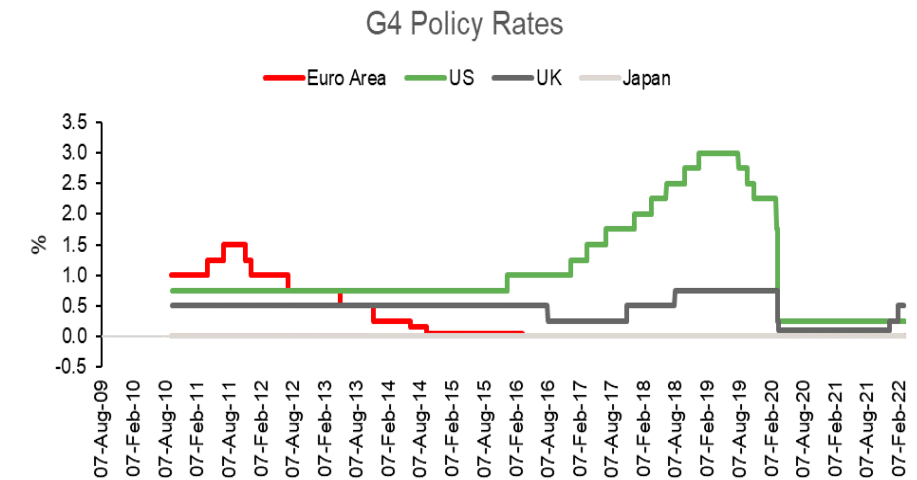
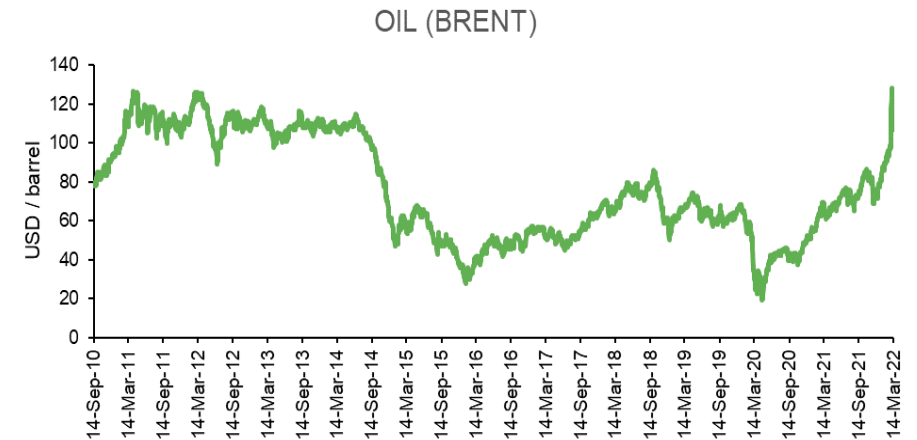


INTERNATIONAL MARKET VIEW

Russian assets bore the brunt of the sell-off, with the MSCI Russia Index down 53% MoM and the Russian currency falling 26% MoM. Russia's role as the third-largest oil producer globally, supplying natural gas, oil, and coal for c. 25% of the European Union's (EU's) energy needs caused heightened anxiety about the impact that the conflict might have on global energy supplies at a time when the pandemic and unusual weather patterns were already elevating demand and restricting the supply of energy commodities.

Brent crude oil spiked 11% MoM to end February above \$100/bbl, leaving the S&P 500 energy sector (+7% MoM) as the only sector to end the month in positive territory. Other emerging markets (EMs) fared better, particularly those with meaningful commodity exports like Brazil and South Africa (SA), which saw their stock markets close the month higher (+0.9% and +2.7% MoM, respectively). In aggregate, EMs still fared worse than developed markets (DMs) for the month (MSCI EM -3% MoM).

