Fiducian Capital Stable Fund



Monthly Report - March 2024

Fund description

The Fiducian Capital Stable Fund has a large allocation to fixed income assets and cash, and also includes some exposure to equities for longer term performance. The fund is diversified between multiple asset classes and countries, utilising the Fiducian "Manage the Manager" system that aims to achieve superior returns with reduced risk.

The Fund is suitable for investors who are relatively conservative but are prepared to take some level of market risk to achieve modest capital growth in addition to a relatively high level of income. The recommended holding period is at least 4 years.

Fund facts

Portfolio manager: Conrad Burge

ARSN: 093 542 879 APIR code: FPS0002AU

Benchmark: Zenith AMI Mixed Asset Cautious Index

Current fund size: \$503 million (March 2024)

Management cost: 0.76% Total management costs: 0.82%

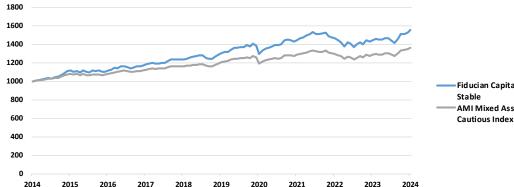
Application/Exit fee: Nil Inception Date: March 1997



Performance and Risk

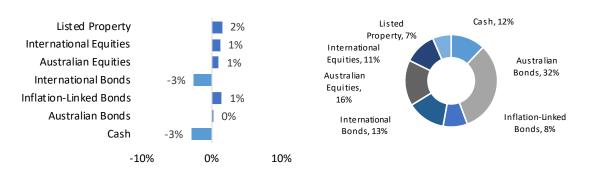
After fee returns as	1 Mth	3 Mth	6 Mth	1 Yr	3 Yrs	5 Yrs	7yrs	10 Yrs
Fund	1.9%	3.2%	8.5%	7.7%	2.6%	3.6%	4.0%	4.5%
Index	1.2%	2.0%	5.9%	5.5%	2.0%	2.5%	2.7%	3.1%
Excess	0.6%	1.2%	2.6%	2.2%	0.6%	1.1%	1.3%	1.4%
Ranking				3/42	12/38	8/35	7/35	4/30

Risk Exposure	Exposure				
	1 Yr	3 Yrs	5 Yrs	10 Yrs	
Fund Volatility (Std Dev %)	5.7%	6.0%	6.2%	5.0%	
Benchmark (Std Dev %)	3.7%	3.9%	4.2%	3.4%	
Beta	1.39	1.46	1.42	1.44	
Tracking Error (% pa)	2.1%	2.3%	2.2%	1.8%	



Fiducian Capital AMI Mixed Asset

Tactical tilts and current asset weights



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Market Commentary and Outlook

The global economy has held steady in recent months, although growth in some of the advanced economies, particularly in Europe and Japan, remains weak. However, inflation has continued to decline, and in the words of the International Monetary Fund (IMF April report) most indicators point to a 'soft landing', although interest rates are likely to stay 'higher for longer' than previously anticipated.

Global equity markets had another positive month in March. In the US, the broad market (S&P 500 index) rose by 3.1%, and the Australian stock market (ASX 200 index) gained 3.3%. Other global markets, including Japan, the UK and Germany also recorded gains of between 3% and 4%. Bond returns were positive for the month, whilst commodity price performance was mixed.

Looking ahead, monetary policy could begin to become less restrictive before the end of this year, which could help to sustain markets. However, geopolitical risks represent potential headwinds. Despite this, the IMF is now forecasting global growth to be 3.2% in 2024, which is close to the long-term trend rate for growth. In broad terms, share markets continue to appear more attractive than most other investment opportunities.

Fund Commentary

The Fund outperformed the benchmark in March, with a return of 1.9%, compared to the benchmark return of 1.2%. Over the 12 months to the end of March, the Fund returned 7.7%.

Growth assets continued to perform well, with Listed Property (+9.7%) delivering strong gains, alongside Australian and International Equities. Bond returns were also positive for the month, returning 1%.

The Fund currently has small overweight positions in Australian and International equities as well as listed property. The weighting towards bonds has increased in recent months.

In the Zenith AMI Mixed Asset-Cautious Category, the Fiducian Capital Stable Fund returns were ranked 3 out of 42 funds over one year, 8 out of 35 funds over five years, and 4 out of 30 funds over the ten year period to 31 March 2024.

Managers and weights

Asset Class Fund Manager Will Solaris Fidelity Bennelong	eight 2.8%
Fidelity	2.8%
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Rennelong	2.3%
Australian Equities 15.9%	3.1%
L1 Capital	2.1%
Ausbil Dexia	3.0%
Pendal	2.7%
Franklin Templeton	2.6%
Challenger	3.5%
Wellington GRE	1.9%
Wellington Value	1.6%
State Bank of India	0.1%
Sundaram	0.2%
International Equities Tata	0.1%
EquiPoise	0.1%
Vanguard	0.2%
Wellington Technology	0.4%
Wellington Biotechnology	0.1%
Loftus Peak Technology	0.2%
Nordic Technology	0.1%
BlackRock	0.6%
Listed Property 6.5% Phoenix	2.9%
Principal	2.9%
Perpetual Fixed Interest 1	12.0%
	0.3%
Australian Bonds 39.1% BlackRock	
Blacknock	16.8%
Blacknock	
Challenger 2 Inflation Linked Bonds 8.5% Challenger	8.5%
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Top stock holdings

Top Australian Stocks	Industry	Weight
BHP Group	Mining	8.1%
CSL Limited	Biotechnology	7.4%
Commonwealth Bank	Banks	5.3%
Goodman Group	REITS	4.7%
Santos Ltd	Oil & Gas	3.7%
National Australia Bank	Banks	3.6%
Macquarie Group	Banks	3.1%
QBE Insurance Group	Insurance	2.9%
James Hardie Industries	Building Materials	2.8%
Aristocrat Leisure	Entertainment	2.3%

Top International Stocks	Industry	Weight
Daiichi Sankyo	Pharmaceuticals	1.8%
Amazon.Com	Internet	1.7%
Equinix Inc	REITS	1.6%
Humana Inc	Healthcare-Services	1.6%
Tyler Technologies	Software	1.6%
Charles River	Healthcare-Services	1.6%
Intuitive Surgical	Healthcare-Products	1.5%
Zebra Technologies	Business Equipment	1.5%
Sika Ag	Building Materials	1.5%
Broadridge Financial	Software	1.5%

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