Allan Gray Balanced Fund



Fund managers:

Inception date:

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Class:

Fund description

The Fund invests in a mix of shares, bonds, property, commodities and cash. The Fund may buy foreign assets up to a maximum of 25% of the Fund. The Fund typically invests the bulk of its foreign allowance in a mix of funds managed by Orbis Investment Management Limited, our offshore investment partner. The maximum net equity exposure of the Fund is 75% and we may use exchange-traded derivative contracts on stock market indices to reduce net equity exposure from time to time. The Fund is managed to comply with the investment limits governing retirement funds. Returns are likely to be less volatile than those of an equity-only fund.

ASISA unit trust category: Domestic Asset Allocation - Prudential - Variable Equity

Fund objective and benchmark

The Fund aims to create long-term wealth for investors within the constraints governing retirement funds. It aims to outperform the average return of similar funds without assuming any more risk. The Fund's benchmark is the market value-weighted average return of funds in both the Prudential Medium Equity category and the Prudential Variable Equity category (excluding the Allan Gray Balanced Fund).

How we aim to achieve the Fund's objective

We seek to buy shares at a discount to their intrinsic value. We thoroughly research companies to assess their intrinsic value from a long-term perspective. This long-term perspective enables us to buy shares which are shunned by the stock market because of their unexciting or poor short-term prospects, but which are relatively attractively priced if one looks to the long term. If the stock market offers few attractive shares we may increase the Fund's weighting to alternative assets such as bonds, property, commodities and cash, or we may partially hedge the Fund's stock market exposure. By varying the Fund's exposure to these different asset classes over time, we seek to enhance the Fund's long-term returns and to manage its risk. The Fund's bond and money market investments are actively managed.

Suitable for those investors who

- Seek steady long-term capital growth
- · Are comfortable with taking on some risk of market fluctuation and potential capital loss, but typically less than that of an equity fund
- Wish to invest in a unit trust that complies with pension fund investment limits
- Typically have an investment horizon of more than three years

Minimum investment amounts

Minimum lump sum per investor account:	R20 000
Additional lump sum:	R500
Minimum debit order*:	R500
*Only available to South African residents.	

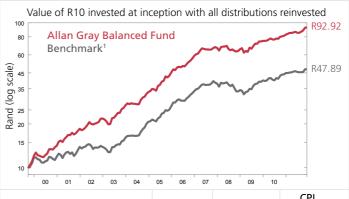
Fund information on 30 November 2011

Fund size:	R48 365m
Fund price:	R61.04
Number of share holdings:	84

Income distributions for the last 12 months

To the extent that income earned in the form of dividends and interest exceeds expenses in the Fund, the Fund will distribute any surplus biannually.	31 Dec 2010	30 Jun 2011
Cents per unit	67.6430	73.1260

Performance net of all fees and expenses



% Returns	Fund	Benchmark ¹	CPI inflation ²
<i>Unannualised:</i> Since inception	829.2	378.9	100.0
Annualised: Since inception	20.1	13.7	5.9
Latest 10 years	17.8	13.7	6.0
Latest 5 years	10.4	7.9	6.8
Latest 3 years	13.4	12.4	5.1
Latest 2 years	11.9	10.5	4.7
Latest 1 year	14.4	8.4	6.0
Year-to-date (unannualised)	12.3	6.1	5.7
Risk measures (since inception)			
Maximum drawdown ³	-15.4	-20.5	n/a
Percentage positive months ⁴	69.2	67.8	n/a
Annualised monthly volatility ⁵	9.8	10.2	n/a

1. The daily average return weighted by market value of funds in both the Domestic Asset Allocation Prudential Medium and Prudential Variable Equity categories excluding the Allan Gray Balanced Fund (Source: Morningstar), performance as calculated by Allan Gray as at 30 November 2011.

2. This is based on the latest numbers published by I-Net Bridge.

3. Maximum percentage decline over any period. The maximum drawdown occurred from 20 May 2008 to 27 October 2008 and maximum benchmark drawdown occurred from 20 May 2008 to 10 March 2009. Drawdown is calculated on the total return of the Fund/benchmark (i.e. including income).

The percentage of calendar months in which the Fund produced a positive monthly return since inception. The standard deviation of the Fund's monthly return. This is a measure of how much an investment's return varies from its average over time.

Total expense ratio (TER)

The TER for the year ending 30 September 2011 is 1.10% and included in this is performance fee of -0.17% and trading costs of 0.09%. The annual management fee rate for the three months ending 30 November 2011 was 1.46% (annualised). These figures are inclusive of VAT, where applicable. Fund returns are quoted after deduction of costs incurred within the Fund so the TER should not be deducted from Fund returns (refer to page 2 for further information).

Annual management fee

The annual management fee rate is dependent on the return of the Fund relative to its benchmark, the daily average return weighted by market value of funds in both the Domestic Asset Allocation Prudential Medium and Prudential Variable Equity categories excluding the Allan Gray Balanced Fund, over a rolling two-year period. The fee hurdle (above which a fee greater than the minimum fee of 0.5% is charged) is performance equal to the benchmark minus 5%. For performance equal to the benchmark a fee of 1.0% (excl. VAT) per annum is payable. The manager's sharing rate is 10% of the out- and underperformance of the benchmark over a rolling two-year period and a maximum fee of 1.5% (excl. VAT) applies. The annual management fee is calculated on the daily value of the Fund excluding any assets invested in the Orbis funds. Assets invested in the Orbis funds incur a management fee within the Orbis funds. These fees and other expenses are included in the total expense ratio.