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TACTICAL ASSET ALLOCATION



RSA BONDS

In the fixed income markets the ALBI returned 0.54% during February with the long end of the curve seeing the largest increase. SA inflation data released during the month were largely in line with expectations (+5.7% YoY or +3.5% YoY, when excluding the volatile food and energy prices). The national budget speech delivered during the month by Finance Minister Enoch Godongwana, contained no material surprises with the windfall from higher commodity prices being used to reduce debt and fund temporary social relief grants, while fiscal consolidation remains intact. The local currency ended the month largely unchanged (+0.1% MoM) as did the yield on 10-year government bonds (9.8%).

We expect that SA bonds will continue to be driven by US rates and global risk sentiment.

We are becoming constructive on the asset class as we believe a lot of negative news has been priced in. We have recently increased our bond allocation to a neutral position and will be looking to increase that further into any weakness.

RSA PROPERTY, ALTERNATIVES AND CASH

During February, listed property had another weaker month, ending down -3.26%. With the SARB becoming more hawkish on the inflation outlook, investors started pricing in more rate hikes. The re-set of property companies' earnings and balance sheets is very favourable for the sector's re-rating potential.

The property sector has therefore turned attractive by historic standards and as such we will possibly make use of the pullback to add to our property exposure. The full impact of Covid-19 is still very much lingering and the

continued partial lockdown is sure to leave some scars down the road. We will be looking to increase our allocation to the asset class as we see some signs of normality returning to the local macro environment and on a basis of probability see more upside than downside risk. In South Africa's money market, the 3-m JIBAR rate rose 11bp to end the month at 4.22%, while the 12-m JIBAR rate rose 32bp to 6.03%. In the last 12 months, the rates are up 58bp and 158bp respectively. The 12-m T-bill average yield declined by 11bp to 5.60% at the end of February.

In the SA bond market, non-residents turned large net sellers, with the R28.6bn outflow in February far exceeding January's R5.6bn inflow (according to Bloomberg data). This brings the cumulative outflow for the last 12 months to R187bn.

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NOVARE HOUSE VIEW: February 2022 TACTICAL POSITIONING*

	UNDER-WEIGHT	←	ON-WEIGHT	→	OVER-WEIGHT	PREVIOUS
DOMESTIC	Under-weight					
Equities		95%				85%
Bonds		95%				95%
Property		95%				85%
Alternatives			100%			100%
Cash			Balancing			100%
OFFSHORE				120%		120%
Equities		90%				80%
Bonds		70%				70%
Alternatives			100%			100%
AFRICA			100%			

* positioning is as a % of strategic asset allocation

Summary:

Novare remains underweight domestic equities, domestic bonds and domestic property: whilst maintaining an overweight to International assets. Due to the limit of 30% to international assets, the balance of any domestic assets will be invested in cash.

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TACTICAL ASSET ALLOCATION

Global Assets (US\$)	1 month	3 months	YTD	12 months	3 Years	5 Years
MSCI All Countries Equity	-2.6%	-3.6%	-7.3%	8.3%	14.0%	12.0%
MSCI Emerging Markets	-3.0%	-3.0%	-4.8%	-10.4%	6.4%	7.4%
Global Bonds (R)	-1.4%	-6.5%	-6.7%	-3.8%	5.2%	5.9%

Commodity Prices	1 month	3 months	YTD	12 months	3 Years	5 Years
Brent Oil (USD/Barrel)	9.8%	41.5%	26.0%	52.1%	13.8%	11.9%
Platinum (USD/oz)	3.8%	10.9%	9.1%	-13.3%	6.6%	0.7%
Gold (USD/oz)	5.9%	5.7%	3.6%	7.1%	12.7%	8.7%

