

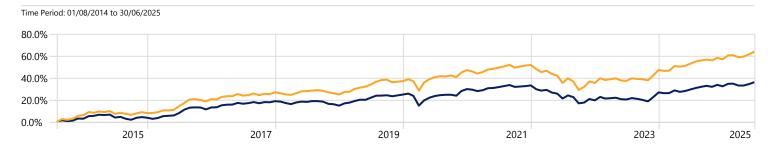
**AB Active Cautious** Data as at 30 June 2025

# **Investment Objectives**

A diversified portfolio that aims to achieve capital growth over the medium to long term, seeking outperformance of the IA Mixed Investment 0-35% Shares sector average over time. The portfolio will adhere to the IA sector guidelines, which include the requirement for a maximum of 35% in equities and a minimum of 45% in investment grade fixed income and cash.

	Key Facts									
	Launch Date	2 June 2025								
	Base Currency	Pound Sterling								
•	Benchmark	IA Mixed Investment 0-35%								
-	Model Portfolio Service Charge (No VAT Charged)	0.25%								
	Underlying Fund Costs	0.49%								
	Total Portfolio Cost	0.74%								

### **Investment Growth**



AB Active Cautious 64.0% — IA Mixed Investment 0-35% Shares 36.2%

Performance	Summary
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As at 30 June 2025	3 Month	6 Month	1 Year	3 Year	5 Year	YTD	Since 2/8/2014	2024	2023	2022	2021
AB Active Cautious	3.19	4.44	7.15	21.04	16.49	4.44	62.41	6.57	8.78	-10.80	3.14
IA Mixed Investment 0-35% Shares	2.30	2.84	5.11	12.26	10.21	2.84	34.89	4.37	6.06	-10.22	2.57

#### Performance data should be reviewed alongside the important risk information on page 2.

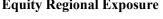
This model was launched on 2 June 2025. Performance data prior to the launch date is for illustration purposes only and reflects the investment proposition managed by The Advice Centre from 1 August 2014.

# **Top Holdings** Portfolio Date: 30/06/2025 Portfolio Weighting % Artemis Corporate Bond I Acc GBP BlackRock Corporate Bond D Acc Invesco Corporate Bond UK Z Acc Premier Miton Corporate Bd Mly Inc C acc Man High Yield Opports Profl Acc C Baillie Gifford High Yield Bond B Acc Janus Henderson Absolute Return I Acc 5.00% 5.00% Royal London UK Government Bond M Acc BlackRock Cash D Acc 4.50% Fidelity Cash W Acc 4.50%

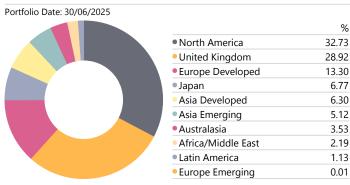
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Asset Allocation





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## **Manager Commentary**

Global equity markets climbed the wall of worry during the month, moving ahead despite conflict in the Middle East and ongoing uncertainty about President Trump's trade tariffs. US equities were the driving force behind the rise, with growing optimism about trade deals, along with hopes of easier monetary policy, enthusing stock market bulls. Indeed, the main US index hit an all-time high at the end of the quarter, with technology stocks in the vanguard. Asian and emerging market indices also enjoyed strong performances, buoyed by the Chinese stock market's ongoing recovery. UK equities chalked up positive returns, with better performances emanating from the mid and smaller-cap segments, while European equities were laggards, although this was in the context of strong returns achieved earlier in the year.

It was also a positive month for fixed income assets. Government bond yields in the US declined (prices rose) as investors became increasingly optimistic that further interest rate cuts were in the offing. This backdrop was helpful for the UK gilt market, although fiscal and economic concerns were never far from the surface. Corporate and high yield bonds also delivered positive total returns.

For the month of June, the performance of the AB Active Cautious Portfolio was ahead of the average return of the IA Mixed Investment 0-35% Shares sector. From an asset allocation perspective, compared to the IA sector median, the AB Active Cautious Portfolio is underweight in bonds, close to neutral in equities and overweight in cash and alternative funds. Within equities, the underweight to the US was a headwind for relative performance, while the slight overweight allocation to Asia and emerging markets helped to offset this.

Within the different segments of the AB Active Cautious Portfolio, the UK equity blend performed particularly well versus the index thanks to strong returns from both Royal London UK Equity Income and Jupiter UK Dynamic Equity. Elsewhere, the equity funds mostly lagged index returns, although in some cases, this was because of technical differences between fund pricing points and close of market days. Within the alternatives selection, Ninety One Global Gold delivered a negative return this month. However, it has been an extraordinary few months for the gold price and this gold mining fund has contributed strongly to performance over a longer period. The bond fund blends all performed to expectations, delivering positive total returns over the month.

## **Platform Availability**



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