

VT AJ Bell Passive Balanced Q2 2019 Report

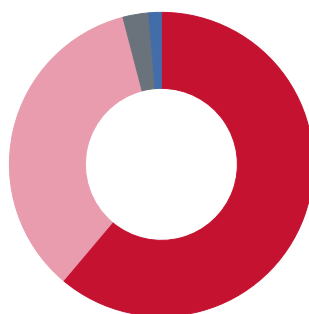
Commentary

In the second quarter, the Balanced fund posted a gain of 4.6%. Its return was boosted by its large holding of shares, especially its significant allocation to the UK market. This was the biggest contributor to the fund's return, as multi-national companies on the FTSE 100 were helped by a weakened pound. Also chipping in with attractive gains this quarter were US shares and global technology shares. As we mentioned last quarter, the Balanced fund now includes global stock allocations not just to technology, but also to consumer staples and healthcare too and these performed well over the quarter, with consumer staples faring especially well.

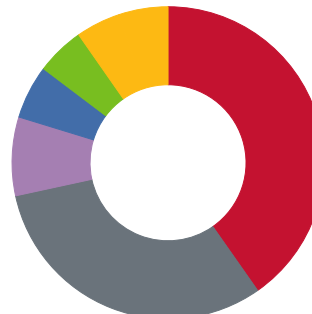
Slightly dampening performance was the fund's holding of UK-listed commercial property funds, which were down on the quarter, as the sector grapples with the increased possibility of a no-deal Brexit and a retail sector slowdown. The fund was insulated from the worst of these falls, however, by its innovative method of allocating to UK commercial property. Finally, the Balanced fund also has holdings in bond markets and a good period for bonds across the board further helped returns, with UK corporate bonds the highlight.

The team continue to monitor the fund on a daily basis and should we feel any global market or political developments are likely to affect its future prospects, we're ready to make changes if necessary.

Asset Breakdown



Shares Regional Breakdown



Shares Sector Breakdown



Bond Maturity Breakdown



Trailing Returns (%)

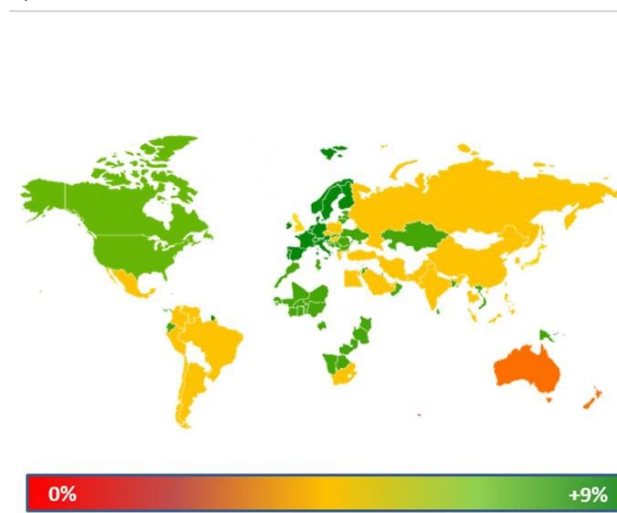
Last Quarter	4.6
Year to Date	11.4
1 Year	5.7

Historic Performance



—VT AJ Bell Passive Balanced —IA Mixed Investment 40-85% Shares

Q2 Stock Market Performance



Top 10 Holdings

Holdings	Weight %
iShares FTSE 100 ETF	14.9
iShares £ Corporate Bond ETF	13.9
BMO Global High Yield Bond ETF	7.9
Vanguard S&P 500 ETF	7.0
Xtrackers MSCI USA Health Care ETF	7.0
iShares S&P 500 IT ETF	5.2
iShares MSCI Pacific ex-Japan ETF	5.0
Lyxor MSCI Japan ETF	5.0
Vanguard \$ EM Bond ETF	4.9
Xtrackers MSCI USA Consumer Staples ETF	4.9

Fund Snapshot

ISIN	GB00BYW8RX12
IA Sector	Mixed Investment 40-85% Shares
Inception Date	18/04/2017
Ongoing Charge	0.35
Fund Size - £ mill	70.66
12 Month Yield (Reinvested)	1.95

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