Asset Allocation (Rand)	1 month	3 months	YTD	12 months	3 Year	5 Years
Domestic Equities	2.9%	8.8%	3.8%	20.5%	14.8%	12.0%
Domestic Bonds	0.5%	4.1%	1.4%	9.0%	8.7%	8.9%
Domestic Cash	0.3%	1.0%	0.7%	3.9%	5.3%	6.1%
Domestic Property	-3.3%	1.4%	-6.0%	22.4%	-5.8%	-5.8%
International Equity	-2.6%	-6.8%	-11.0%	13.0%	18.4%	16.0%
International Bonds	-1.4%	-6.5%	-6.7%	-3.8%	5.2%	5.9%
Exchange rate (R / \$)	-0.1%	-3.3%	-3.6%	1.6%	2.9%	3.2%

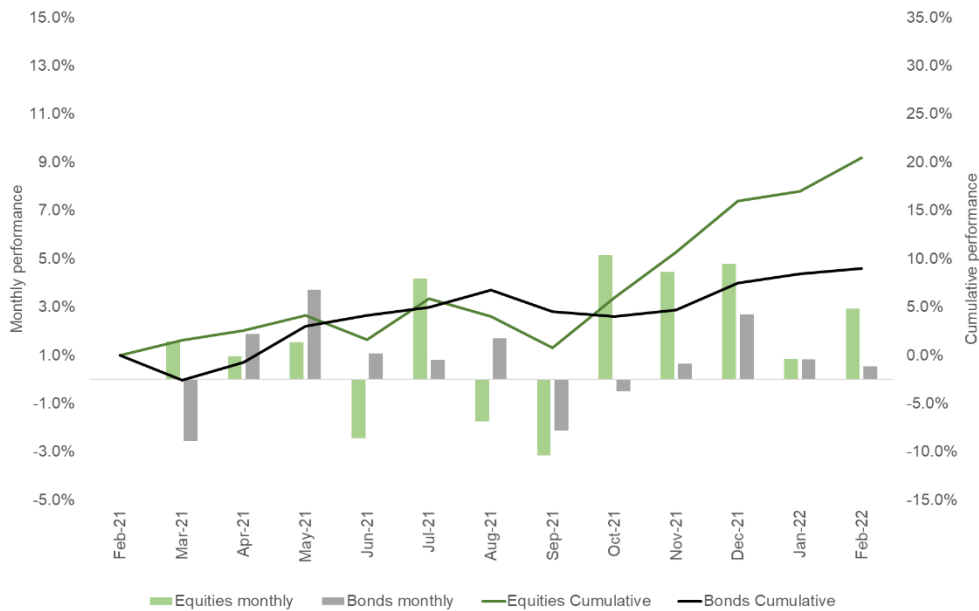
Scale:

