

VT AJ Bell Balanced

As at 30 September 2020

Investment objective

The fund looks to deliver long-term capital growth with a balanced approach between lower risk assets such as cash and fixed income and higher risk assets such as equities.

Investment approach

The fund looks to deliver the maximum return possible for a level of risk that investors are comfortable with.

To do this, the AJ Bell Investment team uses in-house modelling to design a highly diversified portfolio combining assets including; equities, bonds, commercial property and cash. This process has the consistent aim of delivering long-term returns, whilst smoothing out the worst of the market's volatility, to give a more predictable investment journey. This delivers returns efficiently, without compromising investors' tolerance for risk.

The fund invests in low-cost, passive instruments, such as ETFs and Index funds, that are designed to track the performance of indices such as; S&P 500 Index, FTSE 100 Index and Barclays Sterling Corporate Bond Index, to give exposure to a variety of asset classes across a diversified range of global markets. In addition, our focus on long-term investing helps minimise transaction costs, ensuring that there is minimal additional cost impact on the portfolio.

Top 10 holdings

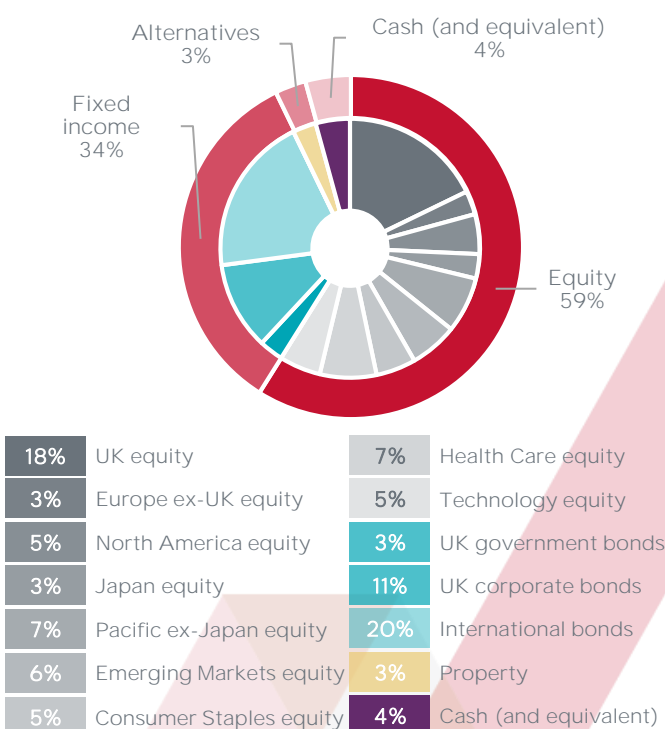
Holding	Weight (%)
iShares Core FTSE 100 ETF	14.87
Invesco GBP Corporate Bond ETF	10.98
JPMorgan Global High Yield Corporate Bond Multi-Factor ETF	7.99
Xtrackers MSCI US Health Care ETF	7.06
Vanguard FTSE Asia Pacific ex-Japan ETF	6.97
HSBC MSCI Emerging Markets ETF	5.98
iShares S&P 500 Information Technology ETF	5.17
Xtrackers MSCI US Consumer Staples ETF	4.98
Vanguard USD Emerging Markets Government Bond ETF	4.97
Vanguard S&P 500 ETF	4.97

Fund & share class information

Launch date	18 April 2017
Share class currency	GBP
Legal structure	UCITS
Valuation point	12:00 Midday
Dealing frequency	Daily
ISA/SIPP eligible	Yes
Initial charge	0.00%
Ongoing charges per annum ⁽¹⁾	0.34%
Available share classes	Acc
Fund size	£158.60M
ISIN	GBOOBYW8RX12
IA sector	IA Mixed Investment 40-85% Shares
Fund Manager	AJ Bell Asset Management Ltd



Asset allocation⁽²⁾



(2) Totals may not sum to 100% due to rounding.

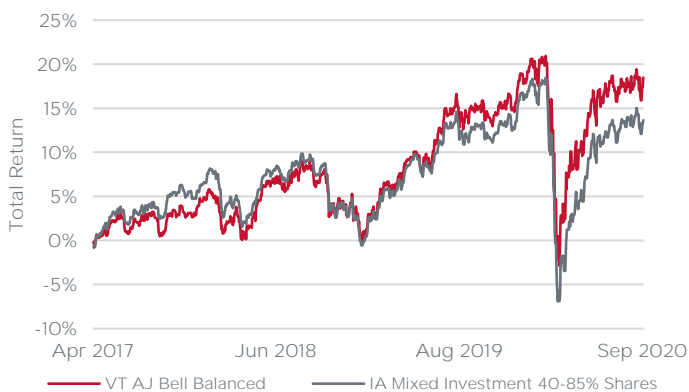
Performance⁽³⁾

Discrete performance (%)

	30/09/2019 - 30/09/2020	30/09/2018 - 30/09/2019	30/09/2017 - 30/09/2018
VT AJ Bell Balanced	1.73	7.09	6.61
IA Mixed Investment 40- 85% Shares	-0.05	4.31	5.36
IA Sector quartile	2nd	1st	2nd

Cumulative performance (%)

	1 Month	3 Months	6 Months	1 Year	3 Years	5 Years
VT AJ Bell Balanced	-0.02	0.98	12.77	1.73	16.14	-
IA Mixed Investment 40- 85% Shares	-0.38	1.87	15.22	-0.05	9.84	39.42
IA Sector quartile	1st	3rd	4th	2nd	2nd	-



(3) Due to its multi-asset nature, no financial instrument or index represents a fair benchmark for the Fund. However, to give context and enable an objective assessment of the Fund's performance, the IA (Investment Association) Mixed Investment 40-85% Shares sector average is included for reference. The Fund does not aim to track the IA sector as a benchmark. Performance is calculated on a net of fees basis.

Source: Morningstar as at 30 September 2020.

(1) The Investment Manager of the Fund has undertaken to absorb any costs that would otherwise cause the Fund to have ongoing charges in excess of 0.35%. This figure is as stated in the Key Investor Information Document at the time of publication.

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