VT AJ Bell Global Growth Q3 2020 Report



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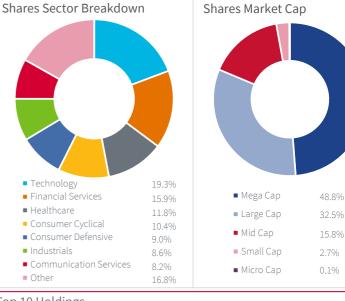
Commentary

It's been a tough quarter for UK shares. The COVID-19 pandemic saw the UK suffer the worst economic hit of any developed nation, followed by a perfect storm of localised lockdowns and the political uncertainty of ongoing Brexit negotiations. On top of that, a large part of the UK market is made up of so-called 'legacy' industries – such as parts of the energy sector – that have been around for a long time and are vulnerable to changes accelerated by the pandemic.

In the US, uncertainty around the presidential elections and a sell-off in technology shares has tempered otherwise good performance. In the Asia region, shares have also performed well: China is on the ascendancy, with rising economic growth levels putting it back on track, and Japanese shares have also had a boost.

As the Global Growth fund has a large exposure to emerging markets, it has been able to take advantage of these rising share prices. This performance has helped offset the falls in our UK exposures, leading to a total return of 1.7% over the quarter and a 12-month return of 0.6%.

Shares Regional Breakdown Asset Breakdown North America 25.9% United Kingdom 21.3% 97.1% Shares Asia Developed 16.2% Bonds 0.3% 13.8% Asia Emerging Cash 2.0% Australasia 8.0% ■ Europe Developed 6.1% Other 8.7% Other



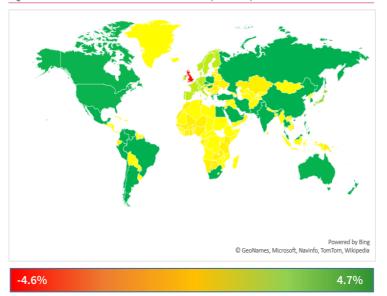
Trailing Returns (%)

Last quarter	1.7
Year to Date	-2.5
1 Year	0.6

Historic Performance



O3 2020 Stock Market Performance (in GBP)



Top 10 Holdings

	Weight (%)
Vanguard FTSE Asia Pacific ex-Japan ETF	17.9
HSBC MSCI Emerging Markets ETF	17.7
iShares Core FTSE 100 ETF	16.9
Vanguard S&P 500 ETF	14.0
iShares Core MSCI Emerging Markets IMI ETF	5.3
iShares S&P 500 Information Technology Sector ETF	5.2
Xtrackers S&P Europe ex-UK ETF	4.9
Lyxor Core MSCI Japan ETF	4.1
iShares Automation & Robotics ETF	3.0
Lyxor Morningstar UK ETF	3.0

Fund Snapshot

ISIN	GB00BD833W4	0
IA Sector	Flexible Investmen	ıt
Inception Date	11/06/201	8
Ongoing Charge	0.35%	6
Fund Size (£m)	41.6	5
12 Month Yield (Reinvested)	1.459	6

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