Best performing asset class

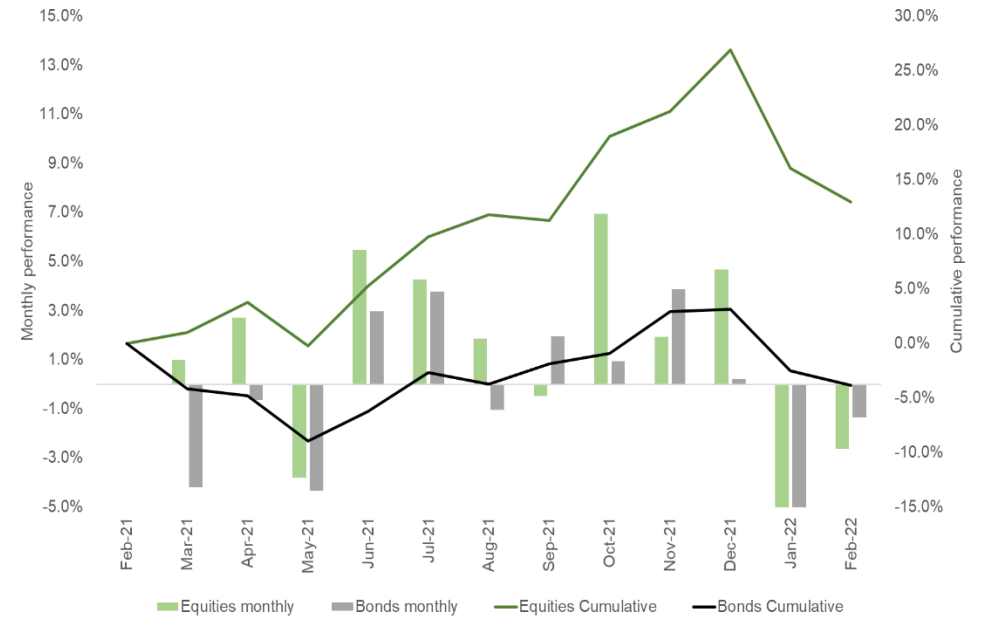
Worst performing asset class



Domestic Markets (R) over the last 12 months



International Markets over the last 12 months



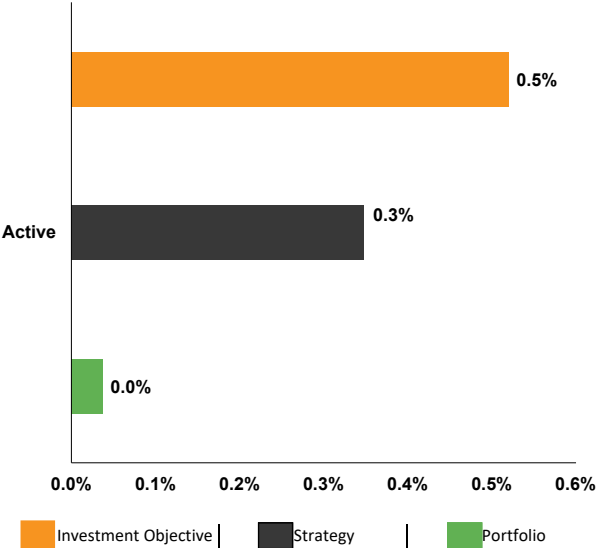
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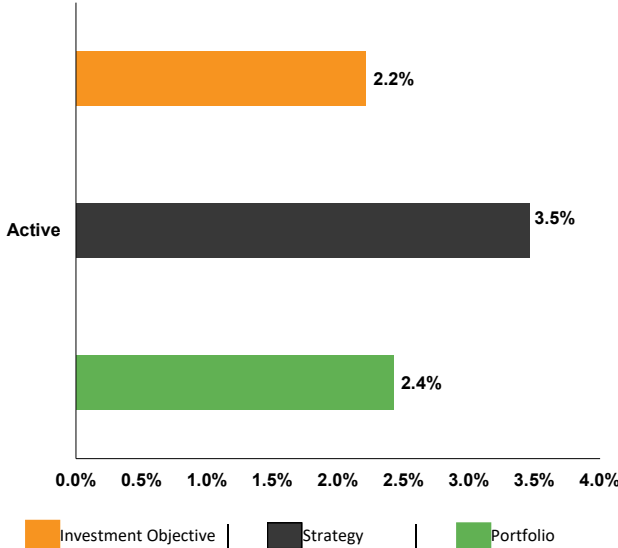


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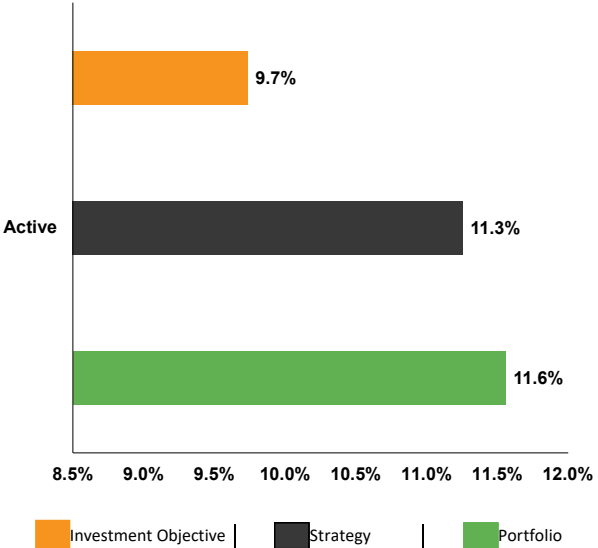
Monthly Return for February 2022



