# the DC funds

Global Equities – **passive**as at 30 September 2019

# fund objective

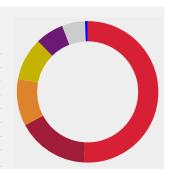
To provide long-term capital growth in excess of UK price inflation by investing in Global listed shares. The fund aims to perform in line with the benchmark as closely as possible.

# fund facts Launch date: 23 February 2007 Fund size: £2,896.46m Price per share: 217.00p Charges: Inv Mgmt Charges: 0.00% Additional Charges: 0.00%



geographical breakdown

Emerging Markets 9.78
 United Kingdom 6.47
 Asia Pac ex Jap Dev 5.28
 Middle East/Africa 0.58
 Total 100.00



#### Current underlying fund(s):

Legal & General Future World Fund

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developed markets only)

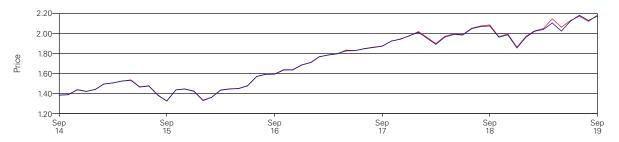
#### Benchmark:

FTSE All-World ex CW Climate Balanced Factor Index -75% GBP Hedged (developed markets only)

For 25 March 2015 to 14 February 2017 10% FTSE All-Share Index, 55% FTSE All-World (ex UK) Hedged Index, 20% FTSE All-World (ex UK) Index, 15% FTSE All-World (ex UK) Hedged Index, 15% FTSE All-World (ex UK) Hedged Index, 15% FTSE All-World (ex UK) Index, 10% FTSE All-World Emerging Markets Index. Prior to 18 August 2010, 40% FTSE All-Share Index, 45% FTSE All-World (ex UK) Hedged Index, 15% FTSE All-World (ex UK) Hedged Index, 15% FTSE All-World (ex UK) Index

# fund performance

	30 Sep 2018 - 30 Sep 2019 %	30 Sep 2017 - 30 Sep 2018	30 Sep 2016 - 30 Sep 2017 %	30 Sep 2015 - 30 Sep 2016 %	30 Sep 2014 - 30 Sep 2015 %
Fund	4.78%	10.74%	17.44%	20.12%	-4.26%
■ Benchmark	4.67%	11.19%	17.41%	20.12%	-4.12%
Relative Performance	0.11%	-0.45%	0.03%	0.00%	-0.14%



Rolling time period	3 months	6 months	1 year	3 year p.a.	5 year p.a.	Since launch
Fund	2.45%	6.52%	4.78%	10.86%	9.40%	117.20%
Benchmark	2.60%	6.46%	4.67%	10.97%	9.49%	115.91%
Relative Performance	-0.15%	0.06%	0.11%	-0.11%	-0.09%	1.29%

Past performance isn't a guide to future performance. The figures are shown in sterling and have been calculated using actual returns since the introduction of the current DC fund range.

**Source:** Morningstar, FIL Life Insurance Ltd. Single priced (i.e. no bid/offer spread), gross income reinvested and gross of fees. Indicative prices have been used if a portfolio valuation fell on a non-trading day.





## market commentary

Global equities performed positively over the quarter, supported by the accommodative monetary policy stance of major developed market central banks. However, global economic concerns, trade issues, uncertainty over Brexit and geopolitical tensions in the Middle East kept markets volatile. Notably, the US Federal Reserve (Fed) reduced interest rates twice over the quarter amid concerns about slowing global growth and the trade war with China. The European Central Bank (ECB) unveiled stimulus measures to support growth and inflation. The Chinese central bank cut the reserve requirement ratio to boost liquidity and introduced a key interest rate reform to reduce real borrowing costs. Central banks in Japan and England also indicated the possibility of rate cuts. Against this backdrop, US and Japanese equities were the leading performers, while Pacific ex Japan and European stocks lagged the broader market. Emerging markets underperformed developed markets.

# risk rating

■ Very Low ■ Low ■ Low/Medium ■ Medium ■ Medium/High ■ High ■ Very High
All investments carry a level of risk. You need to decide how much of each type of risk
you're prepared to take. The table below gives an overview of some of the risks associated with this fund.

risk type	description of risk	level of risk for this fund
Capital Risk	This is the risk that the value of your investments will fall. The younger you are, the less worried you might be about capital risk, because your investments have time to recover their value before your retire.	High
Inflation Risk	This is the risk that the value of your investments will grow more slowly than prices rise. Inflation can be a problem for pension savings invested in cash funds particularly if the interest you're earning is less than the rate of inflation.	Med
Pension Conversion Risk	The price of an annuity changes on a regular basis. This means that the amount of income you can secure with the same amount of money will change. Pension conversion risk is the risk that the amount of income you can buy drops before you retire, because your money is invested differently to annuity funds. That's why putting more of your DC pension pot into bonds to try to match annuity prices as you get closer to retirement age can help protect against this risk.	High

## About the factsheet

It is important to remember that the price of units can go down as well as up. There's no guarantee that you'll get back the amount that goes into your DC pension pot. Changes in rates of currency exchange, particularly where overseas securities are held, could also affect the value of your investment. Although the funds can typically be bought and sold on a daily basis, if an exceptional amount of withdrawals are requested, the fund manager may need to delay when you can access your holdings. All funds are provided through FIL Life Insurance Ltd and may invest in securities issued by or hold deposits with HSBC Holdings plc and associated companies.

The Trustee can change the underlying managers or funds at any time without member consent or prior notification.

Valuation time: Business days at 5:00pm (UK time)

Dealing Process: The cut off time for switch instructions is 2:00pm each business day.

#### Contact us

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#### Charges

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