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Fund manager quarterly commentary as at 30 September 2011

Equity markets around the world sold off sharply in the third guarter. The total dollar return on the MSCI Emerging Markets Index was -22.5% compared to -16.5% for the MSCI World Index. This means that emerging markets have now given up virtually all of their gains relative to the developed markets since June 2009. Despite this recent underperformance we still see more attractive values in the developed market indices than in the emerging market indices.

The rand depreciated from R6.76 per dollar to R8.09 per dollar over the quarter, but the Fund has maintained its full foreign exposure. We remain convinced that at current market prices Orbis is presented with more attractive investment opportunities in the global markets than are available to us on the JSE. Furthermore, the Fund's foreign exposure provides diversification of country, currency and sector exposures. Orbis is able to access investment opportunities in sectors of the global economy, which are under-represented on the JSE.

For example, the biggest sector exposure in the Orbis Global Equity Fund is to the technology sector (27% of the Fund). In contrast, technology sector stocks account for less than 1% of the value of the South African shares in the Fund, and for only 0.3% of the FTSE/JSE All Share Index (ALSI). Orbis is able to invest in global technology companies such as Cisco, Qualcomm, Google, SAP and Samsung which are simply not available to us on the JSE.

The second biggest sector exposure in the Orbis Global Equity Fund is to the consumer services sector (18% of the Fund). Although this sector is well represented on the JSE, making up 9.5% of the ALSI, we find the current valuations of most of the local stocks in this sector, especially the retailers, unappealing. Consumer services stocks thus account for only 3% of the value of the Fund's South African shares. We believe that similar stocks in the developed markets (such as Safeway, CVS Caremark, Rakuten, SunDrug and Nippon TV) are much more attractive investments at current prices.

The market is presently enamoured by the perceived long-term growth potential for South African retailers. For example, Shoprite is now trading on close to double the P/E multiple on which Safeway trades. There is a risk that the markets are confusing need with economic demand backed up by buying power.

Top 10 share holdings on 30 September 2011 (SA and Foreign) (updated quarterly)

Company	% of portfolio
Sasol	5.8
SABMiller	5.5
British American Tobacco	4.7
Remgro	3.3
Anglogold Ashanti	2.8
Sanlam	2.3
Standard Bank	1.9
Anglo American ⁶	1.7
Impala Platinum	1.6
MTN	1.3
Total	30.9

6. Including Anglo American Stub Certificates.

Asset allocation on 30 November 2011

Asset class	Total	SA	Foreign ⁷
Net Equity	57.6	42.2	15.4
Hedged Equity	10.4	3.1	7.3
Property	0.3	0.3	-
Commodities (Gold)	3.2	3.2	-
Bonds	10.0	10.0	-
Money Market and Bank Deposits	18.5	16.1	2.4
Total	100.0	74.9	25.1

7. The Fund is above its foreign exposure limit due to market value movements.

Since inception, the Fund's month-end net equity exposure has varied as follows:

Minimum	49.3% (February 2000)
Average	64.3%
Maximum	72.7% (July 2004)

Note: There may be slight discrepancies in the totals due to rounding.

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The Fund is managed to comply with Regulation 28 of the Pension Funds Act. Exposures in excess of the limits will be corrected immediately, except where due to a change in the fair value or characteristic of an asset, e.g market value fluctuations, in which case they will be corrected within a reasonable time period. Allan Gray Unit Trust Management Limited does not monitor compliance by retirement funds with section 19(4) of the Pension Funds Act (item 6 of Table 1 to Regulation 28).

Unit price

Unit trust prices are calculated on a net asset value basis, which is the total market value of all assets in the portfolio including any income accruals and less any permissible deductions from the portfolio divided by the number of units in issue. Forward pricing is used and Fund valuations take place at approximately 16:00 each business day. Purchase and redemption requests must be received by the manager by 14:00 each business day to receive that day's price. Fluctuations and movements in exchange rates may also cause the value of underlying international investments to go up or down

Fees

A schedule of fees, charges and maximum commissions is available on request from the manager. Commission and incentives may be paid and if so, would be included in the overall costs.

TER

*TERs are shown for class A units only

The Total Expense Ratio (TER) is the percentage of the fund's average assets under management that has been used to pay the fund's operating expenses over the past year. The TER includes the annual management fees that have been charged (both the fee at benchmark and any performance component charged), trading costs (including brokerage, STT, STRATE and insider trading levy), VAT and other expenses. Since unit trust expenses vary, the current TER cannot be used as an indication of future TERs. All Allan Gray performance figures are quoted after the deduction of costs incurred within the Fund so the TER is not a new cost. A higher TER ratio does not necessarily imply a poor return, nor does a low TER imply a good return. Instead, when investing, the investment objective of the Fund should be aligned with the investor's objective and compared against the performance of the Fund. TERs should then be used to evaluate whether the Fund performance offers value for money.

Performance

Collective Investment Schemes in Securities (unit trusts) are generally medium- to long-term investments. The value of units may go down as well as up and past performance is not necessarily a guide to the future. Performance figures are from Allan Gray Proprietary Limited (GIPS compliant) and are for lump sum investments with income distributions reinvested.