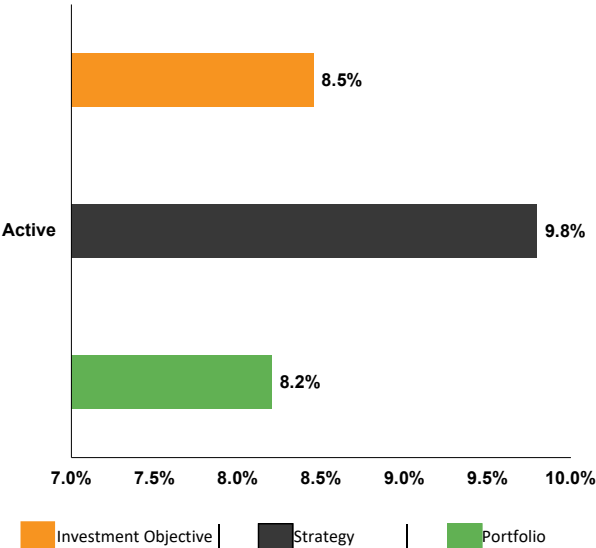
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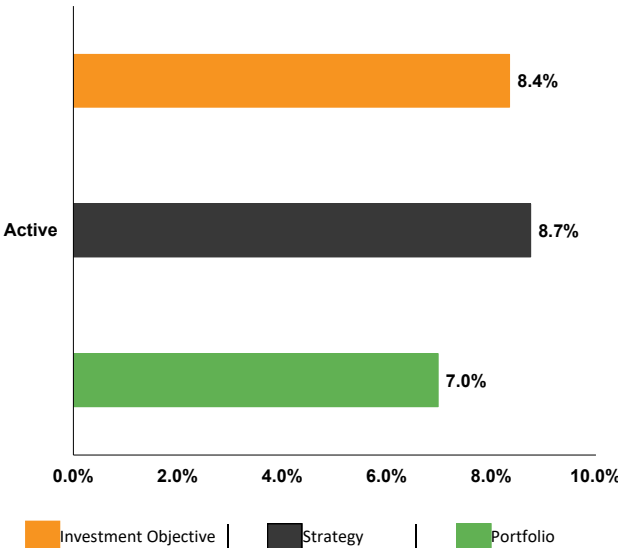
1 Year Return up to February 2022



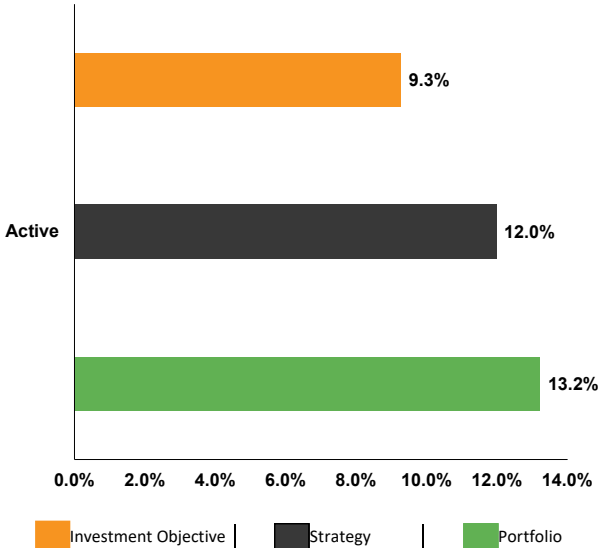
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5 Year Return up to February 2022



