Alpha Beta

Alpha Beta Balanced Income Portfolio

Data as at 31 March 2024

Investment Objectives

Snapshot

Base Currency 12 Month Yield

Ongoing Charge

Portfolio Cost

Benchmark

Risk

Benchmark

Management Fee (VAT where applicable)

Time Period: 01/04/2023 to 31/03/2024

Balanced Income Composite Benchmark

BNY Mellon Global Income Inst W Inc

Fidelity Global Enhanced Income W Inc

Vanguard FTSE 100 Idx Unit Tr £ Inc

Royal London UK Equity Income M

Schroder High Yield Opportunities Z Inc

RLBF II Royal London Shrt Dur Crdt M Inc

M&G Emerging Markets Bond GBP I Inc

CT UK Equity Income Z Inc GBP

HSBC UK Gilt Index C Inc

Alpha Beta Balanced Income

Top 10 Holdings

Artemis Income I Inc

Portfolio Date: 31/03/2024

The Portfolio's investment objective is to achieve a combination of moderate income yield and capital appreciation by deploying a globally focused multi asset strategy.

The portfolio gains this exposure through collective investment schemes and ETFs where required.



Calendar Year Returns

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Ratio

0.37

0.24

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0.60

0.25

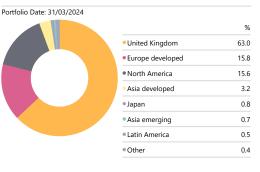
0.85%

ling	Data Point: Return						
18%		3 Month	6 Month	1 Year	3 Years	5 Years	Since Inception [01-01-2018]
50%	Alpha Beta Balanced Income	1.93	8.17	8.18	9.61	22.25	24.04
25%	Balanced Income Composite Benchmark	1.47	6.83	6.50	7.19	14.79	14.15

The Balanced Income composite benchmark became effective from 1 September 2023. Prior to this date the Bank of England base rate was used as the comparable benchmark

Asset Allocation Portfolio Date: 31/03/2024 Balanced Income Composite Benchmark % 50% IA Global Corporate Bond and 50% IA UK Equity Income Sterling Fixed Income 43.43 • UK Equity Large Cap 29.80 Global Equity Large Cap 15.09 Emerging Markets Fixed Income 4 88 Infrastructure Sector Equity 4.83 Std Dev Unclassified 1.98 7.12 7.73

Equity Regional Exposure



Manager's Commentary

7.59%

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5.85%

4.99%

4.88%

59.44%

Asim Javed, CFA

In the first quarter of 2024, we witnessed positive outcomes in our portfolio's performance.

Some important milestones included the Bank of Japan raised interest rates for the first time in 37 years, while the Swiss National Bank initiated an interest rate Portfolio cutting cycle with a 0.25% decrease. Inflation in the United States surprised on the downside, pleasing domestic markets, though core inflation remained steady, particularly due to persistent housing costs. Weighting %

The Federal Reserve indicated a likelihood of three rate cuts in 2024 but uncertainty regarding further easing in 2025. The promise of lower interest rates, coupled with an impending Presidential election, boosted optimism in US markets. Solid economic growth, a robust labour market, and optimistic consumer confidence further fuelled this positivity. Moreover, ample liquidity supported risk assets, acting as a vital lubricant for portfolio growth

Chinese equities and emerging markets remained stable. Copper prices and commodities in general were supported by increased Chinese demand, indicating 6.12% manufacturing demand. However, deflation in China is a real phenomenon and is finding its way into Western markets, supported by a weaker Yuan. 6.02%

In Europe, the European Central Bank faced pressure to cut interest rates to alleviate the burden on struggling Eurozone economies. ECB has indicated it may front 5.96% run the Fed to cut interest rates. In the UK we were all pleased to see inflation falling back and offering an overdue positive surprise.

In March, Technology and Special situation funds posted strong performance, while long duration bond funds saw some gains too. Sustainable energy funds also 5.62% benefited from favourable equity market sentiment.

Meanwhile, geopolitical tensions persisted, with conflicts in the Middle East and the Russo-Ukraine crisis causing instability. 4.91%

Despite potential geopolitical risks, the outlook remained optimistic. A regenerative interest rate cutting cycle across developed markets, robust economic performance in the US, and resilient corporate earnings suggested further upside potential. Alpha Beta Partners maintained a cautious risk-on positioning in portfolios, aiming to capture opportunities while remaining cognizant of the potential downside risks.

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