the DC funds

UK Equities – **passive** as at 31 March 2020

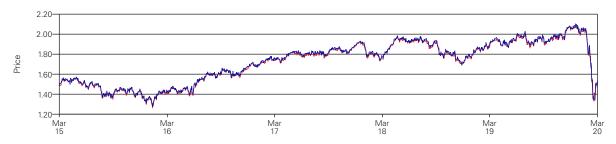
fund objective

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

fund facts	top 10 holdings		sector breakdow i	11
Launch date:		%		%
23 February 2007	1. Royal Dutch Shell	6.26	Financials	25.90
Fund size:	2. AstraZeneca	5.40	Consumer Goods	15.61
£19.90m	3. HSBC Holdings	5.26	Consumer Services	11.27
Price per share:	4. GlaxoSmithKline	4.24	Health Care	11.19
	5. BP	3.93	Industrials	11.06
·	6. British American Tobacco	3.60	■ Oil & Gas	10.37
Charges:	7. Diageo	3.40	Basic Materials	7.40
Inv Mgmt Charges: 0.00% Additional Charges: 0.00%	8. Unilever	2.53	Utilities	3.76
	9. Rio Tinto	2.33	 Telecommunications 	2.42
Current underlying fund(s): Legal & General UK Equity Index Fund	10.Reckitt Benckiser Group	2.21	Technology	1.02
	Total	39.16	Total	100.00

fund performance

	31 Mar 2019 -	31 Mar 2018 -	31 Mar 2017 -	31 Mar 2016 -	31 Mar 2015 -
	31 Mar 2020	31 Mar 2019	31 Mar 2018	31 Mar 2017	31 Mar 2016
	%	%	%	%	%
■ Fund	-18.33%	5.21%	1.48%	23.28%	-4.23%
■ Benchmark	-19.06%	5.87%	1.42%	21.93%	-4.32%
Relative Performance	0.73%	-0.66%	0.06%	1.35%	0.09%



Rolling time period	3 months	6 months	1 year	3 year p.a.	5 year p.a.	Since launch
Fund	-25.26%	-22.14%	-18.33%	-4.46%	0.58%	53.30%
Benchmark	-25.94%	-22.85%	-19.06%	-4.57%	0.25%	50.75%
Relative Performance	0.68%	0.71%	0.73%	0.11%	0.33%	2.55%

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

The UK equity market fell sharply in the first quarter of the year, recording its worst quarterly performance since 1987, amid increasing concerns over the fallout from the COVID-19 pandemic. UK equities had started the period on a positive note, extending gains seen in December post the general election results. Market momentum was supported by the signing of a much-awaited 'phase one' US-China trade deal, while locally, the UK Parliament approved the country's withdrawal from the European Union (EU). However, this initial optimism gave way to concerns over the rapid spread of COVID-19 cases across the world and its impact on economic and corporate activity, company earnings and dividends. At the same time, major oil producing countries could not reach a compromise to curb production, leading to a sharp drop in oil prices and exacerbating market volatility.

risk rating

■ Very Low ■ Low ■ Low/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

HSBC pays the investment management charges – not you. However, there may be costs within some of the funds and these will be reflected in the unit price. These nominal costs are variable and are likely to be between nil and 0.2% a year.