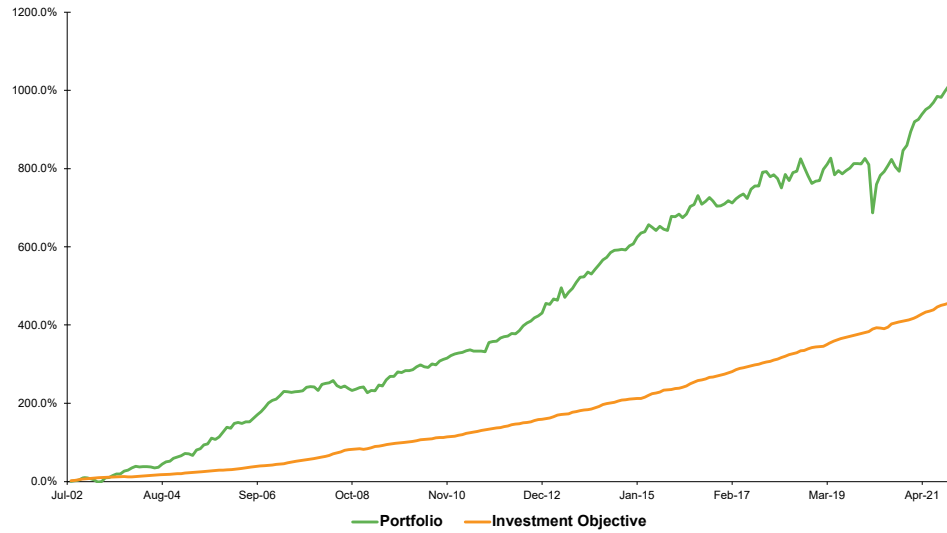
Returns Since Inception



LONG TERM RETURNS

Longer term returns should be used to assess the Fund's performance when compared to the benchmark as short term volatility may distort short term performance measurement.

Active - Cumulative return since 31 July 2002



PORTFOLIO MARKET VALUES AND RETURNS

The table below sets out the portfolio returns of the funds over the various periods in comparison with their respective benchmarks.

	Market value (R)	Weight (%)	1 month (%)	3 months (%)	12 months (%)	3 years (% p.a.)	5 years (% p.a.)	8 years (% p.a.)	Since Inception
Active Strategy	175 081 394	100.0%	0.0%	2.4%	11.6%	8.2%	7.0%	7.4%	13.2%
			0.3%	3.5%	11.3%	9.8%	8.7%	8.7%	12.0%
			-0.3%	-1.0%	0.3%	-1.6%	-1.8%	-1.3%	1.2%
Active Objective			0.0%	2.4%	11.6%	8.2%	7.0%	7.4%	13.2%
			0.5%	2.2%	9.7%	8.5%	8.4%	8.9%	9.3%
			-0.5%	0.2%	1.8%	-0.3%	-1.4%	-1.5%	3.9%
			175 081 394	100%					

