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# International Growth Assets Fund



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This fund aims to generate long-term growth for your portfolio by predominantly investing in the shares of companies based outside the UK. We select our pick of the best specialist managers and precisely blend them to take advantage of a range of investment opportunities and actively manage foreign currency. This management of assets in response to our market insights is designed to provide a strong performance while reducing investment risks. Capital invested in the Fund is at risk and there is no guarantee that the investment objective will be met. The Fund may use currency hedging techniques to reduce exposure to currencies other than Sterling. The fund utilises both active management and passive strategies in its implementation.

## Suggested use

This fund can be one of the key growth drivers in your portfolio and a diversifier to UK equities. Investments include companies based in the Americas, Europe, Asia and the Emerging Markets. Companies will typically be large, stable multi-nationals with good growth prospects, such as Walt Disney or Samsung.

## What happened this month?

The Fund outperformed the benchmark in May, with global markets continuing to recover this month. The technology and consumer discretionary sectors sold off modestly on expectations that spending would shift to larger capital projects and away from the names that had outperformed over the course of the pandemic. As such, the Fund's underweight to consumer discretionary names such as Alibaba, Tesla and technology company Apple, was rewarded. Overweights to industrial companies such as IHI Corp and Misumi Group, also had a positive impact. Further outperformance was held back by holdings within the consumer staples and utilities sectors.

Fund facts
<b>Inception date</b>
12 January 2010
<b>Sector</b>
IMA Global
<b>Benchmark</b>
MSCI AC World Net GBP 50% Hedged
<b>SEDOL</b>
B4KHXP4
<b>Ongoing Charge</b>
1.26% (31/05/20)
<b>Minimum investment</b>
£1,000 initial, £500 subsequent
<b>Currency</b>
GBP
<b>Distribution date</b>
28 February

## Cumulative performance to 31 May 2021 (%)

	1M	3M	1 Yr	3 Yrs	5 Yrs	Since Inception	Discrete 12 month performance (%)				
							31/03/16 31/03/17	31/03/17 31/03/18	31/03/18 31/03/19	31/03/19 31/03/20	31/03/20 31/03/21
Fund (Class C Acc)	1.0	8.9	35.5	42.0	94.9	248.8	24.2	7.9	6.9	-11.6	49.9
Benchmark	0.0	7.8	29.8	40.1	91.3	246.8	24.3	6.5	7.6	-9.2	44.2

Past performance is not a guide to future performance.

Source: Russell Investments as at May 31, 2021. All returns are cumulative, in GBP, net of C Class Fees. The fund is priced at market open (7am) so Fund prices have been moved a day later with benchmarks which price at market close (7pm).

The MSCI All Country World Index, Net 50% hedged to GBP has been chosen as a comparator benchmark for fund performance because it reflects the geographical diversification of the securities held by the Fund ("Comparator Benchmark").

The Fund is not obliged to hold all constituents of the Comparator Benchmark and its performance may deviate materially from the Comparator Benchmark.

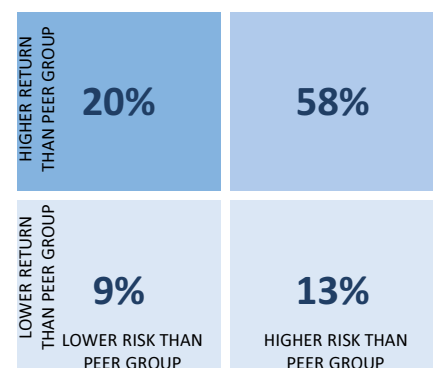
## Portfolio statistics

	Fund
Number of Managers	6
Number of Holdings	811
Volatility (since inception)*	13.4%
Highest One-Year Return	49.9%
Lowest One-Year Return	-11.7%
Positive One-Year Returns	82.4%
Current Yield	0.48%
Fund Size	£178.65M

Source: Russell Investments

\*Volatility describes the extent to which the fund return has fluctuated over time.

## Rolling 12-month Risk & Return †



Source: Morningstar, Russell Investments. Sector used is the Morningstar Europe OE Global Large-Cap Blend Equity Sector. Data as at previous quarter end.

† The vertical quadrants illustrate the percentage of 12-month periods the fund has delivered more or less return. The horizontal quadrants show how often the fund exhibited more or less volatility than the Morningstar Global Large-Cap Blend Equity sector.

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### Top ten holdings

Security	Fund
Microsoft Corp.	2.6%
Apple Inc.	2.2%
Taiwan Semiconductor Manufacturing Co Ltd	1.7%
Amazon.com, Inc.	1.7%
Facebook, Inc.	1.6%
Alphabet Inc. Class C	1.6%
Samsung Electronics Co., Ltd.	1.5%
MasterCard Inc.	1.2%
Alphabet Inc. Class A	1.2%
Johnson & Johnson	1.1%

Data as at 30 April 2021

### Sector weights

	Fund
Information Technology	22.4%
Financials	15.9%
Consumer Discretionary	12.9%
Health Care	10.7%
Industrials	10.1%
Communication Services	9.2%
Materials	6.3%
Consumer Staples	4.8%
Energy	2.7%
Utilities	1.9%
Others	3.0%

Data as at 30 April 2021

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