

VT AJ Bell Income & Growth Q3 2021 Report

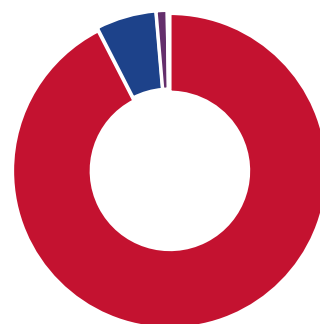
Commentary

The third quarter of 2021 saw a reversal of recent trends, and a tilt from so-called value stocks to those with favourable growth expectations and quality of earnings. With so many uncertainties around the strength of the global economic recovery, investors sought safety in these well-run companies that have strong earnings.

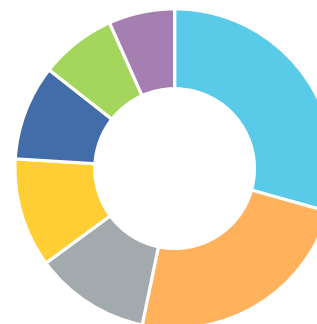
This was reflected in bond markets, too, which saw a flight to longer-dated, investment-grade bonds over the quarter. Despite fears of 'stagflation' – when the economy can't keep up with runaway inflation – bond prices stayed relatively stable, leading to a small, negative total return.

In the Income & Growth fund the majority of holdings are shares, meaning much of the distributed return is generated through the dividends of companies. These are globally diversified, and include an element of inflation-protection. The fund returned 1.4% over the quarter, leading to a 12-month return of 19.4%.

Asset Breakdown



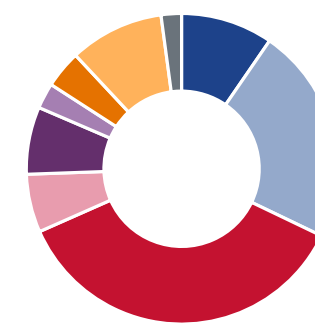
Shares Regional Breakdown



Shares Sector Breakdown



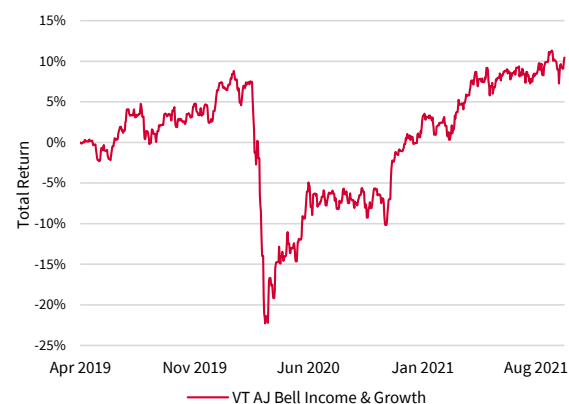
Bond Maturity Breakdown



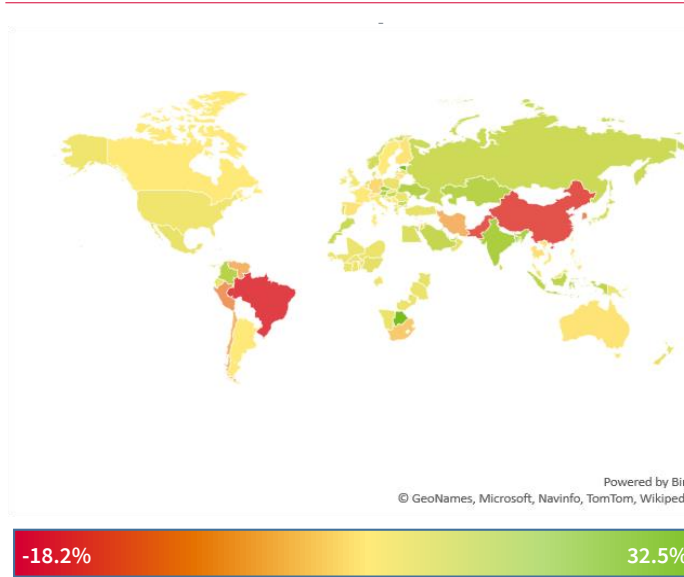
Trailing Returns (%)

Last quarter	1.9
Year to Date	9.7
1 Year	20.0

Historic Performance



Q3 2021 Stock Market Performance (in GBP)



Top 10 Holdings

	Weight (%)
Invesco S&P 500 High Dividend Low Volatility ETF	9.6
Fidelity US Quality Income ETF	9.5
Invesco FTSE Emerging Markets High Dividend Low Volatility E1	8.7
Schroder Oriental Income Trust	8.5
Fidelity Emerging Markets Quality Income ETF	8.4
Jupiter Japan Income	8.2
iShares Core FTSE 100 ETF	8.2
iShares MSCI World Quality Dividend ETF	6.7
Temple Bar Investment Trust	6.4
City of London Investment Trust	6.3

Fund Snapshot

ISIN (Distributing Class)	GB00BH3W7990
ISIN (Accumulating Class)	GB00BH3W7883
Inception Date	08/04/2019
Ongoing Charge	0.67%
Fund Size (£m)	36.14
12 Month Target Income	3-5%

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