MANAGER PERFORMANCE

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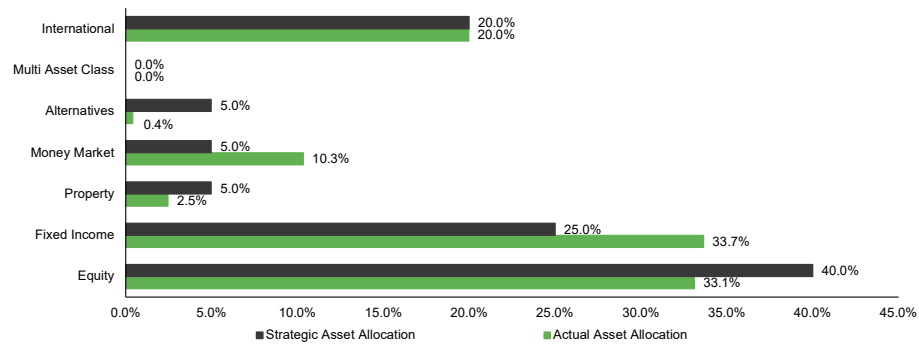
Asset Class	Manager	Inception Date	Market value (R)	Weight (%)	1 month (%)	3 months (%)	12 months (%)	3 years (% p.a.)	5 years (% p.a.)	8 years (% p.a.)	Since Inception
Equity	Swix Top 40 Tracker JSE All Share Index Top 40	2020/01/31	3 974	0.0%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
					-	-	-	-	-	-	-
					-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Fixed Income	Futuregrowth Infrastructure Bond Fund All Bond Index	2011/07/31	31 642 988	18.1%	0.7%	4.8%	11.8%	10.0%	10.3%	10.0%	10.1%
					0.5%	4.1%	9.0%	8.7%	8.9%	8.5%	8.4%
					0.1%	0.7%	2.8%	1.3%	1.4%	1.5%	1.7%
Money Market	Liberty Standard Money Market STEFI	2008/10/31	15 833 993	9.0%	0.3%	1.0%	4.1%	5.4%	6.3%	6.5%	6.6%
					0.3%	1.0%	3.9%	5.3%	6.1%	6.3%	6.5%
					0.0%	0.0%	0.2%	0.1%	0.2%	0.2%	0.1%
	Standard Money Market STEFI	2006/05/31	1 333 851	0.8%	0.3%	1.0%	4.1%	5.2%	6.2%	5.9%	6.7%
					0.3%	1.0%	3.9%	5.3%	6.1%	6.3%	7.0%
					0.0%	0.0%	0.2%	-0.2%	0.0%	-0.5%	-0.3%
Multi Asset Class	Prudential House View with Global CPI + 5%	2020/01/31	63 458 193	36.2%	-1.0%	1.1%	13.9%	-	-	-	11.4%
					0.6%	2.4%	10.7%	-	-	-	9.4%
					-1.5%	-1.4%	3.1%	-	-	-	2.0%
	Ninety One House View with Global CPI + 5%	2020/01/31	62 808 394	35.9%	0.6%	1.7%	9.4%	-	-	-	11.0%
					0.6%	2.4%	10.7%	-	-	-	9.4%
					0.0%	-0.8%	-1.4%	-	-	-	1.6%
			175 081 394	100%							

ASSET ALLOCATION

Asset Class	Manager	Active	Total Fund
Equity	Swix Top 40 Tracker	3 974	3 974
Fixed Income	Futuregrowth Infrastructure Bond Fund	31 642 988	31 642 988
Money Market	Liberty Standard Money Market	15 833 993	15 833 993
	Standard Money Market	1 333 851	1 333 851
Multi Asset Class	Prudential House View with Global	63 458 193	63 458 193
	Ninety One House View with Global	62 808 394	62 808 394
Total Fund		175 081 394	175 081 394

ASSET ALLOCATION

Active



Section C

Glossary



INVESTMENT GLOSSARY

ALTERNATIVE INVESTMENTS

Any non-traditional asset class. Investing in these generally provides a portfolio with greater diversification.

ANNUALISED RETURN

Where a cumulative return is over a period greater than a year, an annualised return is what the return is when converted into annual periods. For example, if the cumulative return over a 3-year period was 6%, the annualised return would be approximately 2% p.a. It means the investment earned an effective return of around 2% each year over the 3-year period (to arrive at the 6%).

ASSET CLASS

A type of investment, such as equities, bonds, cash, private equity etc.

BENCHMARK

What a portfolio, asset class or investment manager is judged against.

BENCHMARK PERFORMANCE

The performance return of an investment manager's benchmark or a Fund's strategic asset allocation.

BOND

A bond is issued by a company or country where it borrows money from the market, with a promise to repay it back. Bonds are characterised by what interest is paid back each year, and how long the term of the bond is.

CPI

Consumer price index. It is commonly used to identify periods of inflation or deflation.

CREDIT RATING

The rating given by a credit-rating agency, based on its view of the financial wellbeing of a company or country and the likelihood of default (i.e. inability to meet debt obligations). The highest rating is usually AAA, and the lowest is D.

CRISA

Code of Responsible Investing in South Africa.

CUMULATIVE RETURN

The aggregated return of an investment over a particular time-period.

DERIVATIVES

A derivative is a security of which the price is dependent upon or derived from one or more underlying assets.

EQUITY

Referring to the asset class, equity describes the ownership of a company. An individual or financial institution can own part of the company by buying equity shares or stocks. These are generally traded on a stock exchange, such as the Johannesburg Stock Exchange.

FUND OBJECTIVE

The investment objective that a Fund portfolio is trying to achieve. This is generally a return in excess of CPI. E.g. CPI + 3% per annum.

INVESTMENT GLOSSARY

HEDGE FUND

A type of alternative asset class. Here the investment manager generally invests in traditional asset classes, but has more tools to express their view of the market. Hedge funds look to protect capital in times of market falls and offer diversification from traditional asset classes.

INDEX

A benchmark measure to gauge how an asset class has performed. For example, the JSE All Share index is a measure to gauge how South African equities have performed.

INFLATION

The increase (or decrease) in the price of goods. For example, if inflation over the year was 5%, this means that prices rose by 5% over the period.

INTERNATIONAL

The assets of a Fund that are invested outside of South Africa. Exposure is limited to 30% per Regulation 28 of the Pension Fund, or 40% subject to 10% being invested in Africa.

INVESTMENT OBJECTIVE

The target that an investment fund or portfolio is trying to achieve.

INVESTMENT POLICY STATEMENT (IPS)

A document which sets out the investment aspects of the Fund, including its Fund objectives and describes the various strategies followed to meet them.

MONTHLY RETURN

The performance return over a month.

MANDATE

An investment manager's portfolio and objective.

OVERWEIGHT

To have a higher allocation in a particular asset class or security than what the comparable benchmark indicates.

PERFORMANCE

How much the value of a portfolio or instrument has grown by over a particular period.

PRIVATE EQUITY

An alternative asset class where investors buy equity ownership of a company but where the equity is not listed on a stock exchange.

PROPERTY

An asset class where one invests in property either directly (i.e. buying a property) or indirectly (i.e. buying property shares on the stock exchange).

PROTECTED EQUITY

An asset class giving the investor exposure to equities, but whilst also offering protection against market falls.

INVESTMENT GLOSSARY

REGULATION 28

Refers to regulation 28 of the Pension Funds Act, i.e. the guidelines for South African retirement funds which is aimed at ensuring Funds are not taking on too much risk, by limiting the excessive use of specific investment instruments, markets and asset classes.

REPO RATE

The interest rate which the Reserve Bank lends money to the commercial banks. An increase in the repo rates puts pressure on commercial banks to increase the prime rate.

SHARPE RATIO

A statistical measure indicating the reward for taking on an additional unit of risk. A high positive value is ideal as it indicates that for the risk taken, positive returns were achieved.

STRATEGIC ASSET ALLOCATION

This is the target that a Fund portfolio should be invested in over the long term across various asset classes. The strategic asset allocations are designed to help meet the Fund objective.

TACTICAL ASSET ALLOCATION

These are deviations made away from the strategic asset allocation with the aim of enhancing performance based on views of the investment markets.

TRACKING ERROR

A statistical measure indicating the deviation or difference of a portfolio's return compared to its benchmark return.

TRADITIONAL ASSET CLASS

This generally refers to equities, bonds, cash and property

UNDERWEIGHT

To have a lower allocation in a particular asset class or security than what the comparable benchmark indicates.

VOLATILITY

A risk measure characterised by the standard deviation of portfolio returns. The higher the value, the higher expected risk.

YEAR-TO-DATE ("YTD")

The performance return since the beginning of the latest calendar year

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